

Gov. Sparks

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committee of the party doing the governing.

Some Should Be Registered

Gov. Sparks has told the writer that he believes that Boards of Registrars in Alabama should register negroes who are good citizens and who are vouched for as white registration applicants are vouched for. As far as the writer knows, that has been the rule of boards over Alabama. At least it should have been the rule and Montgomery County should have been included, and probably was.

Gov. Sparks told the writer recently that registering negro citizens who have proven themselves ready to vote is a duty the white people owe the negroes. He says that by recognizing negroes who have proven their citizenship, encouragement will be given to other negroes to better themselves and make themselves entitled to registration.

But, registering negroes in Montgomery County, which should be done in many cases, will not interfere with our white primaries, Gov. Sparks and the

Democrats of Alabama will see to that.

Would-Be Negro Voters Flock Here To Register

The county board of registrars, convening for the Summer term yesterday at the courthouse, was met by an unprecedented number of negroes requesting registration and approximately 50 applications from them were received by the board during the day.

Shepherding the negroes to the courthouse was not unexpected inasmuch as friendly adviser was Arthur A. Madison, New York negro attorney, who is a native of Madison Park and was formerly admitted to the practice of law in Alabama until disbarred several months ago.

Appearance of the negroes for registration was not unexpected inasmuch as Madison, during his recent trial, admitted an earlier boast that he would "register 5,000 negroes in Alabama."

The applicants for registration were admitted to the board two at a time, but Madison was never seen to enter the east courtroom where the registrars were convened. There was no report of disorder at any time during the day, the negroes waiting their turn in groups of 25 to 30 in the upstairs corridor. Others waited on the courthouse steps and the sidewalk.

While around 50 applications were received, none was ruled on yesterday. The Alabama law gives the board "a reasonable time" to rule on applications, and if there are a great many or if considerable investigation must be made, the time may run into several weeks or longer.

Some months ago, during the Winter session, the Board of Registrars denied application of approximately 15 negroes for registration as voters. Appeals were taken to the Circuit Court in most of these cases by Arthur Madison who had aided the parties in making application to the board.

Later, before the appeals were heard, five of the parties who had applied for registration appeared voluntarily in Circuit Court and made oath that Madison had not been employed by them to take appeal and that he had appealed in their name without their authority. After hearing the matter, the court at the request of these negroes, dismissed their appeals and taxed the costs against Madison.

A few days later a warrant was sworn out against Madison in the Court of Common Pleas charging him with violation of Code 1940, Tit. 46, Sec. 55, appearing in court as an attorney without authority. Madison was convicted and fined \$500 in each case and as required by the State law, was declared incompetent to practice law in any court in Alabama.

Madison appealed his case to the Circuit Court where the cases were heard again. Again he was convicted and fined \$500 in each of five cases and declared ineligible to practice law in Alabama courts.

From these convictions he at once made appeal to the Court of Appeals of Alabama.

During part of the Revolutionary War, the Liberty Bell was hidden in a church in Allentown, Penn.

27 Alabama Boys Killed In Action

WASHINGTON, June 12.—(AP)—The War Department made public today the names of 1,511 United States soldiers killed in action, including 27 from Alabama.

Corrections are issued from time to time correcting changes in names of soldiers. When the number of soldiers such a correction has previously been made.

The list included:
European Area
Cannell, First Lieut. Amos—Mrs. Mary F. Cannell, wife, Louisville.
Drake, Staff Sergt. Earl T.—William A. Drake, father, Route 1, Birmingham.
Grisby, Pvt. Roy E.—Mrs. Vivian L. Grisby, wife, Florence.
Raper, Second Lieut.—Mrs. Raper, wife, Birmingham.
Simons, Tech. Sergt. Aubrey C.—Robert Simons, father, Route 1, Pratt City.
Ward, mother, Ashland.

Mediterranean Area
Blackman, Pvt. Howard M.—Mrs. Mary M. Blackman, mother, Mobile.
Brumback, Corp. Jack C.—Mrs. Lottie M. Brumback, wife, Birmingham.
Calver, T. Pte. Julius C.—Mrs. Ivy K. Calver, wife, Route 1, Warrior.
Collins, Pvt. William A.—Mrs. Lucille M. Collins, wife, Mobile.
Goodwin, Tech. Sergt. Alvin C.—Mrs. Lela D. Goodwin, mother, Mobile.

Green, Tech. 5th gr. Bertie E.—Jesse Green, father, Route 2, Cullman.
Haley, Capt. Perry E.—Mrs. Myrtle M. Haley, wife, Mobile.
Hiller, Pvt. John L.—Mrs. Ruelle R. Hiller, mother, Route 1, Opelika.
Wood, First Lieut. Andrew J.—Mrs. Florence Hook, mother, Eufaula.
Ben Jenkins, Tech. Tilton D.—Mrs. Eva M. Jenkins, wife, Route 1, North.

Lucas, Pte. Lee D. Jr.—Lee D. Lucas, Sr. father, Underwood.
Molock, Pte. William C.—Mrs. Mollie T. Molock, mother, Rock Run.
Palmer, Corp. Eraldo L. Jr.—Mrs. Willie M. Palmer, mother, Birmingham.
Pascock, Tech. Sergt. John J.—Mrs. Margaret M. Pascock, wife, Route 1, Birmingham.

