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### SEVENTIETH YEAR

# **ODT Requests** Less Travel

Non-Essential Trips Should Be Eliminated, Says Officials

#### TRAFFIC HEAVY

The Office of Defense Transportation (ODT) stressed yesterday that with troop movements and other military traffic mounting to new peaks it is imperative that nonessential increases in civilian travel be kept down. And it can be done, said the ODT, if every citizen will place upon himself the responsibility of traveling only

when necessary.

The ODT listed thees as non-esser tial travel: Trips to other cities to visit friends, trips home for the weekend, sightseeing, trips to the theater, races or other places of amusement, any social travel or travel for pleasure, and last, but not least, travel merely

for the sake of going somewhere.

The ODT didn't entirely rule out vacation travel if it is for the purpos of going to a vacation spot and staying put until the return trip. The agency said in a statement that this is considered "unessential," but less undesirable than travel for the foregoing reasons. But in relenting slightly on this point the ODT emphatically stated that when it said travel to and from summer homes it did not mean commuting to them, making a series of week-end trips, or side excursions during the annual vacation. Vacation travel was strictly defined as a single round-trip to and from the place of

#### **USO CLUB BRIEFS**

The United Service Organizations of Monroe will present a Father's Day program on Sunday, June 20, at 9 p. m. The program will be under the chairmanship of Edwin Niven and will be held outdoors on the picnic grounds of the Main Street USO Club.

Entertainment will be provided by Miss Virginia Benton, singer, and Mrs. Roy Laney, pianist, of Monroe; and by Pvt. Kelik Kaugman, violinist, and Pvt. Joseph Duvo, singer, of Camp Sutton. Community singing will be part of the program.

part of the program.

The invocation will be given by Rev. The invocation will be given by Rev.

F. B. Drane, president of the Monroe
Ministerial Association. Father James
F. Hudson, paster of Our Lady of
Lourdes Chapel of Monroe, and Sgt.
Sewmour S. Guthman, who conducts
the Jewish services at Camp Sutton,
will speak briefly on the subject of

service to be guest of honor at the Father's Day program.

The various congregations who have services on Sunday evening are being invited through their pastors, to attend the USO Father's Day program on Sunday. A large turnout is expect-

Participants in the Wednesday night Club were entertained by the lively place within the next seven days. Plano playing of Mrs. Guy Long, who has just returned from an extensive regional office in Atlanta for deterting, during which she entertained serburgh, Camp Indian Town Gap, Har-hisburg, Pa.; officers' club and USO be followed later by orders setting flat

Recording By Fathers

With Father's Day approaching and its theme in reverse this year, the local USO Clubs have invited all the fathers of Monroe who have sons in the service, to make records to send to their sons. In response to this invitation, Walter Henderson and Edwin Niven visited the Franklin Street Club last night and both gentlemen sent Father's Day greetings to their sons. There are many more fathers here in Monroe with sons in the armed forces and it is the earnest hope of the local USO Staff that these men will visit the Club to send a personalized greeting to their sons who are exattered throughout the nation and to those who are overseas. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday there will be a Staff member present at the same of Union county. Seven the same of Union county. Seven demonstrations in canning and drying

HERE'S HOW IT'S DONE



NEW YORK, N. Y.—Sgt. Robert McFadden of Chicago, Ill., 26-year-old gunner of a flying fortress sta-tioned in Alaska, who has 200 hours of combat flying against the Japs in the Aleutians and South Pacific, combat flying against the Aleutians and South Pacific, in the Alcutians and South Pacific, spends part of his furlough in New York City visiting a plant that makes the Laskinlamb flying suits for the Army Air Corps. Here he is being shown by a worker in the plant how they make the Laskinlamb jackets that Bob and his buddies were up in Alaska and orders. dies wear up in Alaska and on their high altitude bombing raids.

# Coal Ceilings Being Planned

Survey Under Way To Es- SURPRISE BLACKOUT IS tablish Price System In Southeast

Surveys are now being conducted to establish flat area ceiling prices in leading grades of coal in 16 south-Raleigh areas, it was announced yesterday by the Charlotte district Office of Price Administration.

