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Fateful Decisions Hang In Balance As

FDR And Churchill Confer

Ration Stickers To Be Carried On Cars

To Prevent Chiseling Of Gasoline

Colored Stickers Will Be Issued With Ration Books Under Permanent Gas Rationing Program; Price Increase Hinted.

Washington, June 19.—(AP)—To nip any chiseling under the permanent eastern gasoline rationing system starting July 15, every automobile will have to carry a colored sticker showing the type of rationing book held by its driver, the office of price administration announced today.

Those holding the basic "A" card will receive, at the time the cards are issued, a black sticker with a large "A" printed on it in white and the words "gasoline ration" below. "B" stickers will be green, "C" stickers red, and "S" stickers, for commercial vehicles, brown.

John Dean, chief of OPA's fuel rationing branch, said he expected the system to prove an effective deterrent against any person obtaining and using gasoline ration books to which he is not entitled, inasmuch as he will come under constant public scrutiny.

Numerous letters have been received urging OPA to provide some means of public notice of the type of ration book issued to each car, Dean explained.

Another disclosure today was that a retail price increase on gasoline in the eastern shortage area is under study by the OPA and that a decision may be announced next week.

Declining to confirm reports that the increase might be three cents a gallon, one high official said the amount had not yet been decided upon.

Saboteurs Harass Nazis

Vichy, June 19.—(AP)—Another German troop train has been wrecked by saboteurs in occupied France and attempts at sabotage have been made against two other trains, it was revealed today.

The new efforts at sabotage become known when rewards to French railway men for preventing damage to trains were announced. In one case, the announcement said, a German troop train was wrecked and caught fire, but the blaze was brought under control.

In another case, two French linesmen discovered that a railway bridge had been mined, and signalled an express train in time to halt it. The third reward was given to a workman who apparently repaired some rails which had been damaged.

Cargo Vessel Sunk By Sub

Washington, June 19.—(AP)—The Navy announced today that a small United States merchant vessel had been shelled and sunk by an enemy submarine in the Caribbean and that survivors had been landed at an east coast port.

Survivors said that a lookout spotted the submarine surfacing nearly a mile astern of the ship at 7:30 a. m. the day of the attack.

The captain zigzagged the ship, as the submarine opened fire and began pursuit. After 15 minutes of shelling, the ship caught fire.

Twenty-one men and the captain took to a lifeboat, and nine men to a raft and pulled away as the submarine continued the shelling. The boat made land at noon the next day, and the men on the raft were picked up by a small patrol vessel and taken to a Caribbean port.

Jap Troops Concentrate In Manchuria

Chinese Sources Report Million Japanese Poised for Attack on Siberia if German Grand Offensive is Successful.

(By The Associated Press) High Chinese quarter declared today that Japan had massed nearly 1,000,000 troops in Manchuria and said new advances indicated that the Japanese planned to strike at Russian Siberia some time in July.

Neutral observers, however, expressed belief that Japan would not risk taking on a new enemy until Adolf Hitler had started his long delayed grand offensive against Russia—and until she was sure that the German push was succeeding.

Russia and Japan have a five-year neutrality and "friendship" pact signed April 13, 1941, which so far has been observed amid warnings by Moscow and Tokyo to each other against violations.

High quarters in Chungking, Chinese wartime capital, said the Japanese general staff preferred to postpone further thrusts into the southeast in favor of strategy affecting territory near Japan.

On the China fighting front, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's Chinese armies doggedly fought against a dozen or more Japanese invasion columns, chiefly in the eastern and southern provinces.

In the battle of Australia, an allied spokesman said the Japanese were using two new type planes—a lighter Zero fighter and a cannon-equipped medium bomber—and he added that the enemy was bombing with even less accuracy than in the Philippines.

General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said 18 heavy Japanese bombers escorted by fighters again attacked the allied outpost at Port Moresby, New Guinea, but succeeded in damaging only "one small ship."

United Nations' fliers intercepted the raiders and shot down two bombers and a fighter.

Aluminum Drive Fails

WPB Announces Figures Showing Less Than Half Expected Metal Was Collected.

Washington, June 19.—(AP)—In the midst of the government's campaign to salvage scrap rubber, was production board officials discovered today that the famous "pots and pans" aluminum collection drive last year turned up less than half of the metal they had expected.

For months, it was learned, WPB has been attempting to obtain conclusive and final reports on success or failure of the one-week aluminum campaign last July. Finally, what amounted to an official investigation was undertaken and a complete statistical report prepared.

The report, it was understood, showed that a total of about 11,200,000 pounds of aluminum and other scrap was collected—compared with the 20,000,000 pounds which had been predicted. Of this scrap, only 6,400,000 was in the form of aluminum, contrasted with a 15,000,000-pound forecast.

