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Germans Falling Back Before Red Onslaught Along 125-Mile Front

Russians Battling Nazis For Possession Of Two Strategic Strongholds In Slovakia; 41,244 Germans Taken Prisoner In 41 Days.

By EDDY GILMORE
Moscow, Dec. 21—(AP)—The Red Army pushed the Germans back on a 125-mile front in southern Slovakia today and battled with bitter Nazi garrisons on the outskirts of the strongholds of Kassa and Rimassombat.

Soviet columns last night were on three sides of both these heavily defended southeastern Slovakian towns which control highways and railways connecting with direct routes to Bratislava, Vienna and Prague to the west.

In advances up to five miles, a command said the Russians captured 13 towns in the Rimassombat area in a drive aimed at the key citadel of Locono, 17 miles westward. Chief of them was Tornala, 13 miles east of Rimassombat and a strongpoint of formidable enemy defenses on the east bank of the Slana River.

Latest reports had Soviet forces preparing a climactic attack on the Torna River fortifications two miles outside Kassa.

Front reports said the great battle raged further to the west, north of the Danube bend, with troops favorably for Red Army groups struggling for other routes westward toward Bratislava and Vienna.

The German high command was reported throwing in large numbers of reserves and new air units in an effort to check the Soviet push, which threatened to spill out across the Danube and block escape routes from beleaguered Budapest.

In the southeastern Slovakia Soviet drive appeared almost certain on throwing the Nazis out of Kassa and Rimassombat within the next few days. Capitulation of the towns would lose the Nazi hold from a huge segment of eastern Slovakia, if not all of it.

An investigation report from the Slovakian battlefield said hard winter weather had set in. Ski men—both German and Russian—were taking a more active part in the fighting.

In 41 days, the war bulletin said, the Russian Second Ukrainian Army has taken 41,244 prisoners in fighting along the Hungarian-Slovak border.

All I Want Is My Maiden Name, Kelly

Chicago, Dec. 21—(AP)—Mrs. Mary Phelps, 44, told Superior Judge John A. Starbaro that after a whirlwind courtship and a honeymoon in New York in 1939 her husband, William, 50, told her to wait in Grand Central station while he made hotel reservations.

Postoffice Be Open All Day Saturday

The Greenville post office will remain open Saturday afternoon until 6 p. m. to accommodate the public in mailing Christmas packages and letters. All windows will be open for service.

The WAR TODAY

AN ANALYSIS OF THE NEWS

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst
The great German counter-offensive appears — as still viewed — uncertainly through the partial dimout of the news censorship seems to have slackened slightly in violence today, with immediate prospects much clouded.



Superfortress Over Tokyo Area



At subsonic speeds, a B-29 Superfortress flies over the Tama river just west of Tokyo. This is the first picture of a Superfortress over Japan. Bombing raids on the Japanese mainland have been steadily increasing in frequency from the 21st Bomber Command base on Saipan Island in the Marianas. (AP Wirephoto from Army Air Forces.)

Superforts Pound Jap Targets In Manchuria

Washington, Dec. 21—(AP)—The B-29 Superfortresses from the 21st Bomber Command based on Saipan Island in the Marianas, pounded Japanese targets in Manchuria today.

Will Share In Highway Fund

Raleigh, Dec. 21—(AP)—The state of North Carolina will receive approximately \$11,373,000 annually under the newly set up \$17,250,000 three-year federal postwar highway program.

Cold Wave Is Heading East

By the ASSOCIATED PRESS
The season's coldest weather struck a wide section of the country today as King Winter made ready to make his official entry at 7:15 p. m. Eastern War Time.

Supply Department Is Doing Wonderful Job

By WILLIAM F. BROGAST
Washington, Dec. 21—(AP)—House members back from Europe left the definite impression today that the supply lines in the rear are doing a wonderful job.

Over The Top

Pitt County more than doubled its over-all Sixth War Loan quota of \$1,589,000 and has reached its "E" bond quota of \$531,000.

Today On The Home Front

By JAMES MAREW
Washington, Dec. 21—(AP)—Old fat Santa Claus fell on his face this time. He was pushed. The Senate did it.



Nazi Winter Offensive On Western Front Unchecked

Failure Of Present German Drive Will End War Sooner

Secretary Recalls How Germany Fell Shortly After Major Offensive In 1918.

Washington, Dec. 21—(AP)—War Secretary Stimson said today that the German counter-offensive fails it definitely will shorten the war.

It's coupled with this assertion, however, the statement that the German's ability to launch the huge offensive is significant. He said the Nazis had penetrated Allied territory for distances ranging from five to 20 miles.

Stimson, in his weekly review of the war given at a news conference, said the Germans chose to strike in the sector "which has been loosely held by both sides. I was a terrain which had not of ferred to the Allies much incentive for exploitation."

The secretary commented that the Nazis did not have a "great deal to lose in risking the offensive and that it might gain for them a few months of time before they must account for 'the misery they have inflicted upon the world.'"

Discussing the power of the German thrust, Stimson said that despite losses suffered by the Nazis in land and air attacks in recent months, "they have been able to build up on the west wall a very substantial force for this attack."

"I have the utmost confidence in the wisdom, energy, and aggressive fighting attitude of General Eisenhower and his leaders."

In response to a question Stimson said he based his statement on a "possibility" that the Germans would make an effort to halt our advance in the Cologne plain and the Saar basin.

"I was there when they drove almost to the channel, again almost to Armentieres. Again when they drove to the Marne. I remember how we felt—as if they would never stop. And then I remember how, suddenly, on the 18th day of July 1918, we bit into the German salient and it shivered up like a toy balloon."

"And I remember how in what seemed a very short time after, the surrender came."

Stimson made these other points in his estimate of the European situation: "Our armies are being steadily reinforced and the movement of supplies to support them has been greatly enlarged and improved."

"The winter upon her is being subjected to a steadily increasing aerial attack which has assumed vast proportions."

"But menacing to the Germans as the situation has been on the western front, the German high command must also be prepared to meet the Russian winter offensive where it may strike."

"It is significant, but in line with the caution which I have tried to instill into recent appraisals of the military situation, that Germany combat shortages now."

The congressman said that in their army-conducted travels they saw everything there was to see, including the supply lines in the rear and the actual fighting at the front, and were within rifle-shot of German soldiers at Duren, on the western front.

As acting chairman of the returning group, Rep. Costello (D-Calif.) summed up the trip by saying the committee found things in excellent condition.

"They are doing an exceptionally fine job," he added.

Germans Driving Into Belgium



The white arrows on this map indicate German counteroffensive on the U. S. First Army front. The Nazis were reported to have reached the area of Stavelot, 18 miles inside Belgium. To the north, however, the U. S. First and Ninth armies continued pressure on the Eber river front. The First Army cleaned Germans out of Eberstorf near Duren. The Ninth took Wurm and Beek. The shaded line represents the battle front as last reported officially. (AP Wirephoto ray.)

Complete Conquest Of Leyte Is Near

Survivors Of Yamashita Defense Line Fleeing Into The Hills.

