

HALFAYA PASS FALLS TO BRITISH

No Hope Held For 22 TWA Transport Passengers

MISS LOMBARD AMONG VICTIMS

Fifteen Members of Army Ferry Command Returning To California Coast for New Assignments, Also Among Passenger List of Luxury Liner Which Crashed And Burned Near Las Vegas, Nev.

Los Angeles, Jan. 17. (AP) — Carole Lombard, fun-loving wife of Clark Gable, and 21 other passengers, including 15 Army fliers, were presumed killed last night in the crash of a Transcontinental & Western air transport near Las Vegas, Nevada.

The army air corps ferry command at Long Beach, Calif., said the army fliers aboard the crashed luxury liner were members of a ferry command returning to the Pacific coast for new assignments. TWA said they boarded the plane at Albuquerque, where four other passengers were put off to make room for the pilots.

The 21-passenger Douglas sky club made a brief stop at Las Vegas and took off at 7:07 p. m. (10:07 p. m. EST). About 7:30 p. m. workers at the Blue Diamond mine saw a flare and heard an explosion.

A few minutes later, Pilot Art Cheney of Western Air Lines saw a fire on Table mountain, about 40 miles southwest of Las Vegas.

"It's a TWA plane and I can't find any signs of life," Cheney radioed. He said he turned on his landing lights in an effort to discover whether anyone was moving about the wreckage.

The plane crashed more than 8,000 feet up Table mountain in the rugged Charleston range. The ground is covered with several inches of snow.

Doctors in two ambulances and searchers in 25 automobiles left Las Vegas for the scene.

Supt. W. T. McMillan of the Blue Diamond mine said the searchers would have to use packhorses for nearly 20 miles of the journey in the Charleston range, which rises from the Mohave desert floor.

Gable, who had been waiting at Lockheed Air Terminal, Burbank, Calif., to welcome Carole home instead of the crash. He chartered an airplane to fly to Las Vegas to join a searching party.

But police dissuaded him, and he waited at a hotel for word from the posses. He declined to accept telephone calls and was described as badly broken up.

Miss Lombard, 32, was returning from Indianapolis with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth K. Peters, and Otto Winkler, publicity man for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studio. She had gone there to help sell defense bonds. Gable is chairman of the actors committee which assigns motion picture stars to assist the United States treasury in bond sales over the country.

Miss Lombard, born in Fort Wayne, Ind., had volunteered for the trip to her home state. She sold \$2,500,000 worth in one day Thursday.

Hollywood heard that Winkler preferred to make the trip by train but that the actress insisted upon an airplane trip. They tossed a coin. Miss Lombard won—and presumably lost her life.

Capt. Wayne Williams, a veteran TWA pilot, was at the controls. He recently had been transferred to the Albuquerque-Los Angeles run from Kansas City.

TWA said he gave no hint of trouble; that the only message received from him after he left Albuquerque was a routine report. Visibility and weather conditions in the area were reported good.

TWA flew a party to Las Vegas shortly after learning of the crash. The civil aeronautics board sent two inspectors, Perry Hodgens and Warren Carey, and Chief Inspector Frank Caldwell of the accident investigating division followed today.

Washington, Jan. 17 (AP)—The War Department supplied the addresses and names of relatives of the enlisted men aboard the plane reported crashed near Las Vegas, Nev. They included Sergeant Frederick P. Cook, mother, Mrs. Lottie Reece 104 Montgomery St., Reidsville, N. C.

First Lady To Attend Chapel Hill, N. C., Jan. 17.—(AP)—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt who will speak here January 31 at the University of North Carolina, will also participate in Orange county's birthday party for the President, which will be held on the same day.

Churchill Safe At Home After Crossing Atlantic On Return From U. S.

Minute In Prayer

The citizens of Greenville and Pitt county are called to a season of daily prayer, growing out of the President's call for a Day of Prayer January 1. The churches of America are calling the Christian people to set aside some special moment in the day to turn to God for His guidance and blessing.

The hour set by the Ministerial Association and approved by the city council is 6 p. m. daily. The usual sounding of the fire alarm, the tolling of a church bell and the announcement of the hour daily over the local radio will be the signal for prayer. Citizens are urged to pause, wherever they are, for one minute at least in reverent and earnest prayer to God. If this could be the supper hour it could be observed most appropriately by the whole family.

"Listen for the 'Call to America's Prayer Minute' and join the millions of our citizens." The first call will be Sunday, January 18, at 6 p. m.

PLAN TO HOLD BIRTHDAY BALL

Three Hundred Service Men To Be Honored Guests

The President's Birthday Ball to be held in Greenville at East Carolina Teachers College Friday night, January 30, will in truth be a patriotic rally, according to announcement made today by W. W. Lee, chairman of the committee.

According to the plan, 300 soldiers, sailors and marines from nearby posts will be guests of the city for the night and an equal number of young ladies from the college will accompany the service men to the dance.

The committee will undertake the sale of 300 special tickets locally at \$1.00, the tickets will be retained by the committee and turned over to the personnel officers at the different posts to be given to the men in the service. Citizens of the city will be requested to furnish hostess facilities for the visiting service men.

The birthday ball committee will meet this afternoon to make final plans for the annual event which is expected to draw a large crowd of Pitt county citizens as well as the service men.

Ten Certificates To Purchase Tires

Certificates for the purchase of tires and tubes for trucks and automobiles were issued yesterday at the second sitting of the Pitt county Tire Rationing Board, to the following: Alvin Ray and William Taft Cannon, Farmville Bonded Warehouse Company, Inc.; Jesse William Hardy Trading as Hardy Transfer, Arthur Roscoe Barnhill, Jesse Noah and James Lewis Williams, Pitt County Board of Education, Dr. Edwin Bruce Beaseley, Dr. Edwin Burtis Aycock, George Hunter Clapp and Julius Gibbons Chauncey.

Lower Age Limit On Navy Students

U. S. Naval Reserve Aviation Base, Atlanta, Ga., January 17.—The Navy Department announced the age limit for candidates for flight training in the Naval Reserve had been lowered one year.

The previous requirement in regard to age was that a man be at least 20 years of age. Now a student can be 19 years old and enlist in naval aviation.

Other requirements are that he be a college graduate or have at least two years in college, be unmarried and in good physical condition.

It was recently announced that college men interested in naval aviation could enlist immediately and not be called to active duty until the completion of the present scholastic year.

The WAR TODAY

By DeWITT MacKENZIE (World-wide News Analyst)

(This daily feature, conducted by DeWitt Mackenzie, Wide World war analyst, is written today by Fred Vanderschmidt.)

Winston Churchill is back in England, having got there in a flying boat and not, as the Axis had it, in a submarine via Gibraltar. His first duty is to give the people of England new heart as to the dire developments in Malaya, and one may be sure he will lose no time.

It is quite understandable that the English are far more agast over the swift and immediate menace to Singapore than were the

people of this country over the loss of Manila. To most Americans, Manila was remote, foreign and somewhat unreal. To the Briton, Singapore has been what the Maginot line was to the French; an unbreachable, unshakable fortress of empire.

England has been rather a nation of shopkeepers. I have often thought of it as a nation of retired army officers and civil servants, barely past their prime, living in small and comfortable houses in places like Hammersmith and Golders Green, surrounded by "Ma-

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JAPAN WAGING HEAVY ATTACK IN PHILIPPINES

Violent Thrust Aimed At Right Flank of Defense

SUPPORTED BY AERIAL ASSAULT Official Tokyo Broadcast Pictures General MacArthur's Defenders In General Retreat Toward The Coast

Washington, Jan. 17.—(AP)—The War Department announced today that a heavy Japanese attack was in progress against the right flank of American and Philippine troops in the Batan peninsula in the Philippines.

A communique said the enemy well supported by aircraft and artillery, greatly outnumbered General Douglas MacArthur's troops, but that the defenders "are stubbornly contesting the attempted advance."

MacArthur's right flank is anchored on Manila Bay and defends the lone highway extending southward down the rugged Batan peninsula to Corregidor fortress at the entrance of the bay.

With Japanese Forces on Batan Peninsula, Luzon Island, Jan. 17.—(Official Japanese Broadcast Recorded by AP)—General MacArthur's forces, stubbornly holding out on Batan peninsula, were in general retreat today toward the coast of Manila Bay, presumably in hopes of finding shelter on Corregidor island.

Since the Japanese began hurling additional landing reinforcements at them January 15, the United States forces have been unable to stand the pressure.

Observation planes (the Japanese broadcast said) reported artillerymen abandoning battery positions and large columns joining a general retreat toward Manila Bay and the west coast of Batan peninsula.

Local Men Named For Legion Posts

Raleigh, Jan. 17 (AP)—Roy L. McMillan, commander of the North Carolina department of the American Legion, announced today that Dr. D. Russell Perry of Durham would head the boys' state commission, which will supervise the 1942 event at Chapel Hill.

This announcement was made along with other committee heads for the ensuing year.

Others on the group with Dr. Perry will be E. L. Walker of Forest City, George R. Snow of Mt. Airy, J. H. McKenzie of Salisbury, Louis G. Ratcliffe of Charlotte, J. B. Hood of Laurinburg, Albert Coates of Chapel Hill, Wilbur Doshier of Wilmington, and Irving Clark of Scotland Neck.

Other department committee chairmen included: Legislative: John H. Faylor of Farmville; Law and Order: H. L. Sabin of Weldon; chairman, and Gilmer Jones of Franklin, vice-chairman; Foreign Relations: T. G. Stem of Oxford, chairman, and D. J. Wheeler, Jr. of Greenville, vice chairman.

Knudsen Is Named General In Army

Washington, Jan. 17 (AP) President Roosevelt's appointment of William S. Knudsen as a Lieutenant General in the Army was regarded in the capital today as having finally solved the grave problem of putting the entire automobile industry to work on war production.

As Donald M. Nelson formally took over the chairmanship of the new war production board, with the broadest powers to expedite the production of war material for this nation and the other anti-Axis powers, commendation of Knudsen's surprise appointment rolled in from high officials.

Secretary of War Stimson welcomed "his great and unique talent as a master of production."

