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Farm Bureau Head Calls Protest Meet On Tobacco Prices

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PICTURED on her arrival by plane in Miami, Fla., is Carmen Uribe, 12, of Bogota, Colombia. She is en route to Warm Springs, Ga., for treatment of infantile paralysis, from which she has suffered since the age of two. Her trip was made possible by an appeal to President Roosevelt. (International)

Meet at Wilson Tomorrow Night; Protests Lodged With Government

Washington, Aug. 10—(AP)—The office of price administration said today it is "considering some action to ease the market handling" of the tobacco crop—but it won't mean more money for the growers. An OPA official asserted the agency could not say what action would be taken because plans haven't been completed, "but it definitely will not mean any more money."

Wilson, Aug. 10—(AP)—J. E. Winslow of Greenville, president of the North Carolina Farm Bureau, issued a call today for a meeting to be held here tomorrow night to discuss efforts to get a higher ceiling on tobacco prices.

We saw and produced a 50c stalk were entitled to a higher price because of their practice of cutting their tobacco graded and tied where as Georgia, where the same 4c stalk ceiling is now in effect, the tobacco is sold here.

The peanut crop and cotton program for next year will also be discussed, Winslow announced.

(By The Associated Press) A South Carolina delegation, headed by Senator Burke R. Maybank and Governor Olin D. Johnston, has appealed to the office of price administration and President Roosevelt, respectively, to eliminate the OPA's 8 1/2 cent ceiling price on flue cured tobacco, thus permitting growers to "sell tobacco on the open market without a ceiling price."

Joining in support of Governor Johnston and the South Carolina delegation was North Carolina Governor, J. M. Broughton, who urged his protest against the ceiling to the OPA and to Commodity Credit Corporation President J. B. Hutson.

Senator Maybank said the South Carolina ceiling should be at least 15 cents per pound. The OPA's present ceiling price of 4 1/2 cents is based on average prices in the flue-cured belt ranging from Virginia to Georgia.

He said the 11-cent level was inequitable to South Carolina since tobacco sold in his state is graded and tied whereas in Georgia it is sold ungraded and untied.

Governor Broughton in his message to the OPA and Hutson asserted that grading brought the work of tobacco at least five cents per pound.

BORDER BELT SALES CONTINUE 'LIGHT'

Raleigh, Aug. 10—(AP)—Tobacco sales on the border belt continued "light" Monday, W. P. Hedrick, state department of agriculture tobacco marketing specialist, reported.

He said that there was less than enough tobacco for a half day's sales in the stores when the leaf markets opened this morning.

"Farmers still are holding their offerings in the hope that the ceiling on graded and tied leaf will be raised above the present \$41 per hundred pounds," he said.

FDR Calls Plan Parley

State Department Advisers Confer at White House on Post-War Plans

Washington, Aug. 10—(AP)—President Roosevelt arranged a conference today with his State department advisers on post-war planning, headed by Secretary of State Hull.

The advisers attending were Undersecretary of States Welles, Chairman Norman Davis of the Red Cross, Dr. Isaiah Bowman of the Johns Hopkins University, and Dr. Leo Pasovolsky, special assistant secretary of State in charge of post-war planning.

Another caller at the White House was Senator Haleh, Democrat of New Mexico, who said he told the President of his observations on a tour of the country discussing a pending Senate resolution for international cooperation after the war.

Heavy Warships Shell Enemy On Sicily;

Ground Forces Gain

Soviet Armies Converge On Kharkov

AFTER ALLIED RAID ON LE CREUSOT



TAKEN FROM A NAZI-CONTROLLED propaganda magazine, this photo shows workers digging in the ruins of the buildings wrecked by Allied bombs in the raid on Le Creusot, France. Of course there are no pictures of the severe damage done to the Schneider plant machine shops, which made war equipment for the Nazis. (International)

Big Bombers Range Pacific Battle Area

Vice President Denies Report Of New Setup

Washington, Aug. 10—(AP)—Vice President Wallace, discounting reports that he may be called on by President Roosevelt to assume general control over agricultural production, pricing and marketing, declared today he intends to keep hands off price and food administration problems.

"There is nothing to those reports," Wallace told an interviewer. He referred to a statement published recently by Spader, a magazine circulated among agricultural adjustment administration county committees, that the Vice President was the "biggest bet" to head a possible new production-pricing and price administration and the war food administration.