By JIM HUTCHESON
General MacArthur's Headquarters, Philippines, Dec. 21—(AP)—American conquest of rugged Leyte Island—the outcome "will decide the fate of the greater east war."

The battle is rapidly drawing to an end," announced General Douglas MacArthur two months and a day after he returned to the Philippines October 20 with amphibious forces, landing on Leyte's east coast.

On Mindoro island—Tokyo radio said the Yanks sought to cover up "reverses" on Leyte by vaulting to the China sea side of the Philippines seven days ago—there was no enemy ground activity and his air action was light.

Irreversible disaster was depicted for the Nipponese on mountainous northwest Leyte. That decisive battlefield is crossed north and south by a single corridor road from Pinamopoan to Ormoc and linked by a supplementary road to the west coast at Palompon.

Two American divisions slashing south from Pinamopoan and a third pushing north from Ormoc have fought to within a mile of a junction along the corridor road, thus completing destruction of the Yamashita line.

Lt. Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita, who boasted his success at Singapore would be repeated on Leyte (Continued on page five)

Allied Headquarters Admits 35-Mile German Penetration Into Belgium Up To Noon Tuesday; Up-To-The-Minute Battlefield Positions Not Permitted.

By JAMES M. LONG
Paris, Dec. 21—(AP)—Field Marshal Karl Von Rundstedt's armor and infantry had driven 35 miles westward into Belgium to a point about 14 miles south of the fortress of Liege up to noon Tuesday, it was disclosed at Supreme headquarters today.

But veteran First Army formations, rushed up to the northern flank of the deep German salient, stopped the Germans cold today in their effort to push northward, and badly mauled large tank units in a heavy engagement.

Other American forces, hurried into action along the German-north flank at Munschau, chopped nine miles into the base of the German salient.

The deepest German thrust was 14 miles west of Malmedy where tank columns cut the Liege-Bastogne-Arlon road and reached the village of Werbomont.

Field Marshal Karl Von Rundstedt's massive winter rush across Allied lines of communication had deepened into two deep wedges as massive formations of from five to six armored divisions and eight to nine infantry divisions poured into a wide breach under the concealment of fog and cloud.

The second deep wedge had penetrated three-fourths of the way across Luxembourg. This drive further south appeared directed toward Sedan, scene of the 1940 breakthrough.

The drive carried 14 miles from the frontier town of Vionden to just east of Wilz, 10 miles east of Bastogne and 48 miles northeast of Sedan. Wilz is 28 miles north of the city of Luxembourg. A parallel German column was in the vicinity of Clerveaux, seven miles northeast of Wilz.

These were the positions at noon Tuesday. Supreme headquarters still did not permit up-to-the-hour pinpointing of German positions, and field dispatches quoted "good authority" on the First Army front as saying the German drive was not likely to be checked this week although the northernmost prong of the German attack had been stemmed.

Bulk Of Flu-Cured Leaf Grown In N. C.

Raleigh, Dec. 21—(AP)—A survey of the State Department of Agriculture has revealed that North Carolina produced 63 per cent of all flu-cured tobacco grown in the nation this year and its production of all types will be approximately 41 per cent of the country's total.

Today On The Home Front

Washington, Dec. 21—(AP)—Old fat Santa Claus fell on his face this time. He was pushed. The Senate did it.

So your postman won't get a raise this Christmas. Maybe next year. But he almost had it: \$400 a year for every postal worker.

The House approved the raise, 133 to 1, and tossed it over to the Senate for final okay.

Just before it skipped out for Christmas last Tuesday night the Senate talked about it, did nothing, put up the shutters, went home.

So it will be the baby of the new Congress. It will have to start from scratch, which means:

Long committee hearings, long lines of interested witnesses, long debate in both houses.

Senator Bailey (D-NC) threw the blocks on the raise this year. He had some reasons. The Post Office Department opposed it, too.

Before going into the reasons against, here are some of the arguments for the raise:

There are postoffices in 43,000 communities. The Postal Service has 350,000 employees, less than 300 make over \$4,500 a year.

There are inequalities in pay-scales in the Postal Service. The \$400 raise wouldn't clear up all that. But it would help.

The workers most familiar to the public—mail carriers and clerks—start out at \$1,700 a year.

They get raised \$100 a year until they reach \$2,100. Then they stop. No more raises unless they move up to a better-paying job through examinations.

Now there are 102,000 clerks and carriers making \$1,100. Another 10,000 make between \$1,700 and \$2,100. The last time there was a raise in their basic pay was 1925, the year in which Congress last voted itself a raise.

Two years ago Congress gave postal workers a wartime increase of \$300 a year. This expires next June.

They work a 48-hour week in wartime and make slightly more than straight time for each hour of overtime over 48 hours.

Letter carriers have to buy their own uniforms. Unless they get a permanent raise their salaries will be at a 1923 level while living costs have gone far beyond that.

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RATION GUIDE
Meats—Red A5 thru A3 and A3 thru S5, valid indefinitely.
Foods—Blue A5 thru A3, valid 12/25 and A2 and B2 valid indefinitely.
Sugar—Stamps 30 thru 34, valid indefinitely.
Shoes—Alpines stamps 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Evans have returned from Wadesboro, where they were called because of the death of Mrs. Evans' sister, Mrs. W. S. Covington.

Midshipman W. W. Lee, Jr., of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, will arrive tonight to spend ten days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lee.

Miss Evelyn Scheller arrived this afternoon from Boston, Mass., to spend her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Scheller.

Miss Susanne Kilgo is home from Duke University to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kilgo.

Miss Helen Aman, a student at Greensboro College, has returned to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Aman.

Miss Lucy Nobles of Richmond, Va., is spending several days here with her mother, Mrs. J. E. Nobles.

Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Cahoon of Charleston, S. C., are here to spend Christmas with Mrs. Cahoon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Mooris.

Miss Julia Brown of Norfolk, will arrive Friday evening to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Morton and their grandson, Kirk Ward, Jr., will leave Saturday to spend Christmas with Lt. Lycouris Ward, who was wounded in battle in France and is a patient at Northington General Hospital, Tuscaloosa, Ala. Mrs. Ward went to Tuscaloosa some weeks ago.

Miss Mimi Tripp underwent an operation today for appendicitis at Pitt General Hospital.

Jim Lanier, Pat Corey, David Whitehead, Claude Flyler, Knott Proctor, Warren Ficklen, Jack Scott and Charles Face are home from Chapel Hill to spend Christmas.

To sponsor Square Dance. The F. T. A. of Grimesland school will sponsor a square dance on Friday night, beginning at 9 o'clock, in the Grimesland high school. Music will be furnished by Jake Jacobson's band of Washington. The proceeds will go to buy war bonds.

No Choir Practice. The choir of Eighth Street Christian Church will not meet for practice tonight.

