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Cloudy and slightly warmer tonight with rain beginning west portion late tonight. Saturday, rain and colder probably mixed with sleet and snow west and north portions.

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Bitter Fighting Rages Along Italian Front As Americans Drive Ahead

San Vittore Described As Bitterly Contested Foot-By-Foot Advance of Americans! Weather Slows Advance Of British

By RICHARD G. MASSOCK

Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Jan. 7.—(AP)—With grenades, machine-guns and small arms, American troops fought over the drenched stones of San Vittore and assailed three bitterly contested strong-points in the fortified village today as the Fifth army pressed its offensive all along the 10-mile front straddling the Via Cassina to Rome.

Forging ahead short distances through the snow-covered mountains, the Americans stormed the strong defenses built by the Germans to cover the key town of Cassino six miles ahead of San Vittore. The tanks captured the 2,500-foot peak of Monte Malo about a mile southwest of Vitellio and five miles northwest of Venafrò.

The seizure of Monte Malo under a hail of German artillery and mortar fire cut the German supply road from Cervaro to San Vittore, near Vitellio.

The Americans who entered San Vittore from the northeast and the southwest had taken more than half the town and now were driving on three clusters of grey tumbledown stone buildings where the Germans had barricaded themselves.

It was a no-quarter fight with the Germans refusing to give themselves up. The doughboys had to creep up to the pillboxes, toss grenades through the apertures and wiped the defenders.

San Vittore is about two miles up the road from the village of San Pietro captured by the Americans Dec. 18 after one of the bloodiest and fiercest battles of the Mediterranean theater.

While the Americans fought from one pillbox-converted house to another, the British on the southern leg of the 10-mile front pushed an attack at Rocca D'Evandro, capturing 79 more prisoners for a two-day total of 128.

Cold weather with snow falling in the mountains and dense clouds obscuring the mountain tops impeded the movement of the Eighth army on the Adriatic coastal front. Indian troops nevertheless made a short advance west of San Tommaso.

The weather grounded most Allied aircraft, but A-36 Invaders and P-40 Warhawks dive-bombed and strafed German gun positions and troop concentration in the Cervaro and Aquino areas just behind the enemy on the Fifth army front, and shot up the town of Fondi, north-east of Terracina as well as motor convoys and trains east of Rome.

Intercepting 20 German planes over central Italy, American Spitfires destroyed two for the only score of the day against enemy aircraft. No Allied planes were lost yesterday.

Col. Charles McCorkle of Newton, N. C., group commander of the Spitfires, scored his second victory in four days, giving him a total of three. He was leading four Spitfires on a patrol over Cassino when he sighted two Messerschmitt-109s at 20,000 feet.

"At first we thought they were decoys," McCorkle said. "As we approached the enemy aircraft, they dived and we lost sight of them."

"On the way down we sighted other enemy planes at 8,000 feet. We started after one of them, and then saw Focke-Wulf 109s and pursued them. I attacked the last plane in the formation, fired a burst (Continued On Page Four)

INCREASE IN LEAF ACREAGE

Twenty Per Cent Bigger Allotment on Individual Farm Basis

Rocky Mount, Jan. 7.—(AP)—H. A. Easley, president of the Eastern Carolina Warehousemen's Association, stated today that he had been advised by the AAA office in Raleigh that the 1944 tobacco allotments for the individual farms in five southern states will be an increase of 20 per cent of the permitted allotment of 1943 for each individual farm. Easley was notified by H. A. Patton, executive assistant of AAA in Raleigh.

The states to be affected are North and South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia and Florida, Easley said. The action has been taken on the part of the government in an effort to supply more tobacco. Easley stated that an increase in production of tobacco is as important now as the cutting of weed production was several years ago. He added that the action was taken in view of the increasing demand for tobacco products in the last two years. Easley also reminded farmers that the change in government policy was made in an effort to keep the supply in line with the demand.

He stated that the consumption of cigarettes by the armed forces had increased notably with shipments overseas and that manufacturers' stocks were now depleted below the normal level.

Navy Patrol Ship Is Believed Sunk

Philadelphia, Jan. 7.—(AP)—A navy patrol ship was believed sunk in the Atlantic ocean 80 miles southeast of Cape May, N. J., following a collision with a merchant ship, the Fourth Naval District announced today.

The two ships collided shortly before midnight last night and it is not known whether any of the crew members were lost or injured, a naval spokesman said. The Fourth Naval District previously had identified the two vessels as tankers.

Two coast guard patrol boats were dispatched to the scene following a radio distress signal from the merchant ship, the naval district said. Six other vessels were sent out from various coast guard stations a short time later. Survivors will be landed at coast guard stations in the area.

Arnold Promises More Air Blows

Port Worth, Texas, Jan. 7.—(AP)—Berlin has been three-fourths destroyed "and we haven't called off the dogs yet," said Army Air Forces Chief Gen. Henry H. Arnold, in an interview here last night.

The Germans "know they've got to stop us or they're lost the war," he said. "They've tried the orthodox methods and they're springing something new all the time. So far we've been lucky enough to outguess them."