General George C. Marshall, Army Chief of Staff, declared "this experience will expedite the delivery of guns and equipment."

The President himself termed Knudsen "one of the great production men of the world."

Fire At Elm College—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the kitchen and dining room and damaged the girls dormitory at Elm College about 4 o'clock this morning. College officials estimated the damage at about \$35,000.

Japs Gain New Foothold In Battle For Singapore

Muar River Only 90 Miles From Island Fortress Acknowledged To Have Been Crossed As Invaders Reach Point Closer To Singapore Than Any Previous Thrust In Malayan Conquest

By C. YATES McDANIELS Singapore, Jan. 17.—(AP) Japanese soldiers pounding into Honore state toward a major battle for Singapore, have gained a foothold on the south bank of the Muar river, 90 miles from Singapore island, and have pushed forward elements to the junction city of Gemas, the British acknowledged today.

The communique did not say where the Muar crossing was made but it added that the British bombers dealt out devastation on troops.

Tokyo, Jan. 17.—(Official broadcast recorded by AP)—A Domei dispatch from Malaya claimed today that Japanese forces had broken through Australian defense lines and advanced in the Batu Pahat section, 80 kilometers (50 miles) northwest of Singapore.

(Maps show Batu Pahat as a river mouth town 20 miles from Singapore. It is just west of Bandar Penggaram and some 20 miles south of the Muar river.)

laden launches and barges near the mouth of the stream, which empties into Malacca strait about 100 miles northwest of the city of Singapore.

In London a military commentator said the Muar river crossing meant the Japanese had pushed a spearhead closer to Singapore than at any time since the invasion was launched. He emphasized this did not mean the Japanese were in control of the entire southern bank and indicated that the British were putting up stubborn resistance.

On the home front, more than 70 Japanese planes raided the Singapore area into attacks and the Far East command said preliminary reports showed civilian casualties amounted to about 150. One Japanese plane was reported shot down two more probably downed and two damaged.

But the main theater of fighting suddenly shifted to the western coastal areas along the strait of Malacca.

"On the western part of the front the enemy succeeded in getting a footing on the south bank of the Muar river," the Far Eastern command communique announced.

"Fighter aircraft delivered a successful attack on launches and barges laden with troops near the mouth of the Muar river," the communique added. "One of the launches blew up when attacked and heavy casualties were inflicted on personnel in the barges."

The Muar river flows into Malacca strait.

The British also acknowledged a Japanese penetration into Johore state, the last of the nine Malay states not occupied or penetrated by the invaders.

The communique announced that British artillery was pounding Japanese forward elements in Gemas, a railway junction city 110 miles from Singapore in northern Johore state.

It said contact was slight on the eastern part of the front, confined mainly to patrolling.

Four Dutch Ships Claimed By Tokyo

London, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Exchange Telegraph said today the Tokyo radio broadcast a communique that four Dutch ships were sent to the bottom yesterday in waters off East Borneo.

The broadcast also claimed that British munitions, transported by sea, had been bombed and sunk in the Strait of Malacca.

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Axis Stand Is Ceded To Siege Army

German-Italian Attempt To Parallel British Stand At Tobruk Is Smashed, Thereby Giving Imperial Forces Access To Principal Coastal Route; El Aghelia Drive Hampered By Sandstorm

Cairo, Egypt, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Halfaya Pass, Axis stronghold on the Egyptian-Libyan desert frontier, fell to Imperial siege troops this morning with the unconditional surrender of more than 5,500 of its hard-pressed garrison.

Thus the British smashed a German-Italian attempt to parallel the British holdout stand at Tobruk—and thus, too, the British won access to the main coastal route of supply to their advance assault forces which have pursued the main body of the Axis forces 300 miles farther west.

Axis control of the steep-sided pass, which the British dubbed "Hellfire" had forced the British to move their reinforcements and supplies over a tortuous desert detour almost 100 miles to the south.

The British by-passed Halfaya last November 18 when they drove into Libya for a second test of strength with the Axis desert forces. The Axis garrison, which had forced the pass with artillery, tanks and dugouts cut into the rock, withstood a battering for almost two months.

The fall of the stronghold, announced by the British Middle East general headquarters, was the third time it had switched hands in the back and forth surge of North African fighting.

The British seized the pass December 16, 1940, in their first drive into Libya. The Germans won it back April 14, 1941, in their swift counter-offensive.

For weeks before its final capitulation the Halfaya garrison had been blasted repeatedly from the air and attacked again and again by siege forces pressing in steadily from all sides.

The final crack-up of the defense—originally estimated to number almost 10,000—began last Tuesday when Imperial troops swept into nearby Salum, thereby cutting the defenders of the pass off from water or sea-borne supplies or reinforcement. The pass extends from near Salum through the coastal escarpment to the plateau land back from the sea.

From the front came one story that an Italian doctor under a white flag took a wounded British airman out through the siege line for medical treatment by the British and was given in return medical supplies which he said the garrison had exhausted.

Military observers expressed elation at the elimination of the last threat to the British rear and declared that now additional Imperial forces would be released to move on west and reinforce the drive toward Tripolitania.

Scout Committee Meet Tuesday Nite

Greenville District Boy Scouts committee will enjoy a steak supper with scout masters at the scout cabin near the country club on Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock and at 8:00 o'clock will meet in the directors' room of the Guaranty Bank and Trust for the regular monthly meeting of the committee.

L. M. Buchanan, chairman of the Greenville district, has urged all members of the committee to attend both the supper and the meeting that is to follow as several matters pertaining to the local work of the organization are to be discussed.

Three Slain Daily On N. C. Highways

Raleigh, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Highway deaths in North Carolina last year averaged more than three a day, a total of 1,284 lives were lost in automobile accidents.

The toll was the greatest yet. The previous high was in 1937 when 1,123 lives were lost. The figures were announced by the Highway Safety Division.

Nelson Clears Desk for Production Job



Waiting for President Roosevelt's order to come through, naming him head of the United States war production program, Donald M. Nelson sat at a cleared desk in Washington and prepared to take over his new job. Surrounding him are war production posters and the banner, "United We Stand."

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Free French Destroyer Seizes Spanish Vessels

GERMANS FAIL TO CHECK REDS

Madrid Declares Intentions To Make Issue

Madrid, Jan. 17.—(AP)—The newspaper Arriba said today that a Free French destroyer had entered the harbor of Santa Isabel, in the Spanish island of Fernando Poo off the west coast of Africa, and had seized three merchantmen anchored there.

Arriba, the official organ of the Falange, the sole political party in nationalist Spain, warned that Spanish armed forces henceforth would fight to prevent such seizures.

Arriba also indicated that Spain intends to make a major issue of the three seizures at the little island, which is in the Gulf of Guinea just north of the mainland colony of Spanish Guinea.

Merchantmen of belligerent nations, it declared, are entitled to enter non-belligerent ports.

While non-belligerents should use all means to protect refugee ships, it added, "if such an attack cannot be avoided then the non-belligerent state has the right to demand reparations from the aggressor."

The Fernando Poo incident, Arriba asserted, "puts an end to courteous tolerance of meddling. Spain pledges herself solemnly before the world to prevent a repetition of similar aggressions without punishment."

"We say simply that a new attack on Spanish non-belligerence will be met with the fire of Spanish arms in defense of Spain's undeniable obligations."

London, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Free French sources here would say only that reports today of a De Gaulle destroyer having seized three Axis ships at Fernando Poo sounded "incredible."

Perhaps referring to the same engagement, Red Star said: "One of our units had to withdraw." (Continued on Page Six)

GET OUT OF DEBT

Babson Says, "Save and Spend Wisely"

Babson Park, Florida, January 17.—The recent report of the Committee on Non-essential Expenditures headed by Senator Byrd is a step in the right direction. This committee has recommended slashes in non-defense governmental expenditures which could result in savings totaling \$1,716,963,061 during the coming fiscal year beginning July 1, 1942. In all probability the committee's suggestions will not be adopted in toto. There is, however, considerable sympathy in official Washington toward many of the suggestions. Unquestionably, substantial savings will be made in

Farm Aid, Public Works, W. P. A., C. C. C., and N. Y. A. expenditures as was indicated in the President's budget message.

Even if a great part of the above-mentioned sum is withdrawn from non-defense measures it will not have much effect upon the national debt. Savings will undoubtedly be transferred to the armament program. Here at least continued expenditures are absolutely necessary and will be of more immediate practical value, in a fighting war, it is essential that national expenditures

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Social and Personal

Mrs. Frank Payne, who has been spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Overton, will leave today for Raleigh. Mr. and Mrs. Payne have recently moved from Norfolk to Raleigh.

Mrs. William Faison of Durham is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Garrett.

Miss Peggy West left for Raleigh a few days ago to enter Miss Hardberger's business school.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Little of Richmond, are spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. James T. Little.

Mr. and Mrs. James Moye will leave tonight for a visit in Miami, Fla.

New Home Economics Teacher.
The home economics department of the college is welcoming a new teacher this term—Miss Lottie Simmons of Winston and Dover, former E. O. T. C. student and a graduate of Teachers College, Columbia University, having begun work with the new term in the place left vacant last spring by the resignation of Miss Ruby Scholz.

According to Miss Katherine Holtschaw, head of the department, Miss Simmons will teach foods and have charge of the cafeteria run by the department for children of the Training school. She draws on a rich background for this work, as she not only has taught in various high schools in the state, but served as dietitian at Weaver College, in Weaverville, and Stratford College, Danville, Va., and later taught foods and home management at Sullins College, Bristol, Va.

Her training has been varied. She divided her work as an undergraduate among three institutions, Bethany College, East Carolina Teachers College, and Atlantic Christian College. After this she was a special student for a year at the Divinity School of Yale University. She obtained her M. A. from Teachers College, Columbia University, and has since taken an additional semester of work there.

She will live at Regedale Hall.

Program At Methodist Church.

