

Increasing cloudiness and some rain tonight, light rain and sleet mixed in west portion tonight. Thursday, cloudy and rather cool.

Superforts Open New Drive Against Japan

Ninety Giant Bombers Directed From New Headquarters On Guam Smash At Jap War Industries At Nagoya, Osaka And Hamamatsu.

By VERN HAUGLAND Superfortress Headquarters, Guam, Jan. 3 (AP)—America's Superfortresses offensive against Japan entered a new phase today when a sizeable force of B-29's, directed for the first time from Guam, rained bombs upon industrial Nagoya, on Nippon's main island of Honshu.

The 21st bomber command, transferred to Guam from Saipan, opened its new headquarters with the Nagoya assault. The giant planes carried a bomb load equaling the largest of five yet sent against Tokyo and perhaps slightly exceeding any of the three previous Nagoya raids.

(Radio Tokyo said the target of about 90 of the B-29's included Nagoya, Osaka and Hamamatsu, three important industrial centers.)

The B-29's took off from Saipan in fine weather and expected to encounter good bombing conditions for the attack on Nagoya's war plants. It was the first Superfort strike against Honshu since the Tokyo raid of Dec. 27 and the first against Nagoya since Dec. 22.

Washington, Jan. 3 (AP)—Superfortresses, 90 strong by enemy account, struck again today at industrial targets on Japan's teeming home island of Honshu.

A War Department announcement of the raid was silent on the number and the exact objectives of the giant B-29's, but a Japanese communique said the aircraft center of Nagoya as well as Osaka and Hamamatsu were hit.

Acknowledging some damage from incendiaries at Nagoya and Hamamatsu, the communique added "there were almost no damages inflicted upon vital facilities and factories."

The enemy-announced number of 90 was the largest to appear in a Japanese war bulletin. It claimed—in the usual broad propaganda vein—that 13 of the Superforts were shot down, four probably downed and 25 damaged. Two interceptors failed to return to their home bases, the Japanese admitted.

The attack occurred by daylight, and Tokyo broadcasts said the bombardiers enjoyed almost perfect visibility.

Two big Mitsubishi aircraft plants at Nagoya have been hit previously by the Superforts. Osaka is 75 miles southwest and Hamamatsu the same distance southeast. Both (Continued on Page Six)

Davenport's Trial May Be Postponed

Trial of Rhoderick Davenport of New Bern for allegedly violating the state banking laws, false pretense and issuing worthless checks as security for deposits in connection with his produce business here will not be tried at the criminal term of Superior Court here the week of January 22, Solicitor Dave Clark said today. Judge Walter Bone of Nashville will preside. The Meadows cases, scheduled to be tried at a special term of court on January 29, are taking up much of the solicitor's time. Judge Clawson L. Williams of Sanford will preside at the Meadows trial. A civil term of court will be held here the week of January 15.

The WAR TODAY AN ANALYSIS OF THE NEWS

By DEWITT MACKENZIE Associate Press War Analyst The Marshall Von Rundstedt of the Philippines is bull-headed and bull-headed General Yamashita, the Japanese commander in chief, who is showing signs of intending to emulate his Nazi opposite in Europe and launch a counter-drive against General MacArthur—and our newly acquired position on strategic Mindoro island is likely to be an early objective.

The battle of the Philippine archipelago is rushing towards its crisis, and the MacArthur-Nimitz partnership is crowding the Jap invaders hard. Yamashita has sworn to force MacArthur to surrender unconditionally, and there's no doubt that the war-lord means business. Yamashita isn't to be regarded lightly, for he's one of the outstanding generals of our time. True, radio Tokyo recently put him in a somewhat ludicrous light by boasting naively that he's so clever he can "doze off and even snore in the midst of conversation." However, while we might like to gauge his capabilities by this doubtful accomplishment we should be foolish to do so. The Japanese commander is a dangerous and determined foe. Don't forget that it was he who made that sensational drive down through the jungles of the Malay peninsula, clearing out the British

'Ike's' Wife Sees 'Man Of The Year'



Visiting in Fort Benning, Ga., Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower, wife of the Supreme Allied Commander in western Europe, looks at Time Magazine's front cover which designates her husband as "The Man of the Year." She said the general "has always felt that a leader is only as good as the men he leads." Mrs. Eisenhower is visiting her son Lt. John Eisenhower, who is taking special training at Fort Benning. (AP Photo from Army Signal Corps.)

Extensive Air Blows Upon Jap-Held Bases

REDS MOPPING UP BUDAPEST

Fierce House-To-House Fighting Continues

By DANIEL DE LUCE Moscow, Jan. 3 (AP)—Russian storm forces were smashing on through Budapest today in probably the fiercest house-to-house fighting since Stalingrad. Red army troops yesterday captured 232 blocks in Pest, the part of the city east of the Danube, and 53 blocks in Buda on the opposite bank. On the basis of preliminary reports it is believed in Moscow that the enemy garrison already has lost 10,000 dead and possibly 30,000 wounded. Although the Red Army has not officially estimated the strength of the trapped garrison, Col. Gen. Janos Voros, minister of defense of the provisional Hungarian government recently set up in Russian-held territory, said last night the total may run as high as 75,000 to 100,000 German troops. (Continued on page five)

Leyte-Based Liberators Smash At Clark Field And Formosa

General MacArthur's Headquarters, Philippines, Jan. 3 (AP)—Smashing New Year's Day bombing of Manila's Clark Field by Leyte-based Liberators was reported from a Fifth Airdrome advance base at Gen. MacArthur's stepped up air assaults brought Formosa into his communique today for the first time. Fighter-escorted Liberators of the veteran Red Riders group flew through intense anti-aircraft fire to spill their bombs on the busiest airfield in the Philippines. Many bombers were pierced by flak, but all returned. The fighters tangled with Japanese interceptors in numerous dog-fights, and at least two enemy aircraft were seen to go down. "We gave those Nips an unhappy start on 1945," observed bombardier Second Lt. Raymond Seidel of Olympia, Wash. The raid was an extension of strong land-based assaults on Luzon reaching targets as far as 150 miles north of Manila, the past few days. General MacArthur said in his communique today that patrol planes approached Formosa, the enemy's island bastion 225 miles (Continued on Page Six)

Bank Call Washington, Jan. 3 (AP)—The comptroller of the currency today issued a call for a statement of the condition of all national banks at the close of business Saturday, December 30. Simultaneously, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation issued a call for the condition of all insured banks as of the same date.

Paper Drive

This nation needs waste paper to help win the war. Each hour of every day this country needs thousands of pounds of paper, not only for civilian necessities but also for use in war programs. Carboard containers, for instance, by the thousands, are needed to carry supplies to the Army. If this paper is not available immediately it will slow up these supplies and the production of war materials. Right now there is a more critical paper shortage than ever before and right now there is more waste paper than ever before. Sunday afternoon the Greenville Junior Chamber of Commerce will collect your waste paper at your home. Please bundle it securely and place it in front of your home before two o'clock. Be sure to include all that paper you had around your Christmas packages. The Jaycees will be out at 2 P. M. and will collect paper until the entire town has been canvassed.

Start Move For Draft Of Farm Youth

President Backs Byrnes' Request That Deferred Farmers Between 18 and 25 Be Inducted Into Service.

Washington, Jan. 2 (AP)—The White House today directed Selective Service to press "to the full extent permitted by law" the drafting of deferred farm workers in the 18 through 25 age class.

Acting with President Roosevelt's authorization, War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes called on Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey to draw as much as possible on this largest remaining reservoir of potential fighting men.

Byrnes said there are 364,000 men in this age range now holding agricultural deferments.

"The army and navy believe it essential to the effective prosecution of the war," Byrnes said, "to induct more men in this age group."

"The President feels in view of existing conditions," Byrnes told Hershey, "agriculture like our other war industries can, with few exceptions, be carried on by those in the older age groups."

Byrnes noted that Hershey had told him that if men were not available from the farms he would have to call up deferred men in the next higher age group, most of whom are fathers.

Presidential Secretary Stephen Early said the War Mobilization Director had made the request to Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey "because of representations made to him by the army and navy that they must have men."

So, Byrnes proposed to tap this new source of manpower for the armed services.

It represents the largest remaining source of young men.

Byrnes acted in the wake of reports that War Food Administrator Marvin Jones was opposed to any move to draft farm workers.

He made his request to Hershey, the selective service director, as a matter of policy, "as far as possible to draft the young men." (Continued on page six)

King To Agree To New Government

London, Jan. 3 (AP)—Yugoslavia's King Peter is expected within the next 48 hours to agree to formation of a new government headed by Marshal Tito as premier, with Dr. Ivan Subasic stepping down as foreign minister. Peter may also agree to establishment of a regency.

Peter apparently has no choice but to remain in exile until a plebiscite is held, accepting a three-man regency submitted to him for his approval, even though this would be tantamount to relinquishing his throne.

Peter promised months ago not to return to Yugoslavia until announced by his people after a free election. He gave some indication of his falling hopes when he purchased a home in the English countryside.

Continuing Differences Among Allies Foreseen

By FLORA LEWIS Washington, Jan. 3 (AP)—Diplomats here settled down today for a continuous give and take among the major allies on postwar Europe, to last long after the shooting has stopped. President Roosevelt set the stage for numerous compromises when he offered little hope that Allied differences can be reconciled at his forthcoming meeting with Premier Stalin and Prime Minister Churchill. Other sources disclosed that Washington experts have made recommendations to the American government but that these have not been approved by top United States officials or presented to other allies.

For the most part, studies developed thus far fairly closely to the prewar map of Europe.

