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Little change in temperature tonight, scattered showers and thunderstorms this afternoon and tonight.

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Russian Counterattack Hurls Back Nazi Forces In The Stalingrad Area

Counter Attack Is Strongest Since Germans First Crossed Lower Reaches Don River: Russians Admit Nazi Wedge In Lines And Fresh Gains In Western Caucasus

By EDDY GILMORE
Moscow, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Red Army troops counter-attacking southwest of Stalingrad were reported today to have thrown the Germans into retreat and reoccupied an important line even while the invaders wedged into Don bend defenses above that area and forced two more crossings of the Kuban river in the Krasnodar sector.

Military dispatches said the Russian forces generally improved their positions in the area above Kotelnikovo, where a German tank force has been striking up the Stalingrad-Novorossiysk rail line toward the Volga.

The counter-attack appeared the strongest since Marshal Semyon Timoshenko's men had undertaken since the invaders crossed the lower reaches of the Don.

Several miles lost by the Russians were regained in assaults upon enemy-occupied hills, and the army newspaper Red Star said several invasion firing points were destroyed.

While shock troops occupied a defense section which had been hurriedly erected by the Germans and their Romanian allies, other Red Army forces strengthened their positions guarding the lower Volga and Stalingrad.

Investigative said Russian infantry, artillery and tanks "fulfilled their order to halt the enemy by all means" in the Kletskaya sector, northwest of Stalingrad.

Pravda reported that a Russian "descent group" penetrated the German lines in this sector, fought off attacks by German planes and troops, and killed 300 Germans in a two-day battle with two battalions of enemy infantry.

The dispatch did not specify whether the descent group were paratroopers or plane-borne troops. On the Voronezh battlefield fierce fighting was reported developing for control of a section of the west bank of the Don. Aerial activity there was restricted temporarily by heavy rainstorms.

Investigative said Rumanian and Hungarian troops were being hurled into the fight in an effort to recapture important points which the Russians had taken in counter-attacks.

Battlement dispatches said that at one point Russian lines were pushed back, but described the withdrawal as slight. South of Voronezh Axis forces were said to have attacked five times in a futile attempt to capture one community, while street fighting raged in another village nearby.

Soviet infantrymen were reported battling superior enemy forces which penetrated their defenses on the steppes southeast of Kletskaya, itself 80 miles northwest of Stalingrad.

In the last 24 hours, the Soviet (Continued on Page Six)

New Commander For Middle-East

London, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Gen. Harold Alexander, former commander in Burma, was named British commander in chief in the Middle East tonight.

He succeeds Gen. Sir Claude J. E. Auchinleck.

The British War Office announcement made no mention of any new assignment for Auchinleck, who was in command when the Allied armies retreated from Libya almost to the gates of Alexandria under German-Italian attack.

Auchinleck had commanded in the Middle East since July 2, 1941, when Gen. Sir Archibald P. Wavell was assigned to India. He took personal command of the British Eighth army in the desert fighting last June 25.

Alexander, who once before succeeded Auchinleck in December, 1940, as commander of the British Tenth army, headed the British and Chinese forces in their bitter but unsuccessful campaign against the Japanese invaders of Burma last spring.

Lieut. Gen. B. L. Montgomery, former commander of the southern eastern command in Britain, was appointed to command of the Eighth army in Egypt, succeeding Lieut. Gen. Neil M. Ritchie, who retired from the field when Auchinleck personally took over.

SALVAGE DRIVE TO START SOON

Enthusiastic Meeting Held Here Last Night

By CHESTER WALSH
The Pitt County War Salvage Committee, recently reorganized with Miss Lella Higgs as chairman, had an open forum discussion of the vital importance of arousing the interest of every person in Pitt county's continuous campaign to secure scrap metals, rubber, fats, etc., for war purposes. June H. Rose, assistant state director of civilian defense, opened the meeting with an impressive warning of the vital need of scrap metal at this time to keep the steel mills operating on war munitions. Miss Higgs presided. Nearly every township in Pitt county was represented.

"Public interest in the salvage of materials for war uses must be aroused now. We must get down to work to back up the men who are on the seas and at the fronts because they need weapons to win this war," Rose said. He reminded that everybody must help to win the war and said the school children will sacrifice some "readin', writin' and 'rithmetic" this year to help win the war. Through publicity and individual missionary work the people must be aroused to the vital dangers confronting this country, the civilian defense leader stated.

William McDonald, enthusiastic worker in all of the war efforts, impressed the group of representative men and women in an informal talk about salvage. Others made helpful suggestions. It was a solemn meeting. It now begins to appear that the people here are more fully realizing that the country is in danger from Hitler and Tojo.

Miss Higgs outlined the government's plan for salvaging war materials and made a number of appointments. Every town and township will have a salvage chairman. The campaign will get under way on September 12 and continue as long as there is a bit of scrap available. North Carolina is expected to (Continued on Page Two)

\$48 Ton This Fall For Cotton Seed

Washington, Aug. 18.—(AP)—The Chairman Fulmer D-S.C. of the House Agriculture Committee said today the price of cotton seed to be paid farmers for the 1942 crop would be \$48 to \$49 a ton, based on information from Price Administrator Leon Henderson and J. B. Hutson of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Fulmer said that after farmers' approximate costs were deducted from the value of the products of cotton seed under present ceiling prices, \$49 a ton was a "break even" price for the seed.

Family Killed In Train-Auto Crash

Weeping Water, Neb., Aug. 18.—(AP)—Five members of the William Stubbendick family, including a daughter who was being taken to a hospital to give birth to a child, were killed today in the collision of their car and a Missouri Pacific passenger train. The accident happened at a rural crossing near the Stubbendick home.

The dead: Mrs. William Stubbendick, 42; Mrs. John Compton, 17, her daughter, an expectant mother; Geraldine Stubbendick, 14, another daughter; Ronald Stubbendick, 8, a son; Elton Stubbendick, 5, another son.

Stubbendick, 43, who was driving, suffered a broken back and a brain concussion.

Strike Threatens Halt The Aluminum Industry

Pittsburgh, Aug. 18.—(AP)—International headquarters of the Aluminum Workers union reported today its members have urged that a general strike be called in the vital aluminum industry unless the War Labor Board reconsiders its decision denying them a wage increase or President Roosevelt "intervenes directly" in the case.

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Zonariak called a meeting of union committeemen here for Wednesday and invited representatives of the CIO United Auto Workers Union, who represent employees of

the Aluminum Company of America's Vernon, Calif., plant.

A spokesman for the board announced the union's demand for a \$1 a day increase had been denied because it was found the workers had received increases exceeding 15 percent since January 1, 1941.

The board's decision, it was explained, was prefaced upon its "yardstick" established in the recent "little steel" case in which it held wage earners were entitled to a 15 percent boost since the start of 1941, due to increased cost of living.

Zonariak charged the board had disregarded "true facts" in the dispute between his union and the Aluminum Company, which produces approximately 95 percent of the nation's raw aluminum.

The union leader claimed his men (Continued on Page Four)

U. S. Patrol Blimp Lands In City Street, Crew Missing



This Navy patrol blimp is shown sprawled in the street of a San Francisco suburb after it drifted across rooftops and crashed without its crew. The craft had been on routine submarine patrol and carried two officers as crewmen. Two lifebelts were missing and the Navy launched an intensive search of the waters off San Francisco. It drifted in with motors off and showed tears in its side before being further damaged in landing.

RAF BLASTS GERMAN CITY

Industrial Center Of Osnabrueck Bombed Last Night

London, Aug. 18.—(AP)—British bombers struck at Osnabrueck, railroad and industrial center in northwestern Germany last night in the eighth RAF attack on Germany this month. Five British bombers were reported missing on the mission, indicating a raid of moderate strength.

While Osnabrueck was under attack, other bombers and fighters bombed airfields in German-occupied territory, destroying one enemy bomber. Another enemy aircraft was shot down by the bombers attacking Osnabrueck.

Osnabrueck is one of the main railroad outlets for the German armaments in the Ruhr valley and has big steel works and other factories. It already had been raided once this month, on the night of August 9, when the British bombed it for the 40th time in this war.

Britain meanwhile was attacked by a small number of enemy aircraft which crossed the south coast and dropped bombs at a few points (Continued on Page Two)

Fine Company Here, Says Army Sergeant

Sergeant John Ambrose of Company A, 30th Engineers, U. S. Army, stationed here some months and now at Dunn, N. C., complimented the Greenville unit of the State Guard for its excellence in drill in a letter to a friend here.

Sergeant Ambrose sent good wishes from other members of the engineer outfit to friends and acquaintances in Greenville.

The army engineers are now stationed at Dunn with headquarters in the army in the Harnett county town.

WPA Official Here

C. L. McGhee, of Raleigh, state supervisor of Agricultural Scrap for War Purposes, was in the city today conferring with local WPA officials concerning transporting scrap metal found on farms and other places in rural sections of North Carolina to central shipping points. E. S. Parker of Weldon, supervisor of 20 northeastern counties accompanied him here.

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Americans Enthusiastic About Raid Over Europe

Everything Went As Scheduled and Result Satisfactory

By WES GALLAGHER
An American bomber station in Britain, Aug. 18.—(AP)—A growing American bombing offensive to smash at Nazi strongholds in Germany and occupied Europe in co-ordination with the RAF until the war is won was under way today after a highly successful, all-American bombing attack on the German-held railway yards at Rouen, France.

Twelve flying fortresses, with Brig. Gen. Ira C. Eaker in one of the leading planes, flew yesterday through all the anti-aircraft fire the Germans offered, mastered the best of Germany's fighter planes and left their target under "a great pall of smoke and sand."

Six other flying fortresses executed diversion attacks on Dunkerque and Cherbourg.

All eighteen of the giant bombers returned safely to their base.

They were escorted to their targets by RAF Canadian and United States fighters and two of these were lost. But the fighters shot down two German planes and 21-year-old Sergeant Kent L. West of West Blockton, Ala., "belly gunner" in one of the fortresses, blasted another German fighter out of the sky.

