

WEATHER

Mostly cloudy with little change in temperature. Light rain in west portion this afternoon and tonight, and in east portion tonight. Wednesday mostly cloudy and cooler.

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LABOR BOARD ACTION ENDS STEEL STRIKE

Strikers Returning To Work With Assurance That New Contracts Will Be Retroactive

Pittsburgh, Dec. 28—(AP)—A one-day walkout by more than 170,000 steel workers appeared ended today by the granting of their demands for possible retroactive pay from new contracts now being negotiated.

Reports from the scores of plants in nine states which were closed by the work stoppages showed most of the men were obeying orders telegraphed last night by Philip Murray, president of the CIO United Steelworkers of America, to resume "uninterruptedly" the production of steel.

Murray's instructions were dispatched a few minutes after the War Labor Board in Washington issued a directive which incorporated suggestions of President Roosevelt that retroactive pay be guaranteed.

Steel operators had little alternative but to accept the order. Reports in informed sources were that the War Production Board would readily consider requests for higher steel prices, which Benjamin F. Fairless, president of the U. S. Steel Corp., said some time ago would be necessary to cover any added cost such as more pay to the workers.

Republic Steel Corp., largest of 21 companies whose contracts with the union expired at midnight Christmas Eve, precipitating the crisis, estimated it would require "about 48 hours" for production to return to normal.

More than half of Pennsylvania's 40,000 idle went back to work to follow on the afternoon and evening shifts. Ohio reported big turnouts from its army of more than 80,000 idle.

The 20,000 employees of Wheeling Steel in Ohio and West Virginia were slow in responding to the back-to-work order but a company spokesman said it "seemed reasonable" to assume operations would be restarted during the day.

The break in the crisis came just as steel production dropped to its lowest rate since 1940 when America's defense program began its "all-out" production campaign to win the war.

The labor board, in agreeing to retroactivity by an 8-0 vote, reversed the stand labor members of the board took last Wednesday, when they voted down a virtually identical proposition made by the public members.

It was this refusal by the board which on Christmas eve caused Murray to announce the board's action created an "erratic situation" quickly reflected in walkouts the next day at major steel mills in Ohio.

Murray, in his announcement to terminate the work stoppage declared of the board's reversal.

"This action upon the part of the National Labor Board at the direction of the President of the United States will correct the grave situation created by the National Labor Board."

The CIO chief ordered telegrams dispatched at once to local union and district officials directing "full compliance" with the latest board action.

"You are further advised of the need of continuing uninterrupted the production of steel and steel products essential to the war needs of our nation. This is in conformity with our organization's non-strike policy."

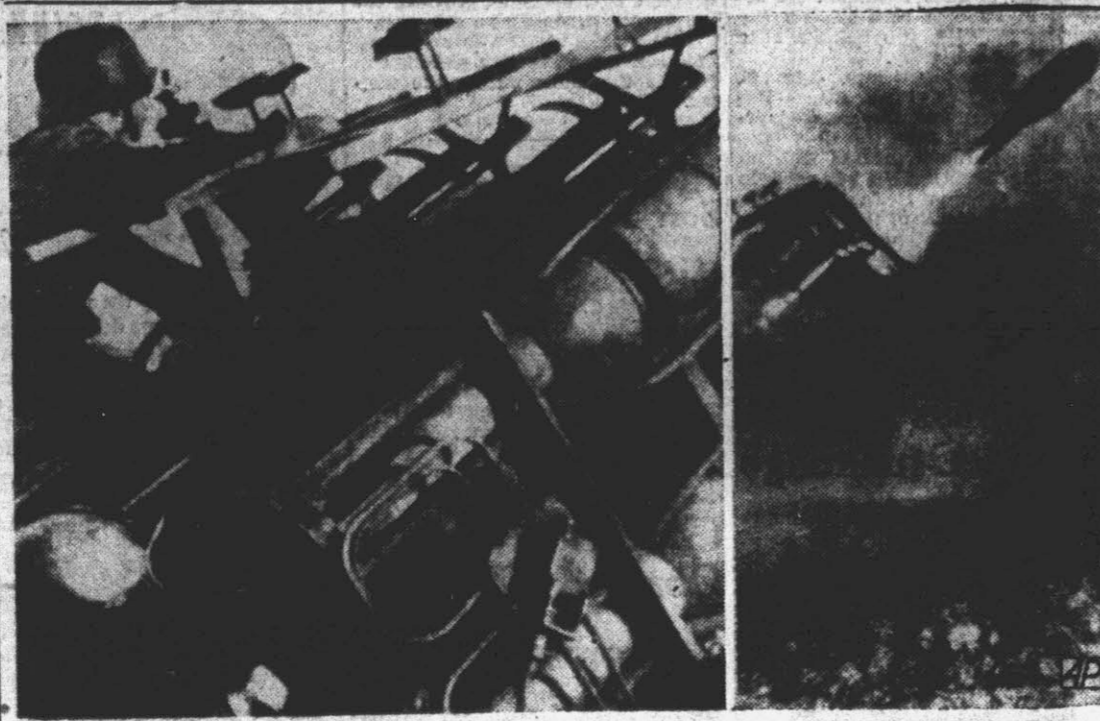
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"After several hours of the fiercest action," the broadcast added, "the Scharnhorst was encircled by our ships."

Germans Describe This as a New Rocket Gun in Action



The captions of these German pictures describe them as (left) showing a gunner sighting a new rocket gun, while a companion, lower left, connects one of the six de tomors which fire as many rockets. The Nazis claimed they, in quick succession; and (right) the first of the six rockets a few minutes after the first firing. The pictures were taken Friday to have used the new guns the first time Thursday night to shell England's coast. (AP Wirephotos).

America's Entire Railroad System Under Army Control

MORE WORK AT AIRPORT Greater Use To Be Made of Field By Marines

Improvements continue to be made at the county-city airport, now under lease to the Navy Department, making it possible for the field to more adequately meet the needs of the Marines as an air training and flying base.

The work of extending the third runway to a total length of 5,000 feet is progressing under the Civil Aeronautics Authority, while the Navy Department has under way a plan for a quarter of a million dollars worth of improvements including an eight-inch water main, a military road leading to the field, an adequate sewerage system and additional concrete warming-up aprons to take care of the planes now stationed at the field and others that might be brought in later.

The actual work on the water mains and the grading for the concrete aprons got under way yesterday and the surveys for the sewer system are nearing completion.

Between 200 and 300 Marines are already undergoing training here and another contingent is expected to arrive sometime in the near future, bringing the total number of officers and men stationed here to approximately 700. At present the majority of those stationed here are quartered at the NYA center.

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President Roosevelt Acts to Avert Strike That Might Cripple War Moves

Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—The army was in full control of the nation's railroads today, prepared to use troops if necessary to keep the trains moving.

In a special press conference, Secretary of War Stimson and Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell, chief of army service forces, made these points about operation of the railroads committed to army direction last night by President Roosevelt.

1. The railroads will be kept operating.

2. Troops with railroad experience are being concentrated and will fill any manpower shortages, working in their uniforms at army pay.

