# OPENS HERE TODAY

### Delegates Attend Sunday **Evening Service At Fifth** Avenue Church

Program of the 34th annual session of the Rebekah Assembly of the Independent Order of Off Fellows will get under way today following registration of delegates Episcopal church in Rome, still prison, Regina Coeli, (Queen of afternoon at the Cape Fear hotel.

Sunday evening at Fifth Avenue cell. Methodist church and a conference night in the president's room at

be welcomed at today's session, and the Axis capitals. which will open at 9 o'clock, by Salem, president.

livered by Mrs. Lois Albright, worked hard for his release. will make the response.

mittee will be followed by conferring the Assembly degree, reports of officers and proceedings of the last Assembly, appointment of committees, report of Analysis and Distribution committee. The morning session will adjourn at noon and a past presidents' luncheon will be held at the hotel.

The Assembly will adjourn at tions. 1:45 in the afternoon to hear retees before adjourning again at I.O.O.F. auditorium.

At 6:30 a banquet will be held 1.O.O.F. hall at 8:30 and at 10 o'clock a reception in honor of the 100th anniversary of the Cape Fear lodge I.O.O.F. and visitors in the hotel ball room.

Principal business of the Tuesday morning session will be election of officers, presentation of pins and cups, election of representatives to A.R.A., installation of officers and reports of committees.

### SHIP WORKERS GIVE UP HALF OF PAY RAISE

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not be cashed except in case of ex-

The stabilization agreements under which the shipyards operate have been in effect for about a year. fluctuations in the cost of living. The new agreement, effective for ships.

one year, will be applied to the Great Lakes zone June 2, the At- as an example of the continuous lantic zone June 23, the Gulf zone shift and change necessary in a August 1 and will be retroactive to war production program. August 1 and will be retroactive to last April 1 for the Pacific Coast | In the mass launchings on Friday, Pacific coast yards will send | Otherwise they played bridge or | ling northward from Thailand besolutions and listened to the radio | tween the Salween | Salw

int Roosevelt's wishes and we're Lakes. going to recommend that it be ac-

eliminated Saturdays and Sundays ships, freighters of about 10,500 as "premium days," requiring double deadweight tons. time pay. Under the new agreement, the men will work a five day, 40-hour week with time and a half for any sixth day and double time for any seventh day in a week.

### Summer Theatrical Schedule To Begin At Davis This Week within a week.

The summer theatrical program for Army camps, sponsored by U. S. O. and Camp Shows, Inc., will begin within the next week and several outstanding units are scheduled to visit Camp Davis.

The national schedule, as it now stands, calls for a show every three or four weeks for each of the TWO SHIPS SUNK camps on the circuit. These show units, the majority of which are musical variety shows, employ between 200 and 300 actresses, and comprise eight complete show companies for the major circuit and seven companies for the minor circuit.

In addition to the regular performers, well known theatrical personages from the stage, screen and and was buried under lumber, but GENERAL SALES radio will participate in occasion- came out of it with only a gash on al performances with the various units. All shows, whether on the said only Otten was injured. major or minor circuits, will be

It was explained by the War Department that the major circuit embraces the larger posts, camps craft. and stations which have outdoor stages of suitable sizes, or field houses with suitable stages, draperies and lighting facilities, while the minor circuit will be provided with stage trucks similar to those employed during the 1941 summer

Davis contemplates building an outdoor stage, it is likely the camp will be on the major circuit.



