



Bloody Struggle Lead For Allies Tonight To Blast Axis From Africa

Axis Forces In Tunisia Now Estimated At 28,000 With Reinforcements Arriving Daily; Rommel Believed To Have Given Up Plan To Make A Stand At El Agheila

London, Dec. 12.—(AP) Confronted with a steadily reinforced Axis army of 28,000, the Allies faced a hard and bloody struggle today in the battle for Tunisia but the first cautious probing of the enemy's newly-established line at El Agheila in Libya raised the possibility that Marshal Rommel may not make a stand there.

The Germans and Italians were pouring air-borne reinforcements into Tunisia to bolster forces already holding the advantage of occupying a well-fortified, compact area and dispatches from the North African front showed plainly that the Allies were in for a bitter struggle to win Tunis and Bizerte.

Offsetting the Axis advantage somewhat was the growing Allied air might in Tunisia and the entire Mediterranean area, as emphasized by the one-two punches yesterday in new and devastating raids by American bombers upon Naples and by another attack on home-based British bombers last night on Turin.

The Tunisian picture was balanced too by the British Middle East announcement today that in the related battle for Libya "developments are proceeding according to plan without interference from the enemy."

Some quarters in London suggested this meant Rommel might have been outmaneuvered at El Agheila while others, taking a more cautious view, conjectured that he might have left just a screen of token forces along the 40-mile defile there while withdrawing the bulk of his remaining forces toward Tripoli.

Growing Axis nervousness and reports that British patrols had penetrated as deep as two miles within enemy lines between the Gulf of Sirte and the El Agheila said depression lent support to the theory that Rommel had decided against a stand there.

The Italian high command's war bulletin, without supporting details reported today that British air raids had been warded off in Libya.

For their part, the Germans, frustrated in their drive upon Allied-held Medjed El Bab, 35 miles southwest of Tunis, said today that their thrusts stubborn Allied defenders had been wiped out at a bridgehead south of the Medjedira river which bisects the Mateur-Tebourba line in Tunisia.

Lieut. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, however, continued to gather his forces in the muddy hills and the Allied spokesman was optimistic that an overwhelming Allied striking force would be in position to push the Germans back to the sea in due time.

"The enemy has been able to get appreciable men and materials from Sicily," he said. "Gen. Anderson (Lieut. Gen. K. A. N. Anderson, commander of the British First Army) cannot commit himself to a major battle until he is certain of winning."

A Reuters dispatch from the Tunisian front estimated that 23,000 Germans and 5,000 Italians were now in Tunisia. Ten or 12 German transport planes are arriving with (Continued on Page Six)

Christmas Program At College Sunday

The Christmas program to be presented in the Austin building at 8 o'clock Sunday evening by the College Music Department promises to be an event of major importance.

Participating are the Women's Chorus, the A Cappella Choir, the orchestra and several soloists, all familiar to Greenville music-lovers through previous successful appearances.

Music has been selected from the best Christmas music written during the past 300 years, and includes selections from Palestrina, great composer who died in 1594 as well as those of Dickinson and Davis, contemporary American composers.

College music organizations have been perfecting these renditions for several weeks, and the same high standard of performance which generally characterizes their performances is expected this year. This together with the beauty of tableaux settings being prepared with the cooperation of the art department promises to be an ensemble of unparalleled beauty.

These annual programs have been growing in popularity during the last few years to such an extent that a large turn out is expected. There will be no admission charge.

REDS REPULSE NAZI ASSAULTS

Russians Are Making Some Headway In All Sectors

By HENRY CASSIDY Moscow, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The third battle for the elbow of the Don river west of Stalingrad appeared to be underway today with Axis forces launching repeated attacks on the east bank of the river but Russian advances from the front said that the Red army was repulsing all assaults.

The Russians declared their own advance continued on sectors of both the Stalingrad and central fronts, including a point west of Rzhev where they forced a water crossing and captured enemy front-line trenches.

The Don elbow, which the Germans occupied last August, was reconquered by Soviet troops in a sweeping push that got underway in force on November 19.

The main German object now appeared to be to strike back in this sector to relieve garrisons at which the Russians are pounding.

In a campaign marked by swift turns and surprising maneuvers, the Red army had pushed south from Serafimovich and then turned east toward Stalingrad.

The Germans replied by attacking westward from Stalingrad although they continued to hold the siege before the city against vicious assaults by Red Army troops within the factory area and on the southern fringes.

Despite the repeated counterattacks of the Germans on the Don bend, the Russians said that they held them still confined to the east bank.

The Nazi command has reverted to pinners attempts in their new attack.

Pravda, the communist party newspaper, reported that a battalion of German infantry, with 28 tanks in the van, attacked and isolated one Red army battery.

Neighboring Russian batteries came into play and smashed 23 of the tanks, killed 300 of the enemy, and forced the attackers to retire, Pravda said.

Inside Stalingrad, in the southern area of the city, Red Star said Soviet troops drove the enemy off two hills, occupied six pillbox positions and killed many Nazi troops.

A small force maintain a two-week-old foothold deep in the German defenses on the western slope of a hill has repulsed five and six enemy assaults daily, Red Star said.

The newspaper reported that Soviet Stormovik bombers and low-flying attack planes had destroyed several dozen Junkers-52 air transports in raids on airbases.

On the battlegrounds near Rzhev and elike Luki, Red Star said one Nazi battalion brought up as reserves Wednesday was marched directly into battle and suffered serious losses. Generally, German counterattacks in the area were proving futile, Red Star said.

"The German radio broadcast a DNB report that Russian forces commanded by General Gregory Zhukov had driven to Bely, 60 miles southwest of Rzhev and in the direction of Smolensk, a German headquarters, point 75 miles south of Bely."

The Russian front thus continued a series of slow-moving battles in which Red army legions clawed at German positions with slow headway and sought to stem the outcropping of a German offensive in the Don river bend.

The Soviet early communique today said that 60 enemy transport planes were destroyed in the Stalingrad area during Dec. 10, a four-day total of 133.

Horse Meat

Boston, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Pressed by heavy demands for horse meat for public consumption, a Boston wholesale firm, which described the product as "just as good as some cattle beef," today began distributing its second 30,000-pound carload within a week.

Mistaken Identity

Southport, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Mrs. Susie Mintz, 26, died in a Wilmington hospital after her husband, Voney Mintz, accidentally shot her when he mistook her for a burglar at her home in Bolivia, Brunswick County, when she was shot today. Terming the shooting "purely accidental," Bell said there would be no inquest.

Greenville Boy On Missing List

Washington, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The Navy Department released today its casualty list No. 18, covering the period November 16-30 inclusive. It contained the names of 62 North Carolinians—18 dead, 36 wounded and eight missing.

The list of dead and next to it included: William F. Haislip, Corporal USMC, mother, Mrs. Nannie J. Haislip, Oak City.

Desolation In A Street Of Battered Stalingrad



Except for two German soldiers beside a wrecked tank at the left this section of Stalingrad presented a scene of lifeless desolation when a Nazi photographer made this picture in October. Since that time, the Russians have begun their current offensive and are reported gradually pushing the Germans westward. This picture reached the United States via neutral Portugal.

ALLIES SMASH JAP ATTACKS

Japs Unsuccessful In Attempts Break Out Of Buna Trap

Washington, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Army planes bombed a Japanese tanker, possibly damaged another and shot down six Zeros planes in the northern Solomons recently, the Navy announced today in a communique disclosing that the enemy had established a flying field only about 150 miles from the American position on Guadalcanal.

A naval spokesman said that the flying field at Ngunda was a new installation. It was known to be under construction within the last few weeks and may now be completed.

Munda, at the northwestern end of New Georgia island is only about 150 miles from Guadalcanal, and if the Japanese were successful in establishing a field of operations at that point, it would enable them to concentrate possibly considerable fighter forces for attacks on Guadalcanal, something they have been unable to do in recent weeks.

In their frantic efforts to escape death or capture they counter-attacked repeatedly south of Sananda, but were repulsed in bloody fighting each time, the bulletin from Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said. Allied planes continued to rake the narrowing enemy lines with machinegun and cannon fire.

The bitter "last stand" nature of the fighting which has been churning over the New Guinea beaches was illustrated by an announcement that the final operations at Gona (Continued on Page Six)

Transport Is Sunk By Mine

Only Four Men Lost When Crowded Vessel Went To Bottom

Washington, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The former liner President Coolidge, operating as an army transport fully loaded with approximately 4,000 troops, hit a mine and sank in the south Pacific, the Navy announced today, with a loss of only four men.

"Prompt and efficient rescue efforts" were credited with holding casualties to so small a number, the Navy said.

The Navy announcement did not disclose in what area of the south Pacific the 21,936-ton vessel was operating at the time and said merely that it was on a war mission.

The names of those lost were not (Continued on Page Two)

Trouble For Democrats Seen In Latest Moves

Solomons Area

Washington, Dec. 12.—(AP)—National political leaders turned suddenly speculative eyes on the midwest and deep south today as a "diagnostic" Democratic huddle developed in the wake of critical rumblings from the party's chief sectional stronghold.

Under the cloud of third party threats from two Democratic Stalwarts—a former cabinet member and a southern governor—Democratic leaders from nine midwestern states met today in a surprise session in Omaha in an announced effort to form a united farm front.

Only the importance attached to the meeting by national party heads—reportedly not even consulted in its calling—seemed likely to save it from the sump of a rump conference. Nebraska national committee member James C. Quigley said that Eugene Casey, special assistant to President Roosevelt, and Oscar R. Ewing, National Democratic party vice chairman, will participate and attributed their planned attendance to Washington's interest in the event.

However, he stressed that Iowa and Nebraska party leaders called the meeting without "inspiration in Washington," and that its "decisions will be our own."

Republican victories in November, he said, indicated something is "basically wrong" with Democratic party policies; and that the session, besides creating a united farm state front, will seek to diagnose the situation (Continued on Page Six)

Nazi Prisoners Are Unshackled

London, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Britain and Canada are due to strike the shackles from German and Italian prisoners of war today, three days in advance of the date proposed by Switzerland, mediating neutral in the dispute between Britain and Germany.

The Foreign Office stated Wednesday that the shackling would be ended today and Canada made a similar promise, but announcement that the action had been taken was yet to appear.

The German answer still was not made.

Promises Non-Essential Spending To Be Cut Out

By ALEX SINGLETON Washington, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The first Congressional New Year resolution—strict retrenchment of all government, non-military expenditures in 1943—was made today by the chairman of the powerful House appropriations committee.

Serving notice that he intended to keep a tight check-rein on all departmental spending, Rep. Cannon (D-Mo), chairman of the committee which has initial supervision over all money bills, said a policy of cutting non-essential costs to the bone already has been adopted.

"And next year," he pledged, "we'll take out part of the bone." Cannon declared that the committee's policy toward the billions sure to be demanded by the Army and the Navy in coming months for war material would be one of careful supervision, but "we'll give them the benefit of the doubt."

"In allocating funds for the military," Cannon said, "the committee feels emphatically that it is better to give a little too much than too little. We don't want to take any chance of crippling the war effort through lack of funds."

Cannon's outline of policy came only a short time after House minority leader Martin (R-Mass) declared in an interview that the Republicans would press for education of non-military expenditures.

"Obviously," he said, "the people are demanding a reduction in the thousands of political strap hangers."

He added that the Republican minority, strengthened by the November elections, would open a drive "to curb the unauthorized use of power by some of the autocratic bureaucrats."