3. Wages and labor conditions as of 7 o'clock last night will be frozen until the railroads return to civilian management. Somervell said this meant that President Roosevelt's arbitration award giving a four-cent-an-hour increase plus three cents in lieu of overtime to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen—the two operating unions which promptly cancelled a December 30 strike deadline at the President's request—would take effect.

4. Seven railroad presidents have been sworn into the army as colonels and will operate as many divisions of the national rail network. Several laws, including conspiracy statutes and the Smith-Connally act operate to prevent strikes by railroad employees, who are now federal employees.

Somervell and Stimson declared emphatically that the railroads would be kept operating.

Somervell said that in addition to having troops with railroad experience ready to fill in on any jobs where necessary, the army also planned to use its trucks should the need arise and to make available army stocks of vehicles and food to supplement any civilian shortages.

Stimson disclosed that work on detailed plans for operating the railroads had been underway before President Roosevelt signed his order for federal operation at 6:40 p. m. yesterday. At 7 o'clock the war secretary was able to issue orders to zone commanders of the nine service commands to act.

Beginning at that hour, 672 officers had started out with orders to take over each of more than 600 separate railroad organizations. Two officers were assigned to some of them.

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TROOPS TRAIN FOR INVASION Final Dress Rehearsal Now in Progress in England

By FRANKLIN BANKER

W. U. S. Troops in England, Dec. 28—(AP)—In the biggest war maneuvers ever held, thousands of American soldiers are getting practical training day and night for the forthcoming invasion of western Europe under Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Naval forces, and all kinds of army units, including amphibious infantry, artillery, armored and air forces, engineers and supply outfits, are participating in this massive dress rehearsal for assault.

This first all-American invasion practice of its size in Britain—a stepping stone for actual invasion—may be the last.

The operations extend over a desolate stretch of coast and for miles inland.

The exercises are much more advanced than the war games commonly seen in the United States. As in actual invasion, troops and tanks stream ashore under live gunfire from defending ground troops and planes simulating conditions under which the Americans one day will meet the Germans.

Casualties naturally result from these operations and the troops are hardened to take them as part of the war.

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NAZIS ADMIT EVACUATION OF KEY POSITION

Canadians Take Ortona; Fifth Army Captures Two More Important Heights

By RICHARD G. MASSOCK

Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Dec. 28—(AP)—The Germans were reported today to have turned flame throwers on Canadian Eighth army troops, who were battling their way at bayonet point through the streets of Ortona, in a grimly desperate defense of the Nazi communications to Rome from the east.

(The German Transocean News Agency announced the Germans had evacuated the Adriatic port.

Quoting "competent German quarters, the Berlin broadcast said Nazi forces, opposed by 'greatly superior enemy forces,' had withdrawn 'to well-prepared positions immediately to the north of the city.'")

The Germans, turning Ortona into a "miniature Stalingrad," had been fighting the Canadians there a week.

Both Canadian and Indian troops of the Eighth army took numerous prisoners in the bitter fighting for the port, a city of 9,000 situated 11 miles below Pescara.

Meanwhile American troops of the Fifth army, with the capture of two more heights, tightened their hold on the important Samuro mountain range overlooking the Germans' strongly-held San Vittore backdoor to Cassino and Rome.

On both the Fifth and Eighth army fronts intensive Allied patrol activity was reported. American patrols, completing the consolidation of their Samuro positions a mile and a half east of San Vittore, were sent down the southwest slopes to find the village strongly held by the Germans.

Southwest of Castel San Vincenzo in the center of the Italian front, fierce local battles were raging for a ridge called Catenella Degli Mairadi, while other Allied forces captured a high point in the Monte Marrone range.

Newsman Killed In South Pacific

Melbourne, Dec. 28—(AP)—Brydon Taves, Australian bureau manager of the United Press, and Pennington Arthur Raynor, Australian war correspondent, were killed in a plane crash while covering the American landings at Cape Gloucester, New Britain, Sunday morning.

Taves had been in Australia since January, 1942. He was married recently to Diana Parnham, Australian actress.

Raynor, fourth Australian correspondent killed in this war, represented the Melbourne Herald, Sydney Sun and the London Daily Mail in New Guinea.

Other correspondents were flying in a combat plane from an advanced northern operational base.

Speaks Tonight

Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—Secretary Stimson will speak on the War Department's operation of the railroads over a nationwide hookup of the four major radio networks at 7 p. m. EWT, tonight.

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New Russian Offensive Moving Swiftly Ahead

Ice Coats Fire-Swept Building



Ice coats the front of a factory in Chicago after firemen poured tons of water into the gutted structure in fighting a fire which wrecked four small manufacturing firms located in the building. Three firemen were hurt battling the flames which burned for nearly 18 hours. (AP Wirephoto)

American Destroyer Is Sunk Off New Britain

Small Transport Damaged; Marine Invasion at Cape Gloucester Progresses.

Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—An American destroyer was sunk and a small coastal transport ship damaged by Japanese bombs in the landings at Cape Gloucester on the western tip of New Britain island.

The ships were not identified nor was there any information as to the number of casualties.

Knox said Japanese claims, broadcast by the Tokyo radio, of the sinking of two heavy cruisers and two transports were "as fantastic as usual."

The loss of the destroyer and the damaging of the transport resulted from an air attack four or five hours after the operation started, he said, and were our only losses.

The two ships brought to a total of 134 the number of American naval craft lost since the war started. No details on the destroyer were given, but Knox said the small transport was only about 100 feet long.

The Tokyo radio quoted a Japanese communiqué as saying that two Allied cruisers and two transports had been sunk and three transports damaged by Japanese naval planes that attacked an invasion convoy off Cape Gloucester Sunday. The broadcast, recorded by U. S. government monitors, said that the Japanese garrison there is engaged in fierce fighting.

Advanced Allied Headquarters, New Guinea, Dec. 28—(AP)—Light and medium tanks moved along the road to the Cape Gloucester air-drome as American Marines spread their invasion front on two beachheads in western New Britain today.

OPA Sets New Liquor Prices

Washington, Dec. 28—(AP)—The OPA is reaching out to restrict prices of the new whiskies which have appeared on the market since ceilings were fixed in March, 1942.

Under its newest liquor price rule, effective Jan. 6, the OPA is imposing ceilings at the processor level on all domestic distilled spirits.

Since percentage distilled spirits, Kentucky, less hopeful of an early agreement, said he would be ready to start conferences next week with available members of the Banking Committee. Barkley and Senators Bankhead (D-Ala.) and Taft (R-Ohio) were named as a sub-committee to attempt to reach a compromise before the group approved legislation, later passed and signed by the President, which extends present subsidy payments until February 17.

Closing in on Vitebsk Cut Two More Roads Vital to Nazi Communications

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

Moscow, Dec. 28—(AP)—Nikolai Vatutin's First Ukrainian army swung southwest of Kiev to in a new plunge toward Rumania and the old Polish border, cutting two railroads out of the German fast-twirling network of communications and threatening the life of the enemy forces along the Dnieper river.

