FINALLY REACH GOAL

Tananarive Taken Over

By English Officer

When Troops Arrive In

Island Center

LONDON, Sept. 23.—(P)-

His last words quoted on the

Tananarive radio were of thanks

to his troops for their "courageous

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Kaiser Company Sets New

Record In Shipbuilding

On West Coast

water today to rip an amazing 14

Yet even greater speed was

Once in the outfitting basin,

begin another race for a record.

Her launching clipped two weeks

Kaiser's Richmond, Calif., yards,

with the freighter John Fitch. The

Fitch was launched in 24 days, de-

livered in 31. The old Oregon rec-

Addresssing yard workers and a

few government, Maritime Com-

mission and other shipyard offi-

World War had been more than

200. Many experts shook their

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cials, Kaiser recalled:

interviewer asked Kaiser.

'Nothing is impossible."

cargo ship in two weeks.

parently had fled.

ESTABLISHED 1867.

10 Lbs. Of Scrap Buys Tic ket For Dodger Scrap

The Brooklyn Baseball Club announced that anyone bringing ten or more ounds of scrap metal to their ball park would be given a ticket to see Dem Bums play, and this is what happened. Policemen are shown piling up 65 tons of scrap metal as 4,658 fans waited to be admitted to Ebbets Field. The salvage offer is

Lation Preparing For Campaign To Collect All Available Metal

BECLARED BETTER

me Improvement Seen In Abundance Of Metal Used By Steel Mills

ement in the supply of scrap for the mills of the United

the situation "more comfortable" urgency of the problem. stribed the outlook as "more Ms stated the nation's newspapers papers take the lead.

Steel's heard of directors ever held scrap collecting jobs in their area. outside New York and for an in-

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36 AWS SP**otters** GIVEN ARMBANDS

Get Official Insignia For Completion Of Course For Defense Duty

Thirty-six aircraft spotters in the nds last night at 6 o'clock at the servation post atop the Cape ear hotel following their compleon of 25 hours of service as plane

Chief Observer . H. Vowell pre-Ented the bands. Fifty-five were heduled to be given out but 19 Following the presentation, Sec-

Lieutenant Albert L. Shands of local information-filter center

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WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA-Little change

(EASTERN STANDARD TIME) By U. S. Weather Bureau)
Meorological data for the 24 hours
17:30 p. m. yesterday:
Temperature
13:4 m. 67; 7:30 p. m. 64; 1:30 p. m.

23 d. m. 67; 7:30 p. m. 64; 1:30 p. m. 120 p. m. 72; maximum 31; minim 1 mean 70; normal 72.

Humidity
7:30 a. m. 66 7:30 a. m. 72; 1:30 p. m. 730 p. m. 57

Precipitation
Precipitation
Precipitation
Of inches: total since the first of the
Onth, 1.77 inches.

S. Coast and Geodetic Survey).
High

Cape Fear river stage at Fayette-lile on Wednesday at 8 a. m., 9.05

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Into Ears Of People As **Opening Date Nears**

preparatory to the great nationwide collection campaign starting next week in most states.

In many a community, put this bluntly:

"Whose boy will die because you

mable, and predicted the salv- to coast, were starting the collection truck will call at their homes and corporation set up by the gov- drive rolling, in response to the re- pick up their contribution to the ment would bring in "a heap quest of Donald M. Nelson, war drive which may turn the tide for me scrap." Chairman Irving S. production chief, that the news- victory in this war.

dividual newspapers and State Press and digging the scrap out, he said. associations sc far - and the figure Press conference while they were is rising—have put up \$7,150 in here for the first meeting of U. S. War Bonds and cash for the best

> These prices are in addition to (Continued on Page Two; Col. 5)

TIN CAN COLLECTION The new tin can collections campaign and the salvage for victory program in general will be discussed by James B. Vogler, executive secretary of the State Salvage Committee, at a meeting here tonight in the assembly room of the Tide Water company building at 8 o'clock.

