OBJECTIVE FAST

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mile column of planes and gliders stretched out before and behind us-mostly behind.

As the first men dropped, I could see scattered German machine gunners and riflemen firing at our falling men. As we followed them German snipers potted at

When we hit the dirt, the army of 13 men on whom my own fate depended went into action with a rush. They went first after the

A quick look at the maps and we headed for our assembly point headquarters, searching woods and houses as we went. We joined up squad by squad, collecting into fighting units, the paratroopers killing or collecting such Germans as they met.

At the first headquarters we reached, British troopers and Americans had dropped nearby. They had rounded up 27 German soldiers, four civilian men, three women, a young girl and a baby. All but the baby were terrified by our invasion from the sky.

Behind us were coming the vast glider fleets with troops, tanks, jeeps, ammunition and supplies. about 100 prisoners. Our own casualties were light.

At this hour we command the hillocks and other dominating ground in our area, the clusters of houses and the road crossings, and the fighting men are moving out on what they hope is the last big heave of the war.

Williston Musical Farce Promises Fine Stage Fare

The three-act musical comedy to be presented tonight by the Drama Guild of Fayetteville Teachers school promises to be the outstanding offering this season by the Athletic Committee of Williston School.

The cast consists of twenty-eight been well received by the men of Vincennes, Ind., said: at Fort Bragg and Camp Lejeune with return engagements pending.

"Stage Door" is the title of the comedy which carries two scenes in each of the three acts is directed by and the department of dramatics. The doors will open at 7:30 and the curtain rises at

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PARATROOPS GAIN Lack Of Food Inside Reich Held Vital Factor In War's Duration

sunny blue sky, raking the 150- Berlin correspondent of Stock- tempted to form so-called Troicas been used to the organized ration-

into the streets or a beaten army the chances of joining an "organi- within the Reich proper. floods back in a state of disinte- zation." gration.

more panic in the Reich than the nants of the beaten Vistula army ly well although rations have been 40,000. short, particularly fats.

crippling of the transport system the front is overrun with desert-plus the loss of Germany's richers. Many soldiers obtain civilian Germans now associate the dura-

"The war will end," Berliners

Goebbels' trousers. spondent of the Stockholm news- man. planting of potatoes and vegetables. The dispatch said officials estimated that each square kilom-

The first signs of a real collapse Jews who have become "divers" eight weeks rations to nine. of the Nazi food system will cause there are army deserters. Remworst military defeat. So far the were the first to go underground German food rationing and supply in Berlin. It was estimated their systems have functioned extreme- number reached 30,000 and later

Each time soldiers under the imtories and storehouses and the down is imminent, the area behind ers. Many soldiers obtain civilian have changed the situation. The columns. In recent weeks the Gestapo made frequent roundups in even officers who had deserted.

tion papers of a suspect. Fre- sell.

for war service.

holm's Tidningen, who has just after the Baltic pattern—groups of ing of food. Heretofore food has three men each as a basic cell for been adequate while strictly cona wider resistance movement—it trolled, but now supplies are de-Revolution from below still looks was not until the Red Army interiorating rapidly. The giant evac- Life Assurance Co. highly improbable in Germany, vaded Germany that Berliners be- uation from the East was stoppe unless starvation drives the people gan inquiring of one another about because of the shortage of food

After the Vistula retreat the first In addition to war prisoners and thing done in Berlin was to stretch.

The first serious breach of the rationing discipline occurred with well-informed party men and wholesalers informing one another days before the public was noti- er Co. and employes; Wilmington secretly of extra sales several fied. As a result when the public Star-News and employes; employ But Allied bombing of food fac-pact of retreats believe a break-lined up all the best things were es of Berger's Dept. Store; Radio

> This has become more and more brazen in the past year and the When the Russians reached the

tion of the war with the food sup- Berlin and other cities, finding Oder and Berliners thought the capital might be besieged within It is not advisable for a single hours they suddenly found traces-"when Goering can put on policeman to demand identifica- men no longer had anything to

(A new German order forbids quently of late the questioned has On the following day goods replanting of flowers even for use pulled out a pistol instead of pa- appeared. This was the most sein cemeteries. The Berlin corre- pers and shot down the police- rious sign of disintegration on the Dept.; employes of the City Prorationing front When everything Sunday that parks and sports ground now live in constant fear of Berlin see nothing ahead but In all the paratroops here took fields were being plowed under of capture since Hitler summarily siege or flight, then not even the throughout the Reich for the commandeered the entire nation strictest measures by authorities will prevent the remaining stocks Living underground in Germany from vanishing among relatives, is limited mainly to efforts to stay friends and favorite customers. eter of land in the Reich now must hidden, although here and there The less fortunate faced with starsupport 304 persons instead of sabotage groups blow up bridges. vation will take to the streets in

'Old Hickory' Division Spearheads Ninth Drive

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have a breakthrough," declared Maj. Robert Hewitt of New York. "We achieved surprises in that the Germans did not expect a large Divisions. The pilots claimed the the Saar and Palatinate and now crossing south of the Wesel.'