Vatutin's spectacular advance through the town of Andrushevka, 120 miles from the Rumanian frontier, was preceded by terrific air strikes. It carried his army forward approximately 40 miles from the starting point of his offensive in the Brusilov sector within 15 miles of the Zhitomir-Odessa lateral railway line.

This strategic railroad, which Nazi Marshal Fritz Von Manstein cleared at heavy cost by his ill-fated November tank offensive, again in informed sources, according to dispatches from the front.

Capture of Andrushevka put Russians 20 miles northeast of key rail city of Berdichev, closer than they were last week before Von Manstein's advance pushed them back from the Zhitomir-Kamianka sector. Berdichev, a major Axis railway focus, German forces in the Ukraine in Poland.

The Soviet forces, crossing west from Brusilov, turned east-west Pastov-Zhitomir rail and another line running south from Kiev to Vinnitsa and Zhitomir which controls the eastern end of the vital Warsaw-Checoslovakia network. They passed Vobuzhsk, town 70 miles southwest of Kiev.

Vitebsk, the White Russian fief zone which is the goal of their current Red offensive, was virtually isolated, following the success of the Vitebsk-Polotsk rail yesterday. Germans in the Polotsk sector have a single escape link leading south to Orsha, then southwest through Minsk to Poland.

Bagramian's troops killed Germans in their drive toward Vitebsk yesterday. The Russian advance, said, were reported to be within five miles of the city walls. Thirty small towns and villages were liberated during the drive. Soviet spearheads were reported within 10 miles of the Vitebsk-Orsha rail line.

In Vatutin's drive southwest toward southern Poland, Rumanian, Russian tank formations in the enemy lines, and Russian air forces, which destroyed at least 6,200 Nazis were slain on the day, boosting Axis casualties all fronts in four days to more than 26,000.

Berlin said that nearly 50 Russians were slaying at the man lines and Axis broadcasts fled anxiously over what the Soviet drive may portend.

Car and Truck Crash on Highway

A car driven by Johnny McHorn of Greenville and a truck driven by Tress Starn of Winterville were badly damaged in a sideswipe collision on the Bern highway near Cox Mill morning about 9:30. Several "lines riding with McHorn's slightly injured."

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British May Be Chasing Other German Warships

London, Dec. 28—(AP)—A Berlin announcement that several German surface units were engaged in the battle in which the British home fleet sank the 26,000-ton Nazi battleship Scharnhorst raised the possibility today that the Royal Navy still may be chasing other enemy warships which attacked a Russian-bound convoy.

This belief also was supported by the two brief statements released by the Admiralty which have followed the policy of withholding full details until an action is complete.

An Admiralty communiqué last night said:

"It is not yet possible to give a detailed account of the action in which the Scharnhorst was sunk. It can, however, be stated that the convoy was unharmed and only minor damage was sustained by two of his Majesty's ships."

A statement broadcast by DNB said that after the action began Sunday in the Arctic waters "the enemy succeeded, by a surprise move which owing to the prevailing poor visibility could not at first be discerned, in bringing up heavy units."

Honor Bo Farley At High School Tonight

"Bo" Farley, coach and athletic director at the Greenville high school, and members of the football squad will be honor guests at a supper at the school tonight at 6:30. Duke alumni members will also be guests. June H. Rose announced, Farley will leave tomorrow for Fort Bragg for induction into the Army.

After the supper tonight at 8:30, a motion picture of the recent Duke-Carolina football game will be shown. Admission is free and the public is invited.

Fire Alarm Today

The WAR TODAY AN ANALYSIS OF THE NEWS

By WILLIAM FRYE

Associated Press War Analyst

The prediction of General Eisenhower that Germany will be smashed in 1944 started military circles accustomed to speak much more cautiously of coming events, and brought the usual warning against over-optimism.

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Strength FOR THE DAY

By EARL L. DOUGLAS THE WHIP HAS ITS PLACE

Many of the pictures we see of Christ are mere caricatures. Many artists have loved to picture Him as a pale and weak exponent of moral resistance.

Those who hold such conceptions of the Master should read those descriptions in the Gospels of how He went into the Temple and cleaned out the money-changers with a whip. They were carrying on a despicable business within sacred precincts. Jesus did not hesitate to use force against them. He overturned the tables of the money-changers and with a whip drove them and the vendors of doves and other sacrificial victims before Him with a scourge.

The Christ of the whip! We seldom think of Christ as wielding the whip. He loved to refer to Himself as weak and lowly of heart, and we have so accepted that as an adequate description of Him that we forget how often His eyes flamed with anger and how on one occasion He raised His hand in violence. He would not tolerate any who used the sacred precincts of the Temple for carrying on a despicable racket which could not be dealt with by moral suasion. Even Christ Himself was driven to the whip.

Go in the lives of every one of us we can be sure that there are times when Christ must use the whip. If we will not listen to His words, we may, by the working of divine grace, be brought to submission by sterner means.

WASHINGTON IN WARTIME

By JACK STINNETT

Washington—Within a few weeks some 37 million Americans will begin receiving two little notices. These notices will be unpleasant reminders, no doubt, of an upcoming headache but my advice is not to part with them, either in disgust or carelessness. They'll be a tidy bit of help in alleviating said headaches.

Early in the new year employers will start distributing statements to employees listing their wages and the amount of income tax and Victory tax withheld from those wages in 1943. About the same time the collector of internal revenue will mail to income taxpayers statements specifying their tax on 1942 income and the portion of the tax they paid in 1943.

Federal income taxpayers—and they now include the vast majority of wage earners—will need these notices for filing out 1943 income reports due on or before March 15. This looks like the toughest tax-reporting job in U. S. history, what with new complications such as figuring whether you owe Uncle Sam more money or he owes you some after 1943 withholdings and other payments, and computing that unforfeited part of the 1942 or 1943 tax (whichever is larger).

The collector's statement of your 1943 tax, and your payment on it, will be in the same envelope as the income tax form. Hold on to both of 'em. After using the 1942 statement in making out your report for 1943, you will be expected to return it with the report to the collector. He needs it in checking your return.

The statement from your employer on withholdings will help you get full credit for taxes already paid. Another new angle which will complicate the return will be the computation of your Victory tax due for 1943, together with figuring the Victory tax credit. That credit varies with your marital status and the number of dependents you had during 1943.

And that isn't all. Besides the complete 1943 return, there is also due on March 15 another one of those pesky declarations to the disbursement of affected taxpayers and the internal revenue workers who handled their "guessees" on income.

The dither over the declaration business is going so strong that there is talk in congressional tax circles of abolishing the March 15 declaration

The Rot Spreads



tion (not the return) to lessen the confusion. Taxpayers, some congressmen feel, will be befuddled enough by the job of making out the 1943 return without requiring them to tackle an estimate of 1944 income at the same time.

Two more likely alternatives to abolishment of the March 15 declaration are: (1) postponing it to a later date; (2) simplifying it so that tax estimating will be an easier job. One proposal is that tax declarants arbitrarily put down the same estimate as they did for 1943. This could be amended later if necessary.

