

## Allies Find Going Tough In Tunisia

**Il Duce Wavers In New Pep Talk**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 2—(UP)—John McVane, NBC correspondent reported from Allied advance headquarters in North Africa that the "going is very tough" in Tunisia with the Axis using artillery and parachute troops to good advantage in holding air control over advancing Allied troops.

**Mussolini Recounts Losses As Italian Morale Falter**  
LONDON, Dec. 2—(UP)—Premier Benito Mussolini said today that Italy has lost 162 warships and more than 430,000 soldiers, sailors, and airmen in thirty months of war and by implication recognized signs of a break in morale on the home front.

**Paris Says Franco-Americans Reaching Axis Defense Lines**  
LONDON, Dec. 3 (Thursday)—(UP)—The Paris radio reported tonight that Franco-American forces advancing along the Tunisian coast between Sfax and Gabes have "contacted Axis defense lines."

**Russian Advance Continues Unabated as Key Bases Fall**  
MOSCOW, Dec. 3 (Thursday)—(UP)—Soviet forces rolling up the German flank between Rzhd and Celikieluki captured several key bases yesterday while unbroken advances on the Stalingrad front netted a strategic height, many gun emplacements, blockhouses and trenches, the Red army announced today.

**State Prosecutors Prepare Evidence on Boston Tragedy**  
BOSTON, Dec. 2—(UP)—Five major points for grand jury consideration stood out tonight in the evidence amassed at dual inquests by state prosecutors who are expected to seek manslaughter or criminal negligence indictments in the Cocoanut Grove holocaust.

**British Fleet Joins Battle Against Nazis in Tunisia**  
LONDON, Dec. 2—(UP)—The British fleet has joined the battle in Tunisia where Allied forces have beaten back an Axis counter-assault and are pushing on toward bomb-shattered Bizerte and Tunis supported by a canopy of bomber and fighter planes, an Allied communique announced tonight.

**Hull Says Darlan to Get Recognition for War Help**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 2—(UP)—Secretary of State Cordell Hull made it clear today that regardless of opposition from various quarters the US will continue to deal with Admiral Jean Francois Darlan or anyone else so long as it helps to win the war.

**Yanks, Aussies Repel Japs In Buna Battle Continuation**  
GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS—(UP)—Australian troops have shoved the Japanese defenders of the Buna area into a strip roughly ten miles long and less than a mile wide, an Allied spokesman revealed today.

**Americans on Guadalcanal Continue Small Operations**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 2—(UP)—American troops killed 51 more Japs and captured three field pieces and six machine guns in continued mopping-up operations on Guadalcanal Tuesday as Army planes hammered away again at enemy positions, the Navy reported today.

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## Playmakers' 'St. Mark' Begins Run

**New Style Used For War Drama**  
Using quick blackout scene changes to maintain the swift pace of Maxwell Anderson's streamlined war drama, the Carolina Playmakers began their four-night run of "The Eve of St. Mark" last night in an impressionistic style new to the Playmaker stage.

"The Eve of St. Mark" will be presented through Saturday with a special matinee for the Pre-flight cadets. Tickets may be obtained for \$.85 at either Ledbetter-Pickard's or the Playmakers business office in Phillips hall. The stylized setting featuring black "cyc's" or curtain background, some props, and special lighting effects that permit use of one of more of the four stage sections was designed by Foster Fitzsimmons. Lighting and sound effects were arranged and directed by technical director Robert Burrows.

The twelve short scenes into which Anderson's play is divided necessitated the blackout technique for scene changes in order to preserve the mood and present the plot development in a smoothly connected manner. Five of the scenes are presented in the first act and seven in the second, there being only one curtain in the play.

The blackout technique was not inaugurated without difficulty. During dress rehearsal one

## Advisers' Groups To Hold Meetings Today at 10:30

Freshmen and sophomores will meet with their advisers today at 10:30 a. m., following the regular chapel period. The object of the meeting is to arrange appointments for registration.

The advisers will meet groups at the following places: F. E. Coenen, New East 203; F. H. Edmister, Venable 304; See ADVISERS, Page 4

## Tucker Known As Authority On Inside Washington News

By Jimmy Wallace

Perhaps Ray Tucker is the only man to ever be granted an exclusive two hour interview with J. P. Morgan, and not be allowed to print it. Yet that is what happened during the sensational Senate probe in which Tucker placed the Barnum and Bailey midget right in J. Pierpont's lap.

Tucker will arrive in Raleigh, Saturday afternoon and will speak in Memorial hall from a Carolina Political Union platform Saturday at 7:45 p. m. on the "news behind the news." He will be introduced by John Park, editor and publisher of the Raleigh Times.

