

LAUNCH ATTACK ON BEACHHEAD

German Armored Units Press Forward Under Heavy Artillery Fire

To Launch Red Cross War Fund Drive 10th

SEEK TO BREAK 5TH ARMY HOLD SOUTH OF ROME

Surry Quota Is Announced At \$25,000.00

According to present plans, announced Tuesday, the Red Cross War Fund drive will get under way in Elkin Friday, March 10, following the meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis Club March 9, when Kellogg G. Hale, Surry Red Cross chairman, will be present.



ACCIDENT FATAL TO TROY MARTIN

Received Fractured Skull and Other Injuries In Wreck of Motorcycle

TRIBUTES HELD SATURDAY

Troy Evan Martin, 28, of Jonesville, passed away in the local hospital last Wednesday night at 9:30 from injuries received earlier the same afternoon when his motorcycle went out of control and crashed.

He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Martin and several months ago was honorably discharged from army service due to a physical disability.

He was a native of Boonville and had been a member of the Boonville Baptist church for fifteen years.

He is survived by three brothers and five sisters, Private First Class Glenn Martin, in overseas service; Miss Katie Lee Martin and Clinton Martin of Thomasville; Mrs. Taft Bryant, State Road; Mrs. Howard Moxley, Otto Lake, Mich.; Misses Minnie and Nell Martin, Washington, D. C., and Guilford Martin of Jonesville, with whom he made his home.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at the Boonville Baptist church, in charge of Rev. Willis Norman. Interment was in the family plot in the Boonville cemetery.

Bonds or Bondage—It's Up to You

Ronda School Far Exceeds War Bond Quota

The Ronda school, headed by Principal E. R. Spruill, which set a goal of \$15,000 at the beginning of the Fourth War Loan, the money to be used to purchase a Fairchild "Cornell" training plane, exceeded its quota by raising the impressive total of \$78,477.20, it was learned Wednesday.

Much interest was shown in the drive, which resulted in the sale of E, F and G Bonds in the sum of \$28,250; corporation Bonds in the sum of \$50,000, and war stamp sales in the sum of \$227.20.

10-Day Lull In Fight Ends Explosively

STRIKE BRITISH FIRST

Are Thrown Back By Stubborn Wall of English Infantry and Artillery

MAIN THRUST BROKEN

Allied Headquarters, Naples, March 1.—German armored columns, attacking behind a flaming curtain of artillery fire, struck with increasing fury at the Anzio beachhead today and official reports indicated the Nazis had opened their third major offensive to break the Fifth Army's hold on the Latin plains.

The 10-day lull in the battle for the beachhead ended explosively yesterday when waves of German tanks and shock troops swarmed out of the ravines and caves southeast of Aprilia, on the Allied left flank, and broke against a stubborn wall of British infantry and artillery.

The attack followed a day and night of heavy artillery preparation during which the big guns of the Nazi 14th Army raked every corner of the 100-square-mile beachhead and German fighter-bombers swooped low over the battle lines to bomb and strafe the Allied trenches.

Twice during Monday night the Germans attempted to breach the American positions in the Aprilia sector, only to be driven back by a storm of gunfire.

Then at daybreak they threw in their main attack. Headquarters spokesmen indicated one arm of the German offensive thrust toward the Anzio-Albano road

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INTERESTED IN AGRICULTURE

A. L. M. Wiggins Awarded Certificate of Merit By Clemson College

PLANS ARE SHAPING UP

A. L. M. Wiggins, president of the American Bankers Association, who will be the principal speaker here March 16 at the annual Farmers Night dinner, was awarded a Certificate of Merit by the Clemson Agricultural College for distinguished service to agriculture, in 1940, and due to his knowledge of, and interest in, agriculture his talk here should prove of particular interest to farmers.

Garland Johnson, chairman of the Elkin Agricultural Council, has announced that approximately 500 or more farmers will be present at the March 16 meeting, and will represent Surry, Yadkin, Wilkes and Alleghany counties. Inasmuch as Governor Broughton will be present to act as master of ceremonies, and Word H. Wood, chairman of the board of the American Trust Company, Charlotte, will be here as guest of honor, the meeting is expected to be of even greater interest than that of last year.