He added: "With our bombers increasing in number every day, and in conjunction with the RAF, we expect to give Germany 24-hour 'bombing service' from 360 degrees. If our bombers keep going into Germany, it won't take long. There won't be much night left when the time for invasion comes."

Halsey said it was natural that American boys, many of them brought up in cities, should feel out of place in the jungle at first, but he declared they had proved to be better jungle fighters than the Japanese ever were and are killing the enemy at a ratio of ten to one.

Asked about Japanese naval gunnery, the naval chief answered: "Well, the only time we see it is at night, but we're better than they are. They don't seem to want to come out and play in the daytime."

"Yes, Jap torpedo planes are good," he remarked, "but ours are better. The Jap pilot calibre is going down steadily—no question of that."

Halsey told reporters he wished he were an orator to do justice to the Marine corps and the Seabees. "They have done tremendous things under difficult conditions," he said. "Why, Munda airport, is better than any airport in the United States, and the Seabees built it. But I feel the same way about every outfit working down there."

The admiral declined comment on Gen. Douglas MacArthur's political (Continued on Page Two)

Snow Makes Slippery Going for New York Pedestrians



An unidentified sailor helps a woman across the intersection of Broadway and 47th Street in New York, after pelting snow, sleet and rain piled up deep slush and made walking and driving hard. (AP Wirephoto).

Allied Forces Reported To Have Landed In Yugoslavia

ALDERMEN IN BUSY SESSION

Talk Plans For Post-war City Improvement Program

By CHESTER WALSH
The Board of Aldermen in session at the City Hall last night instructed the Finance committee and City Attorney R. B. Lee to meet and prepare a plan for post-war city improvement and make plans for taking legal action to make collections. Mayor Bruce Sugg presided.

The aldermen discussed at length post-war planning for the city of Greenville, including drainage, paving, repair of paving, numbering streets properly and placing signs thereon, parking and traffic regulations and other improvements which will necessarily follow the cessation of the war.

Mayor Sugg pointed out that the city's bonded indebtedness in July, 1939, was \$1,393,000, and that on December 31, 1943, the bonded indebtedness had been reduced \$260,000. Only \$55,000 of the sinking fund term bonds are now outstanding, \$25,000 of this issue is due next July and \$30,000 is due in 1945. There are ample funds in the sinking fund to make these payments.

When they are paid off the city will be in condition to issue necessary bonds for post-war improvements, in line with other cities and towns. Mayor Sugg, the Street committee and city engineer were appointed to (Continued on Page Two)

Marine Ace On List Of Missing

Okanoan, Wash., Jan. 7.—(AP)—By a tragic twist of fate, Maj. Gregory Boyington was reported missing in action only a few hours after this northern Washington farming community rejoiced at the news of his entry into the Marine corps hall of fame by downing his 26th Japanese plane in combat over Rabaul.

The 31-year-old former "Flying Tiger" joined Marine Maj. Joe Foss of New Falls, S. D., and Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, of first World War fame, as co-holder of the 26-plane record of aerial "kills" for U. S. fliers. He did it in a sweep over New Britain four days ago. His achievement was reported yesterday from Guadalcanal.

But Greg (Pappy) Boyington did not come back from his triumph. To Mrs. E. J. Hallenbeck, his mother, came the grim navy department telegram last night: "We regret to inform you—"

The wire said details would be slow in arriving, but a letter would follow.

Boyington led his men on that sweep from which he failed to return. The Guadalcanal report said, "More than 50 fighters participated in the flight and shot down six of 20 intercepting Zeros, with five more listed as probables."

Weather Forecast
Forecast from 7:30 p. m. Saturday, January 8, to 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, January 12.

Slightly warmer Saturday with moderate rains followed by colder Sunday and Monday. Rain south, snow north portion about Tuesday followed by much colder Tuesday night and Wednesday.

Roundabout Report From Stockholm Without Confirmation From Official Allied Sources

London, Jan. 7.—(AP)—Roundabout reports reached Stockholm today that Allied specialist troops had landed at several strategic points on the coast of Yugoslavia.

Meanwhile dispatches from Allied headquarters in Algiers called "completely erroneous" a report that "crack Allied divisions" had landed in Yugoslavia. This account was carried by Reuters, quoting the Stockholm-Tidningen, which in turn was said to have credited its information to reports from Zagreb, capital of puppet Croatia. A qualified but unofficial source in London said the report "probably was planted by the Germans as a feeler."

The story that Allied specialists had reached Yugoslavia also was roundabout, reaching Stockholm from Zagreb by way of Budapest, and likewise must be considered with reservations.

These reports gave no indication of the size of the forces, or whether they were American or British, but American and British officers and liaison missions have been reported active with Yugoslav guerrillas for several weeks. Some of these apparently are supply officers.

The Reuters dispatch from Stockholm said the American and British were engaged in "heavy fighting" with Germans and Ustaschi (Croat puppet troops).