The survey, the OPA said, should be completed within 30 days. Coal will be priced in dollars and cents accord-ing to size, quality and deferred payment\_terms

Other cities besides Charlotte and Raleigh, where surveys are being made ar Atlanta and Savannah, Ga.; Bir-Father's Day.

The USO is still searching for the Monroe father who has the largest number of sons and daughters in Nariolik Market and Tampa, Fla.; Columbia, S. C.; and traffic lights are operated, but buildings must be blacked out. The blackout came at 10:37 p. m.

The blackout came just about the and Tampa, Fla.; Columbia, S. C.; time most of Monroe's population was Norfolk, Richmond and Roanoke, Va. preparing to retire, returning from the termined by prices in effect from December 15 to December 31, 1941, plus those who had not reached crtain additions permitted be of increases at the mines since the

receiving the co-operation of the re-tailers, and is expected to be com-

be followed later by orders setting flat prices for coal in other cities and

sburg, Pa.;
enters, Aberdeen, Mu.,
and USO Club, York, Pa. An
pianist of note, professionally known
as Donna Clara, will make a similar
trip within three or four weeks, to
play for the men in service in New
York, New Jersey and Connecticut.
Saturday Dinner
The Mr. and Mrs. Dinner at the
Franklin Street Club had as an added
attraction last Saturday Miss Doris
Funderburk. Miss Funderburk, who is
accomplished planist, is home on
mw. C. U. N. C., where
music.

DANCE Mu.

Come one, come all to the costume
Street Square Dance to be held Monday night at the Main Street USO.

There will be fun and laughter for
everyone when each farmer fathers
his farmette for a good old fashloned
circle and dance. The girls will b
to the name when you see the
dresses with bonnets a
wore in her ex-Tuesday Dance
The Tuesday dance at the Pranklin
Street Slub was featured by the tap
dancing of Pvt. Joe Pender and the
baritone voice of Allen Peck. Both
boys were vigorously applauded for
their efforts by both the Charlotte
girls and the soldiers who were in attesdance.

Recording By Fathers

his farmette for a good old fashioned
circle and dance. The girls will be
the name when you see them
in gingham dresses with bonnets and
aprons as "Mom" wore in her early
days. Under the colored lights you
will see hay strewn about just as it
is down on the farm. The caller will
be Lewis Garrison with Whitaker's
Whangdodlers furnishing

## Loans On Corn Aré Called In

Government To Terminate Advances On 47,000,000 Bushels

EASE SHORTAGE

The War Food administration today called in loans on 47,000,000 bushels of 1942 corn effective July 15 and announced that it would requisition corn from storage elevators "if necessary to continue uninterrupted production of corn products for war uses." At the same time, the food agency said that the Commodity Credit corporation (CCC) was selling govern-ment-owned corn to processing plants at Keokuk, Iowa, and at Pekin was in danger of closing, it was said at

Loans on the 1942 corn crop ranged from 73 to 89 cents a bushel. The call of the loans brought to around 275,000,000 bushels of corn on which loans have meen called since July 1 as the government acted to force more corn into normal trade channels.

priorities on obtaining corn would be his friends to write him. issued "in cases where the Commodity Credit corporation is unable to take PFC Hal Isenhour, son of Mr. and care of processing plants because of Mrs. P. G. Isenhour of Route 2, Mondepleted stocks of corn or because roe is now stationed at Camp Butner, corn is not in position for delivery." N. C. His address is: PFC Hal Isen-Stating its intention to requilition hour Hq. Btry. 903 F. A. Bn. APO No. stocks if necessary, the WFA said 78, Camp Butner, N. C. that "closing of processing plants would seriously cripple war production of explosives, aluminum, magnesium

# TERMED SUCCESSFUL

With The Exception Of One Or Two Instances, States Officials

Monroe, with other sections of the state, underwent a surprise blackout test last night, and with the excepleading grades of coal in 16 south-tion of one or two instances, local eastern cities, including Charlotte and Civilian Defense officials, stated today, the blackout was successful.

p. m. and the blue alert siren signal sons, Edward and Philip Gravely. sounded at 10:04 o'clock. The red signal for total blackness sounded at

During the blue alert status, traffic vann of Camp Davis, visited his wife brand traffic lights are operated, but man with the Merchant amrines, also buildings must be blacked out. The

Present ceilings on coal are de- movies or other places where they had been spending the evening, and their homes had to seek shelter elsewhere. It was the latest hour that a blackoriginal freeze order.

