Red Cross War Fund Campaign To Be Conducted Here Next Week

Captains and Lieutenants Will Meet Tuesday Morning at 10 o'Clock

The Red Cross War Fund Campaign will be conducted here from March 6 through March 10. Farmthe same as last year.

Home on Tuesday morning at 10 western Germany, o'clock, at which time plans for the The U. S. Eighth Air Force lost Captains are Group 1, J. B. Lewis; these attacks. Group 2, Mrs. H. Neal Howard; H. B. Sugg. Mrs. B. M. Lewis and Mrs. A. C. Turnage have been asked to work through the Home Demonstration Club. W. A. Allen is Special Gifts Chairman.

Hon. George W. Davis, Representative from Pitt County, will make a Russians Take radio talk for the Farmville Red Cross Branch Chapter on Saturday evening, March 3, at 9:15 o'clock from W.G.T.C., Greenville. On next Sunday morning the ministers of the various churches and superintendents of the Sunday Schools are requested to make announcement of the campaign and to lay emphasis on the urgent need for fulfilling the assign-

Local Chapter Order Of Eastern

Mrs. Curtis H. Flanagan As Worthy Patron

Mrs. Maude B. Foy, of Kinston, Dis- Bublitz and Drawehn. trict Deupty Grand Matron; J. L. Chapter of the Order of the Eastern from S Star, on Friday evening, Feb. 23, at of Chojnice, westward to Bublitz.

Mr. Phillips, as Grand Chaplain; Mrs. east of Stettin, in an order of the Wells, as Grand Secretary; and Mrs. day following a German broadcast Greenville Chapter No. 149 conduct-been evacuated. The Soviet commu-ed the iniatatory program. Mrs. Twi-nique added the capture of Streitthe following officers:

Mrs. Herman Baker, Associate Ma-Streitzig lane. tron; Geo. W. Davis, Associate Pa-Mrs. J. H. Darden, Treasurer; Mrs. L. LeRoy Rollins, Conductress; Mrs. L. Eason, Associate Conductress; Miss other points the Russians had cap-LeRoy Rollins, Conductress; Mrs. L.
E. Eason, Associate Conductress; Miss
Mamie Davis, Chaplain; Mrs. Carl
Tyson, Marshall; Mrs. Haywood
Smith, Organist; Mrs. M. W. Rollins,
Adah; Mrs. Ed Nash Warren, Ruth;
Mrs. Ted Albritton, Esther; Mrs. G.
Silesia. L. Gilchrist, Martha; Mrs. J. T. Sut-ton, Electa; Miss Dixie Barrett, War-der; and L. T. Lucas, Sentinel.

During the business session, the reorganized Chapter decided to he its meetings on the 1st and 3rd Fridays at 7:30 P. M., and declar at Greensboro, and the Oxford Or-

chanage, at Oxford.
Visitors from Greenville, Kinstor Elizabeth City, Rocky Mount and Ker wille were present at the mee

Local Man Promoted To First Lieutenan

chead City, Feb. 28.-Li Ben Lewis Rouse, 28, of Morel City, N. C., a Marine Combat Air transport pilot, recently was promot-ed from second lieutenant.

In the South Pacific since last ne, he has made flights from New ledonia, Guadalcanal, Green Island, nirau, the Admiralties and Boule. Thus far, he has an

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AIR WAR

London, Feb. 28.-Berlin was attacked tonight by RAF Mosquito bombers which dropped two ton block-busters, the Air Ministry announced. The attack on the Nazi * capital brought to a close a full month of ville's quota for this year is \$5,190, one of the greatest aerial offensive in history. Earlier today, 2,000 Al-All Captains and their lieutenants lied warplanes made six roaring will meet in the Farmville Funeral smashes on rail and oil targets in

campaign will be completed. Group three bombers and four fighters in

The attacks brought the number Group 3, Mrs. R. T. Williams; Group of sorties carried out over western 4, R. D. Rouse; Group 5, Jack Lewis; Germany by Britain-based American Group 6, Mrs. Jesse Moye; Group 7, and RAF fighters and bombers dur-B. M. Lewis; Colored Group, Profing February to more than 100,000.

> A single-track mind shouldn't be loaded with a long train of thoughts.