It was an American show and from General Eaker on down the boys were delighted. Flying at heights where tank-supplied oxygen was almost constantly necessary, the fortresses hardly broke formation throughout the run. American (Continued on Page Two)

Gentry Porter Back From Pearl Harbor

Gentry Porter, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Porter of Simpson, who has been in the U. S. Navy two years, is visiting his parents. He was on duty on a destroyer at Pearl Harbor when the Japanese made their attack on December 7. He has also been to Australia and New Zealand and was away from the Pacific coast 16 months.

When he arrived at a west coast port Porter took a plane for the east and came here to visit his people. He will leave tomorrow for a new destination.

Revival This Week.
The Rev. Clarence Bowen of Durham will conduct a revival at Bethany Free Will Baptist Church each night this week at 8:30. There will be special music. The Rev. J. C. Moye is pastor.

Alex B. Dail Now At Scott Field, Ill.

Alex B. Dail, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dail of this city, is at the technical training command post at Scott Field, Ill., where he will receive an intensive course in radio operating and mechanics to fit him for duty as a member of a fighting bomber crew in the United States Army.

Scott Field, known as "the Radio University of the Air Forces," is located six miles from Belleville, Ill., in the "Looking Glass Country," immortalized by Charles Dickens. The field is devoted to the production of radio operators and mechanics.

The WAR TODAY
By DeWITT MacKENZIE
Wide-World News Analyst

(This daily feature, conducted by DeWitt MacKenzie, Wide-World news analyst, is written in his absence today, by Glenn Babb.)

For Russia this is still a one-front war. She wants a second front, but she wants it in the right place. The Churchill-Stalin conference at Moscow, while reaffirming the alliance of three great powers whose

forces girdle the globe and whose forces fight the enemy on all the seas and all but one of the continents, emphasized once more the Soviet Union's anxiety to confine her share in the war to one front until her allies can marshal the power and choose the time and place for the second.

Japan was not mentioned by name in the communique which an-

AIRMEN BLAST AFRICAN BASES

U. S. Forces Report Operations Mediterranean Area

Cairo, Aug. 18.—(AP)—French contingents of United States Army troops, including ground staffs for American air force squadrons operating in the desert, and other units, have been debarked in this war theatre, it was disclosed tonight.

The new arrivals brought the first of the new type U. S. army helicopters seen in the Middle East.

The troops arrived as the U. S. Army Air Forces extended their participation in the desert war to include medium bomber raids and fresh successes of American heavy bombers were announced.

Middle-East headquarters, United States Army Air Forces announced today that another series of successful operations by heavy bombers against Tobruk and in the Mediterranean August 14 and 15 and disclosed that for the first time American medium bombers had gone into action with a raid on Matruh.

The heavy bombers set fire to an Axis merchantman guarded by two destroyers, and hit Tobruk harbor (Continued on page two)

British Submarine Sinks Axis Ship

London, Aug. 18.—(AP)—The Admiralty announced today that a large Axis supply vessel had been sunk in the Mediterranean by a British submarine while two supply ships were "considered sunk" also by submarines off the coast of Norway.

The statement said one of two Italian cruisers hit by torpedoes during last week's convoy battle in the Mediterranean had 60 feet of her bows missing.

It added that another Axis supply ship almost certainly had been sunk in the Mediterranean and still another torpedoed and left sinking.

Highway Official Here
Ronald Hought, of Raleigh, director of the Safety Division of the State Highway Department, was here today, checking records at the police and local highway departments.

See Multi-Front Drive As Result Moscow Talks

Official announcements said the decisions concerned the war against Hitlerite Germany and her associates in Europe—a phrase specifically omitting Japan.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull said the tabloid Daily Sketch said "the final decision must have been made" on the question of establishment of a second European front in 1942 and suggested that this should stop ill-informed agitation on the subject.

The historic Kremlin conference, the smooth execution of the first of the promised daylight raids on Nazi-occupied Europe by United States bombers and indications that the Solomon Islands offensive was progressing well all helped to show the start of what the British regarded as the victory trail after almost three years of defensive fighting.

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Weather Report
J. A. CLARK
(Always Observer)

TEMPERATURES
High yesterday..... 83
Low yesterday..... 63
At 1:30 p. m. today..... 81

PRECIPITATION
(In inches)
For 24 hrs. ending 1:30 p. m. 2.0
Total for month..... 3.8

Marines Carrying Out Mopping-Up Operations In The Solomon Islands

EXPECT BRAZIL TAKE ACTION

Says Nazi Sinkings Will Not Go Unpunished

Rio De Janeiro, Aug. 18.—(AP)—The rising fury of Brazilians over the sinking by Axis submarines of five Brazilian ships in three days brought President Getulio Vargas himself today to renounce the sinkings as "acts of piracy" in an address to tumultuous crowd that paraded the presidential palace.

Another crowd of 500 demonstrated in front of the United States embassy, cheering for the United States, President Roosevelt and Ambassador Jefferson Caffery and urging American nations to unite against the Axis.

All commerce and schools in Rio De Janeiro closed for the afternoon in homage to the victims of the sinkings.

Latest tabulations showed the five vessels sent down off Brazil's coast carried 536 persons, including 274 soldiers, and that only 157 have reached land.

The government already has promised that "crimes practiced against the lives and goods of Brazilians will not go unpunished," but urged the public to remain calm.

Irate newspaper editorials and street demonstrations spread the war fever today.

The steel shutters fronting business houses suspected of having Axis connections banged shut as crowds moved through the center of the city and converged on the presidential residence, Guanabara palace.

There they sang the national anthem and shouted for Vargas until the President appeared.

The president's impromptu speech, quoted later as declaring he well understood "the feelings of sadness and patriotic excitement which now fill vibrant hearts."

He said, "all Brazilians should share these feelings, and at the same time feelings of repulsion and indignation at being confronted suddenly by acts of piracy."

"We have done nothing that our merchant ships operating on coastal lines should be attacked and sunk with the deaths of sailors who operated them, and even of soldiers."

The Brazilian steamers Bage and Cuyaba, due to take Axis diplomats to Europe were held in port.

Just before noon a crowd tore Brazilian flags from the offices of pro-Axis newspapers, and two (Continued on Page Two)

Scout Leader Is Rotarians' Guest

In the absence of J. Knott Proctor, chairman of the club Service committee, A. B. Stallworth had charge of the program at the Rotary club meeting last night. He presented Mr. James Uzile, Boy Scout executive, who has recently come to Greenville to take charge of scouting activities.

Mr. Uzile talked on "Youth and Its Needs," stressing the importance of character building and emphasizing the fact that some organized effort is needed in addition to the planned efforts of church and school. Of equal or major importance with the attainment of peace is the training of our youth to preserve peace, once it is again established, he said.

Other visitors introduced by S. G. Wilkerson, club president, were Wesley Harvey, Greenville man and member of the club, who told of his experiences in the U. S. army. Mr. Harvey is now stationed at Middleton Field, Texas, in the weather section of the air forces; J. C. Waldrop of Greenville; J. P. Harris of Bethel; J. H. Coward and Frank Peterson of Ayden.

Robert L. Humber Talks Lions Meet

Robert Lee Humber, international lawyer and a resident of Paris when the German conquered France two years ago, was guest speaker at the weekly supper session of the Lions' club last night. He delivered a dramatically interesting narrative of his experiences with the French people before the outbreak of the war and his travels during the first months of the conflict. Mr. Humber gave numerous illustrations of the bravery of the French people, their "Valiant Fight" against the odds when Hitler invaded the country and urged them to surrender rather than sacrifice millions of Frenchmen in a losing battle.

Mr. Humber stressed the importance of nations learning to live in peace and understanding together and to work out an international government to deal with the problems of future generations of all people, including our present enemies. He closed his illuminating address with an earnest reference to the World Federation, a world wide organization to which he is devoting a great part of his time in establishing. This world wide federation, when thoroughly organized, will be the salvation of the future of civilization. Mr. Humber declared in concluding.

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Social and Personal

Rev. D. W. Alexander of Bethel, is a patient in Pitt General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lee Clark of Wilmington, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clark and Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Fleming.

Mrs. R. S. Terrie of Petersburg, Va., is visiting Miss Frances Bagwell.

Miss Nancy Worley of Oak City, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Nannie D. Holloman.

Mrs. C. R. Hineshaw of High Point, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Spain.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hicks of Morehead City, spent the week-end in Greenville visiting friends.

Miss Dora DeGrace Rountree of Washington, D. C., who has been visiting Mrs. Joseph Tripp, left last night to visit Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hicks in Morehead City.

Miss Ruth Woodward, who has been visiting in Greenville left yesterday for Princeton, N. C., to spend some time with her parents before returning to Washington, D. C., where she is employed in the finance division of the War Department.

Undergoes Operation.
Miss Emily Ida Baker of Chicod, is getting along nicely following a tonsil operation in Pitt General Hospital.

Tucker Reunion Thursday.
The annual reunion of the J. J. Tucker and wife and Susan Galloway Tucker descendants will be held at the home of Mrs. J. F. Wilson, a daughter, near Grimesland, Thursday at 2 p. m. A basket picnic supper will be served at 7 p. m. All members of the families are expected to attend.

Guardsmen Drill Tonight.
The Greenville Unit of the N. C. State Guard will drill at the armory tonight at 8 o'clock. Capt. Jasper L. Jones will be in command. The guardsmen did their drilling and setting-up exercises on the Courthouse Square while the U. S. Army Engineers occupied the armory. The engineers went to Dunn about a week ago.

Boy Scout Council To Meet.
The Greenville district board of East Carolina Council of Boy Scouts of America will meet at Hooker and Buchanan's office Thursday night at 8 o'clock. Plans will be made for the fall and winter work of Boy Scouting here. James Uzie, former Jacksonville school principal, new Boy Scout executive, will be present. Plans have already been made to develop scouting on a larger scale here and in the county.

