VOLUME THIRTY-TWO

Vichy Says Japanese Steps Would Be Taken to Thwart British-Free French-Chinese Occupation of Colony; Denies Getting Ultimatum

Telemondial news agency.

Persistently denying that the July 27th, 1941. Japanese had delivered an ultimatum to the Vichy regime or to its chants Association, through their officials in Indo-China, the French Board of Directors, at a recent meet- fense purposes. clung to the assertion that the Jap- ing adopted a resolution favoring the anese had made their demand be- adoption of day-light saving time: cause of alleged military develop- and ments along the British colonial and Chinese frontiers of Indo-China, fend.

Previously it had been stated by WHEREAS, the churches of the French officialdom that France and Town of Farmville have decided to a threat of British occupation.

tiating only for "temporary military Saving Time on and after midnight measures," and it was stated that Sunday, July 27th, 1941. the term "Japanese occupation" of For convenience, the people of the cussed.

The "temporary military measures" being discussed were understood to include granting Japan additional aviation and other bases in Indo-China, particularly in the south, where she has none now.

To questions asked at an after- claimed war zone? noon government press conference, it was answered that the example furnished by the failure of French compare with last year? resistance in Syria had made the Vichy government "make an ex- dependent state with the same king ception" to repeated assertions that as Denmark? French colonies would be defended by French forces alone, without out- in the United States? side aid.

BRITAIN REPORTED READY

FOR FAR EASTERN CLIMAX other British Pacific outposts were Italian? reported tonight to have been "forewarned and forearmed" with new R. vik" mean in Russian? A. F. contingents to meet a Far Eastern climax expected here to arise word is as good as his bond?" within 24 hours from Japanese demands on French Indo-China.

R. A. F. reinforcements which ar- States in a year? rived in Singapore from Britain last Saturday were said by British sources to have been ordered distributed to outlying posts for any eventually.

OVER 43 MILLION POUNDS of SURPLUS FOODS DISTRIBUTED

An average of more than three cash change in Cotton Stamp trans-50-car trainloads of surplus commo- actions, and since all Cotton Stamps dities flowed into North Carolina are printed in 25-cent denominations, each month of the fiscal year closed how will retailers handle sales norin June with total shipments from mally involving change? the federal government being sent in Mr. O. P. Matthews, Chairman of 1,891 cars, A. E. Langston, state di- the Pitt County Cotton Industry rector of commodity distribution, an- Committee said that this situation

foodstuffs worth \$4,102,224 at retail Slips." prices was given to needy and under- To clarify the situation, he cited nourished North Carolinians along several examples. "Suppose," he with 747,189 household articles worth said "a Cotton Stamp customer pur-

meals during the scholastic season to probably suggest 15 cents worth of needy and undernourished graded additional cotton items that the cusschool pupils received 15,382,- tomer could use to advantage. The 207 pounds of food valued at \$1,004,- customer could then give the mer-638. General cases were distributed chant three 25 cent stamps. But as- July 30th all housewives in this discussion among congressmen. 54,231,039 pounds worth \$3,097,585. suming that the customer did not

ministration and the Works Projects purchase at the time, the merchant Administration contributed clothing would accept either two 25 cent or household farticles to the depart- stamps and 10 cents in cash, or ment's distributioon program and the three 25 cent stamps giving the total value of all articles and food customer a 15 cent credit ship for was sent by Langston at \$4,765,648. | the difference due him."

tribution did not include surplus purchases were made. Accordingly, growth and vitality and is nature's Some objection arose from the country and all the world, and for a products obtained through retail those merchants who, through ag- first line of defense against diseases view that the Government has a virstores by means of the stamp plan gressive merchandising and adver- of the nose, throat and lungs; Vita- tual contract with the men now in in Wake, Durham, New Hanover, and tising, attract both Stamp customers min B, needed for growth and health, temporary services to muster them Mecklenburg, Gaston, Guilford, Bun- and the general public, have an ad- increases appetite, stimulates diges- out at the end of a year, as provided hoped that the ringing of the bell

VITAMIN TABLETS vegetables and dairy products are our number 1 crop-cotton. not always available. The Surgeon- Producers should not come to the

palyment which may vary from ex-

General's office points out that vita- County Office for Cotton Stamps

min deficiency leads to bedily im- until they are notified.