Prime exception is Germany, where no decision has been made on partition. Britain and Russia have plumped for moving the German-Polish border westward to compensate Poland for land claimed by Russia. The United States is expected eventually to concur, after Polish diplomatic troubles are solved.

The big three declared in Moscow a year ago that they wanted an independent Austria revived. Other declarations have promised pre-Munich status to Czechoslovakia.

While the State Department attitude has been that territorial decisions should be postponed until after the war, the United States has indicated no objection to decisions made mutually. These include Romanian return of Bessarabia to Russia and rectification of the Russo-Finnish border.

Nevertheless, in each case, the adjustments were made subject to final ratification at the peace table.

Americans Making New Gains On Western Front

The Old And New Pass In Northern Burma



A light tank manned by American-trained Chinese passes an ox cart as it rolls toward the front in northern Burma. This picture was released by the Chinese Ministry of Information. (AP Wirephoto).

N. C. Legislature Convenes; Congress Faces Major Job

Joint Session To Hear President's Message On State Of Nation Saturday.

By JACK FELL Washington, Jan. 3 (AP)—The 79th congress comes to life officially today, grimly aware that the war is far from won but divided over ways to reinforce the home front.

Most business will be postponed until after President Roosevelt's fourth wartime message on the state of the Union is read to members in a joint session Saturday.

But controversy already had begun to develop around an issue as old as the fighting itself—proposals for universal service legislation.

The President gave a sort of approval to talk about work-or-fight legislation at yesterday's White House news conference. When a reporter asked if he was for that kind of a law Mr. Roosevelt said he thought so. He added it was up to congress to write the ticket.

The President said he was in substantial accord with the recommendations of War Mobilizer James F. Byrnes. These included an appeal for broadened government control over men rejected by the army as physically unfit.

This found some support in congress, mixed with strong dissent. There also was argument over a Byrnes suggestion that the War Labor Board be given authority to enforce its orders without resorting to (Continued on page two)

U. S. AIRMEN POUND NAZIS

767,000 Tons Of Bombs Dropped During The Year.

Rome, Jan. 3 (AP)—Three American air forces—the U. S. 15th and 12th in Italy and the U. S. Eighth in Britain—dropped more than 767,000 tons of bombs on Germany and occupied countries during 1944, reviews of the year disclosed today.

Mediterranean air force headquarters said planes of the 15th and 12th air forces cascaded 317,000 tons of bombs on Germany and occupied countries during the year, in which they were credited with hitting virtually every oil refinery in Nazi-controlled territory.

It was announced earlier in Britain that the Eighth air force had dropped more than 450,000 tons of explosives on Europe during 1944.

The two Italian-based forces lost 3,412 planes and in turn destroyed 5,845 German craft. On the latter, the 15th destroyed 2,577, blasting 3,405 of them out of the skies during long range strategic missions. The (Continued on page six)

To Teach Boys And Girls To Fly Free

With the Christmas holidays behind us the Civilian Air Patrol cadet training school for boys and girls from 15 to 17 years old will get under way here shortly. Lieut. Matt R. Long, businessman and pilot, commanding officer of the local squadron, said today.

A meeting will be held in the library at the high school next Monday night at 8 o'clock. June H. Rose, superintendent of city schools, who has been active in enlisting cadets for the course in flying, some of the local Marine officers, Mayor Bruce Sugg and business and professional men are expected to attend the meeting and lend their influence to the movement to train boys and girls to become pilots.

Any boy or girl from 15 to 17 may become an air cadet, wear a uniform and receive the free 25-hour ground training course and then be advanced to aerial instruction. The Army Air Corps sponsors the Civilian Air Patrol. It will provide free training for pilots. The training will be valuable.

Cadets may resign from the class for reason at any time. Flying will be as general after the war as motorizing is now. It will be to any boy or girl's advantage to know how to fly a plane. Boys and girls and the public are invited to attend next Monday's meeting.

Breaks With Japan

London, Jan. 3 (AP)—The Ankara radio announced tonight the Turkish Grand National Assembly had voted unanimously to break off diplomatic and economic relations with Japan, effective next Saturday.

Turkey broke relations with Germany last August 2. The broadcast gave no details.

Richardson Chosen As Speaker Of House; Cherry Inauguration Tomorrow.

Raleigh, Jan. 3 (AP)—The 1945 legislature quickly organized today and passed bills increasing the pay of the lieutenant governor, naming the governor that it was ready for business and appropriating \$3,000 for the inauguration tomorrow of Governor-Elect R. Gregg Cherry.

An effort to eliminate the two-thirds rule of the house, sometimes referred to as "the gag rule," was defeated, 75 to 32. Rep. John Umstead of Orange led the fight to return to the 1939 rules—the two-thirds rule was adopted in 1941—out was opposed by Reps. Barker of Durham and Taylor of Wayne. Rep. Edwards of Swain joined with Umstead, who described the rule which requires a two-thirds vote of the house to adopt a minority report of a committee, as "undemocratic."

Senator Gay of Northampton introduced the bill to pay the lieutenant governor \$2,800, the years the assembly is in session and \$2,100 the years it is not, exclusive of traveling expenses.

Senator Gay's bill to increase the lieutenant governor's salary was in conformity with a constitutional amendment adopted in November. Herebefore, the presiding officer of the senate has been paid \$700 per session.

Rep. O. L. Richardson of Union unanimously was elected speaker. The senate, in executive session, confirmed some 120 appointments made by the governor since 1943.

Named to its rules committee were Senators Gay, chairman, and Price of Rockingham, Clarke of Edgecombe, Smith of Stanly, Blythe of Mecklenburg, weathers of Cleveland (Continued on page two)

Washington, Jan. 3 (AP)—Congress has plenty to think about before it tries — if it ever does — through law to force 4-F's into war jobs or into the Army.

War Mobilizer Byrnes says this step may be necessary to make the 4-F's take essential war jobs if manpower controls fail. But—The rest of this story deals with questions, problems and facts which are bound to come up if Congress tries to act on Byrnes' idea.

There are 4 million 4-F's, men between 18 and 38, who have been rejected for physical reasons. Physical reasons they had defects.

There are also 6,000,000 draft registrants between 38 and 45 who the military services don't want for physical reasons; they're considered too old.

Nobody knows how many men in either group—4-F's or 38's to 45—are in essential jobs. Most, maybe. Maybe not.

But, although both groups have been rejected for physical reasons, only the 4-F's are singled out by Byrnes for congressional action. This is a "work or fight" law for 4-F's alone would be a national service law aimed at only one segment of the nation's men.

Under such a law, the Army would have to lower its physical standards to accept 4-F's. But how low? Where draw the line?

Patton's Tanks Smash Five And A Half Miles Northeast Of Bastogne Toward St. Vith; German Attacks Against Seventh Army Sector Continue.

Paris, Jan. 3 (AP)—The American armored onslaught smashed 5 1/2 miles northeast of Bastogne today up the diagonal railway toward St. Vith, beating into the outskirts of Michamps and into the Maister woods through stubborn German resistance.

But the German army was lashing out furiously at a dozen places along the undulating 70-mile front from the Saar to the Rhine in diversionary assaults which already have cost the Americans their thin foothold on German soil northeast of Sarreguemines.

The attack may yet prove to be

By ROGER D. GREENE On The Western Front, Jan. 3 (AP)—The Germans lost nearly 20,000 prisoners in the first 16 days of their winter offensive. It was estimated officially tonight.

Four hundred German tanks were wrecked from December 16 through December 31.

Beside these losses, described as very conservative estimates, five armored divisions, one armored grenadier division and five Volk divisions were severely mauled by the Americans.

another burst in Field Marshal Von Rundstedt's offensive.

So far, the American line was holding the Germans to limited gains, but the Nazis were still striking along their two-mile-deep and five-mile-long front southwest of Bastogne. The enemy, moreover, had driven a bridgehead across the Blies river east of Sarreguemines.

Snow was falling again over the Belgian bulge and there was rain farther south. At least through this morning, close air support was being denied because planes were grounded.

However, although snow and rain negated close air support, 1,100 American heavy bombers struck for the 12th consecutive day with from 3,000 to 4,000 tons of explosives on a 150-mile belt from Cologne to Karlsruhe.

"The German communique said the Third army was using eight divisions, half of them armored, in a supreme effort to encircle Nazi positions on three sides of Bastogne and admitted minor withdrawals in "fluctuating fighting." The Germans said the battles in Lorraine and on the Saar were taking a favorable course; that 24,000 Americans had been captured in their offensive and that U. S. casualties (Continued on page five)

Home Burglarized Washington Street

Some time between December 28 and yesterday the home of Major and Mrs. Leonard, 22 Washington street, less than a block from the county jail, was robbed of a silver fox fur jacket, a pair and a quantity of silverware, including dishes, spoons, etc. Police Chief Herbert Wooten said, investigating officers said the robber did not break into the house but entered the front door with a key. Apparently, the family had been away from home several days.

Police working on the case have several clues.

Today On The Home Front

Washington, Jan. 3 (AP)—Would a man half-blind be acceptable but not a man with a bad heart? Or would such a law apply only to men with minor defects, like flat feet? Then how would there be any control over those with slightly more serious defects if they couldn't be threatened with army service? Suppose under such a law a man with a bad heart was taken into military service. Would he get full government benefits given soldiers now? Such as: A \$10,000 life insurance policy, free schooling after his discharge, dependents' allowances, a pension if he had to be discharged because his heart grew worse, and then treatment at veterans' hospitals. And if a 4-F already had gotten himself a job in an essential industry—like communications—could he be forced out of that and into some war plant because the government said workers were needed there? (Continued on Page Four)

RATION GUIDE Meats—Book Four Red Stamp 65 through 73 new good. Foods—Book Four Blue Stamp 65 through 73 and A3 through 63 new good. Sugar—Book Four Stamp 34. Shoes—Book Three Purple Stamp 1, 2, and 3 good indefinitely. Gasoline—14-A coupon.