Federal William G. Edwards.
The funeral of William Glenn Edwards, 17-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd F. Edwards, of this city, who died early yesterday, was held from the home at 5 a. m. today. The Rev. Gilbert Davis, the Christian minister, officiated. Burial was in Greenwood cemetery.

Theatres Will Help Sell Bonds

The Pitt and State theaters will join in with other theaters of the nation, including the film industry in a campaign to sell \$1,000,000 in War Stamps and Bonds during September.

The September drive is to be an all-out campaign which will have as its general title "Salute To Our Heroes" and with the slogan, "Buy a Bond to honor every mother's son in service."

Plans are being formulated here which will give and encourage every patron of the Pitt and State theaters as well as every person in Pitt county to go all out in the purchase of War Bonds and Stamps.

Airmen Blast . . .

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installations and a wreck which was being used to moor torpedo boats there.

"All our planes returned safely" from all missions, the American announcement said.

It also disclosed that since the first series of attacks by German and Italian fighters on American bombers, there had been no cases of enemy fighter interception, the foe having met with more than he bargained for.

Use of the medium bombers which scored several hits at Mauthausen brought to within a step of full participation of the United States Army heavy bomber, medium bomber and fighter air forces in the Egyptian fighting.

For weeks American heavy bombers, four-motored Consolidated B-24 Liberators and Boeing B-17E flying fortresses, have been pounding away at Axis bases and shipping.

Only yesterday it was disclosed that American airmen who have been operating in RAF fighter planes for their final desert training had completed their dress rehearsal in actual combat and now were ready to fly their own latest type planes with the big circle insignia of the United States.

The American medium bomber forces also have hitherto operated with RAF equipment in the desert fighting.

RAF Blasts . . .

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in the south and east of England. The British said some damage was done and casualties were reported but they claimed two German bombers were destroyed, one over Britain and the other near its base in France by a fighter pilot.

Social Calendar

TUESDAY
7:00 p. m.—American Legion meets at the High School cafeteria.

8:00 p. m.—Chapter 149 of the Eastern Star meets.

WEDNESDAY
9:30 a. m.—12:30 p. m.—Red Cross work room open. Ladies of Immanuel Baptist and Presbyterian churches in charge.

8:15 p. m.—Miss Elizabeth Norman will entertain at bridge at the home of Mrs. E. B. Ferguson in honor of Miss Elizabeth Smith, bride-elect.

THURSDAY
9:30 a. m.—12:30 p. m.—Red Cross work room open. Ladies of Memorial Baptist Church in charge.

8:30 p. m.—Miss Jane Hadley will entertain at bridge at the home of Mrs. E. B. Ferguson, complimenting Miss Elizabeth Smith.

FRIDAY
9:30 a. m.—12:30 p. m.—Red Cross work room open. Ladies of the Christian Church in charge.

6:30 p. m.—Kiwanis Club.

7:30 p. m.—Red Men meet.

Forty Years Ago Today

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Workers Who Never Strike
In these days of unparalleled prosperity and strikes it is a soothing reflection that the majority of the American workers never have gone on strike and probably never will.

A survey of the national workshop, so to speak, discloses the fact that, including men, women and minors, nearly 32,000,000 persons are daily at work in it—less the number of those temporarily on strike. Of that total 15,000,000 only are employed in the industries that are subject to strikes and lockouts.

In short, nearly two-thirds of all the working people of the country are steady, continuous workers, who "eat wood and say nothing," and of the other one-third only a fraction stops working at any time. New York World.

Expect Brazil . . .

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marshaled to the foreign ministry, where a spokesman for the demonstrators declared:

"This demonstration is to show the Brazilian government that people will follow the government anywhere."

A functionary of the foreign ministry accepted the flag, and then the demonstrators, estimated to number 2,000, observed one minute's silence "in memory of all who have died throughout the world in the struggle against aggressors."

Special police prevented damage to the newspaper buildings but there were other cases of attacks on German property by enraged Brazilians.

There was one attempt to attack a suburban German hospital. A German bar was sacked. Demonstrations occurred against various business houses known to be German-controlled.

Dispatches from Porto Alegre told of anti-Axis demonstrations by a huge crowd there.

Strongly worded editorials in the Brazilian press fanned the public feelings.

It was learned that the five sunken ships carried 336 persons, including 274 soldiers. Government information up to noon showed 157 had reached the Brazilian coast, leaving 679 still to be accounted for.

The journal said the delay in departure of the diplomat exchange ships definitely was connected with the sinkings.

"We have been patient in excess," the newspaper declared.

The count of the missing from the five ships, two of them carrying troops to an undisclosed destination, was still incomplete.

The Diario De Noticias declared Brazil was "neither intimidated nor disposed to forgive the crime."

The newspaper added that the attacks on shipping off the Brazilian coast actually implied a growing weakness of the Reich.

German submarines, since the beginning of hostilities, have been expelled from the zones of major importance, starting with British waters, to the United States routes to Iceland, and from there to the United States coast, the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean, and now to the Brazilian coast," the newspaper said. "If those undersea craft devote themselves to attacks on small vessels navigating between Bahia and Recife it is obvious that it is becoming more difficult to sink ships taking supplies to Russia, new materials to the United States, and arms to England."

The government, bitterly criticizing the Axis for "disregard of the most elemental concept of human rights," promised that the attacks on Brazilian shipping and lives would not go unpunished.

Lifboats containing many survivors from the five ships have arrived at coastal points, it was announced, but the loss of life is generally expected to be high. The five ships carried a total of 346 crew members and one was reported to be carrying 60 passengers.

Three others carried an unknown number of passengers, including Brazilian troops on the 4,801-ton Bependo. In addition to the Bependo, the ships lost were the 1,905-ton Annibal Benevento, the 4,572-ton Araraquara, the 1,975-ton Arara and the 2,100-ton Itapira.

Large crowds gathered at the offices of the Lloyd Brasileiro Navigation Lines to learn the fate of relatives on the ships.

In Montevideo, President Alfredo Baldomir of Uruguay sent a message of sympathy to President Getulio Vargas of Brazil in which he condemned the "spirit of evil" against South America.

An official Brazilian announcement said the Bependo was carrying an army unit "with reduced number of forces," but added that "rumors dispersed about high military losses have not the slightest foundation."

The announcement apparently referred to the first word on the sinking, quoting the Brazilian embassy at Montevideo as announcing the loss of the Bependo with 700 or 800 troops.

"Our country within its traditions does not flinch before such brutality and the government is examining methods to take in the face of these events," the Brazilian department of press and propaganda said in a statement.

"The population should remain calm and confident in the assurance that crimes practiced against the lives and goods of Brazilians will not go unpunished."

The attacks occurred between Bahia and the state of Sergipe a few miles off the coast below the eastern bulge of Brazil.

The sinking brought to 18 the number of Brazilian ships sunk by Axis marauders.

Montevideo, Uruguay, Aug. 18.—(AP)—The newspaper El Tiempo, which is considered a presidential mouthpiece, declared today in commenting on the sinking of five Brazilian ships that "the whole of America is at war since yesterday."

The newspaper added: "Brazilian brothers, we are with you."

Washington, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Secretary of State Cordell Hull denounced today the torpedoing of five Brazilian ships as another of the many lawless and inhuman acts of the Axis powers.

Commenting at his press conference on the loss of the Brazilian boats, including some carrying troops, the secretary declared that the Axis powers were inflicting these lawless and inhuman acts on neutrals and belligerents alike.

He recalled that he has had occasion to make similar remarks before and warned that he probably would have occasion to speak again.

Washington, Aug. 18.—(AP)—The government needs scrap metal and rubber, etc. People who own the wanted materials are urged to sell the metal to junk dealers. They may contribute to the war effort by scrap to school or community scrap piles. Farmers are asked to bring in scrap metals or rubber with every load of tobacco. Every pound will help to win the war. When the community metal piles are sold the money derived from its sale may be used to buy medical supplies for Red Cross emergency use of all of the people of the country. The committee is not making a plea for scrap. This group of patriotic citizens is ominously warning everybody that unless the people at home provide the materials for war the soldiers and sailors cannot win battles. The country is in danger. The war situation in Europe and in the Pacific are serious, it was stated.

Sell it give it away, take it to the community junk piles, but bring in metal and rubber scrap and save fats, every person who spoke that night urged. The fighting men cannot win battles with creosoted fence posts—they need guns and ammunition. William McDonald declared.

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CHINESE PUSH INVADER BACK

New Jap Attack Aimed At Closing Railway Gap

Chungking, Aug. 18.—(AP)—A determined Japanese attack aimed at closing the gap in the Kiangsi province railway front has been repulsed after a three-day battle, 12 miles from Shanghai, a Chinese army spokesman announced today.

The Japanese objective was Heng-feng, 24 miles from Shanghai, he said.

Simultaneously the Japanese drove wedges northwest and southwest from Shanghai to protect their central column from flank attacks, the spokesman reported.

The Japanese recently have transferred 1,000 or 2,000 soldiers from Haiphong to Langson, in French Indo-China near the Kwangsi province border, but this was "a minor activity without any special significance," the spokesman added.

The Chinese communique today, describing the same Kiangsi province fighting on which the spokesman reported, said the Japanese had captured four townships in central Kiangsi.

The Japanese advance, he said, was south of Linchuan (Fuchow) and was continuing.

To the northeast, around Shanghai, 115 miles inland from Linchuan, the Chinese were reported to have repulsed 2,000 Japanese trying to drive northwest of Shanghai.

Barrage Balloon Bursts.
San Diego, Calif., Aug. 18.—(AP)—A barrage balloon burst at 5,000 feet yesterday, short-circuiting power lines and released heavy clouds, one of which crashed through the roof of a beach home. No one was injured.

Heavy Penalties For Profiteers
Charlotte, Aug. 18.—(AP)—The Office of Price Administration continued today its investigation of alleged "black markets" for automobile tires in this area.