At the regimental command post players and the production staff of the 120th Regiment, Assistant numbers twelve. This group has Operations Officer Lt. Ralph Simon

"We hit a soft spot and went right on through.'

The division's operation, though, was something more than that. It may be studied in war colleges in the future.

Attacking three regiments abreast after a terrific artillery barrage, the 30th hit everywhere at once along six to seven miles of the river. First one spot gave way before the 120th where the going was rough in the center during the

slung on his leg like a Western gun-miles in. man, caught up with the flank regi-

ments and spurted ahead. most ceased. There was no organon tanks and drove to exploit the reakthrough.

mony itself to the cracking of re- Siegfried Line near Aachen.

Along the river every town was

farther on they were more numer- pieces and helped hold the gap at ary Methodist church, Winstonous. Along the river there were a few makeshift tenches but nothing the most critical period.

The 30th was hauled back later which could be described as a for-

midable defense. The only sign of a front was from but led other attacking divisions to a hidden tank which took pot shots the objective. It had earned the rephere and there but to which the utation of "crossers" even before Doughboys hurrying forward paid entering battle because its 117th

The 29th Tactical Air Command swarmed all over the area with Thunderbolts and reported Gerdestruction or damaging of 99 German tanks and armored cars in the battle area.

Maj. J. J. Eberhardt of an Ansaid the 30th Division had not yet the Third Army have been com- School, Masonboro School, Middle Nor had the Germans been able to launch a single counterattack against the 30th-which they always do if organized.

About 200 prisoners of odd shapes and mentality were laying around. To complete the picture, four be- big way. Let's keep it up; draggled Italian slave laborers draggled Italian slave laborers Weyland posted Patton's letter wandered up and asked for some- to all TAC units with a note which

The 30th, which kicked off an hour ahead of the 79th, had a bridge I say if this be treason, let us make completed at 4:15 p. m. Saturday. the most of it." The 120th, under its pistol-pack- Its 120th Regiment quickly smash ing regimental commander, tiny, ed six miles across the Rhine, the energetic Col. Walter Johnston of 117th Regiment went three miles Missoula, Mont., who wears a .45 beyond the river and the 119th 2 1-2

One of the finest American divi sions, the 30th has met and defeat-About seven miles from the river ed the best the Germans had to all artillery and mortar fire al- offer. I missed the Normandy beachhead landings, but it held the zed line and the Doughboys hopped vital Mortain elbow in Normandy States Internal Revenue Departwhen the Germans tried in vain to ment, died today at a hospital cut the Avranches Gap. And with here after an illness of two weeks. The battle area running east and the Second Armored Division, it north of the river gave mute testi- spearheaded the push through the Clay came to Greensboro in 1933

But perhaps the 30th's finest performance came in the Ardennes at Field Division chief with the Reve- fire," said Lt. Ellsworth Karrigan crushed under the weight of ter- Stavelot when the division under nue Department in 1943. rific barrages of artillery and there Maj.-Gen. Leland S. Hobbs was was a scattering of German dead in rushed down from the Ninth Army ed here at 4 p.m. Monday by front and collided head-on with Hit- Dr. E. K. McClarty, Methodist Two to three miles inland, houses ler's personal First SS Division. minister of Boone, and by Dr. here and there were intact and The 30th ripped the Nazi division to W. A. Stanbury, pastor of Centen-

and made the Roer river crossing across the worst piece of river, no attention. They left it for "rear Regimen used to sage model crossings a Fort Benning, Ga.

Patton Gains 27 Miles, Takes Bridge Over Main

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more than a mile deep. All resistance crumbled in the ace of the Fourth Armored Division, the hard-hitting outfit that be-gan the rout of German forces without whose factories Germany west of the Rhine with its crossing of the Moselle river.

