

Weather Forecast

Warmer tonight; occasional rain, beginning near midnight. Temperatures today—Highest, 57, at 4 p.m.; lowest, 36, at 7:45 a.m.  
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## NIGHT FINAL SPORTS

(AP Means Associated Press.)

# VIERECK GETS 2 TO 6 YEARS, \$1,500 FINE

## House Slashes \$25,000,000 From Farm Bill

Rehabilitation Work Fund Cut in Half By 142-119 Vote

### BULLETIN.

The House passed late today the 1943 agriculture appropriations bill, carrying a total of \$820,065,859 in authorized expenditures and loans. A total of \$56,810,722 was cut from the bill in nine days of debate. A last-ditch attempt to restore a \$25,000,000 reduction in the allotment for the Farm Security Administration met defeat on a standing vote. As finally passed, the measure still carried the controversial clause designed to forbid sale of Government-held crops below parity prices.

(Earlier Story on Page A-2.)

The House tentatively slashed \$25,000,000 from the agriculture appropriations bill today, cutting in half the allotment for administrative expenses and grants in the farm rehabilitation program. The action on the reduction—largest single cut thus far in the farm supply bill—came on a tangle vote of 142 to 119 as President Roosevelt was reported reliably as considering a veto of the entire measure.

Representative Hope, Republican of Kansas, said the \$25,000,000 cut would put the rehabilitation program "out of business," but Representative Woodrum, Democrat of Virginia, told the House that administrators of the program "have to advertise to get these people to come in and take the money" offered as rehabilitation grants.

Mr. Roosevelt was asked earlier at his press conference if progress was being made in controlling inflation. In some ways, yes, replied Mr. Roosevelt, in some ways no, planning in the latter category. The House action in writing into the appropriations bill a clause designed to prevent sale of Government-held surplus crops at less than parity.

## Anti-Aircraft Shells Scare Wall Street

NEW YORK, March 13.—After a large piece of coping fell this afternoon from a top floor of the Equitable Building in the financial district, an anti-aircraft crew stationed near the metropolitan area reported to police that at 3:40 p.m. they accidentally fired eight shells from an anti-aircraft gun aimed in the direction of the Wall Street area.

It was about that time the piece of coping fell from the ledge between the 37th and 38th floors of the 40-story Equitable Building. Lt. James Pyke, in charge of the police bomb squad, reported to headquarters that he visited the Nassau street area at Cedar street, where stones fell from the cornice and had found four or five pieces of steel fragments, about 2 inches long. No one was reported injured. The crash caused a wave of excitement in the financial area. Police emergency cars and numerous fire trucks rushed to the scene.

C. N. Feldman, president of the Kennecott Corp., with offices on the 37th floor of the building, telephoned police he had heard "an explosion" and that a piece of cornice had fallen from the floor above him. Detectives found it had broken off near the banker's club headquarters.

A building official said that preliminary results of an investigation by the Army and Navy indicated that the structure had been hit "by a projectile of some kind." The projectile, he said, knocked out bricks and terra cotta.

"Several people in the building reported hearing an explosion," the official said. "There can scarcely be any doubt that an explosion occurred. Parts of the bricks and the terra cotta crumbled down into the street, but struck no one, so far as we have yet learned."