Zurich dispatches to London yesterday said Zagreb residents were (Continued on Page Two)

HARD FIGHTING IN NEW BRITAIN

Japs Offer Bitter Resistance to Marine Advance

Advanced Allied Headquarters, New Guinea, Jan. 7.—(AP)—In the bitterest kind of jungle warfare, Japanese defenders of New Britain island have lost another 600 dead in their stiffening resistance to the Marines who landed at Cape Gloucester 12 days ago.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur reported today that Marines pressing eastward toward Borgen Bay from Cape Gloucester beachhead have encountered fierce opposition and only slight advances have been made.

Both sides have wheeled up their big guns and American planes are supporting the Marines by strafing Japanese lines and gun positions.

The 600 Japanese dead reported in today's communiqué raised to more than 2,000 the number of enemy fighters killed thus far in the Cape Gloucester action.

Aerial warfare against the Japanese centered at Madang, New Guinea, 130 miles west of Cape Gloucester, where American airmen delivered a 243-ton bombing at Rabaul on the northeastern tip of New Britain, where a fighter sweep knocked 10 Japanese planes out of the sky and at Kavung New Ireland, where two destroyers were hit (Continued on Page Two)

Russian Forces Sweeping Forward Over Wide Front

NEW BLOWS ON NAZI TARGETS

Round-The-Clock Air Offensive Continues Today

London, Jan. 7.—(AP)—Strong forces of American Flying Fortresses and Liberators attacked targets in southwestern Germany today.

London, Jan. 7.—(AP)—American Marauder bombers smashed at military objectives in northern France today, keeping the round-the-clock offensive rolling after RAF Mosquitoes raided western Germany last night for the sixth night in succession.

The Marauders returned from their cross-channel sweeps in early afternoon without a single loss. The medium bombers were a part of the parade of Allied fighters and fighter-bombers observed streaking across toward the French coast shortly after the Mosquitos returned from their night raids.

The fleet plywood bombers knifed into their targets and skipped away without losses at the hands of German anti-aircraft defenses or night fighters, an Air Ministry communiqué said.

In addition to bombing objectives in Germany, the identity of which was not disclosed, the Mosquitos also stabbed at northern France and other RAF planes laid mines in enemy waters, the bulletin declared.

Apparently a considerable number of the hard-hitting Mosquitos participated in the operations, for observers on the British southeast coast reported last night that they had heard outward bound planes passing overhead for almost two hours. This at first gave rise to belief that the big bombers were again out.

The Mosquito raids were accompanied by air alerts in Geneva and other Swiss cities, the German-controlled Paris radio said.

The previous night the Mosquitos staged a diversionary raid on Berlin, causing the Germans to rush their night fighters to the defense of the capital while a great fleet of British heavy bombers pounded the Baltic port of Stettin with more than 1,000 tons of bombs almost unopposed.

Yesterday, the Air Ministry said, RAF light and medium bombers teamed up with fighter-bombers to attack military objectives in northern France. The light and medium bombers were escorted by Allied fighters.

RAF, Dominion and Allied fighters also carried out supporting sweeps, the ministry said.

From the daylight operations six Allied aircraft were reported missing. Three enemy planes were shot down.

Blackout Here Next Thursday

Raleigh, Jan. 7.—(AP)—An air raid drill and practice blackout for ten inland warning districts the night of Thursday, January 13, has been ordered by the State Office of Civilian Defense.

It applies to the Tarboro, Ashok, Weldon, Henderson, Goldsboro, Raleigh, Greensboro, Shelby, Statesville and Gastonia districts. The Charlotte, Lumberton and Asheville districts will not be affected.

The drill and blackout will also be held in areas in adjoining states which are usually notified by the North Carolina districts involved.

The first public signal will be the blue alert, indicating danger approaching at 9:15 p. m. The white signal for all clear will come at 9:57 p. m.

Bus Train Crash Kills 27 Soldiers

Kingman, Ariz., Jan. 7.—(AP)—Twenty-seven soldiers were killed and eight critically injured in the collision of a Kingman army air base bus and a Santa Fe freight train at the entrance to the gunnery school about 9 o'clock last night.

The air base public relations officers said all of the dead but one were aviation cadets who had been on a night gunnery mission at a range across the railroad tracks from the base.

Bodies and wreckage of the bus were scattered for about 100 feet along the railroad right-of-way. The bus was carrying 36 passengers, none of whom escaped injury.

Flu Deaths Increase
Washington, Jan. 7.—(AP)—Deaths attributed largely to the influenza epidemic increased for the fifth consecutive week in the seven-day period ended January 1, with the nation's death rate leaping to 50.4 per cent above the three-year average for the week.

This was reported today by the Census Bureau on the basis of information from 89 major cities. The mortality rate for the week was 13.2 per cent above that for the preceding week.

Young Veteran



Signalman George Glassick (above), is due to receive a medical discharge January 25 for wounds received at Munda, so he's letting the Navy in on a secret—he's only 15. Back home at Los Angeles after a stay in an Idaho convalescent hospital, he said he managed to enlist in the Navy a year ago despite his tender years. (AP Wirephoto).

