

Today At 10 a. m.-**Premier Slated**

New Hanover county will start quarrels, over freight rates and clared.

All city retail stores will open at 10 a.m. Tuesday, in order for **REYNOLDS BACKS** employes to attend the mass meeting, where it is expected that each store worker will accept for himself a goal of \$200 worth of bonds or stamps to be sold dur-The premier showing of the "Destination picture, motion will be the formal "kick-Tokyo.' off" to the bond drive and bond leaders expressed the opinion that it will be a "sellout." Tickets to the movie may be secured free from any bond an extra war bond.

"It is absolutely impossible to tary equipment which will be disfrom 1:30 to 8:30 p.m. do it now," he told the Senate,

Reynolds supported the pending will be blocked off by police. p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and the band goal set by the Treasury. Presi- cial controls. will move inside later to play for dent Roosevelt said last week the (Continued on Page Two; Col. 7) bill fails to pass the test of a "realistic tax law."

SENATOR FAVORS NEW STRIKE BILL abolish for the war's duration a tax of 10 cents a pound on the sale of vellow colored clearch

S Russian Troops Drive Toward Latvia; and Strike **.USSIANS SURPRISED**

Retail Stores Will Open is still dependably within the Dem-ocratic party fold, Southern gov-the idea the South may bargan for its political support. The governors expressed this

The governors expressed this view in advance of a White House that Southern Democrats ought to tea to which they were invited by President Roosevelt. Summed up, the party before giving our un-their general attitude was that ualified support," Arnall de-

New Hanover county will start quarrels, over freight fates and clared. steps to reach its goal of \$4,859.-600 today, as the Fourth War Bond er than with a Republican admin-ter within Democratic ranks rath-er than with a Republican admin-ter within Democratic ranks rath-ter within Democratic ranks rath-this fall and added that Mr. Roose-to reach its goal of \$4,859.-MOSCOW, Jan. 17.- (P) - The Communist party organ, Pravda, to reach its fall and added that Mr. Roose-to reach its fall and add

ern governors conference which is Florida gave reporters an opinion unofficial accusation that Britain Having accepted a major role sponsoring Interstate Commerce reiterated by most of the execu-in this great bond sale undertak. Commission cases containing the tives:

INCOME CEILING

in this great bond safe undertain commission cases containing the twes: ing, the city's retail merchants South's freight rate adjustment and their employes are expected pleas, said he felt "only hostility to set the pace of the campaign is evident" from GOP leaders to to set the pace of the campaign is evident" from GOP leaders to ov offering unqualified support at proposed rate parity with the in- Holland said that if the election credited to "a special correspond-

a mass meeting at 9 a.m. at the dustrial east. Bailey theater, when Judge Hen-With one partial exception the Southerners will forget an inclina-officials had met secretly with Joary L. Stevens, of Warsaw, presid-southern governors expressed firm ing at superior court here this belief the Solid South again will

campaign formally opens with a stration. "kickoff" bond premier movie at 8 p. m. tonight at the Bailey thea-

'Rumor' From The Be-

ginning

WILMINGTON, N. C., TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1944

week, will deliver a war bond be strongly Democratic in the No- (Continued on Page Two; Col. 6) finding out the conditions of a sep-talk WALLACE SPEAKS

It said "it is understood the meeting did not remain without re--a phrase which carried to Russians the positive connotation that it had met at least a partial

ing the campaign Jan. 18-Feb. 23. Sen. Maybank Vainly Tries Vive-President Denounces were stirred among Russians by Excited interest and surprise the strange and disturbing story. Allied quarters were incredulous. British officials said they could not understand either the report or the publication of it, and that they did

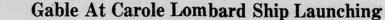
Senator Reynolds (D.-N.C.) advo- Vice President Wallace told the There was no hint as to the idenssuing agent for the purchase of ated a post-war tax ceiling of 25 night that the Federal Government aged in the negotiations. A Bern must break the "monopoly pow- dispatch said the Ankara radio had

nomic equality with other sections. Ribbentrop. Cheering the Southern governors The Pravda dispatch in its en-

lish officials and Von Ribbentrop. "The meeting had the aim of

"Such a program will certainly meet with an enthusiastic response arate neace with the Germans. It

of a six-ship enemy convoy caught



Great Britain Accused Of Seeking Peace

Nazis Say Entire Eastern Front Blazing

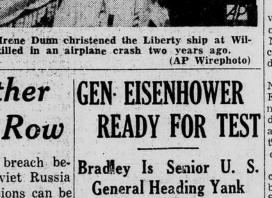
Capt. Clark Gable (left) watched as Film Actress Irene Dunn christened the Liberty ship at Wil-mington, Calif., named in honor of his wife, who was killed in an airplane crash two years ago. (AP Wirephoto)

