

Millions of Men To Be Listed For War Production

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13—(AP)—Approximately 25,000,000 men from 20 to 44 now registered under the selective service system will be required to list their occupational skills, if any, needed in war production industries, the service said.

A special questionnaire will be sent the men through local draft boards, beginning in a few days. In an inventory of America's male labor resources.

Paul V. McNutt, social security administrator, said he hoped the questionnaires ultimately would reach all men between 18 and 64 and that this would give the United States employment service complete information on the work skills of 40,000,000.

In February, he reported, 7,000,000 workers were on the payroll of war industries, but he predicted 10,000,000 more would be needed to man the plants when they reached maximum output.

When the men have filled out the forms, the local draft boards will forward them to the appropriate local employment office where they will be examined on the basis of the labor needs of war industries.

McNutt said those registrants whose self-classification showed they already were qualified or could be trained quickly for work in war plants would be invited to the local employment office for an interview, and that workers possessing skills important to war production would be divided into occupational classifications. He added that those with essential war skills not working in

Wage Ceiling Proposal as Inflation Barrier Given Study by Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13—(AP)—The question of wage control as a war measure is under study, President Roosevelt asserted today.

The chief executive declined at a press conference to go into the question of putting a ceiling on wages as an anti-inflation step but he did disclose that the whole program was under consideration.

To a question, whether any progress was being made on controlling inflation, Mr. Roosevelt said, in some ways, yes, and in some ways, no. He placed the action of the house in voting to ban sales of government-owned surplus farm products at below parity prices in the category of those things on what he termed the "no" side.

Proponents of a wage ceiling have contended it is necessary to cut down purchasing power of individuals if inflation is to be checked, just as it is necessary to control prices.

Mrs. Perkins Objects
By-partisan efforts to limit overtime pay in war industries were pressed in senate circles today despite opposition from Secretary of Labor Perkins.

Senators said she gave three reasons for opposing any change in the wage hour law:

1. That the existing law does not prevent anyone from work-

ing longer than 40 hours.
2. That any change would not affect organized industries with union contracts calling for overtime, but would affect only unorganized workers who already are working longer hours without bonuses.

3. That overtime pay now amounts to only three per cent of war production payrolls and production might be lowered and morale broken by making workers toil longer hours for the same pay.

Early Action Urged
Senator Lee (D-Okla.) asked Chairman Nelson of the war production board to recommend legislation on overtime and ways of putting more shifts on the job, while Senator Reed (R-Kas.) urged early action on a measure to increase the work week from 40 to 48 hours before extra pay is allowed. The law now provides for time and a half for work over 40 hours.

Lee wrote Nelson after quoting him as saying that time and a half and double time and reluctance by manufacturers to increase the number of shifts were two problems involved in increasing production.

"These two hindrances, it seems to me, can be removed by proper legislation," Lee told the senate yesterday, adding he had long advocated relaxation of the 40-hour week.

Long Prison Terms Dealt to Nazi Spy Ring

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near Cle Elum, Wash., last summer.

Rene C. Froelich, 30, former drafted soldier stationed at Governors Island here, headquarters of the first army, accused of observing the names of departing ships and transmitting them to German submarines.

Paul T. Borchardt, 56, former German army major.

Those given 15 years included: Mrs. Helen Pauline Mayer, 26, American-born housewife, accused of mailing letters in secret writing to German agents transmitting American military information.

JAP ADMITS VIOLATION OF ALIEN AGENCY ACT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13—(AP)—Tsutomu Ohana, secretary of the Japanese chamber of commerce at San Francisco, pleaded guilty in federal district court today to violating the foreign agents registration act by omitting material facts in his registration.

The plea made Ohana liable to a maximum penalty of two years imprisonment on each of four counts of an indictment returned January 28. He pleaded innocent to a fifth count charging conspiracy.

Ohana was accused of failing to disclose that the Japanese committee for trade and information acted for Japan and received its income from the Japanese consul general at San Francisco.