"We need them to have what power is needed for prosecution of war, but we don't want this used for the persecution of the people," he asserted.

TRADE BODY TO NAME OFFICERS

Chamber Commerce To Be Host To Visitors Monday

The Board of Directors of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce in its meeting held last night, made plans for its annual election of five of the fifteen directors whose terms will expire January 31st. A nominating committee was appointed to make up an official ticket of ten members which will be mailed to the membership within the next two weeks.

An elections committee was also appointed, the duties of which will be to canvass the ballots and certify the election returns. Directors also voted to hold the annual meeting of the organization during the month of February and authorized the president to appoint a committee to obtain a speaker and make full plans for the meeting.

The chamber will entertain at a barbecue dinner in the armory Troops A and B of the State Highway Patrol, the governor, army officers, and other officials who will come here Monday for the inspection of the patrol.

The secretary's report to the board of directors, covering the period since the last board of directors meeting, showed many activities in the interest of the membership and the community. The report indicated that approximately 70 per cent of the time of the office personnel is taken up with activities resulting from and relating to the war effort, including priorities, rationing, defense transportation, price ceilings, and other war regulations. Attention was also called to the bulletin which carries pertinent and condensed information taken from government publications and applying to this section. Other activities included the investigation of the discontinuance of pickup and delivery service by rail lines serving (Continued on Page Six)

Oil Coupons Ready In Next Few Days

Fuel oil and kerosene coupons will be in the hands of all Pitt County consumers within the next few days. Each person should pay back to his dealer immediately the number of coupons equivalent to purchases since October 1. These must be paid back before new purchases are made. Names of persons who fail or refuse to pay back coupons will be reported to the Rationing Board.

Dealers must record purchases on coupon sheets and should check each sheet to see if it is signed by the person to whom it was issued and if validation stamp is pasted at top of sheet. The stamp is white with "Office of Price Administration" written in blue letters on it.

Protection For Small Investors

Babson Urges Intelligent Use of Proxies

New York City, Dec. 11.—It certainly gets my goat to have letters from small investors complaining that everyone is against them and that they are being robbed and persecuted. No group of people have better protection than have the small investors. In addition to the Securities and Exchange Commission, there are Blue-Sky Laws for nearly every state and a host of other laws thrown in for good measure. Today I especially want to write of the importance of the proxy and the power which small investors have in connection therewith.

Proxies Contain Power Most of the attempts to help small investors have been by legislation. One of the crying appeals is to have salaries of corporation officials reduced. To satisfy public clamor, this is now being done so that the presidents of the largest corporations will receive no more than the heads of certain labor unions! Yet out of 130,000,000 people in the United States, only 3,000 are affected by such legislation and their total salaries amount to less than 1-100 of 1 per cent of the total dividends. Most of the other legislation for which small investors are asking can have a very little effect upon dividends. More legislation is not the answer to the problems of the small investor.

While investors are complaining, they, themselves, hold the cure for (Continued on Page Five)

Allied Bombing Fleets From England and Africa Smash At Italian Cities

INSPECTION OF PATROLS HERE

Governor And Army Officers To Be Here Monday

By CHESTER WALSH Governor J. Melville Broughton will come to Greenville Monday to attend the inspection exercises by United States Army officers of two troops of the State Highway Patrol. Colonel Pritchard, commander of internal security for this district will be here from Fort Bragg. Major Mackey of New Bern, commanding mobile defense work for the U. S. Army, and State Highway officials, will be included in the inspection group. Mayor Bruce Sugg will welcome the visitors.

Highway Patrol Troop A, under Lieut. Lester Jones of Greenville, and Troop B, under Lieut. A. T. Moore of Fayetteville, will be inspected at 11 a. m. Monday on the high school grounds. Later the patrol's equipment will be inspected on East Fourth Street from Cothane street to the Episcopal church.

At 12:30 the Greenville Chamber of Commerce will be host to the visitors at a barbecue at the 113th Field Artillery Armory opposite the postoffice. President J. B. Kittrell announced.

Governor Broughton will speak briefly on a war subject. T. Boddie Ward, state commissioner of motor vehicles, and others will make short talks.

John G. Clark, district highway commissioner, and Willard T. Kyszer, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, are assisting in making arrangements.

Troop A of the Highway Patrol under command of Lieutenant Jones volunteered to the United States Army as a unit. The inspection by U. S. Army officers Monday is being made with a view to accepting the unit into the service.

Prominent highway officials expected to attend are Commissioner Boddie Ward, Maj. John T. Armstrong, head of the patrol, W. H. Rogers, assistant commissioner, and personnel officer and Capt. Charles E. Farmer of Raleigh, and Capt. L. R. Fisher of Charlotte, Lieutenant Moore of Fayetteville, Lieut. D. T. Lambert of Greensboro and Lieut. W. T. Lentz of Asheville, and others.

Navy Announces Casualty List

Washington, Dec. 12.—(AP)—The Navy Department announced today that 1,613 new casualties of the Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard were reported to next of kin from November 16-30.

The casualties, which include dead, wounded and missing, brought the total reported to next of kin since the Pearl Harbor attack to 18,638.

Of the new casualties, 546 were reported dead, 6,610 wounded and 407 missing.

A recapitulation of casualties to date gave the following totals: Navy: 4,348 dead; 1,434 wounded; 8,473 missing. Total 14,255.

Marine Corps: 1,114 dead; 1,370 wounded; 1,921 missing. Total 4,405.

Coast Guard: 38 dead; 11 wounded; 129 missing. Total 178.

Greenville Man Gets Commission

Sidney Jesse Gaston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Gaston of this city has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Corps of Engineers following graduation from officers' Candidate School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Lt. Gaston was employed in the personnel department of Best and Company, radio manufacturers of New Jersey before being inducted into the army in June. He is now stationed at Camp White, Oregon.

U. S. Bombers In Raid On Rangoon

New Delhi, Dec. 12.—(AP)—Twenty large bombs burst among warehouses and a direct hit was scored on a dock at Rangoon, in renewed American heavy bomber attacks against the Japanese in Burma yesterday, a United States Army communique announced today.

The big bombers of the Tenth U. S. Air Force also raided Port Blair, in the Andaman Islands, the communique said, but there, "where a naval auxiliary vessel received a direct hit on our previous raid, no shipping or other remunerative targets were sighted."

All the planes returned without damage or injury to the fliers.

The WAR TODAY

By DeWITT MacKENZIE Wide-World News Analyst

With the British Eighth Army in Libya, Dec. 12.—The impending showdown between Allied and Axis forces of the desert about El Agheila promises not only to rank among the decisive battles of the war but involves one of the greatest personal dramas of the entire conflict.

Nazi Marshal Rommel will be in the full glare of the limelight which he loves so well and manages to hold so often. He has been selected by his master to make the sacrifice, performing the seemingly impossible holding operation to give Hitler time to realign his storm-torn fences in Europe.

Rommel's job is to hold on as long as the devil will let him. And his fate involves not only his own front, but that in Tunisia as well. One's first impulse is to say Rommel is being made the goat, but that's not fair. A man who is among the greatest soldiers of his day is entitled to more dignified characterization than that. We could say that poor Mussolini, whose jaw is bigger than his head, is the goat since he has played a stupid role for Hitler. But Rommel has been assigned a fighting man's task and it will be interesting to see whether he takes it in his usual jaunty stride.

In these days of rapid changes (Continued on page four)

10 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT... TO GET PERFUME FOR \$15 Buy Christmas Seals

Social and Personal

Mrs. G. C. Seymour of Aberdeen, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Brown.

Miss Julia Brown of Tarboro, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Brown.

Mrs. Ernest L. Willard has returned from Charleston, S. C.

Petty officer Charles Forbes of the naval radio station, Cheltenham, Md., will spend the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Forbes.

Mrs. L. C. Lemons of Washington, D. C. and Mrs. J. F. Manning of Baltimore, Md., are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cox of Greenville.

Mrs. K. T. Furelle entered Duke Hospital yesterday for an operation.

Transferred. Pvt. Edwin Little, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Little of Ayden, has been transferred from Keesler Field, Miss., to Roswell Air Base, Roswell, New Mexico.

Promoted. New Orleans, Dec. 12.—Van Calvin Fleming, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Van C. Fleming, Sr., of Greenville, has been promoted from staff sergeant to the rank of first sergeant at the Air Depot Training Station of the New Orleans Army Air Base.

Sgt. Fleming is a graduate of the Greenville High school; received his B. S. degree from the Darlington Prep College at Rome, Ga., and later attended the Maryland School of Accounting at Baltimore.

Do You Want a Christmas Dance? Members interested in having a German Club Christmas dance will meet at Sheppard Memorial Library on Monday at 4:45 p. m. This is the last meeting of the year and the club will disband if there is not a majority present.

Presbyterian Auxiliary To Meet. The Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church will meet on Monday at 3:30 at the church.

To Present Pageant. Mrs. J. H. Rose will present a Christmas pageant at a meeting of the Major Benjamin May chapter D. A. R. in Farmville this afternoon.

Returns From Maryland. Paul A. Scott, Jr. has returned from Silver Springs, Md., where he has completed a course in dry cleaning and spotting. Mr. Scott has enlisted in the Navy Aviation Corps and is at home awaiting his call.

Massive Notice. Regular communication of Greenville Chapter No. 50 R. A. M. Monday night at 7:30 o'clock. Election of officers and other important business. An oyster supper will be served at 7 o'clock. All companions are invited to attend. C. L. Russ, High Priest, T. I. Moore, Secy.

Ada Cherry Class To Meet. The Ada Cherry Class of Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church will meet with Mrs. F. G. Neale at the home of Mrs. John Barker, 413 E. Third street, at 8 o'clock on Monday night. Assisting hostesses will be Miss Annie Turner and Mrs. Robert May.

Student Association Meets. On December 19 at 6:45 p. m., the Methodist Student Association met in the Classroom building at the college. Jontine Payne Barnes presided over the meeting. During the brief business session, Student Recognition Day which is to be held December 21 in the local churches, was discussed.

At the close of the business session a very effective worshipful program was presented by Dorothy Lewis, chairman of Community Service. By the use of many candles, Christmas greens, and with a cross as a center, the room was made a place of worship. Genevieve Hodgin, chairman of Music, led the group in the singing of "Oh, Come All Ye Faithful" and "Joy To The World." A Christmas story from the Bible was told by Bessie Council, after which the M. S. A. choir sang "Silent Night," with Virginia Stevens singing the solo part. Mary Warren told a very interesting story of "Why the Chimes Rang." The White Gift service was had while Sarah Staunton read appropriate poems on "giving." The meeting was closed with a prayer led by Elizabeth Titsworth, Methodist student worker.

Presbyterian Announcements. This church is deeply grieved at the passing of one of its faithful elders, B. W. Moseley. His relationship with this church reaches back almost to the date of the founding of the church. Early in his life as a member he was elected an elder and then the Clerk of the Session, in which capacity he served until his death. His place will be filled with difficulty, and he will be greatly missed as an efficient officer and a faithful servant in the church.

The usual services will be held Sunday and throughout the week. Preaching service at Hollywood Sunday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock. Dr. Boyd will speak and baptize those who have recently been received into the church there.

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, Dr. Boyd will continue his message in the Apostles' Creed. The subject will be "Jesus, The Only Begotten Son of God." Jno. III: 16a. Next Sunday, December 20, at 11 a. m., the Christmas program, with the children participating, will be continued with the morning worship service. Dr. Boyd will speak and the "Love Offering for Aged Ministers and Their Widows" will be received.

