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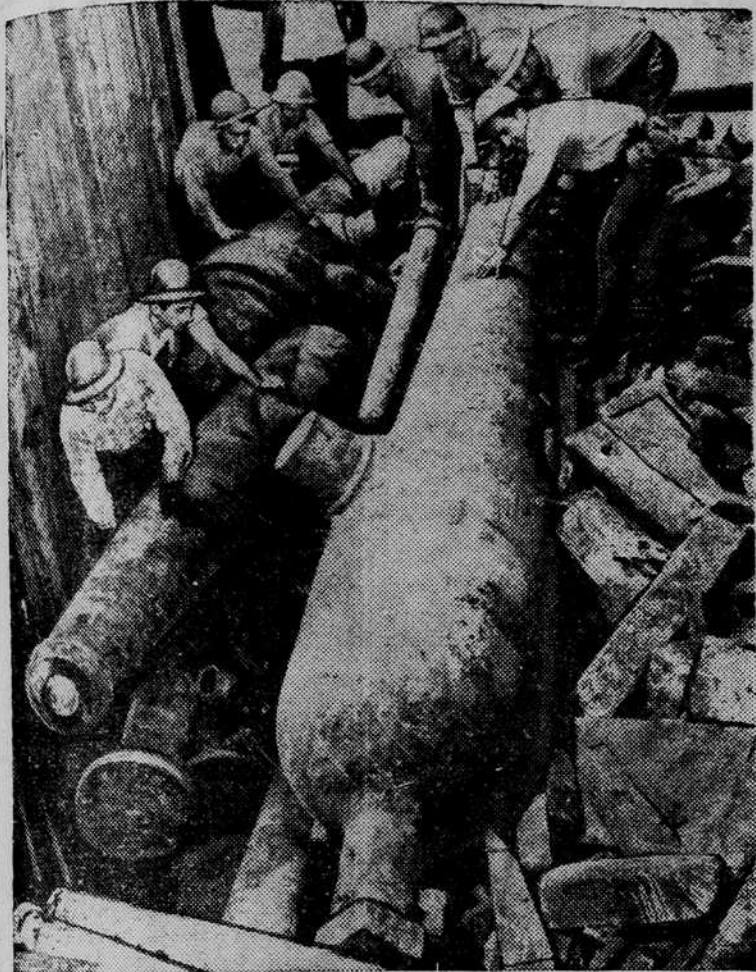
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## 130-Year-Old Guns On Scrap Pile



These guns, part of a ship's ballast, last saw service in the war of 1812. A repair crew at the Erie Basin Dry Docks in Brooklyn, N. Y., found them when it went into the hold of a vessel to inspect bilge and keel plates. The guns, which weighed more than three tons, have been turned in for salvage to the scrap metal drive. Within a short time, the metal in the old guns will go into service again in new weapons.

(Central Press)

## Nazi Tanks Advance In Area Of Stalingrad

### Reds Smash Entire Rumanian Division In Caucasus Area

MOSCOW, Thursday, Oct. 1.—(AP)—German tank forces gained ground in Stalingrad's northwestern outskirts yesterday, while in the Caucasus the Red Army smashed an entire Rumanian division which suffered 8,000 casualties, the Soviet command announced today.

The Nazi gain was made only in a single sector, the midnight communiqué said, and came after the "Germans threw in another tank division" in the consuming struggle now entering its 38th day. "At the cost of heavy losses the enemy on one sector pressed back our units," the bulletin said. "In these battles 15 enemy tanks, 14 motor vehicles and two mortar batteries were destroyed, and about two battalions (1,000 men) of enemy infantry were annihilated."

Meanwhile, the Russian relief offensive against the Nazi flank above Stalingrad was gaining ground. The communiqué said Russian troops captured another hilltop after a savage all-day fight in one sector, and repulsed Nazi counter-attacks in another on the same front.