## Late Races

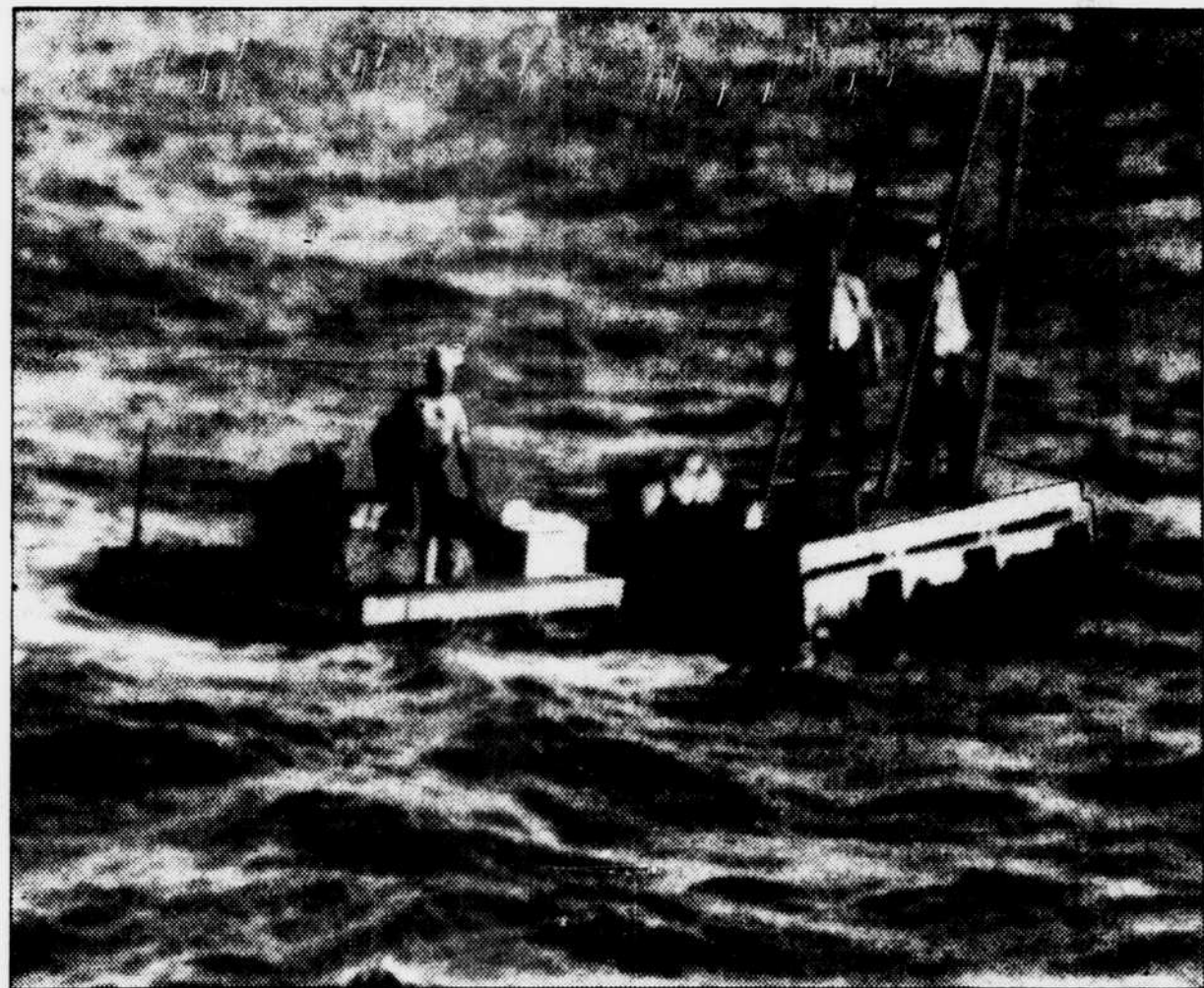
Early Results, Entries and Other Selections and Results for Tomorrow on Page 2-X.

### Tropical Race

SEVENTH RACE—Purse \$1,000; claiming. 4-year-olds and upward: 11-16. Builder (Meade) 23.50 9.40 7.10. Macomber (Meade) 8.80 3.90 3.90. Light (Reish) 8.00 2.10. Time, 1:14. Hoteza, Gay Man, Relious, Ponca, Jactael, Burning Stick and Waugh Pon.