Poles Awaiting Further Action In Border Row

LONDON, Jan. 17-(AP)-Healing of the breach between the London Polish government and Soviet Russia appeared to hinge on whether diplomatic relations can be reestablished through the efforts of the United States and Britain. Poles, who feel the problem concerns all the Unit-

JAP SHIP SUNK,

Polish statement Saturday.

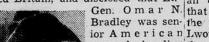


ed Nations, welcomed the offer of the United States to help and waited to see whether negotiations with the Soviet government could be attained in the face of found the pre-invasion machinery Rovno, 40 miles inside pre-war Poland, is an objective of troops 2 ARE DAMAGED could be attained in the face of the stern Russian reply to the

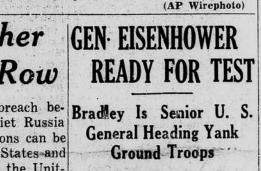
Lt. Gen.

The Poles have asked that

good humor, Gen. Dwight D. Ei- guns, an ammunition dump, and senhower declared today he had other booty.



ed Britain, and disclosed that Lt.- an 85-mile Russian bulge inside Gen. Om a r N. that territory. It is a junction on Bradley was sen- the Berdichev-Warsaw and Sarnyior A m e r i c a n Lwow railways, and also is astride hard-s general the great and highway. swiftly - mounting On Sunday other Russian units numbers of U. S. (Continued on Page Two; Col. 2) ground troops in





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AND BATAAN

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FINAL EDITION

Slaughter Of 2.300 Germans Is Claimed By Moscow

LONDON, Tuesday, Jan. 18-P-Northern Russian trops hammering toward the Latvian frontier 70 miles beyond drove to within seven miles of the rail junction of Novosokolniki yesterday, while far to the southwest another Red army plunged to within 14 miles of Boyno, an important communications hub for all eastern Poland. A Moscow communique early today said the Russians had killed a total of 2,300 troops yesterday, 1,200 of them in the reduction of five German strongpoints in the north where the Red army's latest offensive had entered its fifth day. Berlin accounts said, however, that 250,000 Russians were attacking all along a 250-mile front below Leningrad.

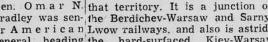
Fierce German counter-attacks were reported continuing in the Uman region of the southwestern Ukraine. The Russians said their troops successfully repulsed all of them, destroying 80 tanks, 16 armored cars, six big guns, 200 trucks and other equipment.

Uman is 12 miles south of Yarovatka, where the Russians previously had cut the Smela-Khristi-Novka railway, one of the Nazi escape routes leading out of the middle Dnieper River area.

The capture of Tuchin put Gen Nikolai F. Vatutin's forces of the First Ukraine Army only 14 miles ortheast of Rovno, and Moscow dispatches said Rovno's capture, an early possibility, would imperil the German grip on a vast area of southern Russia.

Soviet troops first by-passed Tuchin, said the bulletin broadcast by Moscow and recorded by the Soviet monitor. Then. "taking advantage of the panic that broke cut among the Germans, Soviet LONDON, Jan. 17 - (P- With lerites," and captured several

rumbling briskly when he reach-attacking on the southern side of



section, Wallace urged them to to information from reliable Greek A concert by the 141st Army band from Camp Davis will be that of the \$10,500,000 000 revenue. played outside the theater from short of the \$10,500,000 revenue barriers and to decentralize finan. nees peninsula between two Eng-

abolish for the war's duration a tax of 10 cents a pound on the sale of yellow colored oleomar-garine. Senator Maybank (D.-S.C.) by "discriminatory differentials in the south had by "discriminatory differentials in the south had been "kept in a colonial status" Senator Maybank (D.-S.C.) by "discriminatory differentials in ficial news agancy, Tass. The a 10,000-ton Japanese vessel and Senator Vandenberg R.-Mich.) de- brought the repeal attempt into the transportation costs," by state newspaper itself was careful to la- set afire two other merchantmen