Out signal had been given here and officials were soon local wardens and officials were soon out signal had been given here and on the job, once they had received the signal.

# CHINCH BUG DAMAGING

Corn Crop Menaced By Insects, Says

Assistance Agent Mayfield

large numbers in various parts of the Rachel Stearns, daughter of Mr. and up by a non-committal observer who ounty this year and considerable county this year and considerable Mrs. J. S. Stearns, of Monroe, has said, with a smile: "Isn't the war of damage is being done to corn," states alled from the east coast and arrived proved a safely overseas. Mrs. Montgomery has a fely overseas. Mrs. Montgomery has a fe

gets ripe.

The chinch bug belongs to a class of insects which secure their food by sucking the plant juices. They cannot be killed with poison dust or spray received the following interesting letsince they do not eat the plants. To ter from their son, Sgt. Thomas Brooks not be killed with poison dust or spray since they do not eat the plants. To control the chinch bug, the farmer should first plow a deep furrow be-tween the corn field and wheat field and put an oil pond in this furrow with burnt motor oil, and at intervals of about 50 feet, dig holes with a post hole digger. The insects will not cross the oil pond but will try to crawl around the oil and will fall in these holes where they can be killed by burning. The insects already on the corn can be killed by using hot water, or by spraying with Black Leaf 40. To prepare the spray, mix one pint of Black Leaf 40 with 50 gallons of water. This spray kills the insect only through contact and must be sprayed directly on the insects.

# LOCAL HOMEMAKERS TO

alst Will Pres stration In Monroe, June 24.

#### THE LATE WAR NEWS IN BRIEF

MONROE, N. C., UNION COUNTY, THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1943

Mediterranean-Allied air offensive tearing Sicily defenses apart, new raids coinciding with an-nouncement that King George in North Africa visiting troops

Turkey-Rumania rumered inquiring of Allied officials what she could expect if she withdrew aid

China—About to regain last menaced section of their "rice bowl," Chinese announce capture of another Yangtze port, Towhuti, in campaign to clear upper river of invader.

Japan—Tojo telis Japanese Diet-war has "reached a serious, dé-cisive stage," and adds warning Japan must expect mainland raids. Says Chinese making a comeback with American air support.

## Union County's Men In Service

Pvt. Thomas R. Smith, son of Mrs. year's corn must either pay off the loan or deliver the corn to the government by July 15.

The WEA The WFA announcement said that Camp Cooke, Calif. He wishes all of

PFC Hal Isenhour, son of Mr. and

Second Lieutenant Claude Morrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Morrison of Monroe, has been promoted to first lieutenant. He was graduated from O. C. S. in February, and is stationed with an anti-aircraft battalion at Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas. At present he is on desert maneuvers in Texas. His promotion was an added thrill on his first wedding anniversary. He married Miss Mae Marsh of Marshville, and

Philip Gravely, son of Mr. and Mrs W. G. Gravely of Monroe, left Wil-mington Sunday for Keesler Field, Miss., where he has entered training as an aviation cadet in the U.S. Army Civilian Defense workers were or-dered to mobilize shortly before 10 the week-end in Wilmington with her

Major Walter Vann of Fort Leaven-10:15 o'clock and the blue again at worth, Kana, will join his family 10:25 o'clock. here this week on leave. Capt. David

to Camp Campbell, Ky., after 10-days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Haywood, of R3, Waxhaw. His address is: 30th Field Hospital. Camp Campbell, Ky. He is stationed there with the medical corps. His brother, Pvt. Louis C. Haywood, of the U. S. Marines, is stationed in the South Pacific.

Pvt. Floyd N. Fowler, who has been stationed at Shreveport, La., for the past two months, has been transferred CROPS IN THE COUNTY His new address is: Pvt. Floyd N. Fowler, 43343105, A. T. Co., 337th Inf., 1 APO 85, care postmaster. Los Angeles.