Youth Choir Practice Friday. The entire cast of the choir of the "Star of Hope" will meet for practice at the Methodist Church Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Birth Announcement. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Claude Gaskins, Jr., announce the birth of a son, Jacob Claude III, on Wednesday, December 20, 1944, in Pitt General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bissette Entertain. Griffin, Dec. 21.—Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Bissette entertained members of their contract club at supper and bridge on Tuesday night at their home here.

The home throughout was decorated with holly, greenery, berries and lighted candles. A delicious turkey supper was served prior to the games.

During bridge high scores were made by Mrs. Robert Raspberry and Mrs. Robert Hodges. They were rewarded with attractive gifts. The highlight of the fun was the exchange of gifts from those present which came following the bridge games.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Raspberry, Mr. and Mrs. Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Williams, Mrs. George Sugg, Mrs. H. C. Oglesby and Mr. L. L. Mewborn.

Bill Simpson's Original. Bill Simpson, formerly of Greenville, the youngster who conducted a "one-man newspaper" while in school here, who is now living with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Simpson in Athens, Ga., is sending out again this year an "extra special greeting card" to his friends. The Christmas card is unique. Simpson is editor of a high school paper in the Georgia city and the printing is all done on a mimeograph. He does the art work. The high school editor was recently invited to speak on journalism at a meeting of the Athens Kiwanis Club.

Social Calendar

FRIDAY
6:30 p. m.—Kiwanis Club meets in Rotary Club building.

Primitive Baptist Church.
There will be no services at the Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday but there will be services on Sunday at 11 o'clock. The public is invited.

Junior Choir Practice.
A special practice for the Junior choir has been called at the Methodist Church for Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Library to Observe Holidays.
Shepard Memorial Library will be closed on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday.

GREENVILLE CITY OF SUNSHINE

Holly wreaths on the doors, lights in the windows, Christmas trees ablaze, packages in holiday dress, the odor of plum pudding baking—all these tell us that the magic of Christmas has descended upon our city.

The first notes of caroling are heard and they help to change the fear in the hearts of a war-torn people into renewed hope.

Members of families returning home for the holidays renew their Yuletide spirit with the first glimpse of the tiny red berries and the green leaves of the holly that lend cheer and welcome. This spirit speaks also from the star-studded heavens on these cold clear nights. Venus, the beautiful evening star, reminds us of the star that went before the wise men and stood over the Bethlehem stable.

Two thousand years ago on that first Christmas when the Christ Child was born to Mary and Joseph, a peace fell over the countryside. Because He came to save the world, His birthday marks the season of the year when love is uppermost in the hearts of all men. May Christmas bring you its gifts of peace and love and happiness, may they be yours in great abundance through the coming year.

NEWS ABOUT SERVICEMEN

Stuart Page Here
Sgt. Stuart C. Page is home on a twelve-day furlough visiting his family. Sgt. Page is stationed at Camp Gruber, Okla.

'Fondling' For Servicemen.
Generous persons with the Christmas spirit are invited to give "Mom" Horne's Servicemen's Center at the Vines House an "old fashioned fondling" with cakes, candy, fruits, coffee, sugar, and other things to eat, to help her provide homelike cheer for her boys in the service during the Christmas holidays. Many servicemen who can't go home for Christmas will spend the holidays at the Servicemen's Center.

Walter Tucker On Leave.
T-Sgt. Walter S. Tucker, Jr., who has been with the 15th air force in Italy, has completed his missions and is spending Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tucker, on East Eighth street. Sgt. Tucker will leave for Miami, Fla., the early part of January.

Like a Letter From Home
Sgt. Mark E. McGlohon of Winterville, stationed somewhere in Italy, sent the following interesting letter to the Intermediate Girls' Auxiliary of Winterville Baptist Church, who had sent a number of Christmas boxes to Winterville boys in the armed forces:

"I was very pleased as well as surprised to receive your package on December 6. I wish to say that I appreciate it very much. I also appreciate the feeling behind it and the interest that you have shown in trying to make my Christmas more cheerful. It is the knowledge that there are such organizations as yours that are working on the home front as we might say, with the interest of the men in the armed forces at heart, that really makes my Christmas more enjoyable.

"I wish to thank each and every one of the girls for their part in this gift that they have sent me. I enjoyed everything. One thing I

Forty Years Ago Today

THE DAILY REFLECTOR
December 21, 1904
Miss Lizzie Higgs left this morning for Washington City.
Mrs. W. A. Bowen and little son left this morning for Plymouth.
J. I. Smith came home Thursday evening from Wake Forest College.
Durwood Wilson came home Wednesday evening from Baltimore.

See if you can send a ray of Christmas joy into some home where sadness hovers.
Plenty of turkeys coming in this week, the price running from 12 to 13 cents a pound.
especially enjoyed was the copy of the Greenville Daily Reflector that I found in the box. It was the first copy I had seen in more than two years. It was as good as getting a letter from home. It helped to bring back memories of things that I had almost forgotten. I also enjoyed the comic books that were in it. I can't mention all the things but they are all appreciated. I hope that some day I will be able to thank you personally.
"Thanking you all again, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."
"Sgt. Mark S. McGlohon."
(His mailing address is: 1110th Q. M. Co. Service Group, 332nd Service Group, APO 650, care Postmaster, New York, N. Y.)

Sends Greetings
Seaman (2c) Don Nichols, USN, stationed on the Marianas Islands in the South Pacific, in a letter to the Reflector, sent Christmas and New Year greetings to his friends and acquaintances in Greenville. He is in good health. Nichols was a member of Battery A, 113th Field Artillery, a number of years before the battery was taken into the army in 1941. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Nichols of Greenville.

Back From Pacific.
Lt. J. D. Bridgers, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Bridgers, arrived last night to spend a 30-day leave here. He has just returned from his second tour of duty in the Pacific as a dive-bomber pilot.

Home on Leave
Lt. (jg) Herbert M. Wilkerson, USNR, arrived this afternoon to spend a 30-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Wilkerson. Lt. Wilkerson has just returned from a tour of duty in the Pacific. He was among those rescued when the cruiser Helena was sunk last year in the South Pacific and since that time has served on the Honolulu. Lt. Wilkerson recently landed at a west coast port after seeing action in the American westward drive to the Philippines.

Women in the Church

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, said to be the largest organization of women in the world, has given official approval to the proposals of Dumbarton Oaks as "recognizing full participation of small nations in the world assembly." While admitting "certain imperfections," the society approved the proposals as the best approach yet made for universal peace, and urged Methodist women to write their U. S. senators recommending that, "in the final draft of the charter for collaboration of the United Nations the principle of racial equality be recognized; that provision be made for a council or commission on international mandates for preparing people for self-government." They told Methodist women that their first task is that of working together to secure permanent peace, and urged them to study all proposals in the international, financial, or economic fields that are basic to organizations insuring world peace.