To Get Tax On Oleo New York Money Repealed Market WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.-(P)- not believe it. WASHINGTON, Jan. 17 .- (P) -

TO DIXIE HEADS

Atmosphere for the official day as the Senate entered its sec-launching of the drive at the Bailey ond week's debate on a \$2,275,-theater will be supplied by mili-600,000, revenue bill.

on in their efforts to force a re- tirely was as follows:

between Market and Princess we've got to begin thinking about streets. Both sides of the street tax reduction." vision in the freight rates they "Cairo, Jan. 12-(By Special cor-contend discriminate against their respondent of Pravda)—According

The Senate's drive to pass the new tax measure stalled today be-hind a day-long fight which wound up in defect for with an enumusiastic response arate peace with the Germans. It states and should appeal to any is understood the meeting did not remain without results."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.- (R)- garine. Senate clared today that Federal legisla- tax debate and stirred an immedition outlawing 'in unequivocal terms' all interruptions in war production would be preferrable to the national labor draft act pro-posed by President Roosevelt. The Allied planes, members of Citing a government tabulation

a roll call vote. enberg said in a statement insert-

ed in the Congressional Record: "Organized labor gave us a notable 'no strike'' pledge which has een widely kept. Unfortunately, tion.' however, it has also been abused.

makes no difference in net results that this 'abuse' has often been 'unauthorized'.

The government figures tell us the 1927-41 average, and that we

ost 13.947,557 man days of proction as a result. It makes no ifference that over-all production gures minimize those figures. An ght-ounce heart can stop a 200id body.

"If the President, at long last, now ready to face this problem equivocally, I want to cooper-But I am unable to underd why we must regiment every male civilian and particularevery adult civilian woman in uder to achieve the desired re-

the war and save lives." In my view, such a remedy ght become worse than the disthe North Carolina Department's ase. I prefer to outlaw all strikes Post Officers conference, Atherton or lockouts in defense production said the Legion had urged enactservices for the duration. ment of a universal service act

Loss Of Life Expected To Mount Far Beyond 500 In Andean Town

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 17-P-Latest government reports from quake-stricken San Juan said tonight the loss of life is expected to mount far beyond 500, with 900 to 1,000 seriously injured and 4,000 less seriously hurt.

The government press bureau said it was too early for an accurate calculation of the material loss but estimated it would reach at least \$75,000 --

The task of removing the lead from the rubble and administering to the wounded went on amid huge piles of debris which still blocked most streets in the once picturesque nountain city of 30,000. Rescue squads cremated scores of unidentified bodies at the or-

ders of health authorities.

ner tables. Maybank's proposed re- "In short," he declared, "the have sealed their United Nations the South Pacific command Black Poles evidently were unwilling to lowing 3,737 strikes in 1943, Vand- pealer was defeated 55 to 23 on failure of the South to build a

balanced regional economy can be "This tax is not to raise re- told in terms of vested interests venue," declared Senator Shipstand seeking to protect uneconomic (R.-Minn.). "It is a regulatory profits through control of finance. tax to prevent fraud and decep- control of production capacity. monopolistic priving of transporta-

"Oleo can now be colored any tion services and control marcolor except yellow without paying kets.'

the tax," should Senator La Fol- He proposed removal of freight lette (Prog.-Wis.). "But its manu-lette (Prog.-Wis.). "But its manu-hurseus and their lodgment with funds with which to carry on the alinas was hit. Both of the dam-Raczkiewicz; Gen.

LEGION SUPPORTS

"At present," Wallace said, "all 900.

DRAFT OF LABOR by the New York money market, whose dominant bankers are al-

HIGH POINT, Jan. 17 .- (R)-Warren Atherton of Stockton, terprises in virtually every indus-try and who are naturally not ea-fourth War Loan. "After all, "he (Continued on Page Three; Col. 3) Calif., commander of the American Legion, said in a speech here of competing firms.

tional Service Act "can shorten "The breaking of the monopoly Addressing the closing session of (Continued on Page Two; Col. 3)



TO AIR MEETING

said was needed to win the war. 'He commended the loyalty of H. R. Gardner, county commis the American workers who aided sioner, was appointed to represent

in making production hit an all- New Hanover county at the an time peak, but called "traitors" nual meeting of the Atlantic Coastthose who "defied our commander al Cities Air Service Association in chief, and their own leaders, in Washington Friday, January 21. who turned deaf ears to the pray- at the regular weekly meeting of ers of mothers whose sons are in the Board of Commissioners Mon-

action, and stopped production." He said strikers were "prolong-ing the war and the blood of Amer-stated in a telegram from Washican boys will forever stain their ington to Henry W. Lockwood. Charleston, chairman of the group, hands.'