Col. Samuel Everette Montgomery "The chinch bug has appeared in of Camden, S. C., who married Miss Mrs. J. S. Stearns, of Monroe, has

Griffin, who has landed safely some-where in England. Sgt. Griffin entered the armed services, August 20, 1942. Mr. and Mrs. Griffin have another son, Wilson Griffin, who is also in the armed forces:

United States Army Air Corps Somewhere in England. June 8, 1943 Dear Folks:

This is England, after such a short span of time since I talked to you all a while, while still in the States. Needless to That's say I can't mention anything as to the trip, except perhaps, that it was swell. you that I'm per Really, I shall very impatiently await best of health. my return home to tell you all about My best love

most fascinating place I've ever seen before, especially to look at the buildto have a swell set-up here with every- at Bowman Field, Ky. hing most of us have ever hoped for.
I honestly don't think that we would ave dared ask for any more. ight I'm the charge of quarters. being the best reason for my able to write as soon as I am m that we've been doing before because this is the real McCoy. work will now have some real genuine meaning to it because

## Axis Making Peace Moves

Peace Feelers Out As War Of Nerves Mounts Daily

#### REPORT NOT CONFIRMED

Two new, roundabout Axis peace feelers were reporter today, while the Allied war of nerves continue unabated stinging Berlin into pragging of the security of its Balkan bastons on the eastern Mediterranean.

Reports from Ankara said Rumania was sounding out the Allies on what she might gain by withdrawing from war as an Axis satellite, and an apparent German "propaganda plant" in Sweden said Germany and Russia recently had discussed peace negotia-

tions, albeit unsuccessfully.

Betraying concern over the Middle East—especially since the reported closing of the Turkish-Syrian border emphasized the possibility of double Allied assaults in the Mediterranean-Berelin asserted that the United Nations had failed to bring Turkey into the war, and termed the Balkans "the bulwark of southeastern Europe" now

instead of a powderkeg. The military critics of the Berliner Boersenzeitung, in a broadcast recorded by the Associated Press, de-clared the Atlantic front "may be considered impregnable," and "there remains in the enemy press one hope of possible attack-in southeastern

Europe." This is entirely vain, he said, be cause "Bulgaria is prepared to defend her country to the last drop of blood," and Rumania "this time has clearly recognized her true historic mission. This coincided with word from semi-diplomatic sources in Ankara that Rumania had aprpoached Allied authorities through a neutral diplomat and suggested that Rumanaja would desert the Germans in Russia if Rumania were allowed to keep at least

parts of Bessarabia and Bukovina. These areas are claimed by Russia, This report was not confirmed by Allied sources, but it was said the proposal was receiving careful consideration in United Nations capitals. The German-Russian peace discussion was reported by the pro-German newspaper Allehanda in Stockholm. It said the conference failed when the Germans demanded the Ukraine and the Russians realized the Nazis were depending upon the Ukraine for food.

and al of Poland. Competent observ-ers said the story might be Naziinspired in an effort to breach the unity of the Allies. Allehanda said Mrs. Alexandra Kollontay, Russian ambassador to Sweden, might have been among the conferees, but she flatly denied that any such described the report as "insolent and ridiculous. The whole story is only German propaganda. It is impossible

to conduct peace negotiations with Germany at the present time." Emphasis in Axis broadcasts on the strength of their defenses in southern Europe reflected obvious concern over that area, with the Syrian border report focussed attention on the British Ninth and Tenth armies

waiting a cal to action. Unofficial quarters in London revived join British, American and French forces in North Africa in a co-ordinated thrust against Southern Europe But official reaction was summed said, with a smile: "Isn't the war of

long, and soon enough, too, to get to you before Father's Day,

I got your last letter of a week ago Sunday night today, Mother, I know most that it came over at the same time we did. It was really grand hearing from you so soon. But heaven only knows how long it'll be before I do so again. I wish that you'd forward this on

to Max and Kirk and I'll try to get one off to Wick tonight. I'd only be repeating myself and that'll save me a lot of time. Also note the change of address. It's all been changed around. This

one I hope will be permanent for quite That's about all for now. Please don't worry about me because I assure you that I'm perfectly safe and in the

My best love to you all, BROOKS.