### Oaklawn Park

FOURTH RACE—Purse \$700; claiming. 4-year-olds and upward: 8 furlongs. Black Brumel (Adams) 8.80 3.90 3.20. Bright and Early (Dattilo) 3.00 2.70. Midland (Crain) 2.70. Time, 1:12. Cherrito, Darby Dallas, Southbound, Rhode Island, Gambell, Danleiment and Pavilion.



PHILADELPHIA.—"SHIP AHOY"—Four survivors of a tanker sunk in the Caribbean by an enemy sub floated for seven days on these two tiny rafts before a ship was sighted. A seaman aboard the vessel which brought them here made the picture. —A. P. Wirephoto.

## Late News Bulletins

### Australia Reports Loss of Cruiser and Sloop

MELBOURNE, Australia, Saturday (AP).—Prime Minister John Curtin announced today the presumed loss of the cruiser Perth and the sloop Yarra, with loss of 833 lives. He said both warships had fought successfully and without damage in the Java Sea and had later put in at a Java port, but had not been heard from since they left there for home. The Perth is of 6,980 tons; the Yarra 1,060 tons. (The Japanese on March 3 claimed they had sunk both the Perth and its sister cruiser Hobart off Java.)

### R. A. F. Renews Attack on French Coast

LONDON (AP).—The R. A. F. apparently returned to the attack on German-occupied France this afternoon. Residents on the southeast coast heard a great number of planes heading in the direction of Calais and Boulogne and later heard cannon and heavy anti-aircraft fire. It appeared to be the biggest operation of a busy day in which many squadrons crossed and returned over the Channel.

### Leon Henderson Flies to Rio de Janeiro

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP).—Leon Henderson, United States price administrator, arrived here today by airplane from Miami. He said he intended to take a few days' vacation here, but declined to say whether he would go to other South American countries.

(Earlier Story on Page A-4.)

### Swedish Army Practices Street Fighting

STOCKHOLM (AP).—The Swedish Army, amid great secrecy, is practicing street fighting in Uddevalla, west coast town in a special defense area. Rifle shots were heard yesterday and the practice is continuing today, the American-Swedish News Exchange reported. Ten Swedish newspapers, whose editions were seized yesterday by the Ministry of Justice, resumed publication today. The reason was believed to be articles criticizing conditions in Norway.

## 51 O. C. D. Sports Co-ordinators Are Listed by Senator Byrd

(Earlier Story on Page A-1.)

Senator Byrd, Democrat of Virginia today read into the record a list of 51 Office of Civilian Defense "national co-ordinators" for many kinds of sport, from boxing to tug-of-war.

Included in the list of co-ordinators, whom the O. C. D. said are unpaid, was Bernard Macfadden as "co-ordinator of hiking."

Senator Byrd charged that the Office of Civilian Defense was contemplating "a gigantic plan of regimentation for physical fitness and recreation as a part of the national defense program."

Senator Byrd said he had been informed by Jack Kelly of Philadelphia, national co-ordinator of physical fitness for the O. C. D., of plans to name 510 regional and district co-ordinators for the program which would direct activities in badminton, archery, bag punching, billiards, paddleball, weight lifting and other games.

"In this time of war and great peril," Senator Byrd declared, "it seems to me we need less of badminton, billiards and similar activities so we may devote our total and undivided effort to winning the war."

The Virginian, who had mentioned a few of the co-ordinators yesterday, said he had been informed there are 10 more, which he gave CO-ORDINATORS, Page 2-X.

## Shell Duel With Two Nazi Subs Described by Tanker Captain

By the Associated Press.

WEHAWKEN, N. J., March 13.—The captain of the Norwegian tanker Pan Norway, shelled and set afire by two German submarines 600 miles east of Bermuda, told today how his gun crew fought a running battle with the U-boats for a half-hour before he ordered all hands to abandon ship.

Capt. John Bach, 43-year-old Norwegian skipper, arrived here today with six of his men on the same ship that had picked up his entire crew of 40 in mid-Atlantic and taken them to Lisbon.

