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# French May Put Down Arms Today

Also Asserted in Italy Mexico to Quadruple
That French Plenipotentiaries On Way to Bordeaux; Reported Terms 'Too Harsh'

Hostilities between France and the axis armies are expected to cease Friday-or Saturday at the latestthe official Italian news agency reported today, asserting that French plenipotentiaries have started back to Bordeaux with the terms dictated by Hitler and Mussolini.

The place of meeting between the French envoys who arrived in a snow white airplane "somewhere" in German occupied northern France was not given.

Berlin blaming "the difficulties of news" transmission via Spain, said a French government communication naming France's four peace plentipotentiaries did not reach the German government until 1 a. m., today (6 p. m., EST, Wednesday).

It could be transmitted to the fuehrer only at 4 a. m., the broadcast said.

The high command thereupon gave the necessary instruction immediately and made preparations for receiving the French armistice delega-

Hitler's high command meanwhile announced the fall of Lyon, third largest city in France, 200 north of Marseille, and the capture of more than 200,000 allied prisoners, including General Altmeyer, commander of the tenth French army.

Fifty thousand French soldiers from the Maginot line surrendered their arms this morning to Swiss soldiers and poured across the French

The German radio declared that "numbers of the French government are not at all agreed on the question of laying down arms"-lending credence to unconfirmed reports that France has learned the gist of the axis terms, found them too harsh for the nation's honor and resolved to fight on.

These reports said President Lebrun and members of his government were ready to flee to Algiers, North Africa, to carry on the war from there even if German troops capture all France.

The French admitted Nazi troops have occupied Lyon, but dispatches from Geenva simultaneously gave the first hint that the German mechanized machine has begun to wear

Refugees reaching Geneva from the battle zone told of seeing quantities of abandoned German tanks, armored cars and motorcycles along the main highways.

Nevertheless under dwindling French resistance, Hitler's armies swept further down into France, the high command announced.

### Navy Defense Bill Passed In Senate

Washington, June 30 .- A \$1,777,-489,788 emergency defense appropri- atories, the Oxford Tobacco Test ation measure-last major money Farm is now regarded as the largest bill in President Roosevelt's defense tobacco research station in the Naprogram to date-was passed by the tion. Senate today on a voice vote.

The bill now goes back to House for action on Senate amendments, which added to the bill a net burg, Va., and J. B. Hutson of Wash-\$71,435,908, of which \$43,500,000 ington, D. C., Chief of the Southwould go for airplane engines order- eastern division, marketing section of ed from the Ford Motor company.

As approved by the Senate, the speakers. measure provided \$1,488,353,027 in eash and \$289,136,761 in contract au-

men to the regular army, bringing He will be introduced by Fred E. its total enlisted strength to 375,000 Miller, director of the test farms di-Money and contract authority were vision of the State Department of written in for 3,000 new army air- Agriculture. planes and an unspecified number of tanks and other weapons.

start work on 68 combat ships. of Investigation by 500 agents to Durham, Franklin, Person and Wake 18 in non-collision accidents, 4 in sent asion of the Federal Bu combat spies and saboteurs would be counties. financed with a \$3,358,000 appropritrain 87,000 civilian air pilots.

WAR

The economic effect of the Euroof foodstuffs.

the average of recent years.

# **Defense Forces** With Aid of U. S.

Will Prepare for Invasion; Nation to Make Experts Available To Southern Neighbor

Mexico City, June 20 .- A high source declared today President Cardenas had approved a program which would more than quadruple Mexico's armed forces with the aid of the United States.

This source asserted that within few weeks a credit of more than \$10,000,000 from the United States would be made available to the Mexican government to carry out this expansion under 60 technical experts from the United States army and

Additional millions would be allocated later by the Mexican Finance Ministry, it was reported.

The United States government was said to be determined that Mexico should not be used as an avenue of nvasion by any aggressor power and it was understood the American credits would be made available on generous terms. The American determination was said to have been communicated to President Cardenas before yesterday's cabinet session, at which universally military training and "other defense measures" were endorsed for submission next month to an extraordinary session of

This defense program was reported on high authority to include: Increase on the standing army to army now counts 112,000 men, including those on reserve lists.

