

Interpreting The War News

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Whatever the actual purpose of the followup conference of British and American military leaders with Generals Eisenhower and Alexander in the wake of Casablanca developments, it can hardly contribute to the axis peace of mind.

The coming crucial battle of Tunisia must be the central pivot of Casablanca war policy-making.

Heads Stanford



Dr. Donald Bertrand Tresidder, San Francisco physician, will become president of Leland Stanford university at Palo Alto, Calif., his alma mater, September 1. Dr. Tresidder was elected by the trustees to succeed Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, who will continue in life tenure as chancellor of the university. Dr. Wilbur has been president since 1916. Dr. Tresidder has been a member of the board since 1939, but resigned to accept the presidency. The new president is 50 years old, a native of Tipton, Ind., and both his parents are country physicians. He served in World War I as a second lieutenant in an aerial bombing squadron. In 1920 he married Mary Curry, daughter of Mrs. David A. Curry, whose family founded Yosemite Park & Camp Curry company, of which consolidated concerns Dr. Tresidder is president. His permanent home is in Yosemite valley, where he has sponsored winter sports and conducted scientific research in the valley's flora, fauna and geology. The youthful sojourner membership in Sigma Xi, scientific honor society, because of his research work in anatomy. — IEN Photo.

Farm Leaders Flay Subsidy

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28—(AP)—Congressmen and the leaders of three farm organizations Thursday assailed the agriculture department's proposal for a \$100,000,000 production subsidy to farmers designed to keep retail food prices from rising.

Chairman Cannon (D-Mo.) of the house appropriations committee declared that congress had specifically barred such a subsidy last year and that Secretary Wickard's announcement was "tantamount to saying that congress was going to repeal that prohibition."

Declaring that farmers are handicapped by confusion and a lack of confidence, spokesmen for three national farm organizations asserted that the nation faces grave food shortages unless the government immediately alters its agricultural price, labor and manpower policies.

Those policies, they charged in a statement, represent the work of "an impractical and wasteful bureaucracy more concerned with social experimentation than the production of food."

Signing the statement were Edward J. O'Neal, president of the American Farm Bureau federation; Albert S. Goss, master of the National Grange, and Ezra T. Benson, executive secretary of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives.



President Roosevelt took time out from his 10-day conferences in north Africa to decorate Brig. Gen. William H. Wilbur (above) of Highland Park, Ill., a Chicago suburb. The congressional medal of honor — highest US decoration — was planned on Gen. Wilbur for his part in the landings on French Morocco. — Associated Press Photo from US Army Signal Corps.

\$25,000 Limit Repeal Sought

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28—(AP)—A move to repeal President Roosevelt's regulation limiting salaries to \$25,000 after taxes was started Thursday by Rep. Gearhart (R-Calif.) of the house ways and means committee.

He introduced the repealer as an amendment to a measure raising the statutory national debt limit from \$125,000,000,000 to \$210,000,000,000 which the committee will consider Friday.

"I intend to move the repealer as a rider to every bill affecting the revenues until this thoroughly un-American proposal is wiped from the statute books," said Gearhart, declaring that the limitation was "culled from the communist party platform."

Mr. Roosevelt instituted the limitation by executive order after the anti-inflation bill was enacted last October.

Gold Suggestion

NEW YORK (AP)—As a sidelight to the annual Ryder cup golf matches at Detroit every summer, Gene Carazzen suggests a match between 10 well known oldtime professionals and 10 of the current women stars.

Soldiers Get GI Clippers

JERSEY CITY, N.J., Jan. 28—(AP)—Uncle Sam's soldiers serving in cold climates are being provided with beard clippers, the Jersey City quartermaster depot said Thursday, so they will not get ice in their whiskers.

Lt. Warren A. Pratt, purchasing and contracting officer, said shaving can be "inconvenient and dangerous" in cold climates, and ice in your whiskers is no fun. Hence the GI clippers.

Everything except the barber chair and lotions have been incorporated in a new kit developed by the depot for Americans serving overseas. Col. Henry B. Barry, commandant, announced.

The kit contains two pairs of clippers, two pairs of scissors, two shaving brushes, two combs, two razors, one strop, one hone, and a supply of shaving soap.

'Ark' Sailor Heads South

KETCHIKAN, Jan. 28—(AP)—Paul Satko, who defied the skeptics and the courts to transport his family to Alaska in a home-made "Ark," is heading south for his first visit in the states since he

sailed northward in 1939. This time he expects to travel first class.

The man with the independent spirit of a frontiersman sailed north from Tacoma, Wash., after transporting his clumsy craft cross-country from Richmond, Va. to escape the relief roles. He carved out a homestead 26 miles from Juneau.

When he sailed northward in the unorthodox Ark, Satko defied a court order against taking his minor children with him.

Board to Rule On Wage Rises

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28—(AP)—The war labor board Thursday authorized its west coast lumber commission to rule on applications for voluntary wage increases in the lumber industry in five western states.

Heretofore, the commission had authority only to rule on labor disputes. The WLB also stipulated that future actions of the five man commission be determined by majority vote, previously, the commission chairman decided an issue unless there was a unanimous opinion by the members.

States in the commission's jurisdiction are Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and California.



Flight instructor J. B. Bybee explains some of the details of blimp operation to the first WAVES to be assigned to the naval air station at Lakeland, N.J. Left to right: Lieut. A. M. James, asst. flight officer at the station; Lieut. Blanche Mazanec, of Chicago; Ensign Sue Landers, of Benn Hill, Ga.; Ensign Verna Young, of Corbin, Ky.; and Ensign Bybee.

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