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Cloudy and mild with scattered showers tonight, Tuesday, rain and colder.

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Red Forces Continue Drive Toward Baltic

Soviets Making Effort To Cut Off Danzig; Step Up Siege Of Breslau; Zero Hour For New Berlin-Aimed Attack Apparently Approaching

By EDDY GILMORE
Moscow, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Two great Russian armies maneuvered today for the approaching drive on Berlin, while other Soviet forces made important gains on either flank—towards the Baltic through Pomerania, and in besieged Breslau in Silesia.

All signs indicated the coming offensive against the German capital will be stronger than any yet launched by the Russians in the central sector, and one which may reach the gates of the city.

Still there was no immediate indication when Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's First White Russian Army and Marshal Ivan S. Konev's First Ukrainian Army would lose the twin assault on Berlin.

Before attacking, the Russians must smash or turn at some points the heavily-fortified Oder-Spre river line.

Widespread scouting operations were conducted by the Russians in this area today, suggesting that the zero hour may be near.

Scattered into the German-held sectors provided valuable information on large masses of regular army troops, police, stormtroopers and thousands of Volksturm men entrenched behind the Oder and Spre river line, which employs the Neisse River as a front screen.

Front dispatches said the Nazis have brought up every kind of artillery piece available, as well as several types of tanks and anti-tank devices.

Trenches are studded with machine-guns and light artillery. Many square miles are heavily mined.

Red army units are battling savagely for a quick capture of Breslau and meeting stern resistance in the district of Koenigsberg. It appeared, however, that Konev and Zhukov may not wait until these objectives are gained before hurling their main armies westward.

London, Feb. 26.—(AP)—The German communists today said parts of two Soviet armies had been smashed in a six-day battle in Silesia, and that the East Prussian capital's water, road and rail communications were cut.

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Fourteen Escape From Prison Camp

Asheville, N. C., Feb. 26.—(AP)—Fourteen prisoners escaped from the Craggy State Prison camp near here last night by sawing the bars of a window and dropping 15 feet to the ground.

E. G. Robertson, superintendent, said 12 of the men were sentenced from Buncombe county and two from Durham. He said their sentences ranged from between eight and 24 months.

The men were put in a cell block at 9 o'clock last night. Robertson said, and at 9:30 a guard discovered the delivery.

One of the group, Fred Chatham of Asheville, serving 12 months for larceny in Buncombe county, was reported surrendered to officers today by a relative. The others remained at large.

The WAR TODAY

AN ANALYSIS OF THE NEWS

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst

The moderate resistance thus far encountered by the western Allies in their great Rhine-land offensive is a welcome but surprising circumstance which is far from self-explanatory.

Unless the German defense is wholly unequal to the task of making a stand against the terrific striking-power that General Eisenhower is employing, we must expect Nazi Field Marshal von Rundstedt to counter-attack shortly. In

Two Americans Who Were Prisoners



The gaunt, strayed bodies of Lee Rogers, 38, and James C. Todd, 33, a miner, attest to their treatment by the Japanese after their long imprisonment in Santo Tomas prison, Philippines, near Manila. Rogers, a retired Cavite navy yard employee, dropped from 145 to 90 pounds weight; Todd from 178 to 102. (AP Wirephoto).

Lewis Serves Notice Of Impending Strike

AUDITOR ON STAND TODAY

War Begins Testimony On Dr. Meadows' Records

The trial of Dr. L. R. Meadows, on charges of false pretense and embezzlement, entered its fifth week today with Frank P. Wall, Raleigh auditor and public accountant appearing as witness for the defense.

Wall stated that he had been engaged in auditing work for a long number of years, that he had been a licensed public accountant for nearly 15 years and was also licensed to practice before the Federal Tax Commission. Judge Clawson L. Williams ruled that on the basis of his statement and presentation of credentials, Wall was qualified to testify as an expert.

Wall stated that he came to Greenville the first week in last August to make a thorough study of Dr. Meadows' affairs and that he had audited all his records, together with numbers of college records that would throw additional light on the investigation and had prepared a report therefrom.

The witness testified that upon the basis of his study he had found that Dr. Meadows had received a total of \$27,022.90 of the funds in (Continued on page six)

War Begins Testimony On Dr. Meadows' Records

fact such counter blows normally would have been delivered already. This calls for reserves, and the position hinges on whether the greatly weakened Hitlerites have them.

If Rundstedt lacks reserves, then he is indeed in mortal danger, for while his flanks are being turned by the First and Ninth army forces which Berlin estimates at 600,000.

The Nazi Marshal's alternative to making a stand on the Cologne plain would be to withdraw across the Rhine. As I previously have explained, this crossing would be most hazardous operation, since it would expose a retreating army to the full fury of the Allied air power.

It is Eisenhower's hope that the Germans will stand and fight west of the Rhine, so that he can annihilate them. We shall know soon how the wind blows for our spearhead striking for the great Rhineish rail center of Cologne already is within sight of its spires.

The Allied position naturally grows stronger with each passing hour. Our big job at the outset is to rush supplies across the flooded Roer to keep our armies moving. Our capture of Duernand—key city on the Roer—in hand-to-hand fighting will vastly facilitate the movement of equipment and supplies of all sorts. Things are going well.

Meantime the Russians are getting set for what may be the final (Continued on Page Four)

Marine Capture Of Last Jap Air Field Imminent

Yanks Grimly Holding Half Of Iwo Jima, Pushing North Against Heavy Opposition

By ELMONT WAITE
U. S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters, Guam, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Capture of Iwo Jima's second airfield, in the center of the strategic little island, was imminent today as three Marine divisions grove north with considerable air support in an intense fight.

This stiffest fight of the Pacific war went into its second week with the Yanks grimly holding almost half the island, 750 miles south of Tokyo, and making inexorable progress northward.

The divisions, already on the main airfield in the eastern part of Iwo, captured the east-west runway of the central two fighter field (Motoyama No. 2) late yesterday and enveloped two thirds of the north-south runway after a full day of heavy fighting.

Their assault followed a preliminary bombardment by artillery and warship batteries. Carrier planes and Marine's based Liberator heavy bombers gave close support to the ground forces.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced the push today in a communique which made no further mention of the second heavy strike by fifth fleet carrier planes against the Tokyo area this month. The fleet could still be in the area.

The count of Japanese dead on Iwo reached 2,827 by noon yesterday. This tabulation showed only 28 more than the 2,799 total reported the day before. The enemy garrison was estimated at 20,000.

The latest report on American casualties was the figure of 5,372 dead, wounded and missing up to 6 P. M. Wednesday. The dead numbered 644 at that time.

Central Iwo field is the last airfield in Japanese hands. A third field, in the northern part of the island, is under construction but far from completion. The only airfield long enough to accommodate bombers, Motoyama No. 1, was overrun by the Yanks the day after the invasion.

The statistical Japanese defenders (See MARINES page Four)

Present Proposals For Free Trade

Mexico City, Feb. 26.—(AP)—The United States today presented two draft proposals at the inter-American conference calling for a free trade policy in the Americas and a broad industrialization program of the Latin American republics.

In the first, an "economic character of the Americas," the United States suggested the elimination of cartels, economic nationalism, and provides for equal access to raw materials in accordance with the Atlantic Charter.