The evening worship service at Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church Sunday evening will be in charge of the young people, under the direction of Mrs. Howard Mims. The music will be directed by Mrs. G. B. W. Hixley and Mr. John G. Fleming. The program will be as follows:
Subject: "What Makes a Happy Home?"
Leader: Harper Darden.
Solo: "Home, Sweet Home," Annie Furrill.
Hymn 111: "Praise, Lord Jesus,"
Church Lesson: Matt. 2:1-6 and 10-12.
Prayer.
Offertory: "Duet—Misses Elizabeth Bridges and Margaret Mills."
Psalm: "Parents" (Fuller)—Rachel Fleming.
Talks: "Respect for Personality," H. E. Goodall; "Playing Together," Gladys Tyndall; "Working Together," Ralph Fleming; "Being a Christian at Home," Betsy Hobgood.
Prayer: "Home" (Edgar A. Guest).
Hymn 543: "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind."
Benediction.
Dedication.
The ushers for this service will be Leonard Ernest, Dick Fleming, Phil Moore and Herbert Waldrop, Jr. The public is invited to be present.

U. D. C. Meeting.

The George E. Singletary chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met with Mrs. E. W. Harvey, on Latham street, Thursday afternoon. After the ritualistic opening and song "Carolina," Mrs. Harvey, president, presided over the interesting business session. The minutes of the previous meeting, held with Mrs. E. B. Ficklen, were read by the secretary pro tem, Mrs. P. E. Wells. The treasurer, Mrs. W. F. Moore, reported that all obligations had been met and there was still a substantial sum in the treasury. A letter was read from Mrs. T. A. Person, thanking the chapter for kindness during illness of members of her family. A letter of thanks was also read from the guests of the Confederate Old Ladies Home at Fayetteville, thanking the Greenville chapter for the nice box sent them at Christmas. The historian, Mrs. T. T. Hollingsworth, reported on having arranged programs in the schools on Lee, Jackson and Meany, whose birthdays are in January. Mrs. J. L. Fleming read an interesting article written by Mrs. A. G. Ellis of Raleigh, about Confederate history. Mrs. Harvey requested Mrs. Hollingsworth to ask the teachers in the local schools to include the drawing of the Confederate flag along with the United States flag, during their drawing periods. It was decided to ask the editors of Green Lights (high school paper) to publish a list of prizes offered for Confederate essays. A girl in the form of a check to be applied to the Nurses' Fund, from Mrs. T. A. Person, was announced. Several new subscriptions for "The Bulletin," U. D. C. magazine, published in Richmond, Va., were taken. A committee was appointed, with Mrs. B. C. Deal, chairman, to make the new year books. Mrs. John Wooten gave the program of the afternoon, a splendid talk about Wade Hampton of South Carolina, who was Governor during the War Between the States, and became Governor of his state, after the war. During the social period that followed, the hostess served delicious refreshments, consisting of special tea, sandwiches and cookies.

Social Calendar

MONDAY

3:00 p. m.—St. Catherine's Auxiliary of St. Paul's Episcopal Church meets in the Parish House.

3:00 p. m.—Woman's Council meets at the Christian Church.

3:30 p. m.—St. Paul's Auxiliary of Episcopal Church meets at the Parish House.

6:30 p. m.—The Rotary Club meets.

7:00 p. m.—The Lions Club meets.

8:00 p. m.—The Greenville Symphony Choir will meet at the Woman's Club.

TUESDAY

1:00 p. m.—The Athenium Club meets with Mrs. Clifton Edwards.

3:30 p. m.—Mrs. Walter Taylor will be hostess to the Ladies of the Round Table.

3:30 p. m.—The Sans Souci Book Club meets at the home of Mrs. W. E. Hooker, with Mrs. Hooker and Mrs. George Woodward as hostesses.

3:30 p. m.—Mrs. T. G. Basnight will be hostess to the Forty-one Club.

3:30 p. m.—The Chatham Book Club meets with Mrs. L. H. Bowling.

3:30 p. m.—The Inter Se Club meets with Mrs. Denver Baughman.

3:45 p. m.—The Clio Club meets with Mrs. F. B. Haar.

6:45 p. m.—The American Legion will meet at the High School Cafeteria.

7:30 p. m.—St. Mary's Auxiliary of Episcopal Church meets.

7:30 p. m.—Chapter 149 of the Eastern Star meets.

WEDNESDAY

7:30 p. m.—Mid-week prayer service at the Presbyterian Church.

THURSDAY

7:45 p. m.—Choir practice at Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church.

FRIDAY

6:30 p. m.—Kiwanis Club will meet.

7:30 p. m.—Meeting of the Red Men.

Woman's Council To Meet.

The Woman's Council of Eighth Street Christian Church will hold its regular monthly meeting at the church on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Presbyterian Announcements.

Rev. A. G. Courtenay has been preaching faithfully and bringing helpful messages each night this past week at Meadowbrook Chapel. Sunday night will very probably close the series of meetings. Friends of the community and members of the Presbyterian Church, Greenville are invited to attend.

Sunday morning at 10 o'clock

the men's Bible class, taught by Mr. A. E. Gibson, will broadcast the service conducted by the class. At 11 o'clock the preaching service will be broadcast. The pastor, Rev. Robert S. Boyd, will speak on the subject, "The Teaching Function of the Church." Text Deut. 31:12, 13. The Church of Jesus Christ is faced with the greatest opportunity in its history today for teaching the Scriptures to men, women and children and "the stranger within its gates." The Bible is the most widely distributed book published at this time. But as the Ethiopian eunuch asked Philip, "How can I understand what I am reading except some man should guide me?" so men and children today are needing those who can and will teach them the meaning of the Scriptures.

"America's Prayer Minute"

is being designated all over the land now. A moment when all men shall pause and turn to God in united prayer for His guidance and blessing in such troublous times. Watch the papers for the "hour and the signal" that calls Greenville and Pitt county to prayer, and join the Christian forces in this intercession daily.

Monday night at 7:30, Mrs. McLauchlin, a missionary from China, will speak at the Presbyterian Church. The public is invited to attend.

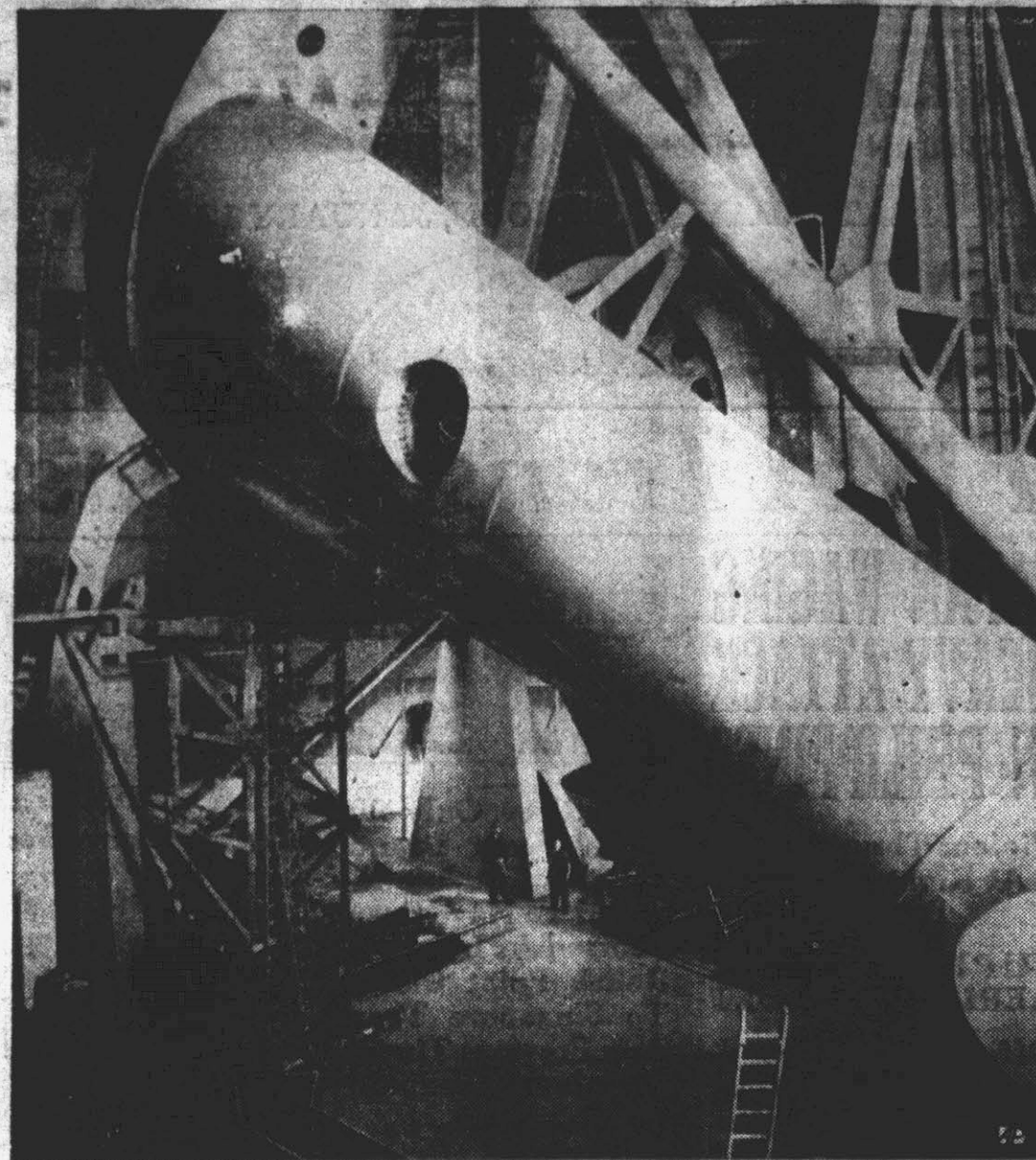
BELL ARTHUR NEWS

Miss Earlene Allen has returned from Portsmouth, where she spent about ten days with her cousin, Mrs. J. E. Koger.

Mrs. Alice Futrell of Hertford, sister of Mrs. Jane Pollard of the local school faculty, who is connected with the N. C. Highway Dept., was the speaker at the P. T. A. on Thursday night.