WHEREAS, a national emergency has been declared and the necessity of conserving electric energy exists, it follows the proclamation Governor Vichy, France, July 23. - Japan the Hon. J. M. Broughton, Gover- Broughton issued yesterday. has demanded the right to take mili- nor of the State of North Carolina. tary measures in French Indo-China, at the Request of President Franklin all State offices, agencies and instituit was admitted tonight in an au- D. Roosevelt, has proclaimed daythorized declaration circulated by the light saving time for the State of North Carolina, effective Sunday,

WHEREAS, the Farmville Mer-

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Farmville in which Japan has guaranteed to de- a special call session decided in favor the suggestion indicated that the of day-light saving time;

Japan were negotiating for what hold all services on day-light saving was described as Japanese protectime after Sunday, July 27, 1941. tion of French Indo-China against NOW THEREFORE, Be and It is Hereby Proclaimed that the Town of France, it was explained, is nego- Farmville shall be on Day - Light Sunday, July 27, in order that in-

Indo-China would be an incorrect surrounding community are requestdescription of the measure being dis- ed to accept the Day-Light Saving Time.

GEORGE W. DAVIS, Mayor Town of Farmville.

WHO KNOWS?

2. Who is Ben Lear?

3. How does aircraft production

4. Is Iceland a republic or an in-5. How many motor vehicles are

6. Only three wars have lasted more than four years since Napoleon. Can you name them?

7. Is the language usually spoken London, July 23.-Singapore and in Brazil Spanish, Portuguese or 8. What does the word "Bolshe

9. Who said, "An honest man"

10. How many radio receiving sets are manufactured in the United

(See the Answers on page 2)

Use Cotton Credit Slips Explained

Because merchants cannot give

was very effectively and simply A total of 69,613,246 pounds of handled by means of "Cotton Credit

chases 60 cents worth of cotton mer-School lunch rooms giving free chandise. An alert merchant would Both the Surplus Marketing Ad- wish to get more than his 60 cent

fruits, eggs, milk products, meat pro- added "are issued by the individual customer back to the stores from factors in peaches, scientists say, two-thirds of their personnel. Langston said the record food dis- which the previous Cotton Stamp includes Vitamin A, which helps combe, Nash, and Wayne counties ditional opportunity of gaining retion, and aids in protecting the body in the Act authorizing their mobilizamay remind us all to an dully
the throne of grace in prayer, Soldiers serving in the Arctic re. Wide-awake retailers will take ad- dition, aids in resistance to infaction, er of the Senate, who explained that gions will be given two multiple vi- vantage of this opportunity for in- and stimulates growth, and Vitamin Congress could extend the length of tamin tablets per day in order to creased business, while at the same G (h2), vital to nerve tissues and service because it was Congress avoid all danger of vitamin defici- time helping our country to solve a maintenance of body vigor, as well as which placed the limit of one year in

Raleigh, July 24.-North Carolina will set the clock up one hour on July 27 and will observe Eastern Daylight Saving Time for a period of two months, ending September 28, if

The Governor yesterday directed called upon counties, municipalities and private firms and individuals to do likewise un keeping with President Roosevelt's request for the couservation of electric power for de-

Willing To Change. Legally the Governor lacked authority to proclaim daylight saving time for the State, but stated yesterday that responses change no only would be adopted universally in the State but that it would be done with willingness.

Instead of following the original plan of beginning the new time on August 1, the proclamation was made effective on the beginning of dustries may adjust their shifts during the idle day.

The change will lop an hour off Sunday, July 27, and will add an hour Sunday, September 28, the first thereby being 23 hours long and the second 25 hours long. Due to fewer daylight hours in Winter, the practice is not deemed necessary after September 28.