It also seeks to give just and equitable treatment for foreign enterprise and capital in the American republics and provides for encouragement of private enterprise and discouragement of government intervention in business.

'Angels of Bataan' Home After Release From Japs

By NORMAN BELL

San Francisco, Calif., Feb. 26.—(AP)—Back in their homes after three years of war and captivity, 68 "Angels of Bataan" and Corregidor rested at the Army's Letterman General Hospital here today.

Most of the valiant army nurses and technicians and the one Red Cross worker, who arrived Saturday by Air Transport Command planes from the Philippines, hope to visit their homes as soon as possible.

The majority, while under normal weight, appeared to be in fairly good health.

Only 14 were classed as litter cases, including Veteran Senior Chief Nurse Maj. Maude Davidson, 59.

The joy of being back in America was matched by the eagerness of the repatriated nurses to catch up on things they have missed.

Most of them had new wrist watches, to replace the ones taken from them by the Japanese when they were captured on Corregidor May 6, 1942.

Some declared they would like to return to the Philippines and on to Japan when that enemy homeland is invaded.

They were excited over such ordinary matters as using knives and forks again. They used only spoons to eat the slim diet, principally rice, at the Santo Tomas internment camp, from which they were liberated Feb. 3 by troops of the United States First Cavalry.

Maj. Gen. Raymond W. Bliss, acting Surgeon General of the Army, was among the crowd welcoming the nurses and graduates of Pasadena (Calif.) General Hospital.

None of the nurses to whom I talked said they had actually seen the Japanese physically mistreat anyone at Santo Tomas.

"The food was the worst part," they all said. It became a case of slow starvation on a diet of watery rice the last few months.

Huge Fleet Of Superfortresses Blast Tokyo In Twin Assault; Manila Area Being Mopped Up

U. S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters, Guam, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Industrial targets in the Tokyo area and elsewhere on Japan's main island of Honshu took a powerful one-two punch from American aerial might yesterday as waves after waves of carrier-based planes roared over followed by more than 200 Superfortresses—largest B-29 fleet ever assembled.

Radio Tokyo said 1,600 carrier planes and 165 sky giants made the twin aerial attacks Sunday. Subsequently Tokyo trimmed the carrier planes to 600. The War Department reported that more than 200 Superfortresses participated. All returned.

The Superfortresses dropped bombs and incendiaries for two hours through a heavy snowfall. Snow has little effect on incendiaries.

Damage was done to airfields, military installations and transportation facilities in the Tokyo area, radio Tokyo said, adding "bombs started fires in various sections" but "they were almost entirely quelled by nightfall."

Bombs fell in an area adjacent to the guard house at the gates of the Quinsy palace residence of the Emperor Dowager Sadako and the bureau of the Imperial stables, the Japanese said.

Premier Kuniaki Koiso made a second call on Emperor Hirohito today on behalf of the cabinet, this time to offer a profound apology for the "unforgivable negligence" in the approach of danger to his person.

Explaining the Japanese fleet's reluctance to come out and fight, radio Tokyo said that "the fleet had adopted the strategy of operating within the radius of action of land-based aircraft."

"It is technically impracticable for our land-based aerial formation to deal decisive blows to the American naval forces so long as the enemy task forces remain at a long distance," the broadcast explained, "but if they venture into waters near the coast, the air units of the Japanese army and navy will find themselves in a favorable position."

During Adm. Raymond A. Spruance's (See TOKYO page Four)

Farmers Assured Of Fuel Oil Needs

Farmers who are using oil burning equipment for tobacco curing were assured today that they would be adequately supplied with oil for this season.

In a letter to J. G. Clark, local oil company representative, Congressman Herbert Bonner stated that "the government will make certain that the oil needs of the tobacco industry will be met."

Mr. Bonner cautioned, however, those farmers who have good wood burning equipment not to replace with oil at this late date, but where the equipment was not in satisfactory condition, it would be legitimate to make the change when needed.

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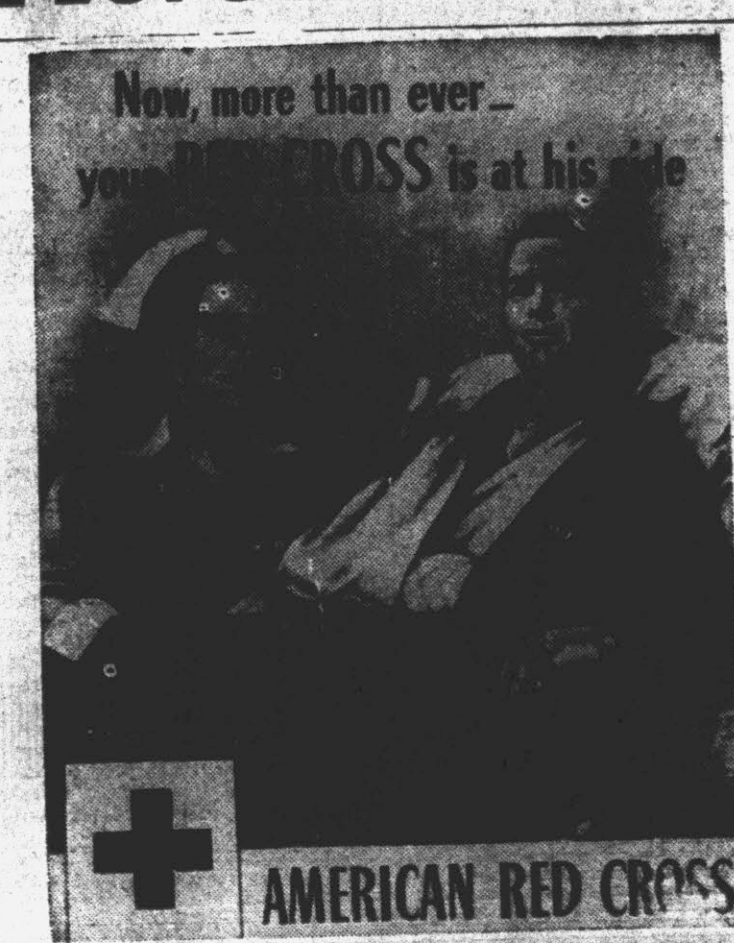
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Yank Armies Sweep Across Rhine Valley



Now, more than ever... your Red Cross is at his side. As wounded American boys come back from the battle fronts they and American Red Cross workers in all military and naval hospitals ready to help them. This year there will be more need than ever before for Red Cross service in domestic hospitals. Now, more than ever, your Red Cross is at his side.

War's Biggest Raid Is Made On Berlin

More Than 1,200 American Heavy Bombers Launch Attack At Noon Hour

By HENRY D. JAMESON
London, Feb. 26.—(AP)—In the biggest air attack ever made of Berlin, more than 1,200 American heavy bombers dropped 3,000 tons of explosives and fire bombs into the heart of the city during the noon hour today.

More than 500,000 small incendiary bombs were showered upon the refugee-crowded capital, with three railway stations—Schlesier, Alexanderplatz and Berlin North—as the main targets. All three are within two miles of the Air Ministry building in the middle of the city.

Three giant waves, which Nazi news agencies said made a train 150 miles long, roared across the city at 15-mile intervals and let down their first bombs at 11:54 a. m. the exact minute set in the battle order.

