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## Clark's Fifth Army Locked In Critical **Battle Near Naples**

Reinforcement to Area Around Salerno

Locked in a critical battle with the fighting of the entire Mediterranean intensified as both sides bring up remeeting a growing opposition there crease by the enemy. At the same time, the British Eighth Army is moving up from the south, but Montgomery's men are more than 100 miles away and no great aid from this quarter is to be expected immediately.

The Americans, after being driven into the sea near Naples, withdrew in their boats but returned the attack a little farther south and after turning back six or more German counterattacks are holding their own. The task is proving a Bear Grass District their own. The task is proving costly one in casualties, however. It was explained that the Allies had over-estimated the aid the Italians would or could give, that the Fifth Army really grabbed something hot and was having a difficult time handling the situation. The German resistance at that point is being increased possibly in an effort to maintain an open route for the enemy retreating before Montgomery's men in the south. In their march up the Adriatic coast, the Britishers, encountering no great opposition, have taken the important base of Bari.

While the picture in Italy is not at all bright just now, it is fairly cer- county, and while the goal is still tain that Hitler's men are fighting a good ways off Chairman D. V. for time, that they will gradually withdraw to a main defense line enhanced by natural barriers to make a desperate stand against the Allies (Continued on page six)

#### **Local Boy Injured** In Plane Accident

Sgt. George H. Wynne, local young man, was badly but believed not crit- ter of a million dollars worth of co Theater here this afternoon with ically hurt in an airplane accident bonds have been sold or pledged in Edward Scheidt. Special Agent in presumably out in the State of seven of the eleven districts. It is Washington a short time ago. Writ- again pointed out that these reports sion of the Federal Bureau of Invesing to his mother, Mrs. Katie H. are not complete, and in some in-Wynne, a few days ago, the young stances the figures are based on reman said, "I have been in the hos- liable estimates. It is certain that pital since August 6. My nurse want- they point to a successful drive, and ed to write you, but I knew you that possibly the county will actualwould be worried so I told her not ly exceed its \$918,000 quota, which, to. I'm getting along fine now. I by the way, represents actual purhope to get out in about four more chase price and not the maturity

"I was in an airplane crash. There

No details of the accident were offered in the letter, the first his mother had received in several weeks.

Serving with a bomber squadron,

#### **County Young Men** Meet In California

"I really had a big thrill," Cpl. Roger "Kitty" Riddick said in a letter this week in telling about an unexpected meeting with Ben Hopkins in a Hollywood Canteen. wish you could have seen us shaking hands and dancing around. It's a big thrill to meet someone from home when you are both miles away," Kitty said.

"We are having a swell time in Hollywood. Ben is spending a threeday pass here, and I am completing my five-day furlough tomorrow," h concluded.

Ben is stationed at Camp Young just now, and "Kitty" is at Camp Iron Mountain and both are receiving desert training.

#### Navy Recruiter Will Be Here For Two Days

U. S. Navy Recruiter D. R. Taylor will be stationed at the post office in Williamston September 16-17, to interview persons seeking information concerning the U.S. Navy.

All 17-year-old boys and women 20 to 36, seeking information concerning the Navy or Waves, are cordially invited to come to the post between the hours of 8:00 a. m. and 6:00 p. m. for an interview with the recruiter on the above dates.

## Stove Rations Are Far Relow Current Demand In County

While the heating situation is serious already in many homes, it is problem rests with those who have Both Sides Rushing Strong certain to be aggravated now that old stoves. They will find it advisstove rationing is in vogue. Just how able to hold on to them and have serious it will become is a matter of them repaired. If the stove is beyond speculation, but the Martin County repair, replacement is allowed, pro-War Price and Rationing Board offered a gloomy picture this week Applications for replacements, it is enemy at Salerno on Italy's west when it issued its first report on coast not far from Naples, the Amer- the rationing of the particular arti- or less in the order in which they ican Fifth Army under General Mark | cle. Ten stoves have been rationed Clark is engaged in the most bitter in the county so far this month by the board, and there are only ten campaign. Losses on both sides have more available for the remainder of it comes to getting a stove for eith-million tons of food. In speaking of in that area is not yet in sight. Now applications pending, and the board stood that such couples simply are next year, Wickard said, "Last year in its sixth day, the battle is being hardly knows what to do about it. not eligible for new stoves. There is a possibility that the rainforcements, including large units tions will be increased for October, stove problem was met in part, at not have enough garden seed and of artillery and increasing numbers but even if they are increased the least, before rationing was introduc- fertilizer for all who wanted to grow of tanks. The Allies are pouring more demand is almost certain to main- ed, but apparently the supply was gardens planes into the air, but they are tain about the same ratio of in- not ample and the problem still ex

About the only solution to the vided the rations are not exhausted. understood will be considered more are filed.

