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BY JACK LUNAN Savings deposits at the Wil-

mington postoffice crossed the

\$1,000,000 mark for the first

time in history in December,

1945, according to an announce-

ment made yesterday from the

office of Postmaster Wilbur R.

Dosher. Total deposits as of

December 31 amounted to \$1,-

027,306, and were still climb-

ing at the close of business on

January 31, 1946. Total deposits

From a low of \$250,100 in de-

posits as of December 31, 1940,

steady increase has been

achieved each year with heav-

iest occuring in the war years

of 1943 and 1944 when residents

Without Solution To

Tangle

LONDON, Feb. 5 - (AP) - The

failing to settle the dispute be-

ister Georges Bidault said later

'we are very close" to a solution.

The 11-member council adjourn-

ed until 9 p.m., (4 p.m., EST, to-morrow after representatives of

Britain and China, in a two-hour

secret session, were unable to re-

solve in a manner agreable to

the adjournment. He gave no ex-

After the meeting of the five

large powers broke up some dele-

gates, familiar with the delibera-

tions, suggested that Vice Commis-

Makin at the opening of the

SOLOMON WILL HEAD

ANNUAL RED CROSS

Harry M. Solomon was ap-

pointed cha ran of the March

1946 Red Cross Fund Raising

campaign with F. P. O'Crow-

According to J. Henry

Gerdes, chairman of Wilming-

ton chapter, American Red

Cross the appointments were

made yest rday afternoon.

ley as co hairman.

new instructions.

peace.

**UNO ARGUMENT** 

on that date were \$1,035,000.

ESTABLISHED 1867 COMMISSION MAY USE YARD



When the Presbyterian Men of the Church held their banquet in Gilmour Memorial hall Monday night, S. J. Patterson, Jr., Richmond, Va., executive director of men's work of the Presby-terian General assembly, made the principle address.

Officers, group leaders, and the speaker shown above are, left to right, seated: J. F. Rivenbark, W. R. Hadley, D. A. Boyette,

W. G. Farmer, J. A. Scott, David W. Lewis, William A Hall and

Standing, left to right: Dr. William Crowe, Jr., minister of the First Presbyterian church here, R. S. King, J. F. Branyon, J. N. Brand, Jr., president of the Men of the Church group, F. L. Harrington, A. E. Gibson, Patterson, W. T. Weaks and Roy Hogrief.— Star Photo by Pete Knight

# CITY SETS BOND **ELECTION DATE**

### Plebiscite On \$700,000 For Utilities Extension Will Be Held In May

Residents of East Wilmington and Sunset Park, newly-annexed areas to Wilmington proper will receive utilities and sewerage facilities after a bond election is held in May, it was indicated yesterday by City attorney W. B. The attorney said that May is a favorable month for the because new residents coming into the city are required to reside in the city at least four months before they are eligible to vote in a bond election.

Campbell has been correspond with Masslich and Mitchell, New York bond attorneys, relative the issuance of bonds and holding of the election, since the Nov.

In announcing preliminary negotiations in mid-December, Campbell predicted that "I think the bond election, when it is held, will be carried by a big majority." "Even people who voted against extension of the city limits will rote for the bond issue in order o receive the services they will be paying for anyway," he con-

Of the \$700,000, most of which will be spent in the newly-annexed Continued on Page Two; Col. 2)

# **BRIGADE PLANNING** NEW PAPER DRIVE

### Senior Fraternity, Jaycees To Cooperate For Pickup On March 2

A scrap paper drive, the first to which has been set for March 2. In making the announcement,

W. A. Stewart, chairman of the scrap paper drive and executive director of the Boys Brigade club AIR LINE MEET Man paper drive and executive also asked all persons in the vitinity of Wilmington and residents of the beach communities to save ill scrap paper they now have on and and to start storing any paper y may have between now and the date set for the collection.

to further developments of the group today, instead. he Boys Brigade club's camp the fuce Cameron Memorial camp

Approximately 15 trucks will aid officials. the collection which will include large areas which are to be detail-

# Fleming To Review Port Fund Request

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5. -(Special to the Star) - Major Fleming, Federal Works administrator, will personally review the North Carolina Ports Authority's application for an advance of \$90,000 to cover costs of a survey of potential Tar Heel port expansion, he assured two officials of the Authority who appealed to him today-the chairman, R. B. Page, Wilmington newspaper publisher, and former Governor J. M. Broughton of Raleigh, attorney.

Mr. Page reported that they had received a very cordial reception but that the administragave no indication of whether or not his decision would be favorable, or when it would be made.

