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FARMVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILL OPEN MONDAY SEPT. 18

Supt. J. H. Moore Announces Plans for Registration and Schedule; Courses in Bible to Be Offered

Farmville Public Schools will open for the reception of children Monday, Sept. 18, at 8:45 o'clock. There will be no formal opening exercises.

We are requesting all pupils who will be in the ninth grade to register Saturday, Sept. 16th from 9:30 to 10:45; 10th grade from 10:45 to 12:30 and the 12th grade from 1:30 to 2:45.

All pupils from the first grade through the eighth grade will assemble in their rooms, Monday, Sept. 18th at 8:45.

We will run a bus for the Fountain High School Pupils Saturday, and this bus will leave the Fountain High School about 10:00 o'clock A. M.

All pupils entering for the first time must be six years of age on or before October 1, 1944.

For the first time Bible will be taught in the high school this year and perhaps some of the Grammar Grades. In order that the pupils may understand thoroughly the plans for teaching Bible, the minutes of the school board of March 9, 1944 will be found below.

The Farmville School Board met March 9, 1944 and affirmed its stand in favor of a course in Bible and adopted the regulations concerning the procedure necessary for the teaching of the Bible in the High School. These regulations are:

1. The financing of the teaching of Bible is a problem for the local community. There are no local or State funds available for such work.

2. Unit credit for graduation may be given in the high school for courses in Bible; however, the courses must be elective.

3. Selection of the Bible teacher must be in the same manner as other teachers in the school and subject to the same supervision as all other personnel with the exception noted below:

4. The curriculum must, of course be nondenominational. In preparing the curriculum, the teacher of Bible and the principal should solicit the help and advice of the Ministerial Association or the committee representing the churches and the community.

Miss Pearl V. Eichelberger of Greensboro has been employed to teach Bible.

The lunch room will open Tuesday, Sept. 19th with Mrs. L. E. Flowers as manager.

Schedule of Bells

8:40 children enter building.
8:45 school work begins.
12:30 to 1:15 lunch.
2:15 First and Second grades dismissed.
3:15 school closes.

Football Practice Underway; Game Scheduled for Sept. 22.

After two years of recess in football due to war-time conditions, this sport will return to the Farmville High School and Walter Jones has consented to coach the boys provided they show enough interest in the game. At the present we have about twenty-two boys practicing daily; Making preparation for a game scheduled in Kinston, Friday, Sept. 22 at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD FOR MRS. ADELL S. HATEM

Scotland Neck.—Funeral services for Mrs. Adell S. Hatem who died Monday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. S. Nayef, here, following a long illness, were conducted from St. Thomas Catholic Church, Wednesday at 3:30 p. m., by Father Giles of Tarboro, assisted by Father Benedict, of Farmville, Father Timothy, of Tarboro, and Monsignor Rabil, of Roanoke, Va. Burial was in the Baptist cemetery beneath a lovely floral tribute.

Mrs. Hatem was 64 years of age. She was born in the republic of Lebanon, but had spent practically all her life in the United States. Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Nayef, Marie Hatem and Helen Hatem, all of Scotland Neck, and Mrs. Mike Caputo of Baltimore, Md., and three sons, Henry Hatem of Greensboro, H. S. Hatem, of Farmville, and Edmund Hatem, of Scotland Neck.

Among those from Farmville attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Hatem, Father Benedict, N. Cannon, E. Cannon, N. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nicholas, Albert Rabil, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis M. Hatem and J. N. El Ramey.

Mrs. Hatem spent some time here with her son, H. S. Hatem, during her last illness.

There may not know what to say but he knows how to say it.

Henry Jackson in Mecklenburg County has some purple hog invoices covering feed for their hogs. Some feed bill.

DEADLINE

London, Sept. 14.—United States war planning chiefs were reported tonight to have established October 31 as the tentative "outside" date for the collapse of organized resistance in Germany.

Without discounting the possibility that victory may come more quickly, a responsible non-British source said the date had been pinpointed by the United States War Production Board after consultation through usual military channels in plans for partial industrial reconversion from war to civilian production.

It was emphasized, however, that while plans were predicted upon the end of widescale warfare in Europe by October 31, there would be no sacrificing of requirements for the war in the Pacific.