The Axis setback in the Caucasus was southeast of Novorossisk where the Russians said the third Rumanian mountain division, in addition to 8,000 dead and wounded, lost 25 guns, seven tanks, 75 machineguns, 50 motor vehicles and two ammunition dumps.

"One platoon of Rumanian soldiers came over to the side of the Red Army," the communiqué said.

In the Middle Caucasus the Russians said their troops in a two-day defensive fight destroyed 26 Nazi tanks and 18 planes, and annihilated about 1,500 enemy officers and men. All the Axis attempts to advance were repulsed, the communiqué added.

Soviet warships operating in the Baltic were said to have sunk a 10,000-ton enemy transport.

In the vicious fight for Stalingrad the Germans were reported using fleets of armored cars packing

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## TWO U. S. VESSELS LOST IN PACIFIC

### Transport Elliot And Converted Destroyer Gregory Go Down

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Destruction of two naval transports in the Solomon islands as a result of separate Japanese aerial and warship attacks was announced today by the Navy Department, which reported that loss of life was small.

The ships were the US George F. Elliott, formerly the 8,378-ton liner City of Los Angeles, and the 1,060-ton USS Gregory, a converted destroyer. The skipper of the Gregory, Lieut. Cmdr. Harry Frederick Bauer of Chattanooga, Tenn., was reported missing in action, but the commander of the George F. Elliott, Captain Watson Osgood Bailey of Lynn, Mass., was reported safe.

The Elliott was the victim of a Japanese torpedo plane assault against American invading forces on the second day of the Solomons offensive last August 8. One of the planes, either by design or because of damage crashed into the transport, which had already landed its load of Marines. The crash started gasoline fires which could not be extinguished and the vessel was abandoned and destroyed. There were few casualties.

The torpedo plane attack was made by 40 or more Japanese craft, the Navy already had disclosed in a communiqué issued several weeks ago. At that time it was said merely that "one destroyer and one unladen transport were hit." Fourteen of the enemy raiders were shot down.

The Gregory was sunk more recently when — by enemy gunfire when she was operating off Guadalcanal, site of the American airbase in the Southeastern Solomons. The gunfire, a naval spokesman said, unquestionably came from one of the Japanese warships which have periodically raided the waters around Guadalcanal and sometimes shelled the

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# SCRAP DRIVE BEGINS HERE TODAY UNDER NEWSPAPER SPONSORSHIP

## GOVERNOR ISSUES STATE WIDE ORDER

### Broughton Proclaims Period As Newspaper Salvage Campaign

#### STATE WILL ASSIST

### Oct. 7 Named As Day For Governmental Houses To Aid Drive

RALEIGH, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Governor Broughton today proclaimed the period from October 1 through 21 as State-wide Newspaper Salvage Campaign Weeks in North Carolina.

October 7 was designated as State Government Day on which a special campaign will be conducted in all state departments and institutions for the collection of all scrap iron and other metals.

"The Governor called upon people of the state 'to collect and deliver to the sources designated every available pound of scrap metal,' and agencies of state and local governments to 'lend their full cooperation in this patriotic undertaking.'"

The text of the proclamation follows:

**A Proclamation By The Governor**  
Whereas, it has become necessary that a minimum of seven million tons of scrap metal be collected in the nation by January 1, 1943 in order to supply our armed forces with sufficient arms, materials and equipment;

Whereas, North Carolina's quota for the months of July 1st to December 1st has been set by the government at 175,000 tons; and

Whereas, in full cooperation with the national scrap harvest campaign and the state salvage program the North Carolina newspapers will sponsor and conduct a state-wide newspaper campaign from October 1-21, joining with all agencies and people in an effort

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## HITLER PROMISES NO CAPITULATION

### Leader Of Reich Declares Country Will Never Bow To Allies

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
LONDON, Sept. 30.—Adolf Hitler told his armies and peoples today that Germany would cling to her war gains for the coming year, promised to take Stalingrad, and said he and his high command were constantly preparing for an Allied second front, wherever it might strike.

In a striking climb-down from his boast on a like occasion a year ago that the Russian power was crushed never to rise again, Hitler declared "We shall never capitulate. . . We shall emerge victorious."