Newly married couples don't have

# War Bond Sale Gains of Sale Gains of Sale Gains of Sales Exceed of Sales Excee **Momentum In County**

# Is First In County To Go Over the Top

Quarter of a Million Dollars In Third War Loan Drive Sold Or Pledged

After getting off to what was decribed as a fair start the latter part of last week, the Third War Loan Drive is gaining momentum in this Clayton is really optimistic over the outlook at this time.

Only meager reports have been received from a few of the districts, and it is certain that the progress made so far in the drive is even greater than the preliminary figures would indicate. While four of the districts have made no reports, it was reliably learned that the campaign was going forward rapidly,

ing progress. To date, approximately one-quar-

value of the bonds.

Holding a very successful bond ralwere only six of us in the ship, and ly in the Bear Grass School last Friall of us are still in the hospital. I day evening, the citizens of that had a few bones broken, and my left community were the first to reach arm cut. I think I was real lucky. their quota, and the drive is to be Two of the other boys were cut pret- continued. Poplar Point was the ty bad. Tell everybody hello and first to have its quota in sight, but Bear Grass is the first district to tures and descriptions of men want- States, we received on board severcome across with actual purchases or gilt-edge pledges. Hugh G. Horton and County Chairman D. V. Clayton attended the rally at Bear he is stationed at the Ephrata Air Grass last Friday night and brief-Base, Ephrata, Washington. His fa- ly address of the group of about 150 ther was the late George D. Wynne. citizens. They pointed out the importance of the bond drive and the urgent necessity of making real sacrifices on the home front. Principal T. O. Hickman also appealed to the group and quite a few pledges were signed at the meeting. The sale was placed at \$25,000 at the meeting with pledges and later sales running the total to about \$64,518.25, an amount well over twice the orig-

inal quota. The Bear Grass guartet (Continued on page six)

#### ROUND-UP

Six persons, three white and three colored, were rounded up and jailed for alleged violation of the various laws in this county last week-end. The shortage of liquors and beers all but eliminated the drunks during the period, the jail record showing that only one drunk was lodged in the "cooler" as compared with seven the week-end before. A varied crime list was recorded, one being jailed for assaulting another with a deadly weapon, one for drunken driving, one for being plain drunk, and another for larceny and receiving and two others

for violating the health laws. During the week-end ending September 5th, fifteen persons were incarcerated in the county hoosegow. Thirteen of them were white and half of the group was under twenty years of age.

CLERK

Mrs. R. H. Smith, former manager of the Carolina Motor Club State automobile license bureau here, has accepted a position as special clerk in the office of the War Price and Rationing Board. Mrs. Smith will gladly assist applicants in preparing their ration

Heretofore, the general public has relied on volunteers to assist the preparation of the applications. The system proved inconvenient for both the applicant and the volunteer. It is believed that the new plan will help relieve some of the confu-sion surrounding the rationing

#### FBI Conference Is **Being Held Today**

The quarterly conference of law enforcement officials in this section of the State is being held in the Martigation, United States Department of Justice, leading the discussions.

Officers, including police, sheriffs, highway patrol and auxiliary police from all over this section of the State, are in attendance upon the meeting. The group was welcomed by Mayor J. L. Hassell. One of the features of the meeting was an address by L. B. Wynne, Martin Coun- However, we never saw a sub, but ty clerk of court, who talked on juvenile delinquency.

The representatives of the FBI reviewed briefly recent developments on the law enforcement front lines and flashed on the screen piced by the bureau and other law enforcement agencies in this section for in mid-Atlantic and were plaster of R. Davis and W. E. Warren. alleged law violations.

An open discussion was held pointing to a closer cooperation between local, state and federal agencies in curbing crime and running down alleged criminals.

# Night Classes Are

Night classes in typwriting and offered at the Williamston High boats, supported by naval gunfire adults for training in these vocation- naval planes and also British planes. al subjects.