Ration Changes Are Explained

OPA Director Urges Consumers To Use All Blue Ration Tokens Before October 1

Raleigh, Sept. 14. — Theodore S. Johnson, Raleigh district OPA director, yesterday urged housewives to spend their blue ration tokens before they are discontinued after Sept. 30.

The scheduled removal of practically all canned and bottled vegetables and fruit spreads and specialties from the processed foods rationing program on September 17 makes discontinuance of blue tokens possible.

"Future processed foods point values," Johnson said, "will be set in such a way that most items will have point values in multiples of 10, enabling housewives to use their 10-point blue stamps for processed foods without point change being needed.

"The decision to remove point values from canned and bottled vegetables was reached after the War Food Administration indicated present and prospective supplies for civilians would be sufficient to meet unrationed demand.

"Retirement of blue ration tokens and the use of point values in multiples of 10 for processed foods are possible because of the smaller number of processed food items which will be rationed after September 16.

"After that, points still will be required for canned fruits, canned juices, canned tomatoes, catsup and chili sauce," he said.

Johnson explained that under the new plan the following points should be kept in mind:

1. Consumers may use their blue tokens just as they always have used them until September 17.

2. Beginning September 17, retailers will not give blue tokens to consumers for ration change.

3. From September 17 through September 30, shoppers will be able to spend their blue tokens only in groups of 10. If necessary, during this period, they may pool tokens to make up units of ten. Fewer than 10 tokens cannot be used.

4. Housewives should be sure to use all their blue tokens by September 30, because after that date they cannot use them.

"Although the new point values will not be used until September 17, announcement of the retirement of blue tokens is made now to give housewives notice so they can use the tokens they have on hand," Johnson said. "The plan cannot be applied to red tokens, too. We still need red tokens because point values in multiple of 10 cannot be used practically in rationing meat. It is impossible for butchers to cut meat in even pounds.

"I urge every housewife to use her blue tokens promptly so that she will not lose ration buying power by having tokens left over after September 30," Johnson said.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. MAGGIE PARKER

Funeral services for Mrs. Maggie E. Parker, 76, wife of the late Walt Parker of Farmville, who died at her home here Friday were conducted at the home Saturday afternoon by Rev. M. E. Tyson of Dover. Interment was in the family cemetery near Farmville, beneath a lovely floral tribute. "Rock Of Ages," "Nearer Thine Own Way," "Abide With Me" and "Shall We Gather At the River" were sung by a choir composed of Mrs. Johnny Miller, Miss Mary Leah Thorne, Mrs. W. H. Duke, Elbert C. Holmes and J. R. Sherrill.

Active pallbearers were Bill, Bob and David Pollard, Mack and Oscar Erwin and Henry Tyson.

Mrs. Parker was a member of the Bell Arthur Methodist Church and had spent a very active life in the religious and civic activities of her community. She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

County Organization Set Up For United War Fund

A. C. Monk, Vice-Chairman; John B. Lewis, Member of Executive Committee

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the United War Fund of Pitt County, Sam B. Underwood, Jr., of Greenville was selected as County Chairman and Director of the 1944 Campaign. James T. Little, who served in this position in 1943, has been named District Director of the United War Fund and his duties in that larger area made necessary the selection of a successor.

A member of the Executive Committee made the following statement, "Although we regret the fact that Mr. Little cannot continue as County Chairman, we are very gratified to secure the services of such an able and experienced leader as is Mr. Underwood. We know that he shall be able to render great service to Pitt County in this work, which combines and coordinates into one fund-raising campaign so many vital and important appeals for money, namely, U S O, United Seaman's Service, War Prisoner's Aid, as well as Boy and Girl Scouts. These and similar local community agencies are supported by United War Fund. It eliminates the duplication of effort and great loss of time, when there are a multiplicity of "drives" for money for worthy agencies.

Mr. Underwood stated to a representative of this paper that plans for the coming fall campaign were well under way and that Campaign Headquarters would be opened shortly. Mr. Underwood is a member of the Pitt County Bar. He has been identified with the work of Boy Scouts in Pitt County, having served as Commissioner of the Greenville District. He is a member of the Board of Stewards of Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church, teacher of the Ellington Bible Class, and has also participated in Community Chest Campaign, Red Cross Campaign, and 1942 Scrap Metal Salvage Campaign.

