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# For The Time Being

Local Doctor Believed To Be Delivering Babies In The Front Lines

the Anzio beachhead sector has er important targets in Cermany on county and in the Newport News deliver any quantity of pork to squeeze on their western bridgehead and to have returned to the attack in some sectors, helped by a slight improvement in the weather

situation there is the most encourag- ing. ing it has been in several days.

The British attacked a settlement in the Carocetta region on the Rome front in fighting so furious that the spot changed hands several times within twenty-four hours. At the same time Allied aircraft, including four-engined bombers, smashed behind the enemy lines at the village of Campoleone, 16 miles from Rome, the high point of the initial British advance which was turned back the night of February 3 and 4.

In the center of the bridgehead, American forces dug in before Cisterna and threw back German at tempts at infiltration and the lines in that sector appeared unchanged. A lieutenant just back from the

front was quoted as saying, "I think it is going to be all right. We lost a little ground at first, but we have got some of it back." Improvement in the weather en-

abled the Allies to pile reinforcements and ordnance ashore in prep aration for further offensive action. Accompanying the reports coming

from the beachhead is a story telling how "Doc Rhodes" was delivering babies right in the front lines. While the identity is not certain, it is believed the "Doc Rhodes" referred to is Jim Rhodes, jr, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Rhodes, of Williamston. The report cabled by a Time correspondent and appearing in the current issue of the magazine, reads, in part: "A Child Is Born. The sky had clouded over. It grew colder. Major Bill Rosson, of Eugene, Ore., whose men were not yet committed, came over the edge of the ditch. He sat down and bubbled: 'We just pulled Funeral Conducted Saturday into that haystack at 3 a. m. when an old woman in the farmhouse started having a baby. Doc Rhodes delivered the brat. He weighed about seven pounds—a nice kid. The Italians wanted Doc to name the kid and Doc decided to name him after me. We got an interpreter and

On the Cassino front, the Allies are said now to hold about one-third of the city, but the big news centers around an attack on the sixth century Benedictine Monte Cassino monastery. The historic old structure had been converted into a loruress by the Germans, and was

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#### Alleged Bootlegger ston in Williams Township 78 years ago the 17th of last October. When Caught By Officers a young girl she made her home in williamston and attended the local schools, later teaching in the schools

Howard Cherry, young county white man, was arrested here last Saturday afternoon for alleged bootlegging. He was picked up by ABC Officer J. H. Roebuck and Deputy Roy Peel back of the Gulf Filling officers found seven empty half gallon jars and about five pints of liquor in the car, the officers expressing the belief that the illegal liquor support until the family moved to was imported possibly from Craven Belhaven in 1919. She maintained

Charged with the possession of il-legal liquor for the purpose of sale Cherry was carried before Justice J. L. Hassell for a preliminary hearing. He pleaded guilty of possessing illegal liquor, but denied that he had it for the purpose of sale. He was required to give bond in the sum of \$100 for his appearance in the county court next Monday.

Two potential customers had just but before a sale could be made, Cherry was warned about the approach of the officers.

#### Strict Examination ed For Future Draftees

According to unofficial information heard here today, future draftees will be subject to a strict physical examination. The real meaning of the announcement is not quite clear, but it is fairly apparent that men called in the future will be used excellent physical specimens to be was among the second group of accepted. There is some doubt if draftees to leave this county, recent-some maimed almost beyond recog-

service in the future. about seven colored men out of a am getting along all right, I wish I not a very pleasant greeting for the ability, literally aired out the Jap group of about 30 or more from this was back in Martin County," the young recruits, but what they saw bodies, and to aggravate the nuisance

### Pressure Is Relieved Report Former County Man On Anzio Beachhead Missing In Raid on Germany

Staff Sgt Henry Wesley Allen, Jr. ormer young Martin County men and son of Mrs. Bettie Gray Jack-son, of Jamesville, was recently re-ported missing over Germany. The LaGrange and was graduated there Pressure on the Allied lines in costly three-pronged raid made ov- and worked in the lower part of the continues in the local hospital for last month. Just 20 years old, Alit is possible that the young man A report earlier in the week de- is a prisoner of the Germans, nothscribed the bridgehead situation as ing has been heard from him offi-"generally satisfactory" and the cially since he was reported miss-

Their recreation rooms almost

bare, the personnel of the War

Prisoners' camp near the Stan-

dard Fertilizer Company here

are addressing an appeal to the

people of the community for the loan of second-hand furniture.

