CHURCHILL WARNS OF SOVIET EXPANSION DESIRE:

ENGINEERS, TRAINMEN MAY STRIKE ON MONDAY:

TELL JONE NEGOTIATIONS AGAIN BOG DOWN

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EACH CLAIMS CREDIT FOR TRIPLETS

SEEKING PEACE

### Soft Coal Leaders In No-Strike Plea

WASHINGTON, March 5-(A) enter the coming conference in The nation's bituminous coal op-full spirit of cooperation and that

Lewis replying to his request to cluded. Lewis 1 reprised for contract negotiations on Lewis asked for the negotiations miners would penalize the industry men would be raised. in its competition with other fuels. Charles O'Neill and Edward R. Burke, representing the Northern Appalachian region and Southern Producers' groups, said labor costs, now represented 65 per cent of the cost of an average ton of coal at the mines, amounting to an aver-

Cooperative Spirit

The nations today appealed to John L. it is sincerely anxious to reach Lewis and the United Mine Workers a speedy, equitable agreement. Lewis and to negotiate a new contract with- with coal production going forward uninterrupted," the letter to Lewis The operators, in a letter to from the operators committee con-

March 12, said that the price in-on the general issue of wages and March 12, on the general issue of wages and crease which would follow any pay working conditions and mentioned that the 400,000 bituminous that the issue of organization of fore-

Foremen Union

A brief strike in October over the recognition of Lewis's foremen union was ended by the UMW president who said settlement on that point would be postponed until some more appropriate time-such as the reopening of his contract.

The current agreement will expire April 1 as a result of Lewis' We assure you that the op- invitation to the operators to nego-

### Community Chest Awards \$7,000 To Charity Group

### PARTY CONVENTION The Community Chest yesterday appropriated \$7,000 to the Associated Charities DATES ARE NAMED

Meet May 2; County Meetings April 27

Thursday noon, May 2, for the state party convention, April 27

point a five-man committee to report back in the summer.

To Committee

## FARMERS FLEECED

Hucksters Doing Farmto-Farm Buving

RALEIGH, March 5 - (AP) -Hucksters throughout the state are fleecing farmers of thousands of dollars a week through farm-tofarm purchases of eggs at prices considerably below the government's floor price of 27 cts. a dozen, H. L. Meacham, marketing expert scheduled to arrive soon. of the State College Extension Serdemand for eggs on all marketing

an average cost of about one cent will be made.

county, 25 cents a dozen in Bruns- said. wick, Columbus, Harnett, Lee, Bladen and Wilson counties, Meain line with actual market values.

#### The Weather

South Carolina—North Carolina—Wednesday increasing cloudiness and warm.
(Eastern Standard Time)
(By U. S. Weather Bureau)
Meteorogolical data for the 24 hours
ending 7:30 p.m. yesterday.
Temperatures
1:30 a.m. 57; 7:30 a.m. 55; 1:30 p.m. 71;
7:30 p.m. 64;
Maximum 72; Minimum 53; Mean 62;
Normal 51.

Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 p.m.-Total since the first of the month-

inches.

Tides For Today

(From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey)

Wilmington High Low
Wilmington — a.m. 6:42 a.m.

12:00 p.m. 6:55 p.m.

12:00 p.m. 6:55 p.m.

10:04 p.m. 3:54 p.m.

Sunrise 6:31 a.m. Sunset 6:12 p.m.;
Moonrise 8:27 a.m. Moonset 9:37 p.m.

River Stage at Fayetteville. N. C. at 8
a.m. Tuesday, 9.5 feet

While here at that time he took numerous pictures of local persons and places and upon his return the armorial bearing of the parent city.

Bern for Swiss periodicals.

Founded In 1710

New Bern was named for Bern, native city of Baron Christopher

See VISITOR of the control of the parent city.

Banner Pre

In 1896 a banner the historic bear native city of Baron Christopher

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erators' negotiating committee will tiate a new contract.