Rail Hub In Advance On Danzig

London, March 1.-Russians yes terday seized the five-way rail hub of Neustettin in Pomerania, killing 3,000 of its garrison, and gained five to six miles in their offensive aimed at isolating the Germans in the Baltic coastal area of Danzig, the Polish Corridor and northeast Pomerania. Besides the slain, 600 Germans were captured and 1,500 Russians

were liberated from slave labor when Star Reorganized Neustettin fell to a combined frontal assault and outflanking maneuver, a late Soviet war bulletin said today. Line Straightened.

Unofficial dispatches from Moscov Installed As Worthy said the northward-racing tank Matron; W. E. Joyner, spearheads of the Second White Rus sian Army had reached the coastal highway and railroad which are the last escape routes of the Germans, Professor W. M. Jenkins, of Mon-but the nightly Soviet communique roe, Worthy Grand Patron, and Mrs. disclosed officially no advances nar-Blanche Twiford, of Elizabeth City, rowing the 22-mile gap which re-Worthy Grand Matron, assisted by mained after Tuesday's capture of

Instead, the communique announ Phillips, of Kinston, District Deputy ed capture of more than 50 towns Grand Patron; Mrs. Percy Wells, of in a general line-straightening and Greenville, and Mrs. W. M. Jenkins, solidifying operation along the 40of Monroe, reorganized the Farmville mile wide front of the advance,

Premier Stalin announced the cap-Mrs. Foy served as Grand Marshal; ture of Neustettin, 88 miles north-Jenkins, as Grand Organist. The that the outflanked strongpoint had ford officiated in the installation of zig, two and one-half miles west of Neustettin, putting the Russians out Mrs. Curtis Flanagan, Worthy Ma-in the open past Neustettin's dif-tron; W. E. Joyner, Worthy Patron; ficult position betweeen the Vilm and

tron; Mrs. J. W. Parker, Secretary; to beat strongly on the Soviet of-

Soviets Reach Polinow. The Germans also placed greate

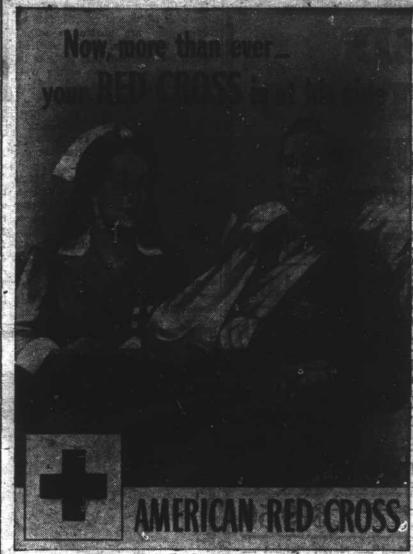
stress on the Pomeranian struggle, broadcasting that the Soviet van-guards had reached Pollnow, 12 miles north of Bublitz and 16 miles from the Baltic coastal railway, and their outstanding objectives to be aid making no secret of the peril posed in the maintenance of the Masonic for the defense by Marshal K. K. and Eastern Star Home for the Aged, Rokossovsky's tampage toward the

WAR IN BRIEF

U. S., First Army, fighting into the outskirts of Cologne, storms Arft River at three points; Ninth Army continues assault on Western Ruhr, apturing dozen fortified towns. Soviet troops capture two Po-mian strongholds; sweep on tonans hint Russian penetrate into

energ.
Estimated 5,000 to 6,000 b od fighters hit Reich in 16th day of nabated attack; strike rail centers ar plants, oil supplies and communi-

h Army troops occupy Italian of Seneveello.



As wounded American boys come back from the battle fronts they find American Red Cross workers in all military and naval hospitals ready to help them. This year there will be more need than ever before for Red Cross service in domestic hospitals.

SERVICE MEN'S • CENTER •

Registering at the Center during the past week were-Farmville: Joe Butts, E. M. 2/c, U.S. N. R., Mare sland, Calif.; Alfred H. Lewis, Drew Field, Tampa, Florida; John Council Parker, U. S. N. R., Duke Hospital, Durham, N. C.; Pfc. Lester E. Turnage U. S. A. A. C., George Field, Ill. Cherry Point: Pfc. Carlos Patterson, Huntsville, Ala., who has been a visitor here since November, 1944. He was transferred to Columbia S. C., this week; T/Sgt. Albert F. Mullican, Huntsville, Ala.; Sgt. H. P. O'Connor, New York, N. Y.

