

NAVY RECRUITING STAFF ENLARGED

near Basden, Of Burgaw, Assigned To Duty In Wilmington Office

Basden, of Burgaw, chief control man, has been assigned duty with the local sub-station of the U. S. Naval recruiting service. Addition of Basden marks the first time in the history of the local sub-station that the recruiting personnel has totaled three members. E. L. Deloach, boatswain mate, and T. R. Talbert, mate, are the other two. The staff addition was necessary because of the pressure of present over-land naval recruiting work in southeastern North Carolina. The new assignment will permit the recruiter to remain in charge of the local sub-station and the other two to circulate through the counties of Brunswick, Bladen, Columbus, Duplin, and parts of Sampson, Robeson, and Pender counties. Basden first enlisted in the navy at the local sub-station on December 1926 and has served aboard the U. S. S. Oglala, mine layer, and the U. S. S. Arkansas, battleship. Basden was serving with the 1st Naval Sea Patrol recently ordered to Hampton Roads, Va., and the Raleigh district headquarters for a short time under instructions from Lieutenant Commander McFarland W. Wood, of the 1st Naval Sea Patrol.

CREW TAKES ISSUE WITH JAP LEADER

The Japanese program the door to be shut nowhere and to none, and this program envisages no oppression, no exploitation, no discrimination. The foreign minister knows the American people stand for certain things, among which, on one hand, are their obligations and on the other their rights. The United States, Grew contended, must consider not only "expressed intentions, regardless of the persuasive garb in which they may be dressed," but "facts and actions too."

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HOLLY RIDGE CAMP WORK PROGRESSING

ice, is located between the store of C. C. Hines and the railroad tracks. The contractors who are building the camp, Grannis, Higgins, Thompson and McDevitt company, have opened offices in Wilmington in the building formerly occupied by the A. and P. Tea company store on Market street between Front and Second streets. It is understood these offices are only temporary and will be moved to Holly Ridge as soon as office buildings here are complete. Meanwhile Onslow county assigned four county police officers to full time duty there. Another building is being erected three-quarters of a mile south of Holly Ridge to serve the North Carolina State Employment service as an office. Still another time checker's building is being erected on the road which runs to Maple Hill. This road, it was learned yesterday morning from Lieut. Alden E. Spees, will be closed after the camp is built. During construction it will be kept open for use but on completion of construction it will be closed to traffic and another road will be built around the reservation to join U. S. Highway 17 at a point south of the reservation. Wednesday afternoon Col. Montgomery, construction quartermaster, conferred at Holly Ridge with C. C. Hines, Capt. John Nelson, state fisheries commissioner, and four health officials relative to sewage disposal. An area along the sound was toured in hope of finding some point at which the effluent from the sewerage disposal system could be dimped. After the conference it was decided, due to the fact that a large number of oysters are taken from that section of the sound, that a complete sewerage treatment plant will be installed. The effluent will be treated and chlorinated before it is allowed to go into streams which flow into the sound, guaranteeing that no disease germs will come from the sewerage plant into the sound. A. C. L. Makes Progress Forces of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad company were making speedy progress yesterday in the construction of a 50 car storage track. Relative to passenger transportation from Wilmington to the camp site here it was learned yesterday that the Atlantic Coast Line railroad has agreed with army officials to furnish "what service is needed" but to date there has been no conference relative to any bus service. Buses would find it difficult to get to the camp site here while construction is in progress due to the increased traffic anticipated on U. S. highway 17, it was pointed out, but such service may be instituted for the convenience of soldiers after the camp is completed. Between 300 and 400 men were at work yesterday morning on the camp site and other workmen were being employed by private parties doing building in the town of Holly Ridge. Work has been begun on a drug store to be erected by the Smith Drug company, of New Bern, and work is expected to begin shortly on a theatre to be erected for J. B. Jenkins, theatre operator of Maysville and Trenton, and Leo Arringer. Pulley Brothers of Clinton are also expected to erect a cafe in the town. In addition the grocery store and filling station operated by C. C. Hines, which contains the postoffice, is to be moved back from the road and a modern filling station is to be erected there. Meanwhile, a committee appointed by R. B. Page, chairman of the executive committee of the Wilmington Defense Council, started plans yesterday for the erection of a recreational building to be used by camp workers and soldiers here. It is expected that the building will be erected on the area behind the city hall at Fourth and Princess streets. H. R. Cavenaugh, member of the