Of the scrap obtained, about 5,700,000 pounds of aluminum ingots actually has been sold the RFC metals reserve company, for resale to war industries and use in war production.

Nazi Channel Fort that Guards Against Invasion



A stern Nazi sentry patrols the outside of the gigantic Todt Battery on the German-held channel shore. The size of this fort, built to resist an invasion of the continent, can be judged by comparing it to the soldier (under sentry's hand) shown walking from an entrance. It was constructed by Dr. Fritz Todt, builder of the Siegfried Line, and named in his honor. This photograph of part of the huge concrete emplacement was taken from a German magazine.

British Lose Ship In Sea-Air Fight

Perry Dies Of Injuries

Durham, June 19.—(AP)—Nathaniel Perry, assistant chief of police at Crockett, was injured fatally and Highway patrolman Samuel Taylor, 25, who is stationed in Oxford, was critically injured last night when an automobile driven by Taylor was in collision with a truck on the Oxford highway, nine miles from Durham.

The accident occurred around 10 o'clock and Perry and Taylor were brought to Wata's hospital here. Perry died this morning at 5:33 o'clock. Taylor was reported to be in fair condition today.

The name of the driver of truck could not be learned here this morning. He was not injured.

Some Workers Remain Out On Strike

Detroit, June 19.—(AP)—Day shift employees of the Hudson naval ordnance plant, who quit their machines yesterday in protest against the employment of Negroes, returned to their jobs today but a group of several hundred walked right out again.

Captain A. S. Witherspoon, Army officer in charge of the plant, declined to disclose the exact number of workers who refused to listen to pleas of Richard T. Frankenstein, United Automobile Workers-CIO regional director, that there be no further delay in war production.

Captain Witherspoon declared, however, that the huge plant was "staggering to its feet."

"The bulk of the men are complying with the request of union officials that they go back to work," he added.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Little change in temperature tonight, a few widely scattered showers and thunderstorms west and north portions this afternoon.

Destroyer Sunk, Six German Junkers 88's Downed, Four Spanish Fishing Trawlers Lost in Melee Off French Coast.

London, June 19.—(AP)—A wild sea and air melee 100 miles off the French Atlantic coast on Wednesday which resulted in the destruction of four Spanish fishing trawlers, the 1,120-ton British destroyer Wild Swan and half of an attacking force of twelve German dive bombers was disclosed today by the British admiralty.

Chronologically, this was what happened, according to the admiralty communiqué:

1. A dozen Junkers 88's roared in on the 23-year-old destroyer on Wednesday evening and "also" turned their attention to a Spanish trawler fleet which was fishing in the vicinity," as the admiralty expressed it.

2. Three of the little Spanish vessels were sunk and a fourth was damaged.

3. The Wild Swan shot down four of the twelve Junkers and two others, which probably were winged by the destroyer's guns, collided and crashed into the sea.

4. The Wild Swan, herself damaged, collided accidentally with the damaged Spanish trawler, sending the fishing boat under.

5. The Wild Swan subsequently sank.

Eleven members of the trawler crew and bulk of the Wild Swan's complement were saved.

ROBESON FARMER SENTENCED TO DIE

Lumberton, June 19.—(AP)—Judge Walter H. Bone today sentenced Palmer Meares, 35-year-old farmer, to die in the gas chamber at State prison, Raleigh, July 17, for the slaying of his neighbor, George Allen, 63.

Notice of appeal was given, which will automatically postpone execution of the sentence, made mandatory by a first degree murder verdict returned by a jury in superior court yesterday.

"I'm not guilty of premeditated murder," said Meares when asked if he had anything to say. He was calm when Judge Bone passed sentence.

Solons Feud Over 'Scoop'

Brewster Charges House Subcommittee With Seeking to Beat Senate Group.

Washington, June 19.—(AP)—A feud between Senate and House committees over investigation of the war effort flared up today with a charge by Senator Brewster, Republican, Maine, that a House military affairs subcommittee had "rushed out its report on dollar-a-year men to try and get a scoop."

Brewster, a member of the special Senate committee appointed to investigate national defense, said in an interview this was the second time that the House investigating group had tried to beat the Senate group with a report, the other instance being aluminum production and its export that everything was OK.

Brewster and Chairman Truman, Democrat, Missouri, told the Senate yesterday that they had been asked to hold up their report criticizing delays in the war production board and dollar-a-year men and that during the interval the House group released its report giving the business executives a clean bill of health.

"Of course if one report comes Wings Over Turkey.

London, June 19.—(AP)—Reuters said today it had recorded a Berlin broadcast by DNB reporting that 13 or 14 United States aircraft making for the Black sea flew over Turkish territory last night.

