

agenda, wanted but he declared he it understood that "this is no peace conference." He sai dthe "only purpose of the meeting is to carry out the spirit of the Yalta meeting - to INDONESIANS meet every three or four months to preserve contacts between the governments." The present congovernments." The present con-ference, he said, was "just exploratory.

## "NOT A "BAD SIGN"

Byrnes said he would not regard it as a "bad sign" if no formal announcement of an agreement follows the conference.

"I think it is a far more important thing," he added, "if we make contact for an exchange of views rather than meet to make an-

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**Ceilings** On **Other Makes Of Cars Due Soon** 

WASHIINGTON, Dec. 15 -(P)- ed force of the unrecognized In-Price ceilings on additional makes donesian Republic, had recommendof new automobiles may be an- ed "full military action," if necesnounced next week, OPO said to- sary, against extremist forces in Java.

The agency turned to the job re-maining after disclosing that retail prices for Ford-built Mercurys will increasing in the northwestern secrange from \$73 to \$105 higher than tor of Bandoeng,' summer capital they were in January, 1942. With Fords and Studebakers has been in progress for several

priced earlier, ceilings are still to weeks come for the General Motors Line, PEACE EFFORTS Chrysler-built cars, Packard, Hud- Despite continued outbreaks of son, Nash and one or two other violence, the statement said, "there is more evidence of positive ac-

In announcing Mercury ceilings yesterday, OPA said the retail in- (peace preservation corps) in cocrease would average four per cent operating with British authorities." plus from \$30 to \$55, depending on the model, for design and engineering changes.

The manufacturers' increase averages 8.4 per cent. Dealers' prewar discounts will be cut 2.5 percentage points, a uniform reduc-tion for the industry, to prevent the full manufacturers' increase from being passed on to the public.



tion by the Indonesian Tur

Skirmishes between British and

Indonesian forces were reported near the Dutch naval base of

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**KAZMAYER SAYS:** 

Native Fighters Reachbreak, when police stations were ing Tjikampek jammed with hundreds of persons

BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 15-(AP)-

miles east of Batavia, for a stand the roundup. against the British. Searchers blocked the principal The Dutch News agency Aneta artery streets and bridges, then said considerable quantities of swooped down on London's theaarms had been transported from Bandoeng to Tjikampek, important rail junction, and reinforcements had been arriving there recently from various parts of Java.

The net was drawn tightest in the area around Piccadilly circus, London's "Times Square." Traffic chaos gripped that busy sector as the weatherman promised more snow or rain for late this after-snow or rain for late this after-The British announced today that the chief of the Indonesian peace preservation corps, uniform-

crime wave.

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## 50,735 Bales Of **Cotton Ginned In Cleveland To Dec. 1**

ing to .08 of an inch fell during the day. Cleveland's 1945 cotton crop broke the 50,000 bales mark with a figure of 50,735 bales to December 1, Thamer C. Beam, cotton statistician, revealed to-

day. The figure compares with 52,082 bales at the same date last year and caused seasoned observers to predict Cleveland's 1945 crop will exceed 55,000 bales which would compare with last year 54,700.

foremost platform and radio an- are already well on our way to declared, "Russia is a dictatorship.

N. C. E-Bond Quota Short By \$9,300,000 WINSTON-SALEM, Dec. 15—(#) —Approximately \$9,300,000 remains to be raised in North Carolina's E bond sale quota, State War Fi-nance Chairman Clarence T. Lein-bach sald last night

freezing point.

early last night. Rainfall amount-

were

Lower temperatures

mised for Sunday.

bach said last night.