The fuhrer spoke for one hour and seven minutes at the Sportsplatz to inaugurate the annual winter relief campaign before

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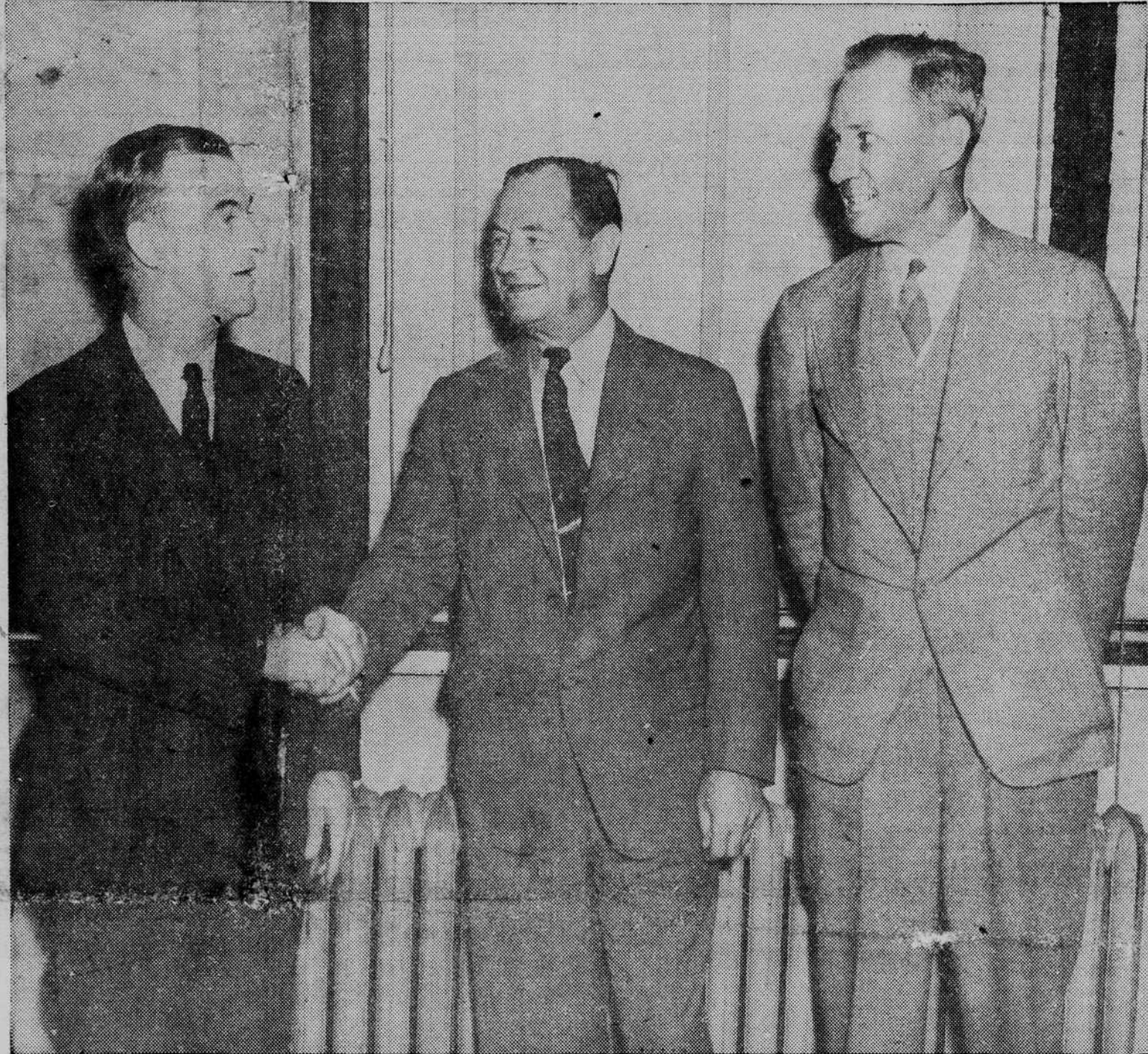
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## Newspapers Congratulated On Scrap Salvage Effort