Certain to be followed by State employes, the change will mean that capital employes highway workers, work an hour earlier-by the sunand will leave an hour earlier in the afternoon.

Replies Favorable.

Governor Broughton said that of the 75 mayors he wrote regarding the change, 74 had responded favorably, and one did not answer. He said 35 boards of county commissioners had indicated they would place their county administrations on the new time and that merchants associations in 30 of the larger cities had reacted favorably. He quoted Secretary Willard Dowell of the State Merchants Association as saying that all merchants' associations were unanimously favorable to the change but had delayed commitment until they polled their membership.

"I think that automatically the rest of the population will fall in line," the Governor said.

This Year's Peach Crop Is Finest and Biggest In 10 Years

ilege of enjoying the finest and larg- land. est peach crop in the last decade. Unlike war-torn Europe America is not suffering from a shortage of 40% of our entire population actual- ed for completion by 1946, would be Harrill has stressed the fact that ly undernourished.

that a cooperative public spirited tion in the world." educational campaign sponsored by the Peach Producing Industry and Food Trades Industry in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Agriculture is now under way to increase

area and the South are urged to serve more fresh peaches, and to

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complexion."



By HUGO S. SIMS (Washington Correspondent)

BRITISH EXPERTS.

POLICY EXPLAINED. The apprehension of American exporters that Great Britain might use materials received from this country under the Lease-Lend Act to compete with them in foreign markets has been allayed by assurances given by John Maynard Keynes. British economist, now in Wash-

Mr. Keynes outlined England's the present war, saying that it had ment, especially fighting planes. gone through four phases. When France was still in the conflict, the was followed, but with the collapse of pay for war requirements. Emphasis when President Roosevelt expounded the Lease-Lend principle and when the Act was finally passed in March, the British put in a program of reduced exports because American assistance "greatly relieved" their dependence on exports to pay for war

NO SHOOTING YET. KNOX TESTIFIES. READY IN 1944.

With the exception of the Robin Moor incident, the Germans have interview today. "That old kettle part on the program. been "exceedingly careful" not to with the hole in it that's been lying "annoy" American vessels, says Sec- around for years will help make a to the men and women attending Russian forces before the approaches retary of the Navy Frank Knox, plane. A careful search of pantries, the meeting immediately after the to Moscow, Leningrad and Kiev. who recently told members of the basements, back porches and out speaking. Senate Naval Affairs Committee that buildings will probably reveal sev he did not anticipate any trouble with eral articles no longer usuable that the Germans over the shipment of that will increase our present alumisupplies to the American Army of num needs." Occupation in Iceland.

The Secretary of the Navy also denied that the United States had an agreement with the British for joining naval action in the Atlantic and declared that no American warship had even enetered that zone as now defined by President Roosevelt. He insisted that, up to the time he testified, the Navy followed a policy of "patrol" but explained that this did not mean the Navy would not protect ships going to Iceland or to South America.

While the Secretary denied that 'shooting incidents" had occurred, the understanding is that he adman warships attempted to block ment of Agriculture, Washington, Americans this year have the priv- passage of American vessels to Ice- Thursday: and Governor J. M.

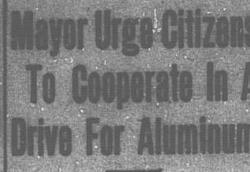
Verona Lee Joyner, Home Demon- States would be the best armed, Course. stration Agent of Pitt County, added best equipped and best defended na-

EXTENDING SERVICE. AROUSES DEBATE.

