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Petain Yields to Nazi Demands, Giving Laval High Cabinet Post; Riom War Guilt Trial Suspended

By the Associated Press.

French Chief of State Petain agreed under German pressure today to reorganize his Vichy government under pro-Axis Pierre Laval for renewed collaboration with the Nazis.

Foreign diplomatic sources in possibility of a diplomatic break ported this morning. between the United States and Vichy France, said Laval would with a new title, "chief of the gov-

This title will make him No. 2 nese. man in the government under Mar- Flights of heavy bombers continshal Petain, who remains "chief of | ued to hammer the defenders in four state," and enable him to inaugu- raids on Corregidor Island, while rate full Axis collaboration, these Japanese artillery battered the sources said.

At the same time the Vichy government suspended the Riom "war leaders, to which Adolf Hitler had

Petain Becomes Figurehead.

Under the prospective reorganization France would pass completely to the Axis sphere, aged Marshal Petain, although remaining "chief of state," would become a figurehead and Vice Premier Admiral Jean Darlan would retain only his Smashed by Allies in Opening Big Drive present post as Foreign Minister. The posts of premier and vice premier probably will be abolished in the new government, the Bern diplomatic sources said.

Marshal Petain was reported as continuing to preside over the Council of Ministers (the full cabinet and the chief of the state) without the technical title of premier.

The Vichy announcement said Petain, Laval and Admiral Darlan met today and decided on Their next meeting was set for Thursday when, presumably, the places of Laval and Admiral Darlan will be allotted.

Trials' Scope to Be Broadened. On the day the Riom trials were

to have resumed after the Easter recess, a special law decreed their suspension to permit broadening of their scope to include political as well as military "mistakes which led to war and defeat" for the Third Republic. The special law, signed by Marshal

Petain, was based on a report to the chief of state by Admiral Darlan and Justice Minister Joseph Bartelemy, which said in part: "The responsibilities incurred from

the fact of inadequacies in our national defense and of political and military mistakes which led to war and defeat are indivisible because they contributed to the same

Sees Darlan For Hour.

Laval, who has taken part in numerous conferences in the past fortnight with leaders of the Vichy regime, first conferred for an hour today with Admiral Darlan at the Pavillion Sevigne, in Vichy. That meeting lasted from 10 to 11 a.m. Then he went to Marshal Petain's private office at the Hotel du Parc, where he remained from 11:15 a.m. to 12:25 p.m. The announcement was read to

the press by Paul Marion, secretary general for information, in the Gen. Harold Alexander, who with conference room of the information Chinese forces under United States secretariat building. The conference was so hastily

called that most of the foreign press proaches to the Indian frontier, were

Recess Taken April 2.

The Riom trials recessed April 2, and there had been indications that the sessions would not be resumed, at least for the time being

The projected broadened scope of the trial would fit Germany's political purposes-to make its five defendants, erstwhile leaders of the fighting continued yesterday over French republic, scapegoats not only for France's defeat, but also for having led her to war against Germany in the first place.

The Riom decree was explained Taungdwingyi," the communique by D.N.B., official German news said. agency in Berlin, as meaning that the question of responsibility for the Irrawaddy. the war will be raised."

A report published in the official (See FRANCE, Page A-3.)

British War Minister

Elected to Commons

By the Associated Press LONDON, April 14.-War Secretary Sir James Grigg, who rose to cabinet rank from the civil service. was elected a member of the House of Commons from the Welsh port

of Cardiff today. His election—by better than a 3-to-1 margin-enabled him to appear on Parliament's floor to answer questions concerning his department. He was sponsored by the government for that purpose Sih James polled 10,030 votes to 3,311 for A. Fenner Brockway, Independent Labor party candidate. His constituency is East Cardiff.

Shipbuilding Record Of 44 Days Is Set

RICHMOND, Calif., April 14.-A shipyard which was a barren mud flat only a year ago has halved the record for work on a merchant ship of the 10,000-ton Liberty class.

Axis Collaborator Heavy Cebu Fighting Continues; Economic War Government Chief Defenders Resist Stubbornly

Japs Attack Corregidor Four More Times: Manila Bay Fortresses Are Pounded

ress in the Philippine Island of of Mindanao. Cebu, where outnumbered Amerengaged in sharp skirmishes with the ican-Filipino forces are stub-Japanese in that area. bornly resisting Japanese inva-Bern, Switzerland, who saw the sion, the War Department re-

The Cebu action was the heaviest noted in the Philippines as the emreturn to the government Thursday battled United States forces in all parts of the islands continued their last-ditch stand against the Japa-

American fortresses in Manila Bay. The air raids caused some casualties among the troops on Corregidor, guilt" trials of France's republican but only slight damage to military installations.