When Dr. Katherine L. McElroy of Baltimore, Md., president of Pierce College for Girls, conducted in Athens, Greece, by the American Board of Foreign Missions (Congregational), entered Athens recently following departure of the German army, she found the buildings unfit for habitation. It has been used by the Germans for some years as a hospital for tropical diseases; but before evacuation they had removed all electric fixtures, basins, tubs, pipes, ranges, furnace, and all school furniture. A bomb had entered the roof of one building

Greenville Girl Featured In Concert



Miss Margaret Anne Johnson of Greenville (above, center), who with Miss Jean Sloan of Charlotte (left), and Miss Gertrude Peck (right), instructor, were featured harpists at the Christmas concert given at Queens College in Charlotte on Sunday night, December 17. Miss Johnson, graduate of Greenville High School last June, is a freshman at Queens. A music major, she has participated in several Community Chest and War Bond luncheons at the Charlotte Hotel and other civic affairs during the Fall term. She has been chosen as harpist of the Queens-Davidson Symphony Orchestra which will

and penetrated to the basement. Meanwhile the Greek faculty had taken as many students as possible into rented quarters and carried on. Dr. McElroy is now busy making repairs so that from 500 to 600 children, otherwise homeless, can be housed temporarily on the campus, while UNRRA will provide cots, blankets, cooking utensils and food. The few adults left in the region will be cared for in temporary shacks and tents so they will be on hand to care for the spring planting which comes very early in Greece.

For the first time in history, the Church of England in Canada has named a woman as a chaplain's assistant. She is Deaconess Madeline Hawkins, now Lt. Hawkins of the Canadian Women's Army Corps. She will assist the Hon. Captain J. S. Neff, chaplain at the corps' training station at Kitchener, Ont.

Efird's Employees Christmas Banquet

Manager B. S. (Billy) Hodges was host last night at the annual banquet and fellowship meeting of the twenty-one employees of Efird's Department store, one of Greenville's leading shopping centers. Mr. Hodges, in a brief talk, expressed the company's appreciation of the efficient and loyal services of the employees and gave them much credit for the progress and growth of the store during the past few years. The table was attractively decorated with Christmas evergreens. There was a Christmas tree and gifts, for the employees and manager. Favors were placed at each plate. Candle light provided illumination for the banquet. Chicken supper was served. Efird's Department store has experienced unusual growth and expansion since Mr. Hodges took over the management about two years ago. The store enjoys a patronage from a large part of Eastern Carolina.

Sad Christmas
Philadelphia, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Carleton Adams, 21, alone in the parlor of his home, climbed on a chair, reached out toward a shiny red ornament on his newly-trimmed Christmas tree. He fell, and was killed.

SAVE A BUNDLE A WEEK
Waste Paper is a vital weapon of war. Save it and save some boy's life!

End of Season Dress Clearance

- Group I**
Dresses to suit many occasions. Woolens and silks.
\$10.00
 - Group II**
For your day time wear select a dress in this group. All colors and sizes to 20.
\$8.00
 - Group III**
Values up to \$12.95, dresses in all colors and sizes to 20.
\$5.00
- Brody's Dept. Store**

JUST RECEIVED
Big Shipment New Daniel Green

Slippers

\$3.95 to \$5.50

Gay as the Christmas tree and comfortable as an "old shoe." Just the kind of boudoir footwear the girls dream about. Choose a pair for your "Hers" today.

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Warm Ideas

FOR GIFT GIVING

So warm, so pretty... rose-sprigged quilted robes that look like China silk... tailored corduroy robes — lush and soft... perfect to slip over these gaily printed nighties and pajamas. And this is only part of our sparkling Christmas story. Come see the rest of it. You'll never know how simple it is to select your gifts until you've seen our wonderful collection of "bedtimers."

Misses' and Women's ROBES
\$9.95 to \$24.95

CHILDREN'S ROBES
\$3.95 to \$12.95

GIFT LINGERIE
A Beautiful, Practical Gift
Gowns, Pajamas, Bed Jackets
Panties, Slips
\$1.98 to \$14.95

Third Floor

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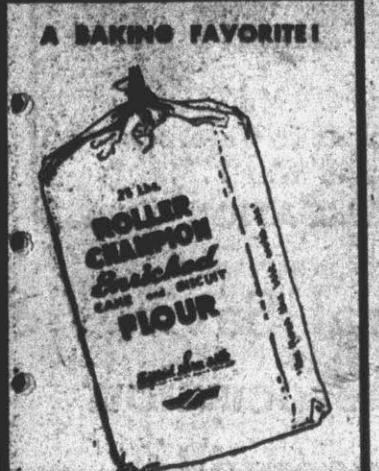
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—
For Him

DIAMOND RINGS
VALUES THAT DEFY COMPETITION
BEST JEWELRY CO.
"Eastern Carolina's Leading Jewelers"

Help bring our boys home sooner. Tuck a war bond in your gift package.

Island Song

Chapter 19
The King poured himself another tumbler of the rich brown liquor. That he'd already had was coursing through his blood like golden



A BAKING FAVORITE!
Southern-Delight
PASTRY
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"Mm-m-m"
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Enriched ROLLER CHAMPION "THE FLOUR"
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sunshine. He felt very fine indeed, mellow and generous, friendly to all the world. He took the tumbler in his hand and sloshed the contents around so that the rum gave off a fine appetizing fragrance. "Very good, very good," he massaged his stomach pleasantly. "Just the thing I need."
The chamberlain came in again and whispered something in the king's ear. The king poured himself another drink. "Let 'em wait," he grumbled. "Let everybody wait. I am king. They can do nothing until I come. There is no hurry."
The king lifted the glass to his lips, took a long pull. "This is better than a wedding," he said, smiling. "It makes a man feel fine inside. Keeps the stomach from being upset. Rum won't hurt nobody. I should drink lots of it. It's good for me."
He sank back in his chair and closed his eyes. A blissful smile lit up his dark face. "I'm tired of being the king," he said lazily. "I too much work. I sell the kingdom to the highest bidder. Then I can go away on a trip. I'll go to England like Liholilo did. They will respect me at court."
"Sell the kingdom?" cried Laura. "You would betray your people?"
"The kingdom will be sold by next month," the king hiccupped, "to some foreign nation. Maybe France or England. Who cares?"
"Impossible!" protested Laura. "You wouldn't do such a thing. You wouldn't dare!"
"I already do it—practically—the king laughed drunkenly. "I send three secret ambassadors tomorrow with full authority to act for me. These islands are worth something. I have plenty of money from now on and can do what I like."
Something in the king's words convinced Laura. And the scheme was logical. She knew that the Hawaiian Islands would be a valuable possession to any nation. They would make a splendid naval base in the Pacific. The islands would some day be wealthy, prosperous and productive, worth a great deal of money. And Laura knew that such a scheme was typical of the king. He would sell the kingdom without a word to any of his subjects and take the money with an easy conscience.
But she must have proof. She could not go to the House of Nobles and repeat the drunken story and expect to be believed.
She turned to the king with a false smile. "Your Majesty is joking," she said. "What you have told sell his kingdom?"
"I am not joking," he answered