For the first time the bombers, with an escort of 700 Mustangs and Thunderbolts, flew to the capital in a straight line across Germany, boldly daring the German air force to fight.

The incendiaries were fired from "Molotov breadbaskets" that break open in the descent and shower the ground in clusters of hundreds.

On the way home the American bombers passed a force of RAF Lancasters and Mustangs going out to bomb the synthetic oil plant at Dortmund again.

Today's was the 37th major attack—the 16th by the Eighth Air Force—on Berlin. It has under gone altogether well over 200 raids in this war.

The bomber fleet exceeded by approximately 100 planes the size of the assault on Berlin Feb. 3.

Even though battered by scores of previous air attacks, Berlin still is an important railway hub, and practically all supplies and reinforcements for the Eastern front must move through there.

Many government buildings along with several key railway stations probably were caught by bombs. (Continued on Page Six)

Appreciation!

The appreciation which American boys have for the Red Cross was clearly demonstrated today when one of our Greenville boys sent a donation for the current Red Cross drive from his prison camp in Germany.

Second Lieut. Edgar A. Denton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur T. Denton, in a letter to his parents, authorized them to issue a check for \$50 as his personal donation to the fund. This was one of the first contributions made locally.

Denton, member of the Eighth Air Force, and a co-pilot on a Flying Fortress, was shot down over Germany last November 2, and is now a prisoner of war in that country. His address is: Second Lt. Edgar A. Denton, Stalag Luft No. 3, Germany.

U. S. Forces, Cleaning Up 25 Towns, Approach Last Water Barrier Before Cologne; Third Army Outflanks Fortress City Of Trier

By JAMES M. LONG
Paris, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Two American armies sped five miles across the Rhine valley today in tanks and on foot to within 13 miles of Cologne and within six miles of the great Ruhr arsenal and its border city of Muenchen Gladbach.

Sweeping up 25 or more towns, the American 9th and 1st armies closed within three miles of the Rft river—last water barrier before the sprawling Rhine metropolis of Cologne—and moved within 19 miles southwest of Dueseldorf, administrative center of the Ruhr.

Cologne's spires were in sight. The assault front broadened to 40 miles and was strengthened continuously by the infusion of streams of tanks, self-propelled guns and fresh manpower.

Some 60 miles below the Cologne plain battle, the American 3rd army in a swift seven mile sprint reached the Nims river near Bilburg and outflanked the ancient fortress city of Trier. The gain carried five miles into the Siegfried line past the Saar river town of Saarburg. The Canadian 1st army applied heavier pressure on the Ruhr from the north.

The 9th army in advances of three to five miles threw a tight cordon on three sides of the bustling communications center of Erkelenz.

Advance 9th army elements approached Kaubhausen, six miles from Muenchen Gladbach and 10 miles northeast of their starting point at Linlich. Kaubhausen is east of Erkelenz and within easy artillery range of that section of the Ruhr industrial district which slopes over west of the Rhine. Muenchen Gladbach is the first Ruhr city in the American path.

East of Kaubhausen, 9th army troops reached Titz. Elsewhere, the American infantrymen were advancing as rapidly as they could walk, against only sporadic resistance. The rushing troops toward imminent triumph, Cologne, Germany's fifth largest city, which lies on the west bank of the Rhine.

First army troops of Lt. Gen. (Continued on Page Six)

May Foster Drive For Low Cost Food

Washington, Feb. 26.—(AP)—A government-subsidized food program designed to assure the nation's low-income families an adequate diet may be advanced as a part of the administration's post-war economic plans.

The outline of such a program has been drawn by agriculture department economists and submitted to high administration leaders.

Proponents say it would cost in excess of \$1,000,000,000 a year under conditions similar to those prevailing in 1942. Funds required would increase with a lower level of jobs and income and would drop as prosperity increased.

The program bears some resemblance to the food stamp plan in effect between 1939 and 1943. It would, however, seek to aid all low-income families, whereas the stamp plan was employed as an emergency measure for helping only persons on relief and for disposing of farm surpluses.

Legislators now are paid \$600 a (Continued on Page Six)

Today On The Home Front

By JAMES MARLOW

(Editor's Note: This is the 7th of 12 stories explaining who has to do what about his income taxes.)

Washington, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Don't kiss off your deductions thoughtlessly in filing your 1944 income tax return.

Some kinds of income not only are exempt from tax altogether but don't have to be reported.

Many expenses are deductible and the greater the deductions, the smaller the tax.

And—the amount of deductions will determine for many people the kind of income tax return they file. Meanwhile—

Here is tax-exempt income which does not have to be reported:

Unemployment compensation, social security benefits, sickness and injury benefits received from health or accident insurance of workmen's compensation, gifts except those given for personal service, and life insurance paid because of the death of the insured. Examples:

A. People with income of \$500 or more must file a return but—suppose your only income was \$500 from social security benefits. You don't have to file a return.

B. Suppose your income was \$600 from social security benefits and \$1,000 from rents. You have to file a return on the \$1,000 but you make no mention of the \$600.

(There's a wide field of exemptions for war veterans, servicemen

and their families. This will be explained here tomorrow.)

Here are deductible expenses although the list isn't complete:

Charitable contributions (they can't exceed 15 per cent of income) to religious and charitable organizations; interest paid on personal debts, such as bank loans and mortgages; state income and personal property and real estate taxes except those taxes or assessments which tend to increase the value of your property.

Also—property losses from war, accident, fire, storm or other casualty or theft; a special \$500 deduction for the blind; uncompensated traveling expenses of persons whose work requires such traveling; use of your car for business, and this includes the cost of gasoline, oil, grease, repairs and cleaning; union dues; entertaining when done in connection with your business; and (Continued on page 100)

RATION GUIDE

Meat—Book Four Red Stamps Q5 thru Z5 and A2 thru Z5 now good.

Foods—Book Four Blue Stamps X5 through Z5 and A2 through Z5 now good.

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KEEP YOUR RED CROSS AT HIS SIDE

Social and Personal

Mrs. Felix Graves, who has been visiting her brother, Mr. D. M. Clark and Mrs. Clark has returned to her home in Mebane.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Roebuck have returned from Raleigh, where they attended the basketball tournament the past week-end.

Charles Pace is home from Chapel Hill to spend several days.

Jimmie Lanier, a student at Chapel Hill is spending a few days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lanier.

Mrs. George Ingle is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. Sam Haldeman in New York.

Jack Moye, Sr. has returned from the Kentucky tobacco market.

Mrs. W. S. Moye and Mrs. Harvey Ward returned from Richmond, Va. Saturday after spending a week with Mr. W. S. Moye, Sr., who remains ill in a Richmond hospital. Mr. Moye continues to improve.

Mrs. J. B. Spilman has returned from a two weeks leave which she spent in Washington, D. C., and California. She went by plane from Washington to Los Angeles.

French-Godwin
Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Godwin announce the marriage of their daughter, Betty Pauline, to William J. French on Wednesday, February 22, 1945.

Birth Announcement
Electrician Mate, 2-c and Mrs. Francis J. Whelan announce the birth of a daughter, Nancy Dawn, on Wednesday, February 21, 1945.

City Schools Art Exhibit
An exhibition of art work done in the Greenville City Schools under the direction of Mrs. Ford Smart will be on display in the art gallery in Sheppard Memorial Library for the first two weeks in March.