Social and Personal

La. G. Bradley of the Army Air Depot in Philadelphia is visiting his mother, Mrs. G. E. Staples.

Mrs. George Rose of Washington, D. C. and Mrs. R. C. Rountree and three children are visiting Mrs. L. A. Boulter.

First Sergeant Norman E. Warren has returned to Ashford General Hospital, W. Va., after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warren.

Miss H. Warren, who has been spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warren, has returned to Richmond, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Warren and little daughter Nina Ruth have returned to their home in Harrisburg, Pa., after spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warren.

Mr. John D. Warren and little daughter Ann have returned to Roanoke, Va., after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warren.

Sarah Anne Moss of Stokes, has returned to E.C.T.C. after spending the Christmas holidays with her parents.

J. P. Moss, Jr. of Stokes has returned to Raleigh to continue his studies at King's Business College.

Mrs. C. E. Fleming of Ayden is ill in Pitt General Hospital.

Miss Doris Brown, who spent Christmas here with her mother, Mrs. Nannie Brown, returned to New York Monday.

Pvt. Joseph B. O'Neal, of Camp Blending, Fla., is spending an eight day furlough with his wife and son, 1309 Washington Street.

Miss Louise Jones has returned from Charleston, S. C., after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Daniels.

Miss Sara Frances Williams has returned to W.C.U.N.C. in Greensboro after spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ludlow Williams.

Announcement Marriage Mrs. Eason F. Biggs announces the marriage of her daughter Elsie Gray to Charles Vernon Edwards on Wednesday, the twenty-seventh of December.

Charles Vernon Edwards, nineteen hundred and forty four South Mills, Virginia.

Mrs. Edwards is the daughter of Mrs. Eason F. Biggs of Portsmouth, Va. She graduated from Robersonville High School and is attending East Carolina Teachers College.

Mr. Edwards is son of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Edwards of Winterville. He received his education at Ayden High School and the University of North Carolina.

Card of Thanks We wish to thank the many friends who were so kind and sympathetic at the time of the death of our daughter and sister, Miss Margaret James.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. James and family

Charles Reed Entertains Charles L. Reed, entertained Christmas Day at his home on Haphens St., Hilton Village, Va., at a reception for his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Williams, whose marriage was celebrated December 23, 1944.

Miss Williams is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Williams of Greenville, N. C.

Receiving the guests who called between 5 and 7 p. m. were Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Louise Bech and Mrs. J. R. Drum.

Mrs. Bonnie Lee Williams, Sr., of Hampton, Va., presided at the bridal table which was arranged with a bride's cake and lighted white candles.

Assisting in serving were Miss Dorothy Smyer, Miss Lois West, Miss Dorothy Sates, Miss Barbara Dawson and Miss Dalge Drummond. Miss Sandra Lee Reed received the cards at the door. Those calling numbered 150.

Aldermen Meet Thursday The Board of Aldermen will meet at the City Hall Thursday night at 7:30. Mayor Bruce Sugg will preside.

Install Kiwanis Officers Lieut.-Gov. "Rip" Hodges of Wilson will officiate at the installation of Dr. John M. Barrett as president and other officers and directors at the weekly supper meeting of the Kiwanis Club Friday evening at 6:30. Barrett succeeds Dick Bundy, whose administration was outstanding. Ed E. Rawl is the new vice-president.

Miss Bunting Entertains Bethel, Jan. 3 - Miss Doris Bunting entertained in her home at a dessert bridge party on Tuesday afternoon honoring Miss Frances Manning, bride-elect.

The house was decorated with white carnations and white candles. The bride-elect was given a corsage of red roses.

Attending the party were Mesdames F. F. Pollard, X. E. Manning, B. M. Wallace, L. E. Gurganus, R. J. Whitehurst, C. G. Garrington, Misses Janie James, Frances Mae Rives, Sallie Jo Gurganus, Mary Wells Bunting and Miss Betty Lou Ball of Winston-Salem.

Mrs. X. E. Manning received the high score prize and Miss Manning received a gift of crystal from the hostess.

Social Calendar

FRIDAY 3:30 p. m. - Woman's Club meets at the clubhouse.

Entertains at Bridge Party Bethel, Jan. 3 - Miss Earl Proctor Andrews and Mrs. F. F. Pollard entertained at a lovely bridge party on Friday afternoon, at the home of Miss Andrews honoring Miss Frances Manning, bride-elect.

The home was decorated with carnations, gladioli and poinsettias. Five tables were arranged for games and each guest found her place marked by individual corsages. Following progressions Miss Jean Rook received high score and Miss Dot Bunting low score. Miss Manning received china in her chosen pattern from the hostesses. After bridge a salad course was served.

Guests were Miss Manning, Mesdames Ralph Highsmith, Sallie W. Taylor, Charles Frances, Elizabeth Benton, Misses Margaret Little Blount, Margaret Brown Martin, Jean Rook, Camille Staton, Frances Mae Rives, Dot Bunting and Miss Dene Creech of Tarboro, Mrs. Vernon Bunting of Williamston and Mrs. Adrian Manning of Jacksonville, Fla. Coming in for refreshments were Mrs. X. E. Manning, mother of the bride-elect, Mrs. Harvey Manning, Mrs. W. J. Manning, Misses Betty Smith, Mary Wells Bunting, Daisy Lee Andrews and Gretchen Staton.

Coffee Hour Honoring Bride-elect Bethel, Jan. 3 - Miss Margaret Little Blount received at a coffee hour on Friday morning honoring Miss Frances Manning, whose marriage to Lt. Joseph Butterworth will take place on January 8.

The home was decorated in roses, snapdragons and poinsettias carrying out the red and white color scheme. The centerpiece on the dining room table was of red roses arranged in a silver bowl. Mrs. X. E. Manning, mother of the bride-elect, poured coffee. Party sandwiches, cookies and biscuits and nuts were served to about 25 guests. Miss Manning received a silver dish as a gift from the hostess.

Jack Keel On Probation In Police Court Monday, Jack Keel was found guilty of assaulting a female (his wife) and was given three months in jail, sentence suspended on payment of court costs. He was placed on probation a year and the court stipulated that Keel is not to visit Elizabeth Evans during that time. In yesterday's story Keel's name was erroneously given as Teel.

Attend Inauguration Mrs. J. B. Spilman, Mrs. B. W. Moseley, Mrs. Chester Walsh and Miss Verona Lee Joyner will attend the inauguration exercises of Governor Gregg Cherry in Raleigh tomorrow.

SURGICAL DRESSING ROOM The surgical dressing room in the Austin Building at the college will be open on Friday afternoon from 3:30 until 5 in order that the ladies who left smocks and head coverings there may get them at this time.

Card of Thanks We wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to all who so kindly assisted us at the death and funeral of our husband and father, Mr. J. W. Flake of near Farmville, who died on December 20, 1944.

Mrs. J. W. Flake and Family

Birth Announcement Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Briley, Sr., announce the birth of a son, Marion Stewart on Sunday, December 31, 1944 in Pitt General Hospital.

Entertain for Bride-Elect Grifton, Jan. 3 - Miss Audrey Burney bride-elect has been the inspiration for a number of social events in the past week the first of these being an informal tea given by Mrs. Robert Rasberry at her home near the city. The home for the afternoon was beautifully decorated with ever greens and lighted red candles. The tea table was centered with an arrangement of red berries and candles. Mrs. Clay Burney, mother of the honor guest poured tea, dainty sandwiches, relishes, and sweets were served. Twenty guests enjoyed the affair.

On Saturday afternoon Miss Audrey Worthington entertained at bridge in honor of Miss Burney, seasonal decorations were used at decorations, bridge was played at two tables with the high score going to Miss Betsy Hodges. The honoree was remembered with a crystal bon bon dish. Miss Worthington served a dainty dessert course with coffee.

Guests were Miss Burney, Miss Murie Tucker Chapman honored Miss Burney at a coffee hour at the home of Miss Wall. Guests were received and entertained informally by the hostesses and their mothers. Mrs. A. D. Wall and Mrs. Jack Chapman. Decorations were in keeping with the holiday season. In the dining room the table was covered with a lovely lace cloth with a bowl of greenery flanked by lighted tapers. Coffee with a dainty salad, sandwiches and sweets was served. Miss Burney was presented a brides book. Guests were Miss Burney, Mrs. Roy Turnage, Jr., Mrs. Ben Tucker Tripp, Mrs. Robert Sanders of Ayden, Mrs. Clay Burney, Miss Peggy Burney, Mrs. Joe Hatem, Miss Audrey Worthington.

Recent Bride Honored Grifton, Jan. 3 - Miss Betsy Hodges entertained at a lovely party on Monday evening at her home. Hatem, Mrs. Ivan Bissette, Mrs. Fleming who before her marriage



B-29 CREW RESCUED AT SEA - Crewmen of a Saipan-based Superfortress, picked up by a Navy destroyer after 11 days on rafts, are shown being transferred from ship to shore.

Forty Years Ago Today

THE DAILY REFLECTOR January 3, 1905

Port Arthur has fallen at last, the Russians having surrendered to the Japanese.

Is plenty a cure? Those Georgia and Texas fellows who are burning their surplus cotton think so at least.