The County Organization is made up of Sam B. Underwood, Jr., Chairman; A. C. Monk, Farmville, Vice-Chairman; O. C. Stroud, Ayden, Secretary; and E. G. Flanagan, Jr., Treasurer. The Executive Committee is composed of John G. Clark, J. B. Kittrell, James T. Little, J. H. Waldrop, Greenville; John B. Lewis, Farmville; J. W. Rook, Bethel; O. C. Stroud, Ayden; and Joseph S. Moye, Greenville.

Colored School All Ready For Opening

The Farmville Colored School will open Monday, Sept. 18, at nine o'clock. In some way, the idea was circulated that children under 16 years of age would be quarantined from school. This is not true. School will be open to any and all children from six years old up.

We wish to, hereby, call upon all patrons, friends and all community agencies to take a greater interest in public schools than ever before. The times demand a greater co-ordination of all community efforts to assist in curbing the great upheaval of juvenile delinquency that the country, as a while, is facing. There is little than can be done single-handed. But with all forces united in common policies, purposes, objectives and plans of procedure, we can, to a great degree, stamp out this great evil that threatens to undermine our entire social order.

The boys and girls of today will, tomorrow, be the architects upon whom the responsibility of building the future world must naturally devolve. The kind of world that they will build depends, to a very great degree, upon the kind of training that we, men and women of today, give them. If the future world is to be a better world we must develop better men and women. If we are to have a fine adult population, it is very obvious that we must begin with our children.

The position of the public school teachers gives them an opportunity to become a very highly contributing factor in the process of building a fine adult population. The teachers should be highly conscious of this fact and determined to live up to the responsibility that the position carries. But the teacher alone, however well equipped, valiant-hearted and determined, cannot win in this great battle against juvenile delinquency. All other friends and community agencies and especially the home, must give the teachers sensible, unselfish and whole-hearted support. The times demand it. It takes co-operation to win. Let this be our battle cry and watch word. Together we stand; Divided, we fall.

H. B. Buzz.

Uncle Moses: Ghosts is allus white. Black folks wouldn't be scare.

Tobaccco Prices Holding Firm On Farmville Market

Sales Heavy But No Blocks So Far; Farmers Urged To Keep Leaf Dry and Market Orderly

Sales on Farmville Tobacco Market the past week have been rather heavy, but so far the floors of local warehouses have been cleared each day preventing block sales.

Farmers are urged to keep their tobacco dry and sell in as large piles as possible, up to 250 pounds to the basket, in order that more space can be used by others destring to sell the same day.

There has been very little change in quality and price averages during the week as there is still a large quantity of low grades being offered daily.

Average prices per pound on a limited number of representative U. S. grades yesterday, with Tuesday's comparative prices:

Leaf: Good lemon .47, unchanged; fair lemon .46, unchanged; low lemon .46, unchanged; fair orange .46, unchanged; low orange .44, unchanged; common orange .43, up one; common green (orange side) .35, unchanged; common green (lemon side) .37, up one.

Cutters: Fair lemon .48; low lemon .46, and low orange .46, all unchanged.

Lugs: Fine lemon .46, unchanged; good lemon .45, unchanged; fair lemon .44, unchanged; good orange .45, unchanged; fair orange .43, down one; low orange .39, down one.

Nondescript: Best thin .28, down two; best crude .26, down one.

PROMOTED

Pfc. Joseph H. Bynum, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bynum, of Farmville, has been promoted to the grade of corporal at the Third Air Force bomber base, Gulfport Army Air Field, Miss., maintained for the training of 10-man crews for B-17 Flying Fortresses.

Selected for an intensive training course as a gunner, Corporal Bynum is attached to Squadron "S" of the 328th Army Air Force Base Unit.

WALSTONBURG NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sutton, of Portsmouth, Va., are visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Miss Johnnie Parker, of Fayetteville, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Paul Craft this week.

Mrs. Elmer Hinson is spending some time with relatives in Norfolk, Va.

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Ray West, Jr., has returned to her home after undergoing an operation at the Woodard-Herring Hospital in Wilson. She is getting along nicely.

Miss Helen Beaman, a student nurse at the Woodard-Herring Hospital in Wilson, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Lula Beaman.

