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VOL. 77.-NO. 251 BOTH BRANCHES OF CONGRESS STILL DEMOCRATIC

U.S. 3rd. Army Japanese Warplane Losses Exceed Opens 2-Tined Drive On Metz

CAPTURES 16 TOWNS

Little Change On Holland Front; Rains Hampering French Sector Fight

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR SUPREME HEADQUAR-TIONARY FORCE, PARIS, Thursday, Nov. 9.—(AP)—Elements of U.S. Third army infantry lashed out in a two-

sprang to life amid the thunder nese politics. of heavy artillery early in the day. command posts one by one.

centered midway between the for- commander. tress of Metz and fallen Nancy, than two miles at some points. The towns enveloped included Mailly-sur-Seille, midway between the two. Several hundred Germans to kill Japs." He sidestepped a tions." The phrasing was modest.

(The German radio said Lt. Gen. necessary to defeat Japan.

EASTERN FRONT STRANGELY CALM

armies were moving into position mar tonight for the blows described by Premier Stalin as "the decisive of BROUGHTON SETS fensive against the vital centers of The massing of men and mater-

ials along the eastern front has brought a lull in the fighting, and for the third consecutive day the Soviet communique said only that there were "no essential changes at the front." Already, however, the flames of

New great battles were flickering strategic sectors, and the Berin radio said, "if one can speak of comparative calm on the eastern front, it is certainly the calm before the storm."

Premier Stalin, in his order of the day for Tuesday, 27th anniversary of the Russian revolution, asserted, "the Red army and people are ready to strike new blows at

One of the first of the new blows may be struck at Budapest, under close siege by Marshal Rodion Malhovsky's second Ukrainian army tonight and in increasing danger of being surrounded.

Berlin reported n e w concentratons of Soviet tanks in the outskirts of the Hungarian capital,

Losses Exceed 100

Daily Through Nov. 6

By The Associated Press
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In the list has necessitated rationing on the western from the western f By The Associated Press Destruction of Japanese warplanes is running at the highest rate of the war-more than 100 planes a day for the first six days of November.

If anything like this is continued, November will set a new high for enemy aircraft losses for a single month. October, with destruction of around 1,900 aircraft, holds the

Official communiques show 612 Nipponese planes were des-stroyed in the first six days of November-594 of them in the Philippines.

SUPREME HEADQUAR-TERS ALLIED EXPEDI- WEDEMEYER SEES

CHUNGKING, Nov. 8 - (AP) pronged attack along the Maj. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer. make-like Metz-Nancy front in his first interview since arrival along the winding road to vesterday capturing 16 towns seph W. Stilwell, described the Jonath Westerday capturing to three westerday capturing to succeed Gen. Joand advancing up to three military situation in China as un- Japanese troops guarding the miles on a seven-mile-wide favorable "but not irretrievable." and he made it-clear that he would As that long-stagnant front not interfere in any way in Chi-

He disclosed that his command American fighter-bombers syste- of American forces embraced Gen. Douglas MacArthur's forces matically knocked out German French Indo-China as well as Chilanded on eastern Leyte Oct. 20.

where the infantry forced multiple sode, Gen. Wedemeyer scored into densely wooded ridges overcrossings of the shallow, muddy American criticism of the Chinese, looking the road where it makes the new trial date for January 19, Seille river and stabbed on more and Chinese criticism of the Unit- a sharp horseshoe curve at Limon, 1945. ed States, as hindrances to the four miles south of Carigara bay.

were report i killed and hundreds question as to whether he thought Few Yanks ever have seen such a a major continental campaign was raging storm of wind and rain

parent atten of to break through the war the people of China can miserable than usual to the Saar river, which runs along determine by whom they will be and just inside the German border governed." He said he had come some 30 miles northeast of the site to China to serve with the Chi-

cross were spread thin. Unfavor-should not be pessimistic." He on Leyte wille artificity pounded days. Centinued on Page Nine; Col. 2) said that the Allies had the stra- said in today's communique. tegic initiative on all fronts, as

within a fortnight or a month he against elements of the Nipponese LONDON, Nov. 8.— (8) -Russian large scale from Leyte and Sa-

NOVEMBER 23 AS THANKSGIVING

RALEIGH, Nov. 8 .- (AP) -Governor Broughton today officially proclaimed November 23 as Thanksgiving day in North Carolina and urged that "earnest prayer be made on that day for an early peace throughout the world, based on justice, freedom and democra-

"The day should be set apart for religious and patriotic consecration," his proclamation said. "I call upon the people of our state to renew their allegiance to the ideals and principles upon which our republic was founded, to reconsecrate themselves to the cause of popular government and free institutions, to acknowledge anew our dependence upon Almighty God, and to rekindle their devotion to everlasting

spiritual values." Continued on Page Nine; Col. 5 The date is the traditional fourth Thursday in November.