James G. Greene, chief investigator for OPA in the state, said that the probe was started after a highway patrolman found six new tires in the possession of a South Carolina textile worker who reported that he had purchased two of them in Charlotte for \$50 each and the other four on fake retail certificates given him by a South Carolina retailer plant.

Greene said the investigation was extending into other states.

Nurse Stabs Baby In Crib 57 Times
El Paso, Tex., Aug. 18.—(AP)—A 30-year-old housemaid, Guillermina Geck, was charged with murder in the fatal stabbing of one-year-old Katherine Louise Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Cox of El Paso.

The woman, who was hired four days ago as a maid, was left at the Cox home Sunday night in charge of the infant while the mother worked as a teletype operator at nearby Biggs Field. The father was employed at an Alamogordo, N. M. army base.

Police said the sleeping child had been stabbed 57 times with a butcher knife. The housemaid was arrested yesterday as she rode a streetcar from Juarez, Mexico.

Pro-Axis Britons.
Belfast, Northern Ireland, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Nine Britons implicated for pro-Axis sympathies were last night from an internment camp at Curragh, county Kildare. Three were captured a few hours later.

Sanford Man Drowned.
Sanford, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Arthur M. Gunter, 25, son of Mrs. A. M. Gunter, was drowned yesterday afternoon while swimming near Norfolk, Va. He was connected with a construction company there.

The funeral will be held here tomorrow.

Nazis In Norway Suspect Invasion
London, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Advises reaching the Norwegian government-in-exile here today declared German forces in Norway experienced an "invasion scare" when a British convoy was recently sighted off the Trondheim coast.

It was said the Germans occupied the Trondheim telephone exchange and locked the operators in a room where they were held overnight.

Many followers of pro-Nazi Premier Vidkun Quisling removed their party emblems, burned confidential papers and hurriedly left town amid fears of a British attack.

The British convoy presumably was en route to northern Russia.

ICC Fixes Blame Railroad Wreck
Washington, Aug. 18.—(AP)—The Interstate Commerce Commission reported today that a collision on the Seaboard Airline Railway at Kittrell, N. C., in which eight passengers were killed June 14 was caused by failure to provide adequate flag protection for the preceding train and by failure properly to control the speed of the following train.

The accident occurred when a freight train crashed into the rear of a passenger train which had stopped near the Kittrell station.

The commission recalled that a similar accident had occurred on the same railway at Monroe, N. C., on June 8, injuring three employees and commented that "both investigations disclosed a lack of proper supervision in the enforcement of rules."

Stalin's Son Gets Bravery Citation
Moscow, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Col. Vasily Stalin, son of the Soviet Premier, was disclosed today to be in command of a pursuit aviation group on the southern front. An article in Red Star said he supervised the work of fighters in an aerial combat over a river crossing recently.

On June 21 it was announced that Colonel Stalin, who still is in his twenties, had been awarded the Order of the Red Banner for bravery in front-line battle.

Air Alarm At Rome.
Rome (From Italian Broadcasts) Aug. 18.—(AP)—The Italian high command announced that an air raid alarm was sounded in Rome yesterday because of the presence of an unidentified plane.

EXTRA

Greenville Trial Goes To Jury TOBACCO GROWERS ASKED TO RENDER VERDICT

Greenville claims title "The Best Tobacco Market in the State." ... The case has come to trial. ... Greenville asks for jury composed of North Carolina tobacco growers. ... Greenville presents as evidence UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FIGURES:

Greenville's average for year 1941	\$31.43
Eastern Belt average for year 1941	\$30.32
Border Belt average for year 1941	\$25.90
Average price paid for entire crop	\$28.63



Gentlemen of The Jury---

SIT TOGETHER... CONSIDER THE EVIDENCE AND RENDER YOUR
VERDICT ACCORDINGLY...

(Note: Foreseeing Your Decision—We Publish It Below)

GREENVILLE

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PRICES ABOVE THE MARKET LEVEL

And Every Cent You Receive Over and Above the Market Price
Is an Extra Profit On YOUR TOBACCO CROP

Opening Day—Tuesday, August 25th

RADIO — DAILY MARKET REPORTS — RADIO

WGTC
Greenville
12:30

WFTC
Kinston
12:45

WPTF
Raleigh
12:55

WRRF
Washington
1:05

WHIT
New Bern
1:15

An Ideal Sales System In Greenville

NO BLOCKS: A sale a day for every warehouse. You know when your tobacco will be sold when you put it on the warehouse floor. ... There's no delay ... no uncertainty ... Instead your tobacco is sold promptly and orderly and by virtue of the fact that it goes on sale fresh and in better condition ... IT SELLS HIGHER.

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Strength FOR THE DAY

By EARL L. DOUGLAS

TODAY'S FAILURE—TOMORROW'S SUCCESS

When young Benjamin Disraeli stood up in the House of Commons to make his first speech as a member from Maidstone, his speech called forth derisive laughter from all parts of the chamber. He had a high-flown style and indulged in extravagant gestures. He had picked out for his first speech the unromantic subject of an Irish-election petition, and he proceeded to present his case so poorly and with such glibness and artificial oratory that he was soon calling forth groans and sarcastic remarks from his hearers, instead of the cheers he had expected.

In mortification he stopped abruptly. But before he took his seat he made a prophecy which within a few years was to be marvelously fulfilled. "I will sit down," he declared, "but the time will come when you shall hear me." Within a week he made a speech on another bill and spoke so simply that this time he received respectful attention. From that time forth his influence grew until he ended as Prime Minister of the Empire and finally a peer in the House of Lords. It is always the last battle which wins a war, the last blow which wins a boxing match, the last examination a man takes at school which determines whether or not he shall be graduated. We are liable, if we judge men by their beginnings, often to be let down by our judgments. Sometimes the faltering Disraeli of today becomes the leader of tomorrow.

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EVERYONE HAS A PART TO PLAY

Plans for the coming salvage drive in Pitt County are being formulated and it is to be hoped that every person requested to serve on any committee will do so and that the people of our county as a whole will cooperate in every way when the drive is actually started next month. There is an abundance of scrap metal scattered about this county that should be put to use in the manufacture of war materials and other necessary implements. This is war and without the full cooperation of every American we cannot win. Let's see to it that Pitt County goes well over the top in its scrap metal drive.

IT'S YOUR MARKET

The attention of tobacco growers is called to the advertisement today of the Greenville Tobacco Market. The text of this advertisement is not just an idle boast. The authentic figures regarding the Greenville Tobacco Market speak for themselves. One of the chief reasons for the continued growth of the Greenville market during the years of its existence is because it has rendered unsurpassed service to the growers who have been its patrons. This year's plans include continued improvements of the market for the benefit of its customers and growers of Eastern Carolina will do well to sell their tobacco on this market

Saboteur Number One



that each year adds thousands of new friends and customers. Study the facts and you will sell in Greenville.

Washington Daybook

By Leo S. Blum

Washington. That gloomy report of the Office of War Information about our being only ankle-deep in this war so far wasn't eye-wash. At least, a good many government officials in the highest places—armed with all of the information available on this war—think just that. Recently I sat through an off-the-record session with such an official. He has been twice to England and in many conferences with Churchill. He has been present at most of the war cabinet meetings here. He is constantly in touch with the British and Russians. He was not talking for publication so his name can't be used.

"On my calendar," he told me, "this war couldn't be over before 1946 and probably not before 1948. After we defeat Hitler, it will take two years at the minimum to knock out the Japs and I doubt very much if we can begin to push Hitler around in Europe before 1945."

He said that those persons who anticipate a collapse of Germany or Japan either because of shortage of materials or manpower are just wishful thinkers. And that the facts are that German production and manpower are at their highest

peak and growing daily. In spite of his prediction about the length of the duration, he expressed the opinion that casualties wouldn't nearly approach those of the World War.

"There will, of course, be casualties. In some cases they will be shocking. But this is a war of materials and machines and shipping such as the world has never seen." In this war, he explained, it will be the men who get the roughest with the most of those things who will win it. To knock out 1,000 medium tanks might wreck a huge offensive, but in those tanks would only be 3,000 men.

As for the second front, this official refused to join in the clamor of other armchair generals. Disclaiming any knowledge of military strategy, he expressed grave doubt that a second front would have the desired effect of diverting the Germans from their Russian offensive.

If it did, even if it cost a half million men and all their equipment, he thought it might be worth it; but for the very reason that the Nazis have the manpower and possibly the machine power, they might be able to combat a second front to a stalemate without being diverted. As for the thousand-plane raids on German cities, this observer said very emphatically and from first-hand knowledge that they were far more spectacular than effective. To raze a city is one thing; to raze enough camouflaged and well-hidden war factories to wreck the war effort or even halt it for any length of time is another.