CHANGE DRAFT EXAMINATIONS

Local Board "Screening" Examinations Eliminated

Washington, Jan. 7.—(AP)—A plan for eliminating uncertainties among draft eligibles concerning whether they are physically acceptable for service, and to provide a minimum of three-weeks notice of induction, was announced by Selective Service headquarters today.

This will be done by: Abolishing the present system of "screening" examinations by local boards.

Giving pre-induction (final) examinations at least 21 days before the induction date.

Doing away with all post-induction furloughs, now three weeks in the army and one week in the navy. The new system does not apply (Continued On Page Four)

Georgia Passes Soldier Vote Law

Atlanta, Jan. 7.—(AP)—The Georgia legislature completed action today on a law to facilitate voting in the 1944 elections by the state's quarter million men and women in the armed services.

The Senate approved the bill 39 to 0. It had already received unanimous approval of the House of Representatives.

Governor Ellis Arnall signed the bill at 11:30 a. m. (CWT).

The Senate vote signified the completion of the object for which the special session was called—to amend the state law.

The special five-day session adjourned immediately thereafter.

Wants To Keep Foreign Policy Out Of Campaign

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Offensive Rolls With Increasing Momentum After Crushing Nazi Counterattacks; German Military Spokesman Hints Complete Nazi Withdrawal From Russia

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

Moscow, Jan. 7.—(AP)—Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's forces, gaining new momentum after smashing 10 miles into pre-war Poland, sped forward today in a great fan-shaped offensive toward lifelines vital to enemy operations in the Ukraine and Donieper bend.

The Nazis appeared unable to halt the Russian machine.

Over a front of 175 miles from the lower Pripiet marshes near Rokitno, 10 miles inside the old Polish border, to the flat steppe near Zhashkov, 40 miles south of Belaya Tserkov, the First Ukrainian army was ripping the Germans to pieces and capturing huge stores of booty.

To the north, in the Nevel sector, Gen. Ivan Gagarin's growing Baltic offensive swept deep into strong cores of resistance where the German spectre of encirclement was the same as in the Ukraine.

Snowfalls and blizzards were an aid to advance patrols cutting behind Nazi lines and threatening the communications of the German forces before Leningrad, just as Vatutin's fast tanks and cavalry were a peril to the Germans' main lines leading to the Dnieper and the Black Sea.

Vatutin's advance brought increased pressure on the Germans in Kievograd and Krivoli Rog in the Dnieper bend, but there were few specific reports from those sectors.

(The German communiqué said 51 Soviet tanks were destroyed in those sectors in intense fighting.)

(Stockholm newspapers quoted a German military spokesman as hinting at the possibility of German withdrawal from all Russia, possibly because of the threat of encirclement both in the north and south now that the German northern and southern armies have been split.)

Four communication centers lay within striking distance of Vatutin's Red forces.

Romno, about 35 miles inside the old Polish border and 60 miles west of Novograd Volynski. Both the Warsaw-Kiev highway and the Warsaw railway pass through here.

Shepetovka, 35 miles southwest of Novograd Volynski, one of the Ukraine's most important railroad junctions.

Vinnitsa, 70 miles south of Zhitomir and 60 miles from the Dniester, former boundary of Rumania.

And Zherinka, 20 miles south of Vinnitsa on the Odessa-Warsaw line which the Germans must hold if they hope to remain any place east of Odessa.

Captures of Rokitno by Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's first Ukraine army was announced in a Soviet communiqué last night and his vanguards were said to be pushing on along the Kiev-Warsaw railway toward Sarny, 25 miles further west. The fall of Sarny would entangle communications between German forces operating north and south of the Kiev-Warsaw line.

Vatutin's left wing, meanwhile, was plunging south toward the Warsaw-Odessa railway, vital Nazi supply line to the half million or more German troops massed in the Dnieper river.

Spearheading columns drove through Gorodishche, 60 miles north-west of Novograd-Volynski, and Chudnov, 28 miles southwest of Zhitomir, widening Vatutin's fan-like front against the Polish border.

At the same time Vatutin's drive to the southwest toward Rumania covered 25 miles yesterday, moving (Continued on Page Two)

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RATION HEADLINES
Foods: DEF, Jan. 28; GSI, Feb. 18
Meats: RS, Jan. 28
Sugar: "Sugar" 29, 8 Jan. 18
Gasoline: No. 8-A coupon, Feb. 8

Social and Personal

—Sgt. Elmer M. Cox left Sunday for Camp Atterbury, Ind., after spending a 15-day furlough here with his wife and daughter, Brenda Carol, and his parents.

—Pfc. Judson Eric Whitchard of Camp Howze, Texas, is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Whitchard, near Greenville.

—Dr. J. Louis Wilkerson has returned to the Bowman Gray Medical School in Winston-Salem.

—Pfc. Alex David of Tomah, Wis., is spending a short furlough here.

—The Reverend Colgate Daugherty has returned from a trip to Baltimore and Washington.

—Mrs. Herman Bledsoe and little son have returned to their home in Raleigh after spending a few days with Mrs. Onan Allen and family.

—Miss Mary Elizabeth Clark has returned from a visit in Washington, D. C.