For the afternoon program a number of meetings have been arranged, all of which will be presided over by specialists in the various fields to be discussed.

Missing



Mr. and Mrs. Gurney L. Hampton, of this city, were notified Saturday morning by the War Department that their son, Corporal James Russell Hampton, above, has been missing in action in Italy since January 26. Corporal Hampton, who had been wounded and had been presented the Purple Heart decoration, had been back with his outfit only a few weeks. Since going overseas in May, 1943, he had been in North Africa and participated in the invasion at Salerno. He entered the service in October, 1942.

BULGARIA SAID TO BE SEEKING EXIT FROM WAR

Reported Finland May Be Out Within A Month

CRACK - UPS INDICATED

Details of Bulgaria Move Toward Peace Are Said To Be Lacking

EXPECT DEVELOPMENTS

London, March 1. — Potential crackups at both ends of the Nazi satellite front in Europe were indicated today by reports that Finland might be out of the war within a month and that Bulgaria was asking the United States and Britain for armistice terms.

Moscow's confirmation of preliminary moves toward a settlement with Finland, together with a summary of what would be expected of the Finns, led diplomatic quarters to the conclusion that a Soviet-Finnish armistice might be arranged soon.

Usually reliable sources said they had received advices from neutral capitals indicating that Bulgaria was in the process of soliciting America and Britain for armistice terms.

Details of the reported Sofia move toward peace were lacking as was a specific indication of how far it had progressed. However, responsible quarters said "startling developments" might be expected at any time in connection with Sofia plans to present the Bulgarian case to the Allies.

STORE BURNS AT BOONVILLE

Boonville Drug Company Is Completely Destroyed Saturday Morning

LOSS IS OVER \$7,000.00

Boonville Drug Company was completely destroyed by fire, discovered about 5:30 Saturday morning. Damage was estimated between \$7,000 and \$10,000.

W. E. Brooks was manager and joint owner of the business with Tyre Atkins. The building was owned by Mr. McKnight of Courtney, and no insurance was carried.

Buildings located next to the structure were saved by the valiant work of volunteer fire fighters. As the flames mounted a hose was carried there by the Elkin fire department but did not fit on the hydrants, and when a hose was secured from Yadkinville to fit the hydrants the fire had obtained too much headway to be checked in the drug store. The Boonville fire fighting equipment was of no avail in fighting the flames, as no hose was available, the hose having been ordered but not delivered.

The office equipment of Dr. J. R. Finney, located in the building, was also a complete loss.

CLUBS TO MEET IN CAGE FIGHT

Kiwanis Kroakers Will Face Jaycee Bloomer Girls In Amazing Contest

BATTLE OF SURVIVAL

Much interest is being shown in the basketball game scheduled for Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the Gilvin Roth Y. M. C. A. between the Kiwanis Kroakers, fresh from a 6-2 win over the T. C. U. team, and the Jaycee Bloomer Girls (who will be dressed in keeping with their name.)

Both teams are in the pink of condition and the managers feel that a practice game will not be necessary before the game on Friday. The Kroakers are favorites in the championship, due to their impressive score in the previous game of the season.

The game will be for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. summer softball program, and whether or not the rule book and foul lines are observed, the game promises hilarity and wholesome entertainment.

To Speak Here



Corporal Toni Oliaro, above, of the Women's Army Corps, Winston-Salem, will be guest speaker at the meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis Club at the Y. M. C. A. this evening (Thursday), and will also be at the local postoffice all day Thursday between the hours of 8:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. to interview women between the ages of 20 and 49, inclusive, who are interested in joining the WAC.

WAC CORPORAL TO SPEAK HERE

Will Be Guest Kiwanis Club and Will Interview Applicants at Post Office

WACS BADLY NEEDED

Corporal Toni Oliaro, WAC, of the United States Army Sub-Recruiting Station at Winston-Salem, will be guest speaker at the meeting this evening of the Elkin Kiwanis Club, where she will discuss the vital need for more women to join the Women's Army Corps.