## Leaf Producers Will Hear Hoey

Governor Will Be Principal Speaker at Annual Tobacco Test Farm Field Day At Oxford July 2nd

Raleigh, June 20.-Governor Hoey will be the principal speaker at the annual Tobacco Test Farm field day at Oxford July 2, Commissioner of Agriculture W. Kerr Scott announced

Approximately 8,000 farmers and their friends are expected for the event which will be held as a part of the Granville County Centennial Celebration. With the addition of labor-

Dr. T. B. Hutcheson, Chief of the Agronomy Department at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacks-

Frank W. Hancock, former member of Congress and now member of the Federal Housing Administration Funds were included to add 95,000 Board, will be chairman for the day.

> Governor Hoey will be presented by Commissioner Scott.

Funds were voted for the navy to A 4-H Club pageant-"King and

ation and the civil aeronauties an- County Home Demonstration Agent, drawn vehicle. thority was granted \$32,000,000 to will be in charge of the women's program in the afternoon, with Miss Anamerie Arant, Northwestern District Agent of the State College Extension Service as guest speaker. E. G. Moss, assistant director in County, are amazed at the way lespean war and the closing of vital charge of the Test Farm, will su- pedess has improved the Plummer whets to the agricultural surplus pervise the tours over the farm and farm, reports C. J. Rich, farm agent strained to rush planes, guns, maproducing countries are beginning visits to the experimental plats. He of the State College Extension Serterials and supplies to the Allies. to have a decired effect on the prices will be assisted by Dr. T. E. Smith, vice. U. S. D. A. plant pathologist; K. J.

Shaw, McCullers Tobacco Disease A number of Warren County farm. Navy were made available in increas-Early prospects indicate that sup- Station; A. B. Dean, Test Farm Fore- ore are vaccinating their hogs as a inb numbers for delivery to the hard-may affect the United States' rub- and 16 cents, plies of most of fruits in 1940 will be man; E. Y. Floyd, State College To- precautionary measure against chol-smaller than the relativey larger bacco Specialist and Dr. Luther era which has been provident nearsupplies of 1939 but about equal to Shaw, State College pathologist. The by, reports R. S. Smith, assistant program will begin at 10 a. m. form agent.

# New, Edilor Says

Jonathan Daniels Addresses Meeting of Building and Loan League

Blowing Rock, June 18 .- The outlook today, even with the "hot breath of war on the backs of our necks." is neither more gloomy nor more uncertain than that other men have Credits and Technical faced in other days, Jonathan Daniels, editor of The News and Obserser, told members of the North Carolina Building and Loan League here

The Raleigh editor and author re minded his audience that the world has emerged from beneath the heel of conquerers in fact, in the very year (1870) that the North Carolina Legislature made possible the beginning of the building and loan saving and building, Bismarck's German legions' were overwhelming France, and North Carolinians were being mprisoned under a Reconstruction Government without trial until the Chief Justice cried in despair, "The judiciary is exhausted."

From beginning in times like those, of homes constructed through their wise administration of many small rivals. savings, the editor recounted, "but," he asserted. "your job is not merely build homes. In a real sense you are the keepers of the faith in your communities that there is a safety ahead for the dollar put into savings to-

That fulfillment of this trust in a where are bewildered; the most courageous men are afraid," and when "we have reason to fear that more than 300,000. The Mexican even if we escape war we shall not escape a vastly altered future in which old certainties are certain no longer . . . " would not be easy, he admitted, but he pointed to the history of building and loan associations through years of change as basis for

"There never have been any certain years in which all capitalism had to do was to watch the automatic accumulation of interest compounding on savings. We would not need men in such a time; computing machines are cheaper than character

and courage and intelligence. "There is a great task to be done, a great task in community building to be contemplated at a time when communities are being destroyed, and the fear of disaster runs faster and wider than the destruction. . . . You will do it."

### **Fewer Traffic Accidents Are** Reported In N. C.

Raleigh, June 17 .- North Carolina last month continued its downward trend in traffic accidents on the basis of provisional figures released today by Ronald Hocutt, Director of the Highway Safety Division.

With a few accidents reports as yet unverified, records shaw a total of 59 traffic deaths in the state during the month of .May, against 62 the AAA will also be among the for May of last year. If the figure should hold at 59, it will be the lowest May fatality record since 1932. Six counties in the state had the first mark made against their 1949 safety record last month. They were:

Craven, Haywood, Henderson, Martin, Pasquotank and Warren. Twenty-one of the 59 May traffic the total for the year to 101. of the pedestrians killed in

### IMPROVEMENT

the Crumpler community in Ashe than neutrality.

### Stores To Close For Holiday 4th

The Farmville Chamber of Commerce and Merchants' Association announces the closing of the stores here in observance of the national holiday, July 4.