Alex Sprunt (left), chairman of the New Hanover county salvage committee, congratulates R. B. Page, publisher of the Wilmington Star-News, on the work done by the paper in its effort to bring the nation-wide scrap salvage campaign before the public, as Lester Marbury, assistant chairman smiles his approval. The drive, opening officially in North Carolina today, is sponsored by the newspapers of the state in cooperation with other American journals.

## ALLIES ADVANCE IN NEW GUINEA

### Recapture Nauro, 42 Miles Above Port Moresby In Swift Drive

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Thursday, Oct. 1.—(AP)—Allied troops have recaptured Nauro, 42 miles above Port Moresby, in a swift 16-mile advance in their new offensive against a retreating Japanese jungle army which is abandoning its equipment in its flight, Allied headquarters announced today.

"There was no contact with the main body of the enemy yesterday, which is still retreating," the bulletin said.

Additional supplies and equipment abandoned by his retreating troops have fallen into our hands," Capture of Nauro, a native hamlet in the Owen Stanley mountains of New Guinea followed yesterday's announcement of the seizure of Ioribaiva, the tidal mark of the Japanese advance on Port Moresby. Ioribaiva is only 32 air line miles from the big Allied base.

A spokesman here said the Japanese were not routed, although he said their withdrawal was hurried.

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## Coupon Credit System On Fuel Oil Effective

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—(AP)—Fuel oil may be sold to consumers in the 30-state rationing area beginning tomorrow only in accordance with a coupon credit system ordered by the War Production Board today to control deliveries until the Office of Price Administration can distribute coupons later in October.

The credit system provides that every consumer, dealer and supplier who receives deliveries of fuel oil for any purpose must execute a written promise to surrender to the seller rationed coupons as soon as they are available, for the number of gallons delivered.

Consumers must redeem these promises within 15 days after the OPA fuel ration order is issued about the middle of October.

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## One Shell For The Axis Right Off The Griddle

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Sept. 30.—(Wide World)—At least one shell for this war will be fired at the Axis hot off the griddle.

This griddle had a long American history and was a gift from a mild, white-haired woman whose family had made hot cakes on it for 148 years.

Knowing the nation's mills were critically short of scrap metal for making war tools, Mrs. Margaret Dodson of

Trucksville, Pa., sent the griddle to the Bethlehem Steel company with a letter asking that the utensil be melted to "make a bomb or shell."

"Friends have said 'how could you part with it?' I say, what may not we have to part with and do so willingly so that we may retain the freedom we have enjoyed so many, many years

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## METAL COFFINS SALVAGED HERE

### Local Funeral Home Gives Two Caskets To The Scrap Campaign

Two metal coffins for delivery to Tojo, Hitler and Il Duce in the form of bombs and bullets were contributed yesterday by the Robert McLaughlin Funeral Parlor as its part in the national scrap drive which begins officially today.

The two coffins, one made of bronze and the other of steel, weigh around 400 pounds each. W. H. Stewart, co-chairman of the city salvage committee, said last night. The coffins are several years old and were donated by the undertaking establishment with the hope that Hitler and Mussolini will be carried to their last resting place in them.

The metal caskets will join the next carload of scrap from here and then will go to a smelting center for melting into some war weapon.

Scrap collection in the city continued at a rapid pace yesterday, Mr. Stewart said. During the day over 12,000 pounds of the vitally needed metal was collected by the Brigade Boys' club.

**'DORMANT SCRAP DRIVE'**  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—(AP)—The War Production Board today started a nationwide "dormant scrap drive" asking 75,000 industrial executives to get out of

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## THE TIME IS NOW TO GET IN SCRAP

### Salvage Drive Assistant Urges Kiwanians To Contribute Junk

"The time has come to drag out that old scrap iron and metal from the attic and cellar that you've put off doing for so long," W. H. Stewart, co-chairman of the city salvage drive, told members of the Kiwanis club at the regular weekly meeting yesterday.