Lt. Frank T. Ballentine came Tues before, especially to look at the buildings and surroundings and to realize at the same time how old they are.

Although everything is so new to us I can already tell that we're going with the U. S. Army Gilder Corps

> The war department has made pub-lic the names of 580 U.S. soldiers who are held as prisoners of war by the are held as prisoners of war by the enemy, 264 by Japan, 291 by Germany, and five by Italy. Among these are listed Pfc. Marvin J. Forbis, son of Nim M. Forbis, of Rl, Indian Trail, and Pvt. Lonnie Mason, son of Mrs. Lillie Mason, R2, Peachland, interned

Pfc. Sam Deese is stationed at Port Crooke, Omaha, Neb., with the U. S. Army. Mrs. Deese has gone for a three month's stay with her husband.

AIRPLANE DESIGNERS OF THE FUTURE

SLATER, MO.— Airminded high school students from all the state attended the annual Missouri Model Airplane & Contest, & where model planes competed for cups, and other prizes. & "These boys are the airplane designers of the future," Randolph C. Walker, sponsor of the 1943 competition said at the opening of the model races. Mr. Walker, president of Aircraft Accessories Corporation, is photographed as he inspects one of the model planes. The two contestants are Elwood Carver (standing) and Gene Flynn.

#### ANNOUNCE NEW NURSES COUNTY HEALTH STAFF

Misses Austine Brackett And Martha Weaver Assume Duties.

Announcement of the appointment Announcement of the appointment down committee vote, he would be of two new nurses on the staff of the able to produce Vichy elements in the Union County Health Department is French armed forces and give himself

Miss Austine Brackett succeeds Mrs. Carrie R. Godfrey and Miss Martha as evidence that he has marshalled Weaver succeeds Miss Mary Alice Harthe support to carry out the proposals ris, who was transferred to Kinston. Miss Brackett is a graduate of Shelby General Hospital School of Nursing and had her Public Health training at William and Mary college, Richmond, Va. She was formerly on the staff of Gaston County Health Department, and Rutherford-Polk dis-

trict Health Department. Miss Weaver is a graduate of Duke University School of Nursing and has recently completed work in Public Health Nursing at the University of depending upon the Ukraine for food. North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C., The Germans also were alleged to and her field training in Forsythe-have demanded the Baltic countrels Yadkin-Davie-and Stokes county district Health Department.

### HOSPITAL NEWS

Admissions: Willie Mae Nash, RI Wingate; Mrs. Floyd Truii and bady boy, Monroe; Mrs. Addie M. Long, R3 itself a major victory for De Gaulle, Matthews; John C. Clontz, R1, Midwhoff who for a week has been boycotting who for a week has been boycotting. Wilburn Moser, Monroe; Ida Frances Mills, Monroe; Boyd Knight, R1 Wingate; Olin Pressley, R5, Monroe; Mrs. Junius Stearns, Monroe; Mrs. James the meeting held on the eve of the McCurdy, R1 Wingate; Rayford T. great national fete day, at which he Plyler, R4, Monroe; Mrs. D. L. Mel-will be the propuler here in the meeting held on the eve of the ton, Monroe; John C. Stegall, R3, of French resistance against Axis de-

For treatment: Mrs. Lottle Ashley, Waxhaw; Mrs. Ernest McManus, R5 army and French public life men he Monroe; Mary Stegall, R2 Matthews; holds to be collaborationists.

Mrs. Clarence Alexander, R2, Wan- De Gaulle has indicated he wants speculation that these armies might haw; Mrs. Hayne Johnson, Monroe; Curtis Ballard, R4, Monroe; Clarence Long, R5 Monroe; Mrs. Robert Usher R5 Lancaster, S. C.; Mrs. N. B. Lisenby, R2, Chesterfield, S. C.

> Miss., where he is a member of the Air Corps. Mrs. Scales who joined the Ferry Maids and won her wings several months ago at Morris Field Charlotte will leave soon for a station, probably in Texas.