> The morning communique, outlining the military situation as of 10 a.m., also reported fighting in prog- (See PHILIPPINES, Page A-4.)

10 Other Planes Reported

Bagged in Recent Raids

NEW DELHI, India, April 14.-

in the harbor at Port Blair in the

Andamans, potential springboard

for an Indian invasion, the Brtish

Another communique said the

Japanese lost seven aircraft when

the American Volunteer Group

flercely attacked Japanese raiding

an A. V. G. airdrome in the north-

ern Shan States of Burma at low

level Friday. Three more Japanese

planes were said to have been de-

stroyed by the A. V. G. Sunday at

At the same time the British an-

nounced for the first time in days

extensive activity of their own avia-

tion in Burma. They said a heavy

attack was made by their Blenheim

bombers on Japanese forces in a

village north of Prome Sunday, and

that their bombers were working in

The British troops in Burma under

close support of British land forces

fighting the battle for the land ap-

Japanese soldiers moving up

Hard Fighting Continues.

The British communique said hard

"The enemy succeeded in occupy-

ing the village of Migyaungye and is

increasing pressure southwest of

Migyaungve is on the east bank of

Taungdwingyi is 90 miles north-

(See BURMA, Page A-3.)

still retreating, however.

the entire Burmese front

British announced

In Burma by A. V. G.

By the Associated Press.

13 Jap Flying Boats

Andaman Islands

Heavy fighting still is in prog- | ress in the Digos area of the island The American-Filipino forces are

> Word of the heavy fighting in Cebu was received at the War Department this morning after communication with that island, temporarily broken yesterday, were re-established. A force of approxi-mately 12,000 Japanese was reported to have landed on Cebu last week. The continuing attacks by the Japanese on the Manila Bay forts sponsibility for purchasing and

communique reported that the crack duction program. American artillerymen on those fortresses returned the fire from the Japanese on both sides of Manila Bay. Yesterday, Corregidor's guns blasted two Jap tank and truck columns on Bataan and sank a me-

Russians Reported On Central Front

Siberian Unit and Entire Tank Division Declared Joining in Battle

"the constitution of a government American and British flyers have Telegraph said today the Ger- tions and required delivery schedules established on new foundations." struck strong blows in the de- man radio had announced that for vital materials from Chairman Japanese fleet of three battle- Siberian division and an entire ships, five aircraft carries and division of tanks, had launched other warships in the Bay of an attack of extreme violence on Bengal, smashing 13 big flying the Central Russian front and ing subsidiaries of the Reconstrucboats in the Andaman Islands that the battle still was in progand attacking an airdrome in ress.

> Burma, it was announced today. The German broadcast was said to have acknowledged that the Rus-Thirteen flying boats used by the sians dislocated Nazi lines at some Japanese for long-range scouting, patrol and bombing were sunk, set points, but to have claimed that the afire or damaged when the R. A. F. attack was stemmed and the atstruck 800 miles across the Bay of tackers partly annihilated Bengal and found them anchored

It said other Russian attacks also were made against Rumanian and Italian positions in the Donets Basin to the south.

Fighting in the region between Kursk and Kharkov has become much more intense in the last 24 the punch in many cases." hours, with Soviet pressure particularly strong northeast of Belgorod. Reuters said in quoting the official Vichy news agency.

Russian motorized forces were reported attempting to cross the

"Violent fighting also is going on southeast of Belgorod," the agency said. "The Russians have succe in infiltrating several advanced detachments to within a short disway linking Central Russia with the Ukraine via Kursk, Kharkov and Dnieperopetrovsk."

Fighting also flared up again near Stalino, it was said.

9,000 Germans Are Slain Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, are In 10 Days, Reds Claim

KUIBYSHEV, Russia, April 14 (AP).—Soviet forces have slain 9,000 Germans and destroyed 76 tanks on the Leningrad front from April the Irrawaddy River have occupied the village of Migyaungye-20 miles 1 to 10 and levied fresh tolls on Nazi sea and air strength, the Russouth of Magwe and 80 miles north of Prome-in heavy fighting, the

sians said today. Recapture of a "locality of great front" and occupation of some additional communities were announced without detail in a communique broadcast by the Moscow radio.

