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PEARL HARBOR AND BATAAN **AVENGE**

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CITYREGIME BILL REVIVED BYN. C. HOUSE OPA Ch

Vitamin A

With point rationing on canned goods, there's no point in not eat-

ing lots of fresh vegetables like

First Distribution Slated

To Be Made To City

Air Raid Wardens

The pumps will be given to mem-

made to the City Air Raid War-

dens under the leadership of F.

will be made as follows:

6th and Princess.

announced yesterday.

King.

FOR OCD UNITS

these carrots arriving at a

PUMPS RECEIVED

PUT ON CALENDAR

Action Taken Upon Motion Of Kermon; Readings Scheduled Monday

DEPENDS ON WADE

Considerations Will Be Based On His Action On City Extension Plan

tative R. M. Kermon, the House urday recalled the bill calling a vote on the form of city govt here from the calendar ittee, where it had been given infavorable report, and placed n the house calendar for ac-

In an interview here Saturday Rep. Kermon said the house effect of a first eading. The bill, he said, will come up for its second and third read-

"Actual consideration of the bill," he New Hanover representative "will be predicated on action taken by the senator (Senator J. E L. Wade) to remove the ity extension bill from the unfavable calendar and place it upon senate calendar, if he so de

In reviving the bill, which subnits the issue of city managercommissioner form government to an election here oril 15, Rep. Kermon reversed his nd of Friday when, after the hill ad been given a second unfavorle report. he declared that he mid offer a motion to postpone y further discussion of the bill

been if they're going to have is government or not." he said

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bers of units whose record in the volunteer office of the OCD shows that they have completed the pre-

Wickard Says Farmers P. O'Crowley, chief air warden, May Boost 1943 Allotments By Ten Per Cent

WASHINGTON, March 6.- (P) ecretary of Agriculture Wickard Market. otton planting allotments by 10

Zone No. 10, Monday March 8 8 p. m. Annex Southside Baptist This action was taken, the sec- church, 5th and Wooster. relary said, in an effort to in- Zone No. 6, Tuesday, March 9, rease the production of vegetable 7:45 p.m. Church of God, 4th and

per cent increase should enable 4th and Brunswick. ome of these areas to make a

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Small Craft Warnings Ordered Along Coast each warden is asked to bring teeism.

Hatteras to Apalachicola—small an arm pand. taft warnings are displayed south Hatteras to Apalachicola.

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA and South Caro-

(Eastern Standard Time)

(By U. S. Weather Bureau)

Meteorological data for the 24 hours beding 7:30 p.m., vesterday.

1:30 a.m., 53; 7:30 a.m., 61; 1:30 p.m., 42; 7:30 p.m., 56. Maximum, 65; minimum, 46; mean. 55.5; normal, 51.

Humidity

1:30 p. m., 94.

Precipitation

Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30

Total for the 24 hours ending 7;30 be met.

Tides For Today
the Tide Tables published by Strong ast and Geodetic Survey.

High Low 10:43a, 5:19a, 11:01p, 5:42p, 2:15a, 10:43a, 5:19a,
11:01p, 5:42p,
185nboro Inlet 8;85a, 2:15a,
2 ape Fear river stage at FayetteSuarise, 8:53 a.m.; sunset, 6:13 p.m.;
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2. State and county war boards to meet these requirements here; Col. 1) of the agriculture department may tofore have been referred to the (Continued on Page Three; Col. 1) of the agriculture department may tofore have been referred to the

Abandonment Of Efforts To Regulate Profits

TO MEET TUESDAY

Brown Presses Struggle For Greater Public Support Of Measures

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON, March 6 .- (R)-Sweeping changes in policies and practices of the OPA will be urged upon Administrator Prentiss Brown Tuesday by 10 members of the Senate Finance and Banking The proposals will include:

1. Reduce personnel. Limit the scope of price control to basic commodities only. 3. Abandon attempts to regulate

4. Raise ceilings on farm prod-

The meeting for a general distem on the central front. cussion of OPA was arranged at the suggestion of Brown, himself a former senator, as criticism congreater public support through substitution of voluntary for policed controls so far as practica-

Names Committee In this connection Clyde L. Herauthority for price and rationing." to the west. He plans to give local boards greater authority to make decisions independently of Washington.

