

## News Briefs

### Allies Lose Key Towns In Tunisia

8 Battleships Hit December 7, 1941.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—(UP)—Major General Carl Staatz, commander of the United States Army air forces in the European theater has gone to Africa to reorganize Allied air strength in Tunisia while British and American troops have retired from two key towns under battering blows of German planes, it was disclosed today.

### Pearl Harbor Losses Released Year After Japanese Attack

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—(UP)—Eight U. S. battleships and 11 other naval vessels were crippled and 177 of our planes were destroyed in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor a year ago Monday, the navy department disclosed tonight. In 110 flaming minutes the Japanese hit every American battleship that was in the harbor.

They thus laid up nearly half the number of battleships in the U. S. Navy at the time. They destroyed or disabled "most of the aircraft in the Hawaiian area," the Navy department said.

A high naval officer said it was fair speculation that the balance of the Pacific fleet remaining seaworthy after the attack could have been annihilated if the main Japanese battle force had followed up the initial blow.

### Roosevelt Gives McNutt Full Manpower Control

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—(UP)—President Roosevelt in a sweeping executive order today gave War Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt virtual dictatorial power over all the nation's manpower including the Selective Service system.

### Red Army Still Advancing Against Stiff Opposition

MOSCOW, Dec. 5.—(UP)—The Red Army drove forward on three fronts today, the anniversary of the start of its crippling offensive against the Axis last year, crushing German opposition through its attack southwest of Stalingrad as well as within the steel city and on the central front.

### War Department Exempts 38 Year Olds From Draft

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.— See NEWS BRIEFS, page 4

### Library to Display Wood-Engravings

Beginning Tuesday, the University Library will show a special exhibition of wood-engravings by Clare Leighton, celebrated English author and illustrator, it was announced yesterday by Dr. Charles E. Rush, librarian.

The exhibition is to be held in connection with the publishing of Miss Leighton's latest book, "Southern Harvest," which will be released by Macmillan & Co., on December 8.

Most of the illustrations were engraved in Chapel Hill, and a few of the preliminary sketches were included in a general exhibition of Miss Leighton's, shown in the Library last spring.

The finished product will now be displayed in the main hall of the library for the first time in the country, through the cooperation of the author and illustrator, the publishers, and the Bull's Head bookshop.

Foreword for the book was written by Paul Green, well-known Chapel Hill playwright.

Miss Leighton will return to See LIBRARY, page 4

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UNIVERSITY AND CHAPEL HILL CHORAL CLUB (above) of 125 voices will present one of the greatest Christmas works of all time in Hill music hall at 4 p. m. today. The ambitious selection for this year's annual Christmas event is Bach's "The Magnificat," which is said by many critics to be one of the highest inspirations of Bach's genius. No admission will be charged. The chorus and orchestra will be under the direction of Prof. John Toms (center, above), who sang with the Philadelphia opera last season.

## Choral Groups To Sing Bach In Concert

### Toms to Direct Musical Concert

The combined choral groups of the University will sing Bach's "Magnificat" as the first Christmas program of the season, to be held today at 4 p. m. in Hill hall. The program is presented by the music department and the Carolina Workshop council.

John E. Toms, assistant professor of the department, will direct the concert, consisting of the Chapel Hill Choral Club and the University men and women's glee clubs. An orchestra of 25 players will accompany the 125-voice choral group.

Soloists will be Ruth Bailey and Millicent Conner, sopranos; Virginia Terry, contralto; William Stevens, tenor; and Leon Adams, See CHORAL, page 4

## Axis Air Attack On U.S. Possible Says Fire Marshal

Those who think the danger of air attacks by Axis bombers has passed fail to take into account the psychology of the situation, Sherwood Brockwell, of Raleigh, State Fire Marshal and Deputy Insurance Commissioner, said in an address to the Chapel Hill Rotary club at its meeting this week.

"Right now nothing would help Italian morale more than a German air attack—call it a token raid if you like—on the United States, and Hitler is keenly aware of that fact; so we must be more alert than ever," Marshal Brockwell said.

"If necessary, Hitler could well afford to send a suicide aid squad See AXIS, page 4

## Student Applicants Swamp New Army Meteorology Unit

By Bob Levin

After effects of the establishment of the Premeteorological school under the College for War Training set in yesterday when a swarm of applicants for admission to the new Army Air Corps Meteorology school swamped Guy B. Phillips' office with a stream of questions ranging from college credit offered to good food served.

A good number of the students asked for application blanks but a greater majority decided to wait until more information was received either from Chicago or from Washington. Two hours of heated questioning brought out the following pertinent point.

Once you are accepted you are definitely "in the Army now" and classified as a private in the Air Corps. There will be no dances, no weekend trips, no apathy and lots of studying.

You will receive a monthly pay of \$50 plus \$2.75 a day out of which you must pay your room and board. The United States Army will pay your tuition and furnish you with a gun for target practice and a regular uniform.

Credit will be allowed towards graduation to the extent of the amount of hours taken under faculty instruction. At present it is expected that each student will take about 25 to 30 hours of classes a week and ten additional hours of regulated study. Credit would only be given for the class work. As far as possible regular University instructors will be used.

Since you are in the Army and under strict Army discipline and leadership it is natural to expect to be quartered in Army buildings. If possible barracks will be built. If not, the Army will remodel one dormitory to house the students whose ages will range from 18 to 30. Only definite facts known as yet See STUDENT, page 4

## Course Opened In Personnel

### Pierson Announces Grad Curriculum

The authorization of a curriculum in personnel administration and management leading to a master's degree in these fields, announced yesterday by Dean W. W. Pierson of the graduate school.