British May ...

About midday German destroyers contacted British destroyers, then withdrew to reconnoiter after flashing a silhouette description of the convoy to the Scharnhorst. The Nazi battleship quickly sailed up the attack and opened fire on the British warships.

Suddenly British heavy units appeared on the horizon. The reinforcements were battleships and the Scharnhorst quickly engaged them. In a terrific exchange of salvos the British registered a series of hits on the German vessels, which tried to make the Norwegian coast at full speed.

The Scharnhorst dropped behind, one engine hit, her deck enveloped in thick smoke, her main turret smashed. Then about 7:40 p. m. a tremendous explosion shook her and she settled slowly into the icy waters. The other German ships escaped.

Later German planes searched for survivors, but it is believed few if any of the more than 1,400 officers and men of the Scharnhorst were saved.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS 1. Blue mythical bird 4. Empty 12. Self 13. Anglo-Saxon slave 4. Seed covering 6. Face 7. Silesian river 18. Appan as agent 30. Upright spar 31. On the ocean 22. Sounds 23. Blundered 24. Pines with 27. Envy 28. Showering 29. Windy rain 30. Snow and snow 32. Head

Grid for crossword puzzle with numbers 1-32.

Marine Dance Band Fine Musical Group

Christmas was appropriately celebrated at the Greenville Marine Air Station Base with a typical Christmas dinner, exchange of gifts and a good time. Many of the officers and enlisted men were guests in private homes. Tech Sgt. Vic Shul and his Marine dance band gave a concert at the barracks yesterday. They have talent and ability. They provided music that would make a hit on any nation-wide radio hookup. Members of the band are from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Vermont and Connecticut.

The Marines played for the dance at the Elks club last night and were invited to come again. In addition to Leader Vic Shul, the members are Cpl. Don Weinberg, Pfc. Bill Fanning, Sgt. Leslie Wells, Cpl. Bill Seiffert, Cpl. Al Bogdanich, Cpl. Howard Lawson, Pfc. John De Rosa, Sgt. Pat Capi, Sgt. Bob Ravipinto, Sgt. Herb Buhler, and Sgt. John Christaline.

The musicians came here yesterday in a Cherry Point bus and were guests at dinner at the USO yesterday and at supper at the Elks Club last night.

Sees Early ...

(Continued from Page One) sideration of President Roosevelt's recommendation that social security benefits be extended to veterans. The House also has on its agenda the service men's vote bill, over which a bitter controversy arose in the Senate. From its appropriations committee will come a steady stream of money bills likely to occupy much of the time of Congress until June.

Solution Of Yesterday's Puzzle

1. Ferule 2. Mythical monster 3. Tolerant 4. Endowed 5. Ancient port of Rome 6. Feminine name 7. Subordinate 8. Fortuneteller 9. Open courts 10. Wash lightly 11. Long narrow boards 12. Secondhand 13. Poems 14. Great Lake 15. Rebounded 16. Bring into a row 17. Kind of fireworks 18. Written agreement 19. Gas of the air 20. Metal 21. Slighting remark 22. Inferior race 23. Opereas 24. Chills 25. Looked with approval 26. Ship's crane 27. The pick 28. Hop stems 29. Aromatic seed 30. Pertaining to grand-children 31. Indigo plant 32. Devours

Kiwanis To Install New Officers Friday

The Kiwanis Club will hold the last meeting of the year next Friday night at 6:30 at the Old Town Inn. Don H. Conley, lieutenant-governor of Division 7, will install W. J. Bundy, new president, and other officers and directors. Secretary Dave Moore will make his annual report.

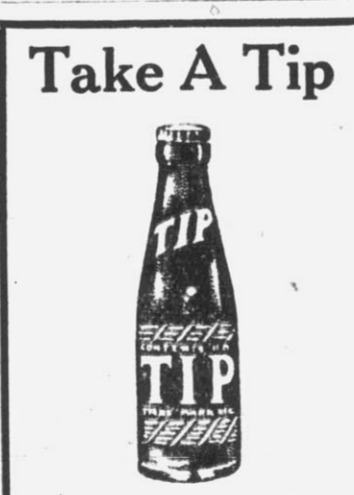
Retiring President Joe Taft and the officers and directors have had an outstanding and progressive administration. The membership has increased, the club's civic activities have been enlarged and the club's affairs are in excellent condition.

Credit Association Re-elects Officers

The Greenville Production Credit Association, which makes agricultural loans to farmers in Pitt and Greene counties, held its reorganization meeting recently, at which time the following officers were re-elected:

John R. Carroll of Winterville, president; G. L. Mewborn of Snow Hill, vice-president; Robert A. Darr, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Henrietta Johnson, assistant secretary-treasurer; Frank L. Little, Jr., of Snow Hill, assistant secretary-treasurer in charge of the Snow Hill office.

Take A Tip



Rich in Dextrose Greenville Tip Co. Buy War Bonds & Stamps

DAN DUNN - SECRET OPERATIVE 48



Greenville Man Gets Promotion

Headquarters, Panama Canal Dept., Dec. 20—Promotion of John G. Clark, Jr., of Greenville, N. C., former president of the Inter-Fraternal Council of the University of North Carolina, from staff sergeant to warrant officer junior grade was announced today by the Coast Artillery Command here.

Previously a court and board clerk in Col. William H. Sweet's organization, Clark is now adjutant of a harbor defense battalion. He arrived in Panama as a private December 27, 1941, two months after he entered the army.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Clark Sr., East Fifth Street Extended, Greenville, the warrant officer graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1939 with an A. B. in English. He belonged to the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity, and was a member of the University Club and the Student Legislature.

Christmas Fund For Orphanage

The Oxford Orphanage Committee of Greenville Lodge 284 A. F. and A. M. today extended its thanks to the people of the community for their generous contributions to the Christmas fund for the orphanage.

A total of \$760 was raised by the local committee as a Christmas contribution to the institution.

Mrs. Smith Ill. Friends of Mrs. L. H. Smith of Norfolk, Va., will be sorry to know that she is very ill at her home, 4807 Sewell's Point Road. Mrs. Smith was a former resident of Greenville.

Graduates

Monroe, La., Dec. 28—Winding up a year of peak production of aerial navigators, Selman Field sent its last class of 1943 into combat December 24 when hundreds of student officers, aviation cadets and aviation students were presented their wings and commissions as second lieutenants.

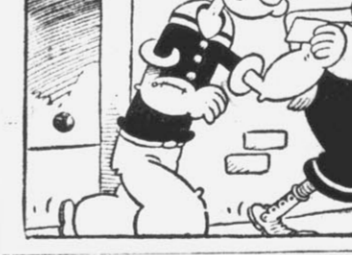
Among the graduates was Jasper L. Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lewis, Greenville, Route 4.

FALSE TEETH OWNERS CAN LOOK YOUNGER

Face-lines sag—wrinkles form—where plates remain unwarmed. Avoid this—hold plates firmly all day, every day with this "comfort-cushion," a dentist's formula.