—Hunnicutt-Braxton. Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Warren Braxton announce the marriage of their daughter Sara Brown to

Mr. William Russell Hunnicutt on Tuesday, December fourteenth Nineteen hundred and forty-three Fayetteville, North Carolina

At Home. Butler Drive, South Midway Park, Jacksonville, N. C.

Warren-Whitehurst. Mrs. Ernest J. Whitehurst announces the marriage of her daughter Katherine

to Pvt. James Henry Warren, Jr. United States Army on Wednesday, January fifth Nineteen hundred and forty-four Elizabeth City, North Carolina

In a private ceremony, Miss Katherine Whitehurst, daughter of Mrs. Ernest J. Whitehurst and the late Mr. Whitehurst of Stokes, became the bride of Pvt. James Henry Warren, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Henry Warren of Robersonville.

The bride wore a suit of navy wool with matching accessories.

Mrs. Warren received her education in the Stokes High School. Pvt. Warren was educated in the Robersonville High School and at present is in the Air Corps, stationed at Fort Wayne, Indiana. He will leave Saturday for Fort Wayne. Mrs. Warren will join him later.

Mother of Mr. Mobley Dies. Agriculture instructor J. H. Mobley's mother died early today at her home in Clinton, Sampson county. Mr. Mobley was with her when she died. Funeral services will be held at Bethesda Church Saturday afternoon at 2:30. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Mobley is a teacher in the Winterville High School.

Birth Announcement. Mr. and Mrs. Hicks Hardee announce the birth of a daughter, Marcia Sheppard, on January 6, 1944, in Pitt General Hospital. Mr. Hardee was formerly Miss Marjorie Byrum of Greenville.

Farrell Concert Postponed. Eileen Farrell, the young soprano whose concert was scheduled for January 13 at East Carolina Teachers College, has postponed that appearance until later. The most probable date for her forthcoming appearance will be on March 9. Announcement as to such will be made soon.

The next scheduled entertainment will be on February 11, when Alex Templeton will appear.

Wounded Soldier Returns. Mrs. Lawrence Webb received a message today from the War Department that her husband, Pvt. Lawrence Webb, who was wounded last October while on duty with the 51st Signal Battalion, U. S. Army, in Italy, is now at Stark Hospital, Charleston, S. C. Mrs. Webb, before marriage, was Miss Mary Emma Manning of near Greenville.

Improving. Mr. A. G. McWhorter of this city, who was injured in an automobile accident near Williamston on November 27, is improving satisfactorily.

Miss McCormick Honored. Miss Ann McCormick, bride-elect, was honored last evening when Mrs. C. S. Powell entertained at bridge and a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. P. T. Anthony. Mrs. L. B. McCormick, mother of the honor guest, assisted in receiving.

The high score prize, dusting powder, was won by Miss Lucille Davis. The consolation prize, also dusting powder, went to Mrs. Margaret Futrell Turnage.

Miss McCormick was remembered with spoons in her pattern of silver. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. William Goodwin of Charlotte, and Mrs. Charles Gaskins, served a chicken salad plate with Russian tea.

Those playing were: Mrs. Margaret Futrell Turnage, Mrs. Ann Gaskins Gidley, Mrs. Vance Harrington, Mrs. Rebecca Moye Pate, Mrs. Jane Scoville Sauve, Mrs. Charles Gaskins, Mrs. William Goodwin of Charlotte, Misses Daisy King Mays, Louise Park, Virginia Cook, Margaret Jones, Frances Willard, Jody Flanagan, Joy Flanagan, Ann Skinner, Jean Harrington, Lucy Clyde Blount, Edith Harris, Margaret Mills, Harriet Gaylord, Betty Spruill, Lucille Davis and Martha Bland.

Social Calendar

FRIDAY
8:00 p. m.—Greenville E. C. T. C. alumni chapter meets in the new classroom building at the college.

Forty Years Ago Today

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Diversify Crops

Good advice to the farmers, especially this year, is not to tie themselves to one crop. When tobacco was high a few seasons ago everybody planted large crops, with the result that too much was made and the price went down. Since the price became so low, many farmers talk of not planting any more tobacco. The high price that cotton has brought this season may lead to the same mistake and cause an unusually large crop to be planted in 1904. If so, low prices may be looked for.

The safest thing for the farmer to do is not confine himself to any one money crop.

Visits Health Department.

Miss Louise Hewitt, supervisory nurse of the State Board of Health, visited the local Health Department this week, according to the information received today. While her visit was of a general nature, she discussed with the local health officer and the nursing personnel venereal disease and tuberculosis being placed upon the midwife service in Pitt county.

Completes Training.

Chambers Field, Ill., Jan. 7.—Pfc. Joseph D. Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clark of Greenville, N. C., has completed training and has been graduated from this school of the Army Air Forces Training Command. He received instruction as an aircraft electrical specialist.

Recovering.

Friends of Mrs. Lounie Staton will be glad to learn that she is recovering from an operation which she underwent Tuesday and is now receiving visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Cherry Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Cherry delightedly entertained a number of their friends on their twenty-fifth anniversary Friday night from 10 to 12 o'clock at a party at their home in Pacotulus. Mr. and Mrs. Cherry were married December 31, 1918.

