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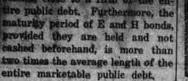
have individual pur-aving, Bonds this year thus at any time end of World War II a ed to hald on to the bulk billions of dollars of E that have reached maturity tics are due only a small

bonds that have reached maturity lies are do and thereby saced the drain on the Treasury in a difficult financ-ing period. Significance of Trend The Savings Bond retention ra. The Sa tho has held at about \$3 out of makes a c basic object



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of this trend is int this year in the of 1954 Sav Peak Year for Maturitida

the past year. sturity of E bonds, reflecting the record purchases in 1944. By them earlier. December, an estimated total of \$5.6 billions of such bonds will have falles due. However, current in-ver old crowns of the Mary Wash. has been the dications are that more than \$4 bil- ington variety at the larger seed and better adapted. aral debt manions of E bonds maturing in 1954 stores. Dig a trench about 8 inches In eastern and central North

lis to a years, and ing due, to the end of this year lon of an 8-8-8 garden fertilizer t add up to approximately \$15.6 bil- per 100 feet of trench or make a the total runs

\$4 billions cashed. These retained er. Fifty plants should supply toward both

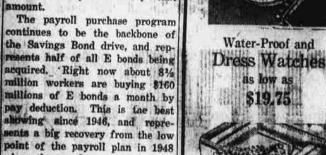
natured bonds represent nearly a enough asparagus for the average hird of all E bonds owned by in-family. It is best not to cut any dividuals. Here is further evidence of the spears the first spring. Asof the strength of the people's de- paragus is a perennial plant and

therefore should be planted to one ermination to save. New purchases of E and H Sav- side of the garden where it will ngs Bonds by individuals this year not interfere with plowing. It will run around \$5 billions, accord- should produce profitably for 10 to ing to current indications. The to- 15 years.

tal exceeded \$4 billions from Jan-Head lettuce seed may be sown uary through October. Purchases now in a coldframe to produce this year have been running more plants for setting in the field in than 10 per cent above 1953, and February or early March. In the make 1954 the best year for Sav- eastern portion of the state, cloth ings Bonds since World War II covers will be sufficient protection when the patriotic factor was such but in the Piedmont glass sash a strong influence in the populari-should be used. The Great Lakes ty of these issues. variety is best for North Carolina.

Sales Rise Aids Treasury Early setting of plants in spring is One of the significant by-prodthe secret of successful production acts of the strong sales showing of head lettuce in home gardens. this year, combined with the per-In the flower garden there is still sistence with which maturing time to plant spring flowering bonds are being held, is that the

U. S. Treasury is receiving a sizeable inflow of cash on balance. The net margin of sales over redemptions in the first 10 months of this year amounted to \$359 millions, more than double the comparable 1953 figure and contrasting with a drain of a half billion dollars in 1952 when cash-ins .exceeded new purchases by that trenot The payroll purchase program



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and monthly purchases were less. than \$100 millions. An important recent development in the E Bond program is the increased demand for the ROPE NECKLACES . large denominations, those of \$500 and \$1,000 face value. Right now popular pricedpurchases of these bonds add up to nearly half of all E Bonds acquired as against little more than a third two years ago.



There are a number of timely bulbs-tulips, daffodils, iongu This has been the peak year for garden operations that can still be crocus and Dutch Iris. They carried out if you slipped up on a bright spot in the garden in early

will be kept and only \$1% billions deep and wide enough so the fleshy Carolina fall is the best time to turned in for each. Total E bond maturities from be well spread out. Before setting time of the year become well estab-May, 1951, when they started com- the crowns rake in about one gal. blooms.

Peonies are best planted in the Hons. Based on the trend to date, generous application of well rotted fall in this part of the country. around \$11½ billions of these stable manure. Set the crowns 18 they require shallow planting. Take bonds will be held and only about inches apart in the trench and cov-

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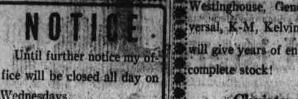
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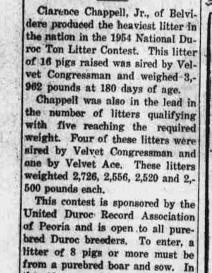
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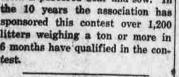
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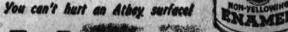
LIVING CHRISTMAS TREE

The world's largest living Christmas tree, a 75-foot water oak in Wilmington, North Carolina, is glowing with some 4,000 multi-colored lights. Appropriate ceremon-ies and a program of Christmas carols marked the lighting of the tree on December 3, a custom which began in 1929. The lights remain on each night until January 1. The Christmas tree is seen by some 85,-000 visitors each Yuletide season.

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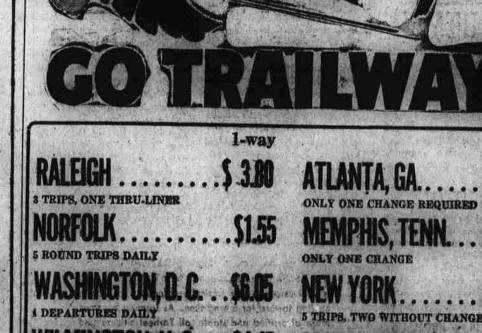
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