Mrs. Smart will begin the hanging of the exhibit today and the gallery will be closed to the public until Thursday afternoon.

Council
The Greenville International Relations Council, the local chapter of the International Council of Women, met Tuesday night at eight o'clock. This meeting is called for the purpose of planning future programs for the immediate future. Everyone interested in international relations and the betterment of world peace is invited to participate in this meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Roebuck
Grifton, Feb. 25—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Roebuck entertained at a luncheon at their home here. Decorations of quince, red berries and potted plants effectively carried out the patriotic note.

On arrival a delicious two course supper was served. Following this bridge was played progressively at three tables, scoring high were Mrs. T. J. Williams, Mr. B. B. Hodges and Mr. J. T. Biggers. Other players were Mr. Williams, Mrs. Hodges, Mrs. Biggers, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Bissette, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mewborn.

Brotherhood
Rabbi Tolochka said that in this war three countries, Russia, Great Britain and the United States, though they differ in their philosophies, are united in the war effort. Although dogma may be divided, the ethical principles upon which religion is based are the same. "We of all religions are agreed that it is religion alone which will ultimately solve the world's problems and religion has lagged behind other things."

One couldn't measure life and character, Rabbi Tolochka said, by time, possessions or happiness, but by growth, mental, physical and spiritual. He emphasized the fact that if people of all religions could do the same things, worship in the same manner and fight for the same flag, they can be united in the same way in civilian life.

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The storm early Saturday night had thunder and lightning in it. It looks like winter should be about over when thunder and lightning come.

C. B. West returned to Goldsboro Sunday evening.

Mrs. J. L. Barr, who has been visiting relatives here, returned to Kinston Sunday evening.

Miss Edith Aydtlett, of Elizabeth City, arrived Friday evening to visit Miss Lelia Suttle.

Miss Johnson Entertains
Grifton, Feb. 26—On Friday night Miss Bert Johnson had as guests for a pretty party members of her contract club and players for an extra table. The home for the occasion was decorated with potted plants and at four tables and the club awards went to Mrs. Vance Wall and Mrs. A. D. Wall while the visitors prize went to Mrs. H. C. Oglesby. Other players were Mrs. Bruce Mewborn of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. George Sugg, Mrs. J. T. Biggers, Mrs. Roy Jackson, Mrs. Jack Chapman, Mrs. H. P. Quinley, Mrs. Ivan Bissette, Mrs. L. D. McCotter, Mrs. Robert Mewborn, Mrs. Jack Tucker, Mrs. T. J. Williams, Mrs. L. L. Mewborn and Miss Louise Mewborn.

Miss Johnson was assisted by Mrs. Sam Cox in serving a delightful salad plate with sandwiches, cookies and hot tea.

Bank Resources Increase
Raleigh, Feb. 26—(AP)—State banking institutions had total resources of \$1,636,638,766.31 on last Dec. 30. Banking Commissioner Gurney P. Hood announced Saturday. The figure represented an increase of more than \$419,000,000 over the same date the previous year.

There were 291 commercial banks and branches at the close of both calendar years.

Lloyd George III
London, Feb. 26—(AP)—A bulletin from the North Wales home of David Lloyd George this morning said the former Prime Minister had

passed a comfortable night and that his physical condition was about the same. He was described yesterday as "very weak."

Receives Degree
J. N. Williams, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Williams of this city received his B. S. degree in chemistry at the University of North Carolina last Saturday.

"J. N." as he is known in Greenville High School has made an enviable record at the University. Although his studies were in one of the toughest fields, he was the top ranking scholar in his group and for the past academic year he was president of Phi Beta Kappa, nationally known scholarship fraternity.

The Greenville High School, from which "J. N." graduated with high honors is proud of the record of its graduate.

Girl Scout News

Troop 9 will meet Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 in the Austin building in room 201 with Miss Nell Stallings to get instructions on puppets. Be sure to be there as she has asked assistants from the dean on this project.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

Thirty-two Greenville Boy Scouts received well-earned recognition for achievement at a Court of Honor held Thursday evening at Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church. The program, under the direction of Court of Honor Chairman, Rev. Robert Bradshaw was fully attended, both by Scouts and their parents and friends.

The climax of the Court Program was the presentation of the Eagle Badge to Scout Billy Mack Batchelor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Batchelor, of E. Fifth Street. The presentation was made by Reverend Bradshaw in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Batchelor, and the Eagle Badge itself was pinned upon the



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uniform of the new Eagle Scout by his Mother.

Dr. Alfred Schultz, Vice Chairman of Greenville District, presented the present rankings of Troops in the Commissioner's Inter-Troop Contest. Present scoring gives Troop 36, under Scoutmaster A. B. Stallworth and Assistant Scoutmaster Heber Tripp, first place by a narrow margin.

Assisting Rev. Bradshaw as members of the Court of Honor were June Rose, Supt. of Schools, O. E. Dowd, Principal of Greenville High School, Mayor Bruce Sugg, Wyatt Brown, Chairman of the Advancement Committee, Rev. H. G. Haney, Rev. Hartwell Campbell, and Rev. Richard Hardaway.

Advancement recognized by the Court at this session included: Second Class Rank—Earl Jackson, Thomas Blanchard, Fred Joseph, John Scrivener, Gordon Brown, and Bobby Fleming, all of Troop 30.

First Class Rank—Raby Edwards and Jimmy Waters, of Troop 30; Paul Conway, of Troop 33. Merit Badge Awards—Gilbert Windham, Billy Goodson, and Howard Proctor, of Troop 30; Alton Howard, Alfred Saleed, McDonald Bland, Tommy

Pace, John Farley, Rufus Stark, Thomas Lupton, Eugene Ayers, and Charles Watson, all of Troop 33; Sam Northrop, Jack Whitehead, Richard Grider, and Richard Scrivener, of Troop 36; Star Rank—Billy Goodson of Troop 30; Tommy Lupton, Eugene Ayers, and Rufus Stark, of Troop 33; Richard Scrivener, of Troop 36; Life Rank—Sam Northrop of Troop 36; Eagle Rank—Billy Mack Batchelor, Troop 33. Included in the Court of Honor Program also was the award of Attendance Prizes covering the last Board of Review. Prizes for 100 per cent attendance were awarded to the Owl Patrol of Troop 30, with Howard Proctor as Patrol Leader, and to the Tiger Patrol of Troop 33 with Rufus Stark as Patrol Leader. The Prize for the window dressing contest was awarded to Troop 30. These Awards were made by the Assistant Scout Executive, Norman Scrivener.

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THIS 38th ANNUAL REPORT summarizes another successful year in Jefferson Standard history. It tells the story of good substantial progress. It shows the strong financial position of the Company. . . . Behind the facts and figures are countless human interest stories of life insurance at work—of widows and orphans made financially secure, of children educated because of foresighted fathers and mothers, of men and women made comfortable in retirement, of mortgages cancelled upon premature death of homeowners, of cash funds provided for emergencies. . . . Jefferson Standard, and its representatives from coast to coast, proudly present the 38th Annual Report with appreciation to the many friends and policyholders who have contributed to the Company's excellent progress.

INTEREST EARNING AND INTEREST PAYMENT MAINTAINED

★ Again in 1944, as in every year since 1907, Jefferson Standard maintained its national leadership in interest earned on invested assets. During the year 5% interest was paid on funds held in trust for policyholders and beneficiaries.