Dr. Wernet's Powder lets you enjoy soft, warm, pleasant-tasting meals. Economical; small amount lasts longer. Pure and harmless—pleasant tasting.

THIMBLE THEATRE - Starring Popeye



BLONDIE - By Chic Young



DAN DUNN - SECRET OPERATIVE 48



Elks Have Ladies' Night For Marines

The Greenville Elks had "open house" and "ladies' night" at the club last night and a barbecued chicken supper and dance. Lieut. Col. Scollin, commandant of the Third Marine Wing, Cherry Point, and Lieut.-Col. O. E. Barlow and Major W. E. Gregory, commandant of the Greenville Marine Air Training Station and their wives were guests.

A Marine dance band from Cherry Point, under direction of Tech. Sgt. Vic Shul, provided the music. About 300 guests attended. Last night's social affair was one of a series the Elks are planning to include the ladies during the winter.

Richmond Sherman's Son Fatally Scalded

The 18-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Sherman of Black Jack, backed into a pot of boiling water Christmas morning and was fatally scalded. He died at a hospital last night.

Christmas Quietly Observed In City

Christmas was quietly observed here this year. The holiday passed without serious mishap. No serious accidents were reported. Police made very few arrests and nearly all of them were for drunkenness. The crowds on the streets Christmas Eve were orderly and good natured. One outstanding feature of this Christmas of 1943 was that the ever-present last-minute shopper has practically disappeared from the scheme of things.

Mild weather Christmas Day was followed by a torrential all-day downpour of rain Sunday that washed away much of the dirt and grime that followed the preceding week's heavy snow.

An extra holiday Monday was generally observed by stores and other places. Automobiles, were back on the job Monday morning in an effort to catch up on behind-

Advertisement for Dr. Wernet's Powder, a dental product for false teeth.

"Blue, Brown - or Pink?"



"Silver Threads Among The Gold."



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time repair work.

Reviewing the Christmas holidays today, Mayor Bruce Sugg expressed pleasure over the quiet manner in which the occasion was celebrated. Business places were back on schedule today and many of them were arranging for the end-of-the-year inventory. There was little holiday for the doctors, nurses and attendants at the hospital with a full house, but a gradual decline in the number of cases of illness occurred.

Next Saturday the New Year—1944—begins. The year just about to

end had its blessings for the people hereabouts.

The New Year is expected to be a momentous one in the prosecution of the war.

Advertisement for Wilson's Weekly Bulletin, featuring a portrait of George Rector and the text 'I hereby resolve...'.

Advertisement for Wilson's Eye Buffet, listing items like Mor Mousse, Asparagus Souffle, Olives Pickles, Assorted Fruit Salads, Hot Rolls Jam, Vienna Torte, Coffee Nuts.

Ring Out the Old Year with New Flavor

MOR gives this festive mousse a grand flavor and it's so easy to use. But, if you can't obtain MOR (our armed forces go for it, too, you know) use instead 2 cups of Wilson's Certified Ham, cooked and ground. Note how Wilson's B-V, that magic meat flavor, spreads a deliciously exciting new flavor throughout the mousse.

Vienna Torte Five layers of sponge cake, nine inches in diameter and about a half-inch thick, are needed. Make the filling as follows: Heat 2 cups milk in double boiler. Mix thoroughly 1/2 cup sugar, 1/4 cup flour, and 1/4 cup cocoa, moisten with 1/4 cup milk, add to hot milk and cook until thickened (about 20 min.) in top of double boiler.

THIMBLE THEATRE - Starring Popeye



BLONDIE - By Chic Young



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# Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Collins, James Howard and Alef Collins have returned from Creswell after spending the holidays with Mrs. A. H. Spear.

Mr. G. P. Owens of Fountain, is ill in Pitt General Hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. B. D. Moore of Mt. Holly, have returned home after spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lang and Miss Elizabeth Lang of Farmville, were here today.

Raymond Moore of Mt. Holly, has returned to the Virginia Medical College after spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. H. Edwards.

Clifton Hugh Edwards of State College, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gaskins and little daughter, Nancy, of Raonoke Rapids, are visiting Mrs. Virginia Perkins.

Mrs. W. O. Freeland left yesterday to visit her sister in Rock Hill, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Gladson who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Gladson, have returned to their home in Norfolk.

Chief Petty Officer Walter E. Lee, Mrs. Lee and two sons of New York, are visiting friends and relatives in Greenville. They will return to New York on Sunday.

Jay Gladson, who was injured in an automobile accident recently, has returned to his home from Memorial Hospital in Kinston.

W. B. Warren and children, Hannah and Bruce, of Asheville, are visiting Mrs. Susie Warren.

Edw. W. Herne of Belk-Tyler Co., will leave tomorrow for New York and northern markets to purchase spring merchandise.

Mrs. J. H. Rose is attending the national convention of teachers of speech and dramatics being held in the Hotel Commodore in New York this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius F. Whichard and little son, Frankie, have returned to their home in Portsmouth, Va., after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Barnes of Winterville.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Barnes of Portsmouth, Va., are spending a few days with Mrs. Barnes' mother, Mrs. Hasky Jones of Ayden.

Mrs. L. B. Simmons of Rocky Mount, is spending the holidays with daughter, Mrs. Francis Bowen.

Lt. (jg) Jack Foley left today for Norfolk to report for duty after spending a few days here with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Park and little son of Abingdon, Va., spent Christmas in Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. James Britt of Birmingham, Ala., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Whitehurst.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hicks have returned to Morehead City after spending the holidays with Mrs. W. W. Phelps.

Mrs. Winnie Barnes and Miss Mattie Barnes of Raleigh, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. White.

Miss Mary Agnes Deal returned to Angier today to resume her teaching.

Miss Virginia Kidd has gone to Pearl River, N. Y., where she has accepted a position with Lederle Laboratories.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Clark and Mrs. Eula M. Clark of Fayetteville, are visiting relatives in Greenville and Grimsland.

Friends of Miss Lois Gorrell will regret to learn of her illness in the hospital of the Medical College of Virginia, Richmond.

## Social Calendar

**TUESDAY**  
8:15 p. m.—Miss Frances Willard will entertain at bridge at the home of Mrs. P. T. Anthony, honoring Miss Betty Tyson, bride-elect.

**WEDNESDAY**  
11:00 a. m.—Miss Joy Flanagan will entertain at a bridge luncheon in honor of Miss Betty Tyson.

4:00-6:00 p. m.—Miss Margaret Jones will entertain at tea in compliment to Miss Betty Tyson, bride-elect.

**FRIDAY**  
8:30 p. m.—Rehearsal for the Ligon-Tyson wedding in Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church.

**SATURDAY**  
6:00 p. m.—The marriage of Miss Betty Tyson and Lieut. Robert Stark Ligon will be solemnized in Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church.

Pfc. Spruill Spain, Jr., is home from Chapel Hill for the holidays.

Mr. A. G. Walters, who has been sick in Portsmouth, Va., is recuperating at his home, 100 Summit street.

**Undergoes Operation.**  
Mr. Jack Foley underwent an operation for appendicitis yesterday morning in Pitt General Hospital.