Pupils, patrons and friends of our school again extend sympathy to the bereaved relatives of Miss Elizabeth Hoffaday who was a beloved member of the Arthur family.

Mrs. B. E. Newby and children are recuperating from scarlet fever. H. E. Sutton has been confined to his home for several days with influenza.



MAN'S PEEK AT THE UNIVERSE—Almost lost in the forest of mighty instruments with which scientists expect to peer into space and at stars are two men who have been busy with completion of the Mount Palomar observatory in southern California. The great telescope awaits the 200-inch mirror now being ground at California Institute of Technology.

Forty Years Ago Today

THE DAILY REFLECTOR
Saturday, January 17, 1902

Rip Van Winkle at the opera house Wednesday night.

B. W. Moseley, for account of Alex Sprunt & Son, bought 400 bales of cotton in this section on Thursday.

"It now looks like this will be a very hard year," remarked a very wise and well posted lawyer and banker some days ago. "And indeed it does look like this will be a hard year, but there is no need of taking up trouble before we get to it. People just need to economize a little more closely and in the end things will come out all right."

Mark H. Smith is some improved after being quite sick the early part of this week.

Mack Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Allen, left Thursday for camp at Fort Bragg, or some nearby station.

Mrs. Annie Ainsley has moved from our community to the Norville farm between Farmville and Fountain.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nichols who left our community last year for Macolesfield, have returned near home. They are now residing at one of the old Flanagan homes between Lang's Crossroads and Lizzie.

The Over-all Agriculture Planning committee of Beaver Dam is anxious to have each farmer and tenant in the community play his part in the defense program to the best of his ability. Please collect that is especially valuable as a good source of vitamin B, which is needed for good appetite, good digestion and good steady nerves.

Wheat, whole, cracked or ground,

Our Farm Folks

VERONA LEE JOYNER, H. D. A.
EDNA KIRBY, Asst. H. D. A.

VERONA LEE JOYNER, H. D. A.
EDNA KIRBY, Assistant

Serve the Family Whole Wheat
Every North Carolina farm family should grow enough wheat for their own flour, and some for the chickens. It is especially valuable as a good source of vitamin B, which is needed for good appetite, good digestion and good steady nerves.

Wheat, whole, cracked or ground,

not only makes excellent inexpensive breakfast foods and breads, but also may be used in making soups, stews and desserts.

It is our desire that every farm family in Pitt county will plant wheat in order that they may learn to eat and enjoy the whole wheat products.

Miss Sallie Brooks, assistant extension nutritionist, will be present at the Seed Improvement convention to be held January 30-31, and will give whole wheat demonstrations. We hope every home-maker will attend one of the demonstrations and get ideas and suggestions for including whole wheat products in the diets.

How To Produce More Eggs
Home-makers in all parts of the country are asking how they can help in the defense program. One of the best ways, of course, is to see that the family has plenty of the "right kinds," eggs. And among the "right kinds," food some high on the list.

"How can we get hens to lay eggs?" Here's what the poultry specialists of the department say:

In the first place, you can enable the hens to maintain a fairly good rate of production through the year if you feed them a good laying mash and feed it liberally. On many farms, people feed no mash and only a little grain, and depend too much on their chickens' foraging for themselves. The more feed a hen eats above what she needs to keep going, the more material she has for making eggs.

If you want to use home-grown grains in making your laying mash, buy a good ready-mixed concentrate and use it in the proportion recommended by the manufacturer. You can also get good egg production by feeding surplus skim milk or buttermilk along with the home-grown grains. If you keep the flock on grass range in summer, the green feed helps to keep the hens in good condition. Don't overlook their need for plenty of fresh clean water. Remember an egg is about 65 per cent water, so the hens need plenty of water.

Help your government by doing your part in increasing the production of eggs and chickens.

Home Demonstration Clubs.
The following clubs met this week: Stokes, Bethel, Pierce and St. Johns. Attendance has been very good. Each club has a defense committee that is doing everything possible to assist in the defense programs.

4-H Clubs
Chicod, Grimesland, Fountain, Falkland, Belvoir and Meadowbrook 4-H clubs met this week. 4-H club members are busy working on various projects that will help them as well as their communities.

Schedule For Next Week
Monday—Falkland H. D. club, 7:30 p. m., at Mrs. Loyd Allen's.
Tuesday—Winterville H. D. club, 2:30 p. m., at Mrs. John Garris'.
Wednesday—County Council H. D. clubs, 3 p. m., auditorium of the agricultural building; 4-H County Council, 7:30 p. m., in agricultural building.
Thursday—Chicod H. D. club, at 2:30 p. m., in Home Ec. Dept.
Friday—Littlefield 4-H club at 4 p. m., at Royce Garris'.



PRISONERS' CHOIR—Slowly a prison inmate choir files into the new \$250,000 church of St. Dismas—the "Good Thief"—at Danmora, N. Y., a structure built by inmates from rocks of an abandoned prison wall, Father Ambrose Hyland supervising.

DEFENSE WORK REPORTS MADE

Nufer Discusses Civilian Defense Program

The second meeting of the Pitt County Council of Civilian Defense was held last night in the Municipal building, with such a large attendance that the group had to move from the Council room to the Court room on the third floor. Every section of the county was represented by regular council members and additional interested citizens.

W. F. Nufer, assistant director of Civilian Defense for the state of North Carolina, was present and enlightened the group upon procedures to be taken in case of a test blackout. Mr. Nufer is in charge of blackouts in the State of North Carolina.

Mayor Davis of Farmville, Mayor Cannon of Ayden, Mayor Ayers of Bethel, Mayor Trevathan of Fountain, Mayor Worthington of Winterville, Mayor Fleming of Grimesland, Mayor Sugg of Greenville, Mayor Bisset of Grifton, all reported that their towns had organized auxiliary police, air raid wardens, and auxiliary firemen; and the plans for instruction in first aid and home nursing were proceeding rapidly.

Dr. A. D. Frank, head of the training courses division of the council, reported that classes in home nursing, nutrition, and consumer buying were already in operation, and that a class in mechanical drawing would start next Tuesday night. Other classes will be organized as groups are formed.

C. W. Willard, head of first aid training in Pitt county, reported that classes in first aid for white and colored were starting immediately and that other classes would start shortly.

J. B. Kittrell, chairman of the Salvaging for Victory campaign, reported on the progress made in conserving paper and other materials. A letter was read from a paper company in Richmond, offering to buy waste papers at the price of \$14 per ton in Greenville if baled and \$13 per ton if tied in bundles.

R. R. Bennett, agricultural agent reported on the progress of the campaign to collect scrap iron throughout the entire county, and the council passed a resolution endorsing this scrap iron collection, urging all people to deliver their scrap iron to junk piles immediately, stating that the prices were fair and equitable and the country needs this iron right now, also stating that the prices for scrap iron had been fixed by the OPM and that it was unwise to hold it for higher prices. A resolution was passed by the council notifying all scrap iron dealers not to hold scrap iron for higher prices but to move it along to the foundries.

Captain Arthur Corey of the State Guard stated to the council that the Guard could not function in an emergency because it had no overcoats, no raincoats, and no blackout lights for its machines. The council passed a resolution to present to Governor Broughton and Adjutant General Metts, urging them to see that the state guard is properly equipped immediately.

Sheriff Proctor reported that auxiliary police for the rural areas of Pitt county had been formed and are now ready to function, that meetings with these groups had been held in every part of the county.

The council also passed a resolution urging the citizens of the county not to buy any extra materials in order to black out their homes but to use old materials already on hand for this purpose.

Chief of Police George Clark and Air Raid Warden George Gardner reported that Greenville was thoroughly organized from the standpoint of auxiliary police and air raid wardens.

Mayor Trevathan of Fountain reported that the town of Fountain had built an air raid warning look-out, enclosed in glass with telephone connection, and that the air raid post was functioning every minute of the twenty-four hours.

John Clark, chairman of the volunteer enlistment campaign, was congratulated on the fine work he did in enrolling the citizens of the county for volunteer work. J. B. Kittrell also made a report on the progress of the tire rationing.

It was brought out that, if any community wanted to start a class in any field, they are urged to get in touch with Dr. A. D. Frank of Greenville, head of the training courses division, or Mr. C. W. Willard and Dr. Aycock, of the Red Cross, who will see to it that instructions are provided in any part of the county.

A resolution was passed by the council to be forwarded to the representatives of North Carolina in Washington, asking them to use their influence to get the different agencies of the government to stop using so much paper and sending out so much literature in this time of crisis.

June Rose, chairman of the council, presided over the meeting. The council will meet again in February.

With U. S. Pacific Fleet On Pacific Patrol Duty

By TOM YARBROUGH

With the United States Pacific Fleet, Jan. 17.—(AP)—It is sunset, and the ship's loudspeaker broadcasts the order "darken ship, darken ship."

The loudspeaker emits a mournful tone. The voice coming from it is mindful of a police broadcaster "calling all cars, calling all cars," with a bad case of adenoids and a cold.

The tropical night falls quickly. Not a pinpoint of light is showing as our heavy cruiser and its companion warships plunge ahead on a gigantic patrol job somewhere in mid-Pacific.

It is war by night, the same as by day. In the distance can be seen the fuzzy silhouettes of the great ships that are with us. A false turn anywhere would mean disaster.

Disaster also awaits any vessel that fails to show the correct recognition signal after we challenge it.

This afternoon our guns gave a demonstration of the kind of fire an enemy ship would have to face. The blast of the first salvo caught me off guard as I turned aside to get some cotton for my ears. It nearly took me off my feet.

The target was on a raft towed by a destroyer. Through our binoculars we could see geysers shoot into the air on all sides of the target as our turret gun salvos struck home.

The gunnery officer kept shouting into his telephone "good shooting, good shooting."

In another target practice, one anti-aircraft gun fired a shell that left a compact burst of dense black smoke hanging in the sky, to represent an enemy plane. Streams of machinegun fire guided by tracer bullets were poured straight into the center of the smoke. Again the gunnery officer cried out: "Good shooting."

The captain of the ship sleeps little. The thought of enemy ships never leaves his mind. He seldom is absent from the bridge.