INCREASE IN ASSETS

★ Total assets are now \$142,939,569 which represents an increase of \$14,693,244 for 1944. For every \$100 of liabilities there are \$110.17 of assets.

SURPLUS FUNDS INCREASED

★ Surplus, capital, and contingency reserves total \$13,200,000. This represents a high ratio of additional funds for policyholders' protection.

SUBSTANTIAL GAIN IN INSURANCE IN FORCE

★ In 1944 the insurance in force increased \$40,032,074. The total is now \$542,565,115 protection on more than 200,000 policyholders.

BENEFITS PAID

★ The Company paid policyholders and beneficiaries \$6,377,351 in benefits in 1944. Total benefits since organization in 1907—\$144,149,126.

WAR BOND PURCHASES

★ During 1944 the Jefferson Standard invested \$9,640,000 in War Bonds, thus making a substantial contribution to the anti-inflation battle and toward final victory. Total U. S. Government Bond holdings—\$25,237,015.

SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY
One Electric Stove, 1 Kelvinator, 1 Radio, 10,000 tobacco sticks, 6 sets tobacco flues, household and kitchen furniture of Emily Jane Hardee.

Saturday, March 17th, 1945. 10 o'clock a. m.

Home place of the late Emily Jane Hardee, 5½ miles east of Greenville. W. J. EDWARDS, Executor S. O. Worthington, Atty. 2-26-45 1 wk.-2 wks.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having this day qualified as executor of the estate of Emily Jane Hardee this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate to

months from this date or this notice will be filed in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate settlement. This the 12th day of Feb. 1945. W. J. EDWARDS, executor of Emily Jane Hardee Chocod, N. C. S. O. Worthington, Atty. 2-26-45 1 per wk. 6 wks.



Announcement!

Wish to announce that we have move to
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Our new place is much larger and we can display our flowers to a much better advantage.
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Cox Floral Service
121 West 4th Street Dial 4472

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Another Great Year of PROTECTION and SERVICE

38th ANNUAL STATEMENT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT • DECEMBER 31, 1944

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash	\$ 5,128,207	Policy Reserves	\$112,811,235
United States Government Bonds	25,237,015	This reserve is required by law to assure payment of policy obligations.	
State, County and Municipal Bonds	4,091,192	Reserve for Policy Claims	810,813
All Other Bonds	12,231,105	Claims in course of settlement on which proofs have not been received.	
Stocks	8,835,827	Reserve for Taxes	642,617
Listed securities carried at market, cost, or call value, whichever is lowest.		Premiums and Interest Paid in Advance	1,619,919
First Mortgage Loans	62,937,355	Policy Proceeds Left With Company	10,500,746
Real Estate	6,457,834	Dividends for Policyholders	1,326,494
Loans to Our Policyholders	10,978,394	Reserve for All Other Liabilities	2,027,745
Secured by the cash values of policies.		Liabilities	\$129,739,569
Premium Loans and Liens	2,545,503	Contingency Reserve	\$2,200,000
Secured by the cash values of policies.		A fund for contingencies, depreciation on real estate and investment fluctuations.	
Investment Income in Course of Collection	1,144,613	Capital	4,000,000
Premiums in Course of Collection	3,195,383	Surplus Unassigned	7,000,000
All Other Assets	157,141	Total Surplus Funds for Additional Protection of Policyholders	13,200,000
Total Admitted Assets	\$142,939,569	Total	\$142,939,569

N. C. Brooks

Proctor Hotel Building
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Greenville, N. C.

Hooker & Buchanan, Inc.

513 Evans Street
Greenville, N. C.

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Rates 2c per word, minimum charge 50c for 25 words, one insertion; two insertions, 95c; three insertions, \$1.25; six insertions, \$2.25; one month \$9.00. Indented lines, known as classified display, or larger than regular size type, 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.

BABY CHICKS — WHITE AND BARRED ROCKS. \$10.00 per 100. \$2.50 per tray of 132 eggs. Bring eggs on Mondays and Thursdays. Place orders early. Roebuck's Hatchery, Stokes, N. C. Jan. 16-1 mo.

BUY YOUR INTERNATIONAL Fertilizer now, which will pay big dividends this fall. Keel Supply Co., Seed-Feed-Hardware. 1-tf

WE HAVE GARDEN PLOWS, Union Sets, Cabbage Plants, Seed Oats, Lespedeza, and New Garden Seed of all kinds. Stop by for new seed catalog. J. A. Watson, Seed & Hardware. 18-4f

WE WILL START BUYING EGGS Next Monday. Pitt PCX Service. 23-6f

WILL PAY CASH FOR CLEAN Used Cars. Brown-Wood, Dial 2882. Feb. 7-1 mo.

WE HAVE A COMPLETE AS- sortment of Wood's Garden Seeds. Save by buying from Keel Supply Co., Seed-Feed-Hardware. 1-tf

CABBAGE PLANTS FOR SALE — Early Jersey and Charleston Wakefield. J. P. Arthur, 14th St., Dial 2865. Feb. 8-1 mo.

WE BUY AND SELL USED CARS Will pay ceiling price for clean cars—Dial 2882. Brown-Wood. Feb. 7-1 mo.

WANTED FIRST CLASS COOK. 2 white waitresses, 1 dish washer, will pay good wages. Victory Cafe Evans and 5th Streets. 22-6f

er Floor Machine, Nine inch drum. Practically new. Phone 4021 or 4357. 26-6f

WILL TRADE 410 DOUBLE-BAR- rel shot gun for good bicycle or pistol. See gun at C. H. Edwards Hardware House. 23-3f

LOST — JET BLACK SCOTTIE AN- swers to name of McDougal, wearing new copper link chain, reward if returned to Mrs. Copeland. Dial 2310. 23-3f

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Hooker & Buchanan
INC.
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LOST: ON BETHEL-GREENVILLE highway small black leather slipper bag containing tooth brushes, tooth paste, shaving accessories, etc. R. L. James stamped on outside. If found please notify Mrs. Tighe Gardner, c/o Laureates Bros. Jewelry Store. 23-2f

WANTED SEVERAL USED CARS Old and later models—Get our top prices at once. Dial 2882. Brown-Wood. Feb. 7-1 mo.

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WE WILL GIVE 20c L.B. FOR Your Hens delivered to our place and highest market price for all other poultry and eggs. See us first Pitt Poultry Co., next to radio station, Falkland highway. 9-20f

FOR SALE—50-ACRE TRACT OF woodland, adjoining Craven-Pitt County border at the head of Creeping Swamp. Large quantity excellent gum wood; part of it estimated to run as high as 75 to 100 cords to acre. Some gum timber, pine timber and tobacco stick timber. Phone or write W. J. Bullock, Ayden, N. C. 22-6f

FARM FOR RENT NEAR WIN- terville. 17 acre tobacco allotment. T. L. Little, Ayden, N. C. 22-1f

FOR RENT — 4-ROOM HOUSE, electric lights, near Reedy Branch Church. Ernest Bowen. 26-2f

WANTED — MAN TO WORK ON farm, will pay salary and receipt completely from one acre of tobacco. J. L. Corbett, Greenville, Route 5, 1 1/2 miles from Barnhill Dairy on Creek Road. 23-3f

FOR SALE — ONE 1937 FORD, 4 door Deluxe sedan. Good throughout. May be seen at 308 Meade St. 23-3f

NOTICE—DRUM'S HATCHERY & Feed Store now moved to new location, corner Fifth and Washington Streets. A full supply of poultry, livestock and pet feeds at all times. Live displays to show the difference Purina makes. Stop by or call us for information on zoned delivery service. Dial 2537. Jan 12-eod-1 mo.