If the furniture is at all usable,

it will help solve a serious prob-

lem for us and mean much to

the camp personnel, it was explained by Captain M. L. White,

commander in charge. The offi-cer explained that possibly his

men could repair minor breaks

to furniture and make it usable

for the camp recreation halls.

Any furniture lent to the camp

will be well cared for and re-

The men are also anxious to

borrow or buy a couple of sec-

ond-hand radios or victrolas.

Any one having furniture, radios

or victrolas to lend are asked to

contact Captain White and some

**Died Last Friday** 

For Mrs. W. A. Ellison,

**Prominent Citizen** 

last Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock

of this county. On December 22,

Ellison, telegrapher and local rep-

Mrs. Ellison joined the local Meth-

odist Church here when she was

her religious activities and was held

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At Belhaven Home

**Native Of County** 

turned to the owners.

of his men will call.

A very bright youth, he led his classes from the fifth through the young man did not return from the in 1941. He returned to this section

been somewhat relieved for the January 5th by the U. S. Air Forces. Ship Yard, enlisting in the Army Air persons not living on the farm, unpresent, at least, acording to late re- Nothing official has been heard from Corps on November 17, 1942. He til March 17, the War Food Adminports coming from that bitter strug- the young man since the first report went to Pope Field, Fort Bragg, and istration has ruled. However, farmgle just south of Rome. The Allies was received here several weeks ago later to St. Petersburg, Fla., grad- ers are required to collect ration appear to have checked the German and which was withheld until a day uating from gunnery school at Fort or two ago from his mother who Myers, Fla. He later completed courses in airplane mechanics at treatment of severe burns suffered Keesler Field, Miss., and received eration of farmers and truck operahis flight training at Wendover tors with the transportation conserwhich gave them back part of their len was a gunner on a bomber. While Field, Sioux City, Iowa. The young vation plan, about 1,600,000 motor man, hardly before he had been in trucks, mostly farmer-owned, movthe service a year, went overseas some time between last November 15 and December 1 and was stationed in England.

#### Hardy M. Holliday WANTED Dies Last Saturday

At Home In County Funeral Held Sunday After-

noon at Poplar Chapel for

Respected Citizen

Hardy Mountwell Holliday, highly respected county citizen and a 3 o'clock. Mr. Holliday had been in declining health for about three years and while he was troubled with the nfirmities of advanced years, heart rouble and complications caused his

The son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Holliday, he was born in the Poplar Chapel Community 83 years ago. He lived and farmed on the farm of his birth up until about two years ago when he went to make his nome with one of his sons. When a Holliday of Newport News, P. M. groceries, WPB said, if housewives Holliday of Jamesville, A. J. Holliof Jamesville, Mrs. L. C. Pharo of also advised that the shopping bag Portsmouth, and H. J. Holliday of with handles must be used many Newport News. He also leaves a times to substitute for individual brother, Mr. L. P. Holliday of James- package wrappings. Funeral services were conducted ner of Raleigh.