Wilmington is one of the few cities in the state to be designated a tin can collection center, Alex Sprunt, chairman of the New Hanover Salvage com-

BLACKOUT SLATED FOR WILMINGTON

City Will Participate In State Wide Test Next Tuesday Night

Wilmington will undergo its third blackout of the war next Tuesday night when it will join in a statewide trial test scheduled to take place between the hours of 7 and 12 p. m., it was announced yesterday by Assistant Defense Com-

mander Franklin W. Bell. The dark-out will last approximately 45 minutes and will be absolutely complete in every detail, it was said No one but the district air raid wardens throughout the state will know the exact time of the blackout, and they will not be notified only a few hours before

Local regulations and instructions governing the test will be announced later, Mr. Bell said. Every 4:28p. city, town and area in the state has had a practice blackout so that the newly created organization

might be tested. Wilmington is one of the largest Carl J. Cunningham of the local of the 17 districts in the state Sears, Roebuck store.

and the procedure which will be ware department of the Sears, Roe-(Continued on Page Two; Col. 3)

Need For Scrap Drummed SCRAP COLLECTORS

crying need for metal was drum- No Excuse For Residents capital Not Contributing Metal. Savs Stewart

Wilmington residents have no exwilmington residents have no excuse for not contributing their FREIGHTER failed?"-failed only to turn in that scrap metal to the local scrap Steel corporation was report- old lawn mower, or that old griddle. drive, William Stewart, Co-chair-Schemes, prizes, ceremonies, were man of the New Hanover county being rapidly devised to make Salvage Committee, declared last Newspaper executives, from coast Boys' club, he explained, and a

The service being conducted by More than 1,600 daily newspapers the Boys' Club includes going into ampaign to collect scrap needed have pledged their support. In- the attics or cellars of the homes

All types of heavy metals are needed in the drive, Mr. Stewart ord for shipbuilding. averred, including iron, copper, brass, lead, aluminum and steel.

Tin cans have not been collected here thus far, he pointed out, but it is expected that tonight's meeting at which James B. Volgar, executive secretary of the State Salvage Committee, will speak, will be the spearhead for a drive for that type of scrap here.

The cooperation of Wilmington-(Continued on Page Two; Col. 2)

Dosher Congratulates Camp Davis Army Band For Purchase Of Bonds

Major General Frederic H. Smith, commanding general of appreciation of Mr. Wilbur R. Dosher, chairman of the com-mittee in charge of the Sep-tember 20 Bond Sales Rally held at New Hanover High school for the contribution of the Camp Davis First Band and its director, Sgt. M. V.

In his letter to General Smith, Mr. Dosher gave much credit to the band for the success of the rally which netted approximately \$600,000 dollars.

Mr. Dosher also lauded the members of the band for their own purchase of \$600 worth of

Wilmingtonian Describes Battle Of Solomon Isles

(Editor's note: The contents of the letter written Mr. Cunningham, which follows, have

been passed by the Naval Office of Censorship, and the envelope containing the letter bears its stamp).

the battle of the Solomon Islands bombers. i. related in a letter received from Marine Staff Sergeant Howard Pierce, former Wilmingtonian, by Pierce, 27, worked in the hard-

buck store here for three years be-fore he enlisted in the Marines in June. Immediately after his enlistment he and his wife went to California from where he shortly sailed to the Pacific war zone. He escaped possible death during

an air raid off the Solomons when A graphic account of his part in his ship was attacked by long range

reads: "Dear Carl: "This is just a short note about that period. the Jap car that I promised you.

was lucky enough to survive, enough gasoline in storage through (Continued on Page Three; Col. 1)

Soviet Supply Lines Threatened In North, South

ST.:LINGRAD GARRISON HOLI ING OUT

AGAINST ATTACKS OF NAZI TROOPS;

BRITISH TAKE MADAGASCAR CAPITAL



The foray of the gigantic German battleship Tirpitz (1) threatened the sea supply line to Russia in the north, while in the south, the Nazi drive on Stalingrad and the Caucasus (2) endangered the Volga-Caspian supply artery from the Middle East. While the Battle of Stallingrad maintains critical importance, Russian attacks (arrows) were reported at Sinyavino, Rzhev and Voronezh. And even in Stalingrad, the Soviets said they had forced the Germans to retreat from some districts of that Volga metropolis. Meanwhile, the neutral position of Sweden (A) has become more precarious under German propaganda attacks, and Finland (B) was fishing for a peace offer through its Washington minister. The lined area represents the territory held by the Germans.