- An organization meeting was held our ships and on one occasion drop- Chraged with exceeding the 35in the commercial department at the ped a bracket of bombs which land- mile speed limit, R. Sears admitted time twelve adults registered for the side. No casualties were incurred.

enrolling in the classes are urged to even to unarmed medical soldiers, revoked. contact Miss Baker of Principal D. and they seemed to be quite happy N. Hix immediately for detailed in- that the war was over for them. formation on the schedule to be fol-

#### Parents-Teachers To Meet In High School Tomorrow

The local Parent-Teacher Associa-The local Parent-Teacher Association will hold its first meeting of the new term tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 bracketed by German artillery fire from their 88 mm. guns. For thirty minutes, we literally buried ourium. Following the business session, the group will be entertained by the members of the home economics de-

#### TOWN : FARM IN WARTIME

(A weekly news digest from the rural press section of the OWI news bureau)

Victory Gardeners Set Record Twenty million Victory Gardens-Agriculture, said in a recent radio address. The Secretary said the Victory Gardens total about four milat this time were concerned It was generally believed that the over the possibility that we would

Through the government farm la bor program 1,600,000 placements of workers were made on farms in the past four months. Among the workers place dwere 700,000 local U. S. Crop Corps workers, comprising 250, 000 men, 150,000 women, and 300,-000 boys and girls. War Food Administration officials, in making this announcement, stressed the need for additional emergency volunteer workers in the next few months. Recruitment and placement of farm lapor are handled by county agricultural extension agents in most areas In others, the activity is carried on by the U. S. Employment Service.

Points for Home-Canned Foods The point value of home-canned foods shall be the same as that of the corresponding commercial product, except that no home-canned food shall have a point value of (Continued on page six)

#### Captain Jim Rhodes **Writes About Drive** On Island Of Sicily

Local Young Man Is Under **Heavy Artillery Fire for** Thirty Minutes

Medical Corps, briefly told of his experiences in the invasion of Sicily. But the first thought was about other boys from home who were in the campaign "Are there any other work." current and future quotas, More volutions are needed, and anyone who can spare an hour or two is urged to report and assist in the all-important work. in the campaign. "Are there any oth- work. seen a soul he knew since leaving nated nights and afternoons:

the states about three months ago. "We had an uneventful trip across except for a few submarine alerts. we believe our destroyer escort got Keel. at least two. Gibraltar is an impressive sight . . . During the two weeks ley. following our landing, we had intensive training to get the kinks out of our system. Just before we left the al large crates. These were opened paris relief maps of a section of the coast line. Guesses were rampant all over the ship, ranging from Southern France to Greece. And then we were told that we were to invade Sicily along with several other American divisions and a British Army.

"Our particular sector was on the southeast coast of the island between Gela and Scogliti with the Lone Cases Before Planned In School | tween Gela and Scogliti with the primary purpose of seizing Vittoria and Comiso airport, the largest on the island.

"Early in the morning of July 10 other commercial subjects will be we began the landing in assault Several German bombers flew over

stiff opposition from a German gar- er. rison. While advancing toward the airport, the advance section of our medical detachment, including myself and another officer with six

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### Thurwesting Segren Is Under Hundred Grade III Way On Big Scale In County

pletion of the tobacco harvesting sea- terday afternoon. The quality of the farmers make ready to start housing but the acreage is said to be smaller their cotton and digging their pea- and the yield is not up to expectanut crops. Cotton picking, getting tions. two million more than the goal set underway some few days ago, is last spring-were grown this year, progressing slowly, but peanut dig-weeks ahead of normal, is bringing Claude R. Wickard, Secretary of ging is rapidly reaching a climax. slightly conflicting reports. The quala chance at the rationing board when lion acres and will produce eight by the end of this or the early part ging is explained partly by weather uation is relieved, no one dares venbeen heavy, and a climax to the fight September. Already there are fifty er cooking or heating. It is under- the goal of 22 million gardens for Already the work is fairly general recent weeks virtually wiped out I tires is being held to a low point, ing in the movement.