Attention is called to the fact that the stores will close as usual on Wednesday aftermoon, prior to the 4th, which falls on Thursday.



By HUGO S. SIMS (Washington Correspondent)

REPUBLICAN PROSPECTS. PARTY IN TIGHT SPOT. U. S. IS NON-BELLIGERENT. RUSHING AID TO THE ALLIES. NEED TRAINED WORKERS. EDUCATIONAL DEFECTS. WAR DEMANDS DELAYED. NAZIS IN SOUTH AMERICA. ITALIANS ARE ACTIVE. URUGUAY A KEY POINT. U. S. FACES THE THREAT.

The Republican National Convention meets in Philadelphia next week to face one of the most difficult through other times of uncertainty tasks which has confronted a politiand gloom, building and loan asso- cal party in many years. Without at the disposal of Mrs. R. S. Scott, ciations of the State have gone knowing whether the President will steadily forward until today they run for a third term and beset with count their assets in terms of a hun- the difficulty of framing suitable licans take the stage ahead of their

With the European War occupying guarding money and helping families the spotlight of public attention in this country, domestic issues are not as important as they were. Nevertheless, the Republicans must outline a program and do it in a manner that will avoid the appearance of creating a division in this country in the face day when "the wisest men every of possible peril in international rela-

While the situation in Europe may change considerably between the present time and election day in Novemwill happen and the platform-makers

Discussion as to the candidate to be named by the Republicans continues, with observers giving the edge to Dewey and Taft. The Willkie campaign is securing considerable favorable publicity and the ex-Democrat passerby. is being "dark horse" prospect. Senator Vandenberg's prospects have not been improved by his recent statement in regard to aiding the Allies, shrort of war, which practically amounts to a retreat from the isolationist stand.

server, there is a prospect that none committee recommended today a naof the candidates mentioned will re- vy air force of 15,000 planes. former President Hoover are suggest- a lately enacted law put a 10,000 ing that he be considered and while plane ceiling on the navy. But that ing about his availability.

The President's speech at Char-

Nothing like neutrality is to be found in the President's remarks. informed source said, may be one of deaths were pedestrians, bringing He emphasized the clash between the subjects raised at the projected Four Democratic principles and the reign Pan-American conference on hemis-May of the dictators. Public comment phere problems of military and ecowere under five years of age. Oth- upon the President's utterances were nomic defense. er traffic deaths last month included: overwhelmingly affirmative. In fact, club members of Granville, Caswell, 17 in collisions between two vehicles, many observers believe that public would be involved in any such discollision with fixed object, 3 bicycl- advanced faster and further than the Miss Virginia Wilson, Granville ists and one collision with a horse-official utterances of the President

Stores, equipment and weapons from the reserve stocks of the Army and

From the position of a bystande (Continued on Page Seven)

# **Goes Into Action**

man Eli Joyner, Jr., Reports Donations of \$104.35 in Three Days

Members of the executive committee of the Farmville branch of the American Red Cross, of which Eli Joyner, Jr., is chairman, and heads of civic, patriotic and literary organizations here met Friday evening in the Town Hall to map out plans for promotion of the local campaign to raise funds for relief of the sufferers in Europe.

pointed Miss Mae Joyner to head the publicity committee and Mrs. G. A. tion headquarters at Wheless' Drug Store. The workers there report a ready response to this special appeal for funds, which are to be used only in alleviating suffering in the war torn area, and Chairman Joyner stated today that he had found people ready and waiting to give their time and money to the cause.

One of the Davis stores on Wilson street has been secured for the production of war garments and who is in charge of this branch.

The executive committee of the Farmville Red Cross organization is dred million dollars and thousands planks on foreign affairs, the Repub- composed of Eli Joyner, Jr., chairman, Mrs. R. S. Scott, vice chairman, Ed Nash Warren, John B. Lewis and Stanley Garris.

The sum of \$104.35 was contributed the first three days of the campaign without any canvassing, except by workers at the headquarters. A Republican national convention in list of those contributing as much as Philadelphia, caught Washington

\$1 and over follows: Frank Davis, Jr., \$25; A. C. Monk & Co., \$25; B. L. Lang, \$5; Farmville Furniture Co., \$5; American Legion Auxiliary \$5; Turnage Co., \$5; T. E. Joyner, Sr., \$4; George E. tion's foreign policy. Knox has been, Creekmur, \$2; George Allen, \$2; \$1 for a Republican, a relatively freeach-D. R. Morgan, Nassif Cannon, J. W. Joyner, W. J. Rasberry, T. W. ber, there is no way to guess what Lang, R. A. Joyner, Hubert Joyner, Mrs. Wesley R. Willis, Jack Lewis, will have to tread a cautious way to Mrs. T. E. Joyner, N. Cannon, Mrs. escape the possibility of a dilemma if. L. E. Turnage, Mrs. J. I. Morgan events abroad take an 'nexpected Mrs. Sallie K. Horton, Bob Wheless. Mrs. J. Leroy Parker, C. F. Baucom, Hal Winders, Belk-Tyler Co., R. O. Lang, Sr., R. N. Freeman.