Location of the bridge captured intact across the Main river was not disclosed, but it was a great of a superhighway to Berlin. military prize, for the Main was a

000 populatino, evidently had been bypassed, as positions 40 miles beyond the Rhine would put the bearier on the north German plain.

The U. S. First Army likewise Fourth Armored Division nearly 20 miles northeast of the city.

Gen. Eisenhower's victory offenive was going full blast. (The American Broadcasting Staion in Europe told the German



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people that Eisenhower's headquarwas in Allied hands, OWI reported.)

The U. S. Ninth Army was head-

cannot longer wage war. It was "out in the open" in what

Frankfurt-on-Main, a city of 546,
Canadian elements had driven Grove; a sister, Mrs. Marshall eight miles north of the Rhine and Warren, of Newton Grove; and

The U. S. First Army likewise was headed Berlinward through Boddie, Luther Rogers, Clyde Germany's scenic hills in an operation of such scope that a front dispatch likened it to the St. Lo Dr. James M. Hall, Fred Poisson, breakthrough in Normandy.

Armored Division was so deep into Lumsden Germany and traveling so fast that tankmen were sending back urgent stragglers remained on the west calls for transportation for the bank.

housands of prisoners captured. Dozens of towns were being swept Ninth Army was driving east with up by the Third Army against the same blazing tactics in the scattered resistance, and even in Ruhr that broke German power Darmstadt, with a peacetime popu- west of the Rhine in the Roer rivlation of 115,000, the 90th Infantry er offensive. Infantrymen clamberencountered light opposition.

Farther South, the U. S. Sev- of the retreating enemy. ent: Army drove up all along its The Ninth's 30th Infantry Divifront to the Rhine, putting a firm sion, breaking the German Rhine period to Gen. Eisenhower's orders line was nearing the superhighway to destroy every enemy soldier to Berlin where it swings eight west of the river by liquidating miles east of the river a the last German stand. Only enemy northeast of Bruckhausen.

Patton Labels Drive Over France, Germany 'Treason In Reverse'

WITH THE U.S. THIRD ARMY, March 25.—(P)—Lt. Gen. mans milling around in great con- George S. Patton, Jr., calls his fusion ahead of the 79th and 30th Third Army's power drive through across the Rhine "treason in reverse," it was disclosed today. He explained in a letter to Maj. Gen. Otto P. Weyland, 19th Tactionio, Texas, 120th's supply officer, cal Air Force commander, that er School, Kirkland School, Lake "the 19th Tactical Air Force and Forest School, Maffitt Village

> tember "By this I mean that instead of giving aid and comfort to the enerny we have been giving him plain discomfort and doing it in a

Obituaries

GREENSBORO, March 25 .- (AP) A native of Mitchell county, from Boone where he was with the

Revenue Department. He became wind than he was about the shell-Funeral services will be conduct-

Salem. Interment will be in Forest Lawn cemetery here. Surviving are his widow, five daughters and three sisters.

WALTER B. BELL

WINSTON-SALEM, March 25 .-(P)-Walter Bynum Bell, 71, former managing editor of the Charlotte Observer and also formerly connected with the Raleigh News and Observer, died today at a hospital here after a long illness.

Funeral services will be held at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon at Elkin, his former home.

ENISS F. BASS

Carolina Beach, who died Saturday at James Walker Memorial hospital, will be held at 4 p. m. today from the Yopp funeral home. The Rev. C. D. Barclift will officiate and burial will be in Oakdale cemetery.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. looked like a decisive break-through and was almost in sight daughter. Mrs. C. Leslie, of f a superhighway to Berlin.

The British Second Army with James Weaver Bass of Newton

two grandchildren. Active pallbearers will be Bruce Valentine, Horace Shinn, Claude

Wilbur Jones, E. B. Snipes, Wal-The U. S. Third Army's Fourth ter Blair, Jesse Batson and B.

Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's ed aboard tanks in swift pursuit

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ployes of the Star Cafe; employes of the Life Insurance Co. of Virginia; employes of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.; Equitable The Governor Dudley; Wilming-

ton Finance Co.; H. G. Latimer & Son; Norris News Stand; Brass Bar; Cape Fear Loan Office and employes; Carolina Motor Club and employes; DeLuxe Hotel; George's Sandwich Shop; Andrews' Mortuary; Recreation Bowling Alley. W. D. Mills Grocery; King Mar-

ble Granite Co.; Tide Water Pow-Station WMFD and employes; Standard Oil Co. of N. J. and employes; Foy Roe and Co.