## REBEKAH SESSION Americans Fare Better In Italy Than Germany

LOCAL—GENERAL

them after months of prison of in- cell more comfortable than the one ingholm, will sail Thursday.

six months uncertainty as to his cold. The delegates attended services fate in the solitude of his prison

of officers was held later in the Nov. 18 and was convicted of es- He learned it was waiting for him pionage. He was pardoned and only when police delivered him to owes his freedom to the exchange the Grand Hotel, where the diplo-Officers and past presidents will of notables between Washington mats lived, on May 13 at 10 a. m.,

Woolf begged off from telling his ation train left for Lisbon. Mrs. Lessie E. Watson, of Winston- story tonight until he has eaten his way back to health but part of it conviction was a somewhat techni-Address of welcome will be de- was available from friends who cal application of anti-espionage

Mrs. Ethel Clapp, of Burlington, weight rapidly on the prison fare peacetime became punishable in of one bowl of thin watery soup wartime. Report of the credential com- and a pound of bread daily. For a time, when authorities al-

## THIRTY FREIGHTERS

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ports from lodges and commit- appearing before the committee on stories swapped by the two parties April 20, said that a lack of ships disclosed. 4 o'clock to attend the memorial had kept food in this country and service at 4:30 o'clock in the Roy Hendrickson, director of lend-England.

that a similar lack of ships had impeded shipment of war tanks to scenic Tuscan hills. "where tanks are needed" and quoted Donald M. Nelson, chairman of the War Production Board as his authority.

Could Drain Surpluses

would be drained off rapidly."

Hayden told his colleagues that Nelson had explained that officials day. "think they need tanks. Somebody wants tanks and tanks are the vert steel to making tanks, and tories for making them. By and The contracts called for periodic adjustments in wages to accord with the tanks where tanks are needed. Then they have to have steel for

The senator said he cited this

John Green, president of the CIO 11 ships down the ways. On the which Italian authorities allowed rivers. Ship. Atlantic coast, seven yards will building Workers of America, said launch nine vessels, while six Gulf "we didn't get all we wanted, but yards will launch eight. Two will the agreement is in line with Presi- take to the waters of the Great

The launchings, Land said, will include cargo vessels of all types, Another clause in the agreement but most of them will be Liberty

Launching Scheduled Here One of the thirty ships to be launched will be the William Moultrie, which will slide down the ways of the North Carolina Ship-

building company here. It will be the twelfth ship launched here and the second one to move off the shipyard's ways

Launching exercises will be highlighted with an address by Representative J. Bayard Clark, of Fayetteville,

Another feature of the observance will be a dinner to be given at the Cape Fear country club by the Propeller club

## IN CARIBBEAN SEA

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tim of an Italian submarine. Both sinkings were announced by the Navy today. The Americans told how August

Otten, a seaman, had the torpedo explode directly beneath his feet his head. Capt. Josef Anderson

Harold W. Hargreaves of Malden, Mass., an oiler, said the ship's mascot, a mongrel dog, was saved but remained aboard the rescue

Two torpedoes were used against the British merchantman. The first exploded against a deep tank and the vessel did not take water. Lifeboats were swung out, but the crew remained aboard.

The second torpedo came 10 minutes later, and the ship sank so new bill perhaps \$2,000,000,000 less In view of the fact that Camp fast there was no time to reach lifeboats. MaGuire's leg was brok- ed. en and his body lacerated, but he survived 20 hours on a choppy sea.

Fitzgerald said a freshly-painted German submarine of average size surfaced about 150 yards away and Mass), two other committeemen, three men in the conning tower seemed to be counting the number cape from a "withholding tax," of men who escaped from the under that plan, advocated by sec sunken merchantman.

Ftizgerald. "We had to keep mov-ing because sharks were swim- ed against his tax liability on the ming nearby. Several hours after next March 15 return. dark I felt something bite my thigh. I kicked out and my foot week to reduce the income tax landed on a shark. I must have frightened them off because we \$750 to \$500 and of married couples were not bothered after that." 3 form \$1,500 to \$1,200.