"My idea is that this organization should take the people into they will organize themselves and railway station of Osuga, 53 miles production." An allotment of stirrup pumps they will enforce our prices and north of Vyazma.

let them settle one has been received by the New rations," Herring explained. Hanover Defense Council Citizens of OPA and Budget bureau offi- Vyazma from the Kaluga sector manufacturing aircraft for the urday night, thus implying that Protection Corps for distribution to cials. Herring indicated that it in the southeast. Senator Wade recalled the ex- certain units of the OCD, it was would look into such complaints as

those voiced by the senators.

Receive Complaints

The first distribution will be —send home half of those guys who are working in OPA."

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aided by Assistant Chief H. S. VINSON FORECASTS ment was fighting. The distribution of the pumps Zone No. 2, March 8, 7:30 p.m. Church of the Covenant, 15th and

ermitted to increase their 1943 7:30 p.m., U. S. O., 9th and Nixon. Says He Will Fight Any was credited with capturing five Move To Tack 'Dry' Rider On The Bill

committee would approve a meas- grad, and west of Rostov red army commenced of his chief: Wickard said. "that there are some reas in the cotton belt that are 10, 8 p.m. U. S. O., 5th and Orange.

Wednesday, March ure to curb absenteeism among newly occupied positions" after be satisfied until he has reached newly occupied positions." He referred to the similar goals." He referred to the similar goals."

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Zone No. 5, Monday, March 15, 7:30 p.m., St. Paul Parish House, by prohibition advocates to restrict patches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the control of the central front, field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches said Marshal Timoshen- or eliminate altogether the central front field dispatches the central front field dispatches altogether the central front field dispatches altogether the central front field dispatches the central front field dispatches the central field dispatches altogether the central field dispatches the centra a "dry" rider to the bill. th and Princess.

Or eliminate altogether the sale ko's troops were fighting toward of liquor in industrial areas for Staraya Russa below Lake Ilmen Zones 1 and 3 will be made later, the duration of the war in connec- after the smashing break-through

As the pumps are not assembled, tion with the drive against absen- at Demyansk. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March driver to the meeting. Instructions fort yet to organize the anti-liquor German failure to take Moscow The Weaher bureau today will be issued by the Zone Warden advocates, some of them are con- in the winter of 1941. When So-

> You may oveut it. the discomforts or core they can strike on toward embarrassment of

To Keep Farmeor Complexion WASHINGTON, March 6— (P)— request the defermed by problem whether when deficient to be sary farm worker even tho you must be designed to give local told local draft boards tonight to worker himself or his employer tural to boards greater influence. keep farm workers in deferred not seek the deferment. The boards Meanwhile a house appropriaclassifications—even if the quotas also may appeal from decisions tions subcommittee slashed by

for the armed forces cannot then of local draft boards. three other new instructions designately the first of the month, three other new instructions designately the 24 hours ending 7:30 be met.

Sought by the Agriculture departing the Agriculture departing the Agriculture departing the farm worker is not producing ment to recruit farm labor. The pital here with cuts and laceration was aimed not at the relations.

The commission also issued farm worker is not producing ment to recruit farm labor. The pital here with cuts and laceration was aimed not at the relations. ed to help meet the farm labor must refer his case to a county cruiting program itself but was desportage:

war board and allow 30 days for signed to bring the administration's snortage:

1. Any man with farming experhim to be placed in another job program more in line with conto the section base at Fort Caswell shortage:

ience who is now in other work should be classified as farm-deferred (class 2-C or 3-C) if he goes ferred (class 2-C or 3-C) if he goes worker is required to produce a sued this memorandum to draft rear of the huge tractor-trailer back to agriculture as a regular minimum output fixed by formulas boards: back to agriculture as a regular prepared by the Agriculture deposition of the enemy's induction.

| Journal of the enemy's prepared by the Agriculture department. Cases of workers failing an individual registrant is neces of Southport, said an inquest into the composition of the enemy's partment. Cases of workers failing an individual registrant is neces of Southport, said an inquest into the composition of the enemy's partment.