MUSSOLINI'S "FRIEND" PLACED IN DETENTION

NEW YORK, Mar. 13—(AP)—The oft-repeated boast that he was Mussolini's friend has resulted in the seizure of Ezio Pinza, Metropolitan Opera basso for the last 15 years, and his detention on Ellis Island as an enemy alien.

Agents of the federal bureau of investigation separated the Italian-born singer, 50, from his American wife, the former Doris Neal Leak of Larchmont Manor, N. Y., yesterday. He now awaits a hearing by a local alien board.

Doting Mammals Blamed for Army Food Problems

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 13—(AP)—Pampering mammals who developed finicky appetites in their sons have created quite a feeding problem for the army.

Everything will be all right, however, if the soldiers eat what's set before them. They should, even, come out of the service heavier, stronger, maybe a little taller, and with better eyes than when they were inducted.

That's what Mary I. Barber, food consultant to the secretary of war, told the League of Women Voters last night.

She attributed failure of some young men to pass army physical tests to finicky appetites and blamed their mothers for not supplying them with the proper diet.

Seeing that soldiers get their vitamins in food instead of from pills is quite a problem. Many don't drink the half pint of milk offered each man daily, so menus include cheese and, once a week or often, ice cream. Powdered milk is used freely in cooking. Butter is used on as many vegetables as possible because some soldiers eat it sparingly.

Miss Barber's job is to feed millions of men healthfully and adequately on 52 cents a day, meanwhile being careful not to upset civilian food prices or supplies.

As a consequence, menus are staggered throughout the country so that not every camp is serving baked potatoes and roast veal on the same day.

"Before staggering was put into practice, we had camps bidding against each other for food. In one instance, such competition tripled the price of grapefruit and left none for the civilian consumer," she said.

Feint Suspected When Japs Veer Off Course

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ships destroyed or damaged by U. S. forces.

The war department announced that five Japanese planes were destroyed two days ago by five United States army heavy bombers in a raid on Japanese-held airdromes at Salamaua and Lae, both in New Guinea.

All the airdrome buildings were destroyed and a harbor pier at Lae was hit directly.

Again Japanese fighters challenged the raiders, but five were shot down and the big bombers escaped unscathed.

The war department's announcement, paralleling an Australian communique yesterday which credited the Lae-Salamaua attacks to "our fliers," apparently was the second example this week of a delayed statement identifying raiders as United States army men after the Australians used the indefinite phrase.

The first occasion arose from the sinking or damaging of the seven ships off Salamaua on Tuesday.

An Australian dispatch said that "for reasons known in Washington, the commonwealth air ministry was unable to mention American participation in its communique."

A newspaper dispatch broadcast from Tokyo declared the Japanese had won "the last strategic point off the northern part of Australia" through their occupation of Salamaua, New Guinea port.

Both Sides Report Toll.

The United States submarine was the latest of a series of blows against Japanese craft in Asiatic waters.

The navy department announced this operation near Emperor Hirohito's islands late yesterday. The victims were identified as "three enemy freighters and one passenger-cargo ship."

Japan's imperial headquarters said a Japanese destroyer sank a British minesweeper "in the course of cleaning up operations in the neighborhood of Java" and that Japanese fliers had leveled a heavy toll in raids Wednesday upon Port Moresby, capital and chief port of New Guinea.

Sixteen allied planes were said to have been destroyed and important military objectives were declared damaged at Port Moresby.

In the second chief theater of the war with Japan, the British imperials withdrawing north of Rangoon have for the first time joined Chinese troops, attempting to consolidate a front between two main routes out of Rangoon, 60 to 80 miles from the abandoned port city of Irrawaddy delta. Bataan Front Quiet.

In the Philippines, the United States reported no change in the Bataan peninsula situation—a watchful waiting for the next all-out Japanese attack on General MacArthur's forces.