Camp Lejeune: Sgt. Salvatore Carfi, Tarrytown, N. Y.; Pfc. Joseph Jacksonville, Fla., and Long Beach, Wash.; Frank J. Hemby, Jr., S 2/c,

was hostess group for the week end. serving cake with divinity-nut fudge filling, baked chicken, ham, deviled eggs, tomato salad and rolls, Hostesses included Mrs. Lionel Jones, Mrs. Jasper Jones, Mrs. Leon Jones, Mrs. Thad Nichols, Mrs. Beulah Causey and Miss Causey.

Other donations were carton cigarettes by Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Carr, \$1., by Rev. C. B. Mashburn, and milk by Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Wooten and Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Norman.

Sgt. Leonard A. Scott, somewhere overseas, asks about his friends here nd wishes to be remembered to them. happening in Carolina and thinks about the pleasant trips he took into the surrounding country from Seymour Johnson Field - the most en-tertaining of which he says were those to Farmville and he wishes he was here now.

T/Sgt. Charles O. Wood writes that

since leaving Cherry Point he has not found another Center as wonderful as the one here. It rates tops with

The candidate doesn't always fool the voters. Frequently the voters fool

ern Star Chapter.
This matter is beginning to shape

into sizable proportions. The following committees have been appointed and report several large pledges toward the financial part of this endeavor: Steering committee; George W. Davis chairman, assisted by R. LeRoy Rollins, R. A. Joyner, E. C. Holmes and C. A. Tyson; Finance Ed Rawl, Dave Moore, and Chester Walsh, of the Greenville Club, asden, Fred C. Moore and G. Earl Tre-vathan. Curtis H. Flanagan was ap-pointed treasurer and C. F. Baucom, publicity chairman.

Youths Warned To Speed Goals

Washington, Feb. 28. - President Roosevelt told 1,700,000 farm' youths more momentum." His letter to all 4-H club member

Club week opening March 3. "Nowhere are these services mo

that of the community, serve wherdemocratic procedures and stimulate paign total to 10 prisoners. deeper appreciation of democratic ways and "to become informed on important social and economic forces now at work and help develop a goodneighbor spirit at home and abroad."

Kiwanis Club Pledges Support To Red Cross

At the Kiwanis meeting on Mon day night, February 26, plans for the Court Tourney In coming Red Cross War, Fund Campaign were made. W. J. Bundy, of Greenville, gave a resume of the Red Cross' work and explained the part that the Kiwanis Club will have in the future work of their organization.
At this time, E. C. Holmes, chairman of music, welcomed Mrs. J. W. Joyner who will serve the Club as ctive accompanist.

Dr. R. T. Williams, president, an-

Dr. R. T. Williams, president, and bounced the acceptance of the chal-bunge from the Rotarians to play a victorious over Grifton and Win by J. T. Sutton, Jr., that the Club assist the Boy Scouts in certain phases of their work, was unanimously team rolling up top score. accepted; also, a motion by Pat Ruf- Semi-finals for girls were played fin, that the Club sponsor a Victory Garden Contest, awarding prizes for the most outstanding work, was ac-

C. S. Hotchkiss, program chairman, for cent more breeder hens on January 1.

Topeka, Kansas, who may be seen the per cent more breeder hens on January 1. peka, Kansas, who related the un sual circumstances under which the isted. Col. Miller paid the me. der his command a glowing tribute. Col. J. C. Herring, Deputy Collector, and Mrs. Miller were the guests of will be at the City Hall in Farmville Mr, and Mrs. Frank K. Allen while today and tomorrow, March 2nd and find for the number of assisting Tax-

Walsh, of the Greenville Club, as-sisted with the program. J. J. Grimder, of the Concord Club, guest of C. Hubert Joner, spoke briefly concarning Kiwanis work. The proearning Kiwams work.
In for next week's meeting will be sented by the Rocky Mount Club.

