

# VICHY TURNS DOWN REMOVAL OF WARSHIPS

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"defend themselves by all means at their disposal." The government said it had to reject President Roosevelt's proposals because it was bound by the armistice convention with Germany and Italy to put French warships in ports of unoccupied France to be immobilized for the duration.

(The United States department of state announced July 9 that Admiral Harold R. Stark and Brig. Gen. Charles L. Bolte had been assigned to consult in London with the national committee of the fighting French headed by General De Gaulle "on all matters relating to the conduct of the war.")

(The announcement and an accompanying memorandum stressed that the purpose was to strengthen military aid to the fighting French, and did not refer to the controversy over diplomatic recognition, which the United States has not given the De Gaulle organization.)

**Two Proposals**  
(The state department announced in Washington two days ago that Vichy had already rejected two proposals by President Roosevelt for removal of the nine demilitarized French naval vessels from the Egyptian war zone.

(President Roosevelt proposed that the ships be moved through the Suez canal under American custody to some American or neutral port for interment until after the war, when they would be returned to France. When this plan was rejected, he suggested that the ships be sent under U. S. protective custody to Martinique, French West Indian island, for demobilization.

Vichy was warned that rejection would justify the British in ordering the ships moved or in destroying them if removal orders were not heeded.

## RAF Launches Daylight Raid On Germany

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ever, made ground-hugging attacks along 200 miles of the French coast, blazing with machine-guns and cannon at troops, freight cars, a gas works, wireless stations and anti-aircraft batteries.

In another sweep, British fighters sank a small enemy coaster off the Netherlands coast last night.

Four British planes were missing, the air ministry said, while three German fighters were destroyed.

## OBITUARY

### ARTHUR JAMES WILLIAMS

Arthur James Williams, for several years a resident of Klamath Falls, Ore., but for the last two years making his home in Woodland, Calif., passed away in that city on Wednesday, July 15, 1942 at 3:30 a. m., following an extended illness. He was a native of Gardiner, Me., and at the time of his death was aged 72 years 11 months and 14 days. Surviving are one son, Arthur F. Williams of Woodland, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. Agnes Stiles of Sacramento, Calif., and Mrs. Lillian Sherman of this city; three brothers, Fred Williams of Reno, Nev., Gus and Charles of Gardiner, Me.; one sister, Mrs. Annie Grady, also of Gardiner, Me., and two grandchildren. The remains rest in the Earl Whitlock Funeral home, Pine street at Sixth. Notice of funeral to be announced at this time.

## FUNERAL

### ARTHUR JAMES WILLIAMS

Friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services for the late Arthur James Williams, who passed away in Woodland, Calif., on Wednesday, July 15, 1942 to be held at the Sacred Heart church, High street at Eighth, on Friday morning where a requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of his soul commencing at 9:30 a. m., with the Rev. Dennis Sheedy officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Calvary Memorial park. Arrangements are under the direction of the Earl Whitlock Funeral home of this city.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their many acts of kindness and lovely floral offerings extended during our bereavement, the loss of our beloved wife and mother. We wish to especially thank the Balsiger Motor company, Hillah Temple and Daughters of the Nile. Floyd B. Patty Sgl. Thomas E. Patty Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Patty

## Here for Meetings



Herman O. Sites, Oregon manager for the office of defense transportation, was in Klamath Falls Thursday as head of a group of motor transport and farm representatives which participated in three meetings on transport war-time problems and regulations.

## Editorials on News

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in Britain is being PRESS-AGENTED rather than concealed.

IT is rather probable that the plan is to let the Russians bleed the Germans white IF THEY CAN DO IT and then to launch an invasion of Western Europe as the finishing blow. That, if it could be got away with, would be perfect from the standpoint of our side.

WHATEVER you do, don't fall into the cynical error of thinking that the British are SHIRKING their share of the fighting.

They AREN'T. They DARE NOT.

If Hitler were allowed to crush Russia and boom on into the Caucasus and the Middle East, Britain's goose would be cooked pretty brown. That can't be allowed to happen without an ALL-OUT fight.