Senators Bailey and Hoey are scheduled to contact General Fleming later.

sentatives called on General Fleming following a conference with North Carolina senators and went to the meeting with the administrator armed with the backing of the full North Carolina Congressional delegation which endorsed the project as essential to the commercial future of the state.

First Disapproved Although Governor R. Gregg Cherry previously had recommended approval of the advance application for the same reason, the Ports Authority's request for a \$90,000 advance for survey purposes, was disapproved recently by Federal Works Authority officials on the ground that it would not provide employment immedi-

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### DAVIS DECISION INJURED VETERAN **EXPECTED SOON**

### War Department Planning Elizabethtown Man Hangs City of New York." Board To Begin Review Of Facilities Today

The War department's Planning was learned yesterday through special dispatches from Washington Young and Sheriff H. M. Clark of to the Star. Decision on the \$35,-000,000 Davis installation, 30 miles it is known that the Davis facility will be among the questions placed upon the table for consideration.

A complete inventory of Camp held in the area within the last Davis, where more than 100,000 will be conducted by American and Dutch troops were the Boys Erigade club in coopera- trained during its five years of n with the Senior Fraternity and active existence, has been made, Junior Chamber of Commerce. the Star-News bureau in Washing-The groups plan to make a day ton was informed yesterday, and the collection campaign, date of on the basis of this inventory, the

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w' was scheduled to meet with Proceeds from the sale of the city, county and civic leaders yescrap paper which is collected terday afternoon, will meet with

> The meeting will be held at 2:30 cording to Chamber of Commerce and will not advocate a change in

Purpose of the meeting is to dis-cuss revision of NAL flight 28 to The last drive which was condivided at drive which was conducted three months ago netted north from Miami to New York,

# McMullan Defends State's Right To Submerged Land

its coastline and waterways. Testifying before the Senate concerned in the case.

head City as Tar Heel cities of WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—North ocean commerce whose wharves lina Attorney General Harry and docks might be affected by llan vigorously defended to- the title conflict; and he listed New his state's 160-year old claim Bern, Elizabeth City, Washington, the submerged areas along the Beaufort, Edenton, Manteo, Belliore than four hundred miles of haven, Plymouth, and Williamston as ports of inland commerce

Judiciary committee in favor of a While no oil or gas has been resolution which quits state titles found in any North Carolina submerged and reclaimed lands, merged lands yet, the inland an said the effort of the sounds have supplied millions of

# TAKES OWN LIFE

## Self With Clothes Line In Barn Near Home

Allen Cain, 35, veteran of World to be announced in a day or two as this morning on the post-war requirements of physical properties War II took his life by hanging war II took his life by hanging the physical properties. including that of Camp Davis, it himself in a cow stall this morn- (Continued on Page Two; Col. 5) Young and Sheriff H. M. Clark of BUILDING PERMITS the scene. No inquest was deemnortheast of Wilmington, may be ed necessary by the coroner who reached before the day is out as said it was a plain case of suicide. Cain left his home Monday afternoon, according to the offic-

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# **BRADLEY DENIES** STELLE CHARGE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5. -(U.P)-Veterans Administrator Gen. Omar repairs. N. Bradley tonight branded as Morton pointed out that last "absolutely without foundation in month's figure shows "about 100 truth" a new charge by John per cent increase over the \$129,172 Steele, national commander of the total for January, 1945." American Legion, VA is "attempting to dismiss' from its hospitals month was a permit to Industrial all but service disabled veterans. Properties, Inc., to erect a \$100,

In a letter to all members of 000 building at Eighth and Greenpresident of the National Airlines, congress Bradley said there is field streets to house the Port City "great danger" that Steele's accusation will "cause unnecessary erans and their families.'

Bradley reiterated an earlier as o'clock in Woodrow Wilson hut, acthe law to provide for hospitalization for service-connected cases

### Weather Table

FORECAST

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

Normal 47.

Total since the first of the month...

Tides For Today
(From the Tide Tables published by
Coast and Geodetic Survey)

High Low

# NEW YORK, Feb. 5 .- (R)-Presithe Office of Defense Transporta-

12:01 o'clock tomorrow morning. The AFL local which called the Security Council Adjourns strike, involving 3,500 men, however, directed the men not to re-

at 10 o'clock tomorrow. The stoppage virtually paralyzed activity in the world's largest harbor. Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach had appealed to the unionists tween Russia and Britain over and tugboat companies for an im- Greece, but French Foreign Minmediate end of the strike and was

transportation could not be reached in New York City immediately.