Mrs. Wiley Gay visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Corbett in Wilson, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sutton and daughters, Neta Marie and Faye, and Mrs. Neta Shackleford visited Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ellis in Wilson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Fields have returned home from Winchester, Va., where they were called on account of the death of Mrs. Fields' brother.

Mrs. William Tyson and Mrs. Jimmie Lewis, of Farmville, visited Mrs. Jason Shirley, Saturday.

Misse Ruth Gay and Rachel Griffin were Wilson visitors, Saturday.

Richard Shackleford was a Wilson visitors, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Craft, of Farmville, visited Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Johnson, Sunday.

Mrs. C. D. McLawhorn, of Winterville, was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Corbett, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jenkins spent the week end with relatives near Fairmont.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Latchworth spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gardner.

Miss Ruby Burch was the week end guest of Mrs. Herman Pittman in Macclesfield.

Mrs. Albert Bundy is visiting relatives in Washington, D. C., this week.

REVIVAL MEETING

A Revival Meeting will be held at the Christian Church beginning Sunday night, September 17th, and closing Sunday night, September 24th. Rev. J. Wayne Drake, of Kinston, will be the evangelist. Rev. J. M. Perry, of Robersonville, will lead the singing, with Mrs. Carlen Waldron as pianist. Services each evening at 8:00 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

Japs Lose Over 200 Planes In U. S. Raid on Philippines

Nimitz Indicates Major Smash Against Philippines Is Continuing; Many Jap Islands Attacked

U. S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters, Pearl Harbor, Sept. 13.—American carrier-based aircraft rode full tilt Monday against the west central Philippines to destory at least 200 Japanese planes in a continuing action against stiffening opposition.

Three islands—Cebu, Panay and Negros—all northwest of Mindanao, which carrier planes mauled only three days previously, were the targets.

Attack Still Under Way.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announcement today of the slashing attack indicated it was still under way. Fragmentary reports failed to give American losses in the action.

This was the second major smash against the Philippines within a week.

Admiral Halsey's armada previously destroyed or damaged 91 ships and bagged 68 airplanes in an assault on Mindanao and nearby waters.

(The Pacific communique followed Japanese radio reports of continuing raids, which apparently referred to the same series of aerial encounters.)

In contrast to recent detailed statements, today's communique said only that several cargo ships and small craft were sunk in the attacks.

Fifty Japanese planes were shot down in combat and 150 more were destroyed on the ground, Nimitz reported.

No mention was made of specific targets.

Single planes attacked four northern Kurile islands Sunday and Monday. The American planes, presumably based in the Aleutians, hit Paramushiro, Shumushu, Onnekotan and Araito.

A medium cargo vessel and four smaller ships were sunk in Shumushu harbor. Two others were damaged. Army Mitchells, which staged the raid, were intercepted by Japanese fighters and one bomber was damaged.

At Paramushiro, two cargo ships were hit. Fires were started on the southeast coast and small craft off shore were strafed.

A Japanese fighter was shot down east of Onnekotan.

Warehouse fires and flaming docks were left by Navy Venturas in raids on all four of the islands.

Woman To Feature Farm Bureau Meet

Greenville, Sept. 14.—Many women are expected to attend the annual meeting of the Pitt County Farm Bureau at East Carolina Teachers College in Greenville Friday night at 8:15, officials of the organization said today. Women's part in farm life will be featured at this convention. The coming of Mrs. Charles W. Sewell, nationally known Indiana farm woman and executive administrator of Associated Women of the American Farm Bureau, will give impetus to the great work the women are doing to achieve the Farm Bureau's aims. She will speak on "Rural Problems and Farm Organization" and confer with women leaders of Pitt county.

A musical program, featuring the Lone Star Quartet, will be one of the features of the meeting Friday night. Dr. M. T. Frizzelle, of Ayden, will preside. J. E. Winslow, president of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, and other farm leaders will attend. The meeting will be held in the Austin building.

TO STUDY AVIATION MECHANICS

Pvt. Lester E. Turnage, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Turnage, of Farmville, has been assigned to the 3509th AAF Base Unit (TS), Willow Run, Ypsilanti, Mich., to study aviation mechanics. Upon completion of the five weeks course he will be fully trained to take his place with other soldiers who "keep 'em flyin'."