The blizzard has taken possession of this quarter.

The snow came in time to add to the troubles of mankind.

If there is much of this kind of weather hog killing will come all right.

on December 25th was Miss Elizabeth Edwards.

Miss Hodges greeted her guests and directed them to their places at the bingo tables which were arranged in the living room and parlor. Lovely decorations of the waning Yuletide motif were emphasized.

Following the games which were played progressively Mrs. Milton Hart was given high score, the log going to Miss Audrey Burney who was also remembered with a piece of crystal in her chosen pattern.

Miss Hodges presented her guest of honor china. Mrs. Fleming was also given a shower of gifts of crystal and china from the guests assembled.

At the conclusion of the games bridal ice, dainty individual cakes and salted nuts were served. Miss Hodges was assisted by her mother, Mrs. Brown Hodges in receiving.

The guests for the evening were Mrs. Fleming, Miss Burney, Miss Rebekah Wall, Miss Murie Tucker Chapman, Miss Grace Humbles, Miss Esther Hardee, Miss Jean Scarborough, Miss Dorothy Glenn Sugg, Miss Peggy Burney, Miss Ida Margaret Hart, Miss Mary Lee Wethington, Mrs. Paul Bradley, Mrs. J. T. Biggers, Mrs. Jack Tucker, Mrs. Ed Hart, Mrs. Milton Hart, Mrs. Robert Rasberry, Mrs. Joe Hatem, rs. Ivan Bissette, Mrs. Spurgeon Daniel of Kinston, a sister of the guest of honor.

NEWS ABOUT SERVICEMEN

"Outstanding Services" Headquarters Tenth Air Force in Burma - S-Sgt. James W. Clark, Jr., 24, of 905 Modock Ave., Ocean View, Va., is a member of a Tactical Air Communications Squadron, Tenth Air Force, EAC, which is the recent recipient of a unit award for outstanding services from Maj. Gen. Howard C. Davidson, Commanding General of the Tenth. The Citation reads in part:

"This unit furnished uninterrupted close Air Support Communications for Allied Ground Forces, in the Burma Campaign. Working under severe combat conditions in the front lines, under frequent enemy attack, personnel of this unit at all times evinced superior courage, devotion to duty and technical proficiency.

The accomplishment of this Tactical Air Communications Squadron reflects great credit upon the United States Army Air Forces in this theater."

S-Sgt. Clark was a construction foreman for Byrne Organization, Norfolk, Va., before entering the service two years ago. A radio operator for his squadron, he has been stationed in the India-Burma theater for the past nine months.

To Be Home Soon Mr. and Mrs. Troy W. Rouse received a cable last night from their son, Technical Sergeant Troy Rouse Jr., stating that he had completed his missions and would be home soon. Sgt. Rouse is with the Eighth Air Force in England.

Distinguished Flying Cross Headquarters Tenth Air Force in Burma - Award of the Distinguished Flying Cross for extraordinary achievement while participating in heavy bombardment missions and other operational flights totaling more than 200 hours while subject to Jap ack-ack and flak, has been made to T-Sgt. Stephen W. Johnston, 21, son of Mrs. F. V. Johnston, 900 Johnston, St., Greenville, N. C., by the famous seventh bombardment group of Major General Howard C. Davidson's Tenth Air Force, EAC.

An engineer-gunner on a B-24, Sgt. Johnston joined in missions over Burma, Thailand, China and the Andaman Islands with eminent

N. C. Legislature

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Hodges of Buncombe, Carlisle of Forsyth, Eagles of Wilson, O'Berry of Wayne, Ward of Craven, Rowe of Pender, McBryde of Hake, Long of Person, Pittman of Lee, Pate of Scotland, Corey of Pitt and Alken of Catawba.

Named on the house rules committee were Reps. Gass of Forsyth, chairman, and Bost of Cabarrus, Hatch of Wake, Gantt of Durham, Bridger of Bladen, Uzzell of Rowan, Loftin of Buncombe, Legrand of New Hanover, Grimes of Beaufort, Griffin of Martin, Burns of Person, Pearsall of Nash, Currie of Moore, Pritchett of Caldwell, Barber of Rockingham, Stoney of Burke, Taylor of Wayne, Clark of Halifax, Wallace of Lenoir, Honeycutt of Sampson, Caveness of Guilford, Barber of Chatham and Shuford of Catawba.

The senate oaths were administered by Associate Justice E. B. Denny, and the house oaths by Associate Justice A. A. F. Seawell.

The senate received reports of five special commissions which functioned since the last assembly: on unemployment compensation, and employers' ratings, printing, feeble minded negro children, aeronautics, and medical care and hospital treatment.

Attention turned toward the inaugural ceremonies of Thursday for Gov. Elect R. Gregg Cherry, the "Iron Major" of Gastonia, who will assume the task of guiding the destinies of the state for the next four years.

Along with the new governor, L. Y. Ballentine of Varina, the lieutenant governor-elect, will also take office, as will eight constitutional officers and two associate justices of the Supreme Court.

The hotly contested speakership race in the House has riveted attention since the week-end when partisans of both candidates opened headquarters at a downtown hotel in an effort to swing enough strength to their respective camps to assure victory.

The fight reached the floor of the Democratic caucus last night, while the Senate Democrats completed their deliberations without a contest.

At the Senate caucus Senator Archie Gay of Northampton, was nominated president pro tem; Ray Byerly of Lee, principal clerk, and Herman Scott of Chatham, sergeant-at-arms. Election of a reading clerk was deferred.

Rep. Clarence Stone of Rockingham, presided over the House caucus, until Rep. E. T. Host, Jr., of Cabarrus, was elected permanent chairman.

Of the 106 Democratic Representatives, a total of 102 attended the caucus. Both Uzzell and Richardson had five seconding speeches. Richardson was nominated by Rep. W. E. Horner of Lee, and Uzzell by Rep. F. E. Wallace of Lenoir.

In support of Richardson were Reps. Blalock of Anson, Moseley of Guilford, Mrs. G. W. Cover of Cherokee, Stoney of Burke and Pearsall of Nash. For Uzzell were Reps. McJett of Polk, Umstead of Orange, Donald of Gaston, Marshall of Stokes and Taylor of Wayne.

Richardson's nomination was made unanimous on motion of Uzzell, and the victor in a speech of acceptance, pledged his best efforts to serve the interests of the State.

Completing their organization the House named Mrs. Jennie E. Couper of Wake, principal clerk of the House; Ralph Monger of New Hanover, reading clerk, and H. L. Joyner of Northampton, sergeant-at-arms.

The new Speaker of the House will become 49 years of age on Feb. 25 and is a native of Union County. He attended Trinity College, now Duke University, and won scholastic honors there.

He is a veteran of two years of service in the Air Corps of the First World War.

He commenced the practice of law in Union County in 1924. He was clerk of Superior Court for a period of ten years, and also formerly taught school.

Among other important committee appointments during his legislative career, he was vice-chairman of Appropriations in 1943 and chairman of the Judiciary Committee.

He married Miss Sarah Cowan of Rutherfordton, and they have two children, Sarah Louise and O. L. Richardson, Jr.

Uzzell entered the House in 1931 for the first time and since 1935 has served continuously in that branch of the Legislature. He was a candidate for Speaker in 1941, but finally threw his support to O. M. Mull of Cleveland.

The Senate Republican Steering committee was called together today by Chairman Taft to consider a legislative program. Minority members in the senate will caucus tomorrow, the Democrats probably Friday.

Wounded Soldiers Are Cheerful Lot

By CHESTER WALSH

"We will never forget our visit to Northampton General Hospital for wounded servicemen at Tuscaloosa, Ala.," said J. Otis Morton, who, with Mrs. Morton, spent the holidays with their son-in-law, Lieut. L. B. Ward, U. S. Infantry, who was severely wounded in France last August. Mrs. Ward (nee Minnie Morton) and their daughter are living in the Alabama city while Lieut. Ward is in the hospital.

A bullet wounded Lieut. Ward in the face, impaired his speech and sight and caused temporary partial paralysis. He is improving and has gained 14 pounds. "There are many of our North Carolina boys in the hospital there. Many of them are horribly disfigured, but they are receiving the best medical attention in the world," Morton said.

"The one thing that impressed me was the high morale of the wounded. No matter how badly a boy is wounded he consoles himself with the thought that the fellow over there is worse off than I."

"I met one soldier, Tom Keyes of Washington, who is paralyzed nearly all over but hopeful of recovery," the Greenville businessman said. His mother is with him. "Another soldier whose name I didn't get was wounded by 12 machinegun bullets and his body is like a sieve, but he is cheerful. When I asked him how he happened to get shot so many times, the soldier smiled and replied, 'Just because they shot me one time they didn't stop shooting - it was plenty hot up there.'"

Congress Faces

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The government seizure of plants. His proposals for enactment of postwar tax changes got a cool reception in some quarters.

The House Military committee will meet Friday to decide what to do about Byrnes' idea that the 4,000,000 4-F's should be made subject to assignment to war plant jobs. Members will consider also whether to hold hearings on universal service legislation that would give the government the right to tell men and women they must take war jobs.

"I am willing to vote the WLB full authority to enforce its orders if the orders are made subject to real review by the courts," said Senator George (D-Ga.).

In the past, the administration has contended the board's orders are advisory, not subject to court review.

As for postwar taxes, George, who heads the Senate Finance committee, had this to say: "Anything in the nature of a general revision of our revenue laws is out of the question now."

Whether the President would deal directly with these issues in his message remained problematical. Most members thought he would devote most of his attention to foreign affairs.