Brooks Cash Grocery Co. and Wilmington Furniture Co., Inc., Shoppe and employes.

Employes of the City Finance heart of Germany. Dept.; employes of the City Police tective Inspection; employes of the City and County Tax office; employs of the Clerk of Court; employes of the Register of Deeds Office; employes of the O. P. A. Rent Division; employes of the O. P. A. War Price Ration Board; employes Girl Scouts: Allen C. Ewing and Co. and employes.

Hoggard-Bowden Co.; F. W. Livingston and Co. and employes Marshall Realty Co.; Bik Ike Shoe Repair Co. and employes; Albert F. Perry and employes; Wilmington Candy Store; Southern Kitchen and employes; Louie E. Woodbury, Jr. and employes; Su-Ann Shoe

Store and employes. Employes and pupils of Acorn Branch School, Board of Education, Bradley Creek School, Carolina Beach School, Castle Hayne School, Chestnut St. School, East Wilmington School, Forest Hills School, Cornelius Harnett School, Hemnenway School, William Hoop-Sound School, New Hanover High School, Peabody School, Minset Park School, Tileston School, Washington Catlett School, Williston Industrial School, Williston Primary School, Winter Park Wrightsboro Schoool, Wrightsboro Branch School

"With apologies to Patrick Henry SHELL EXPLODES **NEAR CHURCHILL**

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while on the east bank, the Bri tish leader was persuaded by Simpson not to walk to the nearest Robert Luther Clay, 55, chief village because it had not yet of the Field Division, United been cleared of mines. been cleared of mines.

Churchill praised Ninth Army Engineers, who a few hours earlier had completed bridges across the Rhine in record time.

"Churchill seemed more perturbed about lighting his cigar in the of Aberdeen, S. D. Karrigan is a member of the American 30th Division in whose sector the Prime Minister crossed the Rhine.

"He finally lit that big cigar and walked away as if nothing had happened," the lieutenant add-

On the east bank, Churchill looked over into German-held land and compared Hitler's problems now with his own in 1940, saying it was impossible to defend a long river line in strength just the same as it was trying to guard a long Fiesta opens tonight at Legion

coastline from invasion. Walking along the American battlefield Churchill discussed yester- tinue for six days and nights endday's fighting for the bridgehead ing Saturday at midnight. Tonight's ington, D. C., commander of the the main gates open for the week.

30th Division. Hobbs pointed out "Selden, the Stratosphere Man." German emplacements along the the world's greatest aerial dare-

dike behind the Rhine. the west bank and mused:

"The last time I was on last war. We cruised 50 miles upstream in a British gunboat. "I would like very much to get

Gen Eisenhower who still was with the party shook his head. Shortly after the Supreme Commander had gone, Churchill began urging again and finally talked the others into letting him go.

City Briefs

COUNCIL TO MEET Cape Fear Council No. 24, of the Daughters of America will hold its regular meeting at 8 p.m. today in the Junior Order

BREAK-IN Maffitt Village police yester-day reported that the Snack Bar in the Hughes building on Hughes street was entered Saturday night and between \$40 and \$70 taken from game machines. Entrance may have been gained by a pass key, police said, as there were no signs of force having been used to enter.

To remove scales and skin from a fish, dip in boiling water for a second or so.

LOCAL RED CROSS Scots Drive Deep Into Germany DRIVE NEARS END And Bowl Over Enemy Opposition

thrust by elements of the 15th troopers. Scottish Division drove Field Mar- ers. British front.

The spectacular thrust from the ground sluggers. Xanten crossing area bowled over enemy opposition, including a enemy opposition, including a cu attacks knocked out all such that ly since Montgomery's forces are small tank detachment which got of more than 40 enemy guns which ly since Montgomery's forces are in the way near a forest cross- had been smacking the Rees crossroads

It carried the fighting Scots Rhine and the Issel rivers. The possible blow by the German Air opposition may grow as the Gt. town of Haminkeln was captured Force, shot up what little enemy and troops have advanced beyond transport was found moving on that place.

employes; employes of Moore-Fon- fantry Division near the Lippe ville Realty Co.; employes of the river south of Wesel gave the 21st fighters was encountered, and four Cape Fear Terminal Co.; New Army Group a continuous line as of its planes were shot down. York Cafe; Jacobi Hardware Co.; masses of men and equipment Fighters destroyed four tanks on poured across Rhine pontoon the ground and damaged four and employes; Mademoiselle bridges and ferries in the build-up more. for the eastward lunge at the

Tall columns of smoke rose of schedule, and the ferrying & over shattered Rees, 11 miles west men, equipment and supplies deof Wesel, as units of the 51st lighted Lt. Gen. Miles C Demppaper Dagens Nyheter reported Those who have gone under- begins to collapse and the people Public Library; employes of the Highland Division slugged house City Parks Dept.; employes of the class in the final close-in fight- ing to clear the last fanatically- gering totals to the bridgehead. resisting enemy troops.