If it takes a thief to catch a thief

preach bout hell ter some folks, tion which has been gotto be knocked out'n 'em. nistant and water re-

Japs Into Small Corner of Iwo

Guam, March 1.—The hard-fighting Third Marine Division, smashing Majority Leader Barkley of Kening Third Merine Division, smashing through the center of the Japanese miles from the northern end of the fallow where the enemy garrison is reported massing for a "last-man" tor George (D. Ga.), divorces the Restand, it was disclosed today.

The advance, which carried the subsidiary lending agencies from the

Marines well beyond the village was Commerce Department. The Presimade yesterday. It put the front dent aigned it at sea Saturday but line of the Third Division nearly to his action was not amounced until the edge of the northern Iwo aiddrome Motoyama No. 3 which the ing.
Japanese were completing when the
Marines invaded.

and the Fourth Division on the right drove forward hundreds of yards against unremitting enemy resist-

It was the biggest day of gains in point of distance since the Marines landed. Advances of up to 700 and 800 yards were made.

Motoyama village, which the Ma-rines were expected to take as their next objective, is the site of the government offices for Iwothe main village of the eight-square mile island 750 miles from Tokyo. Naval guns, carrier planes and Ma-rine artillery supported the advance.

From the high ground in the north-ern end of the island, the Japanese continued to pour artillery and mor-Wednesday that with final victory tar fire on the Marine lines and some still to be attained they must pursue mortar shells hit at the northern end their seven wartime goals "with even of the Marines' beaches on the east coast. But Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, in announcing the new gahs, said was in recognition of national 4-H that facilities for unloading continued to develop.

Wednesday night the Japanese tried appreciated than among our fighting again to filter men in small groups forces," Mr. Roosevelt wrote of the through the Marine lines. The Mafarm youth organization's program rines drove them off with the aid of Rockefeller city—radio center covers C. Swayngim, Waynesville, N. C.; which calls for members:

To produce and conserve food, aid off-shore. Mortar support units and 1-55th of the destroyed area in Tokyo. The ravaged area extends a short.

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Ten Prisoners Taken Bainbridge, Md., and Trenton, N. C.; ever possible for those who have gotte Monday, bodies of 4,784 Japanese ever possible for those who have gone Nimitz reported that up to 6 p. m. J. A. Vaughan, U. S. N. R., Harrison, themselves to farm work, help inter dead were counted. One additional

Undoubtedly, of the originally estimated 20,000 Japanese troops on Iwo, many more were dead behind the

enemy lines and many were wounded. Nimitz announced that carrier planes caused an explosion in an attack on the seaplane base on Chichi Island, north of Iwo, and that Marine planes had started fires In attacks War Fund Campaign on Japanese bases in the Palaus east of the Philippines.

Full Swing Here

The Pitt County Backetball Tourn-ament is being held in the Farmville High School Gymnasium, got under feated Chicod; Arthur Girls were vio torious over Ayden; Grimesland Boy defated Belvoir; in the Girls' game Belvoiir defeated Arthur and Gr land won from Stokes. In Wednes day's games Stokes and Bethel were

NOTICE ! INCOME TAX PAYERS

8rd, for the purpose of assisting Tax payers in filing their, State Tax Re

parried or unmarried, having an inig an income of \$2,000 or more, must file an Income Tax Return.

Drop in to see Mr. Herring today.

Marines Compress AMERICANS ARE NOW IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF COLOGN

WALLACE SAFE

Japs Concentrate For gin of 10 to 20 votes for confirmation of Henry Wallace as Secretary of a pared-down Commerce Department was claimed tonight by Senate lead-

through the center of the Japanese tucky told reporters he did not be-line, has driven beyond Motoyama lieve more than half a dozen Demovillage, administrative center of Iwo, crats would oppose confirmation since and is less than one and one-quarter President Roosevelt has signed the

Not only the Third Division but the Fifth on the west side of the line Blocks In Tokyo's **Business Area**

21st Bomber Command Headquarters, Guam, Feb. 28.—Two hundred and forty city blocks of Tokyo's most highly congested industrial and business district are in smouldering, twisted ruins Wednesday as a result of Sunday's superfortress raid, 21st Bomber Command Headquarters announced.

The greatest punishment yet dealt the Japanese nation's proud capital was inflicted without the loss of one sky giant of the more than 200 which participated in stormy weather.