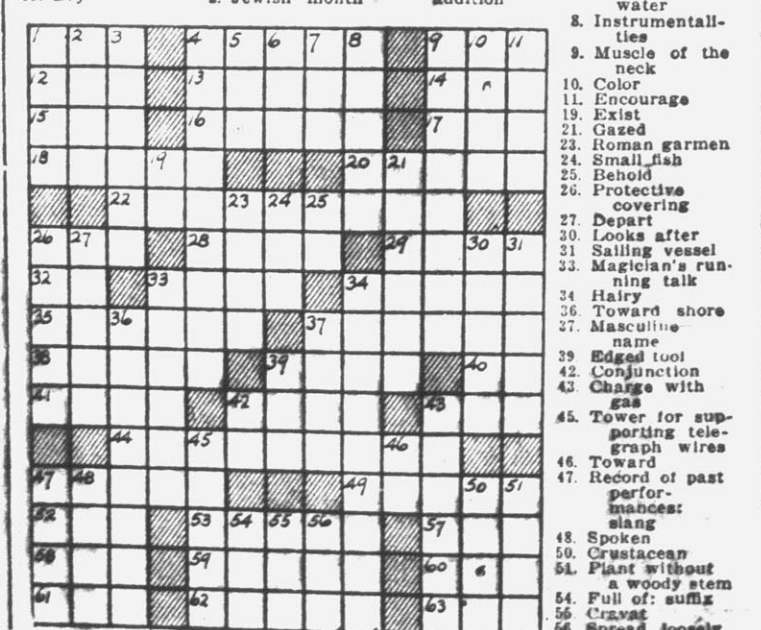
There are just some of the personal opinions expressed by one man—but that man is in a position to be in the know. He may be wrong, but so may be others.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Capture
4. Swimming
9. Mineral spring
12. Dutch city
13. Serenity
14. Young bear
15. Went awfully
16. Peeled
17. Playing card
18. Aquatic bird
20. Small island
22. Air
23. Wing
24. Extinct bird
25. Insects
26. Concerning
27. Boy attendant
28. Merciless
29. Kind of grape
30. City in California
31. Egg-shaped
32. Dry

DOWN
1. Mass of floating ice
2. Jewish month
3. City in New York state
4. Subordinate addition
5. Ocean
6. Conflict
7. Concealed water
8. Instrumental ties
9. Muscle of the neck
10. Color
11. Encouragement
12. Exist
13. Gazed
14. Roman garment
15. Small fish
16. Behold
17. Protective covering
18. Depart
19. Looked after
20. Sailing vessel
21. Magician's running talk
22. Hairy
23. Toward shore
24. Masculine name
25. Edged tool
26. Conjunction
27. Change with gas
28. Toward supporting telegraph wires
29. Record of past performance
30. Slang
31. Spoken
32. Crustacean
33. Plant without a woody stem
34. Full of sulfur
35. Cravat
36. Spread loosely

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle.



The WAR TODAY

(Continued from Page One)
nounced the results of the Moscow conference. But the care taken, obviously at the insistence of Joseph Stalin, to exclude Japan from the announced scope of the decisions showed clearly that the threat of Hirohito's army in Manchuria was never far from the minds of the conferees even as they grappled with the deadly urgent problem of stopping Adolf Hitler.

For the second time in ten weeks the leaders of the United Nations have made this pointed exception. Yesterday's announcement declared again that the agreements concluded early in June were against "Hitlerite Germany and her associates in Europe."

The United States and Britain, much as they may hope to see eastern Siberia ultimately available as a base of operations against Japan, are compelled to accept their ally's single-front stand with sympathy and understanding. One of the great dangers confronting the United Nations is that the much-debated second front will be opened by Japan before America and Britain are ready to strike, that it will come at the eastern extremity of the great Eurasian land mass instead of the western.

Certainly this is no time for Russia to challenge the Mikado's Kwantung army, which reports from many quarters describe as growing steadily in numbers and striking power, ranged along the Amur and Ussuri rivers, ready to thrust deep into Siberia in the fine autumn weather that begins in a week or two in northeastern Asia.

Russian-Japanese relations are regulated, according to repeated official statements by the neutrality treaty the two powers signed at Easter, 1941, in Moscow. Although Japan has been at war for nearly nine months against her two principal allies, Russia insists on holding with rigid correctness to the letter of her engagement. Does the Kremlin really believe that Japan will honor her pledge a day longer than it fits her purposes? Or is Stalin trying merely to avoid giving the provocation that might be all that the eager Kwantung army would need to send it against Vladivostok?

What Russia hopes for or expects from Japan remains one of this war's great mysteries. Obviously, however, that is not the time from Russia's or her allies' points of view to complete the global nature of the war by turning Siberia and Manchuria into a battleground.

That may come later, when the German phase of the war gives way to the Japanese. All signs now point to this conflict—assuming that we win it—being a two-chapter affair, with the decision in the Orient postponed until Hitler is disposed of. One of the most convincing of such signs is that phrase in yesterday's communiqué—"Hitlerite Germany and her associates in Europe."

Meanwhile it may be that a far-away third front is playing a telling part in the United Nations' urgent effort to ensure that they and not Japan shall open the second front. The battle of the Solomon Islands remains obscured in the mists of tropical rains and official secrecy, but indications grow that this may become a vortex which will draw an increasing share of Japan's naval and air strength into battle.

The diameter of the earth at the equator is 7,926,677 miles, and through the poles 7,899,938 miles.

Because of their use both for food and oil, peanuts are being produced at a 155 per cent increase over 1941.

WILDERNESS GIRL

By LETA ZOE ADAMS

Chapter Six
The Goodbye
For a moment Sandy watched the lithe figure of the girl. He was conscious of confused emotions, a haunting curiosity to know more about her, disappointment, and smouldering anger for the nonchalant way in which she had disposed of his request to travel with her party.

He pushed through the throng, then, and came upon McIntyre, Gil and Helen before one of the booths where Helen was making a purchase.

Gil lifted a questioning brow and Sandy gave a slight shrug. He did not think it wise to tell McIntyre the outcome of his interview.

Helen turned from her appraisal of a little rosewood box to glance up at Sandy. Her eyes held a question, too, but of a different kind. "You weren't gone long," she said.

"It didn't take long," Sandy answered non-committally. Presently they moved on, McIntyre talking about the natives.

Here is something that might interest you," he interrupted himself to remark. "A curandera."

It was not a regular booth before which he had stopped, but a corner between two booths. Squatted there was an aged woman surrounded by little pottery jars. A pungent incense rose in a thin, gray smoke from a shallow bowl placed on a mat before her.

She looked up at the group and said something in the native dialect, which Sandy only partly understood.

For the benefit of the others McIntyre translated. "She tells us that she can cure any malady, drive out evil spirits, change luck from bad to good, or overcome a pending tragedy. She says she can even ward off death if an owl has hooted over the roof."

"Quite somebody," Gil said. "I've run into some of them in Mexico City and Yucatan." He placed a small coin upon the mat in front of the old woman. "To buy myself a little luck," he remarked.

They started to turn away but the old woman fixed her eyes upon Gil and began to speak slowly, jerkily, springing from one subject to another.

McIntyre listened with attention. "Otea is a real soothsayer. She has just told you that you're about to embark upon a hazardous journey." Sandy grinned. "She is probably shrewd enough to know that we are not in Omaha for our health."

"If you put another coin on her mat she may tell you more," McIntyre suggested.

Gil drew a few coins from his pocket. "I've always liked a gamble. I'll risk a few centavos."

It might mean death. The woman was silent a moment, then gesturing dramatically with a withered arm, began jabbering.

The four stood still, watching curiously, until she had finished. "She says you will see strange and wondrous sights."

"Cheering news, if not exactly original," uttered Gil.

"There will be great dangers. You will overcome many of them."

"What about the rest?" Helen asked quickly.

"She said something rather odd. 'Two of you will pass through a rainbow'."

"Alice in Wonderland stuff," Gil jeered.

"They talk in symbols," McIntyre said. "A rainbow could be a good many things, I suppose. No use asking her. She won't tell any more."

"Could it mean—death?" Helen questioned, her eyes round and solemn.

"It might well mean just that," McIntyre said. "Does she think we should not go? Ask her, Mr. McIntyre," Helen directed.

He put the question and the old woman answered at once with a sweeping gesture.

McIntyre translated: "She says you have no choice. It is the same, as, 'It is written'."

"Let's move on," Sandy said, his voice crisp. He thought: "This sort of thing is bad for the morale on the eve of an expedition. Why in blazes did we have to stop and hear it?"

He wished the others would have enough so they could all leave. But they showed no sign of it. Helen had stopped at another booth where lacquer ware was being sold and was, inquiring about shipping things to the States.

Helen's voice roused him with a start. "Penny for your thoughts, Sandy."

"You're looking at Miss Fleming," Helen pointed out significantly. There was a probing alertness in her eyes that she attempted to hide behind a smile.

"If you've finished your shopping let's get out of here," Sandy said and took her arm with an air of finality.

Last Hope
McIntyre sat with them for an hour or two in the patio of the hotel. When he had gone Helen, too, excused herself saying, with a dainty yawn, that she would try out the cot in her room. There was no hint of a complaint in her voice when she spoke of the hard, mattressless bed.

Both men watched as she made her way along the bricked floor to her room.

"Looks like she is really going through with it," Gil said. "Somehow you have to admire her spunk."

Sandy granted that, but he scowled into the shadows, recalling the scene of the afternoon.

"But I still don't like it. She's certain to cause us trouble of one kind or another."

Gil's stony eyes regarded Sandy a moment. Of a sudden he said, "Of course you've suspected her real reason for coming, chief."

Sandy felt a warmth mount to his face. He was neither more nor

may be prolonged," it said, "but every possible measure to curtail them was considered in Moscow." The Times said the meeting "should ensure that any ciphers which may have hitherto obscured corners of the military situation are swept away and that the two countries face together, with the fullest confidence on both sides, the dangers of the most urgently critical months which this war has yet witnessed."

By HENRY CASSEBY

Moscow, Aug. 18.—(AP)—Russian publications suggested today that United Nations carry the war to Germany "with all their power and energy" and devoted front pages to the Kremlin conversations of Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin.

Photographs portrayed the British and Russian war leaders beaming at each other—Stalin in his usual khaki tunic and Churchill wearing a blue flying suit.

The government newspaper Izvestia hailed the phrase "with all their power and energy" from the communiqué concerning the talks and asserted this peak effort was awaited by the great public masses of Britain and the United States.

Izvestia asserted that Adolf Hitler "already has laid bare other vulnerable parts of his front in Europe in order to obtain success on the Soviet-German front."

Izvestia said this had brought the war to the "decisive phase" with the Germans throwing "their full might into an attempt to wrest victory before the United Nations' growing resources could tip the scales."

The Red army alone continues the heavy struggle," the newspaper went on, "and even under the most unfavorable circumstances inflicts tremendous losses upon the fascists and breaks down the power of the German war machine."

"For more than a year the Red army has drawn upon itself all the power of the Hitlerite military forces, giving its allies the possibility to accumulate and prepare all the resources necessary to crush the enemy."