An outstanding columnist, and author of the "National Whirligig" Tucker has covered political events in Washington for two decades, having his column syndicated in over 200 newspapers throughout the country. Dealing with the political scene in the nation's capitol, the "Whirligig" has been keeping the public informed since the Roosevelt administration began.

In conjunction with his column, Tucker has written the "Mirrors of 1932," a book giving closeups of the possible presidential candidates of that year. The work was immediately a best seller and its estimate of the great men of the day including President Roosevelt has been praised by some of the nation's foremost historians.

Another book, "Sons of the wild Jackass," was written in an attempt to evaluate the contributions of the leading American Progressives in society and politics during the past 20 years.

Announcement of the speech will be made in Naval Pre-Flight school classes and invitations are being sent to the cadets. "We especially want them to attend," said Richard Railey, CPU chairman.



JOHN MULHOLLAND, world-famous magician who will appear in Memorial hall tonight at 8:30 as the final Student Entertainment series program for the Fall quarter.

## Mulholland To Perform

### Famed Magician To Appear Tonight

John Mulholland, world famous magician, makes his appearance here tonight at 8:30 in Memorial hall, in a program sponsored by the Student Entertainment committee.

Admission tonight will be by student passbook, slip number two, J. P. Harland, chairman of the Student Entertainment committee, stated yesterday. Townspeople, faculty, and Pre-flight officers may purchase tickets at \$.50 per at the door.

Asked by Lowell Thomas where he found the greatest wonder in all of his travels Mulholland answered, "Right here in America."

### Tricky Tricks

He tells of the time when performing card tricks for a club, he asked the spectators to provide their own deck of cards to avoid suspicion. When he tore the cellophane off the new deck, he found it to be of all aces of hearts which probably got mixed up with a supply of regular bridge decks. Explaining his action from there, Mulholland says, "Did I say anything? I did not. I made perfectly certain that they all knew, without any doubt, See MAGICIAN, Page 4

## CVTC Plans Battalion Parade

### Crack Platoons Compete in Drill

The CVTC will hold its final battalion parade of the quarter Tuesday at 12 noon on the intramural field with all members of the corps participating.

Immediately following the parade and review, a competition will be held between crack drill platoons picked from each of the eight companies in the corps. These platoons will be drilled by lieutenants attached to the company the unit was picked from and no platoon will have more than its usual quota of non-commissioned officers.

### Excuses Granted

Members of the corps who have class conflicts at the time set for the parade will be excused from those classes and must be present for the ceremonies and all other students and townspeople are invited to attend.

Colonel W. A. Raborg, CVTC commandant, has also announced that registration for next quarter's CVTC drill and military science classes will begin Friday and will extend through Monday with the exception of Sunday. Under new rules, those students who have taken CVTC work and want to take more and those who will take it for the first time must register on these days. They must also be sure to bring a permit to register to the CVTC office where registration will be held. This permit card may be secured from the Information desk in South building.

### CVTC First

After a student has registered in CVTC, he will be sent on to the proper authorities where he will then register for the rest of his courses. No other students will be allowed to register during the period set aside for the Corps. Raborg also announced that refunds on uniform deposits made by CVTC cadets may now be secured at the Cashier's office in South building.

## Cleveland to Play For Grail During Final Fall Dance

The last Grail dance of the fall quarter will be held in Woollen gymnasium Friday night from 8 to 12 o'clock. Bob Cleveland and his band will play.

The band, composed of 12 pieces and featuring two female vocalists, has just completed a 10-week engagement at the Merry Gardens in Lynchburg, Virginia. Its schedule program has included the Universities of Virginia and West Virginia and VPI.

Tickets may be obtained from any Grail member for \$1 including tax, or at the door for \$1.10.

Profits from the dance will go toward a loan fund for students or to other student aid organizations, Sam Gambill, exchequer of the Grail, announced.

## Hillel Celebrates Chanukoh Tomorrow

The Hillel foundation will celebrate Chanukoh, the festival of the lights, tomorrow night at the regular services beginning at 7:30 in the Hillel house.

The Rev. Charles Jones, Presbyterian minister, will deliver the sermon and a social hour with refreshments will follow.

## Students Leave Hill At Most Rapid Rate Since World War I

### Records' Office Reveals 138 Departures In 50 Per Cent Increase over Last Year

Student withdrawals from the University had increased 50 per cent over last year when the 138th slip was filed yesterday, according to I. C. Griffin, central record's office head.

Griffin pointed out that office tabulations show only those students who have cleared through the record bureau and do not include students who left without completing official withdrawal blanks.