But it will not be long until the skipper can relax a bit, for the officer on the deck says "we're headed for the barn."

can of Tarboro; Luther Mills of Greenville, RFD, and Mary Clark of Grimesland; William James Manning and Ida Burnette of Greenville; Herman Bruce Stokes, Ayden, Route Two, and Olive Porter of Greenville, Route Three; Sidney M. Styron of Norfolk and Ray Dixon of Robersonville, Route Two.

Colored: James Allen and Lottie Bell Hines of Greenville; Plummer Crumble of Bethel and Viola Andrews of Conetoe.

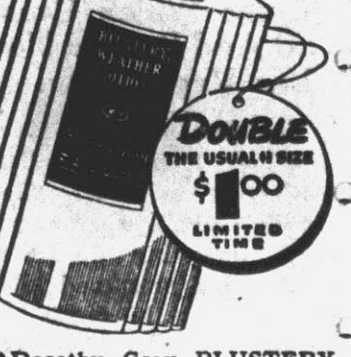
Recreational Group Stages Weiner Roast

Over fifty girls and boys of West Greenville's Good Fellow Skating Club were treated to a weiner roast Friday afternoon with all its fixings and refreshments.

The club was headed by Charles Brown, club leader, aided by Mrs. Eunice Brown and Mr. L. S. Howe. This skating club meets every Saturday morning from nine to noon, on Myrtle Ave.

The club was guest of the WPA Music, Dramatics and Good Neighbor club.

DOROTHY GRAY



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WANT ADS PAY

Licenses Secured By Eight In Past Week

Eight marriage licenses were issued in the office of Register of Deeds Roy T. Cox during the past week, six to white and two to colored couples.

White couples: Harper Lee Shackleford of Walsenburg and Ora Nichols of Farmville; B. L. Carson of Bethel and Pauline Dun-

REPORT OF CONDITION OF GUARANTY BANK & TRUST COMPANY of Greenville, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business on December 31, 1941.

ASSETS	
Loans and discounts	\$2,969,496.27
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	628,961.74
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	958,797.30
Corporate stocks	37,600.00
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	7,024,387.40
Bank premises owned \$117,458.68, furniture and fixtures \$26,933.16	144,391.84
Real estate owned other than bank premises	51.00
Investments and other assets indirectly representing bank premises or other real estate	18,910.02
Other assets	43,913.89
TOTAL ASSETS	\$11,826,509.44

LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$6,117,777.90
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	2,274,851.42
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	132,938.15
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	1,611,309.46
Deposits of banks	677,088.91
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	68,413.99
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$10,882,379.83
Other liabilities	128,121.47
TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below)	\$11,010,501.30

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital*	\$460,000.00
Surplus	250,000.00
Undivided profits	8,008.14
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred capital)	98,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$816,008.14

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$11,826,509.44
*This bank's capital consists of first preferred stock with total par value of \$160,000.00, total retirable value, \$160,000.00; and common stock with total par value of \$300,000.00.

MEMORANDA

Pledged assets (and securities loaned) (book value):
U. S. Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities \$ 615,261.74
Other assets pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities (including notes and bills rediscounted and securities sold under repurchase agreement) 910,568.04
TOTAL \$1,525,829.78

Secured and preferred liabilities:
Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law \$1,368,662.94
Deposits preferred under provisions of law but not secured by pledge of assets 68,413.99
TOTAL \$1,437,076.98

On date of report the required legal reserve against deposits of this bank was \$1,399,326.77
Assets reported above which were eligible as legal reserve amounted to \$6,669,508.76
I, J. H. WALDRUP, Cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, and that it fully and correctly represents the true state of the several matters herein contained and set forth, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. H. WALDRUP, Cashier.
Correct—Attest:
W. H. WOOLARD,
A. M. MOSELEY,
N. O. WARREN, Directors.
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—COUNTY OF PITT (SS):
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of January, 1942, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
GLADYS W. FERGUSON, Notary Public.
My commission expires February 5, 1943.

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THE ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS IN PICTURES



WELL DOWN IN FRONT, IN HAWAII—An audience of youngsters, mostly oriental, watches the Hawaiian Territorial Guard training at Honolulu. Guardsmen are used to protect bridges, public buildings and power stations. Officers are usually white.



WORKERS IN WAR AGAINST INJURY—Lest accidents result in grave loss of time harmful to defense, workmen don all sorts of protective attire, as did these six in Douglas Aircraft plant at Santa Monica, Cal. To guard his lungs, the spray painter wears a special nose mask; the plant fireman is encased from top to toe in asbestos; welder, sandblaster and "cold-room" research man wear queer headgear and leather garments; man working on high steel wears crash-proof military helmet to deflect dropping bolts.



REMEMBER!—A certain Dec. 7 when the Japs bombed Hawaii, is commemorated in Lampi's new lapel pin set with pearl and bearing words, "Remember Pearl Harbor," on three streamers. Part of sale's funds go to Honolulu Community Chest.



FIRST AID UNDERGROUND—Rehearsing for actuality, two soldiers at a regimental first aid station on the Hawaiian island of Oahu try out the newly-constructed underground operating room. It's well stocked with medical supplies.



GLITTER—Over \$400,000 worth of elaborate diamond jewelry adorned Mrs. Frances Latimer of Atlanta for the Red Cross benefit ball in Miami Beach, Fla. Items: ring, \$250,000; bracelet, \$12,500; necklace, \$175,000; earrings, a trifle \$2,500.



ADDING SOMETHING NEW—Two swing-ster coeds at Pomona college in Claremont, Calif., have introduced the Churchill Hop on their campus in tribute to the British prime minister's historic visit to this country. They use a familiar Winston Churchill gesture—two forefingers extended to make a "V for Victory"—in combination with a "Thumbs Up" for Allied cause.



KNOW HIM?—That's the Cleveland Indians' prize hurler, Bob Feller (left, front), with some of his fellow trainees at the Norfolk, Va., naval station. Feller's a navy chief boatswain's mate, is studying to become a physical instructor.



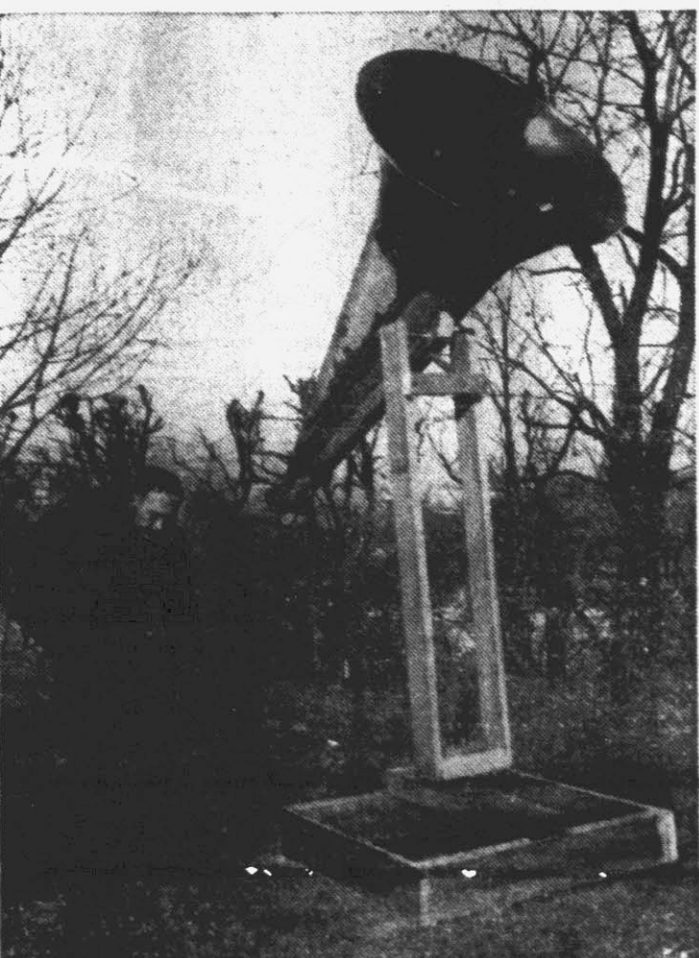
CAMERA STUDY OF POPE PIUS—These photos of Pope Pius XII were taken during a papal audience sometime in December, before the outbreak of war between U.S. and Italy. The pope in broadcast after Dec. 11 war declaration date, laid down a five-point plan for peace, declaring that in world of the future there must not be any kind of aggression, oppression of minorities, designing nations seeking monopoly on economic wealth, total war or armament races, and persecution directed against religious sects.



SECOND WAR—Veteran of the first World War is Canada's air marshal, W. A. Bishop, in service now for second world war. He recently attended dinner of air veterans in N. Y.



OUT OF THE PRAIRIE LAND—On a tract that was prairie not so long ago, above new recreational hall at the Great Lakes (Ill.) naval training station is nearing completion. It's part of a \$33,000,000 expansion program which, says the Navy, will make this training station the largest in the world. Barracks are included in program, which is in the hands of 14 contractors.



THE BETTER TO HEAR—Dr. Donald A. Wilbur of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy, N. Y., operates controls of inexpensive airplane sound detector built by RPI scientists out of old phonograph horn, "mike," and battery-operated amplifier.



CHARMER—A new spring hostess pajama of hand-blocked print in shades of red and green, worn by Betty Dawson, proves California designers' claim that slacks can be glamorous.



FACTORY-WISE—Doris Millen, wearing a pale blue denim coverall designed in California for use by women factory workers, shows how to be trim as well as defense-minded.

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Strength FOR THE DAY

By EARL L. DOUGLAS

GIVE HIM A CHANCE

Maybe the reason why God is not doing more for us is because we are not giving Him a chance. For some reason or other, we seem to feel very often that God will fail unless we help Him. We will not cast our burdens upon Him, neither will we take our problems to Him, confident that He has the solution. We are obsessed with the idea that the chief responsibility for the success of every venture in our lives rests primarily upon ourselves.

The miraculous power of God is never brought to bear upon anyone who disbelieves in it or thrusts it impatiently aside.

HOW ABOUT YOU?