**Mauldin-Davenport.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Earle Ernest Forbes announce the marriage of their daughter

Martha Ann Davenport to James Drane Mauldin, Lieutenant, United States Marine Corps

on Saturday, December eleventh nineteen hundred and forty-three La Jolla, California

The marriage of Miss Davenport and Lieutenant Mauldin was solemnized in the Episcopal Church, St. James-by-the-Sea, at two o'clock in the afternoon. Rev. Glazebrook, rector of the church, was the officiating minister.

Mrs. Mauldin is the daughter of Mrs. Earle Forbes of this city, and the late William J. Davenport of Bowling Green, Ky. She was graduated from the University of North Carolina in the class of 1942.

Until her marriage she was a member of the staff of the Durham Herald-Sun.

Lt. Mauldin, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Mauldin of Memphis, Tenn., is a graduate of the University of Mississippi, received his master's degree from Texas A. and M., and is a member of the Sigma Chi social fraternity. He has had a year's duty in the South Pacific and at present is an instructor at Camp Elliott, Calif.

**Langston-McLawn.**  
Mrs. Charles McLawn announces the marriage of her daughter

Mary Ida to Cedric Donald Langston

on Tuesday, December twenty-eight nineteen hundred and forty-three Kinston, North Carolina

The quiet ceremony was performed in the Queen Street Methodist Church by Rev. Walter C. Ball.

Mrs. Langston is the charming daughter of Mrs. Charles McLawn and the late Charles McLawn of Winterville. She is a graduate of Woman's College of the University of North Carolina and taught for several years in the high schools of Winston-Salem and Winterville.

For the ceremony she wore a tan gaberdine suit, brown accessories and an orchid corsage. For traveling, she added a brown mink coat.

Mr. Langston is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Langston of Winterville and is a prominent business man with extensive interests in Winterville and community.

**Soprano To Appear At College.**  
Eileen Farrell, the brilliant young soprano, who will appear at East

## Forty Years Ago Today

### THE DAILY REFLECTOR

December 28, 1903

Japan is buying warships. That looks like business.

Miss Lillian Burch returned on Monday evening from a visit to Washington.

Bruce Sugg spent Christmas here and returned to Rocky Mount Saturday.

All this war talk between Russia and Japan and between Colombia and the United States looks like there will be warm times early in the new year.

Carolina Teachers College soon, was guest on a program of Christmas carols over CBS last Friday. On this program she was backed by the Columbia Symphony Orchestra and collegiate choir.

To Miss Farrell the simple Christmas carol is just as important as an operatic aria. She sings each with the same amount of dexterity and skill, and the quality which makes her outstanding is her complete understanding and love for each selection she chooses. Her powerful dramatic voice Friday night was quiet, soft, and superbly toned, further proving she is one of America's greatest sopranos.

Miss Farrell will appear here on the night of January 13, at 8:30. Watch this paper for announcements as to where and when tickets will be sold.

**Entertain Junior Hostesses.**  
Beginning the Christmas festivities of the local Servicemen's Center was a delightful buffet supper given by Mrs. Key Brown at her home for the junior hostesses the week before Christmas.

The guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Brown. Old Santa was also there tipping his hat to the ladies. As the girls arrived they took seats around the open fire in the sunparlor which was decorated with a tree and snow scenes. Later the group gathered around the piano and sang Christmas carols.

After the choraling the guests went into the dining room which was decorated with candles, bells and Christmas colors and were served a salad plate, sandwiches, cakes, relishes, and punch. Over fifty of the junior hostesses attended. After supper a short business meeting was held.

Mrs. Brown is chairman of the girls' committee. She made arrangements which permitted a group of the girls to go to the NYA center Christmas morning to sing carols in the mess hall at dinner.

**Miss Tyson Honored.**  
Miss Jane Harrison was hostess at bridge on Thursday evening of last week, in honor of Miss Betty Tyson, bride-elect of Saturday.

A Christmas motif was observed

in the decorations. Pine, red berries and lighted tapers were used in the living room, and in the dining room poinsettias centered a lace-covered table.

A dessert course was served. The high score prize, perfume, was won by Miss Margaret Jones. The consolation prize, a box of dusting powder, went to Miss Joy Flanagan. Miss Tyson was remembered with silver and Miss Ann McCormick, bride-elect, was presented crystal in her pattern.

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### TONIGHT

- 7:00—News.
- 7:15—The Johnson Family, MBS.
- 7:30—Moonlight Rhythm.
- 7:45—Confidentially Yours, MBS.
- 8:00—Mrs. Rose's Radio Actors.
- 8:15—Szath Myris Presents.
- 8:30—Your Musical Nightcap.
- 8:55—You and Uncle Sam.
- 9:00—Gabriel Heatter, MBS.
- 9:15—Gracie Fields, MBS.
- 9:30—American Forum of the Air, MBS.
- 10:15—News.
- 10:30—1100 Club.
- 10:45—To Be Announced.
- 11:00—News.
- 11:05—Sign Off.

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

- 6:50—Sign On.
- 7:00—Early Risers' Club.
- 7:15—Yawn Patrol.
- 7:40—Lost and Found.
- 7:45—News, TN.
- 8:00—Musical Clock.
- 8:15—Evelyn Tyner's Orch.
- 8:30—Morning Meditations.
- 8:45—Spotlight on Rhythm.
- 9:00—News.
- 9:05—Design for War Time Living.
- 9:10—According to Record.
- 9:15—Melody Time.
- 9:30—Organ Moods.
- 9:45—Names in the News.
- 9:50—Musical Interlude.
- 9:55—Vitamins For Victory.
- 10:00—Obituary Column.
- 10:05—Women in the News.
- 10:10—Musical Interlude.
- 10:15—Farmville on the Air.
- 10:30—Shady Valley Folks, MBS.
- 11:00—Arthur Gaeth, MBS.
- 11:15—News and Kentucky Carnival, MBS.
- 11:30—Lang Worth Military Band.
- 11:45—Ayden on the Air.
- 12:00—Boake Carter, MBS.
- 12:15—Hank Lawson, MBS.
- 12:30—Tune Time.
- 12:55—News and Markets.
- 1:00—10-2-4 Ranch.
- 1:15—News Value.
- 1:30—Luncheon With Lopez, MBS.
- 1:45—Afternoon Fiesta.
- 2:00—Cedric Foster, MBS.
- 2:15—To Be Announced.
- 2:30—Carolina Farm Features.
- 2:45—Mutua, Goes Calling, MBS.
- 3:00—Today's War Commentary.
- 3:05—Musical Interlude.
- 3:10—In the Woman's World.
- 3:15—Miracles and Melodies.
- 3:30—Yankee House Party, MBS.