Another communique said Kalinin front stronghold was seized by the Russians in fighting which cost the Germans 900 killed, 8 field guns, 15 machine guns, a mortar pattery, 2 tanks and 8 pillboxes. Red Army men operating behind (See RUSSIA, Page A-4.)

153 Families Vacating Navy Yard Area to Use Trailers

An order signed today by Chief | tion, Urban League, Federal Public dents of Southeast Washington to sion. vacate their homes by May 15 to Th permit expansion of the Navy Yard Mr. Ihlder said, was that trailers

and the Navy gun factory. The order further complicates the Capital's already serious housing situation, and Chief Justice Eicher called in the Alley Dwelling Authority for a solution to the prob-

John Ihlder, executive officer of A. D. A., said fully-equipped trailers probably will be provided for residents of the area until demountable houses can be made

There are 153 families, mostly colored, in two blocks affected by the Navy Yard expansion, Mr. Ihlder said. The residents protested at a condemnation hearing yesterday before Chief Justice Eicher that they had been unable to find any other place to live. The formal hearing ander H. Bell, jr., principal attorney was continued until next Monday. in the Lands Division of the Depart-

Justice Edward C. Eicher in Dis- Housing Authority and the National trict Court requires about 600 resi- Capital Park and Planning Commis-

The best suggestion of the group should be provided immediately with washrooms and other facilities. Then, demountable houses would be built and the families transferred later. He said the National Housing Agency had assured him that the trailers could be obtained before the May 15 deadline.

The two blocks under condemnation are adjacent to the Navy Yard

The Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Railroad Co., under the terms of Chief Justice Eicher's order, may have the right to use, occupy maintain its right-of-way through the property until the line is rerouted or abandoned.

Representing the Government in the court proceedings were Alex- Severely Burns 40

Board to Do All Import Buying

Roosevelt Shifts Task From Jones' R. F. C. To Wallace Unit

By JOHN C. HENRY.

President Roosevelt today placed in the Board of Economic Warfare the concentrated rehave not silenced the heavy guns of importing all materials consid-Corregidor and Fort Frank. The ered essential to the war pro-

The action, taken by executive order, transfers from the Reconstruction Finance Corp. and Federal Loan Administrator Jones and agencies under his supervision the basic authority for accumulating stock piles and vests this power in the board headed by Vice President Wallace and Executive Director Milo Perkins. Bitter controversy over responsi-

bility for critical shortages in such stock piles has been raging in recent weeks, with Mr. Jones under fire for his policies with respect to purchasing natural rubber and financing of synthetic rubber man-The new setup, it was indicated

by the order, will give the economic board direct and positive power to locate and to purchase essential materials abroad, rather than merely to recommend to other agencies that such purchases be made.

The economic board will receive LONDON, April 14.—Exchange directives as to quantities, specificasix Soviet divisions, including a Nelson of the War Production Board. The economic agency is then empowered to send agents to foreign sources of supply, and to finance the purchases either through existtion Finance Corp. or through such newly-established corporations as U. S. Wool Shortage may be necessary.

The order makes clear that materials vital to civilian economy, as well as those marked for direct war well as those marked for direct war usage, may be acquired through the "This order in effect will give us

a checkbook and permit us to go out to world sources of supply and buy on the spot things that are necessary," a board official said, "Agents of Axis countries have been doing this for years past and beating us to To Advise on Lease-Lend Payments.

An added section of the sweeping order provides that the Board of Economic Warfare shall advise the State Department on terms and conditions to be included in master agreements with nations receiving lease-lend aid. The special responsibility of the board will be to arrange for receipt by the United States of reciprocal aid and benetance of an important arterial high- fits other than arms or munitions. The economic board likewise is designated to represent the United States in dealing with other United Nations economic warfare agencies in integrating the economic efforts of the anti-Axis bloc.