Mr. Holliday, active in the affairs haven, for Mrs. Mollie Ellison who a member of the Poplar Chapel named him 'Guglielmo'. That's for Mrs. R. D. Mitchell, there last Frithe first church of that denominaday. Mrs. Ellison, a resident of Wil- tion in the section, and later helped liamston for about forty years, had move it from the swampland to the been in declining health for some present site. He was a conscientious time, but she was getting along very citizen and a good neighbor, and well up until about ten days ago had many friends throughout that when she suffered a stroke of section of the county. paralysis and never regained con- Funeral services were

> The daughter of the late Henry 3 o clock by nev. Dennis Warren Da-Gibson, prominent planter of this vis, and interment was in the fam county, and Annie Jones Gibson, ily cemetery on the old home farm. Mrs. Ellison was born near William-

Pfc. James Julian Jackson Reported Much Improved day

Critically ill in an Army hospital financial condition of the associasomewhere in Italy for several tion for 1943 will be given, together weeks, Pvt. James Julian Jackson with a report on the year's opera- dison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs 1886, she was married to William A. is much improved, according to in- tions, Mr. Stancill said. resentative of the Atlantic Coast formation recently received here | D. W. Lupton is president of the liamston, has recently been appoint-Line Railroad Company here for Jackson. It is understood that he sociation, and will preside at the tee for the 1944 May Day Festival many years and later agent for the has returned to his post of duty. Norfolk Southern Railroad from 1919

#### **TOWN - FARM** IN WARTIME

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

Continue Farm Pork Sales Farmers may continue the sale of stamps for pork so delivered.

Trucks Move 98% of Farm Crop Largely as a result of the cooped 98 per cent of last year's huge farm crop at some stage of journey from farm to market, the Office of Defense Transportation says. Other farm transportation programs now operating include the movement of livestock, cotton, fresh fruits and vegetables, citrus fruits, and poultry

No Metal Ice Box in Near Future Production of pre-war models of all-metal domestic ice refrigerators will not be resumed in the near future, the War Production Board said, mainly because reversion would involve a long change-over period. The hardboard and wood war-model is On River Causeway now being produced at almost four times the pre-war rate.

Food for U. S. Civilians Civilians in the United States will have more frozen vegetables during life-long resident and able farmer the next five months as a result of No One Badly Hurt When of Jamesville Township, died at the an expected all-time record high home of his son, Mr. Monroe Holliproduction. WFA has announced production, WFA has announced. day, there last Saturday morning at Usually available in frozen form are snap beans, corn kernels, peas, spinach, asparagus, broccoli, brussels sprouts, cauliflower and corn on the cob. U. S. civilians will have slightly less rice in 1944 than during recent years and less canned milk than during 1943, although the amount of canned milk available will be in approximate proportion to civilian purchases under rationing, which began in June, 1943.

Less Paper for Packages Fewer package wrappings will be young man he was married to Miss available for retail shoppers this Martha Holliday who died four year, according to WPB. Shortage years ago, the 14th of this month. He of wood pulp for paper-making will s survived by seven children, Mrs. not permit a normal supply. There Maude V. Ange of Jamesville, L. R. will be enough bags for assorted save these bags and take them back day of Norfolk, Mrs. F. C. Stallings to stores for their own re-use. WPB

nage sunk by German U-boats during January was among the lowest in Trinity Methodist Church, Bel- of his community and section, was monthly figures for the whole war, according to a joint Anglo-American died at the home of her daughter, Church for 65 years. He helped build statement issued last week by the Office of War Information.

#### Farm Loan Group Will Hold Meeting

hold their annual meeting in the agricultural building in Washington, N. C., on Saturday, February 19, at 11 o'clock, W. G. Stancill, secretary-treasurer, announced yester

At this meeting, a statement of the

## War Bond Drive Goes Over The Top By Large Margin In County

### Man Pulled From Chimney Several Townships Wasn't Playing Santa Claus

ed man, was pulled from a farm nouse chimney near Hassell last

he roads in Pitt County for violat- the attempted Santa Claus act. ng the liquor laws, Smith escaped Working on information gained and officers in this county learned 100 gallons of beer. that he was engaging in the liquor Later that same business. Officer Roebuck notified buck and Deputy Roy Peel found a Pitt County authorities and he with second still and wrecked it. The

Yesterday Morning

Cars Go Out of Control on

Ice-covered Bridge

No one was badly hurt but con-

siderable property damage resulted

on the Roanoke River causeway

early yesterday morning when

wreck after wreck piled up on or

near ice-covered bridges. The con-

crete with a dirt foundation was not

covered with ice, but the bridges

offered a slippery trap, and one car

after another regardless of its rate

of speed, went "wild" on the bridges,

ome turning over, some around and

Six wrecks were recorded on two

f the bridges east of Conine Creek

others crashing from side to side.