Credits Plan Is Rejected

Washington, June 19.—(AP)—The House ways and means committee, although it has adopted the principle of post-war tax credits to corporations, nevertheless rejected today the first such specific proposal to come to a vote.

Neither Chairman Doughton, Democrat, North Carolina, nor Representative Cooper, Democrat, Tennessee, would divulge details of the rejected plan, and Cooper told news- men who sought an explanation of it, "it is too complicated for me to give."

Win-War Strategy Talk Highlighted By Allied Reverse

Hitler's Headquarters Reports 'Decisive Success' in Piercing Northern Defense Line in Sevastopol; Other War News.

(By The Associated Press)

Fateful decisions hung in the balance today as Prime Minister Churchill, arriving in the United States for the second time in seven months, conferred with President Roosevelt on win-the-war strategy and presumably on the urgency of creating a second front in Europe.

The urgency was highlighted as Adolf Hitler's field headquarters asserted that German shock troops, scoring "decisive success," had pierced the last northern defense lines in the siege of Sevastopol.

The Nazi command said axis troops attacking from the north had reached Sevastopol Bight, opposite the town of Sevastopol. "The entire northern part of the fortress with the exception of one coastal fort in the southwestern sector has thus fallen into German hands after twelve days of heavy fighting," a German communiqué said.

Under siege for eight months, the great Black sea naval base is the last Russian stronghold in the Crimea barring the way of a Nazi thrust into the rich Caucasus oil fields.

With the need for allied counter blows sharpened by critical developments in the battles of North Africa and Soviet Crimea, world capitals displayed electric excitement over Churchill's new flight across the Atlantic.

In London, British newspapers hailed it as definite evidence of momentous events in the making.

"Second front talks start," said the London Daily Express.

High significance was attached to the fact that Churchill was accompanied by General Sir Alan Francis Brooke, chief of the imperial general staff, who last month told American troops in northern Ireland their opportunity to fight "will come soon."

Other London quarters said they believed one of Churchill's main purposes was to seek more United States help in holding the Middle East against expected German thrusts from Libya toward Egypt and from Soviet Ukraine into the Caucasus.

These quarters said the gravity of the Libyan desert battle situation was likely to postpone until 1943 any really big allied land offensives in western Europe.

In Washington, Presidential Secretary Stephen Early announced Churchill's arrival with (Continued on Page Four)

Senate Gets Navy Bill

Huge Construction Measure Passed Unanimously by House; Army Funds Next.

Washington, June 19.—(AP)—An \$8,850,000,000 ship construction measure designed to give the United States fleet unquestioned world supremacy went to the Senate today after winning unanimous and enthusiastic House passage.

The House appropriations committee began immediately the final stages of its study of the Army's requirements, with the likelihood that a record high bill of approximately \$40,000,000,000—more than the entire direct cost of World War No. 1—would emerge for action Tuesday.

For the past week, a subcommittee on military expenditures has been consulting high ranking Army officials, and its report probably will offer new evidence of the Army's expanding strength, both in men and material.

The unprecedented naval expansion measure was passed by the House yesterday on a roll call vote of 316 to 0, after naval committee members declared completion of the program in 1946 would find this country's fleet stronger than the combined navies of all the rest of the world.

MADLINE WEGG SENT TO PRISON FOR LIFE

New York, June 19.—(AP)—Madeline Webb, 28-year-old Stillwater, Okla., model, was sentenced today to life imprisonment for her part in the murder of Mrs. Susan Flora Reich, wealthy refugee.

Her lover, Eli Shorbrum, and John D. Cullen, convicted with her, were sentenced to die in the electric chair during the week of July 17.

SOVIET CITIZENS SENT TO PRISON FOR ANKARA PLOT

Moscow, June 19.—(AP)—The Russian press denounced today as "shocking" the sentencing at Ankara of two Soviet citizens charged with complicity in a miscarried bomb plot against the German ambassador to Turkey, Franz von Papen.

The defendants, Georgia Pavlov and Leonid Korolov, were convicted Wednesday at the Turkish capital and each was sentenced to 20 years imprisonment. Two co-defendants, naturalized Turks from Yugoslavia, who testified for the state, were sentenced to ten years each.

Von Papen and his wife escaped serious injury when a bomb exploded near them in an Ankara street on February 24.

Gable Seeks Commission

Washington, June 19.—(AP)—The Washington Evening Star says that Clark Gable, the movie actor, took a physical examination at Boling Field here today, seeking a commission in the Army Air Forces.

"It was understood on reliable authority," the Star reported, "that if Mr. Gable passes the physical examination, he will be commissioned as a major."

The public relations section of the air forces said it had no comment to make at this time.

Gable has not been active publicly since his glamorous blond wife, Actress Carole Lombard, was killed in a passenger plane accident several months ago.