repeatedly. "My ambassadors will have full power. I give them written documents telling them to act for me."
"I would only believe it," Laura Webb stated emphatically. "If I saw a copy."
"I prove it to you!" muttered the king. "You doubt my word? I prove what I say." He got slowly to his feet, swaying a little. He staggered as he crossed the room, and caught at a table for support. Against the opposite wall was a tall teakwood cabinet. This he opened, fumbled around inside and brought out a folded paper. "Here it is," he cried triumphantly. "The very paper I am giving to my ambassadors. Read it. Then you'll believe what I say."
Laura Webb crossed the room swiftly and almost snatched the paper from the king's hand, so eager was she to see what was written there. She unfolded it and saw, in the big flourishing handwriting of the king, the following amazing words:
"Kamehameha by the Grace of God, of the Hawaiian Islands, King.
"To our trusty and well-loved ambassadors:
"SECRET INSTRUCTIONS.
"These are to command and empower you, on our behalf to treat and negotiate with any King, President or Government or Agent thereof for the purpose of placing our Islands under Foreign Protection and Rule under a Governor-general, reserving for ourselves the nominal title of King.
"Done at the Palace, Honolulu, Oahu, Hawaiian Islands, this seventh day of October, A. D. 1850."
—Kamehameha.
When Laura Webb had finished reading she gazed at the king in amazement. The legal instrument which she held in her hands was practically a power of attorney, giving the ambassadors full authority to sell the islands.
"Believe me now?" demanded the king. "You can see I was telling the truth." He turned toward his precious bottle, shut his eyes.
"I believe you," Laura Webb slipped the incriminating paper under her cloak, backed toward the door. At the foot of the stairs she encountered Doctor Webb.
"Laura," he cried sternly. "What are you doing in the palace?"
"I've been to see the king," she answered quietly. "He has confessed to me that he is planning to sell Hawaii."
Briefly she told him what had happened and then held out the instructions to the ambassadors which she had taken from the king's room. Doctor Webb scanned the paper swiftly and a bleak smile lighted up his face. "The nobles are assembled in the throne room for the wedding ceremony," he said, half to himself. "When they see this paper they will believe what I have always told them." He put both hands on Laura's shoulders and smiled down at her. "My dear," he said softly, "you have saved the kingdom from being sold into slavery. And I believe you have returned to your husband his power and authority."

Jason in prison.
Liloa could see Jason as he had appeared on the balcony. Picture his bronzed face, his flashing eyes, his proud carriage. He had been fearless then, had scoffed at the king's tabu and the ancient Hawaiian customs. So young, so brave! And now he was in prison. Locked in some narrow cell, with sentries pacing before it. Cold, perhaps hungry, forgotten, while bands played and people danced and cheering crowds swarmed through the palace grounds to see a princess married.
The hand stopped suddenly and drums took up a steady beat. Liloa knew those drums. They were used only on occasions of great ceremony. This, then, would mean the beginning of the procession of high chiefs and governors. And after that, would come the marriage ceremony itself. Liloa shuddered and drew her feathered cloak about her slender body.
The muffled beat of the drums drew steadily nearer, pounding out a monotonous rhythm, primitive, savage, stirring the blood. Always it had been the drums. Long before the first white man had landed in Hawaii the drums had been the only music. Calling the men to war, assembling the high chiefs to a meeting, summoning the priests to worship. The hula girls had swayed to the throbs of the drums, the warriors had charged into battle to their hollow thunder. And now the drums beat again, marking time for a thousand marching feet; the procession drawing nearer and nearer—to celebrate the wedding of a princess.
Liloa crossed the entrance of the tent and, holding the flaps with both hands, looked out. The procession was just entering the palace grounds.
First came the drums, carried by huge, solemn men, naked, save for the back malos bound about their loins. The drums, used in sacred ceremonies since time immemorial,

were made of hollowed koa trees, with parchment stretched tight across both ends. They were glossy and polished from much handling. Their voices were deep, resonant, the voices of the ancient forgotten gods.
Kugul-nut torches moved in double column beside the procession, the flames dancing, leaping, swaying, giving off thick, pungent plumes of smoke. The high chiefs followed according to their rank. Kumu led the procession, wearing the long yellow-and-red cloak which had been his warrior grandfather's. He plumed helmet on his head. In his hands he carried a great knotted club, handed down for generations in his family. About his neck swung the necklace of human hair and bone—symbol of the chiefs, or near-royalty. Behind Kumu marched his attendants, men of lesser rank, with short feather cloaks about their shoulders, some with clubs, spears, hrowing weapons of polished koa, curved like the boomerang of Australian bushmen.
To Be Continued

No Police Court On Christmas Day
Judge Jimmy Roberts will hold the regular session of Police Court Friday morning at 9 o'clock. There will not be any court next Monday morning.
The following cases were disposed of at Monday's court:
Clarence Carawan, assault with a deadly weapon, 60 days in jail, suspended on payment of \$25, costs deducted. He was charged with attacking R. G. Streeter, a serviceman, with a knife.
Clifton Worthington, drunk and disorderly and resisting arrest, guilty of being drunk and disorderly and given 30 days in jail, suspended on payment of \$15. Worthington was also found guilty of resisting arrest and given 30 days in jail, suspended on payment of \$200. He gave notice of appeal.
Jacquard invented automatic pattern weaving about 1800.

DO YOU FEEL NERVOUS RESTLESS HIGH-STRUNG

In "CERTAIN DAYS" of the Month!
No functional periodic disturbances make you feel nervous, cranky, irritable, fidgety, tired and "dragged out"—at such times?
Then start at once—try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to relieve such symptoms. Pinkham's Compound is famous not only to help relieve monthly pain but also accompanying weak, tired, nervous feelings of this nature.
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Special Notice To Our Friends And Customers In Greenville And Pitt County

We take this method to announce that we close Saturday night, December 23rd, until Tuesday, January 2nd in order to make minor repairs to machinery and our trucks, and to give our help a well-earned vacation. We thank you for your patronage and hope to serve you more efficiently in the future.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
SUNSHINE CLEANERS
J. C. Youngblood

Chapter 20
The Princess Liloa, in her wedding dress of golden yellow and red gleaming gardenias intertwined in her hair, fragrant blossoms wreathed about her throat, waited quietly in her tent. Presently, David would come, and they would be married. But it was not with thoughts of the young prince that she was occupied. Jason Blake filled her mind. She recalled that blissful moment on the balcony when he had taken her into his arms and kissed her. She could still feel the thrill of his lips against hers.
She had resigned herself to the inevitable—her marriage. But in some corner of her heart she still nursed a forlorn hope that Jason

Worry of FALSE TEETH

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Don't be embarrassed by loose false teeth slipping, dropping or wobbling when you eat, talk or laugh. Just sprinkle a little **FASTEETH** on your plates. This pleasant powder gives a remarkable sense of added comfort and security by holding plates more firmly. No gummy, gooey, pasty taste or feeling. It's alkaline (non-acid). Get **FASTEETH** at any drug store.—(Adv.)