A fugitive from Pitt County jus- | tight that he had no chance to es ice, John Smith, 35-year-old color- cape through a door or window and he tried the chimney. One of the officers searched the room and report ed no one was in it. Another officer week. Reporting the arrest, ABC Of- happened to go through the room icer Joe Roebuck explained that and glimpsed Smith's feet, and the he man wasn't playing Santa Claus. man was pulled out, considerably Arrested, tried and sentenced to blackened but none the worse for

and came to this county not so long from Smith, the officers the next ago. He was making his home in a day found and wrecked a liquor small house in Hamilton Township, plant nearby and poured out about

Later that same day, Officer Roe-Deputy Sheriff McMullan, and ABC plant was equipped with a gas drum Officers Ward and Taylor, all of still and seven fermenters. The of-Pitt, went to the house one night ficers poured out about 150 gallons last week. They crowded Smith so of beer at that plant.

#### THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

After chalking up a bad start earlier in the year, motorists on Martin County highways last week came through with a perfect record, according to reports released yesterday by Bill Hunt and Whit Saunders of the Highway Patrol.

The following tabulations ofweeks in this year and last and for each year to the present time. 6th Week Comparison

there during the space of an hour G. H. Harrison, riding with his son Sixty-Seven Tires and traveling toward Edenton where he was to attend a business meeting, was thrown out of his car and suffered bruises on his knees and a wrist injury. His clothes were badly torn, but no bones were broken. Skidding on the slippery road, the car struck the railing and the door Fairly Large Number of Grade flew open, throwing Mr. Harrison

out. A light was broken and a fender smashed. Alma Pritchard, colored school eacher driving a 1941 Chevrolet sedan, lost control of her car and after twisting and turning it crashed into the guardrail, causing damage estimated at about \$75 by Patrolman W. E. Saunders. Before her car ould be moved, Sallie Lee Brewer f Windsor drove on the same bridge and her car, a land chevrolet saidded, turned over and came to a stop only after crashing into the Pritch-

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Will Take Part In May Day Festival At Louisburg

Louisburg.-Miss Josephine Har-Claudius Hardison, of Route 1, Wil by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Washington National Farm Loan As- ed to serve on the program commitat Louisburg College.

They duplicated the record established in the sixth week of

fer a comparison of the accident trend: first, by corresponding

Accidents Inj'd Killed Dam'ge Comparison To Date

## Allotted in County By Ration Board

I Tires Are Included in Recent Rations

Sixty-seven tires of the various types were allotted in this county last Friday evening by the War Price and Rationing Board. Even though regulations calling for a limitation of certain tire rationing, a fairly large number of Grade I tires for

Truck tires and tubes were raioned to the following: Farmville-Woodward Lumber Co. Williamston, four tires and one tube

Williamston Package Manufactur ing Co., two tubes Burras Ward, RFD 2, Williamston,

ne tube Frank Carstarphen, Williamston wo tires and two tubes.

E. N. Harrell, Oak City, one tire and one tube Carl Brown, Jamesville, one tire

and one tube. R. C. Griffin, RFD 1, Williamston.

Mrs. E. W. Jones, RFD 3, William-Tubes and grade III tires were re-

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#### Two Fire Calls Received Here Last Saturday Night

Local firemen were called out wice late last Saturday night when two families turned on the heat full blast to battle freezing temperatures in their homes. A chimney in the Ben Bennett home on Washington Street caught fire, endangering ne roof No damage was done. A the equipment had been returned

to the station, firemen were called to the home of Bill Gray, two blocks away from the Bennett home. Fire, starting between the wall and weatherboarding, did some damage, but and the fire was soon extinguished.