This degree has grown out of conferences held during the past six months between administrative heads of the graduate school and instructors in the personnel division. The interest shown by business, government, education and social agencies stimulated the committee's action.

Opportunity will be afforded to qualified students interested in this field to undertake a major in personnel administration and management. The prerequisite undergraduate training is See COURSE, page 4

## Playmakers Give Experimental Bill

Four different forms, four different purposes distinguish the plays that the Carolina Playmakers will present on the second experimental bill of the year next Wednesday night at 7:30 in the Playmaker theater.

Each of the one-act plays on the program is completely unlike the others.

In response to the Army's request for skits that could be produced in army camps with a minimum of rehearsals and scenery Lucile Culbert wrote "Park Bench Blitz", a blackout skit. Short and simple, the action in "Park Bench Blitz" requires only two characters, a boy and a girl.

For the first time on an experimental bill the Playmakers will do a radio script, Wharton Black's "Food and the Student". A documentary story of the food problem in Chapel Hill since the beginning of the University, "Food and the Student" will be presented exactly like a regular radio broadcast. Sound effects, microphones, technical apparatus will be in full view of the audience.

Like "The Eve of St. Mark" in which she recently appeared, the short dramatic episode written by Elaine Mendes is about World See PLAYMAKERS, page 4

## Students Will Hear War Information At Meeting Tonight

### Reserves, Draft, Training Queries To Be Answered in Gerrard Hall

University administrative officials will submit new information relative to the reserves, the draft, the new Army meteorology school, and the University War Training program to student leaders and others interested today at 2 p. m. in Gerrard hall.

This meeting has been called so that the Administration may discuss these factors with a representative portion of the student body, elaborating on them with the latest Washington information and also to get from them up-to-the-minute data on their educational needs and holiday travel plans.

All students are welcome at the meeting but the following officers are particularly invited: all dormitory officers; all fraternity and coop officers; all Intertown representatives including district and neighborhood chairmen; all members of the student council and legislature; all CVTC commissioned and non-commissioned officers; and all NROTC cadet officers and petty officers.

A question and answer period will be held and F. F. Bradshaw and G. B. Phillips, Dean and executive officer of the War College respectively, and W. D. Perry, director of the Bureau of Military Information will attempt to answer all questions and clear up current rumors and misunderstandings. These men have been in constant touch with Washington concerning the student's status in the war and their information is the latest.

## Sixth Annual Show Of Carolina Art Opens Here Today

The sixth annual exhibition of North Carolina Artists opens today in Person Hall where 41 works from contributors throughout the state will be shown.

Due to a large number of entries, the judges this year cut out some of the lesser works at the beginning and have allowed only the better ones to be hung in the gallery. "This," said John Alcott of the art department, "raises the quality of the show. When a medley of pictures is assembled indiscriminately the public is prevented from receiving a definite impression of the best art."

"Each of the better pictures has already been judged for its individual merit before being hung in the gallery."

A variety of styles is represented in the group, such as cu- See SHOW, page 4

INSIDE Osborne leads fraternities with job done... Killpatrick, Edney write in on dance referendum... Momo speaks for locker-room boys. —On Page Two.

## Tucker Reveals U.S. Produces Secret Weapon

### 'Total Axis Defeat Will Come in 1944'

By Jimmy Wallace

"We have a secret weapon that will reach large scale production within a few months. It will level homes, factories, docks, and farm fields before an alarm can be sounded," said Ray Tucker last night.

The nationally known correspondent and author gave his audience information "from the inside" in a Carolina Political Union program, disclosing that the United States is developing a new secret weapon which throws off such a strong stream of heat that it can't be approached, and presenting figures on United Nations airplane production.

"Last month—November," he said, "we made well over 5,000 planes with bombers and pursuits predominating. England turned out 2,800 and even beleaguered Russia manufactured 2,300. Canada and Australia kicked in with almost a thousand. That makes a total of more than eleven thousand modern, ever improving planes.

"As against this astounding figure, and it is increasing every month, our military experts do not believe that the axis is building more than 3,500 planes. Nor do they match ours in speed, maneuverability, fire power and defensive armor."

Pointing out that our new Republic "Thunderbolt" and the Lockheed "Lightning" will do close to 500 miles per hour, Tucker said that shipments of these planes have already been made overseas. With the exceedingly good war news, even our glumest military experts now predict Germany's defeat by the spring of 1944.

Tucker termed Wendell Wilkie as a "well meaning but ill-informed individual" who was berating the White House and the State department while we were preparing for the North See TUCKER, page 4

## Chest Drive Passes \$1,500 At Close of Third Week

Carolina's \$10,000 War Chest yesterday passed the \$1,500 mark, according to figures released yesterday by drive officials.

Yesterday's was the best single total recorded with cash and pledges coming to \$167.54.

As the third week of the extended fund drive closed, John Kendrick, head of the men's division again called on all canvassers in the men's dormitories to wind up their work and get results into the YMCA office by the first of the week.

Said Kendrick, "All dormitories should be completely canvassed by now. I am sure that more than the \$115 reported so far has been raised in the men's quarters. It is imperative that all pledges and cash be recorded at War Chest headquarters in the YMCA so that we can accurately judge what the job before us is."

Bernard Moser and Nancy Smith, Chest co-chairman promised a complete report of all War Chest collections and functions to date in the Tuesday issue of the DAILY TAR HEEL.