"I have not given the OPA any advice and I have not given Marvin Jones (the war food administrator) any advice and I don't intend to," Wallace said.

Call Sounded For Resources Plan For State

In the Sir Wazler Hotel, Daily Dispatch Bureau, By LYNN MISRETT.

Raleigh, Aug. 10—You newspapers fellows make me tired, always playing up North Carolina's mineral and water and forestry resources, instead of pointing out how we are failing to capitalize on them."

The speaker was a well-known business executive, who declined permission to quote him by name, but who engaged on his theme and offered some really constructive suggestions.

"Every Tar Heel knows North Carolina is a better state than Georgia or South Carolina," he continued, "but if we don't wake up we won't be better ten years from now. Why don't you fellows find out that a group of Georgia business men have formed an association and are putting up money to save Georgia from being a backwater and dying."

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More Than 100 Villages Recaptured

Nearest Column Only Twelve Miles From Nazi-Held City; Retreat in Disorder

Moscow, Aug. 10—(AP)—The fast rolling Soviet offensive mounted speed today as Russian troops surpassed the westernmost point reached during last winter's campaign and hammered forward along a wide front reaching to within twelve miles of Kharkov.

While one column was within twelve miles to Kharkov on the north another was 20 miles west of the city, a third was 20 miles away and a fourth was driving south after crossing the western bank of the northern Donets river and was within 25 miles of the big Ukrainian center.

(The Berlin radio reported heavy fighting in the Kharkov area and also said the Russians had launched an offensive to the north in the direction of Smolensk.)

The Soviet forces also were stepping up their assaults in the drive on the big German base of Bryansk, 250 miles to the north of Kharkov. The spearhead of the Red army there had covered one-third of the 75-mile distance between Orel, the German base which fell last week, and Bryansk.

The Kharkov assault resulted in the capture of more than 100 villages, the Russian communication said. Indications that the German forces were retreating in some disorder were seen in the Russian report of the capture of 212 tanks, 129 guns of various calibers, 96 mortars, 223 machine guns, 618 motor trucks, 20 radio transmitters, eleven supplies and munitions depots, 315 loaded railway cars and 500 horse-drawn carts.

The Soviet news also announced that the Russian advance on Kharkov presented a serious danger of encirclement to the city and that troops occupying the base, the communication indicated. The Soviet air force rained bombs on the German army which the report said would be forced to retreat.

The heaviest bomb loads were released on Salamaua and Vila, presumably the next major objectives of a two-pronged thrust directed at the great enemy base of Rabaul, New Britain.

Successive flights of Liberators rained on Salamaua, dropping 102 tons of bombs in 40 minutes. Damage was heavy at headquarters communications.

Liberators teamed up with medium bombers under a lighter cover of Wildcats in two attacks on Vila yesterday, dropping 64 tons of bombs and setting huge fires. It was the heaviest bombing attack yet made on Vila, one of the enemy's few remaining strongpoints in the central Solomons.

Across Kila Gull, torpedoes and five bombs smashed 22 tons of bombs upon much battered Bairoko harbor, ten miles north of Munda. Results were not reported.

Two thousand miles westward, (Continued on Page Two)

General Listens In



CHIEF of the U. S. Army Air Forces, Gen. H. Arnold, enjoys a conversation over the Army's new walkie-talkie portable radio. The four-star general is watching a glider demonstration by the First Troop Carrier Command at the Lumburg-Maxton army base at Maxton, N. C. (International)

Nazi Troops Pushed Back Into Corner

Americans Capture 1,500 Germans; Main American Army Body Is Contacted

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, Aug. 10—(AP)—Allied ground forces made progress everywhere along the front in Sicily, allied headquarters announced today, as heavy warship units rained torrents of shells on the enemy's exposed coastal positions.

Announcing that American doughboys captured 1,500 Germans in the last 24 hours of leading behind the British and Cape Orlando "and on night—a feat which resulted in the fall of the enemy's northern coastal anchor positions at San Fratello and San Agata—a navy communication said heavy U. S. warships continued to batter a way for the seventh army.

British destroyers scuttled the coastal road and railway at Riposa, after blasting at similar targets at Taormina.

The progress of the troops, advancing toward the Messina tip, was officially described as "slow and steady" with the enemy resorting to "every device to hold up the relentless advance of our forces."