In this connection, Speaker Sam Rayburn, assured of retaining his powerful post planned to address the house to tell members that their chief business should be to help win the war. Rayburn said he would advocate American participation in an international peace organization.

Rayburn was renominated as speaker at a House Democratic caucus yesterday which preserved its organization intact. Rep. Joseph W. Martin of Massachusetts was chosen again by the Republicans as minority leader.

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Greenville High School News

By DOT ORMOND

To help G. H. S. reach her goal in the sale of bonds and stamps, Mr. Walker again announced that he would give theater passes to the three students who sold the most bonds and stamps during the contest. Fred Joseph won a six weeks pass by selling \$11,406.85. Jimmy Glenn a four weeks pass with his sales of \$2,575.00 and Alfred Sateed a two weeks pass by selling \$2,325.00. These are at maturity value. Since school started \$90,088.65 worth of bonds and stamps has been bought and sold in G. H. S.

The Teen-Age Club will be open every afternoon from 3:25 till 6:00. Because the auditorium floors were fixed during the holidays for basketball season, there will be no more dancing at lunchtime. However it is being discussed in the Student Council and the Teen-Age Club that the club be open at lunch time for dancing. No decision has been reached yet.

Approximately ten students met with Mr. Dowd this morning and signed up to take the college entrance exam which will be given here on January 11th.

Methodist Crusade Rallies Being Held

Rallies in connection with the Crusade for Christ of the Methodist church are being held throughout the North Carolina Conference from January 2 to January 10. These rallies are being held to provide information concerning the total program of the Crusade, and to give special emphasis to the phase of the Crusade that has to do with raising a sum of \$384,500 in the Conference for rehabilitation and relief in war-affected areas.

Bishop W. W. Peele, the presiding bishop of the North Carolina Conference, and Professor B. G. Childs, of Durham, associate lay leader of the conference, are speaking at each rally. Rallies in this area are being held at Washington, Thursday, January 4, at 10:30 a. m., at New Bern, Friday, January 5, at 10:30 a. m., and at Goldsboro, Friday, January 5, at 7:30 p. m. The New Bern district rallies are under the direction of Rev. J. A. Russell, district superintendent.

Navy Offers Many Inducements Join

A new record in the procurement of men to be trained as operators of radar devices was set in December by the New Bern Navy Recruiting district.

Included in this group are the following: C. L. Warren Robersonville; G. D. Parker, Gatesville; R. M. Hollister, R. L. Brinson, E. S. Leinbach, W. A. Branch, New Bern; J. F. Beaumont, Elizabeth City; V. R. Williams, Wanchese, and L. D. Garrett, Columbia. Men who qualify by passing the radio technician examination are enlisted in the Navy as seaman first class, and are sent to a radio technician school for a nine-month course. Upon completion, the student is promoted to petty officer second class.

The radio technician examination is given by Recruiter Harry Gatton at the Greenville Post Office building each Monday or at the New Bern station any day except Sunday. Gatton also accepts applications

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Strength FOR THE DAY

By EARL L. DOUGLAS

WHAT KEEPS US FROM HAVING WORLD PEACE?

The answer to the question, "What keeps us from having world peace?" is just one word—selfishness. War seldom arises from the need of defense. Even when it does, there were years of selfishness preceding which put the nation into a position where it has to defend itself from an aggressor. War gets started in the world because people want more than they can get by legitimate means; and legion is the name of those who have discovered that they stand a good chance to get what they want if they will be bloodthirsty and cruel enough in their procedure.

The Allies in the end are going to win a great military victory. It may take months for them to do so, but eventually they will win. But even now the different nations are beginning to jockey for position whereby they may return to the old game of power politics, spheres of influence, and alliances. While the battle is raging, they are conspiring to wrest trade routes and sources for raw material from their present allies, to keep permanently subdued certain nations which, in the perilous days of impending defeat, they solemnly promised would be free. If the plans of certain men and nations succeed—plans which are based upon a determination to return to the pre-war status quo—then not only will the prospect of world peace be ruined, but those nations themselves will become involved in situations which will surely destroy them.

We must act quickly to avoid catastrophe.

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AMERICA IN WARTIME

By JACK STINNETT

Washington — The market in yachts is slow these days.

The Navy and War Shipping Administration have yachts and small pleasure craft ranging from sail boats to diesel-motored floating palaces to sell. They're discovering that if they aren't exactly a drug on the market, the trade in them isn't what you would call brisk.

When the United States went to war our global navy was just emerging from the planning stage. From Maine around the Florida Keys to Corpus Christi; from the Aleutians to San Diego, it became imperative to patrol every yard of our coast day and night. Hundreds and hundreds of patrol craft were needed immediately to supplement the little coast guard fleet.

The only place to get them at once was from private owners. Scores of these turned their boats over to the Navy gratis. Others immediately offered their pleasure craft and fishing boats for sale.

For months this makeshift fleet guarded our coastal waters, carrying everything from depth bombs to a few sidewalks that couldn't be called armament at all. They not only served to shore up an important breach in our defense system, but they permitted hardpressed manufacturers and shipyards to give attention to the more important long range vessels and deadly PT boats.

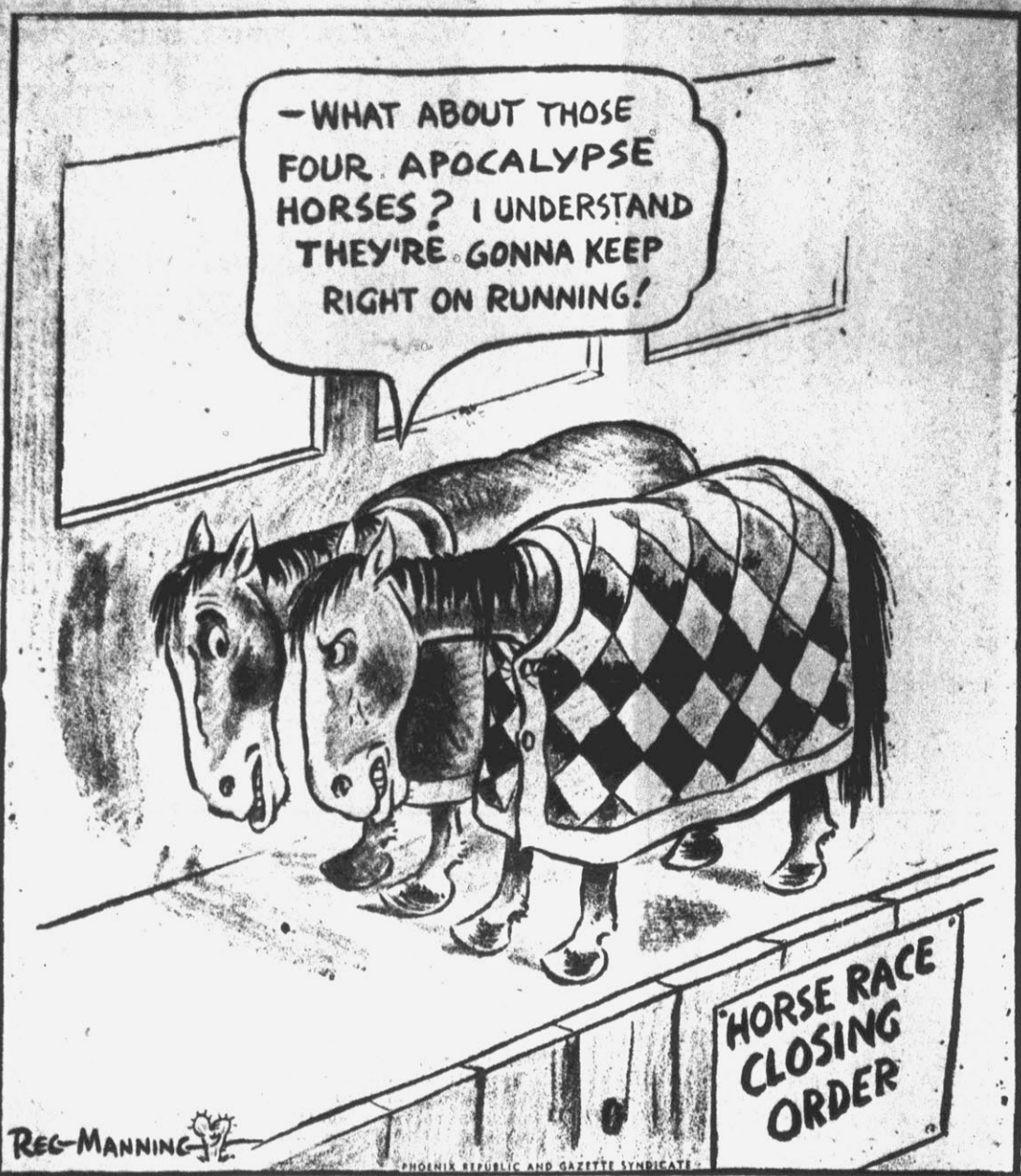
The Navy now has the situation well in hand, and many of these boats are being turned back to their owners or offered for sale under the Surplus Property act.

Under that act, it is up to the Navy to declare surplus those craft they no longer need and turn them over to the War Shipping Administration for sale. WSA merely advertises for bids, except in some instances when former owners are given first crack at them.

Bids on the first batch of the pleasure fleet that went to war were opened just the other day. Twenty-two boats had been offered for sale, but high bids were accepted on only 17 of them. Bids on the other five were so disappointing that WSA declared no sale and will offer them again.

