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Hanover County STORES ORGANIZED

Sixin Drive's Goal Set At \$4,666,000 For New

Will Stress Theme That War Not Over, Many Bioody Battles Ahead

Final arrangements were compleied yesterday for the start in New Hanover county Monday of the Treasury department's Sixth War Loan campaign.

New Hanover's overall bond assignment is \$4,666,000, a reduction of \$1,041,000 from the Fifth drive. Individual citizens will again be asked to buy heavily of Series E type of bonds, as this goal was cut by only \$201,000 over the Oc-

tober campaign. J. G. Thornton, co-chairman of the War Fiance committe, reported all leaders have completed naming their helpers in the great undertaking.

Stores Organized Retail stores have been organized and an objective of a minimum 1 \$300 in sales for each clerk has een set. Most merchants have ecorated their establishments with patriotic motif to encourage bond selling in their particular

All merchants have been asked have packages wrapped for paons in war bond leaflets, which re available at the chamber of nmerce. No kick-off bond meeting will be

Head Of East Carolina Dioeld. as bond leaders believe pubinterest will be stimulated sufcese Tenders Resignation ciently without it. During this rive, promotion will be effected **To Bishop Tucker** other yet unannounced ways. Under the leadership of County The Right Rev. Thomas Camptent R. W. Galphin, and Miss

nn Mason, county home demontell Darst, D. D., bishop of the tation agent, a county campaign East Carolina diocese of the Episconal church for almost 30 years, has submitted his resignation to the rganization for areas outside the v limits has been set up. It is the purpose of both the Right Rev. H. St. George Tucker, tity and county organizations to D. D., of New York, presiding bishsee that a thorough canvassing job op, on account of his health, it done and that every person in was announced yesterday. lmington and New Hanover In tendering his resignation

county is solicited and sold a bond. Bishop Darst asked that it become effective May 1, 1945, and requested that it be presented at the meet-

U.S. Infantry Closes On Limon ENEMY CUT OFF FROM SUPPLIES

Yanks Shoot Down 500th Japanese Plane Of The Leyte Campaign

By C. YATES McDANIEL

GENERAL M'ARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, PHILIP-PINES, Nov. 19. - (AP) -American infantrymen closed tighter today on the shellbattered fortress town of Limon, at the northern end of Leyte island's Ormoc corridor, against stubbornly resisting Japanese who were cut off from fresh supplies. Yank fighters and antiaircraft guns, meanwhile, shot down their 500th Japanese plane of the Leyte campaign, bagging seven of 15 attackers on the east coast. (A total of 777 Japanese planes

have been destroyed by army and carrier - based planes and ack-ack in the Philippines thus far in No-vember. an unofficial count shows.) "Compress" Japanese

Elements of the 24th and 32nd divisions "further compressed" the Japanese forces at Limon, four miles by road from Carigara Bay, cday's communique said.

A road block, established south of N. C. Company To Receive the town Byunits of the 24th, was ightened, and "all enemy attempts to run supply trucks through the trapped first division troops has ailed.'

Remnants of at least a Japanese regiment, it was estimated, are within the squeeze being contracttown from the north and the road block. Some Japanese tanks reached the trapped forces before the block was tightened.

Several hundred Japanese forces ernor J. Melville Broughton scheadvance American units who first believed it had been abandoned. Announcement of the

Nazis Decide On Fight To Death CUT DEEP SALIENT In Streets And Houses Of Metz TOWARD THE ROER Three-Army Attack On 30-

By KENNETH L. DIXON ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF BETZ, Nov. 18. - (AP) - The fortress City of Metz became a battlefield today. As American infantry pushed into the city with the support of tanks this morning it was clear that the German defenders had decided on a battle to the death in the streets and houses of Metz.