Addison E. Southard, United States consul general at Hongkong, and members of his staff are interned in two houses on "the peak," the select residential district of that Japanese-occupied colony, trustworthy Chinese reports said.

Members of the group are al-

lowed out once or twice a week under Japanese escort to buy food. The Americans have no funds, but are getting credit from a neutral firm, the reports said.

Russians Snag Hitler Spring Offensive Plan

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occasion. The last days of frost are experienced for the most part in April.)

(From Stockholm came word that the Germans had been forced to dip anew into reserves trained for their own spring push and still were unable to stem the new power drive by the soviet forces estimated at 1,250,000 to 1,500,000 strong.)

(The Germans in their communique acknowledged their troops were on the defensive in the Donets basin, counter-attacking against "strong enemy forces.")

KIEL, OTHER NAZI SPOTS AGAIN RAIDED BY RAF

(By the Associated Press)

Apparently attempting to neutralize Kiel as a base for spring-time adventures of the German fleet, the RAF unloaded new bombs on ships yards there for the 65th time overnight and the "many fires" resulting told departing bombardiers that their mission was achieved.

The air ministry said that besides the bombing of Kiel "mines were laid in enemy waters." Other objectives were bombed in northwest Germany.

The ministry acknowledged loss of eight planes but the Germans claimed only three at Kiel.

Nazis Claim Cruiser Sunk
The Hitler high command credited a submarine in the eastern Mediterranean with sinking a British cruiser of the 7,200-ton Leander class.

Between them, the Italians and Germans claimed hits on five cruisers in the sustained action by axis air and undersea forces.

The British admiralty indicated Germany is exerting her full U-boat force in the battle of the Atlantic.

Three submarines reported on Jan. 3 have been sunk in a "sustained and determined" attack on a British convoy in mid-December. All were commissioned in 1941, six months before their doom.

Intelligence from the U-boat prisoners, the admiralty announcement said, showed that in a half-year of action the aggregate success of the trio was the sinking of a merchant ship and the destroyer Stanley, formerly a United States vessel.

It took a quarrel among officers aboard one of the disabled submarines to force the commander to blow her tanks and go to the surface for surrender.

VICHY, Mar. 13—(AP)—The Royal Air Force was over the Paris area again today but no bombs were dropped.

First reports said five planes were seen above the Champs Elysees and the 15th arrondissement.

Cast Ready for Junior High Operetta Tonight

Dress rehearsal for the operetta, "The Netherlands Through Slumber's Tears," to be presented tonight at the junior high school, was held Thursday afternoon and indicated a most successful production. The musical play is to be given by the combined glee club of the school. The operetta concerns the memories of a Dutch refugee girl of her happy life in Holland. She regains hope for her country because of her faith in the United States. About 80 students will participate in the production. The program, starting at 7:30 p. m., will include a group of motion pictures consisting of a travelogue, short subjects and comic film. The public is invited to attend. A small admission fee will be charged.

Enlists in Marines—Enlistment of Harry D. Hughes, Sutherlin, was announced today by the U. S. Marine corps recruiting office in Portland.

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Roseburg Again Posts Year Sans Traffic Fatality

Mayor A. J. Young today received the second consecutive certificate of award citing Roseburg as one of 43 Oregon cities and towns of 1,000 or more population to go through 1941 without a traffic fatality. The award was presented by Earl Snell, secretary of state, in tribute to drivers, pedestrians, and safety minded organizations which enabled the city to score the death-free record.

"We are proud of our deathless traffic record for 1940 and 1941 and I sincerely hope we will merit a similar award at the end of the present year," Mayor Young declared. "Accident prevention now is of utmost importance to the efficient prosecution of our war effort. Accidents which take lives may be as serious as the loss of members of our armed forces. A great many civilians now are engaged in vital defense activity. If they are killed, or injured in traffic accidents, their loss is irreparable in these times."

