

Navy Reveals Troop Losses In Atlantic

OPA Fixes Prices On Fresh Vegetables

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22—(UP)—More than 850 American service men and civilians were lost in the North Atlantic early this month in the torpedoing of two medium sized United States cargo ships—the heaviest loss suffered by the United States in this war—the Navy revealed today.

The ships were carrying a total of 1400 passengers, army, navy, marine, and coast guard personnel as well as civilians. The Navy listed more than half of this number as dead or missing.

Enemy submarines sank the vessels within four days of one another in night attacks in an undisclosed area. Names of the ships were not disclosed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22—(UP)—The OPA tonight imposed emergency ceiling prices on five fresh staple vegetables effective tomorrow to halt a sharp price climb resulting from the program to ration canned goods.

Under the order fruit distributors may not sell tomatoes, carrots, cabbage, peas, or snap beans—green or waxed—at prices higher than those charged during the five day period February 18-22.

Allied Officers and Men Lost In Plane Crash

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22—(UP)—The War Department disclosed today that 25 additional American and British officers and enlisted men are missing in a transport plane flight across the South Atlantic that cost the life of Major Arthur Mills whose body was washed ashore in a life-raft at Natal, Brazil last week.

German Tanks Attack Tunisian Communications

ALLIED HDQ., North Africa, Feb. 22—(UP)—Heavy German tank attacks drove tonight to within four miles of British defended Thala, anchor of the Allied vital Tunisia communications system, but military quarters said "the situation is under control."

Tension Mounts As Gandhi Survives Severe Crisis

POONA, India, Feb. 22—(UP)—Tension increased tonight as Mohandas K. Gandhi, 73 year old nationalist leader survived a crisis in the 13th day of his three week fast, and Wm. Phillips, American special envoy, again conferred with Indian leaders at New Delhi.

Roosevelt Praises Red Army, People

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22—(UP)—President Roosevelt tonight told Soviet Premier Josef Stalin that the Red army and the Russian people "have surely started the Hitler forces to ultimate defeat and have earned the lasting admiration of the people of the United States."

Red Armies Account For 9,000,000 Nazis

LONDON, Feb. 22—(UP)—Russia's fighting millions bearing alone the full weight of the war in the absence of a second front in Europe have started the mass expulsion of the Axis from the country and have put out of action in 20 months nine million troops, including four million killed.

Farm Bloc Charges Manpower Inefficiency

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22—(UP)—Farm representatives See NEWS BRIEFS, page 4

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Navy Permits College Sports For Trainees

V-12's May Take Extracurriculars

WASH. Feb. 22—(UP)—The US Navy has come to the rescue of collegiate athletics to some extent by ruling that students in its college training program be permitted to engage in sports, but observers said today that a 12 hour schedule per day for studies and other compulsory activities would likely keep the number of participants small.

Unofficial information available today reveals that Navy students be required to fill a 12 hour per day schedule starting on the opening day of the program which has been set for about July 1.

The Navy ruling, unlike that of the army, permits the students to take part in intercollegiate athletics if they can find the necessary time and have the necessary physical stamina. The ruling was announced Saturday.

It said, "During their college training Navy students may take part in all college athletics and other campus activities provided such activities do not interfere with their prescribed hours or courses of study.

"Any student who is able to meet the requirements of the curriculum which includes compulsory drill, swimming and setting up exercises and is able to devote additional time to participation in college athletics or other extra curricular activities will be permitted to do so."

However the number of participants in extra curricular activities remains to be seen. The Navy has made it plain that the courses will be difficult, the discipline strict, and the curricular life intense, and it is probable that few athletes will find time or strength to play football or any other intercollegiate games.

On the other hand it has been diagnosed that such compulsory drill may make the students so tough physically that they will not require a great deal of overtime training to fit them for athletic competition.

The program from which will come specifically trained officers for the Navy, marine corps, and the coast guard will get under See NAVY, page 4

French Society Holds Induction Of New Members

Twenty-one students and four members of the faculty of the French department have been invited to membership in Tau Psi Omega, national honorary French fraternity.

Initiation will be held tonight at the home of M. Georges Lury. Members and candidates will gather at 7:30 in front of the YMCA, dressed in evening clothes.

Tau Psi Omega was brought to this campus a year ago to further interest in the French language and culture. The membership includes French majors and outstanding students in the sophomore French course. Meetings are held twice a month and only French is spoken during the program.

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Golden Fleece Taps 12 Men In Ceremony

Harward Revealed As Group Leader

In their annual tapping ceremony moved up to an earlier date this year because of the rapid departure of students into the armed services, the Golden Fleece Sunday night tapped 12 men into the honorary society.