The usual lull following the com- was increased to thirty by late yes son is rapidly drawing to a close as crop was said to be unusually good, Certificate Holders Declare Peanut digging, from one to two

According to reports reaching here, ity of the crop is said to be good, but a large majority of the farmers will the yield varies from half a crop to ing a serious climax in this section. have started digging their peanuts a medium sized one. The early dig- How long it will be before the sitof next week, weather permitting. conditions. The dry period during ture a guess. The issuance of Grade throughout most of the county with the late peas, and the older ones are and dealers declare they are finding the Goose Nest Township area lead- just about matured, and since there it next to impossible to get Grade I are no young ones to mature, the tires to meet the demand created by The first of the cotton crop in the farmers say there is no reason for the release of the few certificates. upper part of the county where the delaying the harvesting work. It is There may be plenty of Grade III Our best information is acreage is much larger than it is in expected that cotton picking and tires, but dealers declare they are other sections, was ginned lest Fri- peanut digging will relieve the presof both next year. We are expecting day. The gin at Oak City handled sure on the tobacco markets in this and holders of certificates are come a bester supply of garden tools and the output section.

# 4 Million Pounds Here

PICNIC

The Martin County Farm Bureau will hold its annual picnic in the high school gymnasium Friday afternoon of this week at 5 o'clock. A business meeting will be held in the high school auditorium immediately after the barbecue. Plans have been made to entertain 1,300 members and special guests.

Tickets have been mailed to all Farm Bureau members. Governor J. M. Broughton had been invited to address the meeting, but he is out of the State and will be unable to attend. Other speakers are being contacted and a big rally is cer-

# **Announce Leaders**

Recently appointed head of the local Red Cross Bandage Room, Mrs. prices in that range. All companies Jimmy Taylor has already perfected are active in the 40-48-cent price In a letter of recent date, Captain a strong working organization, and range, and sales in that price brack-Edward Scheidt, Special Agent in charge of the Charlotte Field Divi
In a letter of recent date, Captain a strong working organization, and plans are well advanced for meeting charge of the Charlotte Field Divi
Medical Corps, briefly told of his current and future quotas. More volincease from \$1 to \$3 per hundred

er boys from home on the island?" The following instructors have he asked, adding that he had not agreed to lead the project on desig-Monday night: Mesdames Williams and John L. Goff.

> Tuesday night: Sarah Cook Wednesday night: Mary Elizabeth

Thursday night: Miss Mary Whit-Friday night: Mesdames M. M. Levin and W. E. Dunn.

Monday afternoon: Mary Mundy and G. P. Hall. Tuesday afternoon: Mesdames D.

Wednesday afternoon: Mesdames Tom Brandon, Herbert Taylor and C. C. Parker. Thursday afternoon: Mrs. Kathe

leen Sherman. Friday afternoon: Mesdames K. D Worrell and G. E. Thorpe.

# Ration Board Panel

While quite a few cases are pend-School in response to interest among from cruisers and destroyers and special War Price and Ration Board panels in the agricultural building is higher than that for the state. last Friday evening.

local high school last night at which ed about 100 yards off our starboard to the board that he was ir a hurry but went on to explain that he had special work .Others are expected "The landing was uneventful, and three rafts of logs jammed against to enroll within the next few days. with the exception of three or four a railroad bridge at Tunis, that he Instruction will be provided by land mines which were exploded by was afraid they would weaken the Miss Evelyn Baker, high school trucks, we had no opposition. Ap- bridge and cause a wreck, and that eacher of the commercial subjects. parently the enemy was caught flat- he was hurrying there to have them The special instruction is open to footed. By noon Vittoria was ours. cleared. The explanation was acceptthe public, and adults interested in The Italians surrendered in droves, able to the panel and no rations were

It was learned that when the patrolman sounded his siren the noise "The following day we attacked frightened the driver and caused him Comiso airport, and met our first to lose control and turn his car ov-

#### Car Allotted By County Rationing Board Friday

A certificate for the purchase of new automobile was issued to Dr. V. E. Brown, Williamston, by the Martin County War Price and Rationing Board last Friday night. The county was allowed six cars for distribution during the current month.

### **Prices Advance On Better and Medium** Grades Here Today

Glut Gradually Being Relieved by Weather and Harvest of Other Crops

Sales on the local tobacco market passed the four-million-pound mark here today with quite noticeable price increases for the better and medium grades. At the same time, prices for the inferior quality and nondescript types are holding their own with the possibility that they too, are stronger in price.