The proposals to extend the military service of selectees, National men for the duration of the national

eserve thru house-canning an ade- advocated by the President and the ville County home agent, Foods distributed consisted of "These Cotton Credit Slips" he are rich in valuable minerals, caleral George C. Marshall, points out Memphis, Tenn., in the fall. cium, iron, phosphorus and potas that selectees and National Guardsducts, vegetables, grain products and stores and are good for the purchase sium, needed to build bone structure, men have been mixed with the Regushelled pecans and were sent from of 100% American cotton goods at protect the teeth, enrich the blood, lars to form a homogeneous Army area warehouses twice a month to the same store in the future. From regulate body functions, and make and the effectiveness of the military county welfare departments to be the merchant's standpoint the use of clear complexions. | branch would be seriously impaired given to the needy in the respective these credit slips tends to bring the "The abundance of valuable food if the various units lose as much as

slips of their Stamp customers, needed to keep the body in good con- by Sanator Barkley, Majority Leadency in diets where fresh ments, serious national problem involving helps to maintain normal skin and the first instance. Mr. Barkley thought it would be a serious matter to disintegrate the Army by with Monday, July 28, at four b'clock, with day for hired hands than on April 1, cording to the Department of Agridrawing trained soldiers from the Mrs. E. K. Ewell as hostess. Mem- and twenty-four per cent. more than culture, which reports that there organization in which they have been been been are requested to take a vase or at harvest time last year, according were 28,519,000 acres of cotton in An inexpensive and efficient home-trained and Representative Wades bowl of flowers at this time. remain subtle offerts upon the sight. Hard work and long hours have genising machine for small dairies, worth declared that it would be un-



The nation's gigantic gathering campaign got underway this week and the town of Farmville, through its Mayor, George W. Divis, will give every family an opportunity to contribute directly in this way to the National Defense Program: Beginning today, Friday, July 25, and continuing through Monday, volunteer workers will call at the homes of families here asking for any old aluminum not in use. The purpos of the campaign is to supplement the vast supplies of the metal needed policy toward foreign trade during for the production of defense equip-

Mayor Davis and his committee Mrs. Ted L. Albritton and John Hill familiar "business as usual" formula Paylor, also amounce in this connection that an Aluminum Receiving France and the loss of her financial Ben has been erected near the Municihelp, the British made a supreme pal building and will be officially drive for export trade with which to opened this morning. Citizens as requested to watch contributions as on this phase of the program fell off they come in here and to make their own at this point or have it convenient for workers who will call.

Among the articles which may be donated are pots and pans, radio parts, toys, shakers, screening, old washing machine parts, picture frames, book ends, ice trays, measuring cups, camera equipment, kettles and double boilers, bottle and jar in a meeting at East Carolina Teach- into quagmires and mired mechancaps, refrigerator plates and dozens ers College, Friday after at 3 o'clock. ized equipment. of others.

"Anything that's made of aluminum will do, Mayor Davis said in an

4-H Short Course Opens At State College Monday

periences that can come to any farm called for the following purposes: boy or girl awaits the 1,000 or more 4-H Club members who will attend July 28, and continuing through Sat- this new legislation. urday, August 2. A full week of ingood fellowship has been arranged. L. R. Harrell, State 4-H Club leader, and Miss Frances MacGregor, assistant State club leader, have anvised the senators that an Ameri- nounced the following speakers for non-basic crops like truck crops, eral bombs and a 3,000-ton vessel can destroyer had dropped a depth the general morning sessions: Dean bomb when it appeared to be I. O. Schaub, director of the Extenthreatened by a submarine. The sion Service, and Miss Ruth Current, large delegation of farmers and acy" of the Red army troops, the Secretary declined to answer a ques- State home agent, on Tuesday; Dr. tion whether our warships would Frank P. Graham, Wednesday; Dr. in the state. "shoot their way through" if Ger- J. O. Howard of the U. S. Depart-

Broughton, on Friday. The small fee of \$5.50 will entitle Somewhat encouraged by the ac- a delegate to meals and lodging, and celerated construction program of the incidental expenses, throughout the needed foods-but is suffering from Navy, Mr. Knox declared that the week. Each youth will bring his or under-consumption, with more than two-ocean navy, originally schedul- her own bed linens and towels, and an accomplished fact by about 1944. delegates must wear their distinctive In making this statement, Miss At that time, he said, the United 4-H Club uniforms while at Short

The theme of the meeting will be "Our Responsibilities as 4-H Club Members in the Present World Crisis." A Citizenship Ceremonial will be held Thursday morning.