I saw streams of American foot soldiers flowing around the fortresses which guard the city and which are still manned by a motley group of German draftees and SS guard fanatics who spur them on. I saw the doughboys fighting their way under a terrific artil-

because the Germans are doing more than simply holding out in their forts. They are fighting well and shooting with deadly accuracy. But the Verdun group of forts and Fort St. Privat southwest of the city

SEAR-NEWS

Allies Smash Into Rhineland's

Heart As Metz Fight Continues;

are surrounded by the 11th regiment of the Fifth division. Even after they passed the crossfire from the fortresses the foot soldiers were taking casualties. Along Nanziger street, which parallels Frescaty

lery crossfire from those forts

and advance beyond the Fresc-

aty airport and up Nascaty

streets. Causalties are heavy

street stretching toward the from the fortresses scored. But

heart of Metz, their inching progress finally was halted by (Continued on Page Four; Col. 7)

machinegun and mortar fire from houses.

"That's why we sent tanks in," said Lt. Col. Homer C. (Doc) Ledbetter, regimental executive officer and a former football coach at Hobbs, N. M.

FINAL EDITION

"The only way we can get them out of the houses is to blow them out, so we're doing that," Lt. Col. Phillip Merrill of Greenbay, Wis., said. I watched them blowing out

the Nazis along Nanziger street near the railroad Marshalling yards. The tanks rumbled by us, some of them falling by the roadside as artillery shells

TELEPHONE STRIKE

Walk Out As Soon As

Picket Lines Set Up

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 18 -IP-

Mile Front One Of War's **Greatest Drives** BY EDWARD KENNEDY

SUPREME HEADQUAR-TERS ALLIED EXPEDI-TIONARY FORCE, Sunday, Nov. 19.—(P)—One British and two American armies were smashing their way toward the heart of the Rhineand today in one of the greatest battles of the war against German resistance stiffened by desperation.

CENTS

ESTABLISHED 1867

The American Ninth and British Second armies, in a collaboration so close that it was described here as "a blended operation," had driven a deep salient toward the river Roer between Geilenkirchen and Aachen.

On their right flank, southeast of Aachen, the American first Army was making slow but steady progress against the grimmest sort of enemy opposition.

This three-army attack on a front some 30 miles wide develop-Cleveland Operators Will ed into one of the war's biggest drives.

Fight Into Metz

Farther south the American third army also had invaded the Reich and had fought into the French fortress city of Metz. The American Seventh ane French First Armies recorded good gains in the

The best weather since the sart

reported seeing the grass wilt be-

Cut Main Road

Germany. They are pointed toward

Still farther south the French

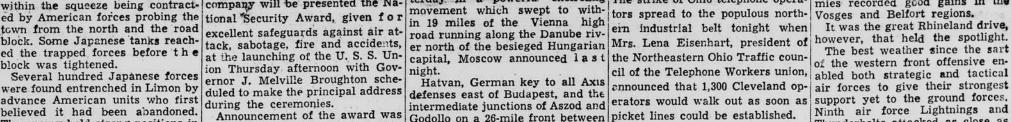
First army smashed deep into the

point of Montbeliard, where 7,000

Germans were captured, and en-

emy dispositions were up set along

The Allied troops, wheeling into



she expected to receive word "very area, striking German armor at



Cherry Stays Neutral In Speakership Race

GASTONIA, Nov. 18 .- (AP) --Governor-Elect R. Gregg Cherry declared today that he would express no preference

between the two candidates for the speakership of the 1945 session of the state legislature. Cherry, returned to his office in Gastonia today and issued a statement saying that he had decided to maintain his preelection policy of neutrality towards the rival candidacies of Oscar Richardson of Monroe and George Uzzell of Salisbury. Both candidates are friends



By RICHARD KASISCHKE **OCD** Security Honor At LONDON, Sunday, Nov. 19.-(P)-Russian tanks and infantry smash-

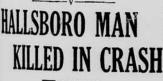
Launching Thursday ed four miles through German lines The North Carolina Shipbuilding 15 miles northeast of Budapest yescompany will be presented the Na- terday in a powerful encircling The strike of Ohio telephone opera-

ion Thursday afternoon with Govnight.

What promises to be the most vig- held in Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 31. orous of all the war bond drives His decision to terminate his acwill start Monday with the theme tivities as head of the Diocese hat the war's not over and many came "after careful and serious loody battles are ahead. Treasury officials said six mil-

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VIGOROUS DRIVE *



B. O. Thompson ,29, Loses that lie ahead." Bishop Tucker answered that Life When Automobile "there is no one who has won, Smashed Into Tree

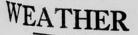
velock yesterday morning when he to resign." reported by State Highway Patrol- the years that are left to me." man C. J. Ferguson.

while driving, the officer said, as tacks indicated that the vehicle It the highway about 100 feet from he tree which it struck with a termic crash.