A large thermometer has been placed at soliciting headquarters, and its gradual rise as the fund is boosted is being noted with interest by

### Ask Increase In U. S. **Warplanes For Fleet**

Washington, June 20 .- After hearing testimony that 10,000 planes would not be adequate for a proposed As the situation looks to this ob- two-ocean fleet, the House Naval

ceive the nomination and that in view | The testimony was given by Rear of existing conditions, the party will Admiral John H. Towers, chief of turn to another man. Friends of the naval air corps, who recalled that Governor Landon has taken himself he reminded the committee, was beout of the running, there is no way fore a new \$4,000,000,000 expansion to keep the delegates from think- of the fleet designed to give it the size of a two-ocean navy was pro-

At the capitol the Senate Naval lottesville, Virginia, last week, fol- Affairs committee had before it a lowing close on the heels of Italy's suggestion by Chairman Walsh (Ddeclaration of war on the Allies, Mass) that it might be advisable to stressed with greater firmness than give the president authority to halt ever before the determination of this work on all private and foreign air-Government to extend all possible plane contracts in order to bring promaterial assistance to the Allied na- duction for defense up to require-

hases for the navy, a usually well

Both aircraft and fleet bases

### NICE WORK

Today, it is believed, the sentiment nice for the widow of a member of with domestic trade and 150,000,000 Italy? of the people of the United States is their union, eighteen members of the in countries other than Europe but 5. When did President Monroe is-Neighbors of R. E. L. Plummer of far more that of non-belligerency Painters Union Local No. 79 drove that 50,000,000 to 100,000,000 would Meanwhile, every effort is being home from foundation to rain-pipe in secured only through control.

her supply, the U. S. Department of Dean I. O. Schaub of State College Agriculture has revealed a plan to extension, who presided, said fiveincrease rubber production in the cent tobacco would be a closer esti-Western Hemisphere.

### Pitt & Greene Electrification Members To Hold Annual Meeting Here July 1

## Adopts Slogan "\$400 by Republicans Named The Fourth"; Chair-**By FDR** To Cabinet

Col. Frank Knox Proposed For Secretary of of War

Washington, June 20.—President tion cabinet today by submitting to living throughout Greene County and After adoption of the slogan, "\$400 Frank Knox to be Secretary of the addition to being the regular anby July 4th", Chairman Joyner ap- Navy, and Henry L. Stimson to be nual Membership Meeting, it will Secretary of War.

Jones was put in charge of solicita- Daily News, was Republican vicepresidential candidate in 1936. Stimson was Secretary of State in the ing electric current to approximately Hoover administration and Secretary 300 farm families for the first time. of War under President Taft.

The submission of the nominations was accompanied by a White House announcement, without amplication, that Secretary Woodring had resigned his cabinet portfolio, effective on Senate confirmation on the nomination of his successor.

White House officials did say that three sewing machines have been put | Woodring's letter of resignation was "so personal" that the usual custom would not be followed and it would not be made public. Know will succeed Charles Edison,

whose resignation as Navy Secretary, quit the cabinet job to run for governor of New Jersey on the Democratic slate. Today's nominations, coming only

four days before the opening of the unaware and set congressional and political circles abuzz with talk over its bearing on presidential politics. Both Knox and Stimson on occasions have endorsed the administraquent consultant of Mr. Roosevelt. It was he who recently organized civilian committees to promote the program for training 50,000 plane

# Weed Men Back 3-Year Control

Five - State Session The original Board of Directors Hints At Five - Cent Tax Boost

men of five flue-cured tobacco states unanimously endorsed a three-year control program here yesterday as the following: J. Lee Tugwell, Presia possible way to prevent 10-cent tobacco prices threatened by wartime collapse of European trade and er, W. C. Hinson, O. L. Erwin, Seth glutted domestic markets.

