WILMINGTON, N. C., SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1943

PRICE FIVE CENTS REDS SET TRAPS FOR LARGE

# RAF Bombers Batter Berlin And Stuttgart

Hurl Down 1,000 Tons Of Bombs On Nazi Capital In 20 Minutes

**12 PLANES LOST** 

Air Ministry Pays Tribute To Crushing American Blow On Bremen

LONDON, Nov. 27— (P) — RAF beavy bombers spread fresh ruin with steel and fire through stricken Berlin last night, in 20 minutes hurling down "much more than 1,ong tons" of bombs in the third nighty assault this week in the campaign to obliterate that heart

Other bombers hammered Stut-300 miles southwest, simul-

irty-two big planes were lost. but the Air ministry today paid wasual tribute to the crushing American blow at Bremen Friand said the American drain German air strength had contributed greatly to the success of the RAF's long hop in clear weather to Berlin.

Guided By Fires

flagrations visible for 200 miles. their whistling combs spiraling to 14,000 long tons the total weight of explosive heaped on Berlin in 1943. and boosting the total for little more than a week to some 6,000. It was the fifth straight night of raids-counting two lighter Mosstabs -on sleepless, doomi Berlin, and wholesale evacuan of the city seemed ever more

Stockholm newspaper said the new attack was concentrated in the west and central sectors, with age fires in the Charlottenburg area, and that 500,000 Berliners ere homeless. Unconfirmed Stockholm reports said that war workis had been forbidden to leave Berlin, but that about 100,000 "esmovements with the police.

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#### CHINESE TIGHTEN NORTH HUNAN NET

Killed In Fighting For City Of Changteh

CHUNGKING, Nov. 27-(P-The Chinese declared tonight that they were tightening their net around myading Japanese forces in Northin Hunan Province and that near-10,000 enemy troops had been alled in fierce fighting for the ice bowl city of Changteh.

apanese have approximately 100,-00 troops fighting in the northern unan area, but a communique anouncing the encircling of eney forces in that area did not pecify the number of Japanese aught in the trap.

ghting fiercely. The Chinese said at a force of some 1,000 invad- together again. efenders wiped them out in a the Pope said:

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#### WEATHER

Moudy and colder.

(Eastren Standard Time)

By U. S. Weather Bureau)

Meteorological data for the 24 hours

coing 7:30 p. m. yesterday.

Temperature

1:20 a. m. 54, 7:30 a m. 52, 1:30 p m.

51, Mean 60, Normal 52

Humidity

1:20 a.m., 99, 7:30 a m., 75, 1:30 p m., i

22, 7:30 p m., 66.

Precipitation

Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30

D. m. 0.00 inches

Total intention nce the first of the month,

Will Call Here



LORD HALIFAX

### PLANS UNDER WAY FOR HALIFAX VISIT

Ambassador Will Be Honored At Luncheon, Visit Shipyard Friday

Arrangements for the visit of Viscount Halifax to Wilmington on Friday, December 3, during which time he will be the guest of honor at a luncheon, tour the yard this significance probably can of the North Carolina Shipbuilding be expected to serve as a final Guided by fires still tlazing in company and review British troops German capital, the RAF stationed at Camp Davis, are now suged great new wounds and set being completed, Storer P. Ware, British vice consul, said Saturday.

of Governor J. Melville Brough- Britian under the determined purton at the executive mansion in pose and the clearly-expressed ac-Raleigh Thursday and that night cord of the Moscow conference. will speak at Duke university, in Durham. He will return to Raleigh and the following morning, welter of foreign accounts of the accompanied by Major H. G. Lockhart, his secretary, and Hugh C. three' by suggesting a fourth big McClelland, who will assume the consular duties at Baltimore on ented by its leader at such a con December 1, he will leave for Wil-ference. mington and will arrive early in the afternoon.

nearby military establishments in with President Roosevelt, Prime have been invited to the luncheon Minister Churchill and Premier at the Cape Fear club at 1 o'clock. Stalin. without registering their Following the auncheon, he will tour the shipyard. Some of the 126 Lib-"Signal Victory" erty ships built there are under British flag and the company is the attack was a "signal vic- now engaged on the construction of the British flag and the company is placed to the British flag and the c lory" for the U. S. air force, which C-2 type ships, a longer and better vessel than the Liberty. Ten have been launched and officials announced Friday that, as the recult of "certain major design changes" on a substantial number of the 60 C-2 craft under its first contract for this type of vessel,

will be lengthened. Ten Thousand Japanese his call at the shipyard at about 4:30 o'clock and will then go to City hall where he will review the British anti-aircraft troops, who

the present construction program

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#### POPE ASKS PEACE PRAYERS DEC. 8

