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Appeal for Mercy

Urgent needs of war-stricken civilians throughout Europe have prompted the American Red Cross to issue its first war relief appeal since the World War. A drive is now under way throughout the country to raise a minimum of \$10,000,000 to purchase all kinds of relief supplies. The above poster has been selected to carry the appeals to the nation.

SENATE APPROVES 132 MILLION FUND TO MEET WAR NEEDS

By Vote of 59 to 15 Senate Rejects Plan to Restrict Planes to Allies.

(Over WBGR Teletype)

Washington, May 22.—(TP)—The Senate voted down overwhelmingly today a proposal by Republican Senator Danaher, of Connecticut, which might have restricted delivery of late model war planes to the Allies. The vote was 59 to 15.

The amendment specified that the army and navy take at least one out of every three war planes produced in the United States.

Earlier, the Senate approved, without a dissenting vote a section of the army appropriation bill providing a 132-million dollar fund to be spent by the President at his discretion to meet any unforeseen contingencies in the defense program. The chamber voted down overwhelmingly a proposal by Republican Senator Vandenberg, of Michigan, to establish a joint congressional committee to supervise the defense program. Democratic Senator Connally, of Texas, said that what Vandenberg urged would be "a snooping committee" to embarrass the executive branch of the government in carrying out the details of rearmament.

The senate military affairs committee approved a measure to empower the President to embargo the export of arms, munitions, and the tools for making them. This measure was viewed as providing authority for concentrating all United States industrial machinery on United States defense.

The senate sub-committee on naval appropriations, after a telephone conference with President Roosevelt, added 154 million dol-

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DR. ZENO SPENCE COMPLETES DRIVE IN CONGRESS RACE

Goldsboro Candidate For Congress Has Visited Every Section In District.

Dr. Zeno Spence, candidate for Congress from the Third District, said yesterday that he had completed his campaign in the nine counties of the District and is greatly pleased at the reception with which he was received. He feels confident that he will get a big vote throughout the District.

Dr. Spence in his whirlwind campaign over the District has visited every county and many localities in those counties, carrying with him to many meetings a brass band, beautiful majorettes and other attractive features.

In addition to his personal appearances throughout the District, he has made large use of printed matter in promoting his campaign.

Although Dr. Spence has emphasized a rather well-rounded program in his various contacts with the people of the District, his name has been largely associated with the Townsend Old Age Pension Plan and with the dry forces.

In his last statement which Dr. Spence issued he asks that his many friends go to the polls Saturday and cast their ballot for him for Congress.

Nazi Army Slows Down As Allies Converge Toward Main Battle Line; Britain Mobilizes All Her Forces

PAUL AND TOMMIE



Seen above are Paul and Tommie, familiar to residents of and visitors to Goldsboro. Paul Johnson, for eleven years with the Streets and Park Department of the City, is one of the hardest workers to be found among the several score of city employees. Tommie, the pony, is no less faithful.

Paul and Tommie have been pals and working companions for the

past five years, since Paul was taken off the regular Streets and Parks crew and given the task of keeping downtown Goldsboro clean of trash and rubbish. Whenever you see this pair of faithful workers, you see them on the move, and many people have commented on the fine way in which they do their work. The cart which Tommie pulls was designed by Roy J. Parker, Superintendent of

Streets and Parks, and was built in the City's shop on North William street. Paul declares that there is no better outfit in the State than his, and he declares that there is no better man to work for than Mr. Parker. Paul says he wishes to thank Mr. Parker for the nice outfit which he has provided for him. On the cart, as you can see, is the slogan of the street department "Let's have a clean city."

British Government Is Given Dictatorial Powers Over All Resources.

CLIMACTIC STRUGGLE SEEMS NEAR AT HAND

Allies Appear To Be Halting Germany's Drive Toward The English Channel.

(Over WBGR Teletype) London, May 22.—(TP)—Allied and German armies rolled toward a climactic struggle tonight on the world war battlefield north of the Somme in northeastern France.

The German drive westward slowed down as it neared the coast and came closer to grips with an Allied army estimated at a million men, converging toward the main battle scene from Belgium and from the sites of lesser struggles with the motorized vanguards of the Germans. There were rumors that the great decisive battle would center at Ypres (E-E-3) in Belgian Flanders.

The Germans claimed a 20-mile extension of their foothold on the Channel coast at Abeville and destructive raids against British and French shipping in the Channel. However, they admitted strong pressure from the southward moving allied army in Belgium. The French had recaptured Arras behind the German vanguard and were reported about to retake Amiens.

The British government was given dictatorial powers tonight over Britain's resources of labor, wealth and property.

A sweeping measure extending the emergency defense act of 1939 passed both houses of Parliament in the near-record time of two-and-a-half hours. King George attached his signature to the bill immediately to make it law.