FIGHTING IS HEAVY

Filipinos Disrupt Enemy Freedom Of Movement In Ormoc Area

GENERAL M'ARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, PHILIP-PINES, Thursday, Nov. 9 .-(AP)—Lashed by a raging tropical hurricane, the U.S. 24th infantry division fought in mud and slime yesterday approaches to the enemy's 60-DAY TRIAL STAY Leyte.

. For perhaps the first time since ing at noon yesterday. Instead, it Non-commital on the Stilwell epi- told of "heavy fighting" extending

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of the assault.")

First reports reaching headquarters indicated the Americans were
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they did not have two years ago.

He said Gen Dougles Manager told of bitter fighting the said Gen Dougles Manager told of bitter fighting He said Gen Douglas MacArth-by the 24th division of Maj. Gen. ur's success in the Philippines had Frederick A. Irving down the narmade a very important contribu- row, ridge-dominated highway and tion to the China theater, and that in the tortuous terrain nearby possible.

would be able to operate on a first, 30th, 102nd and 16th divisions. Throughout the Ormoc defense zone Filipino guerrillas disrupted the enemy's "freedom of move-

ment," headquarters said, by cutting communications. Prior to the storm which grounded the opposing airforces, Leytebased fighters blasted bivouacs, supply dumps and assembly areas

The Nipponese airforce hit back on a limited scale. Seven were On American-held eastern Leyte,

the 96th infantry division still found (Continued on Page Five; Col. 1)

POLES PROGRESS SOUTH OF FORL

ROME, Nov. 8 .- (P) -Polish troops "continue to make good progress" south of Forli near the eastern end of the Italian battlefront, the Allied command an nounced today, but Germans still clung to shattered buildings on ne Forlia airfield.

The Germans, held on at the airfield, two miles southest of Forli, in the face of persistent bombing by the desert air force and a sharp attack by medium bombers yesterday on German position's closer to the town. Near Forlia British troops remained in close contact under heavy enemy

located outside the city limits. 'It being the understanding of this board, Woody wrote, "that the woody wrote, "t

Leyte Lashed Shortage Of Big Shells Forces And Rationing

ing on the western front.
Addressing workers of the

John T. Hepburn war plant, Higgins said shells for the 240mm or eight-inch guns-those used to knock out the super fortifications of the Germans' West Wall-were rationed to a limited number a day,

"Sergeants in charge of the big guns' crew count off the shells, call 'that's all for today, boys,' when a limited number have been fired," he said. "It is very important that we supply Gen Eisenhower's men with all the shells they need. There's a big push in the offing from one end of the West Wall to the other. The Allies stand a good chance of ending this thing with that push. It's up to us to see that they do."

KINSTON, Nov. 8 -(A)- Judge Clawson Williams, presiding over Lenoir County Superior court, tona, with Generalissimo Chiang Kai- today's communique claimed no night granted a 60-day postpone-The major American effort was shek as overall supreme Allied advance for a 24-hour period end-ment in the trial date of Dr. Leon Meadows, former head of East Carolina Teachers college, and set

Dr. Meadows, charged in Pitt county with 19 counts of embezzlement and false pretense growing out of the handling of college and student funds, was scheduled to be ALLIED BOMBERS which turned their foxholes into tried at a special term of court George S. Patton, Jr., had opened of Chinese poli"a large-scale attack" in an aptics, Gen. Wedemeyer said "after through and made life even more to begin at Greenville Monday.

Judge Williams had been appointed by the governor to try the case. Counsel for Meadows presented GENERAL MACARTHUR'S that their audit of the colleg books

Fifth district Solicitor D. M. Clark, who oppose the postpone- works. They encountered neither parently made little effort to make from the President late this after- to be happy about in defeat. He was needed and that the case nor heavy flak. should be tried "in accordance with

him to try the case, adding that 60 days would be all he could allow the defense in preparing its case.

Defense attorneys and prosecution alike went on record favoring the appointment of Judge Williams to preside over the trial at its new

Appearing for Dr. Meadows were Judge Alvin Dunn, chief of his mal capacity of about 16,000 tons a cincts tabulated. For Governor, and messages" arrived at the counsel staff, of Greenville; H. C. Carter of Washington, John Dawson get allowed visual bombing. of Kinston, and Frank Wall, an auditor who was appointed to examine the college books.