The Chinese have estimated the Declares 'Only Gospel Can Bring Nations Together Again'

LONDON, Nov. 27- (P) -Pope Pius XII, designating Dec. 8 as a The Japanese, though suffering day for public prayers for peace day casualties, were reported throughout the world, said today pressed, however, for a quick vote 'enly gospel can bring the nations

broke through the north gate In a papal letter to Luigi Cardi- ment payments to keep down re-Changten, stronghold guarding nal Maglione, papal secretary of tail food prices.

approaches to Chansna, capital state, broadcast by the Vatican ra-Hunan province, but that the die in both English and German,

South gate but suffered nearly 3,- fraternal voice of charity is silent or, if about to utter a syllable,

**Major Allied** 

Political Mo Appears

May Mean 🔏 Final Crush Against Nazis,

LAST WARNING SEEN

Chiang And Benes May Attend Expected Meeting Of The 'Big Three'

LONDON, Nov. 27 -(A)-Mountng evidence of information from abroad strengthened belief in London tonight that one of the Major developments of the war is expectable momentarily — in the diplomatic rather than the military field - closely related to Al-

ied warld-wide victory strategy. The nature and full implications of such an important break could obviously relate directly to the flashing of a go-signal for the final crushing blows which leaders of the United Nations fighting have promised Germany and Japan.

Final Warning

When it comes, a development of warning to those waging the war of ever-more--certain doom under Adolf Hitler and Emperor Hirohito

Certainly the rumored move will find Russia taking a full place Lord Halifax will be the guest alongside the United States and Meanwhile reports from abroad the custody of an officer to stand gave a new turn to the recent trial for going AWOL. Meanwhile reports from abroad

possible meting of the Allied "big

Allied power also night be repres-This is based on the likelihood that any such talks would be of A number of prominent Wilming-tonians and representatives of lissimo Chiang Kai-Shek might sit

One of the mystery men of the

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#### **SUBSIDY PROGRAM AIRING REQUESTED**

Lord Halifax is expected to end Senate Consent Of Payments Hang On Compromise Effort

> WASHINGTON, Nov. 27- (A) Any senate consent to continuation of food subsidy payments apparently hung today on efforts of a small democratic bloc to split mall democratic bloc to split make with a small democratic bloc to split mechanisms. The letters are signed by L. W. necessary in some places to reach the hills where the Germans have established more formidable decompromise that would permit out-lay of the funds for a limited period and a restricted amount. While administration lieutenants fanned that faint hope vigorously, majority leader Barkley (D-WY) called for a public airing of the controversy

"so the people will get the full story." Farm Bloc leaders-confident of outright defeat of president Roosevelt's price subsidy program -on the house-approved bill which, after Dec. 31, would ban govern-

Meantime, the group of democratic senators were striving to election is certain." win over Farm Bloc spokesmen to While the rumbling and crash-the compromise proposal although Other Japanese forces swept ing of arms goes on and while ro specific subsidy ceiling or time

> Administration contentions that is immediately silenced" food prices would soar if congress tage charges in Jutland, rising to the institution by the Not the week's total to 13. The six lat-Carolina Shipbuilding company.

Calling on the faithful to turn prohibits substitles sounded to state to cases were at Aalborg; The to God, the Pope said "even if tor Aiken (R-vt) "like a threat to others were at Aarhus. The exe-(Continued on Page Three; Col. 4) (Continued on Page Two; Col. 8) cutions were delayed for appeals. said.

Freed By Court



Canadian WAC Betty Trimble leaves General Sessions Court in New York City after receiving a of robbing service women at a canteen. She left for Canada in (International)

#### MACARTHUR-LODGE GROUP ORGANIZED

To Be Pushed For GOP Presidential, Vice Presidential Nominations

and other officials announce the Waves of medium and light bombformation of a committee to boom General Douglas MacArthur and ers as well as fighter-bombers Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of swept over the German trenches. presidential and vice-presidential positions, scattering hundreds of

The committee was formed in in years will have no favorite son tillery fire. to advance. In 1940 it put forward Arthur H. James, then gov-

Lodge was not in the city to-

chairman. He is described by ac- established more formidable de- ed to drop her neutral status. quaintances as an investment pro- fenses. moter with offices in this city as

well as in Pennsylvania not mention those associated with him on the political committee, it declares:

"Our survey shows, and the past election bears us out, that a Republican can be elected in 1944. After sifting our information, we are convinced that our nominees should be General Douglas MacArthur for president and Senator Henry Cabot Lodge for Roe Expresses Thanks For vice-president. With this combination we are confident that the

CONDEMED TO DEATH STOCKHOLM, Nov. 27- (A)

sliced deeper into the elaborate German defense system northwest of the swollen Sangro river under cover of one of the war's most inten-

Two Counter-Attacks

West Of Venafro

WEATHER IMPROVES

Eighth Army Advances Be-

hind Cover Of Intensive

'Bomb Barrage'

BY NOLAND NORGAARD ALLIED HEADQUAR-

TERS, Algiers, Nov. 27-(P)

-The Eighth army has

sive "bomb barrages," Allied headquarters announced to-The exact extent of the gains made yesterday in a drive toward enemy hill positions was not disclosed. From these high strong points German guns poured a de structive fire into the Eighth Army's hard-won bridgehead across the river. Flooded by more than a two-foot rise, the river now is 1,000 feet wide in some places. On the other end of the Germans' winter line across Italy, the American Fifth Army smashed two counter-attacks against their foot-

holds in the mountains west of

Venafro, from which it threatens a

broad valley leading toward Cassino and Rome.

Better Weather American forces were favored by somewhat better weaththe Eighths operations were carried out in continued rains which made the going aground extremely difficult and aerial attacks unusually hazardous.

The Eighth Army's attacks followed the technique of remarkfor the party's machinegun posts and artillery

While the bombs were explod-Doylestown, Pa. The state has the ing, driving the enemy troops to not been prepared for war and a Republican national convention, forward behind an aerial versions considered a necessary step. but next year for the first time of the "creeping barrage," of ar-

Bridgehead

The Eighth Army's bridgehead. which extended for more than five miles along the lower Sangro, oriday. His secretary however, said ginally was reported to be nearly he had not heard of the Doyles- a mile and a half deep, with ad. Turkey's immediate entry into the Vances of another mile or two war.)

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#### SHIPYARD MAKES GIFT TO HOSPITAL

Contribution Of \$5,-000 To Institution

J. C. Roe, president of the board around and stormed through the so much hate is prevalent, the limit for the program had been today that six more Danes had Memorial vesterday and today that six more Danes had been condemmed to death on sabo-nounced receipt of a gift of \$5,000 food prices would soar if congress tage charges in Jutland, rising to the institution by the North "It is an excellent contribution and we appreciate it greatly," he

> He added that the gift shows the large industrial concern realizes the problems the hospital faces as the result of Wilmington's expanded population and declared it is to be commended for contributing financially toward

Despite the efforts of city offi-|is seemed certain that the decision Mr. Roe pointed out that the money comes at a "most opportune time" because it will be used to continue the program of improving the institution's physi-If he uses an old-fashioned add-ing machine—and not a New Deal cal plant. The contribution raises as of Saturday afternoon there was learn the final outcome of the ap-columns wheeling in various directo \$10,000 the amount the shipno word.

> the past two years. cern gave \$5,000 to Community out an expansion program be- cision in the matter resulting from the city's large for several weeks, expecting the

#### BIG GUNS ROAR U.S. Extends Beachhead At Empress Augusta Bay Guerrillas Set Mines; Reg. U. S. Fifth Army Smashes

Cairo Parley Increases

Turkey's Chance Of War

NAZI ARMY FLEEING GOMEL;

BRITISH GAIN ABOVE SANGRO

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AL-LIED HEADQUARTERS, Sunday, Nov. 28. —(P)— American Marines and soldiers have driven 800 yards to the northeast during bitter fighting to extend ther beachhead at Empress Augusta bay-stepping stone on the west-central coast of Bougainville in the northern Solomons leading toward Rabaul.

A spokesman for Gen. Douglas MacArthur, in announcing the advance today, said strong enemy opposition was overcome and, "although no count has been made, Japanese losses were heavy."

(More details were supplied from the South Pacific head-quarters of Adm. William F.