Under the new law, the British government has the right to use all wealth and property for the defense of the realm and the prosecution of the war. Any member of the population may be conscripted by the labor department to perform assigned duties. All of these actions may be ordered by decrees in council rather than by separate acts of Parliament.

The plan to mobilize civilians for emergency duties and to take over private wealth and property, if necessary, was outlined to the house of commons by the Deputy Government Leader and Lord Privy Seal, Clement Attlee.

Attlee said that the government was compelled to ask for special powers because of the situation caused by military developments. The Laborite member of the war cabinet expressed confidence in an ultimate triumph by the Allies, but said that it would be necessary for the government to have control over all persons and all properties. Said the deputy government leader:

"We cannot know what the next few weeks or even days may bring forth, but whatever may come we shall meet it as the British people in the past have met dangers and overcome them. It is necessary that the government be given complete control over persons and property; not just some persons or some particular class of community, but over all persons, rich or poor, employer or worker, man or woman or property."

The new law states: "It becomes necessary to extend the powers in order to secure that the whole resources of a community may be rendered immediately available when required for purposes connected with the defense of the realm. An order-in-council may require persons to place themselves, their services and their property at the disposal of the King for securing public safety, defense of the realm, maintenance of public order or efficient prosecution of the war, and also for maintaining supplies or services essential to the life of the community."

Communist M. P. Gallagher charged that the measure represented a deliberate attempt by the ruling classes to conquer the workers. Labor party member Kirkwood claimed that the bill would, as he put it, "tie the working class hand and foot." This opposition, however, was contrary to the attitude

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Red Cross Makes Appeal For Help War-Torn Europe

Wayne County Is Asked To Raise \$2,000 For European War Relief Fund.

MANY DONATIONS IN KIND GIVEN

Present War Conditions In Europe Make Great Demands For Helping Helpless.

The Wayne County Chapter of the American Red Cross is making an extensive drive to reach their \$2,000 goal for the War Relief Fund.

Over five hundred letters have been sent out to citizens of Wayne County asking for their contributions.

On Tuesday of this week only \$298.81 had been received by the Red Cross office. If the goal is not near realization by the latter part of this week, a personal canvass will be made in the city. Contributions can be made at the Red Cross office in the Community Building or in the War Relief office which has been opened in the Edgerton Building on E. Walnut street. Small jars have been placed in various business places in the city enabling citizens to make small contributions in them from time to time.

The Wayne County Chapter of the American Red Cross in addition to its fund-raising campaign has already sent 59 dresses, 23 sweaters, 7 shirts, 15 pairs of mittens, 1 blanket, one pair night clothes and 3 layettes to the New York office to be sent abroad. These articles were made in the quota accepted by the Wayne County Chapter to be made by June 15. A new quota has been received by the Chapter to be shipped by September 1, that calls for 10 men's sweaters, 10 women's sweaters and shawls, 20 children's sweaters, 10 women's dresses, 10 girl's dresses and 20 layettes. In order to make this quota, Red Cross officials are asking for volunteer knitters and sewers. Wool for the sweater, and materials for the dresses and other articles are supplied by the Red Cross office, and the need for helpers is urgent.

This call is out for your help. Help to raise Wayne County's goal of \$2,000 and bring relief to the homeless, stricken evacuees abroad. The American Red Cross help is badly needed in war-torn Europe as every day more and more refugees are pouring into France and England, and the Red Cross organizations of these two countries are not

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Red Cross Asks Help

Washington, D. C., May 22, 1940. R. E. Stevens, Ch'm Wayne Co. Chapter, American Red Cross, Goldsboro, N. C.

With several million men locked in mortal combat on French and Belgian soil the relief needs of Belgian and French peoples are reaching a staggering proportion. Already five million pitiful refugees are clogging every road into Central and Southern France trying to escape bombing and strafing from airplanes. Our representatives in France report thousands dying by roadsides of wounds, fright and hunger. American Red Cross must rush relief of every kind if these innocent people are to be saved. We are expediting millions of dollars in money and supplies but we need more and bigger contributions to carry on. Cannot urge upon you too strongly need for prompt action if we are to befriend these sorely tried victims of brutal war. We count upon you to reach and oversubscribe your goal within shortest possible time. Every day's delay means hundreds may die because we have not brought them aid in this their saddest hour. Beginning of once please wire daily reports of amounts raised by night letter. (Signed)

NORMAN H. DAVIS.

F. L. Castex, Sr. Is Seriously Ill

Mr. Frank L. Castex Sr., oldest native born Goldsboro citizen and one of the best loved men of the city, is critically ill at the home of his daughter, Dr. Margaret Sturgis in Ardmore, a residential suburb of Philadelphia, Pa. Another daughter, Mrs. Floyd Uzzell of Goldsboro, left Monday to be with her father.

Ticks are not insects; they are arachnids, a group closely related to spiders and differing from insects notably in the lack of antennae and in having four pairs of legs usually instead of six.