## The Community Chest yesterday

RALEIGH, March 5—(A)—The State Democratic Executive committee Tuesday night selected Thursday noon. May 2 for the

for the county conventions, and April 20 for the precinct conven-

The committee authorized State Chairman W. B. Umstead to apstudy proposed changes in the plan of the Associated Charities, that

E. S. Merritt of Catawba county submitted a resolution to give Catawba county equal representation with Iredell county in the selec-

#### ing a Family Service society along IN EGG PURCHASES Marketing Experts Says ACL EXPECTING

**NEW CRANES SOON** New Machinery Be Largest

Of Type Ever Used On System, Official Says

Three cranes, largest ever used on Atlantic Coast Line's tracks are The cranes are 250 ton wrecking

vice, said Tuesday. He added that crane models, and will be selfpropelled, ACL officials said. They centers continues strong with rec-ognized dealers paying 31 and 32 disputes now going on in the Bay City, Michigan plants. The first disclosed yesterday. can be made by the producer at wrecking equipment now in use very shortly.

The new and larger cranes will Husksters, telling farmers that be able to do more, and better of 150,000 population and more,, is been resumed, the total would have cluding multiple fractures of both the egg market is glutted, are mak. work, and more quickly, than the being given to Wilmington at the been even higher, Morton said. legs, a compound fracture of the ing on-the-farm purchases as low nine smaller cranes now in the original "regular census" cost of Even so, it is a considerable inas 20 cents per dozen in Halifax service of the company, officials \$4,475. Wilmington is being used crease over the \$32,511.50 total of ternal injuries.

cranes can be seen by comparing is defraying the added cost of the proposition". cham said. In mountain counties the two cranes and the weights of extra features. where production is lower farm the locomotives which they handle freight cars loaded, which range Ga., will probably be in charge of from 66 to 98 tons.

ted charities to carry on their work during the current year.

L. D. Latta reported at the com-

munity Chest Board of Directors meeting yesterday afternoon that representatives of the Community Democrats Of State To Chest and the Associated charities had agreed to recommend that the Community Chest appropriate \$7,-000 from its trust fund with the Community Welfare foundation to

It was also recommended that the Community Chest request the Community Council to assume the walkout. responsibility of organizing a fami-Approximately 45 persons and 51 ly Service society with the funds appropriated to the Associated shills 144

the last campaign.

Latta told the board members that he had been advised by the their Board of Directors had acted favorably on this proposal at a recent meeting.

Latta Motion A motion was made by Latta,

that an appropriation of \$7,000 be filiates and telephone companies. tion of a state senator, but the mat-for the fiscal year 1946, and was Prospects of reaching a settle-See CONVENTION on Page Two seconded by Stewart.

Latta then moved that the Community Council be requested to as- New York today when negotiations sume the responsibility of organiz- collopsed between the Western

See CHEST On Page Two

### **NEW CITY CENSUS** WILL BEGIN SOON

Negotiations For Work Are Nearing Final Stages Nichols States

Leaders See

Little Hope

For "Peace"

Unionists Gloomy Over

Prospects For Settling

Wage Disputes

DEADLINE NEARING

Beirne Of Opinion That

Workers Will Strike On

Thursday Morning

WASHINGTON, March 5-(U.R)-The National Federation of Tele-

phone workers, gloomy about pros-

pects for settling current wage dis-

putes, said Tuesday night that the

nationwide strike set for 6 a. m.,

EST., Thursday appeared to be

The union's dismal forecast was

made in a statement from NFTW

President Joseph A Beirne, re-

Warren of the U. S. conciliation

service in an effort to avert the

No Progress

negotiation, no word of progress

had come from the conferees. The

union had last been reported de-

manding an 18 1-2 cent hourly wage

offer of 15 cents when negotiations

Complications

Electric company, A. T. & T. sub-sidiary, and the Western Electric

See TELEPHONE on Page Two

After more than six hours of

"inevitable."

Wilmington's 100 per cent census, which will enumerate not only the number of people but their occupational skills, housing conditions, and general economic make-up as well, will likely be started late this month, City Manager A. C. Nichols

Final negotiations between Nich-

to be held later in the year in cities

According to a letter Capt sent to egg prices are holding more nearly The ACL engines range in weight Nichols, William B. Pournelle, asfrom 140 to 230 tons, the passenger sistant to Will A. Hale, Jr., regioncars weigh from 63 to 93 tons, and al bureau supervisor in Atlanta.