Social Calendar

SUNDAY 8:00 p. m.—Christmas program presented by college music department in Austin Auditorium.

MONDAY 9:30 a. m.—12:00 noon—Red Cross work room open. Ladies of the Methodist Church in charge.

6:30 p. m.—Rotary Club.

7:00 p. m.—Lions' Club.

7:30 p. m.—Modern Woodmen.

TUESDAY 9:30 a. m.—12:00 noon—Red Cross work room open. Ladies of the Episcopal and Catholic churches in charge.

11:00 a. m.—Mrs. Hunter Irving will be hostess to the Forty-one Book Club.

3:30 p. m.—Mrs. J. E. Winslow will be hostess to the Ladies of the Round Table.

3:30 p. m.—The Inter Se Club meets with Mrs. M. K. Blount.

3:30 p. m.—The Cho Club meets with Mrs. W. S. Bost.

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

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

8:00 p. m.—Mrs. W. O. Freeland will present her piano pupils in recital in Sheppard Memorial Library.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 a. m.—12:00 noon—Red Cross work room open. Ladies of Immanuel Baptist Church in charge.

7:30 p. m.—The choir of the Presbyterian Church meets for rehearsal.

THURSDAY 9:30 a. m.—12:00 noon—Red Cross work room open. Ladies of the Memorial Baptist Church in charge.

FRIDAY 9:30 a. m.—12:00 noon—Red Cross work room open. Ladies of the Christian Church in charge.

6:30 p. m.—Kiwanis Club.

7:30 p. m.—Red Men meet.

Carter-Purvis. Mr. and Mrs. William Frank Jones of Greenville, North Carolina announce the marriage of their daughter

Patricia Purvis to Mr. Lee Roy Carter on Saturday, the twenty-first of November

Nineteen hundred and forty-two South Mills, North Carolina

Mr. Carter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George William Carter of Norfolk, Virginia.

Early Sunday Service. On account of the annual Christmas service presented by the Music department of the college, the evening worship service of Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church will be held Sunday evening at 6:30. This service will be presented by the young people of the church, with special music by the young people's and junior choirs. The public is invited to worship here.

Harvest Day Program. The annual Harvest Day program of the Woman's Division of Christian Service of Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church will be held on Monday, beginning with a luncheon at 12:45. Officers for the new year will be installed. Members of all the circles and of the Wesleyan Service Guild are invited to be present.

Literature Department Meets. The Literature Department of the Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. W. C. Harris, Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Miss Eunice McGee, chairman, presided. Mrs. J. H. B. Moore invited the members to join a group studying international relations, the Atlantic Charter and post-war problems the group meets on Thursday afternoons for one hour.

Mrs. W. H. Woolard announced the community Christmas Tree would not be held this year. After investigation it was discovered that with abundant work no white people needed help in bringing Christmas to their children.

Miss Margaret Austin introduced Mr. E. C. Hollar of the college faculty who spoke on Central and South America. He said we were ignorant of and indifferent to our southern neighbors. They always admired the United States, patterned their government from ours, and honored us by sending their most educated men to the United States as their ambassadors. Very often their ambassadors are more intelligent than the men who ruled their countries.

Following Mr. Hollar's talk, the hostesses, Mrs. J. N. Hart and Mrs. W. C. Harris, served tempting refreshments of nuts, cookies and ice cream. Fireside Club Meets. The Fireside Club of the Eighth Street Christian Church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milo Smith Tuesday evening. Those assisting Mr. and Mrs. Smith as hosts and hostesses were Mr. and Mrs. Plato Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Martin and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cummings. Mrs. D. H. Conley, president, presided over the meeting. Minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary and approved.



HEADS SPARS — Lt. Comdr. Dorothy C. Stratton, former Purdue dean, commands L.R. Stratton, women's Coast Guard auxiliary.

Forty Years Ago Today

40 YEARS AGO — DAILY REFLECTOR December 12, 1902

The crowds on the streets carrying packages give a decided holiday appearance.

Another real thankful Thanksgiving has come to the greatest number of the people of the metropolis of the great state of Pitt, and more people—real happiness, smiles that are real and genuine.

The members voted unanimously to remember Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ryan, founders of the Fireside Club, with a gift at Christmas.

A letter received and read by Mrs. Plato Evans, from Mrs. Ryan, professing her love for and interest in the Fireside Club, was of genuine concern to all of those present.

Mrs. Conley introduced Dr. R. H. Crossfield, pastor of Eighth Street Christian Church, who chose as his topic for the evening, "The Christmas Gift."

Dr. Crossfield began by saying that at Christmas time in the Christian lands there is always some kind of Christmas giving. He told of the different ways that each country observes Christmas. How Germany, France, Scandinavia, Holland and others keep Christmas, each in a different manner, and that here in our own United States we have still another type of Christmas.

Taking the second chapter of Matthew as a basis, he went on to say that giving Christmas gifts originated from the three Wise Men from the East, who came to worship the baby Jesus, bringing gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, each a precious gift and portraying a real meaning of worship.

Dr. Crossfield stated further that one cannot give direct gifts to Christ but can, nevertheless, give good gifts to Him. He referred to the 25th chapter of Matthew where Jesus said, "I was hungry and ye gave me meat, I was thirsty and ye gave me drink, etc. These are good gifts that we can always give to Christ, he said.

The church, as a church and body of Christ, also gives gifts at Christmas time. It sends gifts of Christmas cheer to the old people at different church homes, and to the children at the children's homes.

It gives to the Community Chest and helps bring the spirit of Christmas to our community. All of the churches come together at this time and aid in making Christmas more worshipful and meaningful, here at home.

Dr. Crossfield says that we should remember our friends and loved ones at Christmas with either material or immaterial gifts but that we should give our gift with disinterestedness. Much too often, he says, gifts are given with thought or idea of a gift in return. So a Christmas gift should be given in the proper spirit, should be a simple gift, not of great value. It should be a token of love and esteem and should differ from birthday and other gifts. Because it is of

Christ, a Christmas gift should belong to the character of the recipient, as, for a beautiful girl, flowers, for a wife, some ornament, perhaps, for a husband, something devotional and loving. As for himself, Dr. Crossfield remarked, he would choose a book, something he could always value and keep.

In conclusion he said that the Christmas gift should be given without any regard for a gift in return, should be for the purpose of expressing love and friendship, and should be something divine.

A very spirited and lengthy discussion on Christmas and conditions in other countries followed this very inspirational and enlightening message from Dr. Crossfield.

After the discussion, delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Transport Is ...

(Continued from Page One) given, but it was stated that the survivors included Henry Nelson, 3714 Irving St., San Francisco, the master of the President Coolidge. This was the tenth transport announced by the Navy as having been sunk by enemy action. The sinking of five transports in operations off North Africa, early last month was reported on December 3. Prior to that the loss of four troop carriers in the Solomons area had been disclosed.

The President Coolidge was the largest of the ten.

Recent studies reveal that men and women feel and work better if they have some nourishing food every four hours.

Our Farm Folks

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

Have You Bought Bonds And Stamps For Christmas? Between the singing and the holy, back of all the good wishes, and lighted in the flame of the candles on the Christmas tree, there is one thought, one urgent hope which we all share. With our hearts on the men of our armies, our navy, our air force, our hopes united to a speedy victory for the United Nations.

Wherever Christmas Day will find them, in Africa, India, China, on the ocean or on the sea, or roaring over some European arsenal, we will be there with them. Christmas, the thought of peace, the desire to bring "good will to all men"—these are not without meaning even now. All that we do and say here at home at this season has a deeper value because of what they are doing. The establishment of justice, the hope of liberty for enslaved and starved and conquered people, the sacrifice of strength and skill and life itself in the service of one's country, these are the tasks of which every American is proud.

To the mothers who have an empty place at the Christmas table because their son is on this great errand, to the wives who face a Christmas lonely for the one person whose presence can destroy loneliness: I pause to tell you that a centerpiece of cedar, red berries



OPERA STARS COLLECT \$2.—The golden voices of opera stars Jan Kiepura, Coe Glade and Douglas Beattie (left to right) resounded from a Chicago street corner for the Salvation Army. Collection: Only \$2.

WGTC 1400 KILOCYCLES GREENVILLE, N. C.

TONIGHT 7:00—Glenn Miller's Orch. 7:10—Human Interest Drama. 7:15—Charlie Spivak's Orch., MBS. 7:30—Larry Clinton's Orch. 7:45—Preview of Professional Championship Football Game, MBS. 8:00—Central Prison Varieties, TN. 8:30—This Is the Hour, MBS. 8:55—You and Uncle Sam. 9:00—News. 9:05—The Ink Spots. 9:15—Merry Christmas to Johnny Doughboy. 9:45—Man Your Battle Stations. 10:00—News. 10:15—1100 Club. 10:30—Jimmy Dorsey's Orch. 10:45—Chuck Foster's Orch., MBS. 11:00—News of the World in Brief 11:05—Sign Off.

SUNDAY, DEC. 13 8:00—Sign on. 8:01—News. 8:30—Lang-Worth Concert Orch. 8:30—Lang-Worth Choristers. 9:00—News. 9:15—Wohl's Sophisticates. 9:30—Eik's Christian Quartette. 9:45—Victor Arden's Orch. 10:00—Obituary Column. 10:05—Ellington Bible Class. 10:45—Walter Compton, MBS. 11:00—Church Services. 12:00—Cadle Tabernacle, MBS. 12:30—Joe Reichman's Orch. 12:45—Letters To My Son, MBS. 1:00—Christmas Carols. 1:15—Bond Wagon. 1:30—Lutheran Hour, MBS. 1:45—Pro-Football Championship Game, MBS. 4:30—Sunday Toastache Time. BNC. 5:00—Service Men's Program, TN. 5:30—News. 5:35—Charlie Spivak's Orch. 6:00—First Nighter, MBS. 6:30—Musical Interlude. 6:35—Sportscast. 6:45—Harry James' Orch. 7:00—We Cover the War Front. 7:15—Artie Shaw's Orch. 7:30—Silver Strings. 7:45—Oettinger Views the News, TN. 8:00—Service Mens Program. 8:30—Treasury Star Parade. 8:45—Gabriel Heatter, MBS. 9:00—Old Fashioned Revival, MBS. 10:00—News. 10:15—Your Next Door Neighbor, TN. 10:30—This Is Our Enemy, MBS. 11:00—1100 Club. 11:30—News of the World in Brief 11:35—Sign off.