Thompson, thrown free of the tr, was found lying beside it by M. Spivey and C. W. Carroll, of Atme, who reported the accident Wilmington officers.

The automobile, which traveled those the left side of the highway, a completely demolished by the mact, Ferguson said.

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Temperature 130 am 46; 7:30 am, 41; 1:30 pm, 53; 130 am 74; 7:30 am, 87; 1:30 pm, 54; Coaches. Total since the first of the month,

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.- (A) - ing of the House of Bishops to be consideration", the bishop said. 69 Years Old

he declared.

He pointed out to the presiding bishop that "I am 69 years old BANKERS TO TALK today (Nov. 10) and will have **POST-WAR PLANS JAYCEES AID WAR** served 30 years as bishop on Jan. 6, 1945. While my health has im-

proved following my long illness of last year, I do not feel that I can give my beloved diocese the strong Organizational Meet Will and vigorous leadership that it Be Held At Country should have during the trying years

Club Tuesday Night

By ALLEN J. GREEN

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18. -

southeastern North Carolina, is

scheduled to be taken up by

dispose of the \$992,966.000 Flood

Approximately 100 officers and not only the regard and affection of his own Diocese, but also that of directors of banks in seven souththe church as a whole, more than eastern North Carolina counties are

you have. I am sure that every expected to gather at the Cape Fear Ben O. Thompson, 29, ship-yard employe and native of Halls-toro. Was instantly, billed a ship-toro, was instantly, billed about 5 was instantly killed about 4 come when you feel the necessity cure their cooperation with the Post - War Small Business Credit

trained his automobile into a tree Bishop Darst pledged to continue commission of the American Bank-of seals, Claud O'Shields, general this way 74 and 76, seventeen to serve the church "to the limit ers association, J. G. Thornton, chairman of the sale, announced These west of Wilmington, it was of my strength and ability during president of Wilmington Savings and Trust company, said yester-

The man evidently fell asleep Nov. 10, 1875, and lived in that C. L. Tate, vice president of the

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18 Hurt In Coast Line Derailment In Georgia

WAYCROSS, Ga., Nov. 18.-SHOWS IMPROVEMENT Fifteen cars of the Atlantic Coast NEW YORK, Nov. 18. - (P) Line's fast New York-to-Tampa Ethel Barrymore, 65-year old ac-West Coast Champion left the tress who has been in a hospital Wilmington.

Only the three - unit diesel en-gine and three rear cars of the 18-night. coach train remained on the tracks. Some of the coaches overturned, sprawling to the water - bound edge of the desolate right-of-way. RiversAndHarborsMeasure, With\$1,571,000

FORFCAST NORTH CAROLINA: Cloudy and cool stadwordsy morning beginning in moun-us stady and Monday Rain Sunday night the Monday morning beginning in moun-us day afternoon. (Eastern Standard Time) (By U. S. Weather Bureau) teding 130 p.m. yesterday. Temperature Marching the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) Methodological data for the 24 hours (Barter Standard Time) (Barter Stand Difficulty in reaching the scene because of the terrain hampered removal of the injured but physicians who furnished first aid at rearby Jesup reported none was seriously hurt. Most of the victims, a doctor said, sustained min-Maximum 57; Minimum 41; Mean 49; tims, a doctor satu, shen they were or cuts and bruises when they were Star-News Washington Bureau tossed about in the all steel The \$498,000,000 Rivers and Harbors bill, with \$1,571,000 in A few who required hospitalizaprojects for Wilmington and tion were brought to the ACL hosthe Senate Wednesday in a

The wreck, within an hour, the uninjured final effort at passage before the omnibus measure expires with the end of the 78th Congress Jan. 3. Before the bill comes to the floor, however, the Senate must