4:00—Walter Compton, MBS.  
4:15—Requestfully Yours.  
4:30—Full Speed Ahead, MBS.  
5:00—Sydney Moseley, MBS.  
5:15—The Black Hood, MBS.  
5:30—Chick Carter, MBS.  
5:45—Treasury Star Parade.  
6:00—Sports Cast.  
6:15—Lanny and Ginger, MBS.  
6:30—World's Front Page, MBS.  
6:45—Sundown Serenade.  
7:00—News.  
7:15—The Johnson Family, MBS.  
7:30—Modern Airs.  
7:45—Waltz Time.  
8:00—Music Just For You.  
8:15—Mid-Week Prayer Service, TN.  
8:30—Musical Interlude.  
8:35—Aviation Cadet Show, TN.  
8:55—You and Uncle Sam.  
9:00—Gabriel Heatter, MBS.  
9:15—Gracie Fields, MBS.  
9:30—Soldiers With Wings, MBS.  
10:00—News.  
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FOR QUICK SALE—272 ACRES of woods land, with 10 acres cleared. Priced at \$2,000 now in order to move immediately. Dial 3728—J. B. Oakley & Son. 18-1f

SEED RYE, \$2.00 PER BU.; SEED oats, barley, rye grass, Austrian winter peas, vetch. Can supply a feed for your poultry, dairy and livestock. Dail's Hatchery, Ayden, N. C. 25-1f

WANTED—ALL PEOPLE SUFFERING from kidney trouble or backache to try "Kido"—97c. Money-back guarantee, at Warren Drug Co., Greenville; Sauls' Drug Store, Ayden. 2 mo.

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**FOR SALE—1940 BLUE TWO-door Pontiac Coach**. Can be seen between 12 and 2 p. m., at Blue Bird Filling Station, in front of Carolina Dairy. 28-3f

**Grain Market**

Chicago, Dec. 28—(AP)—After drifting fractionally lower in a quiet but nervous trade, all grain prices rallied today. Wheat and oats came within minor fractions of previous closing levels, and rye, which led the turnaround, showed slight gains.

Wheat ended the day 1/4c lower to higher than the previous close. May \$1.66 1/2-5/8, July \$1.64 1/2, and rye 1/4 to 1/2 off. May 78 1/4-1/2, and rye finished 1/4 off to 1/2 higher. May \$1.26 1/2-1/4. Barley closed 1/4 to 1/2 lower, May \$1.21 1/2.

**Hog Market**

Raleigh, Dec. 28—(AP)—(NCDA) Hog markets steady with tops of 13.85 at Richmond and 13.55 at Rocky Mount.

**Poultry and Eggs**

Raleigh, Dec. 28—(AP)—(NCDA) Egg and poultry markets steady to weak.

Raleigh—U. S. Grade A large 42; hens, all weights, 23 to 25.

Washington—U. S. Grade A large 48 to 50; broilers and fryers, 28 1/2 to 30.

**New York Cotton**

New York, Dec. 28—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 10 to 30 cents a bale lower.

Noon values were 35 to 45 cents a bale lower. Mch. 19.50, May 19.26, and July 19.02.

Futures closed 20 to 30 cents a bale lower.

	Open	Close	Prv. Cl.
Mch.	19.55	19.53	19.57
May	19.29	19.28	19.33
July	19.03	19.04	19.09
Oct. (new)	18.83	18.82	18.88
Dec. (new)	18.69	18.72	18.78

Middling spot 20.36, off 6.

**N. Y. Stock Market**

New York, Dec. 28—(AP)—President Roosevelt's order placing the railroads under army control had no widely disturbing effect on today's stock market.

Transfers were around 900,000 shares.

**FINAL STOCKS**

Al Chem and Dye	146
Allegheny	2
Allis-Chalmers Mfg	32 1/2
Am Can	83 1/2
Am Car Fdy	34
Am Roll Mill	12 1/2
A T and T	155
Am Tob B	58 1/2
Anacosta	24 1/2
A C L	25
Ad Ref	25
Aviat Corp	3 1/2
Baldwin	19 1/2
B and O	5 1/2
Bendix Aviat	33 1/2
Beth Stl	55 1/2
Boeing Airpl	13 1/2
Sorden	29
Budd Mig	5 1/2
Burl Mills	12 1/2
Bur Add Mach	80 1/2
Chrysler	120 1/2
Coca Cola	112
Coml Credit	37 1/2
Coml Solv	14 1/2
Cont Can	33 1/2
Curtiss Wright	5 1/2
Doug Air	48 1/2
Dupont	162
Eastman Kod	39 1/2
Firestone	36
Gen Elec	42
Gen Foods	42
Gen Mot	51
Goodrich	41 1/2
Goodyear	37 1/2
Int Harvest	72 1/2
Int Tel and Tel	11 1/2
Johns Man	87 1/2
Ligg and Myers B	67 1/2
Loews	58 1/2
Lothard	17 1/2
Mont Ward	45
Nash Kely	12
Nat Biscuit	20 1/2
Nat ash Reg	29 1/2
N Y Cent	15
No Am Aviat	8 1/2
Packard	31 1/2
Param Pix	23 1/2
Pennv J C	25 1/2
Pepsi Cola	49 1/2
Phillips Pet	45 1/2
Pullman	37 1/2
Pure Oil	16 1/2
Radio	9 1/2
Rep Stl	16 1/2
Reynolds B	26 1/2
Sears	99 1/2
Sou Ry	29 1/2
Std Brands	29 1/2
Std Oil N J	53 1/2
Stewart Warner	11 1/2
Swift	27 1/2
Tex Co	49 1/2
Un Carb	79 1/2
Unit Air	27 1/2
Un. Gen	1



**NEW**—Natural baby fisher, fashioned with small rolled collar and full sleeves. Is used in this new Dehn-Bacher coat.

**Troops Train . . .**

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jeeps—were unable to see where they were going except when on the crest of a wave. Many of the outfit were drenched by freezing water, obliging some to spend a week in a hospital with flu and colds.

Despite their setback they worked the next day in pouring rain to re-grease the ducks.

"Yeah, it's tough but that's the price of war," said a duck driver from North Carolina. "What we want to do is to hustle over to the continent and get this invasion over with. Just show me that coast—that's all I ask."

The ground troops were well schooled in the privations of war. They had been trained to move in absolute darkness, to sleep on the cold, wet ground, to subsist on prepared food called K rations, and to go for long periods with no food at all.

Jeeps and trucks were smashed in the blackout, causing casualties, but hundreds of truck convoys pushed onward during the weeks required to get the invasion forces ready.

Officers labored long into the night for weeks to work out details of the invasion practice. In some places entire English towns had to be evacuated to make room for the training.

**American . . .**

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The jungle-tested Leathernecks drove enemy opposition from Target Hill, a 450-foot hump near Borgen Bay which was pounded heavily from the air and by naval warships before the Marines landed early Sunday morning. Japanese resistance on the Hill failed the first day.

In addition, Japanese positions at Borgen Bay also came under attack of the artillery batteries.

On the Arawe front, 60 miles southeast of Gloucester, advance patrols of the U. S. Sixth Army were forced to withdraw under three enemy counter-attacks, but a spokesman at Allied headquarters said the Americans made such a firm stand at Umtingka, Village that the enemy broke contact the following morning.

The army patrols are now fanning out again to the north and east, the spokesman said. The American troops landed at Arawe, on the southwest coast of the island, December 15.