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WILSON'S WEEKLY Bulletin

By George Rector
Food and Nutrition Consultant to Wilson & Co.
Holiday Toys for Service Boys

To bring Yuletide joy to two or three homesick servicemen, open your door and your heart to them on Christmas day. Your local U.S.O. or Servicemen's Center will be happy to extend your dinner invitation to young chaps who can't be in their own homes on this day of days. How the boys will enjoy your fire-side, friendship, festivity and good food! For a long time to come, they'll have cheery memories of that place that was "just like home."

Christmas Menu

- Celery Radishes Olives
- Certified Turkey
- B-V Stuffing Giblet Gravy
- Candied Sweet Potatoes
- Cauliflower with Cheese Sauce
- Fruit Salad
- Mince Meat Pie
- Nuts Coffee

For a Merry, Merry Dinner
The gayety that's Christmas can best be told with food. Since your whole Christmas dinner depends upon how good your turkey (or other fowl) is, better get your order in early for a Wilson's Certified Turkey, Chicken, Duck or Goose. A big, plump, juicy bird is always the star attraction on any holiday feast table.
Make sure the stuffing and gravy are the best ever by using Wilson's B-V in both. For the stuffing, use your favorite cauliflower recipe, adding 1 tsp. B-V for each quart of bread crumbs. It's delicious!
FOOD FANCIES
For Christmas appetizers de luxe spread thin slices of Wilson's Mor with softened cheese combined with chives. Roll, chill and slice. Serve on cocktail picks along with a B-V tomato juice cocktail (1 tsp. B-V to 1 cup juice).
And why not sprinke the creamed cauliflower with tiny bits of red and green pepper? It's a bright holiday dish.
For a truly Christmas salad, color halves of those good home-canned pears red, put two halves together with cream

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Announcement!

The following firms will be

CLOSED

All Day

Monday and Tuesday

Dec. 25th & 26th

Reopening for business Wednesday, Dec. 27th.

Askew's Market

Garris Grocery Company

Honeycutt's Market

For the Kiddies

When you're making your Christmas goodies that "look too good to eat" turn those doughnut holes into jolly little snowballs. Fry them in deep fat (Advance Shortening) and roll them first in slightly moistened confectioners' sugar, then in finely grated coconut. They'll last about as long as snowballs in June... and cause as much fun.

"All through the House"

Candy-striped seersucker makes a practical yet festive tablecloth that can later be converted into play suits. The accompanying red paper napkins are laundry-saver.

Even Flido will reflect the spirit of the day if you'll adorn his collar with jingle bells and a perky red bow.

Good cheer to you and yours.

GEORGE RECTOR

The Wilson Label protects your table

WANTS

Rates 14c per word, minimum charge 35c for 25 words, one insertion, six insertions, \$1.00; one month, \$7.00. Independent lines known as classified display or double price.

Other than to business houses having regular accounts with us, no want ads will be charged, send or bring cash with order. To prevent errors, want ads will not be taken over the telephone.

GIFT SETS IN AVON AVAILABLE at 111 East 10th Street, Dial 2805. 18-5t

WE HAVE ELECTRIC BATH room heaters, hot plates, both single and double. Washington Supply Co., Phone 19, Washington, N. C. Jan. 1

PLACE YOUR ORDERS NOW FOR Armour's or Weaver's Fertilizers to avoid the rush season. Farm machinery of all kinds. R. F. McLaughlin & Sons, Dial 3286, Bethel Highway. 14-1mo.

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WOULD LIKE TO CONTACT party going to Washington, D. C. Three of us would like to make the trip. Will pay expenses. Call 3222. 29-2t

METAL WEATHERSTRIPS For Windows and Doors Save Fuel and Discomfort Installed by Experts R. C. VANDEBERRY Asheville, N. C.

FRUIT CAKE—ALL KINDS OF Layer Cakes and Pies. People's Bakery. 18-5t

LOST OR STOLEN—A BOSTON bulldog, age 7 months, color black, white breast and nose. Unchipped tail. Answers to name "Skipper." Reward. Call M. K. Blount, Dial 3437. 20-2t

Hooker & Buchanan INC. Mutual Insurance Next to Pitt Theatre Dial 3412

CAR OWNERS—WE HAVE SEAT covers to fit most any make car. Washington Supply Co., Phone 19, Washington, N. C. Jan. 1

WANTED TO RENT—FIVE OR six room house or apartment by Jan. 1st. Write R. C. Box 426, or call 2223, Greenville, N. C. 20-2t

IT IS NOT TOO EARLY start planning for that post-war home you intend to build. Some type homes can be financed up to 90 per cent of value with easy monthly payments and low interest rate. Come in and talk it over with me. **J. F. BOWEN** State Bank and Trust Co. Bldg.

SALES LADIES WANTED FOR part or full time work. Good salary to start with. Pleasant working conditions. Age 16 to 60. Apply in person to Manager, McElean's Stores Co. 16-1t

CORN WANTED—WE PAY HIGH- est cash prices for corn. Bring us your corn to sell or shell. Men who know how to shell your corn or will buy as you bring it. Woodrow Worthington's Corn Mill, Winterville, N. C. Phone 3634-G. 16-1t

FOR SALE 5-Piece Solid Walnut Bedroom Suite 4-Piece 5-ply Walnut Bedroom Suite 10-Piece Solid Walnut Dining Room Suite This furniture can be seen after 6 p. m.

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WE ARE NOW BUYING PEANUTS for the government, every day except Saturday, at Keel's Warehouse, Keel's Peanut Co. 8-1t

FOR COLORED HOMES—MANY choice building lots in Riverdale Addition, near school. Reasonably priced and can be bought on easy terms. Stallworth or Tripp, 317 Evans St., Dial 2401. 16-1t

FOR SALE—1934 PLYMOUTH TU- dor, 204 W. 4th St. Dial 3465. 20-2t

FOR SALE—LADIES' PRE-WAR bicycle. Call 2979. 21-2t

INCOME TAX SERVICE **J. Nat Harrison** 232 East Ninth Street Greenville Phone 3891

WANTED—WAITRESSES, SHORT order cook and dishwashers. Will pay good salaries. Victory Grill. 13-5t

TELL SANTA CLAUS TO BRING baby a bunny rabbit. Red, white, blue-gray and black. \$2 up. They are tame and can be kept inside several months. Temporary cages furnished. Dial 2678, Tunstall Rabbitry, 1618 Reade St. 19-4t

RIDE TO MOREHEAD CITY wanted on Saturday by lady. Phone 4221. 21-2t

FOR RENT—TWO HORSE CROP close in. Savage Stables. 19-5t

MR. FARMER—LET US GRIND your sausage, 1c per pound. Bill Pollard's Native Market, Phone 3262, Bethel highway. 14-9t

FOR SALE House and Four Lots **Saturday, Dec. 23, 2 p. m.** **R. D. WHITEHURST, Jr.** Bethel N. C.