Strike Threatens . . .
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had been given actual increases amounting to eight cents an hour in the period. The company, in arguing before the board, presented figures claiming it had boosted wages by 23 per cent, not including a seven-cent an hour increase given workers in southern plants to decrease a sectional differential rate.

The CIO union represents workers in seven plants of the Aluminum Company in which approximately 32,000 men are employed. Zonarich said. They are located at New Kensington, Pa., Detroit, Edgewater, N. J., Alcoa, Tenn., Bauxite, Ark., Badin, N. C., and Bridgeport, Fairfield, Conn.

The Aluminum Company has more than 55,000 employees. Resentment at the refusal of the War Labor Board to grant wage increases has brought a slowdown of work at the company's Alcoa, Tenn.

See Multi-Front . . .
(Continued from Page One)
ing. British newspapers played up the Churchill visit and the comment of the Daily Mail that "nothing but good can come of this conference" was typical.

The BBC, in an English language broadcast beamed to the millions of men and women dominated by Adolf Hitler, said the joint Moscow-London announcement "inaugurates the final phase of the war which will see the decline and end of Germany's offensive power and the swift sequel of an allied offensive."

"The death throes (of Germany) will be prolonged," it said, "but every possible measure to curtail them was considered in Moscow."

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plant, a union spokesman said there "is not an official slowdown."

explained Jack Wetmore, secretary treasurer of the union local, "but I results from the workers discussing the board's action during work time and many of them are standing around the plant and ground talking of the rejection and are not working at all."

"These men are in a humor for a strike if the board does not reconsider its action."

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 18.—(AP)—Work at eleven Reynolds Metals Company plants here was slowed today by a labor stoppage.

R. W. Pasmick, field representative of the International Union, CIO Aluminum Workers of America, said this thing started when the company yesterday fired Ray Stober, our chairman in the No. 7 plant for no good reason."

R. S. Reynolds, president of the concern, said the work stoppage was causing a loss to the nation of the equivalent of one medium bomber an hour, although he said all plants were operating to some extent.

Reynolds said the company had not been officially advised of the cause of trouble but said he understood Stober's dismissal was the reason advanced by the workers.

"The dismissal certainly is no sufficient cause for these almost division workers remaining away from their work as their action has interfered with production to our war effort," the company president stated.

Pickets appeared at the various plants but no disturbances were reported.

Judge James Uses The Padlock Law
In County Court today Judge Dink James disposed of the following cases:

Nelson Hopkins, colored, laborer for sale, \$50 fine, costs deducted, or 60 days in jail, sentenced suspended and Hopkins not to violate the liquor laws for 2 years; his place to be padlocked for 10 days. John Thomas Boyle, driving drunk, \$50 fine and license revoked for a year; William I. Turner, drunk, 30 days in jail, sentence suspended on payment of costs;

Lawrence Hines, colored, possession and sale of intoxicating liquor, not guilty; James Blount, colored, allowing person to drive without license, 60 days, suspended on payment of costs; James Allen Blount alias Robert Lee Carmon, driving without license and false representation, 60 days, suspended on payment of costs and not to drive for 90 days after license was issued; Peter Williams, speeding, continued.

To Relieve Colds Take 666
LIQUID TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS

To My Farmer Friends

The Greenville Tobacco Market will open Tuesday August 25, with First Sale at the Victory Warehouse, formerly known as the Gorman House.

This season, 1942, this house was sold and bought by Gus Forbes, and now owned and operated by Gus Forbes and associate Yock Joyner.

We wish to announce that we are prepared to sell your entire crop of tobacco at highest prices.

We have a well balanced force, courteous and obliging. Our efforts will be service to you. This house is one of the best in town—out of traffic and congestion. An ideal place to sell tobacco.

VICTORY WAREHOUSE

Gus E. Forbes — Yock Joyner
Greenville, N. C.

SALES SCHEDULE

August 25th - Tuesday Morning - 3 hours
August 26th - Wednesday Afternoon - 2 hours
August 27th - Thursday Morning - 3 1/2 hours
August 28th - Friday Afternoon - 1 1/2 hours
August 31st - Monday Morning - 3 hours

Yanks And Dodgers Best World Series Drawing Card

CROWDS AWAIT GRUDGE SERIES

Feuding Between The Clubs Now Flaring Up Again

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR
Associated Press Sports Writer

If the New York Yankees and Brooklyn Dodgers don't meet in the world series this fall, they'll waste a grudge that would be worth more at the box office than all the 300 hitters on both clubs.

Born in the post-season classic last October but lost amid the pennant squabbles of the current campaign, the ill-feeling has come out of retirement and shows signs of snowballing into quite a fuss.

The sudden reappearance can be traced directly to both teams' front offices, the occupants of which know how many customers a good grudge battle can pull through the gates.

It all came about when the Yankees "discovered" that their army-navy relief doubleheader with the Washington Senators at the stadium Sunday would have the toughest kind of competition at Ebbets field, where the Dodgers had increased their meeting with the New York Giants from a single game to a double bill.

When the Dodgers refused to strike one of their games off the day's calendar, Yankee officials were angered as well as embarrassed. Now the Yankees are trying to show up the American league in general and the Yankees in particular in the matter of war relief funds, are recalling the happenings of last October.

Among other things, they remember those close pitches, one of which nearly led to blows between New York's Joe DiMaggio and Brooklyn's Whitlow Wyatt. So the feud is on again.

At Sunday's relief doubleheader, the one and only Babe Ruth will don a Yankee uniform once more and exhibit what's left of the batting power that made him the game's greatest home run hitter. Serving them up to the Babe in the added attraction between games will be Washington's superb hurler of former years, Walter Johnson.

Meanwhile the St. Louis Cardinals aren't conceding the Dodgers the National League pennant. With Brooklyn idle yesterday, the Cards sliced the Dodger lead to seven and a half games by whipping the Cincinnati Reds, 5-2, to sweep a four-game series.

St. Louis broke a 2-2 tie in the seventh with two runs on a double by Marty Marion, a triple by Johnny Hopp and a single by Howard Krist.

In the only other National league game, the New York Giants tightened their grip on third place, four games ahead of Cincinnati, by edging out the Boston Braves, 3-2. Babe Bama singled with the bases loaded, the score tied and two out in the last of the ninth.

The Yankees played their last game of the season in Philadelphia, swamping the Athletics, 15-0, as Red Ruffing hurled his fourth shut-out of the year and the 42nd of his career.

The defeat, leaving the A's 35 games behind the Yankees with only 33 left to play, definitely eliminated Philadelphia as a pennant possibility.

She St. Louis Browns came from behind twice to beat the Cleveland Indians, 5-2, in a night game, the only other contest on the schedule. John Niggeling pitched seven-hit ball for the Browns, who pulled within a game and a half of the third-place tribe.

Clergyman Tried As Nazi Aide



The Rev. Kurt E. B. Mohr, Lutheran clergyman from Philadelphia, and his wife enter the Federal court building at Hartford, Conn., where both testified at the trial in which the minister and four other men are accused of conspiring to furnish American military secrets to the Axis. Mohr served as a German soldier before coming to the United States.

Now You Just Lissen Here!



Voluble Casey Stengel (No. 32), manager of the Boston Braves, crosses forefingers with Umpire Larry Goetz when he objected to the umpire's decision in calling out "Nanny" Fernandez at first in the eighth inning of the game with the Brooklyn Dodgers. The verbal dual ended abruptly with Goetz ordering Stengel off the field.

Don Scott, Ralph Kerechal and Vo., are perfectly willing to prove it on the field... Well, how about it, boys? A game like that ought to draw right well in Chicago or New York... But try to play it here so we can see it.

New Fan

For eleven years Dora Kadis has been secretary of the Baltimore Orioles and up to a couple of weeks ago she never saw a complete ball game, following the Orioles' fortunes by the noise that penetrated her office under the stands. Recently she decided to spend her vacation in Canada and traveled to Montreal and Toronto with the club... She saw the Orioles win a few tilts and came back a red-hot fan, but now Dora has to follow them by ear until vacation time comes again.

One-Minute Sports Page

Fort Worth is raising a "pennant fund" to reward Rogers Hornsby's oats for staying up in the Texas league race... And the fans are annoyed because the Bash isn't eligible for the "most valuable" award... Marty Cohen, who promotes fights at the Queensboro Arena and Ridgewood Grove, has added St. Nick to his New York string... Augie Nordone sprained his wrist during the first round of the Rochester open golf tourney last week but turned in a 71, playing the last three holes with one hand only four over par... Couple of new guys on the Virginia football squad this fall are Thomas E. Dudley, Bill's kid brother, and Jack Murray, son of Frank, the Cavaliers' coach.

Today's Guest Star

Sandy Mc Donald, Seattle Times: "Emil Sick is figuring on augmenting his coffee, hot dogs and peanuts menu with a few more substantial items of food when the 6 o'clock baseball games roll around August 20... Who knows, soon one may be able to call one of the popcorn hustlers and say: 'Gimme a hot voice with a hot coffee and tell Gyselman to play this guy for a bunt.'"

Head To Foot

When head coach Johnny Lachner of Hamline University at St. Paul goes into the Army Saturday, he'll go right to the foot of the class... He's reported to be the only college grid coach who is joining up as a plain private... But, says Johnny, "Where would the Army be without privates?"... Lachner is just following last year's seven starting players, who are all in the service—four in the Army Air Corps and one in the Naval Air Corps, one in a tank division, four in the Naval Reserve and one recently commis-

Mermaids Ready To Defend Swimming Title



Members of the Riviera club's 500-meter relay team from Indianapolis, Ind., relax on a diving board after a work-out as they prepared to defend their title in the National A. A. U. swimming meet at Nenah, Wis. Left to right: Betty Bessie, also defending champion in the 400-meter free style event; Ann Hardin, Patty Aspinah, holder of the 200-meter breast stroke title; June Fogle, Mary Ann Walts, and Joan Fogle.