TWO ARE INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

J. H. Ganey And W. L. Hobbs, Of Delco, Are Hurt In Car-Truck Crash

Two persons were painfully but not seriously injured in a head-on car-truck smash about 11:45 o'clock yesterday morning at the end of the Brunswick river bridge, state highway patrolmen reported. J. H. Ganey, of Delco, was admitted to James Walker Memorial hospital for treatment of severe lacerations of the forehead and tongue, and W. L. Hobbs, of Delco, suffered minor body bruises and lacerations, investigating officers said. They were injured, officers said, when a car operated by Hobbs and a truck driven by James D. Williams, negro, of Leland, collided head-on, with heavy damages to both machines resulting. Ganey was an occupant of the car driven by Hobbs, and was released from the local hospital after receiving treatment. State highway patrolmen said Williams was arrested on charges of reckless driving with injuries to persons and damages to property resulting and failure to have a state driver's permit. The Hobbs car was proceeding toward Wilmington and the truck operated by Williams had just entered the bridge, headed out of town, when the smash occurred. 1

GERMAN PLANES CARRY ITALIANS INTO ALBANIA

that Germany was providing only the planes and the pilots, but these were said to have gone to Italy in response to urgent pleas from Premier Mussolini. Italian Alpinists made up the bulk of the air-borne reinforcements, it was understood. Carry 20 Men Each Military sources said that each Junkers carried 20 fully-equipped men on the short hop across the Adriatic to near the battle lines and that each would cross several times a day. In the Norwegian campaign, under similar weather and terrain conditions, the Nazi transports utilized frozen lakes for landing fields. The Greek drive has left only Valona and Durazzo as ports capable of handling large-scale, sea-borne reinforcements for the battered Fascists. Valona and Durazzo frequently are bombed by the British Royal Air Force in cooperation with the Greeks. On Albania's peaks the temperature ranged as low as 22 below, Fahrenheit. Greek sentries were ordered changed every half hour to keep them from freezing to death. The Greeks, like other modern soldiers engaged in war against the white background of snow, wore sheets for camouflage. "Despite bad weather," said one front dispatch, "Greek columns are continuing their advance, especially in the central sector where, after heavy artillery fire, they reached Klisura. "The Italians abandoned their positions, where they had been fighting for three days, and left in the hands of the Greek troops abundant war material and quite a few prisoners." But at Klisura as well as at Tepeleni the Greeks refrained from entering the reportedly abandoned towns. Instead, Greek army chiefs massed their heavy artillery and poured shells over the towns into hastily entrenched Italian positions in the background hills. 1

U. S. SPEEDS UP AID TO BRITAIN

as many tactical planes — bombers, pursuit ships and certain observation craft—as the Army did during November, it was said. Actual numbers were not disclosed, on the ground that this was valuable military information. Aside from the administration's policy of all aid "short of war," one of the reasons the British received such a preponderance of America's warplane production was the Army's action in exchanging current production for later model ships. Last spring, for instance, the Army agreed to let the British buy some of the Curtiss P-40 pursuit ships it had ordered. The Army's original order, greatly reduced, was filled by the last of October. Thus virtually all production of P-40's is now going to the British. At the time it reduced its own order of this type plane, however, the Army placed orders with the Curtiss-Wright company for great numbers of modern ships embodying lessons learned in the European war. Deliveries of one type of these are scheduled to start in February, of another in April. committee, said last night that they met and discussed plans and that O. G. Foard, architect, is expected to have plans for the structure ready by this morning. Cavenaugh said that he will work on an estimate of the cost today. W. R. Doshier, is chairman of the committee. The plans and specifications for the building will be presented along with a request for necessary funds for its erection at a joint meeting of the city and county commissioners Monday