Heretofore most of the Government importation of essential war materials has been accomplished through the Rubber Reserve Co. the Metals Reserve Co. and the Defense Supplies Corp., all of which are subsidiaries of the R. F. C. Seven cabinet officers, including Mr. Jones, who is also Secretary of Commerce, are members of the Board of Economic Warfare. The other department heads are those importance on the northwestern of State, Treasury, War, Justice, Navy and Agriculture, Nelson Rockefeller, Co-ordinator for Inter-American Affairs, also is a member of the

> **Soviet Purchasing Agents** Call at White House

Indicating further intensification Russia, President Roosevelt today conferred with the newly arrived posed his policies. heads of the Russian Purchasing

Accompanied by Maxim Litvinoff, Ambassador, the Russian agents conferring with the President were Maj. Gen. A. I. Belyaev and Rear Admiral M. I. Akulin. Mr. Litvinoff told reporters after

the conference that "of course, it the textiles branch that he was in (Russian aid) will go on improving." The White House consultation pany and the woolen industry; who follows closely a meeting in London between Harry L. Hopkins, who tee only three weeks ago that a has been principal aide to the shortage of wool positively did not President on supply matters, and exist, despite the fact that, accord-Soviet Ambassador to England Ivan ing to his own testimony, our as-

Also on the President's engageconferences with Lt. Gen. Henry 1943, without any allowance whatair forces; Admiral Ernest J. King, without allowing a pound for the recommander in chief of the fleet, and quirements of our Allies." Undersecretary of Navy James V. Forrestal. Senator Wagner, Democrat, of New York was another White House visitor.

Thunderbolt Kills 18,



'Where are you going, my pretty maid'? 'To join John Lewis, sir,' she said.

Motorists, Pedestrians Urged To 'Play Safe' in Blackout

Public Warned to Take Shelter Tonight When Sirens Sound in City, Nearby Area

A last-minute appeal for motorists and pedestrians to "play safe" during Washington's first total blackout tonight was made by civilian defense officials today. The city and nearby counties will rehearse for an air raid

sometime between 9 and 11:30 p.m. with air-raid sirens sounding the warning for the public to take to shelter and motorists to pull over to the curb. The sound of the sirens will also tion of every resident of the area

darkened-every home and business, street and traffic lights. dents. The raid test will last for an indefinite period, defense officials said, but will not exceed half an hour. The total blackout may be in effect test really is an exercise designed

9 to 11:30 "alert" period. street lights will be turned off. De-"fense Co-ordinator Young asked for patience and intelligent co-opera-

be the signal for the city to be "if we are to come through without unnecessary loss of life by acci-Commissioner Young, in a state-

ment issued this morning, reminded District residents that tonight's to prepare them for the time when for only 15 or 20 minutes during the bombs actually fall.

said, "that all of our citizens understand the purpose behind our (See BLACKOUT, Page A-5.)

New Currency

Made of Nylon

Replaces Silk

Got any nylon money?

Treasury officials disclosed today

that currency printed on paper con-

taining nylon instead of silk was

put in test circulation a few days

ago but no one seems to have

The first batch of the 100 per cent

homemade brand of American

money was distributed through the

Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank

as a test to determine whether it

General circulation of the new

brand, however, must wait until the

Secret Service agents doubt

whether anything but a chemical

New Cub Scout, 11, Saves

LOS ANGELES, April 14.-When

Tommy Jack Rickords took the oath

as a Cub Scout, he pledged him-

It was no empty pledge to Tommy

His parents were away when he

smelled smoke. He saw flames pour-

ing from a closet. He couldn't

quench them, so he dashed upstairs

with his brother Roy Richard, 7,

to rescue their 2-year-old sister

He picked up the sleeping child

and started down, but the stairs

were in flames. Coolly he carried

her through a window to a porch

roof. Roy shinnied down to a

fence and Tommy handed the baby

The inside of the house was badly

damaged. But the children were

LONDON, April 14 (P).-The Vichy

radio relayed a Bucharest report to-

lay that 300 buildings were destroyed

by a landslide at the Rumanian city

Then Tommy

self to be brave

Marilyn Jeneane.

to his brother.

Landslide Hits City

Commandos' chief.

column in Libya.

National

climbed down.

Jack. 11.

wore as well as the old kind.

between the new and the old.

By the Associated Press.

spotted it.