GROW YOUR OWN FRUIT BY Planting Early Bearing Fruit Trees, Nut Trees and Plants, offered by Virginia's largest growers. Write for new low-priced catalogue, listing extensive line of fruits and ornamentals. Waynesboro Nurseries, Waynesboro, Va. 1-t

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NOTICE, GREENVILLE RUG AND Carpet Cleaning Co. is now open and ready to give you high quality Carpet Cleaning. All new modern equipment. Nothing but the highest quality Shampoo used. Each Rug moth proofed. 24-hour Service. Dial 4476. 15-2wks

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FOR SALE — ONE VICTOR ADD- ing Machine. Call Pitt Hardware Co., Dial 2733. 26-3f

GAS RANGE FOR SALE—4 BURN- er, with oven, late model in very good condition. Call 2401 or 4292 for appointment to see. 1-tf

FOR SALE — LADIES 100% WOOL Suit, size 14. Tel. 2956. 26-2f

PLUMBING — HEATING OIL burner and stoker service. Can install your tobacco stoker and oil burners—Electric water pump service. W. J. Michael, 202 East 2nd St. Greenville, N. C. 26-3f

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UNION SETS, LESPEDEZA, 2 bushel bags, shelled corn, painted rolled tin, water systems, galvanized pump pipe and paints, fertilizer distributors, saw mills, Champion soda. R. F. McLawhorn and Sons, Dial 3286, Bethel Highway. 14-1f

WANTED BY YOUNG LADY—A position as bookkeeper and general office worker. Have had some practical experience. Mrs. Rosa Stokes, Greenville, Route 4. 24-3f

WE HAVE A LIMITED SUPPLY Any kind of select seed peanuts. Place your orders now for spring delivery. Shelled and treated if desired. Keel Peanut Co. Dial 2598 or 2388. 1-tf

WANTED — LADY OR COUPLE to share ride to California—leaving Tuesday morning, Feb. 27—Call 2888, after 6 P. M. 23-3f

WANTED TO BUY A LIGHT PICK up truck—most any model. Must be in good running shape with good tires and body. 537 Ford Street or dial 2589. 22-eod-3f

FOR SALE — ONE INTERNA- tional 11-2 ton truck, stake body, good shape. Carl Swicegood, Square-deal Furniture Co., Phone 286, Washington, N. C. 24-6f

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Five Points Dial 4483

LOST—YELLOW GOLD "BREAST Pin (Heirloom) with initials "BRW". Finder return to or notify Mrs. L. E. Stokes, 1303 Cotanche Street. Dial 4472 or 3095. 23-3f

FOR SALE: TWO FRESH MILK Cows. Will give three to four gallons per day if fed well. S. E. Harrington, Grifton, N. C., at the Winery. 20-7f

WE HAVE A GOOD STOCK OF Plow casting, new shovels, rakes, pitch forks, weeding hoes, axe handles and other farm tools. J. A. Watson, Seed and Hardware. 23-1f

PLUMBING — HEATING OIL burner and stoker service. Can install your tobacco stoker and oil burners—Electric water pump service. W. J. Michael, 202 East 2nd St. Greenville, N. C. 26-3f

THE PICKWICK SHOP HAS A in the neighborhood of 1,200,000 new lot of old picture frames. Several in pairs. See also our old silver. Good for wedding presents. 26-2f

FOR SALE — ONE SIX-HOLE ICE cream refrigerator. The kind used in drugstores and filling stations. In good condition. Call 2778 in daytime or 3456 at night. 26-2f

COME TO THE PICKWICK SHOP and see our Victorian sideboard, marble top, and walnut drop leaf table to match. The price is right. 26-2f

LOST — Lady's Wrist Watch, gold case with four rubies on each side—Reward for return to 231 Library Street or call 3679-1. 26-3f

Hog Market
Raleigh, Feb. 26—(AP)—(NCDA)—Hog markets active with tops of 14.55 at Clinton and Rocky Mount and 14.85 at Richmond.

Poultry and Eggs
Raleigh, Feb. 26—(AP)—(NCDA)—Egg and poultry markets steady to weaker.
Raleigh—U. S. grade A large 35 to 37; hens, all weights, 26.
Washington—U. S. grade A large 39 to 40; broilers and fryers 32.5.

Grain Market
Chicago, Feb. 26—(AP)—Rye broke sharply and other grain futures were weak today as commission house liquidation and professional selling disclosed a lack of support.
At the finish wheat was 1/4 to 1/2 lower than Saturday's close, May \$1.63 1/2. Corn was off 1/4 to 1/2, May \$1.11 1/2. Oats were unchanged to 1/2 lower, May 65 1/2-3/4. Rye was down 3/4 to 1 1/2, May \$1.11 1/2-3/4. Barley was off 3/4 to 1/2, May \$1.07 1/2.

New York Cotton
New York, Feb. 26—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 5 to 30 cents a bale higher.
Noon prices were 35 to 45 cents a bale higher. March 22.12, May 22.06, July 21.77.
Futures closed 35 cents a bale higher to 15 lower.
March 22.09 22.06 22.05
May 22.04 22.04 21.98
July 21.72 21.75 21.68
Oct. 21.14 21.11 21.13
Dec. 21.09 21.03 21.06
Middling spot 22.40, up 6.

N. Y. Stock Market
the fourth successive session stocks generally continued to decline in today's market although selling urgency never was pronounced and casualties, on the whole, were comparatively light.
Extreme setbacks runnings to more than a point were reduced in a number of cases near the close. Transfers for the full stretch were