EMPTY STOCKING REACHES \$1,094

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tribution to the Empty Stocking fund today. It is only through the generosity of the more fortunate people of Wilmington that these boys and girls can realize the joys of Christmas. Do your part to see that there are no empty stockings in this city and county on Christmas morning. You may make a contribution either through J. Henry Gerdes, treasurer of the fund, at the Peoples Savings Bank and Trust company, or at the Star-News offices. All contributions will be acknowledged. The fund to date: Previously acknowledged \$382.43 A Friend 5.00 Janie Ann & Tessie 5.00 Employees Freight Claim Dept. A. C. L. R. R. 13.25 Employees Vice Pres. and Gen. Mgrs. Office, A. C. L. R. R. 4.60 Employees Trans. and Telegraph Office, A. C. L. R. R. 5.35 Employees Legal Dept., A. C. L. R. R. 8.50 Employees Auditors Disb. Office, A. C. L. R. R. 8.00 Employees Auditors Dis. Time Keeping, A. C. L. R. R. 7.25 Dor Nell and Edward Pitt - Beth and Virginia 2.00 Efford Efficiency Club 15.00 Sandy 5.00 Judy 1.00 The Texas Co. Terminal Employees 7.75 Employees of Freight Traffic Dept. A. C. L. R. R. 12.10 Employees of Nat'l Biscuit Co., Bread and Cracker Dept. 10.55 Employees of U. S. Engineering Office 9.15 A Friend 1.00 Home Room 218 N. H. H. S. 1.25 A. M. B. 3.00 K. M. C. 1.00 St. Magdalene's Guild St. James Church 1.00 Gene 5.00 Three Old Men 3.00 Wrightsville Beach Voluntary Fire Dept. 6.38 Mrs. A. M. S. 1.00 A Friend 1.00 Employees Auditors Receipt Office A. C. L. R. R. 22.37 A Friend 20.00 Home Service Stores 25.00 Total \$1,094.98

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Table with columns: Station, High, Low, Prec. Includes Asheville, Atlanta, Birmingham, Boston, Burlington, Charlotte, Chicago, Fort Worth, Galveston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Memphis, Miami, New Orleans, New York, Norfolk, Richmond, St. Louis, San Francisco, Savannah, Washington, Wilmington.

BRITAIN MAY ORDER 3 BILLION WORTH OF AMERICAN ARMS

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studying five or six plans, among them a proposal for a defense "high command" headed by secretaries Stimson and Knox and William S. Knudsen, production chief of the defense commission. While it was expected that there would be some greater centralization of authority, Early indicated that establishment of a central purchasing agency was unlikely. A reporter said he assumed that the army and navy would not be deprived of their contractual powers, and Early replied that he thought the assumption was well taken. At present, the army and navy each contracts for its own needs, although all contracts are cleared through the defense commission. However, the commission has only advisory powers. It was reported that much of a lengthy cabinet session today was given over to expressions from the various members of their views on what might be done to expedite the defense program. No decisions were reached, it was indicated, although no cabinet officer would discuss the meeting. Reports circulated in official quarters that Knudsen probably would be given the chairmanship if the President approved the idea of a three-man defense high command with the secretaries of war and navy as two of the members 5

U. S. PLANNING TO IMPROVE MORALS NEAR ARMY CAMPS

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modest pay, and "moral conditions in one of these neighboring towns were an even worse influence." 5

PROMISES COOPERATION

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Governor Frank M. Dixon said today military authorities at Ft. Benning, Ga., would be "given every cooperation by the state" in controlling any vice conditions at Phenix City, Ala., across the Chattahoochee river from the tremendous army post.

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