Bids are now being received on the second batch of 44 boats. None of the boats sold so far is in the pleasure yacht class, but there probably will be some like the USR *Arctur*, formerly owned by Commodore

That's A Horse Of A Different Color



John Ford USNR, the movie director; and the fabled Lotusland, owned by Col. E. A. Deeds, the cash register tycoon. The Lotusland had a pipe organ and Italian marble fireplaces when it was taken over. It doesn't have them now.

Allied plans. He added the highly important remark that Japanese tenacity makes it necessary to contemplate invasion of Japan itself. Success in the Philippines is the prelude to the grand finale.

WSA officials have to do some tall computing to figure what the boats should bring. Usage and the extent to which they were stripped for action have to be taken into consideration. They expect to get about 50 cents on the purchase dollar in disposing of them.

One yacht that may never be sold is the USS Dauntless, which spends practically all of its time tied up at the Washington Navy Yard pier. It was formerly the *Delphinus*, owned by Mrs. Anna Dodge Dillman. But now it is the unarmored and unarmored home of none other than Fleet Admiral Ernest J. King, commander in chief of the Navy. It not only has solved Admiral King's Washington housing problem but undoubtedly is the only pleasure yacht that ever served as an admiral's flagship.

THE WAR TODAY

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Of course an attack on our Mindoro base isn't the only offensive Yamashita has in mind, but if he's going to carry out that attempt he may be expected to strike soon so as not to give the Americans further time to build up their strength. Actually MacArthur was able to announce only three days after his invasion on Mindoro that "our hold on the southern part of the island is now secure." Naturally his position has been greatly reinforced.

The impending crisis of the battle of the Philippines will produce some of the bloodiest fighting of the bitter war in the Pacific. Admiral Nimitz, naval chief in the Pacific, is optimistic but realistic. He has made it clear that rough going is just ahead.

The admiral, just back at Pearl Harbor after inspecting forward areas in the fighting zone, told a press conference that landings on the China coast remain high on their future.

Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- Habitations
 - Roman mark of authority
 - City in Alabama
 - Guarantee
 - Alternative
 - School of whales
 - Leir
 - Pronoun
 - Sea bird
 - More agreeable
 - Staff
 - Bone
 - Snuggle
 - Light carriage
 - Sea bird
 - Behold
 - Mint
 - Telegram
 - Slamless coins
 - Resist
 - Authority
 - Bovine animal
 - Anatomical tissue
 - Mother Goose character
 - Myself
 - Small pieces
 - Arranged in a table
 - Not so tight
 - Toward
 - Pen
 - Hazards
 - Pull
 - Symbol for tantalum
 - Skill
 - City in Paraguay
 - Success
 - Epic poem
 - Character
 - Rectangular inserts
 - Pulpy fruits
 - DOWN
 - Biblical king

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Today On The...

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Just how many workers are needed for war plants? Byrnes says "Several hundred thousand would fulfill the requirements of war production."

The exact number—given by the War Manpower Commission (WMC)—is 300,000. But not all are needed now.

WMC officials say: "If we got those 300,000 today, we wouldn't have factories, machines or facilities for them. By the end of February, 100,000 are needed."

"But it will be seven to eight months before we have the housing, machines and facilities for the full 300,000."

After Byrnes' suggestion was published, a key official in WMC was asked what WMC's main labor problem is. He said:

"To try to keep the labor turnover down. (Turnover means people leaving jobs and others taking their places.) But we've always had that problem and probably will continue to have it."

A special survey by WMC shows non-war workers are quitting their jobs at a faster clip than war workers. For the nation as a whole war workers are doing less job-quitting than in 1943. Government figures show this.

But, as of the moment, what purpose can Byrnes' suggestion serve? It points up the continuing need for war work and for war workers to stay on the job, and for non-war workers to take war jobs. The labor supply is tight. A big problem is getting workers to jobs needing them.

It may scare some 4-F's into essential jobs, if they're not in them now. It may also have the effect of making a lot of 4-F's already in essential jobs, a little insecure about their future.

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- Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle**
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 - Siberian river
 - Growls dim
 - Prevents
 - Male child
 - Arduo
 - Symbol for copper
 - Resound
 - Cast off
 - Neckpiece
 - Members of a religious community
 - Survival
 - Dry
 - Boat
 - Plans of town sites
 - Public lodging house
 - High pointed hill
 - Franchise
 - More lately acquired
 - Observing
 - Roguishly
 - Tennis stroke
 - Philippine mountain
 - Hard-shelled fruit
 - Sour grass
 - Fortune
 - Locations
 - Short distance
 - Mark of the paper mulberry
 - Chief actor
 - Mythical man-eating monster
 - Sorrows
 - Any monkey
 - Latin native
 - Ahead
 - Alcott

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. Lena Joyner, deceased, late of Pitt County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to present them to the undersigned, on or before the 8th day of December, 1945, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This the 8th day of Dec. 1944.
A. W. FLAKE, Administrator of the estate of Mrs. Lena Joyner.

J. W. H. Roberts, Atty.
Dec. 9-11w-6wk.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PAROLE

All persons will take notice that Johnny C. McLawhorn who was convicted at the January Term, 1944, of Pitt Superior Court for violation of prohibition laws, will apply for a parole. All persons objecting to said parole are invited to file their protest with the Commissioner of Paroles in Raleigh, N. C.

This December 19, 1944.
MRS. JOHNNY C. MCLAWHORN, Petitioner.
Dec. 19-11w-2wk.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

North Carolina—Pitt County. In the Superior Court No. 1251 The Town of Bethel

vs.
Ruth James and husband, Joe James, Drew Garris and husband, Henry Garris, H. L. Andrews and wife, Eula Andrews, W. E. Andrews and wife, Lucille Andrews, J. Herman Andrews and wife, Elizabeth Andrews, D. Andrews, Annie Andrews, County of Pitt.

Under authority vested in the undersigned Commissioner by virtue of that certain order entered in the above entitled cause on the 15th day of May, 1944, and order of resale dated December 16, 1944, the undersigned commissioner will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door in Greenville, N. C., on Monday, 8th day of January, 1945 at twelve o'clock, noon the following described real estate, subject to confirmation by the Court:

Beginning at the west corner of the W. J. James lot (now Worsley) and runs northward with the wall of said lot 70 yards; thence westward about 35 yards to the road (now Tarboro Street); thence eastward with the road (now Tarboro Street) to the beginning, containing one-half of an acre, more or less. Being the same lot conveyed to John H. Andrews in 1904 of record in the Pitt County Registry. This 20th day of December, 1944.
M. K. BLOUNT, Commissioner.

NOTICE

North Carolina—Pitt County. In the Superior Court Mary James Peacock

vs.
William George Peacock
The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Pitt County, North Carolina, for the purpose of securing an absolute divorce; and the defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Pitt County at his office in Greenville, North Carolina, not later than thirty (30) days from this date, or within twenty (20) days thereafter, and answer or demur to the complaint filed in this action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.
This the 7th day of Dec. 1944.
E. F. TUCKER, Asst. Clerk, Superior Court Pitt County.
J. B. James, Atty.
Dec. 1-11w-4wk.



'CATFISH' — Financed by citizens of Newton, Mass., the "Catfish" slides down the ways at Groton, Conn., the 22nd submarine built this year by the Electric Boat Co. Mrs. John J. Crowley of New London, Conn., was sponsor.



PRESIDENTIAL PEN — Senator James Mend (D-I. T.) (right) hands to Edward N. Scheiberling of Albany, American Legion National commander, pen with which President Roosevelt signed widows' and orphans' pension bill.



EX CHAMPS MEET — Comdr. Gene Tunney, USNR (left), and Comdr. Jack Dempsey, USCGR, former heavyweight boxing champions, chat at a meeting in Washington, D. C., planning a post-war sports stadium for the capital.

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This the 12th day of Dec. 1944.
J. F. HARRINGTON, Clerk Superior Court.
J. B. James, Atty.
Dec. 14-11w-4wk.

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FOR SALE - LARGE "HOME Comfort" Range. With or without hot water back. 1003 Evans St. phone 2971 11

LOST - LATE - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON on Seventh St., between Dickinson Ave. and Evans St., a diamond ring. Finder return to Reflector office and receive reward. 30-3t

FOR SALE - PRE-WAR MAPLE poster crib with gro-spring attachment. Excellent condition. \$15. Dial 2931. 1-2t

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WE CAN NOW FURNISH DRY kindling wood and dry split pine wood, cut to your requirements, Pitt Coal and Wood Co., near NSRR, Dial 2789. 18-26f

FOR SALE - YOUNG GENTLE Farm Horse. Mrs. C. W. Harvey. 3-3t

FOR RENT - TWO HORSE CROP. See George H. Clapp, Dial 2658. 28-6f

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FOR RENT - ON HALVES - Farm one mile from Bethel on Williamston highway - 15 acres of tobacco with peanuts and other crops. Will require large family. Wade T. Ward, Bethel, N. C. 3-3t

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STRAYED OR STOLEN - MALE Boston terrier. Answers to name of Pat. Reward. Hollowell's Drug Store, 922 Dickinson Ave. 1-1f

Hog Market Raleigh, Jan. 3 - (AP) - (NCDA) - Hog markets steady with tops at 14.25 at Clinton and Rocky Mount and 14.10 at Richmond.

Poultry and Eggs Raleigh, Jan. 3 - (AP) - (NCDA) - Eggs and poultry markets steady to firm.

Raleigh - U. S. grade AA large 49; hens, all weights, 25. Washington - U. S. grade A large 54; broilers and fryers 31 to 45.

Grain Market Chicago, Jan. 3 - (AP) - Wheat and rye were firm to strong today but profit taking after more than four days of rising prices accounted for losses in other grain futures markets.