FINAL STOCKS

Allegheny	3 1/2
Al Chem and Dye	162
Allis Chal Mfg	44
Am Can	52 1/2
Am Car Fdy	44 1/2
Am Roll Mill	18 1/2
Am Smelt and Ref	47 1/2
A T and T	162 1/2
Am Tob B	72 1/2
Anacosta	32 1/2
Arm III	8 1/2
A C L	60 1/2
Atl Ref	34 1/2
Aviat Corp	6 1/2
Baldwin	28 1/2
B and O	15
Barnsdall	23 1/2
Bendix Aviat	53 1/2
Beth Stl	19 1/2
Boeing Airpl	46 1/2
Burl Mills	46 1/2
Bur Add Mach	15 1/2
Case J L	38 1/2
Caterpill Trac	50 1/2
Ches and O	53
Chrysler	101 1/2
Coml Credit	42 1/2
Coml Solv	17 1/2
Consol Edis	42
Cont Can	63 1/2
Corn Prod	22 1/2
Curt Wright	6 1/2
Doug Aire	67 1/2
Dow Chem	133
Dupont	163 1/2
Eastman Kod	177
Firestone	58 1/2
Gen Elec	41 1/2
Gen Foods	66 1/2
Gen Mot	58 1/2
Goodrich	56 1/2
Goodyear	79
Int Harvest	23 1/2
Int Tel and Tel	111
Johns Man	39
Kennecott	85 1/2
Ligg and Myers B	77 1/2
Loews	71 1/2
Lorillard	24 1/2
Mont Ward	17 1/2
Nash Kely	38 1/2
Nat Dis	23 1/2
N Y Cent	10
No Am Aviat	6 1/2
Packard	30
Param Pie	109 1/2
Penn RR	36 1/2
Pepsi Cola	24 1/2
Phillips Pet	50 1/2
Pullman	18 1/2
Pure Oil	12
Radio	26 1/2
Rein Rand	21 1/2
Repub Stl	33 1/2
Reynolds B	102 1/2
Sears	37 1/2
Sou Ry	31 1/2
Std Brands	69
Std Oil N J	12 1/2
Stewart Warner	34
Swift	54 1/2
Tec Co	65 1/2
Unit Carbide	30 1/2
Unit Aircraft	17 1/2
Unit Corp	18 1/2
US Ind Chem	44 1/2
US Rubber	58 1/2
US Smelt and Ref	61 1/2
US Steel	24 1/2
Vanadium	4 1/2
Va Caro Chem	14 1/2
Warner Pic	46
West Un A	122 1/2
West El and Mfg	122 1/2

NOTICE OF SALE
North Carolina—Pitt County
Under and by virtue of section 2435 of the North Carolina Code, the undersigned will on Monday, March 26, 1945, at the Courthouse door in Pitt County, North Carolina, offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, one 1938 Plymouth Coupe, motor No. P68922, serial No. 10471074, body No. P6104BC. This sale is made by satisfy a mechanic's and storage lien on said property.
This the 24th day of February, 1945.

FRANK BROWN
Greenville, N. C.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON FINAL REPORT OF BOARD OF VIEWERS
North Carolina—Pitt County
In The Superior Court Before the Clerk S. P. No. 4451

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

In Re: Establishment of Pitt County Drainage District No. 5.
In obedience to an order of the Superior Court of Pitt County made this 20th day of February, 1945, notice is hereby given that the engineer and board of viewers have this day filed with the said Court their final report in form that is complete in compliance with Chapter 94 of North Carolina Code, subchapter 3. That the said Court has examined the said report and finds it to be in due form and in accordance with law, and it is, therefore, accepted. Notice is given in accordance with Section 156-73 of said Code for final hearing upon the said report, which will be held in the county Court House in Greenville at ten o'clock on Wednesday, the 15th day of March. The said report is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court, said County, and is open to inspection by landowners and other persons interested within the district. At said hearing those desiring to file objections or exceptions to the said report will be heard.
This the 20th day of February, 1945.
Clerk of the Superior Court
F. M. Wooten, Jr., Attorney.
2-20-45—2-26—3-3



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Americans...

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Courtney H. Hodges surged closest to Cologne, a city of 768,000 which is described officially as the most devastated city in all the Rhineland.

The nearest approach was beyond the villages of Morsbendick, Golsheim, Gilsbierth and Rommelshausen, all captured in night attacks. First army troops fought into Frauwillshelm and beyond Drove.

The Americans were seven miles past Duerhen, which was cleared out yesterday, and swiftly approach-

ing the Rft river.

Tanks streamed across the Roer bridges to power the attacks of the American 9th and 1st armies, which the Germans said were using 40 divisions or up to 600,000 men.

The great Ruhr and Rhineland city of Dueseldorf, with a population of 540,000, was less than 20 miles from the 9th army. Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's shock troops closed within a mile of the heavily fortified communications center of Erkelenz and Nine of the fringe of the Ruhr industrial region and Muenchen Gladbach, a city of 127,000.

The Americans fought 26 miles

deep in Germany and less than four miles from the Rft river where five German divisions offering "light to moderate resistance" on the Cologne plain were expected to make a stand to bar the Americans from the Rhine.

Auditor On...

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question. He gave a detailed account of all receipts of funds by Dr. Meadows and stated that he had so charged them in his report. He said he had listed the \$503.05 college check to R. C. Bolling as a receipt by Dr. Meadows but in turn had given Meadows credit for a disbursement of the same amount on his (Meadows) statement that he had cashed the check for Bolling. He also charged the defendant with the \$678 college check to Baker Davis but said he had given Meadows credit for a disbursement of the same amount when he found evidence records supporting delivery of two cars of cement during the period in question and upon Mr. Meadows' statement that he had paid Baker Davis for the two cars of cement in cash and that the check was endorsed over to him as repayment. G. C. Honeycutt items for \$255 and the \$2,800 fund, allegedly handled by the late E. C. Flanagan, were also charged against Dr. Meadows as receipts and then credited to him as disbursements.

Wall stated that total receipts in the Summer Term Entertainment fund were \$15,292.57 against which he had allowed Dr. Meadows credit for \$15,037.88. The state auditors had allowed Meadows credit for only \$7,014.94 of disbursements claimed against the fund.

With John G. Dawson, of defense counsel, doing the questioning, the witness then began a detailed explanation of the expenditures of the fund as shown in Memo Book No. 1. The first 17 items had been covered when court recessed for lunch. Of the 17 items, all allowed by Wall in his audit, the state auditors had allowed only two to Dr. Meadows and Auditor Widenhouse had stated, on cross examination, that had all the circumstances been known at the time his audit was made, he would have allowed another of the items for \$100 paid by Dr. Meadows as part payment on a movie machine transaction for the college. Six of the items covered this morning were presented by cancelled checks or check stubs but Wall said he had allowed all the items on the basis of entries in the memo book and on Dr. Meadows' statement that each of the expenditures had been made for the college as recorded in the book.

Major Bills...

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session and their officers \$703. It is proposed that a constitutional amendment be authorized to raise the members' salaries to \$900 and that of the speaker to \$1,500. Special sessions now pay members \$2 a day and officers \$10 a day for 20 days; the proposal would pay \$15 a day to members and \$20 to officers. The lieutenant governor, under authority of a 1944 amendment, now draws \$2,700 the year the legislature meets and \$2,000 the year it does not.

Red Forces...

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munications to the escape port of Pillau had been reestablished. Several thousand Russians were killed, the Germans said.

Two Soviet bridgeheads over the Neisse south of Forst also were smashed, the Germans declared.

RAF Mosquitos attacked Berlin last night.

Lewis Serves...

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to give the notice "would make us violators of the law and subject to all its civil and criminal pains and penalties."

"The situation existing today on the eve of the opening of contract negotiations," Lewis told Miss Perkins, "is one which has been and is

being constantly inflamed by those very persons charged with the duty of assisting in the prevention of work stoppages and loss of coal production."

Tin Cans May Save Lives Of Soldiers

By CHESTER WALSH

The government is urgently calling on the public to save tin cans for salvaging for war purposes, Miss Louise Swann, Pitt County Salvage chairman, said today.

North Carolina is at the bottom of the list of Southern states in tin can salvage. Last Month Georgia and Florida each salvaged about half a million pounds of tin cans for the War Production Board's salvage pile, while North Carolina only sent in 81,000 pounds.

"Two ordinary tin cans contain enough tin to make a syrette, miniature hypodermic needle the men in battle use to inject morphine when they are injured in battle and probably save their lives, Miss Swann said.