The annual Health Pageant, which the State 4-H King and Queen the consumption of fresh peaches by Guardsmen, reservists and enlisted of Health will be crowned, is scheduled for Thursday evening on Riddick During the period July 24th thru emergency has aroused considerable Field. Miss Madeline Stevens of the National Recreation Association will direct the pageant, with the assist-The proposal will be vigorously ance of Miss Virginia Wilson, Gran-

quate supply for year-round use. Chief-of-Staff, who point out that State contests for dairy demon-Miss Joyner said, "Very few peo- the statutory one-year training ten- stration and judging teams will be ple know the importance of peaches ure of the selectees and National held, starting Tuesday, and the win in nutritional and dietary values. It Guard units will run out within the ners will receive free trips to the is not generally known that peaches next six weeks or two months. Gen- National Dairy Show to be held in

A CALL TO PRAYER

When the Church bell rings each day through the week, except Sunday, it is for the purpose of calling all who will, to join in a few moments of prayer for ourselves, our righteous peace among the nations.

This has been arranged by the local Ministrerial Association, and it is may remind us all to t rn daily to H. M. Wilson, Secretary, Ministe Association.

GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Club will meet

physical well-belog and never killed a man who was really operated by a quarter-horsepower wise at this time to "take the chance. The specially advertises is like the margle of the soldier to discusses of interested in the work that he per- motor and weighing only 137 pounds, of tearing to pieces an Army that is man was took his medicine three. While the defense program is car- few Americans who continue to fa-(See The Answers on Page 2) | days and then forgot about it. I tain to cut down the supplies of man-1 vor a Hitler peace for the sworld-

MONUMENT TO BE SCALPED

The towering 555-foot Washscalped for the sake of national defense. Civilian Defense Director LaGuardia has found there are five pounds of aluminum used as a lighting arrester at the monument's peak. And he is going to wide aluminum scrap pickup campaign gets underway.

Will Address Rally At The spokesman told of large College On Friday Afternoon, July 25

march to Greenville to hear J. B. from catching up with the Panzer Hutson, president of the Commodity vanguard. Credit Corporation, discuss the tobacco situation and the effect of the of the Germans upon Moscow and 85 per cent parity loan on tobacco, Leningrad unfavorable weather, incotton and other commodity farmers cluding cloudbursts that turned roads

reau, will also have an important places as the Germans attempted a A barbecue supper will be served fort to wipe out the strong resisting

One of the richest educational ex-Shaw state that this meeting is night.

Loan Legislation recently passed by the Nazis claimed. The greatest dethe annual 4-H Short Course at N. C. Congress and the benefits each in- struction was reported to have cen-State College, beginning Monday, dividual farmer will receive from tered in the area of the Kremlin 2. To plan organized movement In an aerial bombardment of

struction, recreation, inspiration and throughout the state to get this Odessa, the Soviet Black Sea port, temporary parity legislation made the Germans were said to have permanent.

vegetables, etc.

Washington Notes

During the first six months Department survey.

BOMB ATTACKS A school for training police and fire department officers in methods of combatting bomb attacks is under- expected to provide metal for 2,000 way at the Edgewood Assenal, Mary- additional fighting planes, or 500 land, where the first class of fifty additional four-engined bombers. For officers from 40 towns has completed example, a fighter plane, containing training. Other schools will be 7,000 pounds of aluminum, can be established to afford similar training built with the metal freed by the dofor cities along the Gulf, the Pacific nation of 5,000 dishpans, or 10,000 Coast and the Central States. SIMPLIFICATION

As an illustration of the simplification program, Donald M. Nelson, OPM Director of Purchases, points and 1943 will reach an average of apout that in the past fifteen years proximately two vessels a day, ac-4,600 kinds of shotgun shells have cording to the Maritime Comm been reduced to less than 350, 8,000 which announces that shipbuilding. sizes and varieties abrazive paper authorized in legislation, combined and cloth have been out to less than with construction already under con-2.000 and 330 varieties of forge ham- tract; contemplates delivery of nearmers have dropped to 180. The pur- ly 14,000,000 deadweight tons by the pose of the defense simplification end of 1943. This includes 1,200 program is to make raw materials ships. go further."