Capt. Bach said "several hundred" shells were fired by the submarines, one on each side of his ship, and "I don't know of any that missed."

One of the submarines halted the neutral rescue ship to pass aboard a wounded seaman its crew had fished out of the sea.

One lifeboat capsized as it was being launched, spilling 12 men into the water, but all were picked up with the submarine's help. Two other lifeboats and a dinghy were launched safely.

Capt. Bach said he returned while the subs continued their shelling to save his papers and a pet terrier. Hero of Norway.

A few minutes after he entered the cabin a shell crashed through the door and hit the dog, less than 5 feet from him. The attack came about 8:30 p.m. January 26, in a calm sea. The Pan (See SHELL DUEL, Page 2-X.)

## Americans Now With Allies to Get Transfers

Plan Is Worked Out With Canada on Reciprocal Basis

A War Department spokesman disclosed today that the American citizens now serving in the armed forces of our allies overseas will be permitted to transfer to active duty under their own flag in the United States Army, Navy or Marine Corps.

Negotiations for this long anticipated transfer are proceeding on a reciprocal basis whereby United Nations citizens now in the American armed forces may also return to active duty under their own flag.

Abbott Heads Delegation. Col. O. B. Abbott of the War Department general staff headed the American delegation which worked out this tentative plan in the Canadian capital.

The Canadian delegation during the Ottawa conference was headed by Maj. Gen. H. F. G. Letson, adjutant general of the Canadian Army, and Brig. Gen. E. B. Pitblado headed representatives of the Canadian Royal Air Force.

An Air Corps officer candidate school to train enlisted men of the Army Air Forces as officers for administrative duties has been established at Miami Beach, Fla., it was announced. It will be under the Air Corps technical training command, and will provide courses of training of 12 weeks' duration.

Military Government School. A school of military government also is to be established at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, under supervision of Maj. Gen. Allen W. Gullion, provost marshal general. Officers graduating at this school will be designated assistants to commanders in foreign fields in their relations with civilian population.

Brig. Gen. Cornelius W. Wickham has been appointed commandant of the school. There is an immediate need for 3,000 qualified, registered nurses to serve in the Army Nurse Corps which is expecting to expand its staff to 10,000 before the end of the year.

The expanding program is paying \$540 per year in addition to maintenance, uniforms and equipment. The National's couldn't hit Joe Dobson, but fell on Mace Brown, his successor, for three safeties in the seventh to tie the score. Eight safeties in the eighth added seven runs. The Nationals scored three more off Dickman in the ninth.

## Senate Unit to Investigate Lag in War Production

Chairman Thomas announced today that a Senate Appropriations Subcommittee would start an investigation Monday of statements that the war production program was "not progressing as it should."

Senator Thomas wrote Donald M. Nelson, war production chief, Secretary of the Navy Knox and other officials asking them to appear for questioning.

"Obviously," Senator Thomas said in letters to the officials, "the public has been led to believe that our program is being held back (a) by the operation of the 40-hour week law; (b) exorbitantly high prices being paid for labor; and (c) the prevalence of defense industries."

"If bottlenecks exist we want to know where they are and the reason or reasons therefor so that we may take steps if necessary to correct or assist in correcting such defects."

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The only increases in base pay for commissioned officers would raise ensigns and second lieutenants from \$1,500 to \$1,800 a year.

Subsistence allowances for all commissioned officers would be increased according to rank. Senator Johnson, Democrat of Colorado, sponsor of the measure, estimated it would increase annual pay expenses by about \$268,186,000.

"This will bring the Army up to the advantageous pay scale offered by the Navy," he declared, adding "never before has been it so necessary for men to be mechanics in the Army, and not just be gun bearers."

## U. S. Requisitions Scrap Metal Held for Increase in Price

Seizure of 100 Tons at Junk Yard Called First of Kind in Nation

By the Associated Press.