LISBON, Portugal, May 17.—P—|lowed him to receive money from Americans homeward bound from American friends, he was able to Rome enjoyed the freedom of this supplement this diet with a few neutral capital tonight, some of purchased foods and to occupy a ternment in Italy. The repatriation given common criminals. But at ship, the Swedish steamer Drottn- other times the money was with-

One of the group, the Rev. Hir am Gruber Woolf, of Elmira, N depts who spent the first two days Y., rector of St. Paul's American of the war in the same unheated was thin and nervous from nearly Heaven), suffered mostly from

Mentally, he suffered from having been told the American Em-The minister was arrested last bassy staff already had left Rome. five hours before the special evacu-

Friends were told that Woolf's laws under which an action which noble grand of Letitia No. 3, and The minister, once plumpish, lost would have been overlooked in

> The only other Americans who suffered malnutrition were Harold Denny, of Des Moines, Ia., New York Times correspondent, and Major Michael Buckley, United on fare much too meager.

Americans in Italy enjoyed food and tanks to the United Na- greater freedom and better food but suffered the same boredom as Secretary of Agriculture Wickard their colleagues in Germany,

While Louise (Teddy) Lynch, former debutante torch singer in a lease food operations, testified la- night club who in private life is the ter that the shortage had com-wife of Paul Getty, Los Angeles in the hotel followed by confer- plicated purchases of evaporated oil man, and the newspaper corring of the Rebekah degree in the and dried milk and dried eggs for respondents were interned in Siena, they were allowed the free-Commenting on this testimony, dom of the city, its billiard halls, Senator Hayden (D-Ariz) recalled concerts, theaters and tennis courts. They even bicycled in the man air force in raids east of

They maintained a separate clubroom in their hotel where they enjoyed bridge, pingpong, backgammon and books.

The correspondents received the Wickard told senators that "if it same food rations as the Italians were possible to obtain enough with meat only at the noon Saturships now, all of the extra (farm) day meal but the Embassy staff supplies we have in this country which remained in Rome enjoyed quadruple diplomatic rations with meat twice-on Saturday and Sun-

The diplomats lived in three hotels, each with a plainclothes pomost important thing. So they di- lice guard outside his room or acments were forbidden to them so

To relieve the tedium of their idle days, the embassy staff practiced archery, played catch, tossed the medicine ball and tried croquet in the embassy grounds.

them. Thus they kept up with the news from home.

### RAF BOMBERS POUND FRENCH **CHANNEL PORTS**

er command but bright sunlight today made sweeps possible. American Boys One

Flight Lieut. Carroll Warren Mc-Colpin, of Buffalo, N. Y., of the Third American Eagle Squadron, shot down one of the two Nazi fighters destroyed in the day's first weep in the vicinity of Boulogne. RAF squadron leader Brendon

plane of the war on the second sweep The Air Ministry reported that information reaching London showon Rostock there had been "complete stoppage of all war supplies" previously sent to the Russian front from the German Baltic port.

Reconnaissance showed a large area at the east end of the city, covered by warehouses and stor-

age sheds believed to have been filled with munitions, had been destroyed by fire. The Neptune Shipbuilding yard and sub-factories of the Heinkel

## TAX ADVOCATED

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tration level.

heavily damaged

The treasury has recommended that taxes on individuals be changed to bring in additional \$3,400. 000,000, but members said that the committee probably would approve less than \$3,000,000,000 of additional taxes in that form. That, with other actions taken and prospective, they said, would leave the than the treasury has recommend-

Although individual taxes remain to be determined definitely, Rob ertson and Representative Mc-Keough (D-III) and Healey (Dexpressed belief there was no es retary of the treasury Morgen "I waved and shouted for them thau, a maximum of ten per cent pick us up, but the bloody sons of an individual's taxable income guns paid no attention," said would be deducted from each pay

### 68,000 RUSSIANS TAKEN PRISONERS

#### Germans Make Boastful Claims And Say Battle For Kerch At An End

BERLIN (From German Broadcasts), May 17—(P)— Sixty - eight thousand prisoners and huge quantifies of materiels have been captured in the battle of the Kerch peninsula which now can be considered at an end, the Berlin radio announced toight.

Earlier the German high command said remnants of the "beaten enemy" were squeezed together northeast of the city of Kerch at the end of the peninsula and severe losses were being inflicted by Nazi planes on fleeing Russians

The German high command announced that fresh Russian assaults on the Kharkov sector of the Ukraine had collapsed with "great bloody losses for the enemy" and at least 240 Red tanks had been destroyed in that area thus far.