Guests were greeted at the door by the host and hostess and were shown into the living room, where card tables had been placed for games. During the games, egg nog was served by Miss Elsie Cherry. At exactly twelve o'clock the guests were invited into the dining room where a buffet supper was served, consisting of sandwiches, cakes, nuts, and candy and hot coffee.

At one o'clock the guests departed declaring Mr. and Mrs. Cherry charming hosts and wishing them many happy anniversaries.

Mr. and Mrs. Cherry were recipients of many lovely gifts.

Elks-Godley.

The home of Mrs. W. Harvey Elks was the scene of a quiet but impressive ceremony on Wednesday morning, January 5, at 8:30 o'clock, when Miss Estelle Godley and William Elks were married in the presence of a few friends and relatives. For the wedding the bride was attired in a brown traveling suit with accessories to match. Her corsage was of Talisman roses.

Mrs. Elks is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Godley of Erul. Mr. Elks is the eldest son of Mrs. W. Harvey Elks and the late Mr. Elks of Greenville.

Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for a short honeymoon, after which they will make their home in Greenville.

Kiwanis Meets Tonight

President W. J. Bundy will preside at the Kiwanis Club's first meeting of the new year at Proctor hotel tonight. New officers and directors were installed at the last meeting. Dr. J. M. Barrett is vice-president.

Attention, Brownie Troop 6-meet

at the home of Mrs. J. T. Chestnut, Saturday morning at 10:30. We heard about that fine candy pull which was held before Christmas. We know you will continue to have good times and accomplish many things in your Brownie activities.

Troop 9-ers, be thinking about that troop meeting Tuesday. Mrs. Ward has some interesting news for you.

HEADACHE from Anxiety

After hours of anxiety, a headache is the last straw. But it quickly yields to Capudine, which also soothes nerves and relieves tension. Capudine is liquid. No waiting for it to dissolve before or after taking. So it's really quick. Use only as directed. 10c, 50c, 60c.

CAPUDINE

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you. Only those who attend the troop meeting will get the benefit of the outcome. Hope all of you get in on the fun.

Leaders! The January meeting of the Leaders' Club will be held at the home of Mrs. F. F. Batchelor, 702 East 4th street, Monday night at 8 o'clock. Keep this time in mind, for you don't want to miss the interesting and informative program planned.

All eyes are focused on the Little House to be. We hope the weather will "get right" so that construction can begin. That little house doesn't know the joys that lie ahead! Even Happy Helen is envious!



Troop 36 Meets.

Troop 36 held an interesting meeting Wednesday. The meeting was called to order by Jack Whitchard and the Scout oath was led by David Whitchard. Mr. Stallworth made an inspiring talk on a better troop for the new year. The meeting was closed with the scoutmaster's benediction.

Troop 33 Meets.

The meeting of Troop 33 was opened with the Scout oath, led by a member of the troop, after which patrol meetings were held. The Lion patrol will have a recruiting station in the vacant lot in front of White's store Saturday. The meeting was closed by the scoutmaster's benediction, led by Rufus Star.

4-H Club Projects

4-H CLUB PROJECT CHAMPIONS SELECTED

Robert Bruce Cannon of the Pierce 4-H Club has been declared 4-H county champion corn grower. He produced 275 bushels of corn on 5 acres at a cost of \$66.50. Robert Bruce planted his Woods Golden Dent on April 11, 1943, using 1,000 pounds of fertilizer. The project was completed on November 11, 1943. Corn produced was valued at \$315. Taking the total expense from this figure we have a balance of \$248.50 which was his net income.

In addition to this corn project, Robert Bruce had another project, a Percheron colt. At the start of this project he valued the colt at \$20 and with the use of corn, oats, and hay valued at \$47 he had an animal worth \$100 at the end of the year. His profit on this project is figured at \$33.

This is the only work animal project being conducted in the county but we would like to see other 4-H Club boys attempt a project of this kind.

Former Greenville Banker Died Sunday

Jack S. Brown, 49, native of Greenville, died Sunday at his home in Whitakers. Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon in Rocky Mount.

Mr. Brown was the son of Mrs. Nana Brown, formerly of this city but now of Statesville. Brown was employed by the Guaranty Bank and Trust Company of this city for several years before going with the Branch Banking and Trust Company of Wilson about 15 years ago. He had been head of the Whitaker's Branch Bank for the past several years.

Survivors include his wife, the former Miss Elizabeth Howard, of Whitakers, niece of the late Mrs. J. G. Moye of this city; his mother and a sister.

Active pallbearers from Greenville included J. H. Waldrop, Jesse R. Moye and Frank M. Brown. Others from Greenville attending the funeral were Jesse W. Brown, Miss Martha Lee Cowell, Mrs. Jesse R. Moye, Mrs. Nannie White, Mrs. Elizabeth White Perkins, Mrs. Lula Fleming and Mrs. J. L. Winstead.