Joyner's Twin Sows Calling To Ripley

W. H. Woodard, president of the Guaranty Bank and Trust Company, always an advocate of diversified farming, now has hope of a plentiful supply of meat for the winter since he heard the following story from J. E. Joyner, well known farmer:

Joyner had two black sows, twin sisters. Both sows dropped pigs for the first time on the same day. Each sow had eight pigs. All are living. Nine of the pigs are red and seven are black; nine are males and seven are females. Believe it, or not!

COLORED NEWS

The Girl Scouts' day camp will begin Monday, August 24, at the fifth street school park. All Scouts are urged to get their health certificates, and turn them in to their troop leaders by August 22. The camp will be in readiness for the activities of the Scouts, such as hiking, cooking, nature crafts, games, singing, etc.

Miss Jane McConnell, our efficient executive secretary, is desirous of our day camp to be pleasant and profitable.

The troop leaders are asked to meet at the Girl Scout room at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. J. B. Kittrell, will present Miss Carolyn Sinclair, regional director No. 6 August 27, at our day camp. All committee members please be present.—Mrs. N. W. Cherry, Mrs. L. R. Taylor, Mrs. O. L. Myers.

Tickets

Chapel Hill, Aug. 18 (AP)—Tickets for the Carolina-Duke football game and Carolina's other home contests this fall have just gone on sale to the public.

The Duke game will be played Chapel Hill, November 14.

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	77	38	.670
Boston	64	50	.561
Cleveland	62	54	.534
St. Louis	60	57	.513
Detroit	59	62	.488
Chicago	50	61	.450
Washington	46	65	.414
Philadelphia	45	76	.372

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Brooklyn	70	34	.680
St. Louis	72	42	.632
Cincinnati	64	53	.547
Cincinnati	58	55	.513
Pittsburgh	52	59	.468
Chicago	54	66	.450
Boston	48	70	.407
Philadelphia	31	79	.282

BI-STATE LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Wilson	62	41	.602
Burlington	52	54	.491
Sanford	52	54	.491
Rocky Mount	51	54	.485
Leaksville	50	54	.481
Danville	46	56	.451

Yesterday's Results

NATIONAL LEAGUE
New York 3, Boston 2.
St. Louis 5, Cincinnati 2.
Others not scheduled.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York 15, Philadelphia 0.
Chicago-Detroit, idle 8hrs shut.
Others, idle.

PIEDMONT LEAGUE
All games postponed.

Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
Wide World Sports Columnist

New York, Aug. 18 — The western division of the army all-star football squad is burned up over hints from the eastern camp that the other bunch is only a "second string" outfit... Word from Camp Cooke is: "We play the toughest schedule—five games, starting with the Washington Redskins, to the East's three; we have less time to prepare; we travel the width of the country, which means the players get little between-game practice; we will draw more people and have bigger gate receipts... In fact, there won't be any competition"... And if Col. Neyland's boys want to challenge that, Johnny Kimbrough,

DAN DUNN — SECRET OPERATIVE 48

AT THE PENITENTIARY, TIME GROWS SHORT FOR JERRY FIELDS WHO, RESIGNED TO HIS FATE, WAITS HOPELESSLY IN HIS DREARY CELL.

I KNEW IT WAS HOPELESS... THEY COULDN'T SAVE ME... SIS WAS JUST TOO OPTIMISTIC!



COME ON, JERRY. LAD—KEEP A STIFF UPPER LIP!

IT'S--IT'S TIME TO GO-- 5-50 SOON ???



YES, MY BOY, BE BRAVE NOW.

I'M BRAVE ENOUGH-- W-WELL LET'S GO!



JUST AS THE WARDEN IS ABOUT TO LEAVE HIS OFFICE FOR THE DREAD TASK, THE PHONE ON HIS DESK RINGS!

WARDEN ?? THIS IS THE GOVERNOR-- DAN DUNN HAS OBTAINED FULL CONFESSIONS FROM THE MURDERERS OF BELL-JERRY FIELDS MUST BE RELEASED IMMEDIATELY!



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Fried Apples, Ice Box Cookies, Hot-dog Rolls, Vitamin B-1 Bread, People's Bakery.

FOR SALE—TWO RE-BUILT Singer Sewing Machines. Reasonable terms. Quinn-Miller & Stroud. 17-24

WANTED—A GIRL TO TRIM windows and mark merchandise. Apply W. T. Grant Co. 15-31

WANTED, IMMEDIATELY, BY gentleman—room with or without private bath. Reply "O," Box 116, Greenville, N. C. 17-31

WANTED—CLOTHING SALESMAN. Batchelor Bros. 17-31

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WANTED—EXPERIENCED COLLECTOR and salesman by local furniture store. Must be draft exempt and willing worker. Answer "Collector," P. O. Box 408, Greenville, N. C. 17-31

NICE ROOM FOR RENT—Connecting bath—if interested call 3760. 1006 E. Third St. 17-31

FOR SALE—TWO RE-BUILT Singer Sewing Machines. Reasonable terms. Quinn-Miller & Stroud. 17-24

ROOM FOR RENT—TWIN BEDS. Steam heat. Mrs. C. M. Warren, 502 E. Ninth St. Dial 3198 or 3356. 17-11

FOR RENT—NICE SEVEN ROOM house, 403 Holly St. Inside newly finished. \$40 per month. L. B. McCormick. 17-61

UNFURNISHED APARTMENT for rent. Close in. Mrs. J. L. Hassell. 15-eod-31

FOR SALE—NICE FARMS, LARGE or small. Also attractive proposition on city properties. We buy or sell. J. Hicks Corey Agency, Dial 2615—515 Dickinson Ave. Sat-Tue-Thu. 17-24

WANTED—MATRON FOR school teacherage. Apply County Board of Education, Greenville, N. C. 18-31

WANTED—GIRL'S USED BICYCLE—must be in good condition. Call 2341. Miss Bettie Tyson. 17-24

HOG MEN—HAVE GRAIN? THEN speed your hogs to market by feeding "Purina Hog Chow." It puts pounds on fast with a nice profit. Drum's Hatchery and Feed Store. 18-11

WANTED—EXPERIENCED saleslady. Full time work. Apply Nisbet's Store on Five Points. Aug. 18-Tue-Thu-Sat-Fr. 17-31

ATTENTION, POULTRYMEN—if you have a pure bred flock and would like to sell hatching eggs at a premium this coming season, see us at once. Drum's Hatchery and Feed Store, Greenville, N. C. Aug. 18-Tue-Thu-Sat-Fr. 17-31

FOR RENT—2 LARGE STORES on Dickinson Avenue, opposite Home Furniture Store. One store on Dickinson Avenue, near Pitt Drug Store. W. S. Moye. 18-eod-31

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NAZIS CLAIM BIG SHIP TOLL

Say Subs Sank 15 Vessels in Past 24 Hours

Berlin (From German Broadcasts) Aug. 16.—(AP)—German submarines were declared officially today to have sunk eleven Allied vessels totaling 72,000 tons, a 12,000-ton auxiliary cruiser and two rows of troop-carrying barges in the Atlantic and Arctic oceans and the Mediterranean in the past 24 hours.

(There was no confirmation of the Nazi claim. Last week's announced Allied ship losses to Axis submarines in the western Atlantic seven merchantmen—were the lowest in 16 weeks.)

A special communique said the 24-hour total was piled up in operations against convoys and in the chase of lone vessels.

Justification of the reference to the auxiliary cruiser and the reported destruction of "two rows of barges in two carrying troops" suggested that all were sent to the bottom in a single action.

(Brazil has lost five vessels, including one troop transport, sunk by Axis submarines in the South Atlantic in the last three days, and these operations against a nation still technically at peace may be included in the German score.)

Rome (From Italian Broadcasts) Aug. 16.—(AP)—The Italian high command asserted today that three enemy merchant ships totaling 18,885 tons had been sunk by Italian submarines in the Atlantic.

Stocks . . . MM

New York, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Stocks generally continued to push ahead in today's market with leadership still vested mainly in rails.

The picture also was brightened by rising volume, transfers of around 500,000 shares being the largest in five weeks. While there were scattered losers, gains of fractions to around two points dominated the proceedings in the final

FINAL STOCKS

Air Reduction	33
All Chem and Dye	133 1/2
Allis Chal Mfg	24 1/2
Am Can	67 1/2
Am Rad and St S	4 1/2
Am Roll Mill	38 1/2
Am Smelt and Ref	119
A T and T	42 1/2
Am Tob B	26 1/2
Anaconda	2 1/2
Arm III	8 1/2
A C L	16 1/2
Atl Ref	11 1/2
Aviat Corp	2 1/2
Baldwin	31 1/2
Bendix Aviat	54 1/2
Boehling	15 1/2
Boeing Airpl	21 1/2
Borden	19
Briggs Mfg	2 1/2
Budd Mfg	18 1/2
Burl Mills	8
Bur Add Mach	69 1/2
Case J I	37
Caterpillar Trac	15 1/2
Champ P and F	32 1/2
Ches and O	61 1/2
Chrysler	76
Coca Cola	22 1/2
Coml Credit	9 1/2
Coml Solv	13 1/2
Consol Edis	6 1/2
Con Oil	23 1/2
Con Can	48 1/2
Corn Prod	6 1/2
Curtiss Wright	9 1/2
Davidson Chem	11 1/2
Doug Air	114
Dow Chem	114
Dupont	114
Eastman Kod	131 1/2
Elec Auto Lt	26 1/2
Firestone	17 1/2
Freepport Sul	34
Gen Elec	27 1/2
Gen Foods	32 1/2
Gen Mot	38 1/2
Goodyear	18 1/2
Int Harvest	49
Int Tel and Tel	2 1/2
Johns Man	30 1/2
Kennecott	28 1/2
Kroger Groc	28 1/2
Libby O F G	26 1/2
Ligg and Myers B	60 1/2
Loews	44
Lorillard	14 1/2
Louis and Nash	60 1/2
Mont Ward	30 1/2
Nash Kelv	5 1/2
Nat Biscuit	15 1/2
Nat Cash Reg	15 1/2
Nat Dairy Prod	15 1/2
Nat Dist	25 1/2
NY Cent	9 1/2
Otis Elev	13 1/2
Pac Mills	16
Packard	24 1/2
Param Pix	16 1/2
Param P F	119 1/2
Penny J C	70 1/2
Penn Dix	1 1/2
Penn R R	22
Pepsi Cola	21 1/2
Phillips Pet	40
Pullman	26 1/2
Pure Oil	9 1/2
Radio	3 1/2
Rep Stl	14 1/2
Reynolds B	23 1/2
Seab A L	12 1/2
Sears	55 1/2
Sou Ry	16
Sperry	24 1/2
Std Brands	3 1/2
Std Til N J	38
Stewart Warner	67 1/2
Tex Co	35 1/2
Tex Gulf Sul	32 1/2
Un Carb	69 1/2
Unit Air	27 1/2
Unit Corp	1 1/2
Unit Drug	6 1/2
US Ind Alco	29 1/2
US Rub	19 1/2
US Steel	48 1/2
Vandium	15 1/2
Warner Pic	26
Western Union	8 1/2
West Elec and Mig	69 1/2
Woolworth	28 1/2
Yell T and C	19
Total Sales	556,830

Alabama President



Dr. Raymond R. Fatsy, president of Birmingham-Southern College, was elected president of the University of Alabama by the university board of trustees at a special session in Tuscaloosa Aug. 11. He was chosen by unanimous vote to succeed Dr. George H. Denny who asked to be released of the presidency because of failing health.