Future peace, he declared, de- that this would be the most impended on the continuance of portant meeting ever held by the friendly relations with nations of association. Dunning stated that the purpose

this hemisphere. Atherton told his hearers that of the meeting is to elect officers the producers of "the arsenal of and transact general business. It democracy are beginning to turn is expected that the association the tide of battle," but that the will arrive at plans for the dewar is far from over. He predict- velopment of adequate air service. ed that at the present rate of both domestic and foreign for casualies, "there will be 800,000 coastal cities.

killed and wounded between where we are and the ruins of Berlin American room of the Mayflower

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tially this was the same legisla-

tion which the President recently

The Allied planes, members of



emy escort craft put up stiff anti-

industrial developments that must appeal to the capital markets for funds to establish or expand their operations are subject to a veto by the New York money market. The Rev. James B. McQuere is ports indicated, and Allied fliers representation might bring the for the over-all American ground Rome, itself, is the immediate An attack on the American in-

Dosher stated yesterday that vasion area at Saidor, on the New ready interested in established en- the drive here was to effect in Guinea coast, cost the Japanese

can Legion, said in a speech here tonight that enactment of the Na-of competing firms. dimes.

Officials of the campaign said Officials of the campaign said that if people who were thankful TRIBUNAL RULES for the wonderful work carried on by the foundation in previous years would begin saving their dimes two or three months before

(Continued on Page Two; Col. 3) WEATHER

Tuesday. Wednesday partly cloudy and ontinued mild.

(Eastern Standard Time) (By U. S. Weather Bureau) Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., yesterday.

Normal 46. HUMIDITY 1:30 am, 90, 7:30 am, 94, 1:30 pm, 65, 7:30 pm, 72. PRECIPITATION Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 pm,

(Continued on Page Two; Col. 2) (Continued on Page Two; Col. 8) Welikie Luki to Staraya Russia. (Continued on Page Two; Col. 4)

discussion of all outstanding questions involving the two nations. It had said that it could not ac-

(Continued on Page Two; Col. 2) Cats squadron, spotted the convoy acept a settlement along the lines of four cargo vessels and two war- proposed by Russia some days ago ships, possibly cruisers, 45 miles and that the Russian government off Kavieng, the happy hunting ground of Allied patrol aircraft in gotiations with a government with which diplomatic relations have

been interrupted." It is believed in London that a ence was widely accepted as tan-reshuffling of Polish officials to tamount to announcement that the launching an attack on the key The eleventh annual appeal for aircraft fire, but none of the Cat- eliminate President Wladyslaw zero hour would find him com- city of Cassino today as their new The government figures tell us tere (110g, mail and the bureaus and their lodgment with facturers want it to look like but-tat there were 3,737 total strikes facturers want it to look like but-193, which is twice as many as ter and smell like butter. They'd the Interstate Commerce Commis-195, which is twice as many as ter and smell like butter. They'd the interstate Commerce Commis-196, which is twice as many as ter and smell like butter. They'd the interstate Commerce Commis-197, which is twice as many as ter and smell like butter. They'd the interstate Commerce Commis-198, which is twice as many as ter and smell like butter. They'd the fatter the opportunity of the fatter t

The Japanese have stepped up ister of defense; and giving the the variation of Polish patriots are conference that the choice front.

It is understood here that Pre- cided. But Bradley, who proved ions in Italy, Wilson said at his mier Stantislaw Mikolajczyk and himself as commander of the sec- first press conference here, add-Foreign Minister Tadeusz Rom- ond corps in Tunisia and Sicily, ing that he was "optimistic" that er will discuss the situation with has been in Britain many weeks, the Eternal City would fall to the Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and seems a logical choice. Even Allies before long. He said other soon and report to the Polish if someone else is chosen for the attacks might be expected along cabinet. In the meantime the post, the square-jawed infantry- the southern front anywhere from Poles feel that purposely avoid- man seems a certain bet for com- its western extremity, the Pyreing acceptance or rejection of the mand of an army. Russian Curzon Line proposals Choice of the American ground where the River Maritza flows in-

was wise because settlement of leader will complete the western to the sea. (Continued on Page Three; Col. 8) (Continued on Page Three; Col. 5) lied troops once they break the