Since the war started "all-out effort" has become a common phrase but just how well are we actually making such an effort? Our idea of an all-out effort means that every American should put winning the war as No. 1 on the "must" list and should govern himself or herself accordingly.

FARMERS, SELL YOUR SCRAP METAL NOW

It was brought out at last night's Defense Council meeting here that farmers in this county were slow to sell their scrap iron that is so badly needed at this time, and there was the expression of opinion that some were holding back hoping for higher prices.

If there is such an attitude on the part of our farmers, or anyone else, there should be a change of heart at once. To begin with, the government has placed a ceiling price on such scrap that prices paid locally are considered fair after taking into consideration the cost of handling and shipping to concentration points.

It All Comes Back To Me Now



ture machinery needed for the farms of our nation. If it be true that there are some people in our county who are holding back their scrap metal for higher prices, we hope they will change their mind and sell it now in order that it might find its way into useful channels.

WAR EFFORT SHOULD COME FIRST

Representative Bob Doughton is right when he urges that the states and local government agencies seek means to lower their tax burdens in order that the people might be able to pay more into the national fund, sorely needed at this time to carry on the war.

Crossword Puzzle

A crossword puzzle grid with clues for across and down words. Clues include 'Precious stone', 'Soft drink', 'Topaz summing bird', 'Ireland', 'Genus of the wolverine', 'Self-Scottish', 'Undulating', 'Sacred image', 'Go before', 'Short jackets', 'Coat of certain abbey', 'Of the country', 'Short dramatic', 'Snake', 'Covering of a wheel', 'Ingredient of varnish', 'Silkworm', 'Nut', 'News organization: abbr.', 'Chooses rather', 'Preposition', 'Refrain from punishing', 'Vine', 'Automobile', 'Circle of light', 'Frozen water', 'Symbol of victory', 'Head of the out', 'High chest of drawers mounted on legs', 'Highest point', 'Shade of blue', 'Small fish', 'Identical', 'Participle', 'Clear profit', 'Ages', 'Insect', 'English letter', 'Labored breath', 'Always', 'Causing evil', 'Drain', 'Toward the mouth', 'Change', 'Some', 'Stirs up', 'Rustic', 'A judge of Israel', 'Puts on', 'Inclusion', 'Comparative ending', 'To a higher place', 'Cut at random', 'English letter', 'Exist', 'Assessment', 'Very large', 'Poetic', 'Before', 'Use a lever', 'Causes', 'Biblical character', 'Southern state', 'Kind of ride', 'At home', 'Chimney', 'And Latin', 'Cry of sheep', 'Part of a church', 'Endure', 'Recorded', 'Proceedings', 'Poem', 'Drawing', 'Insects', 'Large'.

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ply on both these flanks, threatened specifically now on the north-west of Singapore by the new Japanese... ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH Rev. John S. Armfield, Rector 7:30 a. m.—Holy Eucharist. 9:45 a. m.—Church School; Mr. Rodgers Smith, Supt. 10:00 a. m.—Advent Bible Class; Rev. John S. Armfield, teacher. 11:00 a. m.—Morning prayer and sermon. 6:30 p. m.—Young People's Service League; Miss Mary Pat Wal-drop, Pres.

TO ROOST

The crowing comes from Red, prize-winning rooster Charlie Alquist plans to enter in New Jersey state fair at Trenton, Sept. 21-23. Nice perch, eh, Red?

Private Debt

I have said before in this column that while national debt has risen, yet the private and public debt of many individuals, corporations, municipalities, and States has declined. This is another reason why I have not become greatly concerned by the increase in the national debt especially in the case of those who have reduced their corporate or personal debt proportionately.

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The WAR TODAY

(Continued From Page One) layan curios and nostalgic memories of their pleasant years in Singapore or Rangoon. To these people a Japanese land assault on Singapore which already has penetrated Johore state is unbelievably humiliating.

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PIRATES FAIL IN LAST HALF

Visitors Never Overcome After Half-Time Rest

The Norfolk Naval Base defeated ETCO here last night 38-25 to make it two in a row for the Sailors over the Pirates. The game was closely contested all the way through and during the first half the score was knotted three times at five-all, seven-all, and seventeen-all. However, field goals by McCally and Haines, in the last two minutes of the first half, put the Sailors ahead which they maintained throughout the rest of the game.

James Young, ETCO center, with a dozen points, led the Teachers' attack, while McCally, Navyman guard, with a dozen markers led the winners.

Scoring summary: Norfolk Naval Base—Williams, f. 4; Tucker, f. 4; Powell, f. 9; Phillips, f. 0; Blenker, c. 0; Hines, c. 0; McCally, g. 12; Haines, g. 4; Frankie, g. 5; Rechenbach, g. 0. ETCO—Watson, f. 5; Mann, f. 0; Harris, f. 0; J. Young, c. 12; Woody, c. 5; B. Greene, g. 3; Zuras, g. 0; B. Young, g. 0; Brown, g. 3. Officials—Latham, Elton, and Knight, Carolina.



CARRYING WHITE MAN'S BURDEN.—In the Philippines, the carabao, or water buffalo, does the heavy work in the rice paddies. The Filipinos have "stepped up" rice production.

BIG FIVE BOYS COME THROUGH

Doing Very Well In Southern Loop Competition

Raleigh, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Big Five basketball teams are doing very well, thank you, in Southern Conference competition, and if they keep up the good work, the state is going to be well represented at the conference tourney come March.

The Big Five teams, North Carolina, Duke and State, are undefeated in conference competition. Wake Forest has won two engagements and lost two. And Davidson has dropped four out of four contests.

North Carolina added an impressive 54-34 victory over Clemson last night to previous triumphs over Davidson and Wake Forest. The Duke Blue Devils have defeated George Washington, Maryland, Davidson and Virginia Military. State boasts wins over Davidson and Clemson.

Wake Forest has split with George

DO TIME FOR LOVE

Chapter 16
Bridge, For Two
"You seem as far away as that England you spoke of," Lavinia said presently. "You are over there in your thoughts, aren't you?"

"No," said Rod. "I was thinking of something else entirely."

"It must have been something terribly engrossing—from your long silence, and intense expression."

"I was," said Rod. "Maybe I'll tell you about it sometime."

"That," said Lavinia, "gives me something to look forward to." Then she felt a sense of annoyance because of Rod's evasiveness. "You know where to find me if you're ever in a confessional mood."

"Thanks," said Rod. He gave her a swift smile, and then looked up at the sky. "I'm afraid that little black patch up there means rain. Maybe we'd better be getting back to the mainland."

"Just as you say," Lavinia replied, feeling disappointed, cheated. "Shall we start for the boat now?"

"Yes, I think we should," Rod got up, pulled Lavinia to her feet. They strode off toward the cove where the supper things were waiting to be packed. "I found the book on bridge," Rod told her, as they began gathering up the knives, forks, spoons, and other articles which had to be carried to the boat. "We'll try out some of the rules of conventions as soon as we get to the cottage."

"That will be nice," Lavinia said

somewhat stiffly. Somehow or other she had lost interest in playing bridge with Rod. Something had happened to her, or to both of them. He seemed remote now—not close and friendly and sweet. "Oughtn't we to wash these things first?"

"No, we'll dump them in the dishpan," said Rod. "and I'll clean up in the morning."

"I'd be glad to wash them, and let you dry them."

"You're sweet, Lavinia. But I never let my guests help with the work."

"An old English custom, I suppose," Lavinia couldn't keep a touch of sarcasm from creeping into her voice. "Or am I wrong?"

"It's just a way I have," said Rod. "It's neither English nor American—or maybe it's a bit of both."

Everything was packed now, and they made their way to the boat. The water was a little rougher now, as a wind had arisen. The small patch of black cloud was spreading.

"We got under way just in time," Rod said, as the boat sped away from the island.

And he was right. They had to run for the cottage. Large drops of rain began pelting them as they reached the porch. Rod unlocked the door and flung it open.

"Enter!" he said. "And welcome!"

"Thanks!" said Lavinia.

She stepped into a fair-sized room that immediately reminded her of the inside of a yacht. The inside of the cottage was in perfect order. There was a fireplace with a ship model on the mantel. There were pictures of ships on the wall. An old anchor hung on one wall, and facing it was an ancient figurehead.

"The bridge cards are there on that table," Rod said. "You can get them ready for our game, if you don't mind, while I dump the dirty dishes in the lean-to-kitchen."

Lavinia watched him hurry out. And then she walked to the table. She found the cards and picked them up. She began shuffling them, still looking over the room. "I feel," she said to herself, "like Dorothy Lamour in a Bing Crosby movie." And she tried to smile. But for some odd reason the smile wouldn't come.

was there in the cottage, with the fire burning on the hearth—a small one to take the chill out of the room. And remembering that, she would start having a home, sharing it with a husband—a man like Rod—would be nice.

"There's just one drawback with this two-handed game," said Rod. "What's that?" Lavinia asked.

"You gamble on the fourth hand," Rod said. "I mean, you're so eager to see what's in it that you over-bid your own cards. Of course, playing it helps. But if you had a partner to give you information, you'd bid more carefully. As it is, having no partner to bawl you out, you run risks."

"I see what you mean," said Lavinia. "But I feel I've learned a lot just the same."

"You have learned a lot. All you needed was a few pointers."

"You think I could really sit down now, and play a fairly decent game with people who play well?"

"I certainly do."

Lavinia laughed. "I wished I had confidence enough to challenge that Mr. and Mrs. Masters to a game. I'd just love to lick the very dickens out of them."

"Then why don't you?"

"I would—if I had a partner like you."

Rod laid down his cards. He leaned toward Lavinia. His eyes were shining.

"Do you know," he said, "I'd like to see you lick them. I thoroughly dislike unpleasant people like the Masters couple, people who wax sarcastic at the bridge table." He slid his hand along the table until it touched Lavinia's. Would you let me come up some evening, and join you in the challenge to Mr. and Mrs. Masters?"

"Oh, would you do that?" said Lavinia. Her own eyes were shining now. "I think it would be wonderful!"