"Restricted automotive equipment does not necessarily mean accidents will decline. There are still thousands of vehicles in use and, in the vicinity of many important industries, the use of the motor vehicle has increased, due to the hundreds of workers employed at these plants. There is therefore, need for increased caution on the part of drivers and pedestrians to avoid being involved in accidents in these areas of congestion."

Mayor Young said the certificate of award would be displayed at the city hall.

Myrtle Creek Marine Advanced in Rating

The commandant of the fourteenth naval district, Pearl harbor, Hawaii, has announced that Victor E. Sellers, husband of Mrs. Lucile A. Sellers, Myrtle Creek, Ore., has been advanced in rating from sergeant to staff sergeant, U. S. M. C.

Sellers joined the marine corps January 2, 1932. Since March 9, 1941, he has been on duty somewhere in the Hawaiian area.

E. M. Matthews, Native Of Glide, Passes at 73

Elijah M. Matthews, 73, a life-long resident of Douglas county, died at his home in Roseburg this morning. He was born at Glide, July 13, 1868. The body has been removed to the Roseburg Undertaking company parlors. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

House Slashes Farm Aid Bill by 25 Million

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corporation using any administrative funds in connection with sales of its surplus stocks below parity, with minor exceptions.

A veto would mean that the measure, carrying money for the administration's farm programs beginning July 1, would be returned to congress for further consideration. Legislators said

that it would have to be approved in some form soon after that date to avoid suspension of farm-benefit payments.

Tax Debate Continued.

Representative Cooper (D., Tenn.) asserted today that corporate tax proposals of the National Association of Manufacturers would "soak" the smaller companies and "let the big ones out."

He made the statement as J. Cheever Cowdin, NAM representative, was recalled by the house way and means committee for questioning about the organization's recommendations for a 90 per cent excess profit tax after payment of a 40 per cent normal and surtax.

Cooper said that under NAM's proposals, a corporation with \$100,000,000 net income would pay \$40,000,000 and under present law would pay \$47,528,000, and speaking of the difference, said: "That would be the amount of money lost to the treasury under your plan and here we're called upon in this critical hour to raise \$7,000,000,000."

Cowdin retorted that the organization's plan would yield \$1,500,000,000 more from both large and small concerns than they currently pay.

"But your plan does favor the largest ones," Cooper insisted.

Cowdin sharply disagreed, saying that the only companies which might be aided in that respect were those whose earnings are beaten 100 per cent and 200 per cent of their base credit, based on pre-war profits.

"You soak the smaller ones still more and let the big ones out," Cooper remarked heatedly. "In questioning Cowdin, Cooper developed that the NAM recommended no tax rate differential between large and small companies while present law gives an advantage to concerns with less than \$25,000 net income."

Cowdin and Cooper agreed that there should be some differential and Cowdin said that question was one he forgot in presenting his program.

Finished Piece Goods Put Under Price Limit

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13—(AP)—The office of price administration today clamped a temporary price ceiling on finished piece goods made of cotton, rayon and their mixtures to check what it called a "rapid and unwarranted rise in prices."

The 60-day order in effect freezes prices at current levels, since it provides that maximum prices should not go higher than those prevailing between March 7 and 11.

The price action does not apply to retail sales, but officials said the effect of it should be to prevent further increases in the retail price of women's and children's dresses, women's suits, coats pajamas, house coats, men's shirts curtains and similar items.

Mrs. S. P. Hedrick, Native Of Yoncalla, Dies at 84

Mrs. Susan Putnam Hedrick, 84, wife of George Hedrick, died Thursday evening at her home at Sunnydale, four and one-half miles west of Drain. Born Feb. 14, 1858, at Yoncalla, she was the last daughter of the pioneer family of Charles and Rozelle Putnam. She was the mother of

Maude Hedrick Deaver and Joseph Putnam Hedrick, Drain, Oregon.

Funeral services will be held at the Methodist church in Drain at 2 p. m. Sunday. Interment will take place in the Putnam cemetery, five miles west of Drain. Arrangements are in charge of Stearns mortuary, Oakland.

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