Once in a while a pile apparently was out of the price line, but as a general rule farmers are well pleased with their sales. Instead of turn- tires. ing tags, quite a few farmers are For Bandage Room placing the tags on top of the piles tire and one tube. for others to see. Individual sales Ira Manning, E are ranging up to \$50 per hundred Henry D. Peel, RFD 3, Williamstoday with the Export supporting

> Approximately half a million pounds of tobacco are on the floors here today, but the glut that has depressed marketing activities for the inent farmer of Wayne County, died past week or ten days is gradually being relieved. In most cases tobaccos placed on the floor one day are sold the following day with small in declining health for several years. quantities being carried over for He was 48 years of age. sale the third day. A change in the weather has slowed down grading at the Faro Methodist Church in the and it is quite likely that cotton community yesterday afternoon at 4 picking and peanut digging will fur- o'clock, and interment followed in ther relieve the marketing glut. It is generally believed by farmers and others, too, that the restoration of survived by his widow and two chilorderly marketing activities will dren, and the following brothers and have a favorable influence on the sisters: Asa and LeRoy, of Wilson; price trend. Late reports clearly in- Larry, of Wayne County; Zeb, of dicate that the price trend for the Greene County; Charlie, of Golds-better types is pointing upward, and boro; Mrs. Lucy Giles, of Newton; that the other types are more than Mrs. W. A. Petterson and Mrs. E. H. holding their own.

While the price average may not measure up to the ceiling figure, farmers observing the sales right on the warehouse floors frankly state that tobacco is selling good.

Official figures could not be had for all the sales to date, but Supervisor C. U. Rogers was of the opinion that the local market is more ing, only one was heard by the than holding its own in the belt, that possibly the general average here

Anxious to save gasoline and help he war effort, home farmers are selling on their nearest market with some few exceptions

#### ADDITIONAL

Martin County farmers who have followed stipulated soil building practices in their entirety will receive additional consideration in the form of free seed distributions. The extra allotments will be based on those allowed under the original soil building agreements and the distribution will be effected as long as the supply lasts. Farmers may make applications at the agent's office.

Approximately 30,000 pounds of Austrian winter peas and vetch are available for making the distribution and furnishing those farmers who have not met fully their original soil building

## Tires Are Allotted By Ration Board

They Can't Find Tires; No Exchange Possible

Regardless of what former Rubber Boss Bill Jeffers said, the ruba Grade III certificate for one calling

for a Grade I tire. Despite the apparent shortage in Grade III tires, his county's quota was increased last week-end by 100 and the allotment was quickly exhausted, and the certificate holders are searching here and there for tires. A local dealer had 24 Grade III tires delivered last night, but they were insufficient to meet the certificates filed with him following the rationng week before last.

Grade Grade I car and pick-up truck tires and tubes were rationed to the following

W. E. Grimes, RFD 3, Williamston, two tires and two tubes A. B. Ayers, RFD 2, Williamston,

one tube. E. G. Anderson, Robersonville, one ire and one tube. Wiley B. Rogerson, Robersonville,

G. W. Barrett, Oak City, two tires and two tubes.

Ottis Wainwright, RFD 1, Jamesville, one tire. Nathaniel L. Coltrain, Williams-

ton, two tires and one tube. Julian L. Mizell, Palmyra, one

W. C. Wallace, RFD 1, Jamesville, two tires and one tube. W. W. Walters, Jamesville, two

W. A. Ross, Robersonville, one Ira Manning, Everetts, two tires.

W. K. Parker, Williamston, two

## (Continued on page six) Man Dies In Wayne

Nathan Darden, brother of D. E. Darden, of Williamston, and promsuddenly at his home near Eureka last Saturday evening at 6 o'clock. Gassed in the last war, he had been

Funeral services were conducted the Eureka Cemetery.

Besides his brother here, he is Davis, of Rocky Mount; Mrs. W. E. Davis, of Fremont; Mrs. Carl Mewborn, of Snow Hill, and Mrs. J. T. Bass, of Lucama.

### Jamesville's Post **Observers To Meet**

Sgt. Brand and his squad of the First Fighter Command, Norfolk, and Hugh G. Horton, county civilian defense chairman, will address a meeting of the Jamesville Post observers in the school building there on Thursday evening of this week at 8 o'clock, Chief Observer Chas. Dav-

enport announced today. About fifty arm bands and special merit awards will be distributed at the meeting and all observers and the general public are urged to be present.

The sergeant will show a special picture of interest to the observers and the general public, Observer Davenport said.

#### Special Speaker For **Everetts Prayer Meeting**

Dr. W. R. Burrell will address the egular meeting in the Everetts Baptist Church Thursday evening of this week at 8 o'clock, Paul Bailey, church officer, announced today. The service will be followed by a choir rehearsal.

The public is cordially invited to