At that finish wheat was 1/2 to 1% higher than yesterday's close, May \$1.86 1/2. Corn was unchanged to 1/2 lower, May \$1.13 1/2. Oats were off 1/2

Germans Murder War Prisoners
With American armies in Belgium Jan. 2 - (Delayed) - (AP) - Veterans of the battle of St. Vith declared today that eight men of a captured supply train had been shot to death by an SS officer.
Nine men were manning the supply train. It was caught by a German armored column after bulldozer tanks had knocked out five of the enemy tanks. The veterans said the nine prisoners were lined up in a field and an SS officer went down the line, shooting alternate men in the back of the head with a revolver. When he started down the line a second time one of the men made a break for it. He was hit in the neck as he was clearing a fence. He played dead for nearly three hours and finally made his way back to his outfit. But all the remainder were killed.

Canadians Gain Ground In Italy
Rome, Jan. 3 - (AP) - Canadian troops battling toward Alfonsine on the Ravenna-Ferrara highway have gained considerable ground between the Fosso Vecchio and the Senic River despite stiff enemy resistance. Allied headquarters announced today.

Chinese Capture Burma Road Town
Chungking, Jan. 3 - (AP) - Chinese troops today recaptured the Burma road border town of Wanting, putting the entire Chinese section of the Burma road in their hands.

Marines Stabbed In Fight Across River
Sheriff's officers arrested B. B. Taylor of Florida's Cross Roads and have a warrant for Alton Clark of the same community for assaulting two Marines with knives early Sunday morning at Carlton Heath's Green Cove Oil Service Station on the ethel highway north of the bridge. The affray started during an argument about women officers said.

Reds Mopping . . .
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man, plus 30,000 Hungarians, which brought in approximately 1,000 prisoners, the Russians now hold nearly 1,000 blocks of the battered city.

Ex-Naval Officer Now With The Army
Norfolk, Va., Jan. 3 - (AP) - Capt. Alfred H. Miles, USN, (retired) after more than 32 years in the navy, is in the army now. He is the author of "Anchors Aweigh," which he wrote as a midshipman at the U. S. Naval Academy, left last night to report for duty at Charleston, S. C., with the army transportation corps.

Tanker Destroyed
Leonardo, N. J., Jan. 3 - (AP) - A charred and dented hulk with a twisted steel superstructure floating in Sandy Hook bay was all that remained today of the oil tanker Sunoco on which fire and explosion early yesterday took a toll of at least three dead and seven missing, with six rescued.

REPORT DENIED
Vatican City, Jan. 3 - (AP) - A report that Pope Pius XII had appealed to the belligerents to end the fighting in Budapest was described here today as without foundation. The report had been broadcast by the Paris radio.

Marriages Vs Divorces
Charlotte, Jan. 3 - (AP) - Here are a couple of 1944 vital statistics for Mecklenburg County:
Marriage licenses issued 585.
Divorces granted 524.
Incidentally, marriage licenses issued to Negroes totaled only 31 for the year.

Seek Nazi Prisoners
Charlotte, Jan. 3 - (AP) - Authorities throughout the State today were on the lookout for two German prisoners who escaped from a Cumberland, Va., camp and who were reported seen near Kingston yesterday.

2,511 Paroles
Raleigh, Jan. 3 - (AP) - Governor Broughton has issued 2,511 paroles during his four years in office, Acting Paroles Commissioner William Dunn said today. That, he said, would be the final figure for the Broughton administration, which has issued 20-odd pardons.

Rem Rand 23 1/2
Repub Stl 29 1/2
Reynolds B 32
Sears 106 1/2
Sou Ry 34 1/2
Std Brands 28 1/2
Std Oil N J 37 1/2
Stewart Warner 16 1/2
Swift 11 1/2
Tex Co 49 1/2
Union Carbide 79 1/2
United Air 31 1/2
United Corp 18 1/2
United Drug 17 1/2
US Rubber 53
US Smeit and Ref 54 1/2
US Steel 62 1/2
Vanadium 22 1/2
Vick Chem 24 1/2
Va Caro Chem 4 1/2
Western Pict 14 1/2
Western Union A 44 1/2
West El and Mfg 124 1/2
Woolworth 41 1/2

New York Cotton
New York, Jan. 3 - (AP) - Cotton futures opened 5 to 15 cents a bale higher.
Cotton futures closed 5 to 75 cents a bale higher.

N. Y. Stock Market
New York, Jan. 3 - (AP) - The bull swing in stocks picked up fresh speed today under impetus of another broad buying movement which boosted industrial and rail leaders fractions to more than 2 points.

FINAL STOCKS
Allegheny 3
Al Chem and Dye 155 1/2
Alis Chal Mfg 39 1/2
Am Can 93
Am Car Pdy 40 1/2
Am Roll Mill 16 1/2
Am Smeit and Ref 42
A T and T 163 1/2
Am Tob B 76
Anaconda 30 1/2
A C L 53 1/2
ATI Ref 32
Aviat Corp 6
Baldwin 26 1/2
B and O 13 1/2
Barnsdall 17 1/2
Bendix Aviat 48 1/2
Beth Stl 68 1/2
Boeing Airpl 19
Borden 34
Budd Mfg 10 1/2
Burl Mills 42 1/2
Bur Add Mach 14
Case J I 37
Caterpil Trac 50 1/2
Ches and O 51 1/2
Chrysler 95 1/2
Coca Cola 43 1/2
Coml Credit 39 1/2
Coml Solv 16 1/2
Consoj Edis 25 1/2
Con Can 39 1/2
Corn Prod 59 1/2
Curtiss Wright 67
Doug Aire 71 1/2
Dow Chem 123 1/2
Du Pont 156 1/2
Eastman Kod 181
Firestone 58
Gen Elec 40
Gen Foods 41 1/2
Gen Mot 64 1/2
Goodrich 54 1/2
Goodyear 51 1/2
Int Harvest 80 1/2
Int Tel and Tel 20 1/2
Johns Man 103 1/2
Kennecott 37 1/2
Lig and Myers B 78 1/2
Loews 79 1/2
Lorillard 19 1/2
Mont Ward 51 1/2
Nash Kely 16 1/2
Nat Biscuit 24
Nat Cash Reg 33 1/2
Nat Dist 36 1/2
N Y Cent 23 1/2
No Am Aviat 10 1/2
Packard 5 1/2
Paran Pic 30 1/2
Penn J C 109
Penn RR 34 1/2
Phillips Pet 45 1/2
Pullman 48 1/2
Pure Oil 17 1/2
Radio 10 1/2

BLOOD SHIPMENT - An assistant in the blood bank at Kalamazoo, Mich., checks a shipment of blood donations in a Church refrigerated container, used to keep temperature constant en route to laboratory where plasma is made.

AMPHIBIOUS LANDING - Landing craft, manned by the Navy and carrying Army personnel, head for the beach of Panason Island, an initial objective in the Philippines invasion.

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COLD WEATHER HITS NATION

New Icy Blasts From Canada Moving South.

By the ASSOCIATED PRESS

Winter's triumvirate of discomfort—sub-zero temperatures, snow and strong winds—kept a wide section of the nation bundled up and close to the stove today.

Falling temperatures and heavy snowfalls, accompanied by strong winds, struck an area yesterday close to Lakes Erie and Ontario, and the weather bureau said there were falls ranging from 10 to 12 inches between Erie, Pa. and Buffalo, N. Y.

A cold wave which moved eastward from the Midwest yesterday, reaching southern states, moderated in the Mississippi and Ohio River valleys during the night but new frigid blasts were on the way into the region from Canada.

The heavy snows and sub-zero temperatures in the New York-Pennsylvania area brought severe hardships and four deaths attributed to the storm were reported in Buffalo.

Falls measuring three to six inches were reported in Pennsylvania and from 1 to 3 inches in upper New York State. The lowest readings during the night in the eastern section were four below at Elmira, N. Y., and -2 at Elkins, W. Va.

Temperatures over most of the Mississippi and Ohio River valleys dropped during the night from Tuesday's below zero blasts, but the report was to be brief, forecasters predicted.

The new icy blasts were expected to cover a wide area of the plains

states by tonight. The Weather Bureau said temperatures remained fairly well up in Texas and Florida yesterday and the cold weather moderated in Oklahoma, Arkansas and Tennessee. There were many points with below freezing temperatures in North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee—14 at Asheville, N. C.; 21 in Atlanta; 22 in Birmingham, and 19 in Memphis. Frost and sub-freezing weather was forecast for parts of the Florida citrus belt.

Superforts Open . . .

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are large manufacturing centers. Honshu is the principal island of the Japanese archipelago. It is the site of such vital manufacturing, shipping and administrative centers as Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagoya, Kyoto, Kobe and Osaka.

The monster bombers spanned a round trip of more than 3,000 miles to hit the Nipponese homeland from bases in the Mariana Islands.

The raid was carried out by the 21st bomber command headed by Brig. Gen. H. S. Hansell, Jr.

In their last blast against Japan on December 27 the B-29's pummeled Tokyo's sprawling industrial sector for an hour and a half. One Superfortress was lost over the target. The Superfortresses tagged perhaps the greatest number of enemy planes yet destroyed over Honshu.

Carrying out General Hansell's injunction to "bleed Japan internally," the huge bombers ignited large fires. Fighter opposition was the fiercest ever encountered over Japan except possibly for the Nagoya raid December 22.

The Tokyo radio meanwhile broadcast an estimate by the Japanese newspaper Asahi that "approximately 550 B-29 bombers" have been destroyed or damaged since they opened their bombing campaign against Nippon's homeland industries. The Asahi estimate, not confirmed by U. S. officials, included acknowledged unconfirmed reports as well as guesses.