Corporal Oliaro will also be at the local post office between the hours of 8:30 a. m. and 5:30 p. m. Thursday, to interview women between the ages of 20 and 49 inclusive, who have no children under 14 years of age and no dependents, and who are interested in actively doing something to bring the men back from the fighting fronts sooner.

Women who cannot go too far from their homes, Corp. Oliaro said, may now be stationed at an army post or airfield near their homes. They may choose working on an army post or working with the air force. If a woman has no civilian skill to fill one of the 239 different kinds of jobs open to women in the Women's Army Corps, the WAC will send her to a specialist training school to prepare her for one of the essential army jobs.

TOBACCO

The Americans are commonly thought of as the original home of tobacco but native tobacco plants, different from those in the Americas, were later found in Australia, research men report.

The range of the early piano was only four octaves.

Chatham Game With Canton Is Called Off

Coach A. R. Plaster, of the Chatham girls basketball team, Wednesday afternoon asked The Tribune to announce that the basketball game originally scheduled with Canton Y. M. C. A. for this evening (Thursday), has been called off due to the inability of the Canton team to make the trip at this time.

Placards which had been posted about town advertising the game were being taken down Wednesday afternoon.

The Chatham girls have just returned from Pittsburgh, where they defeated the West-Ingleside girls in a three game return series, making a total of six straight wins over that team.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29. — Tipped that Canada was about to allow more meat to civilians, OPA today rushed out announcements that: 1. American housewives would be given a fourth pork ration "bonus" effective this week. 2. The point costs of pork and many beef cuts will be cut deeply beginning at the end of the week. The announcement of the ration point changes had been scheduled to come out Friday, March 3, but the office of price administration suddenly decided to make it this morning. For several hours, the reason for the early announcement was a mystery, but late in the day it became known that Canada was planning to make a major modification in its meat rationing program.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29. — The legislative and executive branches of the government tonight headed toward a test of powers which ultimately may have to be decided by the third branch — the judicial. The issue, which would end up in the Supreme court, centers on whether a government official can be compelled to testify before an authorized congressional committee. A senate agriculture subcommittee paved the way for the possible showdown today when it ordered counsel to prepare evidence against Jonathan Daniels, administrative assistant to President Roosevelt, for refusing "in the public interest" to testify before the committee Monday. It will decide Saturday whether to cite Daniels for contempt of the senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29. — Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox revealed today that the American submarines have sunk 14 more Jap ships and estimated that allied forces have destroyed nearly half of Japan's known prewar merchant tonnage since Pearl Harbor. He also told a news conference that during February alone allied air and sea forces sank 128 Jap ships, probably sank eight more and damaged another 53, bringing enemy merchant shipping losses to well over 3,000,000 tons since the beginning of the war. At the start of the war, Japan's merchant fleet aggregated about 7,500,000 tons. The latest victories included one large tanker, one cargo-transport and 12 cargo ships and raised to 461 the number of Jap ships sunk by submarine alone.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 29. — In one of the most optimistic statements to come from a united nations leader in recent weeks, Marshal Stalin told President Roosevelt today that the "final defeat" of Hitler is near. His language clearly implied that he considers the time for allied invasion of western Europe near. "I am strongly convinced," Stalin staid in a message released by the White House, "that the time is near when the successful struggle of the armed forces of the soviet union, together with the armies of the United States and Great Britain on the basis of the agreements reached at Moscow and Teheran, will lead to the final defeat of our common enemy, Hitlerite Germany."

INTERNATIONAL

LONDON, Feb. 29. — The Soviet government demanded tonight that Finland immediately break relations with Germany and intern all German troops and ships in Finland—with soviet armed help if necessary — as a preliminary to "official negotiations in Moscow" for peace. This was the foremost of six demands broadcast officially over the Moscow radio and recorded here by the soviet monitor. Official peace moves are dependent on the "termination of military operations," the broadcast said.