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have been receivthe allied attacks

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Senators Will ROMMEL'S TANKS STRIKE AT BRITISH Ask Sweep 8TH ARMY IN FRONT OF MARETH LINE; RUSSIA'S FORCES CAPTURE GZHATSK

City Has Been Nazi Spearhead Pointed At Moscow For 18 Months

MORE TOWNS TAKEN

Russians Gaining In Efforts To Sever Main Kiev-Bryansk Railway

LONDON, March 6.—(AP) committees, it was learned tonight. The Red army scored its third major victory in a week today by capturing Gzhatsk, 100 miles west of Moscow and the nearest point to the Soviet capital in the Germans' crumbling hedgehog defense sys-

"After storming the town twice," said a special Moscow tinued from many quarters, and communique recorded by the as Brown pressed his struggle for Soviet Radio monitor, "our greater public current through troops captured the town of Gzhatsk. The captured war material is being counted."

Gzhatsk, 60 miles southeast ring, newly appointed administra- of recaptured Rzhev, had been tive assistant to Brown and former a Nazi spearhead pointed at democratic senator from Iowa, ap- Moscow for a year and a half. pointed a committee for the pur- Its capture released a three-dipose of "simplifying procedure and rectional Russian drive on Vyazregulations, reducing personnel, ma. 35 miles away on the road and taking back to the people more to Smolensk, main German base

Russian shock troops fighting understand what we are doing, night and morning. Including the

Later a midnight Soviet communique reported that the Red The aircraft company, which has and Barents seas. army had killed 1,000 more Ger- two plants at Bristol, Pa., and an-

Gzhatsk was by-passed by Rus-

an effort to cut the main Bryyansk Kiev railway which links the cen-

spite deep snow and a storm." infantry was wiped out and 32 Hughes.

cotton than to other crops. The 8 p.m., Calvary Baptist church, he would fight any move to tack an unidentified German strong-shipbuilding records.

the following marine foreon how to assemble them. All warn sidering offering the "dry rider viet troops threw back the Gerdens must be properly identifi weeks been absenteeism bill to "cure mans from the Soviet capital, wring hangovers," as Rzhev, Gzhatsk, and Vyazma held firm. Now only Vyazma remains to be cracked by the Russians

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of local draft boards.

3. If a draft board finds that a sought by the Agriculture depart-

THIRD BIG WIN U.S. Warships Shell Vila And Munda; Sink Two Large Japanese Destroyers

> WASHINGTON, March 6 .-(AP)_A Navy task force stabbing into the outer limits of the Japanese defense zone in the South Pacific bombarded shore installations at Vila and Munda in the Solomon islands Friday night, the Navy reported today, and sank two large enemy destroyers which tried

to interfere. The destroyers were units of a squadron of light Japanese surface forces which a Navy communique said "attempted to drive off our bombardment " A battle resulted. No United States ships were lost. The encounter was the first surface action to develop so far ago, Munda and Vila, which are close together are about 180 nautical miles northwest of Guadalcanal. There are several flying fields in the Munda area but darkness saved the American ships, officially described as "light surface units," from air attack.

The communique also reported the successful accomplish-ment of a "convoy mission" in the south Pacific despite the fact that the escorting task force was attacked by seven Japanese torpedo planes. Five of the Jap planes were shot down and not a ship was damaged. The action occurred Feb. 17. Tokyo had claimed that it

resulted in the sinking of two American destroyers and one large transport.

FINAL EDITION

Meanwhile evidence accumulated that Naval air forces in the South Pacific and elsewhere will be strengthened this spring and summer. Secretary Knox, who announced yesterday that new records in ship construction were set during February, said in his annual re-port to President Roosevelt,

would be completed by the end of 1945. "The over-all production program was scheduled for completion in 1947," the Secretary

released tonight, that the en-

tire projected five-ocean fleet

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German Warship Concentration Near Trondheim Indicates New Sea Drive Egypt.