FOR SALE—ONE GIRL'S BICY- cle. Blue Ivey Johnson. Call after 7 o'clock. Telephone 3796. 20-3t

WE CAN NOW PURCHASE DR- kindling wood and split pine wood, cut to your requirements. Pitt Coal and Wood Co., near NSRR, Dial 2768. 18-26t

FOR RENT—3 HORSE CROP 3 acres tobacco allotment, possibly more. Good dwelling with lights. Terms on halves or thirds. See L. W. Gaskins at Page Barber Shop, Dickinson Ave. 19-3t

FOR SALE—A GOOD, NEARLY new, buggy. High wheels, easy running. A bargain at fifty dollars. Joe Pollard, three miles on Stauntonburg road. 21-3t

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NO MEAT SHORTAGE IF YOU raise rabbits. Delicious all white meat. Good fried, baked, barbecued, salads, etc. Recipes free. Edible each month in year. The fur sells well. A grown pair only \$6. Will supply whole neighborhood in a year. Grows rabbits weight from 9 to 12 pounds. Dial 2678 or see Tunstall Rabbitry. 19-4t

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FRUIT CAKES MAKE AN IDEAL Christmas gift. We have them, too. Mrs. Morton's Cake Shop. 16-5t

NEW TYPEWRITERS available. Inquiries Solicited. **Taff Office Equipment Co.** 119 East Fifth Street

FOR SALE—A PEDIGREED cocker spaniel male puppy, seven months old. Solid black, a real beauty. \$60.00. Eric E. Wall, 1100 Chestnut St., Dial 4072 after 6 p. m. 16-6t

NEW STATIONERY JUST RE- ceived at Johnson's. 430 Evans St., at Five Points. 21-2t

STUDENT ACCIDENT POLICY— Graduated schools and colleges—4 year. Pays \$300 for life, hands, feet, eyes, etc. Pays up to \$150 for complete fractures, dislocations. \$3 per day for 21 days hospitalization. Doctor up to \$20 for minor injuries. Dentist up to \$20. Chipped, broken or knocked out teeth. Four Dollars per Year. The company issues policies endorsed by the N.C.E.A., and is sold under guarantee. Dial 2678 for particulars, or see C. D. Tunstall, 1018 Reade St. 19-4t

WANTED—TENANT FOR TWO- horse crop. 10 acres tobacco allotment. 25 acres for other crops. Peanuts and corn. Write "Tenant," care Daily Reflector. 19-3t

PLENTY OF EGGS AND NICE fat hens—every day. Bring bag for eggs. Pitt Poultry Co., Falkland Highway, next to Radio Station. 16-14t

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Ernest Willard INSURANCE ANY KIND—ANYWHERE 123 East Fifth Street

WANTED—TO BUY A HOUSE IN College View or Tenth street. R. V. Keel, Dial 2597. 21-3t

Personal Property Sale

Wednesday, Dec. 27th 10:30 a. m.

Two miles from Stokes on **Factotus-Washington** Highway

2 Mules

1 Transplanter

1 Wheelbarrow

Tobacco Trucks

Cart

Corn and Hay

Also Other Farming Implements

Willie Roebuck

LOST—900 YARDS NEW TOBAC- co cloth. Placed in wrong truck by mistake in Blount-Harvey's lot. Return to Keel's Supply Store. 21-3t

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

1-Damaged Studio \$49.50

2-Damaged \$10.00

3-Used Dining \$20.00

4-Used 3-Piece \$29.50

5-Used Kitchen \$5.00

6-Used Book Case \$6.00

7-Used \$10.00

8-Used \$4.00

9-Used Dresser \$17.50

10-Used Single \$15.00

This merchandise can be bought at Quinn-Miller & Stroud's Store, No. 2.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all my customers for past business and wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Come to see me at 921 Dickinson Avenue. **ROBERT C. HARPER**

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WANTED—TWO-WHEEL FARM trailer. See or write Charlie W. Harris, care G. S. Porter, Chicago, N. C. or call 3626-S.

IF YOU WANT A GAS STOVE see us. Also we will have on hand in a few days a fruit dehydrator. Bray's Radio Service, 204 E. 5th. 21-3t

FOR SALE—BOY'S SIDEWALK bicycle. In excellent condition. Dial 2052. 21-2t

Grain Market

Chicago, Dec. 21 (AP)—Urgent short covering in preparation for the close of trading today in December grain futures strengthened the current contracts today and prices rose sharply. The deferred deliveries were higher most of the session but eased back near the close.

At the finish wheat was 1/4 lower to 2/3 higher than yesterday's close, December \$1.70 1/2. Corn was off 1/4 to 1/2, December \$1.17 1/2. Oats were 1/4 to 3/4 higher, December 71 1/2. Rye was off 1/2 to 5/8, December \$1.16 1/2. Barley was 1/2 lower to 1/4 higher, December \$1.18 1/2.

New York Cotton

COTTON—M M New York, Dec. 21 (AP)—Cotton futures opened 10 cents a bale higher to 5 cents lower.

Non values were 10 to 20 cents a bale higher; March 21.93, May 21.85, July 21.46, October 20.58, December 20.59. Middling spot 22.34, up 2.

German Railway Targets Pounded

London, Dec. 21 (AP)—U. S. 15th air force heavy bombers struck rail targets today at Rosenheim, 35 miles southeast of Munich, rounding out seven straight days of blows at southern German communications.

The Italy-based bombers were from the same wing, commanded by Brig. Gen. Hugo P. Rust of Providence, Pa., which has shelled throughout the week to hamper the flow of enemy troops and supplies, especially toward the Italian and Hungarian fronts.

Thunderbolts raided the Bologna battle sector and Brenner Pass, cutting the Brenner feeder line south to Verona at two places.

Weather again hampered operations from the west against the Nazi counteroffensive, as yesterday.

Many Never Suspect Cause Of Backaches

When doctor of today's medicine tells you that your backache is due to a strain, you are usually right. But you are usually wrong, too. For the cause of your backache may be a simple matter of poor posture.

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Nazi Winter...

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ed turning south and west of St. Vith, farther south, in the most potent threat.

American tank destroyers going into the attack in a fog that limited visibility to 50 yards fought a great engagement today outside Stavolot, and smashed the efforts of German armor to break through and rescue remnants of 60 Nazi tanks trapped near the embattled village.

Blazing round after round, the Americans destroyed five American Sherman tanks and a tank-destroyer that had been captured and manned by the Germans.

"We have destroyed approximately 30 of their 60 tanks and knocked out about 50 of 200 supply vehicles caught with them," the commander there reported.

The new German attack, made on the fourth successive day they have attempted to rescue the trapped tank outfit, was launched less than two miles southeast of Malmédy, the funnel through which the Kaiser poured his armies toward Liege in August, 1914.

At the same time other veteran American units swung into positions along the northern flank of the Nazi salient.

The Third Army repulsed two German counterattacks northeast of Sarrequeimes. The Seventh Army under intense artillery fire, was thrown out of Bundenthal, two miles inside the Palatinat and seven miles northwest of Wissembourg.

The French in the Vosges advanced a mile south of Lake Noir, 13 miles west of Colmar, and reached Les Hautes Huttes.

The stand of the Germans all along these other fronts had stiffened surprisingly considering the fury they had concentrated into their new drive, and apparently was intended to tie up Allied forces which might otherwise be diverted to the Belgian-Luxembourg sector.