WPA AND DEFENSE present fiscal year will be around Navy and Great Britain. This comone million as against an average of pares with 1,334 in May. Production 1,700,000 during the 1941 fiscal year. was almost three times as heany as At present, almost thirty per cent of in June, 1940. all WPA workers are engaged on national defense projects. FARM WAGE

available in rural areas, Farmers COTTON were paying, on July 1st, approxi- The 1941 cotton acreage is the to the Agricultural Marketing Ser- cultivation on July 1st.

PRIORITY

German Spokesman Ackinow carges as this is and Fighting With Tanatical Obstinacy': Russians Say Lines Intact: Moscow Raided Again

Berlin, July 24 .- A German military spokesman asknowledged last night that masses of fresh Russian troops fighting with "fantatical obstinacy" have slowed down the Nazi armored drives on Moscow and Leningrad.

The German spearheads pointed at the two great Russian cities are not only trying to force their way eastward, but are constantly compelled to fight off "extremely ferocious Soviet counter-attacks," he said.

"pockets" of Russian troops holding out deep in the rear of the German advance forces, forcing Nazi supply columns to make extensive Greenville, July 24.—Farmers and detours along the main highway from business men in eastern North Caro- Smolensk to Moscow and in some inlina and eslewhere in the state will stances preventing these columns

Further aggravating the advance

Walter Randolph, who is now The fighting front was said offipresident of the Alabama Farm Bu- cially to be 30 miles deep in some series of encircling attacks in an ef-Raid on Moscow.

J. E. Winslow, president, and R. A late report of the Tuesday night Flake Shaw, secretary of the North air raid on Moscow said the German Carolina Farm Bureau, are calling planes dropped a large number of the district meeting to discuss with bombs with powerful explosive the farmers of the state the vital charges as well as 10,000 incendiaquestions facing North Carolina ag- ries on the Soviet capital. The Gerriculture as a result of present va- man airmen reported counting a stabilized condition throughout the score of new and large fires among the smouldering blazes remaining President Winslow and Secretary from the bombing of the previous

Only one German plane failed to 1. To explain Farm Bureau Parity return from the raid on Moscow. and south of the bend in the river.

scored more than 50 bomb hits on 3. To inaugurate a campaign for shipyards there. A 6,000-ton merparity loan benefits to producers of chant ship was set on fire with sevwas damaged.

Every county is urged to send a Describing the "fanatical obstinbusiness men from every community spokesman said that the Russians were fighting to the death, even when encircled, thus accounting for terrific Russian loss of life and a comparatively small number of prisoners taken by the Nazis in recent

ufacturers, an effort will be made to assure adequate supplies for repair of and maintenance of privately-owned 1941, work on Army defense con- motor vehicles, household refrigeratracts was delayed by 187 strikes, in- tors, tractors, stoves, water-heaters. volving the loss of 2,458,150-man-plumbing fixtures and furnaces by days of work, according to a War giving such materials and equipment a preference over other civilian needs. FOR PLANES

The Scrap Aluminum Collection campaign, which ends July 29th, is coffee perculators, or 2,000 roasters or 2,500 double-boilers.

TWO SHIPS A DAY Merchantship production in 1942

AIRPLANES In June, 1,476 airplanes were pro-Average WPA employment for the duced in this country for the Army.

SHORTAGE The Aluminum Cooking Utensils Industry, unable to obtain aluminum Farm wiges are at their highest for non-defense products, announces level in eleven years, due primarily that one-fourth of the employees in to the drain on the supply of workers 14 of 22 concerns have been laid off.

on mately sixteen per cent. more per smallest for any year since 1895, ac-

There are, we regret to report, a