Official Congressional Ballots Found In Possession Abernethy In Goldsboro On Tuesday Nite

Lupton States Reason For Delay In Building Planes

(By E. P. Lupton)

It is very interesting to one interested in military affairs to read where Mr. Roosevelt is asking the privilege of spending half a billion dollars in the next nine months for anti-air craft guns and field pieces—yet if the war in Europe means anything, we the American people, don't know what weapon is most effective. It might be interesting to the public to realize that we have less than 100 airplanes in the army that are not obsolete—what I mean by obsolete is that we have less than 100 planes with the self-sealing gasoline tanks and bullet proof cowls, altho for more than nine months the Germans have been using such airplanes on the Western front. Our fault lies in not what we know but what we do. We give contracts for thousands of airplanes and they become obsolete before construction is completed. The American way being to let the contractor go ahead and build these machines for fear someone might lose a few votes if additional changes are made.

When you realize we have spent hundreds of millions of dollars for defense in the last seven years and have practically nothing to show for it in the way of modernized equip-

ment you might wonder why it is, we cannot equal the German production. You say, we build automobiles by the thousands daily—why can't we build airplanes. The answer is, we can build them, but not when we have from ten to twenty five hand made instruments to go on the instrument panel of every plane, and in most cases 90% of these instruments are useless for fighting ships. It seems to me the Germans have demonstrated beyond a questionable doubt that they have an effective fighting air force—yet in the cockpit of a German pursuit ship there are only four gauges, gasoline, compass, altimeter and radio control—but our ships look like a radio station with dozens of very delicate hand made instruments on the control board. There is where the difference in delay comes—we can build the ships by millions if necessary, but we cannot build all those instruments, and until we wake up to the fact that we could do away with three-fourths of these instruments on a fighting ship, just that long we are going to be slow in building them. I do not believe any nation on earth has got-

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1500 Official Ballots Are Found Missing From Craven County Office

ELECTION BOARD HEAD MAKING INVESTIGATION

Abernethy Declines To Tell How He Came Into Possession of Ballots.

Charles L. Abernethy, Jr., gave to W. A. Lucas, Chairman of the State Board of Elections, a bundle of about 500 official ballots containing the name of candidates for Congress from the Third District near midnight Tuesday in the northern limits of Goldsboro.

Investigation is now being made to find how the ballots came into the possession of Abernethy, according to statement of Chairman Lucas. It has been learned that 1,500 ballots had been removed from the office of the County Board of Elections of Craven county, but it has not been determined how they were removed. When Abernethy was found with the ballots on Tuesday night he told Chairman Lucas that he would tell him Wednesday how he came into possession of the ballots, but on Wednesday he declined to do so.

Abernethy surrendered the ballots to Lucas Tuesday night a few hours after Chairman Lucas had wired election officials in nine counties to destroy all ballots bearing the names of Congressional candidates. Chairman Lucas has ordered new ballots printed of a different style from those which were found in the possession of Abernethy.

Deputy Sheriff, H. B. Gardner, of Wayne county, was with Chairman Lucas at the time he received the ballots. The Wayne officer admitted he had a search warrant, but apparently it was not necessary to use it as Abernethy surrendered the ballots after Chairman Lucas informed him that he had secured proof that copies of the official ballot had been distributed in the district.

Chairman Lucas says that a thorough investigation will be made of the disappearance of ballots in Craven county and of their being in the possession of Abernethy. He states that in the normal course of events, when he has concluded his investigation, he will lay the facts before the Solicitor of the district for whatever action he may wish to take.

Chairman Lucas stated that Abernethy conferred with him Wednesday morning, but declined to tell how he got the ballots. When Chair-

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EDITORIALS

CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

Now—with the primary coming Saturday—is a good time to consider what qualifications a candidate for office ought to have.

We believe that there are three essential qualifications, neither of which can be omitted in an acceptable candidate.

These three are: ABILITY, HONESTY and COURAGE.

It goes without saying that an acceptable candidate for any office ought to be able. His ability, however, might vary in accordance with the demands of the office to which he aspires. Certainly we will agree that a candidate for governor, for the United States Congress, or for some other important office, ought to have more ability than would be necessary in a candidate for some minor township or county office. But whatever the office, the ability of the candidate ought to be commensurate with the de-

mands of the office. Honesty in a candidate is just as essential as ability—in fact it might be considered as being even more essential.

It makes no difference how able an office holder is, he cannot be an acceptable public servant unless he is honest enough to stand for the things that he knows to be right.

All too often in the past we have had office holders in this State who proved dishonest. Now, just ahead of the primary, is the time to ask ourselves who of the various candidates for office are most likely to prove honest office holders. They are the ones to vote for.

Not only are ability and honesty essential in public servants, but courage is likewise a necessary quality; for it is altogether possible to elect a man to office who is both able and honest but who lacks the courage to stand for the

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