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of long-standing, Cherry said, and both have pledged their support of the legislation of the new administration. "Each is personally satisfactory to me,"

bardment. Apparently, the Nipponese intended to hold out as long honor of the progressive North Car-

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ON TUBERCULOSIS Eight Committees Appoint-

ed To Sell Tuberculosis Christmas Bonds

The Junior Chamber of Commerce for the first time here will start Monday the sale to tuberculosis Christmas bonds to supplement funds gathered in the sale present Roy MacMillan, of Raleigh,

yesterday. Members of eight committees, upon individuals and business concerns during the week-long camoaign

dication of their willingness to in the war effort since it launched

they write Post Office Box 1523, to attend will be Col. W. S. Pritch-

(Continued on Page Two; Col. 6) (Continued on Page Seven; Col. 3) the far east.

The enemy held strong positions in the mountain community, which they had transferred into a fortress but formal presentation was delay. Announcement of the award was Godollo on a 26-mile front between Hatvan and Budapest, were under Soviet artillery fire and threatened bershin meeting of the Akron counter the Akron The enemy neid strong positions in the mountain community, which they had transferred into a fortress aided by defensible terrain, despite ed until Governor Broughton could if army tank and infantry teams, the duntil Governor Broughton could if army tank and infantry teams, the tors, was in progress, and that the strong positions in the strong position in the strong position in the strong positions in the strong positions in the strong position in the strong positio cil, representing some 300 opera- Fighter bombers intervened in tors, was in progress, and that at least one tank battle in that bulletin disclosed.

Column Strikes

shortly" from union local meetings such close range that the pilots One Soviet column struck to with- at Canton and Youngstown. olina county, will be christened by Union operators in 20 cities al- fore the muzzle-fire of the tank Mrs. W. O. Burgin, of Lexington, in three miles northeast of Hatvan wife of the representative of the with the seizure of Hort as other ready were out, 19 of them in sup- guns.

Eighth North Carolina district in Soviet groups attacked from the port of a strike called by the Ohio congress. The craft will be the 26th east and south. Federation of Telephone Workers at AKA type combat cargo ship to Five miles southwest of Hatvan Dayton early yesterday in opposi- Germany after their descent from near completion here and the 188th another column rolled through Tura tion to use of out-of-town personnel the north, spread over the Geilessel to go down the yard's ways. in a by-passing blow at Aszod, six there by the Ohio Bell Telephone enkirchen area, cut the main road

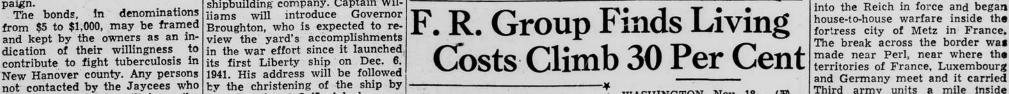
Mrs. Burgin's attendants will be miles beyond, and a third mecha-Mrs. Floyd Goodson, Jr., of Lex- nized group overran the village of R. G. Pollock, president of the reached the outskirts of Prumington; Mrs. J. Ray Shute, of Mon-roe, wife of the chairman of the the capital and within seven miles board at Cleveland that he was kirchen, and captured Puffendorf,

powerless to order the operators 4 1-2 smiles southeast of Geilenboard of Union county commission- of Godollo junction. The third column threatened to back to their boards and added kirchen in what was described as ers, and Miss Bess Reid Houston, break through to the Danube's he believed the only solution was "blended operations" by British

The presentation program will be banks just above the capital, a ma- for the Ohio Bell to remove its and Americans. opened at 5:13 c'clock by introduc-tion of Sheriff C. David Jones, of eastern half of Budapest on the he said, the independent union American First army forces made

Wilmington, assistant chairman of left bank of the Danube and at would negotiate. new gains up to a kilometer the Office of Civilian Defense in the same time put the Russians Pollock was called before the against heavy artillery and mor-New Hanover county, by an official astride roads leading to Austria board to show why a back-to-work tar fire in the Wurselen area and of the shipyard. Sheriff Jones will and Czechoslovakia. order issued yesterday was not up to two kilometers around Stol-