## To Visit In New Bern

While here at that time he took and places and upon his return the armorial bearings and colors

numerous pictures of local persons Upon his return the city adopted

Banner Presented

See VISITOR on Page Two

Proud parents of Francis and Ann and James-first triplets of the year in New York City—Traffic Officer Thomas Conrad and Mrs. Mary Conrad of the Bronx were not surprised by the threesome. Pop claims credit, saying his grandmother had twins, but Mary pooh-poohs his claim, asserting that her grandmother had triplets. (International)

### UAW Again Reject Wage Offer By General Motors

increase compared with a company MANY BIDS RECEIVED collapsed in New York early yes-ON ARMY PROPERTIES The labor department has hoped that settlement of the long lines ON FORT FISHER LAND case would set a pattern for settling other disputes between NFTW af-

With opening of bids on the Fort Fisher surplus property set for 10 a.m. today, the North Carolina project manager's office in Raleigh was receiving the bids in every mail yesterday with 135 already on hand and 60 to 70 expected.

Walter F. Williams, project manager for the state with the South Atlantic division of the U. S. Army Engineers, report ed that his office expected to have the opening of the bids completing during the day providing there were not too many small bids.

Williams added that he believed that a number of the bids received were for sizeable portions of the property.

FEBRUARY BUILDING PERMITS REPRESENT \$201,723 INVESTMENT

Building construction permits, representing a total investment of nylon stockings. \$201,723, were issued to 111 indusmarketing centers probably will the Rocky Mount plant. The latter ols and J. C. Capt, director of the trious Wilmington firms and indicontinue to pay farmers several two cranes will be assigned to the U. S. Bureau of Census, are now viduals during February—despite cents a dozen above the floor price Waycross, Georgia and Florence, underway, and Nichols expects to the fact that the paralyzing buildfor eggs and added that shipment S. C. plants. Reassignment of put his signature on the agreement ing priority system was renewed— Gilbert F. Morton, city building The new type census, scheduled inspector, revealed yesterday.

If the priority system had not Her injuries were reported as inas a testing-ground for the new. February, 1945, and it indicates that But she told attendants removing Contrast in the new and old type census, and the U. S. Bureat the city is definitely a "growing her stockings:

DETROIT, March 5. -(A)- The CIO United Auto Workers tonight repeated its rejection of a General Motors proposal for a return-to-work vote by the 175,000 strikers. Company representatives report-

ed the union's rejection upon leaving an hour's negotiation session with UAW-CIO officials. "We are standing pat on 18 1-2 cents." said Vice-President Harry

fered by the union."

See AUTO WORKERS on Page 2

### GIRL LIVES AFTER 11-STORY TUMBLE

Fifteen-Year-Old Tells Attendants To Watch Her Last Nylon Hose

15-year-old girl fell 11 stories to- posal prepared for approval by the night—and lived, telling hospital city council. attendants to be careful about her

Police identified the girl as Renathrough the fabric top of an auto mobile at the end of her fall.

Taken to a hospital, the girl's condition was listed as critical.

"Be careful. They're nylons."

### Along The Cape Fear

petition, we say, is the cinnamon of to 1889.

Yesterday we started a campaign to bring whistles out from under the shadow of notoriety which Ben built, and, like all mills, it had to Franklin placed over them. The have a whistle to tell the folks feature of our campaign is the for- when to come to work, when to eat mation of the BLEW (Blow Loud, lunch, when to finish lunch, and Emancipated Whistles) society.

been sprinkled on our candidate.

Right after Ben McDonald gave his radio pre-view of yesterday's Along the Cape Fear, an old resident—who asked us to withhold his the historic bear emblem, was name—called up to challenge the Old ACL Whistle's right to the

WHAT A WHISTLE - In that year, he told us Spofford Mills was when to go home.

And, until they got used to it, the THE CHALLENGER - Now, Burgaw belles and the Rocky Point we're not so sure. Cinnamon has petites would turn around on the

### Nation-Wide Walkout Set By Unionists

Waiting Period Of 30 To 60 Days Usually Follows Strike Orders

**ACL AFFECTED TOO** 

Official Lists Many Roads In South As Scheduled For Next Week

CHICAGO, March 5 - (P) - A nationwide strike of railroad engineers and trainmen, which could paralyze the nation's rail system, has been called for next Monday morning, a union official announced Tuesday-without confirmation or denial by national heads of the union.