German sources also said 15 enemy planes were shot down in action over the southern front. The war report disclosed that

the air force had carried the war WILL BE LAUNCHED States Army observer, who were to the northern Caucasus with a captured in Africa. They found pris- raid on the town of Tamanskaja, 20 miles south of Kerch across the Kerch strait.

(If the Germa claim of the capture of Kerch is substantiated. Tamanskaja would be the nearest Caucassian point of entry for forces leaving the Kerch peninsula.) German fighter planes in tha

action shot down 28 enemy planes without a loss, the communique declared. It said the raiders caused heavy explosions and left big fires.

The high command said important Russian railway communications were destroyed by the Ger-Lake Ilmen, in northwest Russia. and in the Moscow region.

Of the far north front, Lapland and Murmansk, the Germans mere ly said their own attacks were successful.

### SERIES OF DEFEATS INFLICTED ON JAPS

for an attack against Kunming and

Chungking from the south. If the Japaese were, in fact, companying him when he went out. preparing to open up a new front they convert the automobile fac- Public restaturants and amuse- from Indi - China, the offensive would mark an extension of their by they have a lot of tanks and that they envied the comparative operations already menacing the Chinese from a more westerly southern front along the Thailand frontier.

With the Chinese holding firmly the eastern bank of the Salween AMERICA RALLY river, the Japanese were attempting to threaten their rear by driv-Otherwise they played bridge or ing northward from Thailand be-

### Germans Say U. S. Is Bluffing About

BERLIN (From German Broadcasts), May 17.—PDr. Hans Germans Say British Thomsen, former German minister to Washington, was quoted in German dispatches from Lisbon today as saying that the United States is bluffing about almost everything about its military production and deliveries of war material.

"The astronomical armament figures particularly were a genuine Roosevelt bluff." Thomsen said in an interview obtained during a Paddy) Finucane bagged his 32nd reception at the German legation in Lisbon last night and broadcast

today. "I am firmly convinced," Thomsen was said to have added, "that ed that as a result of RAF attacks the United States people, which would rather live in peace as far as their majority is concerned, would not benefit from Roosevelt's

### Eight Norwegian Survivors Landed

BARRANQUILLA, Colombia, May 17.—(A)—Eight survivors of Aircraft Works were declared the Norwegian steamship Ilse, tor- henko's order of the day for the May 12 off Cape Vela, have arrived published today, as follows: at Carrizal, dispatches received here tonight said.

bring the survivors here by air- cities and villages. Some of them were in-

## WEATHER

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WASHINGTON, May 17.-(AP)-Weathe

the principal cotton	growing	area	s ar
elsewhere:			
Station	High	Low	Prec
Asheville	83	42	0.
Atlantic City	72	56	0.
Boston	70	57	0.
Chicago		52	0.0
Cleveland	66	45	0.
Denver	54	31	0.
Duluth	47	39	0.
Fort Worth		69	0.
Kansas City		61	0.
Little Rock	82	56	0.
Louisville		48	0.
Miami		69	0.
Mobile		58	0.
New Orleans		61	0.
Norfolk		54	0.
Richmond		56	0.
San Antonio		70	5.0
Washington		56	0.
Wilmington		69	0.
V	10	99	0.

CORVETTE SUNK

## City Briefs ITALIANS FIGHT

HOME NURSING CLASS A new class in home nursing will meet for the first time at 2:30 this afternoon at the USO club at Fifth and Orange street with Mrs. Vera Thompson as instructor. The class will meet from 2:30 to 4:30 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Persons wishing to attend the class should register at the first meeting.

JAYCEES TO MEET A special meeting of the Wilmington Junior Chamber of Commerce will be held Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the offices of the senior chamber of commerce. A report on nominations for

officers who will be elected at the June meeting will be submitted for consideration. Other business also will be transact-

WILL SPEAK

Captain S. B. Frederick, assistant provost marshal at Camp Davis, will speak at the meeting of the Senior Fraternity to be held tonight at 6:30 o'clock at the Brigade build-

A full attendance has been asked.