#### Two Cases Are Heard By Rationing Board Panels

Two cases, charging speeding, were heard by the Martin County War Price and Rationing Board panels called could not be learned, but it is last Friday evening. Charged with estimated that between speeding, W. H. Everett explained men will make the trip. that it was his first offense and the action was dropped after he had been received in this county for Febru-

Rogers with speeding was dismiss- pool if they pass the pre-induction tells about his work and more inter-the owner had no gas ration book pool, but few or no white men in esting facts about the island. and no license to operate the vehicle. the reserve list just now.

## Reported Sales In **Excess Of Quotas**

Sale of "E" Bonds To Continue During Remainder Of Current Month

Martin County is over the top in he Fourth War Bond Drive, Couny Chairman Herman A. Bowen statng this morning that sales amounting to \$774,988.75 had been reported. The over-all picture of the drive is encouraging indeed, the chairman pointing out that the quotas had been exceeded by \$45,988.75 and that "E" bond sales were in excess of the goal. No breakdown of the total sales ould be had by townships, but up until last night \$343,539.00 had been eported in "E" bond sales and \$431,451.75 in negotiable bonds.

Six of the ten townships, Jamesille, Griffins, Bear Grass, Cross Roads, Robersonville, and Poplar Point, are known to have reached and exceeded their quotas, and it is possible that Hamilton and Goose Nest have reached their goals, but an exact tabulation could not be had mmediately. A detailed report is expected within the next week

The bond drive reached its climax n the county last Friday evening when about 150 citizens attended a ally and program in the Oak City High School. The taste for chocolate akes was unquestionably determined when the buyers offered as much s \$1,000 apiece for three in a row. Approximately \$11,000 was invested n bonds there that night, and most of them were "E's". The rally was featured by a most entertaining program with Mr. Wiley Craft as solost, the high school pupils as the leadng characters in a timely playlet and with leading citizens participatng in a womanless wedding. The program was greatly enjoyed, and while Citizens Joe Ayers, Edmond Early and Wilbur Barrett brought down the house, Mr. Luther Davenport, as the bride, climaxed the womanless wedding.

Following the entertainment program, Senator Hugh G. Horton briefy addressed the group and war reles brought back from Guadalcanal were displayed. Pfc. Charlie Smith, wounded and badly burned in the Italian invasion, related a few of his experiences and gave the bond auction an ideal setting. Senator Horton auctioneered the articles, and after a slow start, the bonds went like hot cakes. It was noted however, that a few of the farmers were not so much interested in articles that suggested work. Pitchforks and plowlines went cheaply, but Auctioneer Horton could hardly keep up with the bids placed on those homemade chocolate cakes.

The rally was the fifth one held in

The sale of negotiable bonds is closing today, but "E" bond sales will be credited to the fourth war drive

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#### Patient Passes In **County Sanatorium**

Miss Fannie "Crissie" Moore, 54 years old, died in the Martin County sanatorium Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock following a long illness. She had been an inmate of the county home for several years, later entering the sanatorium when it vas opened.

The daughter of the late Harvey Moore and wife, she was born in Page Gra - Tweship and lived there until she entered the institution.

She never married and is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Zella Whitehurst, Mrs. Sam Wynne and Mrs. Emma Terry, and a brother, J. Kelly Moore, all of this county. A brother, Lewis Moore, died in the insti-

tution several years ago. Funeral services were conducted in the Rose of Sharon Free Will Bapist Church yesterday afternoon, and burial followed in the Wynne Cem-

#### **Call Goodly Number** the outside boards were ripped away County White Men

Notices have been received by a goodly number of Martin County white men instructing them to report within the next few days for a trip to an Army center for pre-induction examinations. The number estimated that between 50 and 75

So far, no induction call has been given a warning. The case originated in Edgecomic County.