Guthrie Tells Probe

Former W. P. B. Official Says Stocks Won't

Last Beyond-1943

By the Associated Press. Robert R. Guthrie, former War Production Board official, told Senate investigators today that reluctance of certain W. P. B. officials to curtail civilian production had confronted the Nation with a wool shortage similar to that existing in

stock of silk-threaded paper is used Testifying at hearings conducted by the committee on request of Donald M. Nelson, W. P. B. chairman, Mr. Guthrie said his resignaanalysis would show the difference tion on March 14 as director of the textiles branch of the agency resulted from a "basic disagreement with other officials as to the speed with which civilian industry should Sister, 2, From Flames

be converted to war purposes. He asserted that since his resig nation Mr. Nelson had done a "commendable job of * * * requiring the conversion of virtually all civilian durable goods industries to war

"Unfortunately." he added. "the consummation of the all-out program which Mr. Nelson has announced rests in the hands of men who found it impossible to formulate such a policy themselves.

Names Two Officials.

"The type of thinking which allowed pin ball and juke box manufacture to continue until May is not a Jap-stopping type of approach. Mr. Guthrie named Philip Reed, chief of W. P. B.'s industry branches, and Kenneth Marriner, whom he described as an officer and owner of a Boston wool firm and one of of efforts to rush war material to the directors of the W. P. B. wool program, as among those who op-

Contending that civilian uses of wool should have been restricted much earlier, Mr. Guthrie said that the direction of the wool program "remains in the hands of a man who has consistently opposed drastic action to conserve wool, who stated in the presence of several members of Washington to represent his comreported to a congressional commitsured supplies of wool will fully clothe an army no larger than ment schedule today were separate 3,600,000 men, and only through H. Arnold, head of United States ever for civilian requirements and

Same Situation as Rubber. "This," the witness added, "would leave civilians in the same position with respect to wool that they are in with respect to rubber. "Moreover, if a larger-sized army

Severely Burns 40

is to be supplied, Mr. Marriner says, the military specifications for woolen fabrics will have to be adapted to the available wool and waste

import buying job. Page A-1
House to hear Knox views on labor
legislation today. Page A-1
Administration frowns on drastic The Richmond Shipbuilding Corp.

Was credited today by the Maritime Commission with commissioning of the S. S. Zachary Taylor 44 days after she was launched, just half the previous record of 88 days.

Was continued until next Monday.

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U. S. War Output Hit By G. E.-Krupp Pool, Senators Are Told

Patent Deal Example

linking the General Electric Co. in this country with Krupp interests in Germany, was pictured tleneck by John Henry Lewin, special assistant to the Attorney General.

The Government lawyer presented mass of 124 exhibits from the Justice Department anti-trust files before the Senate Patents Commit- the loss of production since Pear tee to support his charges that Harbor was "practically negligible." General Electric and its subsidiaries had entered into a patent pool arrangement with the German interests involving cemented tungsten

This, Mr. Lewin told Senators, is a metal-hardening material vital to the machine-tool industry and production of guns, shells, armor-plate, airplanes and many other munitions

U. S. Shortage "Notorious."

Mr. Lewin, appearing at public

Earlier, Francis M. Shea, an As rangements intended to secure many instances of the use of patents to have restricted capacity for

"There appears to be substantial evidence that patents issued by the United States have, in some instances, been used by our enemies as a means of restricting production vital to our security," Mr. Shea

patents in time of war "appear to have curtailed our industrial capacity for the present war" and might prove dangerous unless corof Iasi, former capital of Moldavia, rected

Biddle Aide Cites Lack Of Metal Hardener as

A vast patent pool, described as

"In contrast with the situation in Germany, the present drastic shortage of this essential material in this country is notorious," Mr. Lewin said. "The need to produce it to retool our manufacturing plants with it, and to instruct workmen in the use of such tools had constituted one of the principal bottlenecks in our present production program.

hearings on a bill that would permit the Government to take or license any patents vital to the war effort, said his material was collected for an anti-trust case resulting in indictments in August, 1940, in the Southern District of New York.

istant Attorney General, testified that "short-sighted business arhigher profits" had appeared in

testified.

Cites O. F. F. Report. "A recent report by the Office of Facts and Figures concerning the defense program adverts to the manner in which our enemy by use of patents and cartel arrangements has worked for many years to weaken our military potential.