Robert, Pte. William K.—Mrs. Annie L. Robert, wife, Route 1, Rutledge.
Smith, Tech. 5th gr. Herman E.—Mrs. Izelle Smith, mother, Mulberry.
Smith, Corp. Joseph C.—Mrs. Julia A. Smith, mother, Route 1, Birmingham.

Spidle, Pte. Pack D.—Mrs. Mildred E. Spidle, wife, Lovell.
Thompson, Tech. Sergt. Ben M.—Mrs. Annie W. Forbes, mother, Birmingham.
Walker, Pte. Burke R. D.—Mrs. Ruby E. Walker, mother, Route 1, Lineville.

Southwest Pacific Area
Bracknell, Pvt. Arline—Mrs. Lora Bracknell, mother, Route 1, Ironville.

Frontline Air

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duties strafed and bombed 11 locomotives, 63 rail cars, 102 trucks, 11 other vehicles, three radio and flask towers, one tank and several freight assembly yards and rail junctions.

From the 2,150-plane task force, seven heavy bombers and 14 fighters were missing.

The greatest heavy bomber fleet ever put into the air by the RAF was more than 1,300 on D-Day night, June 5-6.

Among airfields hit by the heavy bombers were those at Lille-Nord, Montdidier, Evereux-Fauville, Dreux, Vitry-en-Artois and Beuvaulx-Tille, while reports said the already damaged rail centers of Rennes and Amiens also were hammered.

More than 3,000 planes were in the air over France when the U. S. 8th Air Force fleet split into numerous small task forces and pounded the air defenses and bridges.

Through the day, Allied medium, light and fighter bombers and fighters pounded the enemy wherever they found him, from the beachhead to points 100 miles south.

Representative Rankin Will Have Opposition

JACKSON, MISS., June 12.—(AP)—Drexel Knight, of Amory, former chief of controls of the material section of the War Production Board, said here today that he resigned from his post in Washington on June 3 to make the race for Congress from the First District of Mississippi.

He said he wired his resignation to WPB from Jackson. Knight will make the congressional race against incumbent, John S. Rankin, Tupelo, and the Rev. Charles Hamilton, Aberdeen.

Russian Tanks, Nazi 14th Army Demobilized

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"now the hour of severe revenge has arrived."

The Russians were reported to have crossed the Sestra River, which flows southwest through captured Terijoki and to be fighting through lakes, swamps and hills of Karelia after breaking steel and concrete fortifications in the powerful push. Terijoki is 27 miles north of Leningrad and 160 miles east of Helsinki.

The Stockholm correspondent of the Finnish newspapers, the Helsingin Sanomat, reported U. S. Finnish relations were growing worse since the Russian drive began and speculated that there might be a diplomatic break shortly.

Edmund D. Guillon, American charge d'affaires, returned to Helsinki after a three-day visit with legation officials at Stockholm and is expected to make a first-hand report on the situation in Finland.

Swedish reports said the Finns were deeply dejected by the turn of events. From Stockholm came reports, unconfirmed elsewhere, that the Finnish government might resign, presaging the capitulation of Helsinki.

(CBS recorded a London radio broadcast that "the Russians have landed tanks by air behind the Finnish troops" and this force was disrupting the Finnish communications.)

A German high command spokesman declared, the Karelian drive could not be considered the start of the Russian Summer offensive, and that the Red Army had so far used only "several divisions."

DNB's Commentator Col. Ernst von Hammer said aerial reconnaissance showed the Russians had massed the bulk of their forces on the lower Dnepr for an offensive whose start would be determined "by the present good weather." He said other drives were being prepared in the center and far to the north around Lake Pelpus.

The Weather

U. S. Department of Commerce Weather Bureau Montgomery, Alabama Monday, June 12, 1944	
Maximum temperature	88
Minimum temperature	71
Mean temperature	78
Normal temperature	79
Excess since 1st of mo.	29
Excess since Jan. 1	222
Total precipitation	0.14
Deficiency since 1st of mo.	0.97
Deficiency since Jan. 1	5.81
Hourly temperatures	
7:00 a. m.	72
8:00 a. m.	75
9:00 a. m.	78
10:00 a. m.	81
11:00 a. m.	83
12:00 noon	85
1:00 p. m.	86
2:00 p. m.	87
3:00 p. m.	88
4:00 p. m.	88
5:00 p. m.	87
6:00 p. m.	85
7:00 p. m.	83
8:00 p. m.	81
9:00 p. m.	79
10:00 p. m.	77
11:00 p. m.	75
12:00 midnight	73

Sunrise 5:34. Sunset 7:32. Moonrise 1:37 a. m. on Wednesday. Moonset 1:47 p. m. on Wednesday. Next phase, full moon, new moon on June 20th. Montgomery river stage, 4.2 ft.

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the shore of Lake Bolsena, and fought on toward the town of Bolsena, eight miles beyond.

Eight Army columns moving up both sides of the Tiber River north of Rome, near Bagno Reggion and Rieti.

In the rugged central sector the Eighth Army's German, American and British forces, which were drained some years ago and now is a 45,000-acre farm development. In the Adriatic sector all Germans had been cleared from the lower side of the Pescara River.

Headquarters disclosed that the Sixth South African Armored Division participated in the Eighth Army's drive up the Liri and Sacco valleys to Rome and that it now is fighting more than 30 miles north of the capital.

Dr. Strider to Speak
Dr. William A. Strider of Boston, Methodist minister and ra-

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