During 1944 the twin bomber commands of the world-spanning 20th Air Force carried out some 31 missions against Japan and her stolen Asiatic-Pacific empire. China-based B-29's are commanded by Major Gen. Curtis Lemay.

Kingspins in Japan's industrial structure stretching from Sumatra to Manchuria and from Burma to the Nipponese homeland were scoured by the Superforts.

The Japanese obliquely confirmed the gravity of the raids by directing air defense authorities to draw up new "regulations for air defense and lookout personnel" on "conditions of falling bombs and how to judge the direction of approaching

enemy planes and their altitude."

An enemy broadcast said the Japanese government had ordered managers of "concrete and steel buildings not to refuse the utilization of the buildings as emergency air raid shelters.

Among the targets pounded by the B-29's from their initial strikes last June through today were Bangkok, Thailand; Anshan and Mukden, Manchuria; Palembang, Sumatra; Okayama, Formosa; Rangoon, Burma; Singapore naval base; Hankow and Shanghai, China; and Tokyo, Omura and Nagoya.

Car Stolen From Funeral Home

A 1942 Chrysler New Yorker car was stolen from the garage in the rear of the Greenville Funeral Home, 1212 Dickinson avenue, about 4 o'clock this morning. Two servicemen are suspected. State highway patrolmen said a Marine from a distant base rang the doorbell of a nearby home and told the person answering the bell that two Marines had pushed a car from the funeral home driveway, rolled it down the hill to start it and then left. The key was in the lock.

Marshall F. Clark, manager of the funeral home, reported the theft to Lieut. Lester Jones. The highway patrol radio was off the air at that time of night. This morning the theft was broadcast and patrolmen were checking military bases east of here.

Clark, owner of the car, who was formerly in business in Jacksonville, had several cars stolen from him by service men. He classified the theft of equipment from a funeral home as ghoulish, pointing out that such a place is liable to have a call at any moment to transport the injured or sick or care for the dead.

State Revenue Collections Up

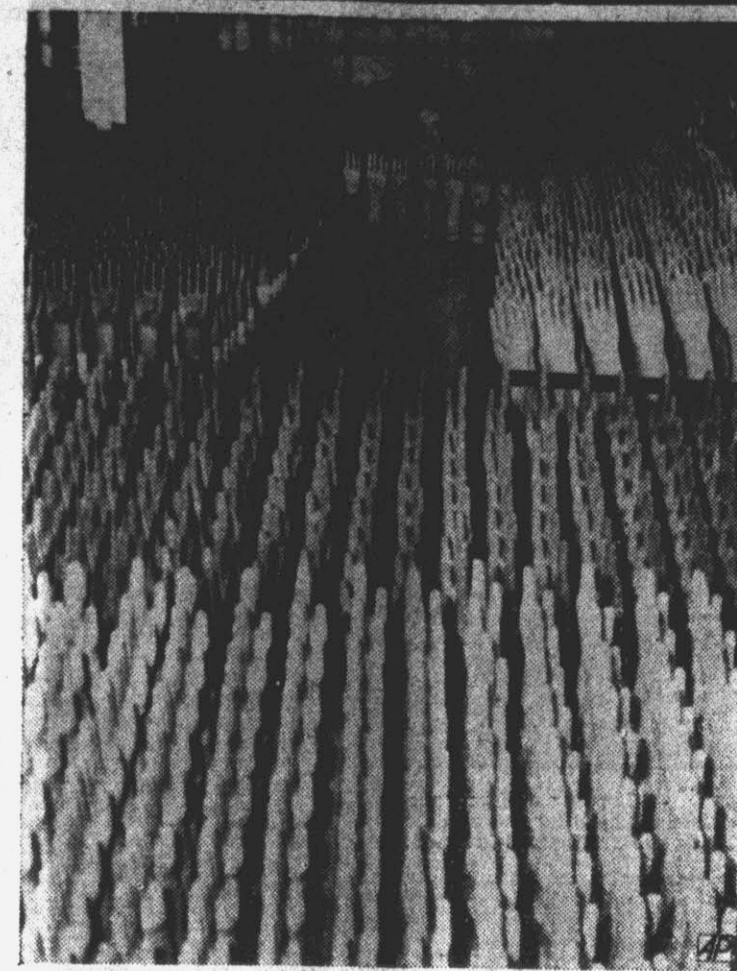
Raleigh, Jan. 3 (AP)—The state's revenue and gasoline divisions collected \$39,237,316.04 during the six months ended December 30, 1944, compared with \$37,383,879.99 for the comparable period in 1943.

Collections during December were \$7,023,809.02, compared with \$5,724,721.37 in December, 1943.

The motor vehicles department collected \$4,013,317.81 during the six months ended last December 31, compared with \$4,717,370.81 during the comparable period in 1943.

Sales tax collections during the last six months of 1944 totaled \$10,668,168.03, compared with \$9,781,280.54 in 1943, where's collections last December totaled \$2,046,429.65, compared with \$1,725,431 in December, 1943.

In many states the will of an unmarried woman is deemed revoked when she marries.



PLENTY OF GLOVES—Mrs. Edith Posschl, employee in the Goodrich plant at Akron, O., holds gloves newly made of synthetic rubber. These are some of first to be released for general sale, rather than to essential industries.

SEEKS TO FORM GREEK CABINET

Will Try To Bring End To Civil Strife.

By STEPHEN BARBER

Athens, Jan. 3 (AP)—Gen. Nicholas Plastiras, veteran Greek soldier and politician, undertook today to form a new all-party government in the hope of ending the bitter civil strife which has wracked Greece for many weeks.

Plastiras agreed to assume the premiership last night at the request of Archbishop Damaskinos of Athens, who was named regent of Greece last Friday by King George II, now in London. Gen. Plastiras succeeds George Papandreou, British-supported premier who resigned when it became apparent that his efforts to restore harmony were doomed to failure.

Meanwhile it was announced officially that the Soviet government in Moscow is reopening its legation in Athens. Hihani Seretoff, former first secretary and charge d'affaires of the legation, is expected to arrive in Athens shortly. Since the liberation of Greece from the Germans Russia has been represented here only by a military mission.

The general's decision came as Athens still echoed to the sound of British artillery replying to shelling by left wing ELAS forces, who have steadfastly refused to participate in any government headed by Papandreou.

In announcing his acceptance Plastiras ignored Greek superstition against taking an important step on Tuesday—the day Constantinople fell to the Turks in 1453.

The 81-year-old Plastiras returned from exile in France only recently under an agreement with Papandreou and British authorities.

In 1922 he engineered a military coup which resulted in the abdication of King Constantine and was a member of the revolutionary committee which for a time ruled the country. In December, 1923, he was responsible for the banishment of King George II, who had succeeded his father, and later was exiled briefly himself.

In 1933 he again set up a military government after the fall of the late Premier Eleutherios Venizelos, but the coup proved unsuccessful and he was once more forced into exile. In 1935 he was sentenced to death in absentia by the government of the late Premier John Metaxas.

Extensive Air . . . (Continued From Page One)

north of the Philippines, Sunday, setting five coastal ships afire and shooting down four planes.

It was the first strike by southwest Pacific planes so far north. Formosa was bombed in October by Pacific fleet carrier planes and by Asia-based Superfortresses.

Formosa is Japan's great staging base for her Philippine forces. American bombers in widespread Sunday raids poured the greatest load, 135 tons of bombs, on Halmahera, between New Guinea and the Philippines. Halmahera's airbases, supply areas and antiaircraft positions were hammered in the continued neutralization campaign.

Fighter planes sweeping over southern Luzon caused damage to warehouses, rail facilities, power plants and wharves. Medium bombers, operating farther north, sank a 2,000-ton merchant ship off the Luzon coast and caused fires and

dent and congress as director of war mobilization and reconversion. Byrnes declared yesterday that "the possibility of increased calls under the selective service system" must be anticipated. And he added:

"We must recognize the necessity of reconsidering the standards governing the deferment of agricultural workers, since this group represents the largest remaining source of young men for military service."

The war mobilization director, in addition, proposed that congress consider imposing "some control over those found physically disqualified for military service, so that they may render their war service in essential war activities."

The chief executive yesterday endorsed substantially the recommendations of the Byrnes report.

As compared with the 364,000 men in the 18 to 25 age range with agricultural deferments, Byrnes said only 35,000 to 40,000 in the same age group were deferred for industry

and medicine, while a small number are deferred for service in the merchant marine.

U. S. Airmen . . . (Continued from page one)

12th concentrated on cutting enemy supply lines, crippling gun positions, closing supply dumps and blasting troop concentrations. The 12th wrecked more than 10,000 enemy vehicles, nearly 7,000 rail cars, 600 bridges and 173 ships and small boats.

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in the light of the Tydings amendment aimed at exempting bona fide farm workers from military service.

The Tydings amendment directed draft boards to exempt essential agricultural workers, but left to local boards the determination of standards for deferment. However, in the past, selective service has made advisory standards for deferments. Local boards were free, however, to act upon their own judgment.

Under the Selective Service system's advisory plan, a farm work unit standard was set up. A unit designated a specified quantity of farm work. Originally, the system recommended that all farm workers doing 16 units of work per year be deferred. Later, Selective Service recommended that more work be required. This recommendation, however, brought sharp protests from farm organizations and farm state congressmen, and consequently was dropped.

Whether there was any connection between Byrnes' request to Hershey and a White House appointment today for Jones was not immediately disclosed.

In his first report to the Pres-

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