Citing several places where scrap is lying idle in the back lots of buildings and houses, Mr. Stewart declared that "the time has come for every citizen in the city and county to help in the war by pushing the scrap drive which starts Thursday morning."

"The boys at the 'Brigade club,' he said, "are doing a marvelous job in helping bring in the scrap. We are also thankful to the Southern Junk company for the use of their truck in collecting the salvaged metals."

Four young members of the Brigade Boys' club — champions in collecting scrap — were guests of the club. They were: Pat and Gilbert Harrington, brothers, and Victor and Bill Moore, also brothers.

During the absence of club President

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## TRUCKS TO COMB ENTIRE COUNTY

### WPA Vehicles Begin Pick-Ups In Outlying Sections Of N. Hanover

#### CITY START DELAYED

### Army Trucks To Start Work Here Tuesday; Cooperation Urged

New Hanover county begins its first day of scrap collection under the newspaper sponsored drive this morning when many WPA trucks will roam over the by-roads and highways of the county to gather up the much needed material.

Newspapers of the nation have started a campaign that will attempt to clean the country of all scrap metal that can be fed into the maw of the war machine, it was announced.

Many parts of the United States entered into the drive last Monday and during the next few days other areas will swing into line.

Arrangements Made  
Arrangements have been made to collect the scrap in the outlying sections of the county beginning this morning, it was learned last night from Alex Sprunt, chairman of the local salvage committee.

No calls will be handled on the scrap collections as the trucks will comb every road in the county. Persons having scrap to donate are requested to place it in front of their homes and the trucks will pick it up. In the event that the scrap is too heavy to move without aid, Mr. Sprunt suggested that a marker of some sort be placed in front of the house. This marker, he pointed out, can be a small piece of cloth on a stick or mail-box.

Collections in the city will be handled by trucks loaned by Camp Davis, but will not start until next Tuesday, it was learned. Complete arrangements have not been made at this time and Mr. Sprunt pointed out that since the city had been rather thoroughly combed for

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## AMERICANS WORK TO WIN THE WAR

### Nation Swinging Into Scrap Drive With Zest Of Treasure Hunt

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
Eager Americans on a treasure hunt—the search for vital metal scrap—gave a thrilling display today of what a people could do when united for a single purpose: work to win the war.

They worked by the millions to root out steel and iron junk. Nothing was too small for them—they turned in keys—nor too big for them—they tore up old locomotives.

In some places time stood still, for banks and stores closed so businessmen could join the search, find the scrap, get it to the junk piles.

Workers organized by the thousands to act as scrap spotters, while they went about their daily jobs, and a million children concentrated on seeking junk for the steel mills that need it badly to produce for war.

**2 MORE VESSELS SUNK**  
The Navy yesterday reported the sinking of two more merchant ships in the western Atlantic, but its Canadian ally told of destroying at least four submarines in recent months.

## 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 you by special messenger.

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## WEATHER

FORECAST:  
NORTH CAROLINA — Slightly warmer today.

(EASTERN STANDARD TIME)  
By U. S. Weather Bureau  
Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., yesterday:

Temperature:  
1:30 a. m. 51; 7:30 a. m. 51; 1:30 p. m. 70; 7:30 p. m. 62; maximum 72; minimum 46; mean 60; normal 70.

Humidity:  
1:30 a. m. 80; 7:30 a. m. 79; 1:30 p. m. 46; 7:30 p. m. 78.

Precipitation:  
Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., .00 inches; total since the first of the month, 3.89 inches.

TIDES FOR TODAY:  
From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey:

Wilmington High 2:17a. Low 9:27a.  
2:46p. 10:11p.  
Maconboro Inlet 12:20p. 6:45p.

Sunrise 6:07a.; sunset 5:57p.; moonrise 11:07p.; moonset 12:26p.

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