> Pfc Thomas T. King, Jr., has returned to Chanute Field, Rantoul, Illinois, after having spent his furlough with his mother, Mrs. T. T. King of South Hayne street and other relatives in and around Monroe. Pfc King is connected with the medical corps attached to the Air Corps of Chanute Field. He is a graduate the class of '37 of Fairview high school.

> Otis Horton, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Horton, is home on a nine day leave from the Navy Training Station in Bainbridge, Md.

> Lt. David Vann, of Monroe, is attending the Antiaircraft Artillery School, Camp Davis, N. C.

> Pvt. Charles - Younce, Jr., who has finished his training at the Marine Base at Parris Island, S. C., and has been spending a several days furlough here with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Long, will leave Sunday for Quantico, Va., where he will take more advanced training with the Marines.

Lieut. Jeff Fordham who is statio at Elizabeth City, will spend the week-end here with his family at the home of Mrs. Forham's mother, Mrs. W. H. Norwood, Mrs. Fordham and two small sons, Bob and Bill will ac-company Lieut. Fordham back to Elizabeth City for a visit.

last Friday to spend a 15-day furior with his brother D. S. Griffin of W

# French Heads To Meet Again

De Gaulle And Giraud Jointly

Call For Meeting Of Group

### SHOWDOWN IS EXPECTED

Foreshadowing a possible showdown on their political differences, Generals Charles De Gaulle and Henri Giraud last night jointly called a full meeting of the French committee of national liberation for 10:30 a.m. today (Thursday).

Controversial questions over reorganization of the French army appeared the uppermost problem on the agenda of a full meeting. Giraud's forces have been reluctant to call such a

session.
All fourteen members of the committee are exjected to attend except Henri Bonnet, minister of information, who is still in the United States.

The meeting appeared to be the nost significant development in the strained French political situation since DeGaulle arrived in Algiers two weeks ago as the first step in the pro-gram designed to unite French factions in prospecting the war against the

The meeting will be held only a day before the third anniversary of De Gaulle's decision to keep the Fighting French in the war—a date fixed by the committee as a day for universal celebration.

De Gaulle has been reported confident that in the event of a showmade today by Dr. Clem Ham, Health the portfolio of national defense.

The mere fact that a full meeting of the committee has been called was viewed by proponents of De Gaulle which have been a source of contro-versy ever since reconciliation efforts began to get the two French military leaders together.

They met yesterday with Gen. Georges Catroux, governor-general of Algerie.
It was reported that Giraud opposed selection of De Gaulle as war min-ister, and also opposed permitting a

"civilian committee" to have the final voice in choosing the ministers of war, air or navy.

The committee meeting was agreed upon after De Gaulle first had written to Giraud that the session be held at 5 p. m. Earlier reports said it was thought

that De Gaulle had won some concessions and strengthened his hand as a result of the conferences with Cathe sessions of the seven-commissione

committee-himself Garaud, their two appointees each, and Catroux Followers of De Gaulle believe that will be the popular hero is the symbol mands, will pave the way for quick adoption of his plans to oust from

the authority of the Preench military commanders subordinated to the authority of the committee—a point in which he and Giraud are pictured as fundamentally opposed.

#### MONTHLY MEETING HELD BY COUNTY PHYSICIANS

Medical Society Requests Change In Vital Statistics Registering System.

The regular monthly meeting of the Union County Medical Society was held in the dining room of the Elien Fitzgerald Hospital, Monday, June 14, at eight o'clock. A paper was pre-sented by Dr. J. G. Faulk on the subject "Endometriosis." There was general discussion on the subject all members present.

The doctors then discussed at some

length the many requests made of them by the various government agencies, rationing boards and selective service boards. It was their opinion that may of the requests could be eliminated. One of the most frequent demands is for affidavits to frequent demands is for amissyns to the effect that a baby was born into a home, the birth being attended by the physician and the physician was called upon to supply the necessary affidavit to the rationing board in order that the applicant might se more gas to visit the mother issued for the child, and vi sundry other requirements doctors thought unnecess should be attended to by the