Considerable enemy movement was observed around Linnich and Tinnman, north of the First Army sector.

Von Rundstedt was throwing in everything he had—from five to six armored divisions specially trained for the breakthrough task to Volks grenadiers reported to make up the bulk of the eight to nine infantry divisions following in their wake.

There was a feeling at headquarters that it may be days before the assault can be brought to a stop and weeks before the damage can be repaired, with Gen. Eisenhower's winter offensive schedule torn to shreds.

While it may be the death battle of the German army, coming out into the open in a last blaze of offensive power, the Germans were making it one of the bloodiest struggles of the whole war for both sides.

No Casualty List
Washington, Dec. 21—(AP)—Secretary of War Stimson skipped at his news conference today his usual weekly report on army casualties.

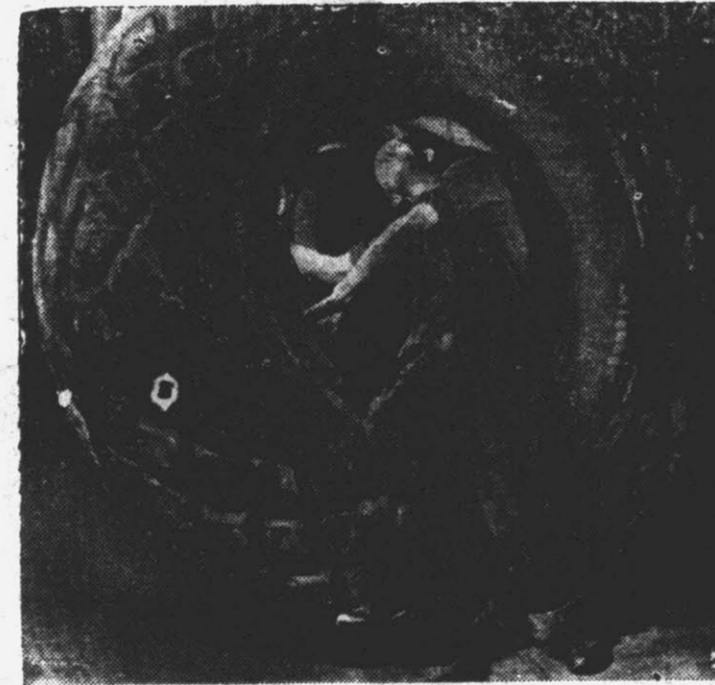
He said he supposed that the casualty figures had not yet been received from the fronts.



UNHAPPY NATIVE—Sgt. George C. Yount of Fresno, Calif., poses with a Dutch New Guinea native youngster who apparently wants to go back to his mother.



COLD WATER SWIMMER—Not even the chilliest weather keeps Marjory Hess (above), young opera singer, from a swim in her outdoor pool at Sands Point, N. Y.



RECAPPING A GIANT—A workman in the Goodyear plant at Akron, O., looks over the carcass of a 6 foot, 10 inch tire used on earth-moving equipment, biggest tire ever to be recapped in the shop.

Tunnel
The Japanese Domei news agency said today that a mile-long tunnel connecting the main Japanese island of Honshu with Kyushu to the south will be completed by December 30.

The Domei report, monitored by the Federal Communications Commission, said work on the tunnel began May, 1938.

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Superforts...

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Federal Communications Commission, claimed that two P-38s were shot down over Iwo Jima.

This broadcast was not confirmed by Allied sources.

Washington, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Superfortresses hit a Japanese aircraft plant in Mukden, Manchuria, today with "good results" although two of the big B-29s were lost.

Fifteen enemy planes were destroyed, seven probably destroyed and eleven damaged in the combat with the enemy airforce which a 20th air force communique said put up opposition "moderate to strong."

Target of the attack, the communique said, was the Manchuria Airplane Company.

The B-29s used visual bombing. The communique said the planes hit Mukden in "substantial force," indicating that up to 60 planes took part in the bombing.

Enemy broadcasts placed the size of the raiding force at about 30 planes and said the bombers were over both Mukden and Dairen areas for more than 60 minutes.

In the 20th bomber command's last attack against Mukden on December 7 the giant planes netted their biggest bag of enemy aircraft. Sixty-three Japanese planes were shot down or damaged when the Superforts bombed an aircraft plant and other military objectives at Mukden. Three B-29s were lost.

Manchuria—Japan's "arsenal of Greater East Asia"—has many important steel works, shipyards and other war industries. Producing such vital raw materials as steel and coal, Manchuria has sizeable stockpiles of petroleum, rubber, tin and other recently-looted wealth for the Japanese armies.

Today's smash coincided with the Chungking radio's assertion that a great American aerial offensive is to be launched against Japan. This forecast came two days after the record 1,000-ton bomb smash at Japanese installations at Hanchow, China, and the second major Superfort raid against Nagoya, Nipponese industrial center.

Infantry To...

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file" of their general adaptabilities for combat and non-combatant service.

Lear, Army Ground Forces commander, said in an interview: "A high percentage of the top profiles go into the ground forces today—most of them into the Infantry. The reason is that under the principle of first things first it was necessary to place the Air Forces into operation ahead of the large masses of men on the ground who must fight for the final decision. Now that it has arrived at that stage, the final-phase force—the Infantry—is getting the preference.

The General recalls that in 1942, when the mission of the ground forces was defensive, the manpower allocation was almost completely reversed.

Until very recent months, the

overall objective of the ground forces command in this country was to train and organize infantry by units of divisions.

But now the call for replacements grows with each battle abroad. Army casualties are approaching the half-million mark.

Therefore, the Doughboy gets his basic infantry skills at one of the several replacement training centers here. Then goes overseas. To weld the replacement soldier into the front-line organization, the Army had adopted a "buddy system."

Lear was asked how replacements are performing on the fighting front. He replied that "so far I have not had a single complaint."

More Fighting...

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Lords, Samuel geant... I am sure that on further consideration Lord Faringdon will regret he has been betrayed into these remarks."

Lord Samuel said Britain probably would have to resort to some "inter-Allied action" to settle the Greek situation and asserted "there is no reason why Great Britain should be called upon to bear this burden alone."

King George of Greece came under attack in Lords after a similar flareup in Commons against him. Faringdon suggested the king did not deserve and was in fact the unsuitable recipient of the respect and authority with which the British government have invested him.

"The Greek people," he said, "inevitably hold against him that it was he who brought in a dictatorship in Greece and who maintained Dictator Metaxas in power."

Faringdon argued that the armistice conditions advanced in Athens by Lt. Gen. R. M. Scole were

The Movies Today

PITT—Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy in "Big Noise."

STATE—Chester Morris, Janis Carter "One Mysterious Night."

clearly unacceptable. "They are terms of surrender," he said. "I hope he may be directed to withdraw these terms and offer terms which are more acceptable."

In common the government declined to give any assurance that the Grecian king would be asked to remain in London until the Greeks decided whether they wanted him back.

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