MONEY STOLEN

Elease Smith, of 915 Dock street, reported to police early Sunday morning that someone had entered her front door sometime Saturday night after she had retired and stole \$20 from her pocketbook. Tony McKoy told officers his watch, valued at \$15, also was taken.

REVIVAL CONTINUES A revival is now in progress at the Church of God, 1121 South Fourth street. Evangelist Thea F. Jones of Covington, Ky., has been preaching inspirational messages each

evening. Last evening the subject was "The Judgment." Scripture text Rev. 20:12.

OPERETTA TONIGHT The Williston High school Glee club will present the operetta "Rio Rico" on Monday night, May 18, at the High auditorium at 8:15

The operetta will be directed by Ester Hall Palmer, who is directress of the High school glee club.

SERVICES PLANNED Services will be conducted at the Gospel Tent, 1014 South Fourth street, each night this week at 8 o'clock. Rev. James R. Lee will preach Monday night on "The Bible Fountain of Youth."

## DRAWS MILLION

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grave days ahead. . . No one of is will avoid—or wish to avoid bearing the burdens that we must if we win-meaning if Germany tinue. shoulder. All of us must enlist wins—we will be lost." wholeheartedly in the great cru-War Production sade for freedom and security and

BERLIN (From German Broadcasts), May 17.—(P)—German light bombers attacking the British harbor of Plymouth in a surprise raid yesterday sank a warship of "considerable size" and damaged a gunboat and a 5,000-ton merchant ship.

the Germans reported today. The Berlin radio quoted military circles as saying the Nazi bombers penetrated the Plymouth barrage balloon and anti-aircraft defenses and carried out the raid according to

One bomb exploded amidship on the warship and a second bomb fell for two years. near the bow. The German report said the ship at once showed a heavy

### Russians Ordered To Destroy Enemy

MOSCOW, May 17.-(A)-Two expedoed by a German submarine start of the Kharkov offensive were

"I hereby order the troops to begin a decisive offensive against our vil-Nothing was known, however, of est enemy, the Germany Fascist the fate of the 26 other members army, to exterminate his manpower of the vessel's crew. The Norweg- and war materials and hoist our ian consul here has arranged to glorious Soviet banner over liberated "On your struggle, on us, com-

rades, depends whether our country is to be conquered by the Germans or to be free and independent."

### International Affairs Award Goes To Girl 15

NEW YORK, May 17 .- (AP) pretty 15-year-old high school girl fancy for the poor to afford. who combines fondness for chemis try with talent on the piano today the well-to-do. Typical bootleg was announced as the winner of prices are 18 cents for an egg, a nation-wide examination on inter- a dollar a pound for chicken or national affairs conducted by the butter, one dollar for a half pint League of Nations association.

lyn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mor. or for a single ham. ris Terrace, and a senior at the throughout the country.

enter next fall. After Barnard she fortunate in many districts. intends to study at the College of LONDON, May 17.—(P)—The AdPhysicians and Surgeons in New
miralty announced tonight that the York, specializing in chemical and
York, specializing in chemical and Corvette Hollyhock had been sunk. bacteriological research.

## A WAR AT HOME

### Unrest Spreads As Starvation Comes Home; War On.U. S. Unpopular

BY RICHARD G. MASSOCK LISBON, May 17-(P)-The Italian people, many of them imbued with defeatism, are fighting the Premier Mussolini dealt a stun-

ning blow to this internal front, many believe, when he declared an unpopular war upon the United Italian discontent with the war manifests itself mainly in a spirit of apathy toward winning it. Many

regard the Vinceremo (we wiil win) slogan with an "oh, yeah?" A deep-rooted antipathy for the Germans is becoming more intensified as the Nazis tighten their strangle-hold on the country. Some Italians admire the Japanese for their quick and far-flung successes

in the Southwest Pacific, but oth-

ers are apprehensive. Some profess shame that the Duce, who once characterized the Japanese people as barbarians and menace to western civilization, said in his declaration of war against the United States that all loyal Italians should consider it "a privilege" to fight to common victory with "heroic Japan."