VALPARAISO, Ind., March 13.—One hundred tons of scrap metal at Frank Schumak's junk yard were requisitioned by the Government today in what a Federal official said was the first seizure action of its kind in the Nation.

Donald S. Cummings, Indiana field representative of the War Production Board's automobile graveyard section, headed the requisition party, which included Al W. Hosinski, deputy United States marshal from South Bend.

Mr. Cummings said Schumak refused to sell his scrap to steel mill buyers at the prevailing ceiling price set by the Office of Price Administration and had been holding out for a premium of more than \$3 a ton.

## Deserters Kill F. B. I. Agent, Fight Posse Before Capture

Tear Gas Forces Pair From Vacant House Near Abingdon

By the Associated Press.

ABINGDON, Va., March 13.—Two Army deserters who shot and killed one F. B. I. agent and wounded another seriously were captured in an abandoned house on the outskirts of Abingdon this afternoon.

More than a hundred Federal, State and local officers surrounded the house and a number of shots were exchanged before tear gas forced the soldiers out.

The fugitive pair were captured only a few hours after an agent who sought to arrest them fell dead and his companion wounded under a hail of pistol fire that began in an all-night café in this Southwest Virginia town.

Agent Hubert J. Treacy, jr., 28, was shot to death and Charles L. Tignor, 29, was wounded five times when they went to arrest Pvt. Charles J. Lovett, 21, and Pvt. James Evans Testerman, 22, who had deserted from Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

The soldiers, who blazed away as soon as the agents identified themselves, had been sought since Thursday when, according to H. I. Bobbitt, special agent in charge of the Richmond F. B. I. office, they stole a supply of pistols and ammunition from the kid, kidnapped a taxi driver and escaped into Tennessee.

The driver of the taxi was released at Cleveland, Tenn., and the men drove on to Abingdon, where Agents Treacy and Tignor, tipped by the Nashville F. B. I. office, were on the lookout.

Wallace Ford, another agent, said Mr. Treacy was killed instantly and Mr. Tignor was wounded in the arm in the café as the men, still in Army uniforms, ran out. Mr. Tignor, giving chase, fell on the street with four bullet wounds in his chest.

Each Had Two Guns. Mr. Ford said the pair, each holding two pistols, attempted to commandeer a car owned by Andy Smith, a local merchant.

Policeman Troy Combs jammed his machine into Mr. Hilton's. Policemen Combs exchanged gun fire with the men as they fled.

The men attempted to take over another car driven by Mrs. Elizabeth Kreger, but she pulled the keys out and tossed them across the street.

The soldiers then ran off in the direction of Lebanon and throughout this morning were the objects of an intensive search throughout Southwest Virginia.

All State troopers in the area were mobilized immediately and they were joined by 65 local officers attending an F. B. I. school at nearby Bristol.

W. H. Murphy, chief of the F. B. I. office in Knoxville, said there that the pair beat a Fort Oglethorpe sentry severely before commander— (See F. B. I., Page 2-X.)

## Army Pay Raise Bill Gets Unanimous O. K. Of Senate Group

Measure Would Increase Annual Wage Outlay By 268 Millions

By the Associated Press.

A pay raise bill for hundreds of thousands of men in the armed services which would boost privates' pay to \$42 a month from the present \$21 was recommended today by the Senate Military Affairs Committee.

The decision was unanimous among the 11 Senators represented at the meeting, two of whom sent their proxies.

If the bill is approved by Congress, privates would get \$42 a month their first year, and on promotion to first class privates would get \$48.

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Schumak told Mr. Cummings he had held the scrap speculatively "as an investment for my old age."

He offered no resistance when 10 trucks rolled into his yard and workmen began loading the scrap. The metal was purchased by the Metals Reserve Co., a Government corporation set up to purchase vital metals needed in war production.

Mr. Cummings said Schumak would be paid the prevailing ceiling price and if he objected, claiming a higher price, he could file a claim with the Office of Claims.