Hatvan, one of the main junctions complied with. Long distance ser- berg, while in the Hurtgen forest through which the Germans have vice has been hampered severely other First army troops adyanced Mr. MacMillan will present the been rushing reinforcements into in all cities, and local service slowly through minefields and serving under O'Shields, will call National Security award and flag Budapest, already was largely neuwhere there is no automatic dial To the south, Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's U. S. Third army swept



mittee to investigate the wartime the Saar basin. ing in the Pacific war against Ja-rise in living costs reported today that for the bulk of wage earners Belfort gap after taking the strong Belfort gap after taking the strong Rejecting union labor claims

that the rise is about 44 per cent, Chairman William H. Davis, with two industry members concurring

a 25-mile sector. French Reach Delle "in the main," concluded that 3 The French tonight were report-1-2 to 4 1-2 percentage points should be added to the 25.5 per ed to have reached Delle, 10 miles cent increase shown by the bureau southeast of Belfort on the Swiss of labor statistics index as of last frontier. They are less than five miles from Belfort southwest of Sept. 15.

The two labor members, though that city. The American Seventh army in not agreeing with Davis' conclusions, pointed to them, neverthegains up to two miles captured less, as support for AFL and CIO the Muerthe river town of Raon le arguments that wage controls Tape, continued pressure at St. Die, and saw nine villages-Moy-

should be eased. In a letter to the President enmoutier, La Hollande, Etival. George Meany of the AFL propos- Marzelay, Tetedesan-Roche, Grat-ed specifically that the 'Little in, Rabache, Remenix, and La Steel" formula be relaxed to per- Planchette - go up in flames as mit wage increases of 30 per cent the Germans applied the scorched about the January, 1941, level. The earth policy before retiring.

formula limits general wage in- While the drive through the creases to 15 per cent above that Aachen gateway obviously was the biggest of the Allied pushes, the base date.

Davis' report emphasized that potential manace of the others is the Bureau of Labor Statistics a problem to the hard-pressed Ger-

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InLocalProjects, ToBeTakenUpWednesday

Control bill which contains \$46,980,000 in flood control and power projects for the Roanoke river and Yadkin-Pee Dee river basins.

A third factor affecting the bill is the controversial St. Lawrence Seaway project, long urged by President Roosevelt. Gen. George D. Aiken (S-Vt.) has threatened to attach the St. Lawrence project to the rivers and harbors measure as a rider, when it reaches the floor. If Sen. Aiken is successful, proponents of the rivers and harbors legislation feel that the measure may be de-

feated. On its own merits, the rivers and harbors bill must pass the Senate, pass a joint conference coramittee of both the Senate and the House, and receive final approval from both houses - all before Congress leaves for the Christmas recess. If the bill fails to complete passage, it must start up the long and involved trail of re-introduction in the House, committee hearings, and final

passage all over again in January.

> Sen. Josiah W. Bailey, chairman of the Senate Commerce committee, said yesterday that there was no controversy over sections ' the omnibus measure which provide for improvements for North Carolina waterways and harbors. Although he may be called back to Chicago, where he is a Senate delegate to the International Air conference, before the bill

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18 .- (P) -FRENCH IN PACIFIC President Roosevelt's special com-PARIS, Nov. 18. -(AP)- French West Coast Champion left the rails in swamp country near Hor-tense, Ga., today, injuring at least 18 persons, none seriously. The second district, routing Second district, Savorgnan de Brazza and La Gran-the sale of bonds and stamps, USN (Ret.), Sixth Naval district, which go on sale Nov. 27, the New (Continued on Page Sever; Col. 3) ard, of Fort Bragg, commanding

ident, accepting in behalf of the (Continued on Page Seven; Col. 7) system.

state OCD chairman. with Captain Roger Williams, pres-

The U. S. S. Union, named in

shipbuilding company. Captain Wiland kept by the owners as an in- view the yard's accomplishments

of Monroe.

contribute to fight tuberculosis in its first Liberty ship on Dec. 6. New Hanover county. Any persons 1941. His address will be followed not contacted by the Jaycees who by the christening of the ship by

want to buy bonds will have the Mrs. Burgin at 5:45 o'clock. entirep rogram explained to them Among prominent Army and by a personal representative of Navy officers and citizens expected