MAY ADJUST MEAT PRICES

Ceilings By Zones To Relieve Shortages

Washington, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Adjustment of meat price ceilings by zones, in order to relieve shortages in areas where the ceilings are low is under consideration by the Office of Price Administration, a spokesman said today.

Some method of "leveling" prices would help, OPA felt, to correct the present maldistribution and assure that packers deliver a normal proportion of their output to every area instead of favoring those cities where ceilings are highest.

The spokesman, who did not wish to be named, said the proposed zone adjustment might mean a lowering of prices in some areas as well as a ceiling increase in others, since OPA will attempt to preserve the existing ceiling average. Prices now vary as much as three cents a pound from city to city.

Wilbur La Rue, Jr., counsel for an emergency conference of meat packers, issued a statement saying the department of Agriculture tells only a half truth when it says that the shortage of meat is due to increased exports to the armed forces and to our allies. A considerable part of the shortage is attributable to an extremely unfair government price policy under which prices are fixed on meat products but not on live animals, causing slaughtering and packing to be conducted at heavy losses.

"Several plants have closed down and others are curtailing operation, simply because our government will not fix prices on farm products. The price administrator (Leon Henderson) has requested Secretary Wickard to do so but he refuses. The meat shortage will become more acute unless Mr. Henderson and Mr. Wickard can get together."

New England has been mentioned as a low-ceiling area, with resultant shortages in butcher shops, while New York City, with higher prices, has so far had little difficulty.

For areas in the lower price brackets a new pricing formula might be offered in lieu of the existing ceilings under which beef and veal packers' prices are frozen at March levels, pork at February levels and lamb at July quotations.

Equitable distribution of meats was a major item on the agenda of the foods requirements committee headed by Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard, scheduled to meet later in the day.

The suggestion made yesterday in Chicago by Roy F. Henderson, head of the Agricultural Marketing Administration, that "meatless days" or meat rationing might be necessary in view of the present shortage, brought from OPA rationing spokesmen their familiar answer: "We have no plans to ration meat and cannot do so unless ordered by WPA."

Frenchmen Pillage Farms for Potatoes

Vichy, Aug. 16.—(AP)—A newspaper in the unoccupied zone reported today that mobs of week-end visitors from as far apart as Lille and Le Havre overwhelmed gardeners in the potato-growing center of Villagers-Bretonneux and forced farmers to sell them potatoes under threat of pillaging the farms. Three farmers were fined 5,000 francs each for yielding.

Police attributed the invasion to a rumor that potatoes would be sold without ration tickets.

Bomb Kills 200 In Spanish City Today

London, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Reuters News Agency quoted the Vichy radio today as saying 200 persons were killed or injured by a bomb explosion during a religious ceremony at Bilbao, Spain.

It said Gen. Jose Varela, Spanish army minister, was present but escaped injury.

Russian Counter . . .

(Continued from Page One) Information Bureau announced, the Russians repulsed four enemy at-

tacks and killed more than 1,500 Germans.

Soviet artillerymen were declared to have wiped out more than five companies (perhaps 1,000 men) of German infantry and destroyed 212 field guns during the past two days of the Don bend battle, where Marshal Fedor von Bock is making his strongest bid for a pathway to Stalingrad, industrial center on the Volga.

The Information Bureau declared 32 tanks had been knocked out of action and about 600 Germans slain in the Krasnodar region some 350 miles to the southwest.

Implying street engagements within Krasnodar (a farming and factory center of more than 200,000 population in the Kuban which the Germans claimed August 9), a communique said the Russians fought in that city "against enemy tanks and motorized infantry."

In the Kotelnikovsky area, Red army men counteracting a drive toward Stalingrad from the southwest were said to have routed a battalion of Rumanian infantry, capturing prisoners and war supplies and killed more than 300 Germans.

Especially violent combat marked the contact of German and Soviet forces about the two invasion bridges below the Kuban, at the western end of the Caucasian front, the government Information Bureau announced.

"On another sector of the same front," it said, "our troops repelled an enemy attack, killing 400 officers and men."

(Germans in the Krasnodar area may be seeking a junction with the conquerors of Minsk, fire-ravaged oil field center about 60 miles to the southeast. Again, they might strike independently westward along the Kuban toward the Black Sea coast.)

Thirty German tanks have been destroyed and 4,000 invaders slain in the last few days some 350 miles northward in the battle on the Don, before industrial Stalingrad, a communique said.

Red army troops were described officially, however, as on the defensive before the battering of the upper arm of the Nazi pincers aimed at Stalingrad from that region.

Street fighting was declared continuing in a community on the western bank of the upper Don below Voronezh, with Soviet gunners cutting heavily into reserve-bolstered Nazi ranks. The community was not identified.

Marines Carrying . . .

(Continued from page one) shores.

Its only figure was at least 36 Japanese planes destroyed, 18 of them seaplanes demolished before they could get into action and fully as many more land planes knocked out in the vain attempt to stem the Marines' rush ashore from transports.

(The Navy previously had announced that one United States cruiser was sunk and that two cruisers, two destroyers, and one transport were damaged. The new information, that the close-quarter sea battle lasted but one night and ended in the enemy fleet's failure to reach its quarry, however, evidently exposed as false the Tokyo claims of some 40 United Nations ships sunk or damaged.)

(Prime Minister John Curtin of Australia, in expressing gratitude for the help given his commonwealth, said he could not state the size of the American forces in the Solomons battle as "this is a matter which should not be discussed publicly," the Australian radio reported in a broadcast heard by CBS.)

Airmen of General MacArthur's command, meanwhile, scoured the Japanese-held harbors in the South Sea Islands close enough to the Solomons to reinforce their imperiled garrisons.

A communique said today that Allied planes on offensive reconnaissance bombed shipping in the port of Kavieng, on the island of New Ireland, but that the results were unobserved. New Ireland is northwest of the Solomons in another link of the island chain at the top of the Coral Sea.

Medium bombers also raided Titi for the third attack in as many days on that island far to the west where scattered Dutch-Australian forces are said to be continuing a guerrilla resistance against the Japanese.

(An Australian broadcast heard by CBS said that while "Allied raids continue on Japanese targets on Timor," there now was "apparently little Japanese sea movement" in that area.)

For the first time since August 1, however, enemy raiders struck back at Port Moresby, in southern New Guinea, causing casualties and damage to installations.

In the only land action besides that in the Solomons, the Japanese inched ahead in the Kokoda area of New Guinea, 60 miles east of Port Moresby but an official spokesman said the advance was not significant.

The second phase of the battle of the Solomons apparently was the mop-up of Japan's battered shore and sea forces.

Today today that since the Japanese first attacked Darwin on February 19 they had sent against that target a total of 308 heavy bombers, 54 dive bombers and 159 fighters.

The Allies, it said, shot down 20 bombers and 33 fighters and probably shot down 12 other bombers and 17 fighters.

It was estimated that the Japanese dropped a total of 700,000 pounds of bombs, causing a few service casualties and damaging most of the houses and shops left unoccupied when civilians moved out.

Allied bombers in the Darwin area raised enemy occupied territory 53 times since the first Japanese attack on Darwin. Losses were given as six bombers and 17 fighters.

Melbourne, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Big sea battles still brewing in bitterly contested waters of the Solomon island chain may prove the turning point in the fight for the barrier bases north of Australia, a special correspondent of the Melbourne Herald reported today from a South Pacific port.

He said that although Allied headquarters in the South Pacific area was issuing no statements about the progress of the Solomon operations, it was clear that naval developments in the islands are attracting the greatest attention.

"Latest reports of fighting there, he continued, emphasize the cardinal truth underlying the whole future operation; that since the Americans now apparently have established satisfactory footholds in the islands, victory must go eventually to the side controlling the sea lanes.

The Allies, he said, cannot win the islands as long as Japan can fling in fresh forces; nor can they maintain their hold there unless they can keep the Marine supply

TODAY AT THE MOVIES

Pitt—MAISIE GETS HER MAN—Ann Sothern, Red Skelton
State—FLY BY NIGHT—Nancy Kelly and Richard Carlson
lanes open.

His conclusion was that the battles were likely to develop rather than diminish in magnitude once the Solomons were in Allied hands and the operation became increasingly an Allied offensive.

Japan's tenure in New Britain and Papua, ports will become increasingly precarious in such a case, the correspondent said, and he predicted that the Japanese would not be defeated at sea in that area.

He said if the enemy did not try to overpower American naval units there, he might attempt a counter-blow in strength elsewhere in the South Pacific in the hope of drawing off Allied ships.

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