KAISER ACQUIRES AIRPLANE PLANT

Buys All Stock Of Fleetwings, Inc., And Plans Greater Production

NEW YORK. March 6—(P)—Hen. Speculation centered on the possi-ry J. Kaiser, West coast shipbuild-bility that the Nazi high command er company, as such, has acquired plans a surface campaign as well outh and southwest of Rzhev had er, announced today that the Kaiscaptured 30 more towns during the its first aircraft plant, and that the supply lines to Britain and Russia of directors for the state's correction his goal will be "more and more

His statement disclosed that arorth of Vyazma.

German reports also have told rangements have been made for liminary moves for such a cam-United States Army air corps.

mans and captured several dozen other plant approaching comple-

before it was stormed, this bulletin the speed would duplicate his rec-pelling them always to stand in The measure provides that the said, and a German infantry regiords in shipbuilding, Kaiser re-readiness to counter any move.

tral and southern fronts. One unit was credited with capturing five no way interfere with his non-mind out. localities and killing 400 Germans profit contract in the Kaiser- ried out. in an offensive carried out "detion of three giant cargo transport

The counter-stroke against the Women, the State Holle and the
fleet pursuing such a strategy is dustrial School for Girls and the
spite deep snow and a storm." pite deep snow and a storm."

In the Donets basin the midnight

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Marsteller.

Zone No. 7 Tuesday, March 9.

Chairman Vinson (D.-Ga.) prediction cotton seed.

These products are made from cotton seed.

This was should not be should not be should not seed.

The second of this chief. "I can say that he will never

Car Crashes Into Rear Of Bus In Brunswick

second injured when the automo- home fleet should be adequate to bile in which they were riding stand guard over the northern seas adjourned, waiting for house action for the discipline and efficiency crashed into the rear of a U. S. Maritime commission shipyard bus on U. S. 17, six miles west of Wilmington in Brunswick county, at 12:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

State highway patrolmen, who investigated the accident, said the shipyard bus, bound for Southport, was unloading passengers on the highway at the time of the acci-

Arthur Jenkins, the driver of the marck sea convoy by Allied planes, (when planes blasted to the botcar, was admitted to Bullock's hos-

were riding, presumably returning bus, patrolmen said.

Nazis May Be Planning HOUSE APPROVES Surface Campaign Against Allies

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER WASHINGTON, March 6.- (A) -London reports of a powerful German warship concentration in the vicinity of Trondheim, Norway were given considerable credence in American Naval quarters today as an undersea offensive against

be realigned, should the Germans in a six-hour session today. The committee will be made up of Russian troops battling toward the Kaiser company to purchase paign by getting their battleships and other surface units out of the ded by Speaker John Kerr, Jr., action across the waste lands in manufacturing aircraft for the Norwegian fjords and into the fog-

Would Tie Up Ships Even if they do not move out, that they have completed the prescribed courses of training as required.

The first gian waters, the German heavy units will tie up a substantial number of Allical authors with the design of Allical authors with the design of Allical authors with the design of Allical authors of Allical authors with the design of the desig Asked if he intended to expand units will tie up a substantial numsian units on the north and south in the aircraft industry, and if ber of Allied warships by com-

fighting.

In the south the Russians reportally always has been and always has been and always will be more and more and more and this as "fleet in being" strategy.

The basic theory of the "fleet in being" operation is that a small by Senator Johnson of Duplin, pro-He said "on my own," the Fleet- number of warships can "contain' vides for appointment of a unified wings company was his first air-

The counter-stroke against the Women, the State Home and Inbulletin said a battalion of enemy on the West coast with Howard not be surprising if the British, ther provides for appointment of in order to free their home fleet a general superintendent and a for other duties, should attack the general business manager.

German ships heavily by air. naval activities stem from ac-Moseley of Guilford and others. not give the source of their infor- ment and prevention of crime in mation. Even without official con- the state. The commission is to firmation, however, authorities report to the 1945 general assemhere said the time was ripe for bly. the German admiralty to attempt

ships. Large Concentration stroyers.