Portugal Demands Return Of Timor

Lisbon, Jan. 7.—(AP)—Timor is Portuguese and Portugal's sovereignty over it must be restored immediately, the Journal Do Comercio declared today in a violent editorial attack on the Japanese government for not withdrawing from the Pacific island which was occupied shortly after Pearl Harbor.

Calling the island, which is half Portuguese, half Dutch, a "bleeding wound in the conscience of the nation," the newspaper added, "Portugal must unite like one man and act according to whatever decisions the government takes in order to restore Portuguese sovereignty in Timor."

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

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STRIKE HALTS SHIP BUILDING

Workers Will Return To Job If Navy Takes Over

Philadelphia, Jan. 7.—(AP)—A work stoppage halted production of invasion ships for the navy at the vast Cramp Shipbuilding Company yards for the second day today, with leaders of 17,000 workers asserting operations would be resumed if the navy takes over the plant.

The yards' gates, closed early yesterday, were thrown open today while a crowd of about 6,000 workers milled outside. Only a few walked in, however, and union spokesmen said they "took the position that they were going to stay locked out until this thing is settled."

The company termed the stoppage a strike.

A statement by union officials that "it is high time for the navy to seize the plant" was greeted with wild cheering at a meeting of more than 2,000 employees who voted yesterday to stay away from work until "all grievances" against the company are settled.

The strike, entering its second day, halted all production at the huge shipyard which is engaged in building vessels for the navy. Strike action by the workers was the result of a dispute involving 42 painters.

"If the navy takes over the yards, everybody will go back to work immediately," said Herbert Moser, executive secretary of Union Local 42, Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers (CIO). "If anyone refuses we will drive him back with a club if necessary."

Full information on the dispute was being sent to the Navy Bureau of Ships at Washington, Whitney C. Colby, the company's director of industrial relations said.

William P. Schaffer, local president, charged that 8,500 workers were locked out yesterday. Colby denied the charge and Comdr. J. M. L. Joslin, labor relations director for the Fourth Naval District, agreed that the shutdown was "not a company lockout."

Union members said the walkout started when the company discharged the painters who insisted on working with brushes at \$1.20 an hour rather than with spray guns at \$1.31.

Company officials said this dispute was being settled when 218 painters walked out yesterday. The company then refused to arbitrate until the men returned.

NOTICE OF SALE

North Carolina—Pitt County. Under and by virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Pitt County made under an entitled proceeding pending in said court entitled "Matie Lee Eagles Newman Et Als vs. Pauline Eagles, Widow of John Bruce Eagles, Et Als," the undersigned commissioners will on Thursday,

3rd day of February, 1944

between the hours of twelve o'clock Noon, and one o'clock P. M., in front of the building in which is located the Bank of Fountain in the Town of Fountain, Pitt County, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash the following described property in Fountain Township, Pitt County, North Carolina:

TRACT NO. 1. A vacant lot located in the Town of Fountain and more particularly described as follows: Beginning 100 feet from the northern corner of Square 11 on Wilson Street and running West with Wilson Street 50 feet, cornering; thence South parallel with Jefferson Street 150 feet, cornering; thence East parallel with Lang Street 50 feet, cornering; thence North parallel with Jefferson Street 150 feet to Wilson Street in the beginning, being Lot 1 in Square 11 of the plot of the said Town of Fountain, and being the identical

lot conveyed to J. R. Eagles by deed from the Bank of Fountain of record in Book U-10, page 111, Pitt County Registry.

TRACT NO. 3. A vacant lot located on Railroad Street in the Town of Fountain and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point in the easterly property line of Railroad Street located 100 feet easterly from the intersection of said easterly property line with Lang Street and with the southerly property line of Lang Street, corner of R. A. Gardner and Company; runs thence easterly with the line of R. A. Gardner and Company and parallel with Lang Street 50 feet, cornering; thence southerly with the line of the Eagles Heirs 50 feet, cornering; thence westerly and parallel with Lang Street 50 feet to the said property line of Railroad Street, cornering; thence with the said property line of Railroad Street northerly 50 feet to the point of beginning, it being the lot on Railroad Street conveyed to J. R. Eagles by deed from R. A. Gardner and Company, wife of record in Book L-13, page 596, Pitt County Registry, excepting a portion thereof 50 feet by 100 feet on the corner of Lang and Railroad Streets conveyed by J. R. Eagles to R. A. Gardner and Company by deed of record in Book L-13, page 597, Pitt County Registry.

TRACT NO. 4. A vacant lot located in the Town of Fountain and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point in the southerly property line of Lang Street located 50 feet easterly from the intersection of the southerly property line of Lang Street with the easterly property line of Railroad Street, corner of R. A. Gardner and Company; runs thence with the line of R. A. Gardner and Company and parallel with Railroad Street 150 feet, cornering; thence westerly with the said property line of Lang Street 50 feet to the point of beginning, it being one of the lots conveyed to J. R. Eagles by deed from R. A. Gardner and Company, wife of record in Book L-13, page 596, Pitt County Registry.