The roar of guns shook the air as the holdouts took a pasting be- the paths of columns of equipfore the Highlanders began claw- ment funneling into the ferries and ing through the burning, battered Three miles northwest of Rees

Canadians fought into the out-

skirts of Bienen, after wiping out

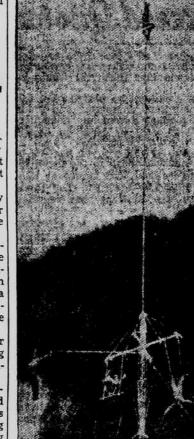
the last enemy resistance in Spel-North of Rees, other units ran into stiff fighting. Both there and at Bienen, enemy troops were units of the 15th Panzer Grenadier

elements of the German Seven Parachute Division, and that secor was beginning to loosen up a

Division

While gains elsewhere were not spectacular today, headquarters finally permitted disclosure that the phenomenally successful airborne attack yesterday carried

LEGION 'FIESTA' TO OPEN TONIGHT

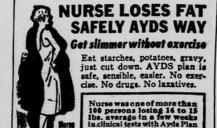


The American Legion Field under the auspices of Wilmington Post No. 10, and will conwith Maj. Gen. L. S. Hobbs, Wash- program begins at 7 p.m. when

devil, the feature free act attrac-Shortly after a noon lunch of tion, arrived yesterday from Chifried chicken Churchill looked out cago and will make his debut tostruck a hard core of resistance and was held to a foothold little was in Allied hands. OWI report of the Rhine's east bank and mused:

| Struck a hard core of resistance quarter of the Rhine's east bank and mused: | The deficiency of the window of a building on hight. This sensational act will be staged tonight and every night at the west bank and mused: | Staged tonight and every night and eve the 11 p.m. in the center of the mid-Rhine was at Cologne during the way at Legion Field. Selden performs death defying stunts, on a slender steel appartus actually 138 feet in midair, minus the use of safety devices. Three other performers have sacrificed their lives attempting the same act, but Selden remains as the only successful living artist in his line of pleas-

ing the public. The R and S Amusements will present the midway attractions with all new attractions including several of the latest and greatest rides. "Jimmy" Faftery, owner-manager, says that this week will be the first real start of the 1945 tour. Among the rides are the Dive Bomber, the Octopus, Tilt a Whirl, Ferris wheels, Skooter, Rocket, and



FUTRELLE'S PHARMACY

Scottish Division drove Field Mary's Scottish Division drove Field Mary's Despite clouds in the spring ments for the Second Army, bridgehead eight miles inland to- skies and a haze of smoke and day at a point northwest of We- dust hanging over the placid el-the deepest penetration on the Rhine, fighters and medium bombers flew close support to the

> Mediums flying precisely directed attacks knocked out all but two to give themselves up, particular.

Fighters keeping a canopy over around high ground between the the whole bridgehead against a mined resistance, however, and the roads and pounced on any A linkup of Commandos with groupings that looked like the the U. S. Ninth Army's 30th In- ginning of enemy counterattacks: Only one small group of enemy

> The bridging program in the crossing areas now is well ahead sey, the British commander, and

> For miles west of the Rhine, criss-crossing ribbons of dust mark bridges in endless streams. Apathetic crowds of German ci

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WITH THE BRITISH SECOND Issel river over six bridges snatch- homes, dressed in their broken best, watching the vehicles re-WITH THE BRITISH SECOND ISSET IT to be with the parabet in their Sunday ARMY, March 25.—(AP)—A lancing ed and held firmly by the parabet, watching the vehicles roar and clatter through the parabet. and clatter through the village streets, bringing up reinforce

Prisoners have not been count. ed since the 8,000 reported up to last midnight, but one case was reported of a surprising willing. ness of many German field troops up against regulars-not Volks

sturm troops. Some troops are making determans commit more veteran re-



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