A "waiting period" of 30 to 6 days ordinarily follows a formal strike call, if the brotherhoods comply with the Railway Labor act's procedure permitting President Truman to appoint an emergency fact-finding board.

Railroad officials here said they had not received any official notice

At Cleveland, heads of the rail-See TRAINMEN on Page Two

### JAYCEES REGAIN TWO OLD MEMBERS

Organization Ready For Observance Of Americanism Week March 12-22

The Junior Chamber of Com-W. Anderson. "We have no other merce regained two members last proposals to make and none was of- night as Francis Thompson and James Craig, former Jaycees, at-General Motors had proposed a tended their first meeting since eturn to work vote on the basis returning from service overseas. With Troy Hodges acting as chairman the meeting reviewed a number of civic and recreational

matters. A report on the Americanism committee was read and the program for Americanism Week, March 12-22, discussed.

Plans for an April Jaycee golf tournament were presented, and consideration was given the chamber's sponsorship of high school baseball teams. The election of high school stu-

dents for one day terms in city of-NEW YORK, March 5.—(P)— A fices was discussed and the pro-JULIUS A. KRUG WINS

> SENATE APPROVAL AS INTERIOR SECRETARY WASHINGTON, March Julius A. Krug easily won Senate confirmation Tuesday as Secretary

of the Interior to succeed the Veteran Harold L. Ickes. The Senate action came with unanimous consent and without debate a short time after approval was recommended by the Public

Lands committee.

man of the War Production Board, "The Bells of St. Mary's". was nominated by President Truman last week to succeed Ickes. who quit the cabinet post he had held nearly 13 years after a dispute ous members of the club. with the President growing out of the nomination of Edwin B. Pauley covered America" was given, by to be undersecretary of the Navy. members of the club.

### CHURCHILL SPEECH BRINGS UNFAVORABLE **COMMENT BY SENATORS**

for a virtual British-American military alliance provoked gen-erally unfavorable reaction among members of Congress today.

The former prime minister's call for sharing of bases and military preparations found

some support, but most Senators said they want no formal alliance because it might arouse suspicision on the part of Russia and because it would link the United States too closely to British foreign policies. Senator Johnson (D.-Colo.) said there already is "an un-

written alliance" between Britain and the United States for mutual protection, but added: "I'm very sure we are not ready now to have a military alliance that would impose on

us the duty of enforcing Britain's foreign policies." Senator Brewster (R.-Me.) reed that "we cannot assume heritage of British colonial

But Senator Robertson (R .-Wyo.) said he believes that until such time as Russia "rolls up the iron curtain," close cooperation between the United States, Britain and other members of the United Nations is essential.

Senator Pepper (D.-Fla.), who has urged a better understanding with Russia, commented that Churchill had spoken "in his best Marlborough manner for glorious imperialism — but it is always British imperialism."

"Of course," Pepper said, "we want Anglo-American cooperation, but not exclusively." Senator Maybank (D-S. C.), said he agreed in the main with Churchill's assertion that Russia seems bent on "indefi-nite expansion" of its "power and doctrines" but doubted that a military alliance with Britain would curb this tendency.

Chairman Connally (D.-Tex.) of the Senate Foreign Relations committee and Senator See COMMENT on Page Two

### **ROTARY-ANNS ARE** FETED AT DINNER

Wilmington Rotary Stages Annual Ladies' Night At Famous Club

About 37 wives of Wilmington Rotarians were welcomed to La dies Night, by the Rev. Mortimer Glover, in the absence of Thomas B. Lilly, president of the club, at a dinner party at the Famous club Defiant reaction from Francisco last night.

their guests were present for the France Awaited results of their Among the guests were the presidents and their wives, of three other Wilmington civic clubs.

The evening of fun was started State department Sunday—some 24 with a welcome by the Rev. Mr. hours before the release of the Glover, who announced that 37 Rotary Anner; 34 tarians, and 37 "Rotary Anner, 34 tion—warning that Spain would visitors, and two Junior "Rotary "repudiate" any "foreign pres-Anns" and two Junior Rotarians, sure." were present and made a short welcome speech to the ladies.

During the evening, Mrs. James people, always zealous of the in-T. Murdock, soloist, sang "I'll Take tegrity of their sovereignty."