A high Federal official predicted the Big Five conference, proposed ELIZABETHTOWN, Feb. 5. in Washington tonight that a pend-

107 were issued last month by ment" and said that it was his Gilbert F. Morton, City building opinion that "the very future of inspector. This figure represents the relations of all the world might the estimated cost of planned con- be influenced" by the manner in struction in the city during the which the council handled the Rusmonth just passed and indicates sian-British dispute.

Of that amount, \$193,350 represented new construction, while the remainder was for alterations and

The largest single item last hosiery mills, while the major

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# **TUGBOATS SEIZURE** ODT Takes Over Opera-

PRESIDENT ORDERS

tion At Midnight; Steel Strike End Seen

dent Truman late today ordered tion to take over and operate 91 strikebound tugboat companies in New York harbor beginning at

turn to work until an emergency meeting of union officials was held

joined by Mayor William O'Dwyer who said its continuation "means death to so many people."

Capt. William Bradley, president of Local 333, of the United Marine the United States, France, Russia, division of the AFL International Longshoremen association, said the emergency meeting was called at the request of "the govern-ments of the United States and the Greece were menacing world

Officials of the Office of Defense A high Federal official predicted board is expected to begin review (Special to The Star) — William ing steel price increase, reported planation for the move which was

# sar Andrei Vishinsky, spokesman for Russia, would ask Moscow for **TOTAL \$258,107**

Building permits totaling \$258,- of trying to get mutual agreean upsurge of building.

### of the Wilmington area placed close of business on December \$588,524 on deposit at the post-31, 1936 amounted to \$301,613, NHHS FIVE BARRED FOR REST OF YEAR 'CLOSE' TO END

Trends Vary

Checks of figures on file in

the office of Assistant Post-

master John D Doscher reveal

the interesting fact that a very

decided downward trend in to-

tal postal savings deposits oc-

curred during the period from

1934 to 1941. With the exception

of one year, 1936, total savings

deposits dropped steadily until

1941 when the trend again

swung upward. In 1934, Wil-

mingtonians had on deposit at

the postoffice here, a total of

\$310,568. On December, 31,

Total money on deposit at the

IN SE CONFERENCE

1935 the total was \$300,006.

HERE TO RECONVERT SHIPS

FOR PEACETIME COMMERCE

### New Hanover High school was barred from all further Eastern Conference basketball competition and may have to forfeit its six victories already gained this season by virtue of a decision of the executive committee of the North Caro-United Nations Security Council lina High School Athletic assoadjourned suddenly tonight after ciation last night, The Star was told last night by T. T. Hamil-

ton, NHHS principal. The committee moved on a formal protest by Durham High school's principal C. E. Cooke that NHHS had used an ineligible player, Johnnie McKoy, elongated center of the Cats.

Principal Hamilton and Superintendent H. M. Rowland informed this newspaper last night in a telephone conversation that they intend to protest the decision because of "irregularities in the proceed-The duo point out-the execu-

tive committee allowed Lee Stone, Raleigh Caps coach to sit in on the deliberations after Wilmington's representatives and the protesting school, Durham, had been excused from the meeting.

The press was not allowed admittance to the proceedings despite New Hanover protests

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### council meeting tonight warned the **MARCH OF DIMES** members of the "vital importance DRIVE ENDS SHORT

With the county quota short \$1,000 the March of Dimes drive ended yesterday in New Hanover county after a total of \$6,500 had been col- D. Battle, Rocky Mount; Mrs. commission rambled on. lected for the care of infantile paralysis sufferers.

DRIVE DURING MARCH days, the chairman explained, as Greensboro; Josephus Daniels, Ra. dersecretary of the Navy. there are still coin boxes to be leigh; C. McD. Davis, Wilmington; taken in and final accountings to Alonzo C . Edwards, Hookerton; J.

Every organization the commit- ville; Dr. Frank P. Graham, Chapel urer. ee called upon to do a "job" dur- Hill; Clyde R. Greene, Boone; Feing the drive responded in an acceptable manner, the chairman said today.

"Already" he declared, "we are laying our plans for the drive next year which we are positive will result in a continuation of the work that is being done by the

preciation of the committee for the work done by the American Legion dance committee, the Navy Mother's club, school teachers and children, and the North Carolina

### AND SO TO BED...

It really isn't so surprising how a slogan can catch on. Ben McDonald, in his Roundthe - Town radio broadcasts, uses the slogan, "Join the maority and read the Star."