MONDAY, DEC. 14 7:00—Sign on. 7:01—News. 7:05—Yawn Patrol. 7:40—Lost and Found. 7:45—Yawn Patrol. 8:00—News. 8:15—Treasury Song Parade. 8:30—Morning Meditations. 8:45—Your Morning Pickup. 9:00—News. 9:05—Local News and Ann'ts. 9:15—Merry Christmas to Johnny Doughboy. 9:45—Rhythm and Recipes, TN. 10:00—Obituary Column. 10:05—Women in the News. 10:10—Farmville on the Air. 10:30—The Cheer Up Gang, MBS. 11:00—Headlines of Tomorrow. 11:15—Karl Zomar's Scrapbook, MBS. 11:30—Ayden on the Air. 11:45—Count Basie's Orch. 12:00—Hillbilly Roundup. 12:15—News. 12:25—Tune Time. 12:40—Carolina Farm Features. 12:55—News and Markets. 1:00—Bond Wagon. 1:15—Tommy Dorsey's Orch. 1:30—10-2-4 Ranch. 1:45—Two Key Boards, MBS. 2:00—Today's War Commentary. 2:05—Robersonville on the Air. 2:15—Baron Elliott's Orch. 2:30—Mutual Goes Calling, MBS. 3:00—Stanley Dixon, News, MBS. 3:15—Shady Valley Folks, MBS. 4:00—Walter Compton, MBS. 4:15—Treasury Star Parade. 4:30—Alvino Rey's Orch. 4:45—Themes and Variations, MBS. 5:00—Swing Session, TN. 5:15—Joe Frassetto's Orch., MBS. 5:30—Superman, MBS. 5:45—Story Time Lady, TN. 6:00—Nation's Prayer Minute, MBS. 6:01—Sundown Serenade. 6:15—News. 6:20—Musical Interlude. 6:30—Sportscast, TN. 6:45—Oettinger Views the News, TN. 7:00—Larry Clinton's Orch. 7:15—The Johnson Family, MBS. 7:30—Silver Strings. 7:45—Mrs. Rose's Radio Actors. 8:00—Sizing Up the News, MBS. 8:15—Lest We Forget. 8:30—Christmas Melodies. 8:45—Musical Interlude. 8:55—You and Uncle Sam. 9:00—Gabriel Heatter, MBS. 9:15—Merry Christmas to Johnny Doughboy. 9:45—Bob Crosby's Orch. 10:00—News. 10:15—1100 Club. 10:30—Meet the Band TN. 10:45—1100 Club. 11:00—News of the World in Brief 11:05—Sign Off.

Americans stand with you shoulder to shoulder. Let us who share the warmth, the harmony and beauty of this Christmas here, pledge ourselves to do the one very best thing we can to assure their protection and help: to buy War Bonds regularly and continually. Let us be faithful to this until we hear the great news of final Victory—until we can say heartily in the words of the beautiful old Christmas carol: "Good will henceforth from Heaven to men begin and never cease."

Farmville Christmas Social One of the highlights of the week was the Christmas dinner given by the Farmville H. D. Club in honor of their husbands. Fifty-two club members and husbands gathered at a beautifully decorated table to enjoy a most delicious turkey dinner.

and candles adorned the table. Mrs. Herman Baker was a most gracious hostess. After singing the first verse of "Silent Night" for the invocation, the Christmas program began. Mrs. R. B. Fields most impressively read a "Tribute To Our Boys." Following that, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Shearin led the group in many old war songs. Miss Bettie Joyner told one of O'Henry's famous Christmas stories. In conclusion, Mr. and Mrs. Shearin had everyone singing our old familiar carols. They concluded these by singing "White Christmas" as a duet. Mrs. Baker then led the group in several Christmas games. Mrs. J. H. Bynum, president, expressed her appreciation to each one for coming. In behalf of the club she presented Mrs. Linwood Tugwell, past president, Mrs. Leon Andrews, past secretary, and the Home Agents with beautiful gifts from the club. Congratulations to the Farmville women—every member, except one, brought her husband. It was a fine meeting.

Child Christmas Social The Chicod H. D. Club enjoyed a Christmas party in the home economics room of the school, with Mrs. Newman Lewis, Miss Mildred Becton, Mrs. Bruce Tyson and Mrs. T. S. Tyson hostesses. The classroom was most attractively decorated with Christmas greens and candies. Mrs. M. W. Smith had a most entertaining program planned of Christmas games and contests. After Old Santa presented everyone with a gift the hostesses served punch, Christmas cookies, sandwiches and nuts from a lovely table. Red carnations and candles made a beautiful centerpiece for the table. Eighteen club members thoroughly enjoyed the party.

Bethel Club Meets. Mrs. J. P. Harris and Mrs. C. L. Garrenton were charming hostesses to the Bethel club at a party in the home of Mrs. C. L. Garrenton. The Garrenton home was beautifully decorated with holly and glowing candles. The hostesses opened the meeting with "Silent Night." Mrs. Harris followed with a Christmas poem. Carols were sung by everyone. Mrs. Garrenton then read one of O'Henry's Christmas stories. Mrs. Ralph Carter, president, concluded the party with several Christmas games. The hostesses served a very attractive congealed salad plate, with crackers, pimiento sandwiches and Christmas punch. The club members enjoyed the punch very much. I am including it in hopes that others of you who plan Christmas parties will try it and like it as well as the Bethel club members did.

Christmas Punch To be served hot or cold—it keeps almost all winter in the refrigerator. One quart cranberries, 2 quarts water, 2 sticks cinnamon, juice of two lemons, juice of 2 oranges. Bring cranberries, water and cinnamon to the boiling point. Cool and strain. Then add lemon juice, orange juice, and sweeten to taste with sugar, syrup or honey. If not a pretty color, add red fruit coloring as desired. Use the pulp of the berries by adding honey or syrup, reheating, and serving as any other cranberries.

Farmville 4-H Christmas Social Members of the Farmville 4-H Club, their leaders and friends enjoyed a party at the club building Thursday night. Lounell Morgan had charge of an inspiring Christmas program. Miss Kirby awarded 4-H pins to the following people: Mrs. Lenwood Tugwell, 4-H leader; Lounell Morgan and Rachel Andrews, best all round club girls, and Cordeil Holloman and Robert Morgan, best club boys. Mr. Winchester gave an impressive talk on Achievements. Mrs. Tugwell served delicious

punch and cookies. Lounell Morgan presented gifts which were taken from a beautifully lighted tree. Everyone present had a most enjoyable evening.

Schedule Monday, Dec. 14—Stokes H. D. Club meets with Mrs. J. B. Congleton, 2:30 p. m. Littlefield 4-H Club meets with Emma Lee Garry, 7 p. m. Tuesday, Dec. 15—Winterville H. D. Club meets with Mrs. J. D. McArthur, 3 p. m. Cannon Crossroads Club meets with Mrs. David Smith, 7 p. m. Wednesday, Dec. 16—Paciola H. D. Club meets in Lunch Room, 7 p. m. Red Oak H. D. Club meets at club house, 8 p. m. Thursday, Dec. 17—Pierce H. D. Club meets at club house, 7 p. m. Meadowbrook 4-H Club meets at Farm building, 7:30 p. m. Friday, Dec. 18—Lang's 4-H Club meets with Ann Turnage, 7:30 p. m. Meadowbrook H. D. Club meets at Farm building, 7:30 p. m.

IF you suffer monthly FEMALE PAIN which makes you WEAK, CRANKY Nervous— If you're annoyed by headaches, cramps, backache, dizziness of "irregularities," a bloated feeling, periods of the blues—due to functional monthly disturbances—try Lydia Pinkham's Compound Tablets (with added iron). These effective tablets not only relieve monthly pain but also tired, nervous feelings due to this cause. Lydia Pinkham's Tablets is one medicine you can buy today made especially for women—taken regularly it helps build up resistance against such symptoms. Follow label directions.

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SANTA SKEPTIC

By LUCRECE HUDGINS

THE STORY SO FAR: Santa Claus has worried himself sick over Michael Woffington Bartholomew's stories that there is no such person as Santa, and how he can't make any toys for boys and girls. All the helpers are worried, too, because it looks like there won't be any Christmas.

Chapter Six
Michael Wanders Far And Wide
When Michael ran away from Poopo-Poona he carried no food nor money and the only clothes he had were the ones he wore. He didn't have even an overcoat for he had forgotten it when Miss Trum sent him home from school.

The wind blew very cold on the highway leading away from Poopo-Poona and Michael walked all day without coming to a single house. In the afternoon the highway ended and there was only a narrow, dirt path winding through the thick forest. Michael was very tired and hungry by this time and his nose and the tips of his ears were quite blue with cold. He just about had given up hope of ever finding a house where he could ask for food and shelter when suddenly he saw wisps of smoke curling high above the tree tops. Leaving the path he hurried through the woods seeking the fire which made the smoke.

Before very long he was overjoyed to see a little white farm house in a clearing among the woods. A farmer was just coming up from the barn and when he saw Michael he waved and called: "Welcome, son! It has been many weeks since we've had a traveler in these parts!"

Michael could have shouted with joy he was so glad to hear a friendly voice. The farmer led him into the house and began firing questions at him, wanting to know where Michael had come from and where he was going. But just then the farmer's good wife came out from the kitchen carrying a platter of steaming hot peacan buns in one hand and a big pitcher of milk in the other.

"Let the child eat before you question him," she said to her husband. "Can't you see he's starving?" The sight and smell of the food set Michael's legs to trembling. His mouth watered as he eagerly sat in the chair the good woman placed for him at the table.

"There now," she said kindly. "You have only to say a tiny Grace and they you may eat all you can hold."

Michael stopped with his hands already reaching for a bun. He gazed up at the lady, pleading with his eyes that she not make him speak. But she didn't understand. "Just say, 'God bless this food,'" she told him gently.

Michael swallowed hard. And then, clenching his fists, he said obediently, "God bless this food." But instead of words there was only a cloud of smoke from his mouth and a rush of hot air that burned the farmer's cheeks.

The farmer and his wife stared at Michael in alarm. "The Lord have mercy on us!" cried the farmer at last. "The boy is cursed! He has the demon in him for sure!" At these words the farmer's wife buried her head in her apron.

"We cannot have you in this house," went on the farmer to Michael. "We cannot feed one who is bewitched. And opening the door he motioned for Michael to leave. The boy got up from the food he had never touched and slowly went out of the house. It was dark now and colder than ever. Michael wandered blindly through the woods not knowing or caring where he went.

After that, wherever he found people who might feed or shelter him it was always the same. When he spoke they thought he was bewitched or playing tricks and they sent him from their doors. If he didn't speak they thought he was rude and would have nothing to do with him.

Finally, after three days and three nights, he threw himself down in a big forest and burst into tears. "If only there were someone," he sobbed brokenly. "If only there were someone somewhere who could help me!"

And would you believe it? There was someone who could help him! It was Humphrey Humpertink, the woodsprite who was sitting on a toadstool right by Michael's ear. "I wish you would stop crying," said Humphrey irritably. "You're getting the ground under my toadstool soaking wet. What're you crying for anyway?"

TOMORROW: Humphrey Offers to Help Michael.

Sermon: "The First Christmas Carol."
7:00 p. m.—Training service.
8:00 p. m.—Evening service.
No evening service. Members are urged to attend the Christmas service in Austin Auditorium at the college.
Wednesday, 7:45 p. m.—Prayer meeting. 8:30 p. m.—Weekly meeting of Sunday school workers.
Thursday, 7:30 p. m.—Choir rehearsal.
A cordial welcome to all of these services.

JARVIS MEMORIAL M.E. CHURCH
Rev. George W. Ferry, Minister
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School; J. H. Rose, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
Organ Prelude: "O Come All Ye Faithful."
Anthem: "Come To My Heart, Lord Jesus."
Offertory: "Hail, Star of Heaven."
Chorus: "The Ultimate Goal of Manhood."
Postlude: "Adeste Fideles."
3:00 p. m.—Junior and Young People's Choirs meet for rehearsal.
6:30 p. m.—Evening worship service by young people.
Organ Prelude: "Andante Religioso."
Offertory: "Carols."