Krug, 38-year-old former chair- You Home Again Kathleen," The remainder of the evening was taken up with debates, song

singing, and light speeches by vari-A short play "How Columbus Dis-

14 years (1880 to 1894) they killed

### Asks-Anglo WASHINGTON, March 5.—(A) —Winston Churchill's proposal

British Opposition Leader Calls For Alliance Along Military Lines

U.S. Accord

WARNS OF DANGERS

Missourians Hear Timely Suggestion For Prevention Of Third War

FULTON, Mo., March 5 .- (AP)-Winston Churchill called today for a virtual Anglo-American military alliance with a blunt warning against what he termed Russia's desire for "indefinite expansion" of

ts "power and doctrines." Asserting that "a shadow has allen upon the scenes so lately

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lighted by the Allied victory," the former British Prime Minister declared in an address prepared for delivery at Westminister College

Nobody Knows "Nobody knows what Soviet Russia and its Communist internation.

immediate future, or what are the limits, if any, to their expansive and proselyting tendencies." Britain's wartime leader gravely declared that prevention of another great war "can only achieved by reaching now, in 1946, good understanding on all points with Russia under the general authority of the United Nations Or

al organization intends to do in the

While he said he does not believe that the Soviet Union desires war, Churchill attributed to the Russians desire for "the fruits of war and the indefinite expansion of their power and doctrines."

"From what I have seen of our Russian friends and Allies during See CHURCHILL on Page Two

### FRANCO DEFIANT OVER U.S. NOTE

Ambassador To Washington Says Nation Will Repudiate Foreign Pressure WASHINGTON, Mar. 5. - (AP) -

Franco was made public today as Approximately 115 members and the United States, Britain and evening of fun and merry-making. joint call to the Spanish people to oust the Generalissimo. Franco's Ambassador in Washe ington, Juan Francisco De Car

The note said the question of the Franco regime was exclusively A response to the Rev. Mr. Glov- Spanish matter, and that any forer was made by Mrs. Charles New- eign intervention would "heighten the national feelings of the Spanish

> Spain was passing along this in. formation because of press reports that the three-power statement was about to be issued, the

note explained. A similar note was delivered to London but not to Paris.

### And So To Bed.

A well-known Wrightsville Beach lady has forwarded the anti-climax to end all climaxes. When she was a child, she began to do the grocery shopping for her mother. As she shopped through the store she would pick up a stray cracker. cookie, or grape and munch on it, like all kids do in grocery

At the end of her first month's shopping, her mother received the regular monthly bill from the grocery, with the purchases listed item by item as usual.

But at the end of the bill was appended this item:

'One dollar-for child's graz-

# Swiss Representative

Normal 51. 2, saminum 53; Mean 62; of Bern, Switzerland, who is now on his way to this city, Bern's about 10,000 deGraffenrieds now namesake, to take local photolographs for Swiss publications and phot to present a copy of Bern's history to the New Bern city aldermen, spent some time here in 1939.

NEW BERN, Mar. 5.-Paul Senn, | deGraffenried, founder of this

This city sent a representative to Bern to attend the 700th anniversary celebration of the founding of Bern half a century ago.

COMPETITION — Variety, they see, knows about a say, is the spice of life. And com- whistle that goes all the way back

HORRORS - Then one day Ben Franklin's whistle-curse took over. Forest Hills was built-and the insufferable happened.

See CAPE FEAR on Page Two

#### Alligators Facing Tough Time; They Don't Grow Up WASHINGTON, Mar. 5. - (P) - | First came the hunters. Within

These are tough times for alligators—they don't grow up like they more than 2,000,000 alligators in

Did you know that 14- and 15-foot alligators once were as common in Florida as Chambers of Commerce are now? Or what the outlook is for the modern alligator as 60 eggs), but tourists cart when he grows up?

the Fish and Wildlife Service W. report, the alligators "endure gloomily, without bothering to ex- a slow death by starvation." plain why. Furthermore, the alligator soon may be extinct.

It seems that alligators do a good job in the production line (an alligator sometimes lays as many many of the youngsters away to A measly 12-footer at best, says the north. There, says the F. &

Then came the tourists.

The wildlifers think the man-See ALLIGATORS on Page Two\_