CHELSEA, Mass., Dec. 15. -(AP)-British and Canadian army deserters and smash a record among Britain, Russia and the Discovery of the body of tiny Ro-United States. nald Carlan beneath a chest of

(4) Development of China as a drawers in the family home ended Striking suddenly at 8 p.m., 2,- strong nation capable of acting as a 16-day hunt for the supposedly kidnapped child and resulted today

000 London policemen aided by See MARSHALL Page 2 in the 23-year-old mother being military police of three nations, estimated by one newspaper at murder. about 6,000, sealed Metropolitan The infant was found yesterday when a special officer, making what Davis was of Maxton, as were C. London in a gigantic dragnet and combed the city with the precis-ion of a military invasion. IN TWO DAYS

police described as a last piece of P. McLean and Clyde McLean, lista combination dining and bedroom, ed by Rural Police Officer P. L. detected a piece of blue cloth after Purcell as one car's victims. The he had opened wide the bottom drawer of a dresser. The body was

unable to satisfy officials as to their identity. Newsmen, check-their 500 the solid fuels administration that more coal would be available Celebrating the announcement bundled in a blue bunting suit. Police Chief Charles Finn quoted Indonesian forces were reported ing the arrests, reported from 500 for this section within the next wife of a Navy machanist mate, as the mother, Mrs. James J. Carlan, today massing at Tjikampek, 70 to 800 persons had been brought few weeks, King Winter pulled the saying that the six months old baby, stops this morning and presented reported missing Nov. 28, actually Shelby and vicinity with its sec-

ing a party in her mother-in-law's attendond snow in two days. With the mercury hovering just flat upstairs. The chief said that Mrs. Carlan

tres, restaurants, bars, night clubs, soft flakes were melting where above the freezing point the big maintained that she invented the General Patton Has hotels, railway stations and other night gathering spots. The net was drawn tightest in the area around Piccadilly circus. Soft flakes were melting where maintained that she invented the General 1 atton 11 as kidnap story because she was "afraid people would say I neglect-ed the child." The kidnap report and subsequent

The kidnap report and subsequent demands for ransom touched off a search that led from the tenement (AP)-The condition of Gen. George noon and tonight with lower tem-

take.

See KIDNAPPED Page 2 peratures, probably falling as much as 10 degrees below the

**Cyclotrans** Were Much of the snow which fell on Destroyed By Mistake mer 3rd army commander, whose Thursday melted yesterday under rising temperatures. The thermometer registered a high of 38 yesterday and a low of 28 degrees

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 -(P)- cident last Sunday, "continues alert Secretary of War Patterson says and cheerful." His temperature subordinates ordered destruction was given as 100 and his pulse as of cyclotrons in Japan by mis- 60.

night.

other dead were Rufus MacKenzie,

Isaiah MacKenzie and Oliver We-

significant improvement in sensa-

neck was broken in a traffic ac-

tion during the past 24 hours."

thington, all of Dillon, S. C.

That was why occupation troops School Attendance and dropped into the sea the at-om-smashing equipment of Nip- Off Due To Flu and dropped into the sea the atponese scientists, he said at a press

conference yesterday. He added that he did not see the order before it was sent to

**Community** Center

A contribution of \$137.90 from was received today by the Shel-by and Cleveland County Foun-

campaign chairman, directed an appeal to individuals and firms to direct further gifts to the Foundation for the Community Center as it becomes apparent with the year's close that additional donations can be justified. It is the goal of the Foundation to bring the fund total to \$100,000 this year.

plan to quit by eraly January. This agreed to cooperate with the board, left up in the air presentation of which has no statutory authority. what he described as "pertinent evidence that has never been pro- CIO-UAW with representatives of MAXTON, N. C., Dec. 15. -(P)duced at any previous inquiry about was the first conference by the Death of W. A. Davis in the Hamlet Pearl Sarbor.

held on a charge of "suspicion of hospital today brought to six the Chairman Barkley (D-Ky) told which has taken over the Big Wilreporters there is no use arguing toll of a two-car collision here last reporters there is no use arguing production further, he is thinking of doing the production same.

The nearly six weeks old strike The chairman, who also is senof 2,000 AFL drivers and terminal ate majority leader, said a heavy employes of the Southwestern legislative program after the first of the year would demand his at- Greyhound Line operating in nine states was settled yesterday and tention and he would have to operating schedules were to be reweigh in the next few days where his chief responsibility lies.

Rep. Keefe (R-Wis) suggested to Purcell said there were no eyereporters that the committee go witnesses to the accident, but it ahead without counsel, if necessary. But Senator Ferguson (R-Mich) was evident that both cars collided head-on. The cause was not imsaid he didn't think that would work.