The Government men said the prevailing price was \$18.75 a ton. The W. P. B. was given authority to requisition scrap supplies by an act of Congress of October 16, 1941.

## Court Gives Agent Stiffest Possible Term

Defendant Avows 'Devotion to U. S.' As He Is Sentenced



HUBERT J. TREACY, Jr., Slain.



CHARLES L. TIGNOR, Wounded. —F. B. I. Photos.

George Sylvester Viereck, convicted American propagandist for the Nazis, today was sentenced in District Court to a term of two to six years in jail—the stiffest sentence possible for his crime of withholding certain information when he registered with the State Department as a foreign agent.

He also was fined \$1,500—\$500 on each of three counts—and ordered to pay the costs of the trial. The sentence was imposed by Justice F. Dickinson Letts.

Justice Letts then denied a defense motion for the prisoner's release on bail pending an appeal to the United States Court of Appeals.

The sentence came this afternoon, after Viereck had read a lengthy statement to the court, justifying his position. The statement, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, William Power Maloney, also told Justice Letts that Viereck had put himself beyond the pale of mercy in his odious comparison of the late Senator Lundeen, Farmer-Laborite, of Minnesota, with President Roosevelt, in the statement the accused had just read before the tribunal.

"Devoted" to the U. S.

Viereck recently was found guilty by a District Court jury on charges of failing to devote the State Department fully of his activities as a foreign agent. The defendant did register, but not completely, the Government contended. Justice Letts sentenced Viereck under the Foreign Agents Registration Act, under which the greatest penalty is two years' imprisonment and \$1,000 on each count of the indictment, in which a guilty verdict is returned. It is unusual for the court to require the defendant to bear the costs of the trial.

Viereck terminated his plea to the court with: "I avow my faith in the processes of democracy and the ultimate justice of the American people."

The defendant declared: "I am passionately devoted to the United States and all that she stands for and she is the only country to which I owe allegiance. I deplore the cruel war that has come between the land of my birth and the land of my choice."

Had "Hectic Life."

Viereck told Justice Letts that for the wellbeing of western civilization he wanted to see co-operation between the United States, Germany and England, but he asserted that he would never deny his German blood and asserted that like Luther: "Here I stand—I can do no other," asserting this with great emphasis shaking his hand as he spoke.

The defendant told Justice Letts that the law under which he was convicted is obscure and that he could have furnished additional statement forms to the State Department and he asserted that he lost \$17,000 in the publishing business, adding that in the 57 years of a "hectic life," he had never been convicted of wrongdoing.

Cites Son Serving in Army.

Viereck pointed out to Justice Letts that his son, George Sylvester Viereck, jr., is now serving in the United States Army and that his other son, Peter Viereck, who was graduated from Harvard with a Ph.D., was the same day that his father was sentenced to prison. He entered the Army. Both sons are American born and as is his wife, Mrs. Margaret Viereck of New York City, the defendant asserted.

Mrs. Viereck, wearing a black veil and hat with flowers on top, for neckpiece, white gloves and dark shoes. (See VIERECK, Page 2-X.)

## Naval Flyer Who Bagged Six Japs Gets \$15,000

By the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, March 13.—Naval Air Lt. Edward H. O'Hare, who became a top ace of World War II last month when he was credited with a one-day bag of six Japanese bombing planes, had a birthday today—and a \$15,000 present to go with it.

A decree was entered in Circuit Court declaring the 28-year-old flyer to be the owner under a trust agreement of a half interest in \$30,000 received from sale of a six-flat apartment building. The other half, the court found, belonged to Lt. O'Hare's father, the late Edward J. O'Hare, wealthy sportsman who was mysteriously slain on a Chicago street in 1939.

Executors of the estate were ordered to turn over \$15,000 from the sale to the son, and in his absence an attorney was designated to receive it.

Lt. O'Hare was born in St. Louis in 1914—when March 13 also fell on a Friday.

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