The case charging King David next week will be placed in a draft ed when it was proved that a serv- examinations. There are approxiceman had borrowed his car, that mately twenty colored men in the

## Williamston Youth Tells About Exciting Times He Had During Months In Pacific

Complete Report Filed On Christmas Seal Sale According to a final report filed

in the Christmas Seal Sale cam-Mrs Pen D. Courtney chairman stated that Mrs. Charles Gray reported \$111.35 raised in Roberson. ville. The colored schools of the county raised \$100, it was announc-

One-fourth of the amount has al ready been sent to the State and National T. B. associations, and the remainder of the fund will be used in this county to carry on the fight against tuberculosis.

Lands In Italy After A

as replacements, that they must be Dickens of Williamston and who tion. Apparently the new physical stan- young man was at Fort Bragg for Pacific isle jungle suffered their own Jap dead in and covered them up.

(It was stated in the first installment of Bill Holloman's account of his first months in the Seabees that the young man had finished his work on New Caledonia and that he was this week, this county raised \$772.43 making ready to sail for Guadalcan-

Traveling without convoy, Young "construction value alle cleared the beaches and the Army had moved in, but it was still a Godforsaken part of the world the young man and his "buddies" found there. Mean and bloody fighting was continuing possibly less than a mile away, and battle and fever casualties were numerous. Holloman saw war in its horrible form as he witnessed and helped load almost loaded their cargo by working night Long Stay at Fort Bragg five hundred casualties on the hospital ship he and his buddies had paring quarters, but pup tents were Jimmie Dickens, brother of W. H. traveled on to reach their destina-

There were all types of casualties, or right near a Jap mass burcounty passed the physical tests at young man said in a letter to his during the first few hours on Guadthe induction center last week-end. brother.

In the next instalment in the series telling of his experiences on Guadalcanal, Young Holloman explains how they used "borrowed" Jap equipment to build docks and enlarge Hender-

moved to their crude home on a were near the center of total war. nospital ship, reaching Guadalcanal Their labor, while handled under some time in May. The Marines had adverse weather conditions and in extreme heat and quite often under fire of the enemy's guns, was prompted by those first impressions gained during the early days on the island.

There were only limited dock and could get close enough to the desolate shores to unload their cargoes. The newcomers, using lighters, unand day. Little time was spent preial plot, and the rats were terrible.

warehouse facilities, and few boats for concrete, later learning that it

hurriedly pitched. As fortune would to school with back home," he addhave it, the encampment was on ed. any men will be called for limited by landed in Italy, according to word nition, but he declared that the vic- Apparently the Marines dug a long time to come, for thousands of herreaching here last week-end. The tims of the barbaric warfare in that trench with bulldozers, piled the oes lie dead there, Young Holloman dards already have been adopted, an nearly two and one-half years. "I wounds in terrific temperatures The rats, not unlike those around know but he believed that nearly unofficial report stating that only am somewhere in Italy and while I without audible complaint. It was here and with marked burrowing 4,000 Americans sleep in the ceme-

ian burials, and the large cemetery between Lunga Beach and Kola Point is now well kept, the petty officer said. Some weeks later after the construction forces had time for a breathing spell, Holloman was walking through the cemetery, casdard-size crosses. He was shocked to see the name of "William Thomas Sullivan-P. S. S. Atlanta" printed on one of the white markers. It was Holloman's first knowledge of his former playmate's death. "I wanted to place a special marker at the spot, and went so far as to prepare a form was against regulations and that uniformity must be maintained," Holloman said. "It caused me a queer feeling to learn under such circumstances and so far away from home about the death of a boy I had been The cemetery is well kept and pos-

American dead were given Chris-

sibly will be a national shrine in explained, adding that he did not tery there at this time.

In the next article, Holloman esting facts about the island.