Solicitor Clark was assisted by J. A. Jones of Kinston, special prosecutor, and J. H. Harrell of

(Continued on Page Three; Col. 5)

TOUGH LUCK

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8 .- (AP) A telephone caller asked the Washington Evening Star today if Representative Bell (D-Mo) was reelected. Told that he was, the caller

said: "That's a shame-now I won't be able to rent his

The inquirer identified him-

By the Associated Press

Democrats Hold Margin

Of Power In Congress ocrats won 18 and republicans 10. WASHINGTON, Nov 8. — Dem- There are 36 democratic holdovocrats held a sizeable margin of ers. 24 republican, and one pro-

They had elected 234 House North Dakota and Danaher of Con-lots in boxes, giving a 66 per cent ed and three more still are in the who ran on an independent demo-

seats at stake in the voting, dem. (Continued on Page Nine; Col. 6) (Continued on Page 12; Col. 4) re-elected as have been four of (Continued on Page Three; Col. 5)

'Roosevelt-Tree Grower,' Casts His Ballot



Accompanied by a guard, President Roosevelt, who listed himself as "Franklin D. Rossevelttree grower," is shown emerging from a Hyde Park voting booth after casting his ballot in the national election. (The president raises Christmas trees. (AP wirephoto).

North Carolina Vote Running Ahead Of Forecasts; Amendments Approved.

RALEIGH, Nov. 8-(P)-President

sided majorities over Governor

Thomas E. Dewey and his repub-

lican colleagues as late returns

Roosevelt and the entire state dem-ceratic ticket clung to their lop-

list of state officials. Partial re- vital force, that our faith in Amer-

said.

presidency.

were complied today from the gen-LONDON. Nov. 8.—(P)—Allied eral election in North Carolina yes-

possible.

RAF Lancasters concentrated a load of bombs on the synthetic oil ponement, Judge Williams said he hoped the governor would reassign him to try the case adding that 50 hiding the factory.

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enemy fighters, but anti-aircraft turns indicated that all democratic ican institutions is unshaken, that Both Merseburg, about 100 miles candidates were elected by as conscience and not force is the (Continued on Page Three; Col. 4) fire was intense southwest of Berlin, and Hombers Roosevelt ran up over Dewey. were attacked last Thursday.

month. A clear patch over the tar- Gregg Cherry, received 203,356 President's Hyde Park estate to-

American Bombers

GENERAL MacARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Philippines, Thursday, Nov. 9.-(P)- Mitchell stitutional amendments was indi- ton: medium bombers hit and damaged a Japanese destroyer off Mindanao in the southern Philippines, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today in a communique sup-Gen. Douglas MacArthur announcplement covering air actions of the past 24 hours.

West of the Leyte invasion scene Liberators and fighters ranged over Cebu, Negros and Panay, destroying 35 enemy planes for certain, to one, New Hanover countians and best wishes." probably destroying three others Tuesday gave their support to and sinking a 1,000-ton freighter. Fianklin D. Roosevelt in his race One bomber and three fighters for a fourth term in the White

of man. In the senate race, former Gov-The RAF assault was designed etnor Clyde R. Hoey polled 293,933 win the war and to achieve a last-to interrupt repair work on the votes against 1111466 for A. I. Fering peace." Homberg plant, which had a normal capacity of about 16,000 tons a ree, republican, with only 1,008 premal capacity of about 16,000 tons a

votes in 1,062 precincts as compar- day. "Many of them contained the ponent, Frank C. Patton.

adoption of all five proposed con- up in a Navy hospital at Washing- day. (Continued on Page Nine; Col. 7)

FOR ROOSEVELT

By a vote of more than three House against Thomas L. Dewey, the Republican candidate.

Roosevelt more than a five to one majority over Wendell Willkie and in 1936 a seven to one majority over Landon, yesterday gave him total of 9,444 votes against 2,-821 votes for Dewey with all 18

vote. In 1940 a previous high of running.

Party Makes Clean Sweep In Election **GAINS 3 GOVERNORS**

Electoral College Vote Stands, Roosevelt 413, Dewev 118

By The Associated Press

Momentum of a massive vote boosted the Democratic strength in Congress today (Thursday) and gave the White House added power to combat tricky problems of war and peace.

And, as the popular vote from Tuesday's election rolled toward the 50,000,000 mark President Roosevelt declared the balloting had shown the world that "democracy is a living, vital force."