However, the Germans' position "daily becomes more difficult," the communication said, despite heavy demolitions aimed at the road and lack of roads which intervened with swift Allied movements.

The British eighth army was described as making considerable progress in pushing toward Mt. Etna, advancing on the coastal shelf between the sea and inland and the sea and pushing on beyond Riposa on the main axis of the mountain toward Taormina. The British were reported to have seized miles from "the water" point, a communications link with the enemy's position.

Fighting between the British and Americans was said to have closed the gap between the two armies in that sector where the Americans had pushed past Catania to within ten miles of the sea.

The American raiding party which landed in the Germans' rear at Taormina has succeeded in contacting the main body of Lieutenant General George S. Patton, Jr.'s seventh army. It was stated.

Meanwhile, the allied air fleets (Continued on Page Two)

RAF Raids Nazi Cities

Twin Rhine Cities Attacked Last Night; Nine Planes Missing From Large Flights

London, Aug. 10—(AP)—Big formations of the RAF's heavy bombers blasted Mannheim and Ludwigshafen last night while speedy Mosquito bombers attacked targets in the industrial Ruhr valley, the air ministry announced today.

Nine bombers were lost during the night's operations, in the course of which RAF fighters attacked enemy airfields and railways in France and the Low Countries, smashing down two enemy aircraft, a communication said.

Large fires were reported at Mannheim and Ludwigshafen, both of which situated on opposite banks of the Rhine near its junction with the Neckar, 43 miles southwest of Frankfurt.

Together the two towns form an important industrial center. (Continued on Page Two)

CHURCHES ENLISTED IN LABOR CAMPAIGN

Washington, Aug. 10—(AP)—The War Production Board today began a nationwide drive through churches to get war workers to stay on their jobs.

WPA Vice Chairman Joseph D. Kepner, after meeting here with representatives of various religious groups, said they had agreed to push the campaign to help lagging war production meet its scheduled goals.

TO RETIRE

M. Howard, Aug. 10—(AP)—Dr. R. C. Anderson, president, Treasurer and Manager of the Mountain Retreat Association of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, is retiring from active management of the association.

Return Of Kidnapped Baby Reveals Bizarre Birth Hoax

Albany, Aug. 10—(AP)—Tiny June Gurney, kidnapped from the Albany hospital last Tuesday, was found alive and healthy last night, and police today investigated the bizarre story of a 26-year-old Army sergeant charged with the abduction.

District Attorney Harold Weirick said the woman, Mrs. Catherine Wright, found her husband a young couple living with her just months before their three months of married pregnancy, then appeared at her last Tuesday with a two-day old baby.

She confessed to a child stealing charge, Weirick said, but only after her story of giving birth to the child in the Albany hospital had been refuted by police and doctors. (Continued on Page Two)

Draft Chief Can't Guess On Dad-Draft

Los Angeles, Aug. 10—(AP)—Secretary Service Director Lewis B. Hershey frankly admits "there are too many irresponsible, uneducated, ignorant and untrained men in the world to guess as to what may happen in the future draft."

"You tell me what the situation is today in Russia and in the Pacific and I'll tell you how the draft will be working," said the major general, here to testify before a House military affairs subcommittee.

"I can't make any predictions about fathers or essential workers—too many irresponsible, uneducated, ignorant men in the world," he added in a press conference, "but you may rest assured that we will engage the bottom of the barrel and pool all the manpower we can get before we turn to fathers."

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Continued rather warm today and tomorrow.

Some Shells To Be Made For Hunters

Washington, Aug. 10—(AP)—The war production board today reported today ready to allocate enough materials for the manufacture of 100,000,000 shotgun shells for hunting this fall, one-sixth of the output in peacetime years.

The disclosure was made by the Defense Department, which said WPA officials had agreed to the program after it was explained that game birds were causing great damage to crops.

WPA authorities some time ago said there would be "some ammunition" for hunting but emphasized that that time it would be held to a minimum. Later, it was said in some quarters, a hunter would have to show that he was eliminating pests—and thus giving the farmer a break—before he could get shells.

The Bushfield announcement indicated that the release of the ammunition would be without such strings attached, however. No shotgun shells were manufactured for hunters last year. About 3,000,000 were allocated in special cases out of stocks on hand to supplement those held over by hunters from the 1941 season.