One sailor was killed and a As a counter force the British in 1942. (Continued on Page Two; Col. 4) (Continued on Page Two; Col. 3)

BUREAU OF MINES

74 Measures Are Passed By Lower Body During Six-Hour Session

RALEIGH, March 6. -(A)- Bills authorizing creation of a bureau of mines to be located in western North Carolina and a unified board tional institutions were among the Allied sea power might have to 74 measures passed by the House ery a blow similar to the one he

the members stayed in Raleigh to- front of the Mareth line. shrouded waters of the Greenland and Barents seas.

day so that they might adjourn the was aided by the fact that they might adjourn the old French-built line was deat 3 p.m. Monday and will hold signed not so much as a holding its 'love feast' Monday night. position but one from which coun-

bureau shall be within the department of conservation and develop-

Boys, Industrial Farm Colony for

Also passed by the house was London reports of the latest Nazi a resolution, introduced by Rep.

A senate bill to abolish the state of the police department which to make some use of its big war- school commission, the state textbook commission, the state board of vocational education and the cers, some of them veterans of The concentration, according to state board of commercial educa- years of service, and promotion each warden is asked to bring teeism.

Gzhatsk had withstood a terwith him or her plyers and screw Although there has been no efwith him or her plyers and screw Although there has been no efwith him or her plyers and screw Although there has been no efwith Messew Another Injured When the British papers, included the tatives. The bill, introduced by Several other changes described 26,000-ton battleship Scharnhorst, Senator Horton of Martin, transfers as neither demotions nor promothe aircraft carrier Graf Zeppelin, the powers, functions and duties tions also were made. at least two 10,000-ton Hipper class of these boards to the state board In a note explaining the cruisers and a number of fast de- of education, as provided in the changes, Anderson said, "these

The senate passed 35 bills, then

Three Cruisers Counted In Japs' Recent Losses

as F. M. Waters, machinist mate Three Japanese light cruisers were thur's headquarters. second class, of the Southport Nav- among the 22 ships lost by the en- 'In the battle of the Bismarck emy in the sinking of the Bis-sea, which terminated yesterday

> aerial annihilation of the new communique related. Guinea-bound_ convoy March 2-3-4 'cruisers or destroyers."

"The composition of the enemy's near misses or hits.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN ers," said the noon communique AUSTRALIA, Sunday, March 7.- from General Douglas MacAr-

the sunken ships), approximately Previous communiques on the 136 of our aircraft participated, the

"The enemy's air force employ had listed the ships sunk as 10 ed approximately 150 planes of warships and 12 transports, loaded which 102 were definitely observed with 15,000 troops, but had de- as put out of action. Our planes scribed the warships only as dropped 226 tons of bombs. Eighty direct hits were observed and 63

"Our losses were one heavy bom-

Twenty-One Tanks Knocked Out During Early Part Of New Engagement

FIGHTING CONTINUES

Gambling On Blow Similar To One He Handed Allies Two Weeks Ago

ALLIED HEADQUAR-TERS IN NORTH AFRICA, March 6.—(P)—Marshal Erwin Rommel's axis forces lashed out savagely at the British Eighth Army at dawn today in an offensive against Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery for the first time since the battle of El Alamein in

After the loss of 21 tanks in the early stages of the fighting the axis army which Rommel had brought 2,000 miles across Libya, in retreat, struck back and pressed its

The 21 German tanks were knocked out without loss to

the British. Rommel's tanks and infantry attack was described as "in considerable strength" and early reports indicated that fierce fighting was continuing.

Gambling

Apparently gambling with the dea that he could deal Montgomhanded the Anglo-American first It was the first "short" week-end of the 1943 legisature. Prod-Field Marshal set his forces in

A bill introduced by Senator ter-attacks could be launched.

to forestall defeat and gain time was to strike first. His first blow in the north had pushed American troops out of most of southern Tunisia, protect-

ing his flank until the Americans rallied at Kasserine pass and in-

(Continued on Page Three; Col. 2) **CHARLOTTE POLICE**

Nine Officers Are Demoted And Ten Advanced By Chief Anderson

CHARLOTTE, March 6-(P)-Police Chief Walter Anderson announced tonight a reorganization included demotion of nine offi-

constitutional amendment adopted orders are being made in pursuance of the responsibility placed upon me by the city charter of the department."

He also said that progress of all the police, including the demoted officers would "receive appropriate recognition, with the object in view that the higher ranking positions in the police department at all times shall be held by the best qualified men, with ability and merit being the means of obtaining promotion."

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