Maj. Gen. Curtis (Iron Pants) Le May, commanding general of the sky mammoths, after studying the reconnaissance photographs said the re-sults were "excellent." The photos show 29,074,000 square feet of im-

distance from Emperor Hirohito's moated palace eastward to the crowd-The Superfortress assault was made

A. Mitscher'n carrier based plane at-tack which hit earlier in the morning more German cities were overrun and knocked out two aircraft plants during the day and that some spear in the northwestern suburbs. After he hearing his pilots' reports, the leath-ery-faced admiral said: "I don't be-lieve the Japs will get them back into production for this war." heads were battling German tank forces brought from beyond the R'ine. "The west front situation today un-doubtedly is worse than yesterday." German DNB Commentator Max

pilots could not see the wingtips of their own planes due to the heavy son's headlong rush.

The remarkable The Erft was crossed both north newly nvented precision radio bomb-

While Tokyo's heart was burning, breach was made northwest of Mod-Premier Kuniaki Koiso called on the rath, where a lightning night thrust emperor to make apologies, claiming by armored task forces seized without Allied confirmation, that imperial property was destroyed.

A STATEMENT .

By Basil O'Connor Chairman, The American Red Cross

For two years the American peo-ple have responded whole-heartedly to the call of The American Red cross for funds to carry on its work

Looking Forward

To Building Home

A matter which has been in the minds of several interested Masons in the Farmville community for some time, is the building of a Masonic Home for the local Lodge and East-ern Star Chapter.

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To B the battle fronts. Another will be provision for the men who come back from the war, whether they are maimed or whole, Still a third great task will be our sid and assistance to a world of suffering human beings whose lives have been blasted by war's

The Red Cross has been entrusted by the American people with a Herculean responsibility both to the boys on the battlefrents of the world and to torn and bleeding civilian populations. Even though the responsibility is of a magnitude not even envisioned in the past the Red Cross will do all possible to meet its obligations.

In this task it must have the full supposed of the Nation in the 1945

Nazis Making Final Stand On Western Side Of Rhine: American Guns Pound Dussel-dorf and Trier; German Civilians Join In Fight for Cologne; 1st Army Troops Cross Erft River In Determined Drive for Cathedral City

Paris, March 1.-American First rmy tanks and assault troops ed across the Erft River at points yesterday, and fought into the outskirts of Cologne as onrushing Al lled armies also brought Russeldro and two other Rhineland bastions un der fire of their big guns.

The Germans apparently were go-ing to make a stand to the death for the great cathedral city of Cologne. Front dispatches said 100,000 civilians were desperately digging trenches to reinforce a fortified wall ringing the Rhineland capital, which has been under Allied artillery fire for more than 36 hours.

An Exchange Telegraph Agency dispatch from the Ninth Army front said the entry of Allied troops into Cologne was imminent, and 1 great Ruhr rail center of Muenche Galdbach may fall in a matter of

Dusseldorf Shelled. The Ninth Army brought Dusaid. The Canadian First Army began shelling Xanten from four mile away. Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army sent shells lobbing into Trier as troops closed in on the fort ress city from three sides.

Allied commanders, in a broadcas over Radio Luxembourg to the resi dents of Trier, warned the evacuate the city but to stay behind and seek shelter until the battle has

The RAF Second and American Ninth tactical air forces joined with ground troops in Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's general assault yester-day, flying 2,600 sorties. German tank and troop concentrations attacked and grim positions knocked out.

12 Towns Overrun.

Although a security blackout ob-scured the full extent of Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's Ninth Army

The damage was wreaked while snow was falling. Bombardiers called "bombs away" while some of their ner tank reserves into battle to save

results attest to the perfection of the and south of the great Dueren-Cologne superhighway and on road itself. The major Ameri

Eighth Division assault troops storming straight down the mili-tary road found the main Erft bridge destroyed. They swam and forded the narrow stream and fought into Modrath, only six and a half miles from Cologne. Their drive appeared unchecked.

The veteran Americas First Division, which spearheaded Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' winter assault upon the Siegfried Line east of Malmedy Jan. 28, was indicated to have made the third crossing in the

area south of Modrath.
"The battle for the Erft canal and

fense of the city rests. If we to this sector we will command (

ngainst cholers, is a suggest Dr. C. D. Grinnells, Agricu

human beings throughout the world who turn to us for aid. No sacrifice