It WON'T be. But the difficulties in the way of an invasion of Western Europe are great. The PENALTY OF FAILURE would be terrible.

When the die is cast and the invasion is launched, it must have back of it all the power and all the brains that Britain and America together can put into it.

No mere boy can be sent to the mill.

SO if the Russians can hold Hitler, don't look for a second front YET.

If they CAN'T, it will be another story. Something will then HAVE to be done.

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# AXIS DRIVE THREATENS STALINGRAD

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man twin threat to the road to the Volga and the way south into the Caucasus, German troops and their allies were hurling tank reinforcements across the Don into the battle area and rushing up anti-tank batteries to meet the red army's armored counter assaults.

Dispatches from the battle-front northwest of Moscow for the first time mentioned fighting east of Rzhev, which is 130 miles from the soviet capital. Operations in that area earlier had been described as southwest of the city.

Hungarian troops heavily supported by tanks struck at the junction of the Don and Voronezh rivers southwest of Voronezh, but the Russians were reported still holding the city.

Goguchar and Millerovo have fallen, finally abandoned by outnumbered red army troops after bitter combat. The soviet information bureau announced.

Soviet forces engaged the invaders overnight in the area of Voronezh and to the southeast of Millerovo, it said, and in another sector "pressed back the enemy to some extent, killing about 350 Germans and destroying five tanks."

## War Contract Agents Admit Big Earnings

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to \$613,798 in 1941 by obtaining war contracts for 11 manufacturers on a commission basis.

"What's your definition of war profiteering?" Rep. Magnuson (D-Wash.) asked William Scrimgeour, father and founder of the partnership.

"I don't think that I have one," Scrimgeour replied.

"That's what I thought," observed Magnuson.

The partnership includes Scrimgeour, his wife, and their two sons, Maxwell and C. Bailey Scrimgeour.

Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) announced that the committee was going to insist that the government renegotiate army and navy contracts to recapture "commission fees paid to war brokers."

Besides saving money and breaking up "this commission racket," Vinson said it would end the impression among many manufacturers that they needed "so-called influence boys" to help get government contracts.

Library Closes—The city library will be closed from 10:30 to 11 o'clock Friday during the funeral services of Mrs. Melissa Hammel, former member of the staff.

## Neutral Describes Japan As Cold, Somber Country

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when they failed, no explanation was given.

The people were told, moreover, that despite the great Coral Sea and Midway victories, Japan still was a long way from winning the war. The people are unable to get outside news, she said, for only diplomats are allowed to go outside the islands.

## Courthouse Records

THURSDAY

**Complaints Filed**  
Irene Bolling versus Elbert Bolling. Suit for divorce. Charge, cruel and inhuman treatment. Couple married in Edwardsville, Ill., August 21, 1926. Plaintiff asks custody of minor child. E. E. Driscoll, attorney for plaintiff.

Virgil B. Henderson versus Lura Henderson. Suit for divorce. Charge, cruel and inhuman treatment. Couple married in Reno, Nev., August 26, 1941. William F. B. Chase, attorney for plaintiff.

L. Gienger versus Robert Rogers and Pearl Rogers, husband and wife. Suit to collect \$476.99 with interest and costs. George Chastain, attorney for plaintiff.

Agnes Friend versus John N. Friend. Plaintiff awarded divorce by default on grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment and granted alimony, attorney fees, costs and return of maiden name, Agnes Bennington. John B. Ebinger, attorney for plaintiff.

Marie Walters Dickerson versus William Arnel Dickerson. Plaintiff awarded divorce by default on grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment and granted property settlement. J. C. O'Neill, attorney for plaintiff.

Edith May Boettcher versus Ray Boettcher. Plaintiff awarded divorce by default on grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment and granted restoration of maiden name, Edith May Mayberger. J. C. O'Neill, attorney for plaintiff.

**Justice Court**  
George Rollin Benefiel. Overloading truck. Fined \$101.

Thelma H. Duke. No operator's license. Fined \$7.

Joseph Raymond Segobiano. One red light. Fined \$5.50.