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Pvt. Robert LeRoy James, son of Mr. and Mrs. Zeno James of Stokes, and Miss Wilma Christine Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Allen, of Greenville, R.F.D., were united in marriage on Saturday evening, Sept. 9, at six o'clock at the Christian Church parsonage, with the pastor, Rev. C. H. Mashburn, officiating.

Wash the face and hands thoroughly after using any insecticide. Long exposure of hands and body to solutions of small quantities of spraying or dusting materials may be harmful.

AMERICANS REACH OUTSKIRTS OF AACHEN, CAPTURE ROTGEN

WAR IN BRIEF

Six Allied armies or more than 1,000,000 soldiers drive toward Berlin along a 400-mile front; Americans breach first wall of Siegfried Line, capture Rotgen; third spearhead penetrates Reich below Aachen; Third Army jumps Moselle and enters Charmes; British smash across Belgium and Holland toward Siegfried Line.

Americans in Southern France push eastward to within 28 miles of Belfort.

American carrier planes destroy more than 200 Japanese planes and several cargo ships in raid Monday on Cebu, Negros and Panay islands in the Philippines.

Soviets capture Kroano and race 20 miles south to Czechoslovakia border; Lomza, 20 miles south of East Prussia taken; battle for Warsaw rages in Praga area.

Five thousand Allied plaines smash targets throughout Germany; aim at depleted oil supplies; Luftwaffe and Siegfried Line defenses.

British open large-scale attack on Adriatic end of Italian front as Germans enter republic of San Marino; Americans advance along coast north of Leghorn.

Japanese troops drive to within nine miles of Kwangtung-Kwangsi province in new threat to Kweilin, vital Chinese-American military base.

SERVICE MEN'S CENTER

Visiting at the Center during the week-end were: Farmville—Cpl. Willis Odom, Camp Pickett, Va.

Kinston Air Field—Cpl. E. J. Ganekella, Ely, Minn.; Pfc. Frank J. Ozimek, Detroit, Mich.

Pvt. W. W. Woodard, Kenly and Moore General Hospital, Swannanoa, (guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett).

Pvt. Lowell West, Camp Davis and Los Angeles, Calif., (guest of Mr. and Mrs. Saulter).

Pvt. Milton Barfield, Snow Hill and Pvt. Pat Victures, Newark, N. J., and Seymour Johnson Field., (guest of Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Abernethy).

Cherry Point — Cpl. Charles Wodickes, New York City and Cpl. Frank F. Savino, New York City, (guest of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Davis); Gordon Stillie, Kansas City, Mich., (Saturday night at Mrs. Albert Horton's); St/Sgt. Charles Matthews, Washington, D. C., and Farmville, (guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. El Ramey).

Camp Lejeune—Sgt. Peter C. Dali, Astoria Long Island, N. Y., (guest of Miss Tabitha M. DeVisconti); Pvt. Joseph P. Reddington, Brooklyn, N. Y., (guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Skinner); Pvt. George T. Halderman, Middleton, Ohio; Pvt. James A. McNeatt, Savannah, Ga.; Pvt. Rene G. Flayez, Pawtucket, R. I., (Saturday night at Mrs. Horton's).

Circle No. 3 of the Methodist Church was hostess group, serving chocolate cake, veal loaf, lettuce, tomatoes, potato sticks, pimento cream cheese sandwiches, pickles, crackers, milk, tea, coffee, hamburgers, scuppernong grapes, coca-colas and sand tarts. Acting hostesses were Mrs. W. M. Willis, chairman, Miss Bettie Joyner, Mrs. Bennett Fields, assisted by Misses Myrtle Nichols, Verla Williams, Dorothy Melton, Rose and Nell Abernethy.

Other donations were from Mrs. Bob Joyner, $1.00; Pecan Grove Dairy, quart of milk; Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Norman, two quarts of milk; Miss Myrtle Nichols, shaving accessories; Mrs. E. S. Hobgood, magazines.

Hostesses this week end will be members of Presbyterian Auxiliary, Circle No. 1, of which Mrs. Charles Baucom is leader.

A letter from Mrs. Elmer Gustauson, of Monticlair, N. J., expresses her gratitude for kindness shown to her son, Cpl. Elmer Gustauson, who was the overnight guest of Miss DeVisconti, while stationed at Cherry Point. She says its a comfort to know he found a nice place to stay here and she appreciates anything anyone does for her son. He is now in San Diego, Calif., and she regrets he did not have another chance to visit Farmville.