Unlike the friendship between the Italians and their Allies in the first World War, there is no fraternization between the Italians and German in this conflict.

The Germans are keeping the Italians in line with the Nazi program, however, through a horde of Gestapo agents, by maintaining control of key administrative posts and a constant influx of picked specialized men of the reich's armed forces—particular airmen and submarine sailors. From one end of the peninsula

to the other this virtual occupation force of Germans-estimated at 200,000 men - is tightening its control on Italy. Mussolini appaerently has accepted what one observer described as

the somewhat pathetic role of Gauleiter under Hitler, This has not increased Italian respect for him. On the contrary, persons who onautics day a few weeks ago said Red force flanking Kharkov was vacant tables. Cape Cod. Mass saw him review air troops on aerthe customary cheers were more approaching Krasnograd in a deep mecca for motorists at this half-hearted than usual. The Duce shows flashes of ill temper in his rare speeches. In

his aeronautics day address he spoke of "the remaining groups of dastards incapable of feeling the grandeur of this unique moment in human history." If Mussolini goes to get his orders from Hitler in Germany and cisive" offensive. his German-loving daughter, Edda,

we will simply be the losers, but Russian resistance was said to con-

ward the war with the United ing within Kerch itself was continu-States contradictory. While it ing with Red Star reporting destruc- Wilmington. vations and perhaps starvation, it tanks and armored cars.) offers encouragement to the wide-Warship Is Destroyed spread hope of German defeat. It of the Red force driving into the last meeting with his reading

> leadership. Hunger and social unrest hover over Italy like specters. The Italians, although inured to hardship. are beginning to feel acutely the scarcity of food, clothing, feul and other necessities. Moreover, the war burden is being borne unsupposed by the scarcity of food, clothing, feul and other necessities. Moreover, the war burden is being borne unsupposed that "the noisy approach of spring undoubtedly was heard in the local Methodist workers which workers were also workers which were were also were were were also were were were were also were were were were were wi equally, and that breeds quicken- Kharkov and Krasnograd." ing social unrest.

This is the consensus of able observers who have been watching Italy struggle in a faltering economic as well as military effort

As things stand, Italy will last out this year and possibly another. In the opinion of the majority of these observers, but suffering from cold and malnutrition will increase, next winter may begin to take a toll of deaths. Increasing shortages of raw ma-

terials are rapidly reducing the effectiveness of Italy's war effort. tracts from Marshal Semeon Timos- Stocks of scrap iron, copper, tin, nickel, rubber, leather, wool, cotton and oil - which were deficient before the war-have been deplet-

> As a result, Italy industrially, as well as politically and militarily, is subservient to Germany, whence most of her vitally needed raw materials must be obtained.

The price for these raw materials is heavy. In return for iron, coal and other commodities, Italy is sending to Germany vast quantities of agricultural products which, if left in Italy, would go far to relieve food shortages. That is why fruits, vegetables, and canned goods are scarce in Italy, where they once abounded. Those on the markets bring prices too

A black market flourishes for of olive oil, \$6.80 for a pound of She is Dorothy Terrace of Brook- chocolate, \$25 for a pound of tea Precision Machinery

Even the staples of the masses High School of Music and Art in -bread, spaghetti and olive oil-New York city. She won the first are deficiency items in Italy. prize of \$500 in competition with Only the rich and Fascist party students of 1179 high schools racketeers can afford the black market prices, and so notorious is The girl plans to spend the \$500 their bootlegging that observers reat Barnard college which she will port bitter feelings among the less

May 8, 1780.