Presided over by the newly revealed Jason, Bucky Harward, the ceremonies began at 8:30 p. m. in Graham Memorial with the reading of the story of Jason's quest for the golden fleece by Dr. Sherman Smith. Then the house lights in the building were dimmed, and with two spotlights from the stage following them, hooded, active members of the Fleece began searching out those who were to be tapped indicating the chosen men by seizing them by their shoulders and lifting them from their seats.

The students tapped Sunday night are Ben Snyder, Cynwyd, Pa.; Denny Hammond, Atlanta, Ga.; Sylvan Meyer, Atlanta, Ga.; Hayden Carruth, Pleasantville, N. Y.; Dick Adler, New York; Bert Bennett, Winston-Salem, N. C.; John Robinson, Charlotte; Steve Karres, Charlotte; Steve See FLEECE, page 4

OPA Ruling Permits Driving to Graduation

A ruling by Prentiss Brown's OPA that the pleasure-driving ban would be lifted for graduations assured many of the parents of the 100 to 150 March graduating students that they would be able to attend the exercises.

This decision was released late last week and Harry Comer and other graduation committee heads have confirmed its application to Carolina's precedent-breaking March 14 commencement.

Comer also stated that it was found that there were enough caps and gowns now on hand to outfit the students who will get their diplomas in March. As a result, the meeting in the YMCA for measurements has been cancelled and the class will meet next week to get their commencement clothing. The definite time will be announced in the DAILY TAR HEEL.

The banquet committee, composed of non-graduating seniors, went ahead with plans for the honorary dinner on Saturday night, March 13. They promised that there will be "no long speeches," and published a list of guests that includes Dr. Graham, Deans Parker and Hobbs and Chancellor Harry Woodburn Chase if he arrives in time.

Chase, present chancellor of New York University and former Carolina president, has been named the commencement exercise speaker and will be introduced by Dean House.

War Restricts Celebration Of Anniversary

Paper Started As Sports Page

By Sam Whitehall The end of one half-century in student journalism here is marked today as the DAILY TAR HEEL briefly pauses in its coverage of the news to celebrate its fiftieth birthday "without pomp and ceremony."

Extensive celebration plans were cancelled as the noted leaders in the field of journalism, several who were former editors, had to decline invitations to attend because of pressing work occasioned by the war. Paper and labor shortages caused the absence of the multi-page special issue in commemoration of the anniversary usual in former years as "the oldest college daily in the South" today observes its "proudest day" with slight reflection and little fanfare in wartime fashion.

Rising from February 23, 1893 when the first TAR HEEL hit the streets of Chapel Hill, the exclusive publication with its jealously guarded freedom has become a small replica of a metropolitan newspaper.

First begun as a publication of the Athletic association, the campus organ has included in its masthead as editor the names of University president Frank P. Graham, Thomas Wolfe, famed author, Jonathan Daniels, former editor of the Raleigh News and Observer and now on special duty to the president in Washington, Lenoir Chambers, associate editor of the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, Thomas C. Lynn, Near Eastern expert for the New York Times, R. D. W. Connor, former National Archivist and at present a professor here, and Jake Wade, sports editor of the Charlotte Observer.

Its beginning as a sports page with its major story printed 20 days after the event was in a delapidated storeroom next to the old Methodist church. Founded by Charles Baskerville and Walter "Pete" Murphy, the paper started as a weekly, stepped up to bi-weekly in 1920 and entered the daily field in 1928. Since, editors have steadily organized and modernized the format and content to fit present newspaper standards.

The proud nomen "only college daily in the South" was altered to that of "the oldest" See CELEBRATION, page 4

Government Jobs Open to Students

The federal government has announced the need of men and women to do research and testing work in the following technical and scientific fields: chemistry, geology, geophysics, mathematics, metallurgy, meteorology, physics and radio.

Any person having completed one year of college study, including one course in the option applied for, may qualify. Also anyone is qualified who has completed one year of experience or training in one of these fields as approved by the U. S. Office of education.

Applications will be accepted See GOVERNMENT, page 4

Di To Discuss Military Training At Meet Tonight

At its last program meeting of this quarter, the Dialectic senate will discuss the question of post war mandatory military service for all men tonight at 7:30 in the Di hall, 3rd floor of New West.

A bill to provide for mandatory post-war military training for all able bodied men was recently introduced into the national Congress. The bill is scheduled to show extensive debate involving important questions of the post-war policy of the government.

Debate Council Meets At 9 p. m. Tonight

The Debate council will meet tonight at 9 p. m. in the Grail room.