"I'd come in for a minute," said Rod. "I've been telling you how you ought to play bridge, and dance, and do things like that—and all the time I've refused to practice what I preached. Playing around with you for the past week, Lavinia, has made me feel I'd like just one evening of mingling with people. Especially, if you'll share the evening with me."

"Then you'll do it? You'll come up and be my partner?"

"Yes, Lavinia. Whenever you want me."

"Tomorrow night all right?"

"Suits me fine," said Rod. "I'll give me a chance to get my more civilized clothes out of storage, and have them pressed."

Date For Dinner

"I tell you what to do," said Lavinia eagerly. "Come up to the Inn at seven and have dinner with me."

Rod hesitated a moment. "Are you sure you don't mind having a mystery man share your table in the Inn dining room?" he said.

"I was never more sure of anything in my life!"

"Very well, I'll come."



V. F. W. HEAD.—Max Singer of Brighton, Mass., a Boston detective inspector and fingerprint expert, was elected national commander at V.F.W. convention in Philadelphia.

They even worked out some signals which they planned to use the next evening—signals that were perfectly legitimate, and yet which would serve them well, once they had worked out satisfactorily.

It was eleven o'clock when Lavinia got up to go.

Rod suddenly switched on a small portable radio. He turned the dial until he got a dance orchestra.

"What's that for?" Lavinia inquired.

"I need a little dance practice," said Rod.

"You mean with me?"

"Naturally."

"You don't know what you're letting yourself in for!"

"I'll gamble on you, if you'll gamble on me. I'm pretty rusty, and need to be in trim for our evening together at the Inn."

"So do I," Lavinia went to his arms.

They danced for over half an hour. And then Lavinia noticed that the sound of rain upon the roof had stopped.

He switched off the radio. He joined Lavinia on the porch, and closed and locked the door.

"Have you really enjoyed our outing?" he asked.

"Indeed I have," said Lavinia.

"So have I," Rod said. "It's even one of the happiest days of my life."

"It's been the happiest day of my life," said Lavinia.

At the place where the lawn met the rocks, they hesitated.

Rod took her hand, looked deep into Lavinia's eyes. For a brief, exciting moment she was quite sure he was going to take her in his arms and kiss her. But the moment passed. Nothing happened.

"Good night, Lavinia," Rod said. There was a strange new tone to his voice, a sort of huskiness, as though he were experiencing some kind of emotional upheaval.

"Good night, Rod," said Lavinia, and ran across the lawn, and was gone.

To Be Continued

Makes Honor Roll

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hicks Corey of this city have just been advised by the dean of the University of North Carolina that their son, J. H. Corey, Jr., had made the honor roll as well as the dean's honor list "for excellent scholarship during the fall quarter."

Highs Lose

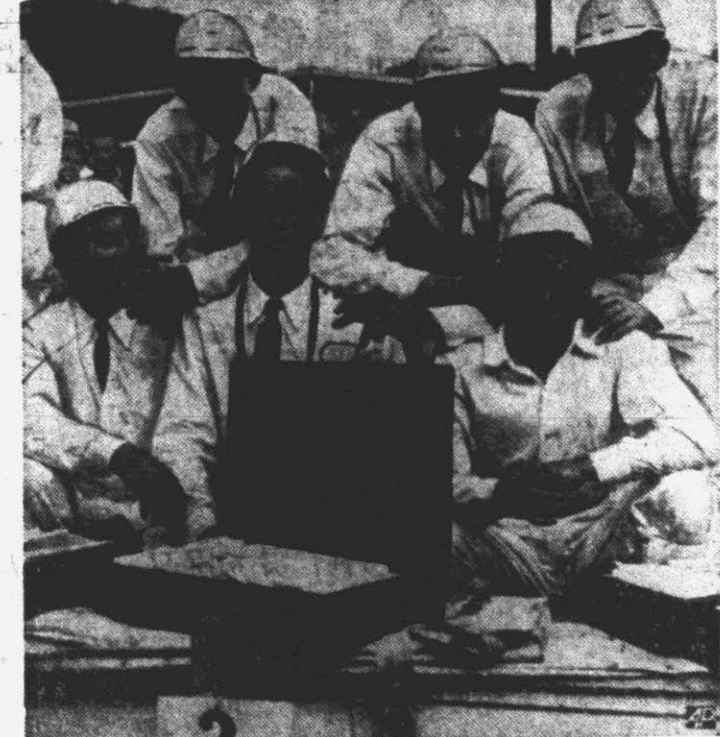
The Green Phantoms, Greenville High School, lost to the Tarboro Serpents to the tune of 18-9 in the Edgecombe county capital last night.

Last night's loss was the 14th loss of the season against one victory. The locals won over Elizabeth City last week. Previous losses were to Portsmouth, two, and Goldsboro.

The Phantoms were believed to have at least an even chance against the Serpents, but the Edgecombe boys proved too much for the Greens.

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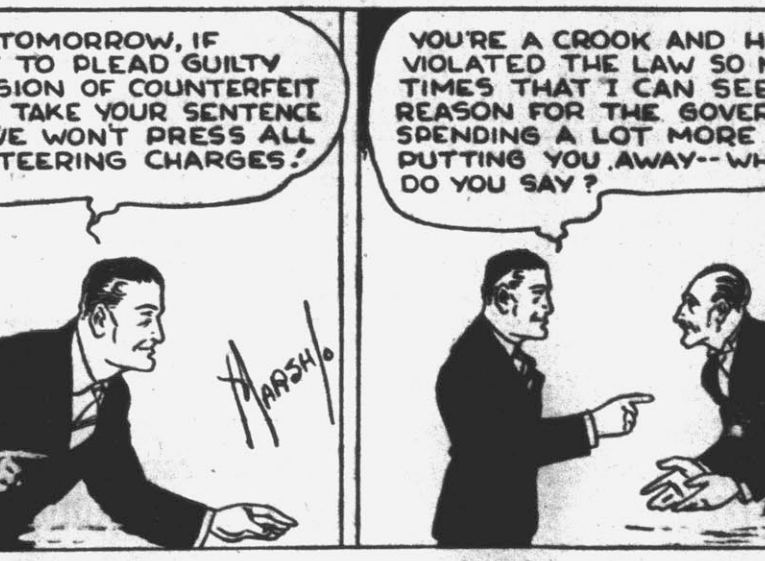


RESCUE SQUAD.—Best of 33 competing groups at the Harlan, Ky., mine center celebration was this Cornett-Lewis rescue squad. Front row: O. H. Ginn, Frank Riley and Dewey Lee; Back row: Ancil Hooks, capt.; S. D. Hurley, Garland Blair.



DIDN'T DRESS.—In everyday clothes, a Portsmouth, Va., navy worker sees Lord Mountbatten take command of Illustrious.

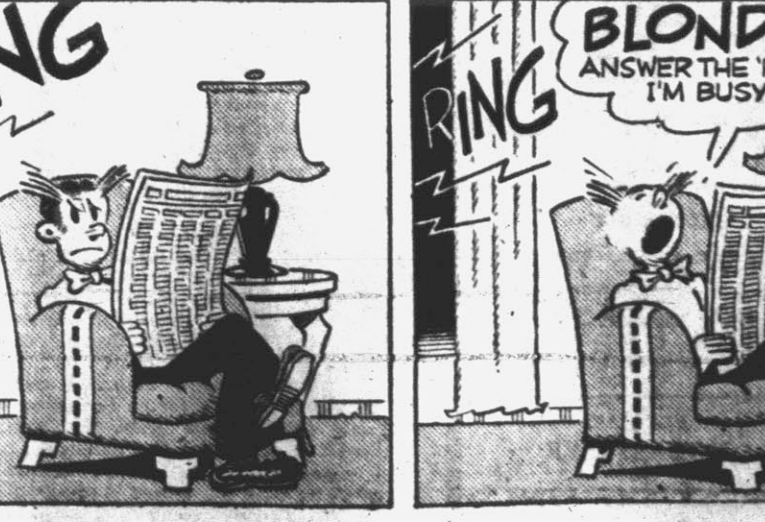
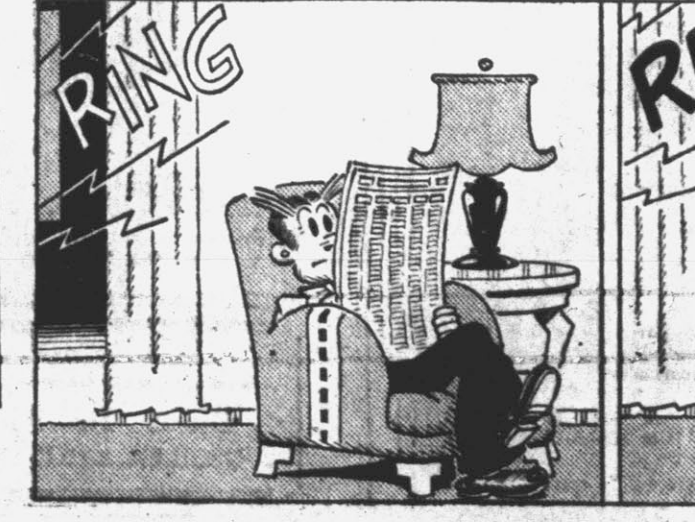
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"SERGEANT YORK" IS WELCOMED BACK HOME



Joan Leslie as Gracie Williams welcomes York, Gary Cooper in scene from "Sergeant York" opening Sunday at PITT Theatre.

Grain Market

Chicago, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Grain prices had a downward trend at the opening today.

Opening unchanged to 1/4 lower May \$1.30 3/4, July \$1.32 1/2, wheat later held near this range. Corn started unchanged to 1/4 off. May 85 1/2, July 87 1/2.

N. Y. Stock Market

By VICTOR EUBANK
New York, Jan. 17.—(AP)—"Blue chips" again were the principal casualties today in another stock market retreat.

While selling never was particularly urgent, there was enough to put many leaders down fractions and a few high-priced bellwethers as much as 3 or 5. Trends steadied a bit before the close and a smattering of modest plus signs appeared at the last.

It was one of the slowest two-hour jaunts since last October transversed approximately 250,000 shares.