Thomas E. Dewey, obviously reieved that the political scrap was over for 1944, attributed his defeat entirely to the war. But he had held the president to the narrowest margin of popular votes since the Wilson-Hughes race of 1916. Late last night the 44,065,730 bal-

ots tabulated were divided this Roosevelt, 23,437,275.

Dewey, 20,628,720.

The difference, 2,808,554, compared with 591,385 in the 1916 elec-And, if it was any solace to him,

Dewey amassed a bigger vote in the solid south than did Wendell L. Willkie four years ago. The southern states went democratic, of course. HYDE PARK, Nov. 8.-(A)-Pres-

Republican leaders in Louisiana

bombed the Leuna synthetic oil evident that election officials ap- Early destributed this statement New York City, found one thing told a news conference it was the it appeared that the total vote was "For the first time in 80 years "high confidence the people ex-Five bombers and 42 fighters did well above pre-election estimates of we have held a national election pressed in the state government."

majority in a Senate which will

great, if not greater, margin than source of power in the government "To that faith let us unite to SOLDIERS

WITH THE U. S. FIRST ARMY ed with 115,308 for his GOP op-phrase, 'isolationism is dear'," he IN GERMANY, Nov. 8.—(P)—With the presidential election decided. Hit Jap Destroyer

All democratic nominees for Congress were re-elected by normal or received by the President from has prevented any sort of poll or has prevented any sort of larger majorities on the face of Secretary of State Cordell Hull,, questioning of the troops on its the available returns. Also the now undergoing a physical check-political aspects was relaxed to-

(A dispatch from Rome said Ar-"I extend my warmest felicita- my Public Relations officers there tions on your re-election to the notified correspondents that the War department had ruled soldiers "Under your wise leadership our could not be quoted on political

country will rededicate itself, unit- aspects of the election.) ed and strong, to the attainment In the areas around Aachen GI's of complete and speedy victory ov- discussed the election, many of er our enemies, and to the es- them expresing approval of Presi-

tablishment of a just and lasting dent Roosevelt's re-election. Up in the front lines where the "The kindest personal regards doughboys are battling Germans

there was not a great deal of in-Reporters asked Early if the terest because those men are (Continued on Page Nine; Col. 4) (Continued on Page Nine; Cel. 4)

The county, which in 1940 gave More Women Will Enter Forthcoming Congress

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.- the five republican women seek-The weaker sex will be stronger ing re-election. The fifth was not Tuesday's vote set an all- in numbers in the forthcoming

expecting much of a fight.

crat ticket in an attempt to un-Furthermore, the feminine con- seat democratic incumbert How-

Democratic incumbent and dean of Capt. Melvyn Douglas, screen

Council Group To Confer With County On Fire Bond The City Council yesterday re- of individuals in cases where re- shelling. teived a comprehensive report sponses have been made at their with improving weather Eighth from City Manager A. C. Nichols request." With improving weather Eighth Army troops were increasingly request."

board," Woody wrote, "that the

Tom City Manager A. C. Nichols of fire service beyond the city active all along the front. Polish troops and the county's proposal to post a \$100 bond as a guarantee for such service for such service.

In the House, latest election reverse south to post a \$100 bond as a guarantee for such service for such service.

In the House, latest election reverse south to fine Rimini-Bologna highway to fine Rim Mayor Ronald Lane appointed council go on record reiterating captured Monte Casaluda and seva committee of Nichols, City Attorney W. B. Campbell, Garland Curin and Edgar L. Yow to meet with New Harovers and Curin and Edgar L. Yow to meet with New Harovers are described by the members of Nichols, City Attorney W. B. Campbell, Garland Same fire policy of December, They were in contact with the same fire policy of December, They were in contact with the same fire policy of December, They were in contact with the same fire policy of December, They were in contact with the same fire policy of December, They were in contact with the same fire policy of December, They were assured of at least 54 Senate seats—five more than an actual necticut, regulations. Gillette lost to members—16 more than an actual necticut, regulations. Gillette lost to republicans. Gillette lost to republicans. Gillette lost to republicans of the members—16 more than an actual necticut, regulations. Gillette lost to republicans. Gillette lost to republicans of the members—16 more than an actual necticut, regulations. Gillette lost to republicans. Gillette lost to republicans of the members—16 more than an actual necticut, regulations. Gillette lost to republicans. Gillette lost to r Campbell, Garland Curin and Edgar L. Yow to meet with New Hanover county officials to study the proposal.

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