Special musical numbers by the Young People's and Junior choirs.
Monday, 12:45 p. m.—Harvest Day program by the Women's Division of Christian Service.
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.—Mid-week prayer service.
EIGHTH ST. CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(Disciples of Christ)
R. H. Crossfield, Ph.D.
Ad-Interim Pastor
Mrs. J. Paul Davenport, Organist
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School, with classes for all. J. F. Carr, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship and communion.
Sermon by Dr. H. G. Haney of Indianapolis.
Anthem: "Adore and Be Still."
Gounod.
Violin obligato by Carl Alligood.
3:00 p. m.—Meeting of officers with Dr. Haney.
6:30 p. m.—Young People's meeting at the church.
Boy Scouts meet Wednesday at 7:00 p. m., Guy Evans, Scoutmaster.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Pitt and West Fifth Streets
Robert S. Boyd, D. D., Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School; A. B. Stallworth, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
Sermon: "Jesus, the Only Begotten Son of God."
6:30 p. m.—Young People's League, Hollywood Chapel.
2:30 p. m.—Sunday School.
3:15 p. m.—Prayer service.
Meadowbrook Church.
6:30 p. m.—Young People's League.
7:30 p. m.—Worship service.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE
Dickinson Avenue
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.—Lesson-Sermon.
Wednesday—Reading Room open from 2 until 5 o'clock in the church building.
Wednesday, 7:45 p. m.—Testimony meeting in the church edifice, 1008 Dickinson Avenue.

SALVATION ARMY MEETING
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.—Holiness Meeting.
6:00 p. m.—Young People's Meeting.
7:00 p. m.—Salvation meeting.
Tuesday, 7:30 p. m.—Prayer Meeting.
Thursday, 7:30 p. m.—Women's Sewing Club.

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS
Corner 13th and Reade Sts.
Rev. J. G. Spivey, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; H. D. Fornes, Supt.
Services every Sunday by the pastor at 11 a. m., and 8:00 p. m.
7:00 p. m.—P. H. Y. S. meeting.
Tuesday and Friday—Prayer services at 8:00 p. m.

CHURCH OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE
Rev. Charles J. Guble, Pastor
The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered at 10:30 a. m.
Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 5 p. m.

LUTHERAN CHURCH
(400 East Eighth St.)
Robert L. Landeck, Pastor
(315 W. 4th St.—Phone 3192)
7:30 p. m.—Worship service.

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. J. C. Moye, Pastor
Corner Eleventh & Cotanche Sts.
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School.
Public invited to all services.

WINTERVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Services every second Sunday morning conducted by Rev. Perry Case of Atlantic Christian College, and every third Sunday night by Rev. L. A. Tilley of Ayden.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Corner Cotanche and Tenth Sts.
Rev. S. B. Denny, Pastor
Services every fourth Saturday and Sunday.

STOKES BAPTIST CHURCH
J. A. Hoyle, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; W. S. Overton, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Services every fourth Sunday morning.

BETHEL CHURCHES
METHODIST—Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Sermon at 11 o'clock.
BAPTIST—Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Sermon at 11 o'clock.
HOLINESS—Sabbath School 10 a. m., each Sunday. Preaching service 11 a. m., and 8 p. m., on second and fourth Sundays only. Young People's service each Sunday, 7:15 p. m.
Services at all churches are E.W.T.

BLACK JACK F. W. B. CHURCH
Rev. J. C. Griffin, Pastor
Sunday School every Sunday at 10 a. m.—Marvin Harper, Supt.
Preaching every third Sunday at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.—and Saturday evening at 7:30 before third Sunday.

IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Dr. J. D. Simons, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School; Hoyle Hendrix, Supt. Classes for all ages. Place for babies.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
7:30 p. m.—The Baptist Training Union meets at the church.
8:00 p. m.—Evening worship.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
Dr. J. D. Simons, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School; Hoyle Hendrix, Supt. Classes for all ages. Place for babies.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
Special music by the choir.

WINTERVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. C. Arthur Francis, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; Hyatt Forrest, Supt.

STOKES METHODIST CHURCH
Daniel Boona, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; W. F. Stokes, Supt.
Services every first Sunday night, and every third Sunday morning.

STOKES CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Gilbert Davis, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; A. L. Woodard, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Services every second Sunday morning.

ST. PAUL'S PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS
Washington Highway
Rev. J. G. Crocker, Pastor
10:00 a. m.—Sunday School; W. J. Lewis, Supt.
Preaching every second and fourth Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
7:00 p. m.—P. H. Y. S. each Sunday.

Colored Churches
SYCAMORE HILL BAPTIST
Corner Greene and First Streets
Rev. J. A. Summo, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; W. D. Miller, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
6:30 p. m.—B. T. U.; Mrs. Mary I. Butler, Director.
7:30 p. m.—Evening worship.
Thursday, 7:30 p. m.—Prayer-meet.-g.

BETHEL F. W. B. CHURCH
Rev. J. C. Gardner, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.
Preaching every third Sunday at 11 a. m., 3 p. m., and 7:30 p. m.

JOE'S BRANCH F.W.B. CHURCH
On No. 43 Highway
W. T. Barrow, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; E. A. Chapman, Supt.
Preaching every first Sunday at 11:00 a. m.
Prayer meeting every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHAPEL
Vanceboro, N. C.
Rev. J. C. Gardner, Pastor
Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.
Preaching services every first Sunday at 11:00 a. m.

ST. PETER'S F.W.B. CHURCH
Vanceboro, N. C.
Rev. J. C. Gardner, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.
Preaching every third Sunday at 11:00 a. m.

CEDAR GROVE BAPTIST
Rev. C. C. Sharp, Pastor
Sunday School, 10:30 a. m.
Services every fourth Sunday at 11:00 a. m.

ELOHIM HOLINESS CHURCH
Pitt Street
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; E. A. Chapman, Supt.
Preaching service every first Sunday at 11 o'clock.
Prayer meeting every Sunday at 11:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

ENGLISH CHAPEL F. W. B.
Rev. S. Hemy, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:00 a. m.; Sam King, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Sermon by the pastor. The public is invited.

ST. JOHN'S C. M. E. MISSION
Sheppard Street
Rev. W. F. Jones, Pastor
Residence, Bethel, N. C.
Sunday School, 10:45 a. m.
Preaching every first Sunday at 11:45 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.
Preaching every third Sunday at 3:30 and 7:30 p. m.

ST. GABRIEL'S CATHOLIC
Father Maurice, C. P., Pastor
Holy Mass and sermon each Sunday morning at 10:30.
Holy Mass each morning at 7:00.
Prayer, sermon and instructions every Sunday evening at 5 o'clock; every Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

MT. CALVARY F.W.B. CHURCH
Corner Hudson and Ward Sts.
Rev. E. M. Hill, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School. Isaac Corey, Supt.
Preaching every second and fourth Sunday at 11 a. m., and evening worship at 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m.

PHILIPPI CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(Disciples of Christ)
Corner 13th and Greene Sts.
Rev. J. F. McLaurin, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; L. B. Blount, Supt.
Preaching every second Sunday at 11:30 a. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.

YORK MEMORIAL A.M.E. ZION
Albemarle Avenue
Rev. Colon P. League, Pastor
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
Morning worship at 11:30 a. m.
Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.
Prayer and class meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

SELVA CHAPEL F.W.B. CHURCH
Rev. J. W. Wilkerson, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; Sam Weathington, Supt.
Preaching every first and third Sunday at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.

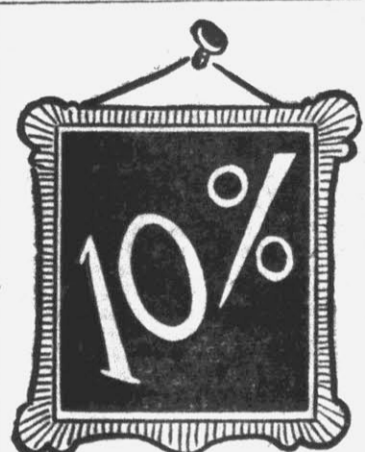
CORNERSTONE BAPTIST
Thirteenth and Railroad Sts.
Rev. J. E. Tillett, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; Milton Carr, Jr., Supt.
Morning worship at 11:00 a. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.

SIMPSON F.W.B. CHURCH
Rev. John Harden, Pastor
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.; C. L. Hardy, Supt.
Services every fourth Sunday at 11:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30.

PHILIPPI BAPTIST CHURCH
Railroad St.—Simpson, N. C.
Rev. J. H. Harris, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; J. H. Taft, Supt.
Morning worship at 11:00 a. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.
SWEET HOPE F.W.B. CHURCH
Rev. E. H. Cox, Pastor
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; C. C. Chapman, Supt.
Morning worship at 11:00 a. m.
Evening worship at 7:30 p. m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30.
GOOD HOPE F. W. B. CHURCH
Rev. S. Hemy Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; David Henderson, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
The public is cordially invited.
ROCK SPRING F.W.B. CHURCH
Rev. S. Hemy, Pastor
9:30 a. m.—Sunday School; Tony Thigpen, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
The public is invited to attend all services.

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NAVY MOTHER—Mrs. Irene Shafer of Glendale, Calif., named typical Navy mother by 9th Naval District.



EVERY DAY IS PAYDAY—For these New Guinea natives lined up at the end of a day's work for the American army every day is payday. They help fight the Japs.



PRACTICE RESCUE IN CHEMICAL WARFARE—Against a background of smoke Coast Guard officers wearing protective clothing, gas masks and rubber gloves, demonstrate rescue work during chemical warfare training.



U. S. OPERA STAR HONORED—Ben Stinchfield (right) presents jewels of famed opera singer Nordica to Helen Traubel (left), first U. S.-born and trained singer to perform Isolde role.



'SEE HERE . . . '—Corp. Marion L. Hargrove, Jr., author of the book "See Here, Private Hargrove," gazes into eyes of his bride-to-be, Alison B. Pfeiffer, in New York City after they had obtained a marriage license.



CANADIAN HEROES IN GOTHAM—Lt. Harold Lawrence (left) and Petty Officer Arthur Powell, Canadians who jumped on a U-boat and captured the crew, look over New York City with the Woolworth building in background.



MOVIE ACTRESSES IN LONDON—In London during a visit to Britain to entertain U. S. troops are (l. to r.) Actress Kay Francis, Abe Lastfogel, chaperon, and Actress Carole Landis.



THE ROAD BACK—Weary Axis prisoners of Rommel's army trudge toward the rear after being captured by advancing British troops in Libya.

CHURCHES

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. John S. Armfield, Rector
8:00 a. m.—Holy Eucharist.
9:45 a. m.—Church School; Mr. S. Worthington, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning prayer and sermon.
Thursday, 6:30 p. m.—Young People's Service League; Miss Mary Pat Waldrop, president.
IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH
A. Hartwell Campbell, Minister
9:45 a. m.—Church School, a training time in worship and the Bible, with classes for all ages. R. H. Evans, Supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
7:30 p. m.—The Baptist Training Union meets at the church.
8:00 p. m.—Evening worship.
MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
Dr. J. D. Simons, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School; Hoyle Hendrix, Supt. Classes for all ages. Place for babies.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
Special music by the choir.

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Strength FOR THE DAY

By EARL L. DOUGLAS

SWITCH ON THE POWER
No one would expect to have an
electric light continue to glow and
give forth illumination if the cur-
rent is cut off. The instant the
switch is disconnected with the power-
house, the glow ceases.