New Soviet Break-Through Shapes Up As Opening Of Baltic Battle

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON The Pskov gateway seems the Associated Press War Analyst logical main objective of the Rus-A new Russian b ak-through to sian'drive. Through it run all trans FORECAST NORTH CAROLINA: Fair and warmer ing employes from commiting vio- cut the Leningrad-Odessa railroad portation feeders for the whole Na lence agains the road, the Supreme north of Novosololniki shapes up zi Baltic flank except the round-count ruled today. as the opening of the battle of the about Revel-Leningrad railroad

ending 7:30 p. m., yesterday, TEMPERATURE 1:30 am, 33, 7:30 am, 32, 1:30 pm, 48, 7:30 pm, 46, Normal 46, Normal 46, TEMPERATURE 1:30 am, 33, 7:30 am, 32, 1:30 pm, 48, 7:30 pm, 46, Normal 46, Temperature 1:30 pm, 46, Temperature 1:30 am, 33, 7:30 am, 32, 1:30 pm, 48, 7:30 pm, 46, Normal 46, Temperature 1:30 pm, 46, Temperature Quincey, Ill., which granted the car- Pskov. That is the vital supply German evacuation of all north rier an injunction during a strike and escape corridor south of Lake western Russia to match the reof 104 employes two years ago. Denial of an injunction, the opin-the Leningrad-Lake Ilmen-Lovat Russia to the south may be impending

leave the railroad without a reme- The site of the new operation, While the scope and direction of

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 Ieave the railroad without a reme-dy from the "mob violence" which it charged to the strikers. Damage suits and criminals laws prohibit-ing interference with interstate Masonboro Inlet______12:46a 7:07a Sunrise, 7:17 am. Sunset, 5:29 pm. Moonrise, 12:06 am. Moonset, 12:00 pm. Cape Fear River stage at Fayette-ville, 34 feet.
 leave the railroad without a reme-dy from the "mob violence" which it charged to the strikers. Damage suits and criminals laws prohibit-ing interference with interstate ing interference with interstate ing interference with interstate ing interference with interstate suits and criminals laws prohibit-ing interference with interstate suits and criminals laws prohibit-trains still could be effective meth-ods, the court said.
 The site of the new operation, which Berlin estimates is backed to suggests that an at-tempt to roll up the Nazi Baltic wing from the south has started. In another 7-2 opinion, the court laid down the rule that the right
 While the scope and direction of the Russians are known to have been preparing for months. The Nazis in the Baltic theater

zi defense line for 125 miles from



ALLIED HEADQUARTERS AL er in the west, went no further giers, Jan. 17.-IP-American and in defining Brad- French troops, smashing at the Omar Bradley lev's role, but Nazis' Gustav line along a 30-mile

disclosure of Bradley's pres- front, reached the Rapido River Kazimierz manding all American landing commander-in-chief, Gen. Sir Henever and whenever the opportuni-

command had not been finally de objective of present Allied operatnees, to its Balkan terminus,

> Promising easier terrain for Alenemy's present defenses before Cassino, the man who has been nicknamed "Jumbo" because of his size said that, given luck. the Allies might win the war this year

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Reynolds Becomes N. C. Recreation Chairman For National Group

Jesse A. Reynolds, Recreation Director, has agreed to serve as state chairman for North Carolina, for the Society of Recreation Workers of America, of which the beadquarters are in Washington. D. C.

Milo F. Christiansen, chairman of the society, requested in a recent letter to Mr. Reynolds that he serve in the capacity.

National committee members of the Society include Jean Barnes, Washington, D. C.; Jacob Fieldman, West Hartford, Conn.; Robert L. Horn-Davenport, Ia.; and Charles Graves, Atlanta, Ga.



sonable effort to settle a labor dispute before it is entitled, under

the Norris-Laguardia act, to a court injunction restraining strik-

Count ruled today.

Specifically, the court held that Baltic flank in the east even be- and a highway via Narva. the Toledo, Peoria and Western fore the crisis is reached on the A serious Russian threat to

0.00 inches. Total since the first of the month, 2.44 inches. TIDES FOR TODAY TIDES FOR TODAY