Registering at the Center Wednesday were: Seymour Johnson Field—Pvt. Clayton Hill, Pomona, Calif., (guest of Miss DeVisconti); Pvt. Phillip B. Smith, Baldwellevo, Ga.; Cpl. Jacob E. Brammer, Yakima, Wash.

ATTEND ORDINANCE SERVICE

Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Mashburn attended services at the Red Oak Christian Church, near Greenville, on Sunday evening, when Howard James was ordained. Rev. Mashburn delivered the charge both to the church and to the minister.

Rev. H. G. Haney, pastor of the Eighth Street Christian Church in Greenville and Rev. C. C. Ware, State Secretary also had part in the service.

BUY WAR BONDS—Slave — First Class.

U. S. Troops In Outposts of Siegfried Line Meet Surprisingly Light Resistance Seventh Army Closing In On Belfort; British Smashing Through Belgium and Holland To Outflank Siegfried Line

Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force, Sept. 14.—American troops rolling through surprisingly light resistance Wednesday drove into the outskirts of the imporant German border city of Aachen, one of the northern keystones of the Siegfried Line, and struck close to the core of the Nazis' vaunted westwall on at least three other sections along a 90-mile front.

The Americans captured the border village of Rotgen, 10 miles southeast of Aachen, the first German community to be reported taken in the all-out assault on Hitler's Reich, and stood 325 airline miles from Berlin in their march on the Nazi capital.

Nazis Fall Toward Rhine.

As the American armored columns encountered only minor opposition in the Siegfried Line outposts, indications were that the Germans were falling back toward the Rhine, 40 miles to the east in this sector.

The Americans won positions in the town forest of Aachen and in outskirts overlooking the city, a rail and highway hub of more than 160,000 population, historically a strong fortress position and in modern times a strategic citadel in the Siegfried Line.

To the south of these onrushing ofrces, which were part of the First Army of Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, two other columns were storming or preparing to storm major fortifications in the Siegfried system.

The first stood within gunshot of Germany east of the village of Clervaux, in the northern tip of Luxembourg, and the other farther to the south was in Germany northwest of the town of Trier, its exact position unreported since an initial penetration of at least five miles two days ago.

320,000 Prisoners.

As the Allies closed in on Germany all along the Western Front, supreme headquarters announced early today that the American armies alone—the First, Third and Seventh—had captured 320,000 prisoners since D-Day.

The Seventh, driving up from the south of France, closed in on the essential city of Belfort guarding the approach to southwestern Germany through the Burgundy state, while at the extreme northern end of the Allied line the British Second Army was veering northeastward through Belgium and Holland in a smash which the Germans said was aimed at flanking the Siegfried Line from the north.

Midway along the front Third Army troops under Lt. Gen. George S. Patton were on the move again, capturing Neufchateau, 15 miles southwest of Nancy on the west bank of the Moselle, and fighting their way inside Charmes, on the east bank 23 miles south of Nancy.

New Crossing.

Above Metz, Patton's men captured a heights dominating the strategic town of Thionville and cleared the Germans out of that part of the town on the west bank of the river. In addition a new crossing north of Metz was announced.

Gen. Hodges' forces after taking Rotgen, six miles east of the captured Belgian border town of Eupen, were just 40 miles west of the big German Rhineland city of Cologne, which is deep in the final defenses of the Siegfried system.

The German radio, in its first acknowledgement that American troops had invaded Nazi soil reported that an "outpost" of the Siegfried Line had been captured — apparently in reference to Rotgen.

New Fuel Is Now Being Produced

New York, Sept. 14.—Secrets of the world's most powerful motor fuel, the most fabulous triptane which has four times the horse-power of 100-octane gasoline, were announced to the American Chemical Society today by Dr. Charles F. Kettering, of General Motors.

Censorship about a year ago prohibited announcement of triptane's existence. Today Dr. Kettering reported General Motors has in operation a medium-size plant producing 5 to 10 barrels of the precious stuff a day for military, and official aviation experiments. The method of manufacture is still a secret.

One national financier is done on the principle of the old ladies who cut off one end of his biscuit and served it as the other to make it longer.