TRACT NO. 5. That certain lot of land situate at the northeast corner formed by the intersection of Church Street and Smith Street in the Town of Fountain adjoining the lands of W. L. Goodwin and Will Gaylor, fronting 100 feet on Church Street and running back along Smith Street 150 feet, it being the lands covered by description in deed from L. R. Bell and wife to J. R. Eagles of record in Book L-13, page 383, Pitt County Registry, excepting a lot included in such description fronting on Smith Street 50 feet and running back between parallel lines 150 feet, which J. R. Eagles and wife sold to Lula Fountain Godwin by deed of record in Book W-16, page 367, said registry.

TRACT NO. 6. All those certain tracts of land comprising Tract No. 6 of the lands described in section three of the petition in said proceeding, described according to a survey made by W. L. Trevelyan & Co., surveyors, of record in Plat Book page —, office of the Register of Deeds of Pitt County, as follows:

Tract No. 6-A: It begins at the northeast corner of the Town of Fountain sewage disposal lot and runs thence S. 57° 50' E. 9 feet to the center of a ditch; thence down said ditch 21° 20' W. 54 feet to the center of the Black Swamp Canal; runs thence up the run of said canal N. 55° 30' W. 115 feet to a stake, the corner of the Fountain-Bridgers land; thence with their line and the line of said sewage disposal lot N. 32° 10' E. 550 feet to the point of beginning, containing 73 of an acre, it being Lot No. 1 according to said plat.

Tract No. 6-B: It begins at an iron stake in the run of the Black Swamp Canal, L. R. Bell's corner, which said stake is 105.7 feet measured up said canal from J. L. Dosier's corner in said canal; and runs thence up the run of said canal N. 35° 15' W. 451 feet and N. 44° 20' W. 71 feet to the corner of Lot No. 1 as shown on said plat; thence with the line of said Lot No. 1 N. 21° 20' E. along a ditch 564 feet to a stake in said ditch, corner of said Lot No. 1; thence continuing along the line of said Lot No. 1 N. 57° 50' W. 9 feet to the northeasterly corner of the Town of Fountain sewage disposal lot, also corner of the Fountain-Bridgers land; runs thence with the line of said Fountain-Bridgers land N. 32° 10' E. 1019.8 feet crossing Lang Street to a stake in the easterly boundary line of Jefferson Street, cornering with the Fountain-Bridgers land; thence with said easterly boundary line of Jefferson Street

and the line of the Fountain-Bridgers land S. 18° 3' E. 532 feet to a stake near the intersection of the northerly boundary line of the extension of Lane Street with the said easterly boundary line of Jefferson Street, cornering with the Fountain-Bridgers land; thence with the Fountain-Bridgers line N. 30° 23' E. 7.8 feet to a stake in the Fountain-Bridgers line, corner of Lot No. 4 as shown on said plat in the line of the Fountain-Bridgers land (northerly boundary line of the extension of Lane Street); thence with the extension of the northerly boundary line of said Lane Street and along the lines of Lots Nos. 4, 5 and 11 according to said plat N. 71° 57' E. 599.9 feet to a stake in an old road in Lydia A. Fountain Heirs' line; thence along the center of said old road and with the line of said heirs S. 73° 45' E. 66.7 feet to L. R. Bell's corner; thence with his line S. 29° W. 450 feet to the center of the new road; thence along the center of said road N. 18° 3' W. 268.5 feet to the northerly corner of the house lot belonging to Dr. C. C. Eagles and the J. R. Eagles Estate; thence with the line of said Lot No. 2 S. 30° 25' W. 438.8 feet, cornering, and N. 74° E. 327 feet to the center of the aforesaid new road marked by an iron stake on the westerly side of same; thence along the center of said road S. 18° 3' E. 20 feet to L. R. Bell's corner; thence with his line S. 74° W. 99.3 feet to the center of a ditch; thence continuing along L. R. Bell's line and with the run of said ditch S. 29° 20' W. 164 feet to the point of beginning, containing 19.8 acres, which includes 2.4 acres of railroad right of way and state highway, leaving a net area of 17.4 acres, including the area within the bounds of the new road; it being Lot No. 2 as shown on said plat.

Tract No. 6-C: It begins at a point in the extension of the southerly boundary line of Lang Street 32.1 feet N. 71° 57' E. from the intersection of the said southerly boundary line of Lang Street with the easterly boundary line of Church Street, said point being in the old Fountain-Bridgers boundary line; runs thence with said old boundary line N. 30° 23' E. 307.2 feet to the corner of the old Fountain-Bridgers land in G. W. Jefferson's line; thence with said Jefferson's line S. 73° 45' E. 242.3 feet to an iron stake, cornering with Lot No. 19 in the line of G. W. Jefferson; runs thence with the line of said Lot No. 19 S. 29° 15' W. 100 feet to Hardy Johnson's northeast corner; thence with his line S. 71° 57' W. 360 feet to the point of beginning, containing 11.3 acres, being Lot No. 20 as shown on said plat.

Tract No. 6-D: It begins at a point in the center of the new road, said point being marked by an iron stake on the westerly side of same, and being 20 feet N. 18° 3' E. from

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