**Navy Using . . .**

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He said their "offensive sting" has been increased by the Corsair and Hellcat fighters, "the most powerful carrier-based fighting planes in the world." Also now striking its first blows, he said, "is a powerful dive-bomber."

He did not identify the new dive-bomber, however, but it presumably is the Curtiss Helldiver, which saw its first action against the Japanese in a raid on Rabaul Nov. 11. The navy said yesterday that it "lived up to our expectations during combat."

Knox disclosed the figures on aircraft carriers in reporting that the navy now has in operation "more than six times as many" carriers as it had when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. At that time the navy had seven carriers. Knox's figures include escort carriers.

Other high points in the secretary's report of 1943 progress: The naval aviation arm grew "in a manner that gives us world leadership."

Production of naval armament brought spectacular successes in battle. "During the past year destruction by enemy submarines has reached a new low, and our destruction of enemy submarines has reached a new high."

"In the air, the enemy's most determined mass attacks have been driven off," often with heavy losses to his forces and with only minor damage to our own. These results have been achieved largely by a superiority in weapons, of which we may justly be proud."

**Police Court Held Two Short Sessions**

Judge Roberts disposed of the following cases in Police Court Monday:

Edwin Seymour, selling used cars without a license, called and fined, car impounded and car being held as bond ordered by the court to be sold.

B. T. Jones and John E. Brockett, drunk and disorderly, 30 days or costs.

Charles Cradle, colored, driving without lights, prayer for judgment continued.

C. R. MacLachorn, profane language, 30 days or costs.

John H. Simmons, colored, speeding, 30 days or costs.

The following cases were tried last Friday:

George B. Wiggins, drunk, 30 days or costs, and George Johnson, colored, disorderly conduct, not prosecuted.

**Labor Board . . .**

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negotiations should be "in accordance with the telegram addressed by the President to certain of the United States to certain of the parties under date of December 26."

In that telegram, President Roosevelt appealed for a return to work and held out a promise any negotiated wage increases would be made retroactive.

The strike which began Christmas eve pulled 81,000 men out of the mills in Ohio; 40,000 in Pennsylvania, 20,000 in West Virginia, 16,000 in Michigan and other thousands in Indiana, Kentucky, New York, Illinois and New Jersey.

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the major lines.

Somervell said an opting agreement with the railroads had been drafted and that "we are going over it with the railroads at this time but we do not wish to disclose the details." The agreement relates to financial matters.

"We are to operate the railroads, not to adjudicate any labor disputes involved," Somervell said. "We are not a labor board. Any change in pay or labor conditions will be effective only after roads have been released from War Department control."

The general said that railroads in the United States now were considered federal property and that sabotage laws applicable to federal property now applied to the railroads.

Asked about penalties in event of strikes by railroad employees who now become federal employees, Somervell and Secretary Stimson said there were "several laws" including section six of the Smith-Connally act and conspiracy laws.

(Section six of the Smith-Con-



**'INACTIVE'**—Rep. Warren G. Magnuson (above) (D-Wash.) was placed on the Navy's inactive list when the President ordered that members of Congress should not be permitted to serve in the armed forces. He held rank of lieutenant-commander.

nally law states that when any facility is in the possession of the government, it is unlawful to coerce, conspire or encourage any person to interrupt operation through a lockout, strike or other interruption. It would not, however, cover an individual who quit work of his own volition.

Noting that the brotherhoods of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen had called off their strike after consulting with President Roosevelt, Stimson announced that A. P. Whitney, president of the Trainmen and Alvanley Johnston, head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers had been appointed labor consultants to General Somervell and Gross.

The railroad presidents already have donned uniforms and Johnston and Whitney may not be commissioned as officers.

Somervell said that military police, already scattered over the railroad systems throughout the country on regular assignment, would not be augmented "unless necessary and we hope we do not have to call on the ground forces." But he said troops are in place "where they can be used."

The general added that in the event railroad employees do not show up for work, troops will work in army uniform at their present army rates of pay.

Stimson said that the railroad presidents put into uniform were on hand with the exception of Ralph Budd of the Burlington road, who is ill.

The army's nine service commands were instructed to furnish all security and administrative arrangements which may be necessary, in helping carry out the army control plan.

**SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

In the Superior Court

In Re: Guaranty Bank & Trust Company, Guardian for John I. Allen, Jr., and Charles Allen.

Under and by virtue of an order of the Superior Court made in Special Proceeding No. 4404, entitled as above, the undersigned Commissioner will, on

Monday, January 3, 1944

at 12:00 o'clock, Noon, before the Court House door in Greenville, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following described pieces, parcels or tracts of land, located in Greenville Township, Pitt County, North Carolina, to-wit:

**FIRST PARCEL:** That certain piece, parcel or tract of land located south of the Town of Greenville and known as a part of the B. F. Patrick lands, and being Lot No. 6 in the division of the lands of John I. Allen, allotted to John I. Allen, Jr., and containing 10.89 acres. Reference is made to map of said property in Map Book 3, page 109, Pitt County Registry.

**SECOND PARCEL:** That certain piece, parcel or tract of land located south of the Town of Greenville, and known as a part of the B. F. Patrick lands, and being Lot No. 7 in the division of the lands of John I. Allen, allotted to Charles Allen, and containing 86.08 acres. Reference is made to map of said property in Map Book 3, page 109, Pitt County Registry.

The lots of land above described will be offered separately, and then together, and the purchaser will be required to make a cash deposit of 10 per cent of his bid, to await confirmation by the Court.

JOSEPH S. MOYE, Commissioner.

J. B. James, Atty. Dec. 4-17w-4wk.

**NOTICE**

North Carolina—Pitt County.

In the Superior Court

Ernest Glover

—vs—

Willie B. Glover

The above named defendant, Willie B. Glover, will take notice that an action as above entitled has been commenced in the Superior Court of Pitt County, North Carolina, by the plaintiff to secure an absolute divorce from the defendant upon the grounds of two years' separation; and the defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Pitt County, in the court house in Greenville, North Carolina, on or before the third day of January, 1944, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will thereupon apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

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J. F. HARRINGTON, Clerk of the Superior Court. Dec. 3-17w-4wk.

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**Colored News**

During the few weeks approaching the Christmas holidays, Mr. Willie Miller conceived the idea of doing something tangible to aid and inspire a young blind woman, Esther M. Rich, who is doing graduate work this year at Howard University of Washington, D. C. Mr. Miller communicated this idea to several friends who he thought might be interested, and many of them responded with liberal cash contributions. On Christmas Eve, as a complete surprise to her, Mr. Miller presented the above mentioned young lady with a check for \$30 and a list of the names of the contributors. Included among those who made this gift possible were the superintendents of both the city and county schools, members of the white high school faculty, representatives of several Greenville business establishments, and a large number of both white and colored friends. As it would be impossible to thank each of these contributors personally, the recipient of this gift wishes through the local papers to express her very deep appreciation to those who helped to make her Christmas happy. She not only appreciates the money, which will

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