William Earl Cunningham. Operating motor vehicle of excessive width. Fined \$5.50.

Comer Philip Fox. No motor vehicle license. Fined \$7.

Leonard Hubert Carter. No tail light. \$10 bond forfeited.

E. O. Martin. Obtaining money by false pretenses. Waived preliminary hearing. Bound over to grand jury. Bond set at \$1000 cash or \$2000 property. Committed to county jail.

Our task must be fulfilled without hatred. Justice and charity alone can bring peace. Justice alone can give us the proper fruits of victory. Hatred can never produce anything but destruction.—Bishop John F. O'Hara, former president Notre Dame university.

## SENATE GIVES OPA \$125 MILLIONS

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preventing the OPA from receiving additional money from the president's emergency funds or other sources.

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP)—The largest tax bill in the nation's history—a \$6,143,900,000 wartime measure carrying heavy new income and corporation levies—went before the house today for general debate.

As the representatives gathered, an attempt was being made to get support for returning the bill to the ways and means committee for revision of proposed new corporation rates.

The procedure arranged by the rules committee called for three days of general debate on the bill and then a vote or two on Monday without consideration of any changes in the committee's work.

Thus, there would be an automatic "yes" or "no" vote on approving the committee's decision to impose individual taxes beginning at 19 per cent of the first dollar of taxable income and at 45 per cent on the first taxable profits of corporations. The bill calls for a 6 per cent

normal tax and a surtax beginning at 13 per cent for individual incomes—rates about double last year's in the lower brackets; and a 24 per cent normal tax, a 21 per cent surtax and an 87 1/2 per cent excess profits tax for corporations.

## Portland Pork Supplies Fall

PORTLAND, July 16 (AP)—Hyman Cohen, Journal market editor, reported today that Portland virtually is without fresh pork supplies.

He said that ceiling prices combined with refusal of dealers to ship dressed hogs here for sale at low levels when the federal government is paying higher prices for live stuff has nearly eliminated supplies here.

Near record prices prevailed on the Portland market today, with prime stuff bringing \$14.75 a hundred, up 10 cents from yesterday. Some very heavy packing sows brought \$11.75, the highest price on record for this quality.

We must face the fact, desperate as that may seem, that America is not immune to bombs.—Charles Poletti, lieutenant-governor of New York.

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## STABILIZATION OF WAGES PREDICTED

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not yet reached the statutory ceiling in the basic price control act, already have caused Leon Henderson, price administrator, to raise the ceiling on canned and dried fruits. Sporadic increases in wages, in the cost of raw products and in other miscellaneous costs such as transportation, have made an "extremely tight" situation with reference to many other ceilings, the congressional sources said.

Henderson told a house committee yesterday that the price control program was in danger of breaking down and that wage control was the next thing over the horizon.

There was no immediate indication of the nature of specific proposals Roosevelt might have in mind, but it was reported that one would deal with "freezing" wages at the present levels.

This would block requests for increased pay to compensate for rising costs of living.

## SCRAP INCREASE

WASHINGTON, July 16 (AP)—The war production board reported today that automobile graveyards produced 453,768 tons of scrap metal in June—an increase of more than 300,000 tons above the monthly average last year.

## Two Volunteers Leave With Board 1 Draftees July 21

Two volunteer officers candidates will leave here with a Board 1 group of draftees for Portland on the night of July 21, selective service headquarters announced today.

The two are Howard C. Strode of 527 Eldorado street and Rex Q. Davis of 1526 Crescent avenue. They are the second and third VOC's to be chosen from here in July. E. E. "Jack" Benner, county commissioner, is scheduled to leave on July 20.

## Barbara Osburn Injured Wednesday

Barbara Osburn of 2104 Lawrence avenue was slightly injured Wednesday when a horse she was riding was struck by a car 10 miles north of here on The Dalles - California highway, an accident report revealed today.

The car was driven by Raymond K. Lynch, 37, of Eugene, who said in the report that Miss Osburn was thrown from the horse and suffered cuts and bruises. The horse was slightly cut.

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