"We earnestly appeal to housekeepers, restaurants, hotels and others to save their tin cans, wash them and turn them over to some school boy or girl for salvage," Miss Swann said.

"To maintain our pride and sustain our reputation for patriotic service, all of us should save tin cans. Don't throw them in the trash pile. The soldiers fight with tin as well as steel. There is such a shortage of tin for war purposes that we should save every can," Miss Swann stated. The Pitt County Salvage Committee hopes to ship this month a carload of 33,000 pounds of tin cans. Save your tin cans and turn them over to school children.

State Salvage Chairman George K. Snow of Mount Airy, while addressing the American Legion post here last Monday, made an urgent appeal for more scrap tin.

Says Law Should Penalize Employees

Washington, Feb. 23—(AP)—Senator Maybank (D-SC) urged today that recalcitrant employees as well as employers be penalized under the manpower control bill which came before the senate Monday.

The measure reported favorably by the Senate Military Affairs committee yesterday after three weeks of stormy closed sessions, provides jail and fine penalties only for employers—with one significant exception.

Maybank said he believes everybody should be treated alike.

"I think any employee who willfully violates the law should be penalized," he told reporters.

"We treated the rich men and poor man alike in the draft, and we should continue that principle in this law."

On the theory that "something is better than nothing," Maybank said, he would not insist on such a change if it seemed likely to defeat the bill.

Orthopedic Clinic To Be Held Friday

The State Orthopaedic Clinic will be held Friday in Greenville March 2 from 12:30 to 4 p. m.

This clinic takes all types of crip-

ple, both white and colored, free of charge and are unable to afford private treatment. It is desired, though not required, that patients be referred by a physician of the Welfare Officer, and that the patient bring such note as the clinic.

The clinic is set up to serve especially the counties of Beaufort, Carteret, Pamlico, Pitt and Tyrell, though patients from other counties who desire to come may do so.

Americans Storm German Positions

Rome, Feb. 25—(AP)—American troops, exploiting the capture of Mount Belvedere west of the Pistoia-Bologna highway today stormed through machine gun and trench systems and seized 3,500 foot Mount Torricella in a two-mile advance.

The Americans launched their attack from both sides of dominating Belvedere and fought their way forward in the face of fierce resistance from dug-in Germans.

The attacks were going forward in terrain so difficult that some casualties were being evacuated by a cable tramway which makes virtually a vertical descent of 1,350 feet in a complete run of 1,000 feet.

German counterattacks involving nearly 60 to 80 men were thrown against the Americans, but all were shunted back.

Air Cadets Drill At School Tonight

The Greenville Squadron of the Civilian Air Patrol will drill at the high school gymnasium tonight at 7:30. Marine officers will drill the cadets. Lieut. Matt C. Long, is squadron commander. The CAPs are being given a six-week ground course in aviation. They will wear regulation uniforms. Some of the uniforms have arrived.

Marines who called the squadron said the drill is making fine progress. The training in aviation the members are receiving free would cost a considerable sum. The free course of training is provided for boys and girls from 15 years and there is no age limit. The Civilian Air Patrol did outstanding work shortly after the war started.

Mrs. Joanne Taylor Died This Morning

Mrs. Joanne Griffin Taylor, 87, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Odle Williams, 1113 Reade street, at 9 o'clock Monday morning after being ill several weeks.

Funeral services will be held at Wilkerson's Funeral Home at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The Rev. A. Hartwell Campbell, pastor of Immanuel Baptist church, will officiate. Burial will be in the Nashville cemetery at 3:45 o'clock.

Mrs. Taylor was born and reared and spent nearly all of her life in Nash county. She married James B. Taylor, who died in 1925. She had been living with her daughter the

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was a farmer. He retired in 1937. He was also active in the Aurora Methodist church. He was chairman of the Board of Stewards for several years until he came to Greenville.

Surviving are his wife, a sister, Mrs. W. K. Woolard of Pactolus, and a niece, Mrs. G. B. Harrison of Pactolus.



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Allen Baker Died After Long Illness

Allen W. Baker, 69, died at Pitt General hospital at 9 o'clock Monday morning after two months illness.

Funeral services will be held at Jarvis Memorial Methodist church at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning by the Rev. Robert W. Bradshaw, pastor, and the Rev. T. M. Grant, superintendent of the Rocky Mount district of the Methodist church. Burial will be in Greenwood cemetery.

Members of the Board of Stewards of Aurora Methodist church will be active pallbearers. Members of the Ellington Bible class of Jarvis Memorial Methodist church will be honorary pallbearers.

Mr. Baker was born in Greene county. He was reared in Pitt county in the Pactolus community. He moved to Aurora in 1898 and married Miss Mattie Moore, daughter of Sheriff and Mrs. G. I. Moore of Pitt county in 1898. She died in 1917. In 1918 he married Miss Sallie Hollowell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hollowell of Aurora. They lived in Aurora until they moved to Greenville last October. Mr. Baker

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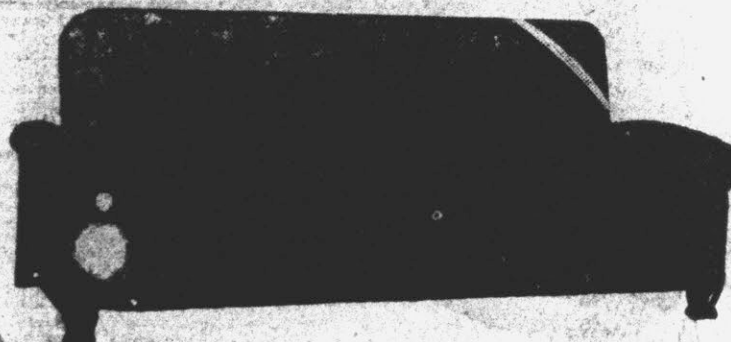
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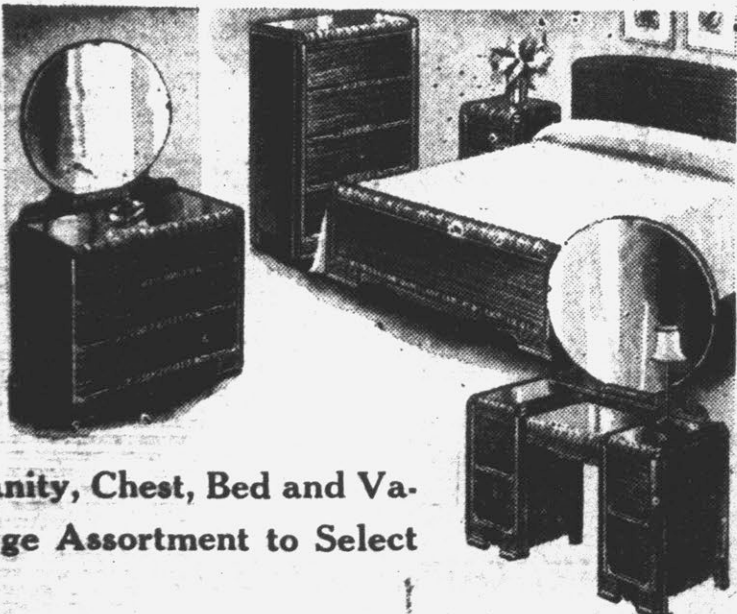


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