> Senator Brewster (R-Me) said he would propose Hugh Fulton, former counsel for the senate war investigating committee, as Mitchell's successor. Barkley was known to oppose this, although he said he had "no idea" where a man could be found to take over.

FRANKFURT, Germany, Dec. 15 Committee members agreed that to satisfy the nation's meat eathearings won't end January 3, as originally planned. Mitchell said 60 retary of the National Livestock Patton, jr., was described as excellent today in an official bulletin which noted a "slight but

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WHAT'S DOING

SUNDAY 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.-USO center open to service folk visiting in the city.

5:00 p.m.-Christmas program at Presbyterian church.

MONDAY

10:00 a.m.-Pastors and workers conference of Kings Mountain Baptist association meets at First Baptist church here. 7:00 p.m.-Chamber of Commerce directors meet at Hotel Charles.

7:00 p.m.—Regular meeting of Junior Chamber of Commerce at Hotel Charles.

7:30 p.m.-Bi-monthly meetis of mild variety, with cases last-ing for three or four days. ing of state guard officers of district at the armory.

## Nimitz Takes Over As **Naval Operations Chief** WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 -(P)-1 responsibility. I will

Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz utmost to meet it." today took over as chief of naval In a farewell message, King

operations and pledged in a 16- gave thanks to the men of the word statement to do his utmost. navy and the army, and to the al- clear that France would like to The former Pacific fleet com- lies, for their efforts in defeating break relations with the Franco mander relieved Fleet Admiral Er- the Axis. He said: nest J. King who is retiring after "I wish to express to all hands

holding the navy's top job since of the navy, marine corps and Nov. 18, 1942. coast guard, my deep and abiding

Nov. 16, 1942. Nimitz, who led the fleet to vic-tory after the Japanese blasted it efforts and devotion to duty which at Pearl Harbor, told fellow citi- have enabled us to defeat enezens at the navy department upon mies. assuming his new duties:

"I have just taken on a great See NIMITZ Page 2

association, predicted yesterday. Mollin quoted Thomas Wilson, Chicago packer and producer, as wanting to know "who has more beef to sell?" The slaughter of beef and veal in the last two years has set new national records, amounting to 33,600,000 head in 1944, and a

Also slated Monday in Detroit

the Kaiser - Frazer Corporation,

low Run bomber plant for auto

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SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15-(AP)

-A million more cattle will be

slaughtered next year than in

1945, but it still won't be enough

**MORE CATTLE** 

**TO BE KILLED** 

BUS STRIKE

million more in 1945, he said, but the demand still excess the supply. The American beef supply, Mol-

lin told the 29th annual convention of the California Cattlemen's association, is large enough now to prevent inflation if both subsidies and price controls were removed.

Mollin said the national association favored relaxation of ceiling prices if subsidies are removed

France Would Like **To Break Relations** With Franco Spain

PARIS, Dec. 15-(AP)-The French foriegn office announced today that a note had been sent to the United States and British governments proposing consultations on their relations with Spain.

Foreign office sources made it government, but only in a joint action with Britain and the United

States. Although the three main parties in France-the Communists, Socialists and Popular Republicans -are strongly in favor of breaking relations, there is no agreement among them on recognizing the exiled Republican regime in Mexico.

**Ask Further Gifts** Of Russia, U. S. To Work Together | for another major war to occur. | like perfectly spaced steel pellets. This would be a combination, He spoke fluently and yet concise-Russia, immense, working, pro-ducing, fighting, disciplined and willing to die for communism, was pictured as looming dangerously large on history's horizon by Rob-ert Karmauer one of America's and another 15 minutes of answering distrust, rampant now, continue to guestions.

dation to lift the total gifts past the \$87,000 mark, it was announced today by Thad C.



Ford, treasurer. Meanwhile, Mal A. Spangler,

state is off 20 to 30 per cent due to influenza. Generally, Reid said, the disease

see RALEIGH, Dec. 15. —(P)— Paul Reid, controller of the State Board of Education, said yesterday that public school attendance in the