Yesterday morning a newsoy in front of the Post Office seemed to have difficulty disposing of his papers. He was velling the headlines at the top of his voice, but few takers. Finally in desperation, he velled:

"Oh, for heaven's sake! You people join the majority and read the Star!"

### Post Office Savings Deposits NCSC Picked Climb Past Million Mark Here To Continue **Operations** previous year, but for the next four years, declines were consistently steady. In 1937, the total was \$284,473; 1938, \$267,-158; 1939, \$260,848; 1940, \$250,-\$ 20,000,000 Installation Swing Upward Again Here Recommended For

Then swinging upward again,

deposits in 1941 totaled \$293,-

176 and once again crossed the

\$300,000 mark the following

year when an increase of close

to \$100,000 occurred, the total

being \$390,411. Another nice

gain was made in 1943 when

deposits crossed the half-mil-

lion dollar mark for the first

time, the total that year being

Governor Appoints Busi-

nessmen To New Fact-

Finding Commission

ated commission.

have funds for their work in 1947.

"This situation," Cherry said,

'makes it necessary for the people

conducted by such necessary agen-

Durham, believes that the whole

matter should be studed by an im-

partial committee which is repre-

sentative of the best leadership

Former Gov. J. C. B. Ehringhaus

we have in the state.

dition to Davis, are:

ston-Salem.

**ACL PRESIDENT** 

\$588.524.

Permanent Status PLANS NOT REVEALED

Local Shipbuilding Company Now Working On Vessels For Grace Line

Wilmington Star (Continued on Page Two; Col. 2) Bureau, Washington, D. C.

WASHING YON, D. C., Feb. 5.—Representative J. Bayard Clark of Fayetteville announced here today that he had been informed that the Maritime commission will "likely" utilize the commission's \$20,000,000 shipbuilding installation at Wilmington for reconverting certain classes of ships not to be de-Governor R. Gregg Cherry yes- clared surplus.

terday announced the appointment But there was no indicaof C. McD. Davis, president of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad company to membership on the North said, that any new ship build-Carolina fact-finding commission ing is to be undertaken at to study plans for possible future state-wide federated financing of other yards the commission national, state and local agencies.

February 14 in Raleigh has been may retain under its peaceset as the date and place for the time program.

first meeting of the newly cre- Earlier in the day it was learned that the Maritime Cherry said plans are now under commission plans submitted way for the liquidation of the united War fund of North Carolina as quickly as possible. He also indicated that the USO and 10 foreign recommended that the Wilrelief agencies, aside from the Red Cross, and in addition there are 13 national social agencies and several state agencies which must are pair yard.

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### of the state to decide what to do in TAMING OF BILL the future about the campaigns **FAILS IN HOUSE** Cherry added that the executive committee of the United War Fund, headed by Victor S. Bryant, of

### Ickes Furnishes Fireworks For Capital By Testimony Against Pauley

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5- (P) was named chairman of this new The House repeatedly knocked committee. Other members, in ad- down attempts to tame a stringent strike control bill today. Judge Junius G. Adams, Asheville; Dr. Baker, Durham; Kemp Manent Fair Employment Practice A Senate filibuster against a per-

But the day's main show at the Karl Bishopric, Spray; J. Melville Broughton, Raleigh; Victor S. capitol was the Senate Naval com-The total of money contributed Bryant, Raleigh; Charles A. Can-will not be available for several non, Concord; Herman Cone, descentations to be understanding the several non, Concord; Herman Cone, descentant of the Navy

Secretary of the Interior Ickes read from a memorandum dated be made with local and county C. B. Ehringhaus, Raleigh; C. A. Sept. 6, 1944, which he said he groups who have not turned in Fink. Spencer: E. Hervey Evans groups who have not turned in Fink, Spencer; E. Hervey Evans, Pauley, California oil man and Laurinburg; James Glover, Nashformer Democratic national treas-

The memo said Pauley had statlix Grissetts, Raleigh; J. F. Yok- ed he could raise \$300,000 from oil ley, Mt. Airy; Judge Don Gilliam, men if they could be promised the Tarboro; Robert M. Hanes, Win- government would not file suit to get title to offshore oil lands. It Also Jasper B. Hicks, Henderson; said Ickes had protested there Howard Holderness, Greensboro; might be a "scandal" if he failed John A. Holmes, Edenton; Horace to push the suit and added: Haworth, High Point; Gurney P.

"This is the rawest proposition Hood, Raleigh; Dr. I. G. Greer, that has ever been made to me." As Ickes finished, Pauley arose declare:

Rhodes also expressed the appreciation of the committee for Rapids; James Marks, Roanoke mistaken—that he got the wrong impression of any conversation we (Continued on Page Two; Col. 5) had about raising money."