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 23—(P) Ten days from keel-laying to launching, the 10,500-ton Liberty freighter Joseph N. Teal latter.

freighter Joseph N. Teal hit the Mobile Armored Column days from the previous speed rec- Speeds 500 Miles Across Desert To Strike

promised by Builder Henry J. Kaiser who watched the vessel CAIRO, Sept. 23- (AP) -British slide gracefully into the outfitting basin of his Oregon Shipbuilding raiders sped undetected across Corp. yards. trackless desert 10 days ago and "Do you think you ever will build struck telling blows at Axis bases a ship in less than 10 days?" an and communications all the way to Bengasi, 500 miles west of the "Absolutely," he replied, adding: Egyptian front, the Midde East

command announced tonight. On the same night that a sea workers poured aboard the Teal to borne Commando expedition and parachutists landed at Tobruk and The yard intends to ready her British warships bombarded the for the sea by Sunday. If it suc- Axis Libyan coast farther east, ceeds it will have delivered a major the British raiders swooped on Bengasi and Barce on the west side

The Teal, named for an Oregan of the Cyrenaican hump. industrial pioneer, was 87 per cent complete at launching compared to They destroyed and damaged more than 30 Axis warplanes on a war time average of 79 per cent. the ground and inflicted heavy casualties on enemy troops and from the previous record, set by transport, while supporting planes or the British and American com-

mands shot down several German (Continued on Page Two; Col. 4)

ord was 26 days for launching with the Pierre S. Du Pont and 31 days the Pierre S. Du Pont and 31 days for delivery, also with the DuPont GAS CURTAILED FOR EAST COAST

"Our original contract called for the delivery of ships in about 150 the delivery of ships in about 150 the first th To Allow Greater Fuel Oil Transport

> WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.-(A)-Acting to avert a "disastrous" fuel oil shortage in New England, the Office of Petroleum Coordinator to day ordered an immediate increase in tank car shipments to that area and at the same time called for a cut in gasoline shipments to the whole eastern seaboard.

Nine major oil companies were called upon to take these steps and also to divert fuel oil to New England from other parts of the East, "as an emergency measure." Government oil men said motor-

ists in the East probably would His letter, dated August 11, "feel the pinch" of reduced gasoline shipments after "about two weeks" They said there probably was

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BRITISH RAIDERS Shipyards Are Largest Industry In State Now

Wilmington is now the home of the largest industry in the state of North Carolina, it was revealed by competent sources yesterday, with approximately 15,000 persons employed at pre-sent at the North Carolina

Shipbuilding company. R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company at Winston-Salem employing 13,000 individuals at the latest check, formerly held the title of the state's largest in-Employment figures were re-

vealed here yesterday by Storer P. Ware, secretary of the North Carolina Shipbuilding company. The plant was begun here early in 1941 with only a few hundred employes, and during the past 18 months has rapidly expanded to its present size, it was pointed out.

In December of 1941, 3,500 persons were employed with a monthly payroll of \$600,000. Workers of more than 50 trades

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CONVOY ARRIVES WILLKIE CONFERS IN RUSSIAN PORT WITH RED PREMIER

Safe In Harbor; Nazi Claims Exaggerated

LONDON, Sept. 23-(A)-The Admiralty announced today that the great majority of a convoy of quantities of war materials had

aged out of a 45-ship convoy was straightforward talk.

"more exaggerated than usual." The Germans further announced likes frankness and I like frankwith great fanfare last Sunday ness, too,' Willkie said then.