FINAL STOCKS

Air Reduction	35 1/2
Al Chem and Dye	14 1/2
Allis Chal Mig	29 1/2
Am Can	64
Am Car Fwy	31 1/2
Am Rad and St S	4 1/2
Am Roll Mill	11 1/2
Am Smelt and Ref	41
Am Sug Ref	20
At and T	128 1/2
Am Tob B	48
Anaconda	27 1/2
Arm	3 1/2
A O L	24 1/2
Atl Ref	21 1/2
Aviat Corp	37 1/2
Baldwin	13 1/2
Bendix Aviat	37 1/2
Beth Stl	63
Boeing Airpl	18 1/2
Borden	20 1/2
Briggs Mig	17
Budg Mig	3 1/2
Bur Add Mach	7 1/2
Cannon Mills	34
Caterpil Trac	39 1/2
Ches and O	36
Chrysler	47 1/2
Coml Credit	17
Coml Sol	9 1/2
Consol Edis	13 1/2
Conl Can	26
Corn Prod	53 1/2
Curtiss Wright	8 1/2
Dow Chem	116 1/2
Dupont	129 1/2
Eastman Kod	131 1/2
Elec Auto Lt	22 1/2
Firestone	14 1/2
Gen Elec	28
Gen Foods	38 1/2
Gen Mot	32 1/2
Goodrich	14 1/2
Goodyear	12 1/2

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PARLEY'S FATE IS DISCUSSED

Republics Consider What Aid To Give United States

By JOHN P. McKNIGHT
Rio De Janeiro, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Delegates to the third consultative conference of foreign ministers of the 21 American republics put their heads together today in many hotel room chats which probably will decide how far the rest of the Americas will go to help Uncle Sam whip the Axis powers.

The day was officially listed on the parley's calendar as "social," but most of the leading delegates took advantage of the lull in business to exchange opinions and seek support for their points of view.

Eight resolutions submitted at the first session yesterday included one which might make or break the conference—a proposal for unanimous rupture of relations with the Axis.

It was introduced by Gabriel Turbay, Colombian ambassador to the United States, on behalf of Colombia, Mexico and Venezuela. Those three governments already have broken relations with the Axis.

The resolution, which will be published Monday, was understood to condemn the Axis attack on the United States as an attack on all the Americas and to pledge the Western Hemisphere republics not to reestablish relations with the Axis except by unanimous action.

Its force apparently depended chiefly on Argentina, and it was learned that backers of the resolution had failed to get an outright pledge of support from the Argentine delegation.

However, the conference was cheered considerably by a letter from Acting President Ramon Castillo of Argentina expressing his country's sincere desire to collaborate fully.

Eleven Are Dead Of Mass Slayings

Ellsworth, Wis., Jan. 17.—(AP)—Eleven bodies lay in Pierce county mortuaries today as the result of two strange mass killings within 24 hours.

In one of two family tragedies, District Attorney Theodore A. Waller said, Thomas Seipel, 31, a farmer and highway patrolman, shot and killed his wife, Lucille, 29, and their entire family of five children; Joanne, 10; Cleo, 9; Jean, 7; Garry, 4, a two-months-old baby, and himself.

In the other, Mrs. Arthur Petani, 29, a farmer's wife, and her three children—George, 10; Nell, 6; and Sylvia, 3—were shot and stabbed to death and their house near Ellsworth set on fire. The father of the family, 35, who was not at home, is the only survivor.

The last previous violent death in Pierce county, a hardy farming and timber area of some 22,000 population, occurred more than eight years ago.

"Something evidently snapped" in Seipel, was the way Waller explained the wiping out of the family at their farm home near Plum City, 20 miles from Ellsworth.

Waller said he would issue a warrant today accusing James Simecek, 22-year-old neighboring farmer, of first degree murder in connection with the Petani case.

Germans Fail . . .

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stand two counter-attacks in two hours. Each attack was made by a battalion of infantry supported by a group of tanks. The attacks were repulsed. Our men continued their advance over the bodies of the attackers.

Even while emphasis was placed upon the Central front developments, Soviet reports told of continued battering of Axis positions

Five Persons Die As Trains Collide

Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 17.—(AP)—The Missouri Pacific railroad opened an investigation today into last night's train wreck in which five men were killed and 27 injured at Perla, Ark.

Four of the dead and 21 of the injured were soldiers. All other casualties were railroad employees.

Railroad officials said a passenger train and a switch engine collided head-on when the switch engine pulled onto the main line after the first section of the train had passed. Both locomotives were wrecked, they said, and two cars derailed.

The dead were: Otis Thacker Patsey, Ky.; James L. Stewart Ky.; Alfred Tackett, Louisville, Va.; and James S. Stevenson, Louisville, Ky., soldiers, and G. S. Edzeric, Little Rock division road foreman for engines for Missouri Pacific.

Fire Destroys Plant
High Point, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Fire destroyed the plant of the Peerless Veneer company here yesterday causing damage estimated at \$85,000.

from the Arctic Fisher peninsula to the Crimea, of direct assaults upon defenses of Tanagerog and Kharkov, and of heavy fighting around strategic Kursk.

The Soviet embassy disclosed, meanwhile, that the Red army was harassing the Germans with specially trained detachments of hand-to-hand fighters much like Britain's commandos.

Berlin, Jan. 17.—(Official Broadcast Recorded by AP)—German and Rumanian troops have repeatedly repelled Russian thrusts on the Sevastopol front in the Crimea, the high command said today.

German coastal batteries were declared to have forced Soviet vessels to withdraw from the west coast of the Black Sea peninsula.

Red navy units swept around Sevastopol after recent landings of troops at Kerch and Peodosiya, to back up transports in an attack on Yevpatoryia, 40 miles north of the embattled Russian naval base.



Maj. Gen. Gordon Bennett (above) commands the hard-hitting jungle-trained Australian troops who have been sent into battle against Japanese forces north of Singapore. Gen. Bennett had a good laugh when he read Japanese claims that he had captured him near Kuala Lumpur. The Japs 'soon will realize I am alive and no prisoner,' he said.

CONTRACT FOR NEW U. S. SHIPS

More Than 600 Merchant Vessels To Be Built

Washington, Jan. 17 (AP)—The Maritime commission announced today it had negotiated contracts for the construction of 632 additional merchant vessels.

These, it said, would bring its program up to President Roosevelt's request for 8,000,000 deadweight tons of shipping this year and 10,000,000 deadweight tons next year.

Captain Howard L. Vickery, a member of the commission, estimated the 632 vessels, all of the emergency type known as liberty ships, would cost about \$1,110,000,000.

All the vessels will be completed by the end of 1942, Vickery said. "This will mean," he explained, "American shipyards will turn out over 1,900 vessels in the next two years, the greatest shipbuilding effort in history. The ships newly contracted for represent over 5,000,000 deadweight tons and will give the United States a total of 18,500,000 tons of new Maritime construction."

Civil Session Ends; Criminal Next Week

Judge John J. Burney of Wilmington, who presided over a civil session of Superior court here this week, will open a week of criminal court here Monday morning.

A heavy crowd is faced by Solicitor D. M. Clark for the opening criminal session of the fall term.

No cases of county-wide interest were disposed of during the civil session, two cases which required more than a day each having resulted in mistrials.

Eight divorce cases were granted during the week. They were: Ratha Burney vs. Esther Burney; Rovenia Jenkins vs. Robert Jenkins; Harvey Griffin vs. Mary Bryant Griffin; Della Atkinson vs. Peyton Atkinson; Mary Elizabeth Harris vs. James A. Harris; Clifton Parker vs. Emma L. Parker; Hattie Dewitt vs. Cornelius Dewitt; Mary Bell Carroll vs. Leroy Carroll.

Japs Gain New

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lan, that the British reported yesterday fresh Australian troops had ousted a column of Japanese in their first action since the invasion began last month.

Besides hitting at the Japanese swarming into the Muar river section, RAF bombers were reported to have carried out more attacks against Japanese transports in the Gemas-Tampin area and destroyed a large number of vehicles and damaged others.

British bombers, furiously striking at the Japanese invasion sweep down the coast of the strait of Malacca, attacked enemy shipping off the state of Malacca.

JAPAN BOMBS INDIES SECTOR

Slight Damage, However, In Raid By 24 Planes

Batavia, N. E. I., Jan. 17.—(AP)—Twenty-four high-flying Japanese bombers caused slight damage today at the harbor works of Ambonisa naval and air base in the Molucca group, and killed a civilian while machine-gunning two places nearby The Netherlands Indies command said.

"The attacking planes flew over in three waves of eight, keeping at a great altitude," a communique said.

The communique reported eight bombers escorted by three fighters took part in a raid on an airfield in the Celebes and dropped eight bombs.

"Damage was slight and there are no killed or wounded to report," it was announced.

The Dutch command said no fresh information had been received about the course of the fighting in the Minahassa ozone of the Celebes.



Laura Ingalls, the widely known woman fier, leaves federal district court in Washington after pleading not guilty at her arraignment on a charge that she failed to register as a paid agent of the German Reich. Her trial will start February 9.

L. P. Watson, extension horticulturist, was the principal speaker. He explained the goal of the new

TODAY AT THE MOVIES

PIT—SIERRA SUE—Gene Autry, Smiley Burnette
State—CYCLONE ON HORSEBACK starring Tim Holt
Colony—JAILHOUSE BLUES—Ann Gwynne, Nat Pendleton

"Garden for Freedom" program to be carried out throughout the state with the cooperation of farmers and farm women.

Mayor B. B. Sugg represented the city and David T. House, Jr., was official representative for the county. Mrs. J. H. B. Moore also took part on the program.

A large number of farm women and Greenville women were present for the opening sale and dedicatory exercises.

A blackboard was conspicuously displayed showing prices in effect for the various produce.

The market is operated by the Pitt County Mutual Exchange and Mrs. Leon Smith has been elected as an official director to represent consumers. Others on the board are Mrs. Carl Langley, Mrs. B. L. Tyson, F. C. Martin, J. C. Parker, M. O. Speight and J. V. Taylor.

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