## **Obituaries**

MRS. AGNES C. WALLACE Funeral services for Mrs. Agnes Charles Wallace, 65, of 312 Harnett street, who died at 1 o'clock Many Families Spend Sun-Sunday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Long, of 1903 Princess street, will be conducted at 11 o'clock this morning from St. Mary's Catholic church by Father Tevlin. Interment will be in Bellevue cemetery.

Surviving are her husband, John L. Wallace, Wilmington; three with defeatism, are lighting the daughters, Mrs. W. B. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and Miss. Long, Mrs. dicted as a result of gasoline rather than on a world H. W. Hooper and M. H. W. W. H. W. H. W. W. H. W. W. H. W. H H. M. Hooper and Miss Louise Wallace, all of Wilmington; one way in the eastern United States son, Jack W. Wallace, Wilmington yesterday, the first Sunday under one sister, Mrs. J. E. Lewis, rationing. Rocky Point; four grandchildren and severa nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be: active, Gordon Doran, J. L. Mathews, Joe neighbors, sharing rides to golf Eiden, J. W. George, William Bremer and Teddy Elf; honorary, attendants and police reported no Dr. D. R. Murchison, F. A. Savage A. T. Murray, R. Christman, N. S. Westbrook and Arthur Newkirk.

### **REDS ADVANCE 37** MILES IN DRIVE **UPON KHARKOV**

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tion our troops carried out offensive operations and advanced.' A later supplement listed 59 German tanks destroyed, bringing to stretches of empty roads. Office more than 500 the total reported of Price Administrator inspector knocked out, captured or damaged checked on holders of X care since the Kharkov offensive started. (giving unlimited supplies) and to German dead in scattered battles cards (generous rations), asking alone were given at 1,500.

Down 65 Planes With both the German and Rus- rivr bridges in Philadelphia were sian air forces playing a big role in warned by the inspectors. the fighting, the Russians said their airmen and ground defenses knocked and Miami police found a ten down 65 Nazi craft Saturday when dency on the part of many moto Soviet losses were 20 planes.

the district of the town of Kerch, easternmost port of the Kerch pen- were noticeable, but cars still insula opposite the Caucasus, the of- thronged roads to the beaches, paficial announcement said. Continued clashes in far northern 5 or 10 per cent under norma waters was indicated by the an- but no more. nounced sinking of a 6,000-ton enemy transport trying to negotiate

the Barents sea. The Russians reported yesterday that a transport and a destroyer had been sunk and had been cut, and had fallen another destroyer probably sunk in least 50 per cent on nearby Vi those waters. Reports received by Red Star, official Soviet army newspaper, did were "out of gas. not disclose just where the German | Country inns in New England Ukrainian defenses had been breach- normally beginning to experience

of Kharkov after Soviet artillery, "below normal even for a n massed along a front of many miles, winter day." Maine police sa unleased a two-hour bombardment. | crisply: The Germans fought back desper- day. ately, launching as many as 14 counter-attacks at one point, it was said. Methodist Young but Marshal Semeon Timoshenko's men pushed forward relentlessly un-

der orders to drive home their "de-Far to the south in the Crimea, ofvisits Berlin-usually without her ficial Russian reports said, a fierce playboy husband, foreign minister battle raged throughout the night in dist Young People's Union of W Count Galeazzo Ciano—that only the region of the City of Kerch, mington will be held tonight at the makes Italians more resentful. | which the Germans claimed yester- | Fifth Avenue Methodist church, a "If we lose the war," they say, day had been captured but where 8 o'clo

(An exchange telegraph dispatch by Rev. Mr. Butler, represen This makes Italian reaction to- to London from Moscow said fight- tive of the Baptist state conve means a long struggle with pri- tion of a "multitude" of German

may offer them relief from a dis- heart of the Ukraine, toward the will bring readings again at credited and otherwise despised Dnieper river, formerly was Con-meeting. stantinograd and is about midway between Kharkov and the Dnieper. Near Objective So heavy was the bombardment

> This mention that Kharkov and Krasnograd are within hearing ais- French May Scuttle stance of the front-line artillery fire was the first indication given by the Russians of the specific line of the offensive after the Red army had pounded the Germans for five

days (The move against the town by the May 17.—(AP)—Authorized Frent Red troops while their fellows are sources gave an implied pressing the offensive for miles to to the United States today that the north represents a thrust against effort to take over French German communications in the chant ships at Martinique w Ukraine. Krasnograd is a junction answered by orders to their of railway lines leading to German- to sabotage the vessels. held Kharkov, Dnieperopetrovsk and Kiev and Russian-held Lozovaya, on was clearly indicated by a P the Kharkov-Sevastopol railroad.)