YALCHIN AIRS VIEWS

Newspaper May Be Prepar-

ing Public For Entrance

Into Conflict

ANKARA. Nov. 26 .- (Delayed)-

Halsey where it was reported that the fight opened Monday, requiring four days to gain the precious yardage. Halsey's headquarters said both sides sustained considerable casual-

(The enemy fought from well prepared positions. They used machineguns and mortars. (The Japs appeared to be moving overland behind the

beachhead from the Jaba river on the south side of the American positions to attack on the northeast. An American naval blockade has prevented the Japanese from moving barges down the west coast from Buka

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Man-Days Lost Because

Of Walkouts Increase

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27-(AP)

October amounted to about 975,-

000 man-days or about one-

eighth of one per cent of the

available working time of

Idleness to strikes in

# **300,000 RETREAT**

ulars Beat Back Enemy Front Nine Miles

ABANDON EQUIPMENT

Soviets Forces Punch Out New Salient Along Lower Berezina River

BY JAMES M. LONG LONDON, Sunday, Nov. 28—(A)—Approximately 300,-000 Germans were forced into hasty retreat from Gomel today, abandoning equipment and stores, as Soviet guerrillas infiltrated to set mines and road traps in their rear and a pursuing Red army regular force beat them back frontally nine miles in

24 hours. Other Soviet columns pounded at the sides of the Nazis' 50-mile-wide escape corridor, as they ran a gantet extending northwest from Gomel through Zhlobin and Bobruisk toward Minsk.

This picture was presented by the midnight communique, recorded by the Soviet monitor, which also tola of gains that punched out a new salient along the lower Berezina river and of successful deense against the German counterattack in the Kiev bulg. which was eported reinforced with eight tank divisions - some of them from Italy, Greece and Norway.

The scattered coal mining In Desperate Straits stoppages from October 13 to The Russians indicated that fleethe end of the month accounted ing Nazi forces who lost Gomel for about 40 per cent of the total workers involved in strikes and more than half of

Friday were in desperate straits. "Hastily retreating under blows by Red army troops, the enemy is abandoning heavy equipment and stores with military equipment and ammunition in the area of Uvaro-

Uvarovichi is 17 miles northwest of Gomel and only a few miles from the railroad along which the Germans were falling back. Many trucks full of Germans were capured in one sector and in another 19 guns, 86 machineguns and numerous stores of equipment fell to the Russians. A total of more than 80 towns and hamlets fell to the Russians in this area.

Guerrillas, who played an import-Conquest of the Gilberts after the ant role in breaking the Dnieper river line this fall by leading regmay be the forerunner of even ular troops through secret forest tougher and costlier battles in the paths to outflank German defenses, were playing a dramatic role in this Secretary of the Navy Knox has newest bid for a major German disdeclared the Japanese must be aster.

Mine Road

The communique said several relatively small part. And almost guerrilla detachments operating in as treacherous and dangerous as the Gomel region mined the road of the Japs, themselves, are the coral the retreating German troops and many of the enemy-held atoll set traps on the road, "In one sector Soviet patriots or-

ganized road blocks and for three It was such reefs and total lack days and nights fought engagemnts with a German mortar column inflicting heavy losses to the enemy," caused a greater part of the heavy the communique said. "Only a small casualties on Tarawa, for more number of German trucks succeedthan 2,000 tons of shells had plasted in getting through the road block ered the island base before invaand crossing the mined section of Certainly that bombardment, More than 50 German trucks plus some 700 tons of aerial bombs.

were wiped out and 400 Germans killed in this operation.

ed in Budapest en route back to 4.000 men. But, because of the ter- divisions may have moved up to rain, even a handful of survivors the north, where the Russians, who could have caused heavy damage have been driving on the upper Dnieper river in a week-old offen-Hidden in pill boxes, behind barsive that has enveloped Propoisk, ricades—pill boxes and barricades indicated stronger German resistance.

tney could pick off the wading 'The enemy brought up reserves and offered stubborn resistance to our attacking troops," the communique said, recording the capture of only a few populated places in conoffensive. The Germans counter-attacked in this area but more than 800 were killed and some Russian progress was made: Military booty and prisoners were also taken in this area.

The entire Gomel region along cials to extract an answer, be it would be forthcoming directly, about 100 miles of front seethed negative or affirmative, from the War Production Board on the city's Mayor Cameron, ir. Washington fell back and rushed reserves to plug gaps in their crumbling lines. tions from various areas.