# Tighter Belts Forecast In Farm Labor Muddle

There is a strong possibility that without moving pictures and newspole beans which have long made line." their appearance at the evening

Thomasville; George Ivey, Char-

lotte; Millard F. Jones, Rocky

age—perhaps.
Food Is Necessary

nin, New Hanover County Farm farmers are in desperate straits agent, painted a dismal forecast for labor right now and that "unof acres of vegetables rotting in less the prisoners of war are kept the fields for the simple reason on the farms instead of being sent that there may be no one to pick into the pulpwood industry, farmthem, put them in baskets, and carry them to market.

citizens of Wilmington and vicinity papers and automobiles, if they may have to draw in their belts have to," Galphin said, 'but they several notches and try to forget can't do without food, no more those lettuce salads, radishes, and than a car can run without gaso-

In confirmation of Galpin's ominous view, G. W. Trask, New The reason: A severe labor short- Hanover county Commissioner and well-known Castle Hayne road farmer, and his son, C. Heide Yesterday afternoon, R. W. Galp- Trask, said that the Castle Hayne

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# the club more than 80,000 pounds via, among other cities, Wilming-North Carolina-Wednesday cloudy and

Temperatures
1:30 a.m. 47; 7:30 a.m. 45; 1:30 p.m. 49; 7:30 p.m. 48. Maximum 50; Minimum 43; Mean 47;

Humidity 1:30 a.m. 67: 7:30 a.m. 78; 1:30 p.m. 82; Precipitation
Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p.m.-Total since the first of the month-

seed or gulf.

High Low Continued on Page Two: Col. 5)

S. Coast and Geodetic Survey High Low Wilmington 12:34 a.m. 7:50 a.m. 7:50 a.m. 7:50 a.m. 7:50 a.m. 7:50 a.m. 7:50 a.m. 1:10 p.m. 8:13 p.m. 5:03 p.m. Sunrise 7:05 a.m.; Sunrise 7:05 a.m.; Sunrise 7:05 a.m.; Sunrise 7:05 a.m.; Masonboro Intel 20:46 a.m. 4:33 a.m. Sunrise 7:05 a.m.; Sunrise 7:05 a.m.; Moonrise 10:40 p.m. River Stage at Fayetteville, N. C. at 8 a.m. Tuesday, 10.8 feet.

# Along The Cape Fear MIDNIGHT PROWL — There's hour," he said. "If we're 15 or 16 county and national organizations nothing like a midnight prowl minutes late in making the call for the treatment of "Polio" around the deserted streets of Wil- they send a patrol car out to look victims.

mington to make you forget your in all the alleys to see if somebody burdens. You meet such interest- has knocked our brains out." ing people and you get interested "But nothing ever really hapin them and first thing you know pens on my beat. you've forgotten what your bur-

morn. You can hear your foot- anything unusual there, though. steps batting back and forth against the buildings that line and then and once in awhile the boys get to fighting. But usually

NOTHING EVER HAPPENS town, down in Brunswick. We ran day's work that is to come. across him just as he was putting in his hourly telephone call to his morning," Grissett said, "but that desk sergeant from one of those boy won't let me go in that store

He told us about his calling. "We have to call into the office every hour two minutes after the (Continued on Page Two; Col. 3)

North Carolina—Wednesday cloudy and mild, scattered showers west and central portions; higher afternoon temperatures east and central portions.

South Carolina—Wednesday mostly a lot of such prowling. Most times and Dock, which means that he cloudy and mild, scattered showers in it's after two o'clock in the morn-patrols that section of the river-ALONG THE RIVER FRONT-ALONG THE CAPE FEAR does Grissett's beat is between Market Shipbuilding company where a a lot of such prowling. Most times and Dock, which means that he separate drive was conducted by ing and there're no automobiles front that lies between the two to break the stillness of the early streets. He said he'd never seen "Oh, I run into drunks every now

> it's pretty quiet. Grissett told us one thing that Night before last we were prowl- seems sort of ironic, or something. ing and we ran up with Roy Gris- Every morning about four o'clock sett. Grisset's one of the new a colored boy opens Chimes' patrolmen in the police department Pastry shop on Market street to and he's originally from Grisset- make fires and clean up for the

tow 7:50 a.m. desk sergeant from one of those 8:13 p.m. little red boxes you see stuck on 4:33 a.m. 5:03 p.m. tele hone poles. 5:47 p.m.; He told us about his calling. First time we ever heard of a