Specifically, Krasnograd is on the ton yesterday saying that the h railroad from Poltava, held by the Germans, to Lozavaya, recaptured "cannot be envisaged by by the Russians during the winter. It was at Poltava that Peter the Great beat Charles XII in a celebrated battle in 1709, frustrating a Swedish invasion of Russia. While the regular army thus progressed across the fields of the

Ukraine, guerrilla became more active in the White Russian province to the north. Red Star reported that Guerrillas penetrated Vitebsk, one of the most Laval said he had sent to the important White Russian cities ed States. The newspapers northwest of Smolensk, and "executed" a man named Brandt and his wife. Brandt was said to have been a former teacher of German who became mayor of Vitebsk under the Nazis.

The newspaper said the "execution" took place in the center of the

## Is Destroyed In Fire

BURBANK, Calif., May 17 .- (AP) -Fire at the Aero Aircraft Tool factory today destroyed a quantity of precision machinery, patterns and blueprints.

blaze, which injured one man and R. H. Goodell of (17 Rose halted the plant's production of New Orleans. La and small tools for the major aircraft Lieut. John O. Gaskin. 29 soil featories

FBI agents were investigating

## TRAVEL CURTAILED BY GAS RATIONING

## day Afternoon Home Instead Of In Country

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS The "minor social revolution" which a Baltimore socologist pretioning appeared to be well under

Church attendance dropped in Philadelphia . . New Yorkers actually got acquainted with their courses and beaches . . . ambu accident calls in such widely-seperated points as Albany, N v and Atlanta, Ga. . . transport trucks had all the room they need.

ed on highways. Trolleys and buses were jar med everywhere. A golf club Atlanta put a shuttle-bus service in operation from the end of street car line. Parking lot or erators got plenty of Sabbath res

State police in Maryland, Georgia, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania patrolled vathe holders where they were go ing. Pleasure drivers on Deleware

ists to economize on weekdays for Heavy fighting still is raging in brief "Sunday flings" at the sea shore. Decreases in city traffic trolmen reporting traffic "maybe In the area of the nation's capital, police said travel on the Washington-Mt. Vernon boulevard

Down in Florida. Jacksonville

ginia and Maryland highways. creasing numbers of filling station ed but other Russian reports said a rush of spring business, had man flanking action 60 miles southwest son, reported the flow of vis "Very slack for a Sur

## People Will Hold Session Tonight

The May meeting of the Me This meeting will be address

Charles Edwin Palmer, form chatauqua platform man, who Krasnograd, immediate objective tertained the young people at the

> The recreation feature of meeting will be in charge of Harriett Wannamaker of the N Hanover High school faculty.

## Merchant Vessels Now At Martinique

VICHY, Unoccupied

These sources said this

in Pierre Laval's note to Was

French government. Sunday afternoon the first to appear since announcement of rejection lished in full the texts of munication which the chi ernment said Washin livered to High Com miral Georges Robert at que, and of the co

no comment, however. In the meantime, opened observance Fortnight" with natio onstrations, including ganized protest meeti the British occupation of Madaga car in the Indian ocean.

### Two Fliers Killed In Plane Crashes

CHARLOTTE, May 17 Two officers from the l Air base at nearby Morris were killed today in separate plane crashes. They were Second Lieut

the possibility of sabotage in the K. Goodell, 23, son of Mr. H. H. Gaskin of Jacksboro, Texas