## Smith Plans Relief Show

### Cinema Proceeds To Augment Fund

Third in a series of benefit shows for the Carolina Scholarship fund planned by Bernard Moser and E. Carrington Smith, local theater manager, "Boston Blackie Goes Hollywood," will be previewed at 11:45 tomorrow night at the Carolina theater.

Starting time has been moved ahead to enable those attending the Grail dance to see the movie. Extension of coed hours to 2 a. m. is under consideration by Mrs. M. H. Stacy's office. Announcement will be made later.

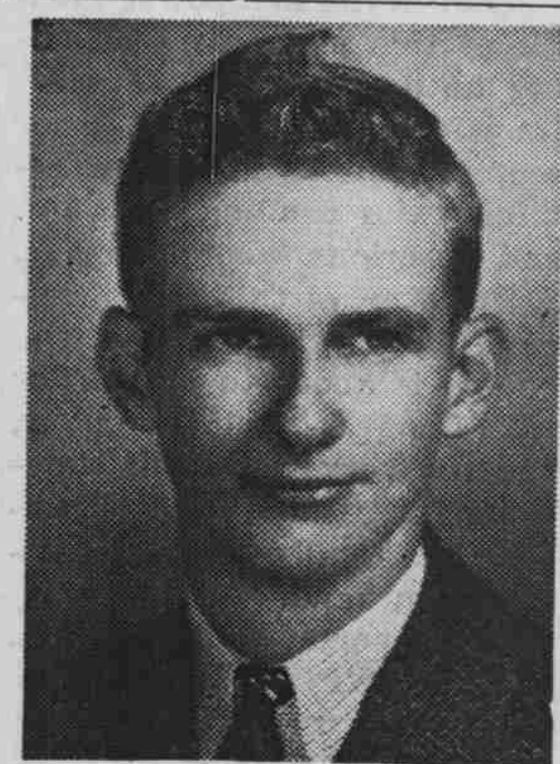
### \$300 Goal

Goal set for the benefit is \$300. Last May Smith ran a show for the \$50,000 student aid drive which netted \$100. Previously a midnight movie shown for the NYA fund filled both the Pic and the Carolina.

The film selected for presentation, "Boston Blackie Goes Hollywood," has never been shown in Chapel Hill. Regular showing is not scheduled until next quarter, Smith said.

This is the first time that the new 1,141 seat Carolina theater is being used for a midnight show.

The box office will open at 11:15.



E. O. Brogden

## Phi Elects

### Brogden Speaker

E. O. Brogden, Jr., sophomore from Raleigh was unanimously elected to the speakership of the Philanthropic Assembly Tuesday night.

Frank Earnhart of Salisbury was voted speaker "pro-tem." Herbert Temple of Jonesboro was made sergeant-at-arms, Carol Jean Mickle of Pfafftown, reading clerk, and Ira Baity of Winston-Salem, parliamentarian.

The ways and means committee members elected were Frances Erwin, Omelia Robinson, Shirley Sanderlin, Bill Hoffman, and Bob Rosenast. Frank Earnhart, speaker "pro-tem," is See BROGDEN, Page 4

### Steady Increase

Statistics show that the great majority of the withdrawals are due to direct enlistments in the armed services. The increase has been steady all year, Griffin said, with the totals jumping sharply when the new draft bill was passed.

This is the greatest number of student withdrawals from the University since the last war and expectations point to a new all time total set next quarter.

### No Estimate

No possible estimate could be given by South building heads as to how many students would leave by the Winter quarter but conservative guesses place it "somewhere around 400."

In an effort to plan for the academic program registration has been set for next week so that plans can be completed over the holidays to arrange courses accordingly.

## Tar Heel Artists To Stage Exhibit In Person Display

The sixth annual exhibition of North Carolina artists will form part of the new display which opens at Person hall art gallery this Sunday.

Jugtown pottery and Georgia folk weaving will also be on view along with the North Carolina exhibit, which is composed of works of artists all over the state, selected by a jury composed of Howard Thomas, acting head of the art department, Woman's college of the University; Clayton Charles, head of the department of art, Meredith college; and Kenneth Ness, resident-artist of the University.

The pottery exhibit, loaned by Jacques Busbee, is representative of the famous ware made in Moore county, where the Busbees live. Originally the section was known for making liquor jugs, but today many varieties are made, including 18th century stoneware and basically Chinese designs.

These three exhibits will continue through December 18, and will be open on weekdays from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. and Sundays from 12 a. m. to 5 p. m.

## Graff Promoted To Full Commander In Pre-Flight School

John P. Graff, former executive officer of the Pre-flight school with rank of Lieutenant-Commander, has been promoted to full Commander, announcement from the Naval public relations office disclosed yesterday.

His promotion follows the departure of Commander O. O. Kessing for the Pacific war area, and his appointment as commanding See GRAFF, Page 4