Warned of prices as low as five cents for unrestricted yield, farm leaders appealed to the grower to embrace the AAA for 1941, 1942 and fair prices, insuring government sup- total cost of the project, it will be port, establishing normal credit and paid in full. However, the interest stabilizing farm operations.

merchants, warehousemen, and farm leaders of Virginia. Carolinas, Georgia, Florida and even Tennessee in the burley belt, all pledging their own support to the AAA election July 20.

The session also voted a resolution to southeastern representatives in Congress to urge elimination of the defense tax increase on tobacco the Town and Cooperative officials as "disasterous to all tobacco growers who already are suffering from suspension of export trade on account of the war in Europe." J. B. Hutson of Washington, as-

sistant AAA administrator, said tobacco faced its hardest prospects and an "absolutely dead" European mar- the war began? ket. He said no European purchases could be expected this year, regardless of a swift conclusion of war. He said that a normal 1940 crop get their name? Denver.-Wanting to do something of 600,000,000 might place 400,000,000 out to the home of Mrs. Art Seastone remain as a surplus to be dealt with 7. What prominent union rejoinand painted her four-room frame by government loans, which can be ed the A. F. of L. after being associ-

Hutson predicted 10-cent prices without 1941 control but added that a congressional recess and an adcontrol next year might hold prices journment? to 14 cents and that a three-year pro-Because the armed clash in Europe gram might keep them between 15 10. Is New York closer to France

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Arrangements Being Completed By Town and Business Men For Fine Program and Entertainment of Large **Crowd Expected** 

Members of the Pitt and Greene Navy and Henry L. Electric Membership Corporation will Stimson For Secretary the High School gymnasium at Farmhold their second annual meeting in ville, North Carolina on Monday the first day of July, at 10 A. M.

Notice of this meeting has been Roosevelt took steps to form a coali- sent to approximately 500 members the Senate the nominations of Col. the western part of Pitt County. In constitute something of a celebra-Knox, publisher of the Chicago tion for the recent completion of several new extensions appregating about 75 miles of new line in bring-

The officials of the Corporation and the Town of Farmville are working together to make the meeting both beneficial and enjoyable.

The Farmville Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association and some of it's members have arranged to serve ice water and lemonade to those present at the meeting and also are going to place on exhibit all kinds and types of electrical appliances around the floor of the meeting in order that those present may inspect them.

This meeting will no doubt have as a part of its program a brief his tory of the Cooperative telling of the struggle necessary to bring electricity to the families, approximately 1,000 in number along the Pitt and Greene lines. The high lights in this history will be the first allotment of \$60,000 by the Rural Electric Administration to the Pitt and Greene Electric Membership Corporation in April, 1937 with which some 75 lines were constructed. The first 50 miles of this was energized March 8, 1938. It was thought at that time that the Board had finished its work, but it turned out to be only the beginning. As additional applications poured in, an allotment of \$25,200 was secured March 15. 1938, an allotment of \$15,000 was secured August 10, 1988, an allotment of \$56,000 was secured October 10, 1938, while the last allotment was in the sum of \$69,000 on October 25 1939, making a total of \$225,200 with which approximately 250 lines of rural electric lines were built. bringing electric current to approxi-

mately 1,000 farm families. who rendered inestimable service to rural dwellers to get the project Crop; Oppose Tobacco started were; J. Lee Tugwell, President, J. C. Parker, -Vice-President, Seth Barrow, Secretary and Treasur-Raleigh, June 19 .- Over 200 key er, T. H. Rouse, W. C. Hinson and O. L. Erwin, Directors.

The Board is now constituted of dent, J. C. Parker, Vice-President, R. A. Joyner, Secretary and Treasur-Barrow and J. E. Mewborn, Direc-

The allotments as outlined above are really loans made by the United States Government to the Coopera-1943 as the only means of gaining tive. While the loan constitutes the rate is about two and three-quarter The appeal came from bankers, percent and is amotized with the farmers principal over a period of 25 years.

In conjunction with the Cooperative and the Town of Farmville the Electric Home & Farm Authority has made available loan funds to all farmers for the purchase of electric appliances, which are repaid over a period of years with the light bills. A program is being arranged by

### WHO KNOWS?

working together.

1. What is the population of the areas conquered by Germany since

2. In what year did the Prusian Army capture Paris?

3. How did the famous French 75's 4. What is the population of

sue his famous Monroe declaration?

ated with the C. I. O.? 8. What is the difference between

9. What are "machine tools"? than to Brazil?

Crowd of 50,000 sees Bimelech win

Preakness by two lengths.

(See The Answers on Page 6.)