One Russian movement was builded in a telephone conversation Sat- is virtually at a standstill. Work- ing a bulge along the Berezina riv-Recently the shipbuilding con- urday morning with a WPB rep- men have carried the line to the er between Kalinovichi and Zhlobin, resentative in Washington that the turning off point for Hood's creek, pushing northwestward toward Bohospital, which is also carrying board had not yet rendered a de- The Lock-Joint Pipe company has bruisk. It was flanking the last completed the cement-steel links German natural defense line short The officials have been waiting for the distance to Hood's creek. of the pre-war Polish frontier by

answer momentarily. A week ago (Continued on Page Two; Col. 5) (Continued on Page Two; Col. 2)

## Butler Suggests Wallace Apologize To Taxpayers For 'Wild Global WPA' WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—(P)— form of dollar diplomacy winning get the names of the various agen-Senator Butler (R-Neb.), reiterate the United States, at best, the cies dealing with Latin America,

ca, suggested tonight that Vice Wallace also described the fig-President Wallace apologize to ures used by Butler at "fantastic"

and wooly activities of this global and wooly activities of this global and wooly activities of this global to Latinmington 10:18a 4:51a

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ing his charges that the New Deal "sucker" label, and, at the worst, obtain from each agency the monis wasting billions in Latin Ameria a suspicious mistrust of motive.

"the hard-beset taxpayers of this nation who are paying for the wild and wooly activities of this global WPA."

ures used by Butter to and said they would be "refuted by the agencies involved."

In reply, Butler went or the radio tonight. In a prepared speech he

ey they have wasted in South America, and add the figures.

kind-I am sure he will arrive at the same figures I presented to yard has given the hospital in

Continued on Page Two; Col. 3) | 000,000 south of the border in wild said, "is to get an adding machine, (Continued on Page Ten. Col. 3) | growth in population.

their solution.

battle."

"My advice to Mr. Wallace," he his figures. Rockefeller said spendcause of the increase demands
cause of the increase demands

#### American wage earners, and A-In what may be a part of a compare with 243,756 man-days campaign to prepare the Turkish lost in October, 1942. public for war at the side of the Announcing these figures to-Allies, the newspaper Tanin said editorially today that the Cairo day, the Bureau of Labor Satconference had greatly increased the possibility of Turkey's entry tistics said there were 290 strikes last month involving 215,000 workers.

DRIVE PREDICTED

Conquest Of Gilberts May

Be Forerunner Of

Costlier Battles

WASHINGTON Nov. 27- (A)

central Pacific.

"toughest fight in Marine History"

driven from the Mandated islands

of which the Gilberts are only a

the total idleness.

Referring to the recently-concluded talks between British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and Turkish Foreign Minister Numan Menemencioglu, Husem Yalchin, prominent pro-democratic journalist, wrote in Tanin:

into the war.

"If it could be said that before the Cairo talks the possibility of **TOUGHER PACIFIC** Turkey's not entering the war was predominant, that situation is not reversed after the Cairo talks.

Not Prepared

Despite Turkey's increasing cooperation in the form of sub rosa assistance to the Allied armed forces, the man in the street has second largest delegation to the cover, the British troops moved campaign to that end has been

(The German - controlled Vichy radio quoted Turkish newspapers Saturday as saying that Istanbul's municipal authorities were preparing "to black out the city." broadcast, picked up by CBS, added that the measure did not imply

Yaicnin made no attempt to predict when furkey might be expect-

"The precise conditions under moter with offices in this city as obviously alarmed over the fact that the troops of Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery have been nard L. Montgomery have been the fact which Turkey would enter the war are not apparent at this time," he ward are not apparent at this time, he ward are not apparent at this time, he ward are not apparent at this time, he ward are not apparent at this cover approaches to many of the enemy-held atoll bases. questions to be decided."

reported a flurry of diplomatic activity. The Anatolian news Meanwhile, Istanbul dispatches agency correspondent at Budapest said that the Turkish ambassador to Rome, Rushee Unaydin, had arrived in Budapest from Rome with his entire staff. The correspondent said also that Franz Von Papen, Hitler's ace diplomat and ambassador to Turkey, had arriv-

In the Tanin editorial Yalchin went on to point out that, under the terms of the Turkish-British treaty of 1939 it was not necessary for Turkey to be attacked directly "to necessitate her entry into the

Turkish action in accordance with the alliance 'comes at the head of our vital interests," he

invaders until they themselves were picked off

Moreover, the attacking forces

(Continued on Page Two; Col. 2) City Awaits WPB Ruling On Pipeline Job Request

sion waves went ashore.

to the attacking Marines.

killed or wounded very many of

the enemy garrison estimated at

shattered by the bombardment-

request for permission to extend last week-end, discussed the probits water pipeline to King's Bluff, lem with WPB and expected to The Russians sent at least three Mayor Bruce B. Cameron learnpeal by Monday, at the latest. Meanwhile, work on the project