

binet Gives Castillo Wide Powers To Stamp Out Axis Propaganda

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 16 .- (A)-

The decree. effective immediate-" was described as aimed at and Son of Wilmington, and three haling "tendentious propaganda" Ind needed "in order to fulfill in-'emational promises."

Only yesterday, Acting President Ramon Castillo said Argentina intended to stamp out Axis propaganda as part of her recognition of the United States as a nonbelligerent.

The decree suspends all constitwional guarantees, giving Castillo the right to set aside habeas corpus. freedom of the press and of assembly and the inviolability of lomicile and private papers and correspondence.

Local Police Complete First-Aid Instruction

V. L. Smith, instructor of the Red Cross First Aid course which as been conducted for the benefit of city police for the past several eeks, announced Tuesday night that 44 of the officers had satisfackrily completed the course and wild receive certificates for their

The names of those passing the examination will not be released unil the certificates arrive, he

Chief of Police Charles Casteen aid he wished to thank Mr. Smith for his instruction of the men in business. ach a vitally needed subject.

ITALIAN GENERAL KILLED BOMB EXPLODES NEW YORK, Dec. 16 .- (A)-The SANTIAGO, Cuba, Dec. 16.-(R)-Rome radio, heard here by NBC, bomb exploded tonight in front reported tonight that Gen. Hugo the household of organized labor." d Dolores Catholic school, causing de Torelli, commander of the Fas tome damage. No casualties were cist Torino division in southern Réported.

agenis.



Today-December the 17th-is the deadline for parents who may need assistance from the Star-News Empty Stocking Fund to make application!

You parents who require this aid, please don't 'et today pass without stopping at the Star-News office and receiving the cards to be validated by a schoolteacher, Sunday school director or minister.

These cards MUST be returned to the Star-News at once. The parent will be given half the card; the other half will be attached to the individual child's

tect to tabulate the bids and for ward them to the Defense Public **AFL GIVES PEACE** Works commission of the Federal Works agency with a recommendation that the contracts be award-**PROPOSAL TO CIO** ed to the low bidders. Dr. John T. Hoggard, chairman

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 16.—(P) The Argentine cabinet tonight de-lared a state of siege throughout the country. Three of the plumbing and heat-Three of the plumbing and heating contracts went to W. W. Way

to the Ideal Plumbing co. The Way bids ' ere: Winter Park heating, \$1,990; Winter Park plumbing \$1,599; Williston Pri-mary plumbing, \$3,624. The American Federation of La-bor offered today to make peace

Ideal's bids were: Carolina Beach with the CIO, asserting in a decheating, \$1,496; Williston Primary heating, \$3,312; Carolina Beach

plumbing, \$815. emergency for rival labor dis-Cost of the school expansion proputes. gram is being born jointly by the Federal government and the The declaration was adopted a meeting of AFL officers. It said:

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'Baron' Arrested For Wearing U. S. Uniform dictional conflicts have no place

in an emergency such as faces America and the world today. We, LOS ANGELES Dec. 16 .- (R)-A self-styled Austrian baron, 27-year- therefore, renew our offer for old Ernest Frohlich de Meyer, was unity in the labor movement and charged in a federal complaint to for the common defense of our day with wearing a United States nation against mortal danger. We hope our call to this end may not

Arrested by police who said they be in vain." confiscated short-wave radio equip-ment and a stack of letters, de record in favor of a no-strike pol-Meyer was questioned by FBI icy for the duration of the war,

and recommended establishment De Meyer, denying questionable of a war labor board to mediate activity, said the letters taken from disputes similar to that of the nim were from friends in the naval last World war.

The AFL officers also called upforces and that he was engaged in the auto fender and painting on the National Labor Relations board to "desist from the formu-

lation or enforcement of any policy, procedure or decision that may create dissension or intensify existing differences and conflicts in

Hurt War Effort

"We regret sincerely and are

deeply concerned with the destruc-

tive rivalry and organization that

has beset the American labor

field for the past few years. We

hold all such rivalries and juris-

Fliers Receive Honors

HONOLULU, Dec. 16 -(R)-The War department said today the Distinguished Service Cross had been awarded to Second Lieut. George S. Welch, of Wilmington, Del., and to Lieut. Kenneth M Taylor, of Hominy, Okla., for outstanding he-

on Oahu island. Welch shot down tour Japanese planes and Taylor downed two.

of the Malay peninsula.

attached to the proposal were rendered impracticable by the entry of the United States into war. The announcement made no mention of the use to which the Normandie would be put. No mention was made of the status of other French vessels now

in American ports. The \$60,000,000 Normandie is one Inter-Labor Disputes

of the largest and finest ships afloat. The 83,423-ton liner has been at a Hudson river pier since President Fully Endorses the beginning of the war. The crews on all French ships

in United States ports were re-(Conitnued on Page Three; Col. 4)

laration on war-labor policy that there was no place in the present Arrest Of Armed Service **Deserters** Clarified By **Provost Marshal Of U. S.**

> Payment to civil authorities for the arrest of deserters and escaped military prisoners was clarified Tuesday by Provost Marshal, Washington, to the commanding general, Camp Davis.

Army regulations prescribe that a reward of \$15 be paid to a "civil officer or other authorized person" arresting deserters and escaped prisoners and turning them over to guards sent after them. Twenty-five dollars is paid if a deserter or prisoner delivered to a military post by the person making the armilitary service from 35 to 44 years,

This action was designed to eliminate any wrong impression which may exist and to insure against unnecessary claims against the government.

64 MORE EXECUTED

BBC reported in a broadast heard ment registration.

imprisoned 150.