Many people fail to see the ap-
plication of this principle in the
field of spiritual things. They think
that if they can go on keeping out
of any serious trouble day by day,
they are doing about as much as
can be expected of them. They do
not seem to realize that stable moral
life depends chiefly on religious
faith for its support, and that reli-
gious faith is maintained only if
we keep ourselves connected with
the powerhouse, which is God. Our
Lord's counsel to His followers was
that they keep their lamps burning
at all times, their wicks trimmed,
their supply of reserve oil always on
hand. He knew that there could be
no light without a source of light.
He lived in an age when men used
lamps instead of incandescent
lights. If he lived today, He would
probably have employed the figure
of the electric light and the switch
which connects it or disconnects it
from the powerhouse.

We are connected with God when
we have faith, when we pray, when
we yield ourselves to Him so that
His will is done in our lives and in
our homes. And so long as we are
connected with the powerhouse, our
lives glow. They become dark and
without guidance only when in our
folly we switch off the power of
neglect to turn it on.

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SANTA CLAUS SPEAKING:

(Associated Press Features)
We're partners this year,
Johnny Jones—you and I
and Uncle Sam. "Other
Christmases, maybe, you
didn't think so much about
Uncle Sam—his day was the
Fourth of July, with fire-
crackers and parades and
bands playing. But this
Christmas is different.

"We want you to have
just as much fun as ever,
Uncle Sam and I. We want
you to hang up your stock-
ing in the same mantelpiece
and go tip-toe down the
stairs at the first streak of
dawn to open your presents,
just like always. We want
to be sure you'll have a
Christmas next year, too,
and the next and the next
year, too, until you have
children of your very own to
hang up their stockings, too.

"That's why you're get-
ting a War Bond or Stamps
this Christmas, Johnny, in-
stead of some of the toys
and things you wrote down
in your letter to me. I fig-
ured you'd rather have them
than that electric train,
when you stopped to think
about it.

"You see, Johnny, your
War Stamps make you a sol-
dier, too, just like you'd be
if you were big enough to
shoot a gun or fly a plane or
drive a real tank instead of
this toy one here. They
mean you hold a stake in
America. They mean some-
day you can tell your chil-
dren, just like this:

"Yes, Sir! There'll al-
ways be a Santa Claus!"

American Pluck

I LOVE HIM NOT,
I LOVE HIM NOT!



WASHINGTON IN WARTIME

By JACK STINNETT

Washington—After a year of war-
fare, the home front is finally form-
ing.

It certainly took a bit of doing.
National defense is more than three
years old, but it wasn't until just
the other day that the important
general headquarters on the home
front were all established and the
respective field marshals established
with their general staffs.

There still are scores of overlap-
ping responsibilities but the picture
is beginning to clarify.
Consider how long we have been
in this war and consider how recent
were President Roosevelt's sweep-
ing directives which created: (a)
James P. Byrnes as director of eco-
nomic stabilization, with more pow-
ers than you can shake a big club at,
but most important perhaps
supervision over Leon Henderson's
price administration rationing ag-
ency; (b) Paul V. McNutt, head of
the War Relocation Authority,
with supervision over Selective Ser-
vice, and all the power over labor
that the President has yet been
granted; and (c) Claude R. Wickard,
as food czar, with the responsi-
bility of feeding the public, the
military forces and our hungry al-
lies.

Back of this has been the reor-
ganization of the War Production
Board with the rise to power of
Charles E. Wilson and Ferdinand
Eberstadt, much of the confusion
that has racked WPB Chief Donald
M. Nelson's unwieldy staff may be
cleared up.

In addition, Secretary of Interior

Harold L. Ickes, after turning down
the tentative manpower commission
offer, has been given new and all-
important controls over petroleum.
William M. Jeffers has been made
national rubber administrator and
that whole troublesome problem
bounced squarely onto his doorstep.
In any consideration of the home
front, one is likely to overlook Dr.
James M. Landis, who, as director
of the Office of Civilian Defense,
has an estimated 11,000,000 man-
woman-and-child army in the field.
They do everything from getting in
the scrap to patrolling our coastal
seaplanes.

There is also Joseph B. Eastman,
director of the Office of Defense
Transportation, who has more to
say about traveling America's get-
ting about the country than any
other person. Elmer Davis, whose
Office of War Information is telling
us (as well as the rest of the world)
what we can be told about it all.

One might add U. S. Attorney
General Francis Biddle and J. Ed-
gar Hoover's FBI; and perhaps
Rear Admiral Emory S. Land's U.
S. Maritime Commission, which is
responsible for producing and ser-
vicing the millions of tons of war-
time shipping.

This is the home front. With a
few exceptions, none of these men
had such powers a year ago as they
have today.

The interesting thing is that this
is the first time in World War II
the home front has presented a solid
battle line. There may be changes
in the commands from time to time,
but at least the home front is now
organized to take the offensive.

The WAR TODAY

(Continued from page one)
one is chary of applying any such
term as suicidal to Rommel's task.

We can say however the odds are
against him right now and his high-
ly improbable that either he or Hit-
ler believes northern Africa can be
held for long.

Rommel's debacle at El Alamein
at the end of October stripped him
pretty clean.

The worst aspect of his situation,
however, lies in the fact he has slim
reinforcements from Europe to pull
him through. He's getting some aid,
mainly by air, and so are the Axis
forces in Tunisia.

Hitler undoubtedly will manage to
send more help to both these theat-
ers, especially in air power, but the
angers which beset him on the con-
tinent both by land and air are
compelling him to keep strong
forces there.

If it were possible for him to de-
tach a large proportion of his best
units for use in Africa his chances
of keeping a toehold on the dark
continent would be improved vastly,
but he dares not strip Europe of
air power.

British and American bombers
are pouring destruction on Ger-
many and the Italian dependencies.
The Russians are tearing at Nazi
lines and a potential allied invasion
of the continent menaces him from
diverse directions. He would be mad
to denude Europe of defenses.

Therefore we see the Nazi al-
lighest staging a holding operation
in Africa to give him time to get
set for action in Europe. He must
consolidate his position in an Italy
which, so to speak, sits under the
big guns of the allies and could de-
sert him if it had the physical
strength to throw him out of the
country.

He must halt that Russian off-
ensive if he is to prevent it from
crashing through his eastern de-
fenses. He must avert an invasion
through southern and western
France and other points. And he
must maintain large forces in the
occupied countries to prevent an
uprising.

Despite all this I believe we must
expect hard fighting in the African
campaign. Rommel isn't a quitter,
and the stubborn resistance of the
Axis forces in Tunisia indicates a
determination to hang on to the
last and at least fulfill the mission
of standing off the allies while Hit-
ler consolidates his defenses at home.

PUBLIC FORUM

DISCUSSING PROBLEMS
OF INTEREST TO THIS
COMMUNITY. IN ALL
CASES NAMES MUST
ACCOMPANY ANY
COMMUNICATION

TIME TO TAKE STOCK
If one will pause and check on
themselves at the close of this year
it will be found that in the rush
and excitement of life's activities
that you will find so many things
that went the wrong way can be
made right. It is well to have a few
questions to guide you. Ask your-
self if I have done my best this year
to help make others happy? Have I
made as many friends as I
should? Have I put forth any ef-
fort to keep them? Do I see the
good that others do? Am I consid-
erate of others? Am I doing my best
to help win this war? Have I done
my best for my church and my
country, and am I true to my God
and fellow man?

We are thankful that we have an-
other chance to start over again.
Let us help in every way we can
to meet the nation's needs by the
increased production of more food
and food for freedom.

Join hands in every program and
help to put it across. Help to share
the meat for victory. Remember
that our armed forces must get

Two Girls and a Man

Chapter 17
Clouds In The East

The dull, red glow of the late af-
ternoon sun cast a pinkish sheen
over the peach satin striped wall
paper of Gloria's boudoir; the
blonde furniture and the apple-
green silk chaise longue on which
Gloria had flung herself with an
air of apathetic listlessness.

It was like she had said to Pat-
ty Wilcox that afternoon, "If you
ask me this war is a pain in the
neck, the army and navy have grab-
bed up every eligible man in New
York. They shoot about keeping up
your morale! How the devil is a
girl going to keep up her morale
without a man around to take her
places?"

A few months ago everything had
been so different. Men falling over
themselves to take her to tea dan-
ces, formal at the country club,
horse shows, pool games and re-
ceptions. That was her kind of a world
like an overgrown puppet show—all
you did was pull little strings and
everything happened just as you
wanted it to.

Her full, red lips narrowed into a
hard straight line when she thought
of the way Clark Pasquin had walk-
ed out of her life—silently she vow-
ed again, "I'm going to have that
man to myself if it's the last thing
I ever do."

A gentle knock at her door pulled
her back suddenly to the imperfect
world of realities. Her maid came in
bringing a telegram. Gloria tore it
open. It was from Duffy. In the
fading light she could just read the
words.

"He found her in spite of me.
Looks like it was love in bloom for
sure this time."
She read it again and again. Her
round, black eyes seemed to kindle
into little fires. A tautness drew her
face into a set stare. Then sudden-
ly she laughed mirthlessly, and with
a kind of burning excitement. "Oh
no, it isn't," she said between set
teeth. "I'll get that man now if—"

Worried Banker
After dinner that night, Gloria
absorbed in tense thoughts, was
curled into a deep, red leather chair
her jet dinner dress molding her
lovely figure, her skin like old iv-
ory, a sparkling diamond bow pin
set in the shimmering cascades of
her blue-black hair.

William Cunningham, almost lost
in a haze of fragrant cigar
smoke, was re-reading two letters
"I think in all my years in the
banking business," he said heavily
"this Ralston case is the strangest
I have ever known."

"Ralston?" Gloria came out of her
musing with sudden interest. "You
mean that girl from the West—
whose father died? What's happen-
ed now?"

"Well, the letter I wrote her
promising to extend her father's
note was returned," worried Cun-
ningham. "It was marked 'Address
unknown.' She seems to have dis-
appeared into the blue. And because
of her failure to appear for nego-
tiations, I'm afraid the bank is go-
ing to take over the ranch."

Gloria concealed a sharp twinge
of guilt and fear. If her father ev-
er found out she had started Rita's
mistresses by her mischievous tel-
ephone call!

But Cunningham was mulling over
the second letter. "Now today I
get a letter signed by a Sam Ar-
len, one of the stockholders of the
orange concentrating plant, telling
me they've been unable to find any
complete records of the business."

Gloria's gaze snapped up hope-
fully. "You mean her father did
something crooked?"
"Oh no not that!" Cunning-
ham's voice was stern. "Tom Ral-
ston was the soul of honor. A
meat."

The neighborhood leaders are
asked to do all they can in helping
to see that their families "share the
meat for victory."

Your work as a leader is very im-
portant, your help is a great con-
tribution to the war front.
Christmas is just around the cor-
ner. Don't do anything that you
will regret in the new year. Boys
watch the match. Be careful where
you throw it. Remember to think of
the neighbor next to you, see that
Christmas day will be cheerful for
them too. If we all think of the
one next to us, the shortage of gas
will not keep the county from being
checked over to see that all have a
Merry Christmas and a happy new
year.

D. D. DUPREE,
Negro County Agent.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS



Stop Spending, and Save for the
future. That has been good ad-
vice since biblical days. You can-
not buy tires today, but you can
start saving to buy that new set of
tires when they go on the market
again.