"A serious injury to our industrial and military strength can be and in many instances appears to have been, caused by the restrictive use of patents in short-sighted business arrangements intended to secure higher profits from curtailed supply or monopoly, quite uncon-scious of the damage to the Nation." Mr. Shea told Senators that resent patent laws and use of

Summary of Today's Star

Foreign Thirteen Jap flying boats smashed in Allied attack. Page A-1 Russians reported opening big drive on central front. 40,000 prisoners captured on Bataan, Page A-2 Japanese claim. Iran breaks off diplomatic relations Page A-2 with Japan. Marshall confers with Mountbatten

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Motorists and pedestrians asked to

New tax collection unit proposed for D. C. government. Cab cost more than income, hearing Page B-1 realty tax to

Sees No Need Of Labor Control 40-Hour Week Ban

Would Bring Delay in Output, He Asserts

Secretary of the Navy Knox told the House Naval Affairs Committee today that suspension of the 40-hour-work-week law would result "only in confusion and delay." He opposed a flat percentage limitation on war profits and urged a cessation of industrial disputes over the closed-shop issue.

He said there was no need for labor legislation so far as the Navy was concerned.

Secretary Knox told the committee flatly that he thought the matter of changing the 40-hour week was only a question of wages and would mean a 10 per cent cut in the income of workers.

He urged for both industry and labor a "psychological appeal" to stimulate production through patriotism, rather than having Congress enact legislation, and expressed belief that the force of the profit motive was diminishing and would further diminish as the war

Favors Treasury Plan.

Called to testify on the Smith-Vinson bill, which would put a 6 per cent limit on war profits and suspend the 40-hour week law and freeze the closed shop status, Secretary Knox said he thought the profits question could best be dealt with through the Treasury's plan for sharply increased excess profits He suggested a vigorous campaign

ers in war plants "that their own personal security rests upon the production of the tools of war." He said that "the Nation needed today as a war production bot-tlenger by John Henry Lewin mediately after Pearl Harbor," adding that a "considerable part" of that wave of enthusiasm still re-Production Loss "Negligible."

to "arouse and acquaint" the work-

Chairman Vinson of the committee submitted his new version of the Smith-Vinson bill. It would limit profits on large war contracts to \$6,000 plus 8 per cent

of the cost of the contract

Secretary Knox emphasized that

under \$100,000, nor would it affect individuals or organizations performing technical or professional Incentive to Small Contractors. The original bill proposed a 6 per cent profit limitation on Navy con-

tracts over \$10,000. The revision,

Mr. Vinson said, was intended to

"offer an incentive to small con-

It would not apply to contracts

tractors to convert to war production." It applies to all war contracts. Administration of the proposed egislation would be vested in the Treasury Department, which would have authority to exclude, in com-

puting profits, "improper elements"

in construction costs While proposing to abolish all louble pay for overtime work, Mr. Vinson's new bill would provide payment of time and one-half for hours worked in excess of 48. It would freeze the closed shop as of last March 31, except as to renewals of existing contracts.

Restrictions placed on labor include a limitation of union initiation ees in closed shop defense work to \$5, with a maximum of \$2 per month for dues and assessments, and a ban against denying union membership to any individual or discharging nembers for dues arrearage of less than two weeks.

Production Bonuses. Partially to offset the loss of double time and other premium payments, the new legislation proposes that the War Production Board but into operation a system of Government-financed production bonuses not to exceed a worker's regular pay. This bonus system would be operated by the Navy, the War Department and the Maritime Commission in the case of Government-operated plants such as arsenals, docks and shipyards.

If approved in its present form, the new bill would lay down as a congressional policy that certain practices are "inconsistent with the expeditious and successful prosecution of the present war and are prejudicial to those serving in the armed forces." Among these are the retention of excessive profits," the payment of

overtime wages before a full six days of work, the insertion in labormanagement contracts of clauses prohibiting the employment of any but union workers and the charging by unions of "excessive initiation fees, dues and other charges."

Coffee Rationing Is 'Possibility,' Official Says

Rationing of coffee was described by a Price Administration spokesman today as a "possibility, in view of the play safe in blackout. Page A-1
New tax collection unit proposed for
"Nothing has been decided yet,"

the official declared, adding that "comparatively little thought has been given the subject in view of other more important matters. It was reported that the National Grand jury witness purges self of Coffee Association advised its mem-Page B-1 traffic toll orders yesterday that Government traffic toll orders yesterday that Government orders were pending which would restrict roasted coffee sales to 80 per cent of those made last year. A War Production Board official Page B-5 commenting on the report, said the Page B-18 association had acted independently Page B-18 "and not on the basis of any authori-Page B-10 tative statement given out here.'

Readers Prefer The Star The Star's afternoon and evening

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Knox Says Navy