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Large Majority Of Ships FDR Envoy And Stalin Meet For Discussion In Kremlin

mier Joseph Stalin conferred with Wendell L. Willkie, President United States, Russian and Brit-Roosevelt's personal emissary, for ish merchantmen carrying large two hours at the Kremlin tonight. Present at the meeting of the arrived in North Russian ports Soviet war leader and the special despite German bombs and tor- envoy was Vyacheslav Molotov. pedoes unleashed in a running Soviet foreign commissar, who navy in French territorial waters, battle of many days along the himself visited London and Wash- and attacks by the RAF on miliington last spring.

The Admiralty acknowledged The meeting climaxed Willkie's that some ships were lost. But trip to the Russian capital. He it said the claim of the German arrived here Sunday from Kuibyhigh command that 38 vessels shev and expressed the hope that were sunk and three others dam- he would see Stalin for a long,

"I understand he is a man who

Juvenile Delinquency Shows No Rise In City

Juvenile delinquency in the city director, Monday that juvenile de of Wilmington and New Hanover linquency is on the upswing county has not increased in pro- throughout the nation, Mr. Hollis portion to the rate of expansion said that there is no evidence that if the reduction continued beyond of the population here, during the such is the case in Wilmington. past 18 months, J. R. Hollis, su-In the first nine months of this perintendent of public welfare, year, 311 city cases have been

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4,000 GERMANS KILLED

Knock Out 109 Enemy Tanks In Fierce Street Fighting In City

RUSSIANS CLAIM GAINS

Soviet Command Nowhere Acknowledges Any Retreat Before Axis

MOSCOW, Thursday, Sept. 24.__(AP)-The Russians announced officially early today that Stalingrad's valiant garrison had wiped out 4,000 more German shock troops and knocked out 109 Nazi tanks in fierce street fighting into which the Volga river naval flotilla was pouring shellfire on the invaders.

The midnight communique said the Red Army had gained slightly northwest of the city, and nowhere did it acknowledge any retreat inside the battered city itself.

Front dispatches said the Nazis were hurling 1,000 divebombers a day against the city where the Red Army has converted every ruined building into a bristling fortress of anti-tank and machine gun

Send Tanks Into Battle The Germans also were sending nundreds of massed tanks into Stalingrad's streets in an effort to achieve a September victory on the Volga, and the latest Russian communique claimed its most impressive score yet against these

Forty-four Nazi tanks were destroyed or crippled in one sector,

FRENCH WARNED TO LEAVE COAST

British Radio Declares Second Front Being Prepared By Allies

LONDON, Sept. 23. - AP- The British radio urged Frenchmen again tonight to evacuate French coastal areas because a United Nations' offensive aimed at the 'annihilation of Hitlerite Germany" is being prepared and will be launched without warning, the announcer said.

"No one will be warned in advance of the date of attack or point at which it will take place. the French-language broadcast said, "but when the moment comes to call for the cooperation of the French people as a whole will keen our promise to let you know in time."

The BBC announcer emphasized that a series of such warnings had been given to the French in the last six months in order "to prevent as far as humanly pos-MOSCOW, Sept. 23—(P)—Pre-sible the useless shedding of French blood."

"In the course of our military operations." the message said. "it was necessary, and today it is more necessary than ever. to envisage the possibility of landings by British and Allied troops on French soil, of operations by our tary objectives in Occupied France.

"An offensive of the United Nations is being prepared. On the day when we can be assured of attaining our goal which is nothing less than total annihilation of Hitlerite Germany this offensive will be launched.

"No one will be warned in advance of the date of the attack or the point at which it will take place, but when the moment comes to call for the cooperation of the French people as a whole we will keep our promise to let you know in time."

NOTICE!

If your carrier fails to leave your copy of the Wilmington Morning Star, Phone 3311 before 9:00 a. m. and one will be sent to In reference to a statement tried in the Juvenile Court, he you by special messenger.