Your regular investment of ten
percent or more of your earnings in
War Bonds through your Payroll
Savings Plan will provide the neces-
sary funds to buy those tires later
and help win the war now. Let's
"Top that Ten Percent" by New
Year's." **D. S. Treasury Department**

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.
In The Superior Court.
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.

**J. H. Biggs and wife, Sarah Pace
Biggs, Albert S. Peble, Jr.,
Defendants.**

Under and by virtue of the judg-
ment made and entered in the
above-entitled cause in the Superi-
or Court of Pitt County, dated No-
vember 9, 1942, the undersigned
commissioner will, on the 14th day
of December, 1942, at 12 o'clock
noon, at the courthouse door in
Greenville, North Carolina, sell at
public auction to the highest bid-
der for cash, subject to the confir-
mation of the court, the property
hereinafter described, located in the
County of Pitt, State of North Car-
olina, and more particularly de-
scribed as follows:

Being 15 acres of land known as
the Ed Conner land, lying and be-
ing in Pactolus Township, more
particularly described in that deed
recorded in Book B-14, at page 359
of the Pitt County Public Registry.
Dated this the 10th day of No-
vember, 1942.

ROBERT BOOTH, Commissioner.
No. 21-11w-4wk.

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.
In The Superior Court.
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.

**Catherine Roberson and husband,
O. P. Roberson, Defendants.**

Under and by virtue of the judg-
ment made and entered in the
above-entitled cause in the Superi-
or Court of Pitt County, dated No-
vember 9, 1942, the undersigned
commissioner will, on the 14th day
of December, 1942, at 12 o'clock
noon, at the door of the courthouse
of Pitt County in Greenville, North
Carolina, sell at public auction to
the highest bidder for cash, subject
to the confirmation of the court,
the property hereinafter described,
located in the County of Pitt, State
of North Carolina, and more partic-
ularly described as follows:

Being 28.65 acres in Pactolus
Township, more particularly de-
scribed in deed recorded in Book
E-17 at page 303 of the Pitt County
Public Registry.
Dated this the 10th day of No-
vember, 1942.

ROBERT BOOTH, Commissioner.
No. 21-11w-4wk.

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.
In The Superior Court.
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.

**J. E. Joyner and wife, Mary B.
Joyner, Charles V. Albright, Jr.,
for Va. Chem. Corp.,
Defendants.**

Under and by virtue of the judg-
ment made and entered in the
above-entitled cause in the Superi-
or Court of Pitt County, dated No-
vember 9, 1942, the undersigned
commissioner will, on the 14th day
of December, 1942, at 12 o'clock
noon, at the door of the courthouse
of Pitt County in Greenville, North
Carolina, sell at public auction to
the highest bidder for cash, subject
to the confirmation of the court,
the property hereinafter described,
located in the County of Pitt, State
of North Carolina, and more partic-
ularly described as follows:

Being Lots Nos. 6, 7, 8 and 9 and
10 in Block 11 as recorded in Map
Book 1, at page 2 of the Pitt Coun-
ty Public Registry, lying and being
in Beaver Dam Township and being
part of the Arthur and Mumford
subdivision as recorded in Book U-12
at page 122 of the Pitt County Pub-
lic Registry.
Dated this the 10th day of No-
vember, 1942.

ROBERT BOOTH, Commissioner.
Nov. 21-11w-4wk.

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.
In The Superior Court.
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.

**Will H. Elks, Etta Butt Elks, and
H. L. Hardy, Mtgee, Defendants.**

Under and by virtue of the judg-
ment made and entered in the
above-entitled cause in the Superi-
or Court of Pitt County, dated No-
vember 9, 1942, the undersigned
commissioner will, on the 14th day
of December, 1942, at 12 o'clock
noon, at the door of the courthouse
of Pitt County in Greenville, North
Carolina, sell at public auction to
the highest bidder for cash, subject
to the confirmation of the court,
the property hereinafter described,
located in the County of Pitt, State
of North Carolina, and more partic-
ularly described as follows:

Being 55 acres in Swift Creek
Township and being the second
tract described in that deed record-
ed in Book Q-12 at page 418 of the
Pitt County Public Registry.
Dated this the 10th day of No-
vember, 1942.

ROBERT BOOTH, Commissioner.
Nov. 21-11w-4wk.

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.
In The Superior Court.
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.

**W. G. Speight and wife of W. G.
Speight, and Town of Farmville,
Defendants.**

Under and by virtue of the judg-
ment made and entered in the
above-entitled cause in the Superi-
or Court of Pitt County, dated No-
vember 9, 1942, the undersigned
commissioner will, on the 14th day
of December, 1942, at 12 o'clock
noon, at the door of the courthouse
of Pitt County in Greenville, North
Carolina, sell at public auction to
the highest bidder for cash, sub-
ject to the confirmation of the court,
the property hereinafter describ-
ed, located in the County of Pitt, State
of North Carolina, and more partic-
ularly described as follows:

Being Lot No. 100 according to
that map recorded in Map Book
at page 26 and in that deed record-
ed in Book C-11 at page 335 of the
Pitt County Public Registry.
Dated this the 10th day of No-
vember, 1942.

ROBERT BOOTH, Commissioner.
Nov. 21-11w-4wk.

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.
In The Superior Court.
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.

**Alonzo Speight and Town
Farmville, Defendants.**

Under and by virtue of the judg-
ment made and entered in the
above-entitled cause in the Superi-
or Court of Pitt County, dated No-
vember 9, 1942, the undersigned
commissioner will, on the 14th day
of December, 1942, at 12 o'clock
noon, at the door of the courthouse
of Pitt County in Greenville, North
Carolina, sell at public auction to
the highest bidder for cash, subject
to the confirmation of the court,
the property hereinafter describ-
ed, located in the County of Pitt, State
of North Carolina, and more partic-
ularly described as follows:

Being Lot No. 99 in Lincoln Pa-
rsonage according to that map record-
ed in Map Book C-11 at page 26 and in
deed recorded in Book C-11 at page
235 of the Pitt County Public Re-
gistry.
Dated this the 10th day of No-
vember, 1942.

ROBERT BOOTH, Commissioner.
Nov. 21-11w-4wk.

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.
In The Superior Court.
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.

**H. B. Strong and wife of H. B.
Strong, Hubert Hart and wife,
H. B. Hart, Defendants.**

Under and by virtue of the judg-
ment made and entered in the
above-entitled cause in the Superi-
or Court of Pitt County, dated No-
vember 9, 1942, the undersigned
commissioner will, on the 14th day
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noon, at the door of the courthouse
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Carolina, sell at public auction to
the highest bidder for cash, sub-
ject to the confirmation of the court,
the property hereinafter describ-
ed, located in the County of Pitt, State
of North Carolina, and more partic-
ularly described as follows:

Lying and being in Ayden Town-
ship, and being Lots 6 and 7 of
Washington Heights property, more
particularly described in that deed
recorded in Book S-12 at page 249 of
the Pitt County Public Registry.
Dated this the 10th day of No-
vember, 1942.

ROBERT BOOTH, Commissioner.
Nov. 21-11w-4wk.

NOTICE OF SALE

State of North Carolina,
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.
In The Superior Court.
County of Pitt, Plaintiff.

**R. Shirley Taylor and wife,
Mike Peters and Kate Pe-
ters, R. S. Taylor and wife, Paul
Taylor, Defendants.**

Under and by virtue of the judg-
ment made and entered in the
above-entitled cause in the Superi-
or Court of Pitt County, dated No-
vember 9, 1942, the undersigned
commissioner will, on the 14th day
of December, 1942, at 12 o'clock
noon, at the door of the courthouse
of Pitt County in Greenville, North
Carolina, sell at public auction to
the highest bidder for cash, sub-
ject to the confirmation of the court,
the property hereinafter describ-
ed, located in the County of Pitt, State
of North Carolina, and more partic-
ularly described as follows:

Being 25 acres of Clark land,
Pactolus Township, more partic-
ularly described according to that
deed recorded in Book W-16 at page
529 of the Pitt County Public Re-
gistry.
Dated this the 10th day of No-
vember, 1942.

ROBERT BOOTH, Commissioner.
Nov. 21-11w-4wk.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1 Asterisk
5 Enclose; poetic
8 Send
12 Ancient, thus
13 Tripartite
14 Skin
15 Spoken
16 Have debt
17 English idiom
18 Courts
19 Books of the
20 Operative
21 Flag
22 Soft
23 West Indian
24 Metallog of
25 Including
26 Worship
27 Old time
28 Poetic
29 Former word
30 of the sea-
son of spring
31 Cotton fabric
32 Shout
33 Groggery
34 Edible seeds
35 English idiom
36 Four-base hits
37 Dark spot
38 by an opaque
39 subject
40 Device for
treating
41 cloth
42 Also
43 Small inlet
44 Actual
45 Kind of ape
46 City in Iowa
47 Assert to be
untrue

DOWN
10 Piece out
11 Caused to go
12 DOWN
13 Halt
14 Notice
15 Russian puzzle
16 Enjoy
17 Musical in-
strument
18 Enclosure for
bees
19 God of wood
20 Toward
21 Seats in church
22 Toward
23 Alternative of
either
24 Connected to a
particular
place
25 Habitual
26 Mother Goose
character
27 Shelter
28 Fruit
29 At no time
30 Everlasting
31 Before, prefa-
ce
32 Conjunction
33 Correctly
34 City in Minne-
sota
35 A man's hom-
e
36 Braul
37 Son of Judah
38 Exclamation
39 Vigorously
40 S-shaped mold
41 Intend
42 Sensitive
43 Cupola
44 Baking cham-
ber
45 Foundation at
bridge
46 Tree

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TO PICK BOWL HOST TONIGHT

Two Western Teams Battle For Honor Today

Los Angeles, Dec. 12—(AP)—The honor of representing the far west in the Rose Bowl New Year's day was at stake as the UCLA Bruins came to grips today with Southern California.

The outcome was regarded as a tossup, with the breaks likely to determine which shall oppose Georgia in Pasadena.