Civil Censorship Approved

Congress Approves Measure Giving President Full Control Over Federal Functions

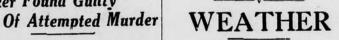
WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.-(AP)-Vast new powers for President Roosevelt to prosecute the war were voted un- the first attempt." animously by Congress today and the chief executive announced he promptly would set up a censorship to prevent all information of value from reaching the enemy. At the same time, Postmaster

General Walker disclosed that cen-\$177,000 In Wilmington sorship of foreign mail, both out-Improvement Bonds Sold going and incoming, already was under way. He added that no de-To Chicago Banking Firm tails of its operations would be

made public for the present. City Clerk J. R. Benson re-The President told a press conice, but the House proceeded with vealed Tuesday that \$177,000 in ference that he had selected Byplans to consider draft legisla- city of Wilmington water and Associated Press, as director of tion retaining the present 21-year street improvement bonds were censorship and that Price, on The Senate Military committee, sold in Raleigh Tuesday morning leave of absence from the news nowever, approved without a dis- by the Local Government com- organization, would take over his duties here as soon as Congress

probably will start in the Senate Harris Trust and Savings Bank Both Senate and House passed tomorrow. The House also will con- of Chicago on an interest basis separate bills almost simultanesider tomorrow the bill of its mili- of 2.327 per cent. They will ma- ously. They authorize the Presiture from 1945 to 1961, and are dent not only to establish censor-In other details, the Senate and part of an issue which was voted ship, but to redistribute govern- ton Chamber of Commerce Tues-House measures were alike and no several years ago. They included a \$17,000 water tracts and exercise complete conworks extension and a \$160,000 tool over alien financial transac- drydock for Wilmington and also the maximum age for compulsory street improvements issue. 1 tions and an estimated \$7,000,000,-

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FORECAST North Carolina: Partly cloudy, con-siderable cloudiness on the coast Wednesday; Thursday partly cloudy, -(P)-Isaac Brown, 41-year-old New NEW YORK, Dec. 16.-(P)-The 40,000,000 persons under govern- York insurance broker, was convicted tonight of attempting to

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 16.

BBC reported in a broadast heard ment registration. by NBC tonight that the Nazis in Belgrade. Yugoslavia, h a d exe-cuted 64 more persons today and 8,000,000-man army was envisioned in the state of performing an abortion we have the pre-tot of performing an abortion. text of performing an abortion.

Low 3:24a 4:01p 12:07a 12:51p

(By U. S. Weather Bureau) (Meteorological data for tse 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday). Temperature 1:30 a. m. 33; 7:30 a. m. 32; 1:30 p. m. 47; 7:30 p. m. 47; maximum 49; minimum 31; mean 40; normal 49. Humidity 1:30 a. m. 98; 7:30 a. m. 98; 1:30 p. m. 70; 7:30 p. m. 78; Precipitation Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. 0.00 inches. Total since the first of the month 1.58 inches. Tides For Today

German army under Col.-General

Tides For Today (From Tide Tables published by U , Coast and eGodetic Survey), High Low At Kalinin, the Russians, in a 251st infantry divisions.

In addition, the Russians were Wilmington 8:48a

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at 1 a. m. Wednesday. The stores were Willard's Cleaners, Louise Beauty shop, Swenson Candy co. and a second-floor window of the Diamond Feed Store.

that buzzed back and forth over the city during the darkness:

"Wilmington has reason to be proud of itself. All in all, it was very good, considering that it was

Fifteen minutes before nine o'clock, the hour set for the practice blackout, some of the larger signs over the city blinked out.

A few minutes before 9, the ragged chorus of whistles began

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CHAMBER GROUP SEEKS DRYDOCK

Industrial Unit Also Maps **Drive To Locate Plane Repair Base Here**

At a meeting of the Industrial committee of the Greater Wilmingment functions, revise defense con- day it was decided that an effort would be made to obtain a large a repair base for all types of Army

and Navy planes. The committee reported that it had been working on the program adopted at the last meeting which

1-To render assistance to plants already established in Wilmington and the local trade area.

2-To seek new industries for the Wilmi gton area. 3-To render assistance to local industries in connection

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1 eventually. For Downing Japanese 90,000 Nazis In Wild Flight Before Red

inclusive, and require all men from Broker Found Guilty

Sweep; British Gain Widely 'In Libya MOSCOW, Wednesday, Dec. 17. 50 miles to the northwest, and dealt a heavy blow to the Ninth MOSCOW, Wednesday, Dec. 11. 50 miles to the northwest, and the deman army under Col.-General -(R)-Red army troops have the massacre of 13,000 Nazis. German army under Col.-General Strauss, putting to flight the 86th, Strauss, putting to flight the 86th, and roism during the Japanese attack routed six German divisions of 90,-000 men and recaptured strategic Kalinin, 90 miles northwest of At Kalinin, the Russians in a 251st infantry divisions



BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 16.—(A)— Argentine press dispatches from Berlin said today the Japanese had landed tanks and other rein-tory were killed today when a homb had landed tanks and other rein-forcements on the eastern shore Russia followed by 24 hours the exploded in the Gestapo headquar. 1 Russian army's recapture of Klin, ters of a Paris suburb.

today that he fully endorsed the War department request that men iged 19 through 44 be made subject to compulsory military serv.

senting vote the 19-year age mini- mission. num and consideration of the bill The bonds were sold to the completes action. tary committee.

opposition was apparent to their

other provisions. They would raise

18 througe. 64 to register with the

Officials estimated that the

measure, together with the exist-

ing Draft Act, would bring about

government

CONGRESS SPEEDS

DRAFT REVISIONS

19 To 44 Limit For

Military Duty

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.- (P)

President Roosevelt told Congress