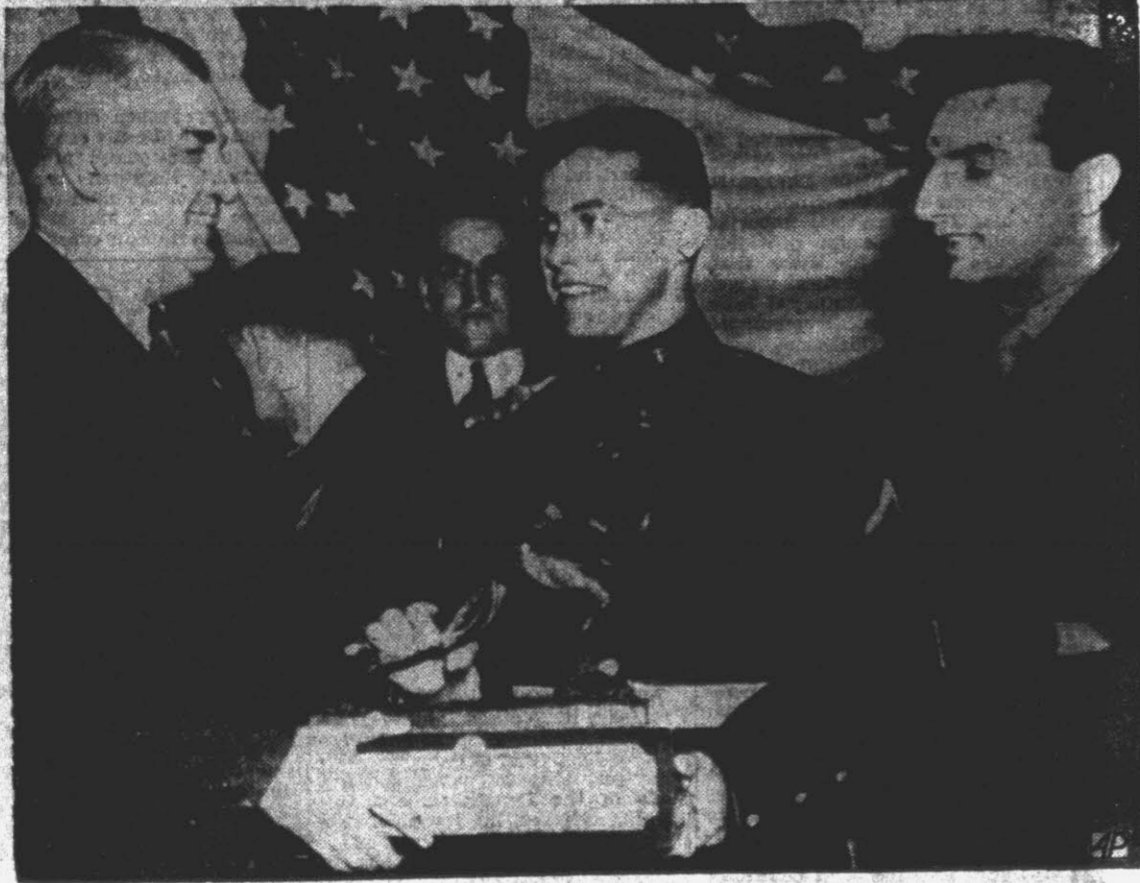
Southern California hasn't been able this year to beat a team employing the "T" formation and UCLA's "QT" adaptation may give the Trojans trouble with Al Solari exploding into the secondary on quick-opening plays.

Pacific Coast conference athletic representatives will select Georgia's opponent in a telephone vote expected to be completed at 9 o'clock (Pacific War Time) tonight. If UCLA wins, she undoubtedly will be selected, but she also may be the team if she gets no better than a tie. U. S. C., likewise, was expected to be the nominee if she wins. She never has lost to the Bruins in nine years.

The consensus seems to be that the game will be a test between the superlatively passing of the Bruins' Bob Waterfield, and the versatile running attack of the Trojans.

But it also must be emphasized that U. C. L. A. is not lacking in a running attack itself, and that U. S. C. possesses some competent pitchers.

Sinkwich Gets Award As Best Football Player



Voted the best football player of 1942, Frank Sinkwich (center), halfback star from the University of Georgia, receives the John W. Heisman trophy in New York from Joseph R. Taylor (left), president of the New York Downtown Athletic club. At the right is Paul Governali, sec. passer for Columbia, who received second in the voting. The award shows here is the master trophy on which the names of all winners are inscribed. It is retained by the Downtown Athletic club. Because of priorities, it was impossible to get 25 pounds of metal needed to make a bronze copy of the trophy for Sinkwich. But he'll get it after the war.

Northern Side



Jefferson Davis (above), University of Missouri football center who has the same name as the president of the Confederate States, will play for the northern team in the annual Blue and Gray post-season football game at Montgomery, Ala., December 26. The executive committee of the game decided the issue after some officials had argued that Missouri is a southern state.

who write frequently to their friends in the armed forces can qualify as good sports.

Hence he suggests that all sports scribes should occasionally remind their readers to write more often.

Cleaning The Cuff

The Duquesne and Penn State football teams, which don't meet officially, have played three successive ties in practice tilts. ... The Brigham Young U. basketball team, which isn't scheduled to play in Washington, is going there anyway to see the sights. ... The players will be quartered in the Mormon church. ... When the boxing writers get around to voting on the Eddie Neill trophy award to the fighter who has done the most for boxing in 1942, it probably will go to Barney Ross without an argument.

Fibers of rubber are occasionally found in coal; miners call them "monkey hairs."

Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLESTON, JR.
Wide World Sports Columnist

New York (Dec. 12—AP)—Gerry Nugent, who apparently prefers to sell the Phils piecemeal instead of in one chunk, had a date with Branch Rickey last night. ... The subject of their conversation wasn't disclosed, of course, but Rickey has become a buyer instead of a seller since he left St. Louis and we hear that when somebody offers for the \$300,000 for the Phils' franchise his reply was that he could get that much for four of his players. ... Bub Kurland, the seven-foot center who will play for the Oklahoma Aggies against the C. C. N. Y. basketball team tonight, is a real problem child for pullman porters. Too big for a regular berth, he drew a makeshift sleeping place coming here from Buffalo and tumbled out of it three times. ... Jimmy Johnson finally has located Freddie Fiducia, the heavyweight who disappeared just after Jimmy brought his contract, and has signed him up for two years.

Program Notes

Clark Shaughnessy, who has been scouting the Redskins for the best pessimistic about Chicago's chances in the pro football playoff tomorrow. In fact, he doesn't see how the Bears can win by more than two touchdowns. ... But a couple of weeks ago the Giants' Jack Mara whispered that he wouldn't be surprised to see the Bears make it 7-0 again. ... Incidentally, Sammy Baugh, the Bears' most dangerous back is little Ray McLean, who can do everything George McAfee did and do some things better than George. ... As for the rest, "They hit you awful hard, but they always pick you up," says Baugh.

Today's Guest Star

Hal Wood, Twin Falls (Idaho) Times-News: ODT Director Joseph B. Eastman's order permitting team baseball travel to one of the finest things that could happen to sports. Because, while the minor leagues may have to carry the brunt of the baseball blow, the retention of baseball in the big top will still provide the incentive and it will assure the continuance of baseball after the war."

Good Sports

Letter-writing hardly comes under the heel of a sports event, but Hugo Germino, Durham (N. C.) Sun columnist, points out that folks

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their troubles. I refer to the proxies which are sent out once a year and which 95 per cent of investors sign like blind monkeys. Hence, the question—Should a small investor ever sign a proxy unless the dividends received and the company's general policy are satisfactory to him? Certainly, investors who blindly sign and return proxies have no standing in court.

Investors Are Very Lazy
I know of no company whose stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange where the directors and their friends own a majority of the stock. In most cases all the directors combined own only about 5 per cent of the stock. The balance of the stock is usually distributed through thousands or perhaps a 100,000 small stockholders. I am not advising it, but I do say that if you and other small stockholders would only go on a "sit-down" strike and sign no proxies for a while it would be impossible to hold the next annual meeting. Then the management would frantically write and ask you what is the reason for your not sending in to them your proxy

You would then have a chance to tell them. I promise you the result would be better dividends on your stock.

In other words, small investors, in order to get results, do not need to go to Washington or hire a lawyer, or do anything else but refuse to vote. Of course, if the president of the corporation writes and asks you what the trouble is and you are too lazy to answer the letter, then the fault will be squarely up to you. Unfortunately, I fear too many small investors are too lazy to write corporation officials and tell them what they want.

Family Companies Need a Shaking
Too much stock of most corporations is held by children, grandchildren and trustees who have no knowledge of the business. The stock has descended to these people who did nothing to deserve it. It almost seems as if too many companies are being operated from celebrities rather than from efficient offices. Yet, on the votes of these "old friends" too many managements depend. These dry bones need to be shaken and this can best be done by the small stockholders. If investors would only appreciate the power of the proxy, their dividends received would increase and the

value of their stocks would go up. This especially is true in the case of certain utility and insurance companies operated under management contracts.

All of this means that if you are satisfied that the companies in which you have your money invested are being honestly and efficiently operated and are paying a fair rate of dividend, then sign and return the proxies which are mailed to you. On the other hand, if you are dissatisfied, do not depend upon the government or anyone else to help you out. Refuse to sign any proxy but instead write the company that you want the directors to give you better results before you will permit them to be re-elected.

Independent Proxy Committees

One difficulty with Germany, Italy, and Japan is that they have only one political party. The hope of the United States and the other democracies lies with the two-party system. The German, if he goes to the polls, must vote for Hitler. There is no opposition party for whom he can vote. Those of us who are citizens of the United States can go to the polls and vote for the party in power or we can vote for the opposition. This means that a nation is much safer and certainly the citizens are better off, when there is a strong opposition party.

The same principle applies to corporations. Most corporations are today operated on the Nazi system with one party and one ballot—the ballot being printed so as to keep in power the present management. The future hope of the American investor is to develop the two-party system with two ballots offered for each annual meeting—one endorsing the present management and the other appealing for a change in management. When such a voting system exists, you will see better earnings, larger dividends and higher stock prices.

Conclusion

Of course, I'll be severely criticized by many corporation officials for taking investors into my confidence this way. These managements are dependent on their salaries; many of them are getting so old that they cannot get a job elsewhere. Hence, they resent any interference by a "poor country boy" like me. Furthermore, I have hesitated a long time before speaking out in meeting in this way. At last, however, I am determined to do so. Moreover, I am going to keep some extra copies of this column on my desk to send to investors who write me long tales of woe.

Junior Red Cross To Cheer Soldiers

Teachers and students of the city schools will be interested to know that on December 1 a letter was received from Hilda Kerker, assistant field director of the American Red Cross, thanking the Junior Red Cross for the attractive Thanksgiving favors, 1,000 paper napkins, table decorations, etc., sent to Camp Davis and New River hospitals, Mrs. J. B. James, Junior Red Cross chair-



TOUGHENING UP—Future pilots for Uncle Sam's Naval air arm toughen up on this scaling ladder at Amherst, Mass.

Seal of Life

More than two million lives have been saved since 1907 through tuberculosis Christmas Seals. But millions of people are still in danger from tuberculosis, more this year than last, for this country is facing a wartime rise in the disease.

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THIMBLE THEATRE - Starring Popeye



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GET MY PRICES ON PAPER shell bearing pecan trees.

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Surviving are four sons, Claude, Bruce and Howard Thigpin of Greenville, and Benny Thigpin of the U. S. Navy; two daughters, Mrs.

Animal Keeper Is Killed By Tiger

Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Dec. 12 - (AP) - Wallace Ayers, 25, an animal keeper at Clyde Beatty's zoo and lion farm, was killed yesterday by the claws and teeth of a tiger, which in turn was killed by a black bear.

Allies Smash... (Continued from page one) resulted of only 16 prisoners. Additional Japanese casualties were still to be reported, the communiqué said.

Trade Body... (Continued from page one) ing Greenville; support of application of Ricks Motor Lines for extension of bus routes; continued cooperation with city and county officials on the municipal airport; additional efforts to obtain better mail service; continued resistance to proposal of motor carriers to increase freight rates from the Norfolk area; assistance to members and other shippers in obtaining certificate of war necessity for operation of transport trucks; and completion of arrangements with radio station WGTC to broadcast a weekly program entitled "Action on the Home Front," which contains timely information for businessmen on topics of interest.

Allied Bombing... (Continued from page one) day night. Reports from the English south coast saying that the roar of east-bound planes was audible for more than an hour last evening made it clear that a large force had set out on the long jaunt across the Alps but the raiders were said to have encountered almost unbelievably bad weather immediately after crossing the channel.

Allied Bombing... (Continued from page one) Dense cloud banks more than four miles thick forced the planes to a high altitude, where they encountered intense cold which coated their wings with a dangerously heavy load of ice.

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