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Bombers Blast Japs At Rabaul Forty-Five Women From 30 States Do Their Bit In Picking Staple.

McArthur Stages Greatest organized themselves into cotton pick- Soviet Armies Make Three Air Victory Of Entire Pacific War

The biggest Allied air force ever assembled in the Southwest Pacific the USO Club by a committee of made the first fighter-escorted raid of wives and at 9 s. m. in the suitable Tuesday, wiping out 177 enemy air-Tuesday, wiping out 177 enemy air-out to the country. Each girl ad-craft and sinking many thousands of justing poke or sack over her shoultons of ships, including three destroy-

The raid on Rabaul, biggest stronghold in the Southwest Pacific to be menaced by MacArthur's forces, was nant across that cotton field as the One hundred enemy aircraft were are some of the songs which were destroyed on the ground and 51 severely damaged. Twenty-six fighters satisfying experience: Dixle, I've Been verely damaged. Twenty-six fighters out of 40 the Japanese put in the Working On The Railroad, and Oh on in the center of Melitopol after air were shot down.

The 177 aircraft destroyed or severe

ly damaged are estimated to have been 60 per cent of Rabaul's strength.
In addition to the three destroyers, four merchantmen were sunk. Severe damage also was inflicted ona submarine, its 5,000-ton tender, a 6,800ton destroyer tender and a 7,000-ton

The raiding Liberators, Mitchells and P-38's expended 350 tons of bombs and 250,000 rounds of cannon and machine gun fire in the mid-day

The raiders smashed wharves and snow flies and while the cotton lasts. warehouses and caused heavy damage to Simpson harbor, one of the finest in

the hundreds employed. Rabaul long has been regarded as the primary objective of the Pacific offensive which opened on June 30. Presently this offensive has reached the northern Solomons island of Bougainville, the only important ene-my holding barring the direct approach to Rebaul in the South Pacific.
On the other arm of the offensive,
General MacArthur's Australians have overrun the Huon gulf sector of New Guinea, which is separated only by

narrow Vitias straight from New Britain island, with Rabaul approximately 350 miles to the northeast. "The enemy has sustained a dis-astrous defeat from air attack at Rabaul," the communique reported. With complete secrecy, the mass

of our air force was concentrated and launched against his air and naval forces there, using fields made posible by our occupation late in June of island groups north of New Guinea." This obviously referred to occupa-tion of Kiriwina and Woodlark islands "Recently we crushed the right wing of his air command at Wewak," the

"This time our objective was his left wing at Rabaul. The division of his air forces into two great groups based upon Wewak and Rabaul has made it possible to use our main mass against first one flank, then the other, thus acquiring in each case superiority of force at the point of combat and destroying his force in detail. The

surprise at Rabaul was as complete as at Wewak." In the South Pacific, the communique reported that American airmen downed 15 or 23 Japanese planes during a heavy raid on Buin on South

Bouganville island. Announcement also was made that all Japanese resistance now has ceased on Vella Lavella island, marking the complete American conquest of the central Solomons.

Continuing the report on Rabaul, the communique related:
"Mustering every appropriate plane
available, we struck at midday. The enemy was caught completely unaware his planes, both bombers and fighters, on the ground. While our medium (Mitchell) bombers raked the airdromes, our heavy echelon (Liber-ators) swept shipping in the harbor. Both were covered by our fighters.

"A total of 350 tons of bombs were munition fired. Our low flying medium bombers, striking at Vunakanau, Rapopo and Tobera airdromes, destroyed 100 enemy aircraft caught on the ground and severly damaged 51 othesr. So complete was the surprise that the enemy could put but 40 fight-

ers in the air to defend. "Twenty-six of these were shot down in combat, in all 177 airplanes or approximately 60 per cent of the enemy's accumulated air strength at this base were lost to him in this a:-

"Operations buildings, radio instal-lations and many fuel and ammunition dumps were demolished or heavily damaged, antiaircraft positions si-

In the assault on the enemy's ship-In the assault on the enemy's ship-ping, our heavy bombers with 1,000 c. U. N. C. of Greensboro. Christen-pound bombs sank or destroyed three pound bombs sank or destroyed three ing themselves the "Rhythmettes," the pound bombs sank or destroyed three ing themselves the "Rhythmettes," the destroyers, two merchant ships of quartet made their debut before the 5,000 and 8,000 tons each and one of soldiers and girls at last Saturday

IN COTTON PICKING Russians Crack **ARMY WIVES JOIN**

Forty-five army wives from 30 states ing teams to do their bit in answering the call for help to pick the already mature cotton. Miss Ruth Robbins, associate director of the Franklin SEVEN JAP SHIPS SUNK street USO, made arrangements with SPLASH THROUGH RAIN A. M. Secrest to pick on his nearby

farm. Lunch in bags was prepared at war on Rabaul, New Britain, outdoor clothes the cavalcade moved der or around her waist soon mastered Zaporozhe in the southern Ukraine, the art of cleaning the boll and piling smashing close to Kiev in the middle up poundage.

Songs of the south were predomirhythm of picking increased. These sung to familiar tunes, as a result of a fighting in the South Ukraine, the Susannah. The girls spontaneously three days of flerce fighting broke presented these songs at their army wives luncheon the following week.

The champion picker weighed in strongpoints.

Melitopol is 28 miles north of the Melitopol is 28 miles north of the control of the two Gerarmy wives. her sheet of cotton at 56 pounds the irst three hours. Current prices for Sea of Azov on one of the two Gerpicking were paid, this amount the group plans to devote to a community project. The day ended with a visit

all the Pacific. Only five planes were lost out of Overseas Vote To Be Speeded

Legislation Formed To Send Ballots By Air Mail To Soldiers

COMMISSION IS CREATED

Legislation aimed at speeding up Congress.

The bill provides for transmission of secret ballots by air mail rather than V-mail and establishes a war ballot commission to relieve the Army building of the Council of the People' and Navy of administrative work in Comissars of the Ukraine," a front

handling the absentee ballots.

It was offered in the House by Chalman Worley, Democrat of Texas, of the House elections committee and in the Senate by Senators Green, ing on the west bank of the river near Remocrat of Rhode Island, and Lucas, Kremenchug.

Democrat of Illinois. bersome to afford a genuine opportu-

nity for voting."

Further changes in the measure are Louis October 18. Public hearings will of the town. hoped the measure will be enacted by the first of the year in order to make sure that ballots are distributed

Soldiers, sailors, marines, guardsmen, members of the merchant States would be eligible to cast absenelectors, senators or members of the

The war ballot commission, of five members, at least two from each of GIVEN ON MEAT CANNING the major parties, would serve as liaison between the military and election officials at home. The deceision to substitute air mail for V-mail ballots was due to fear that otherwise the Army's microfilm facilities might be

as the ballots. write-in ballots would be available to servicemen in the United States as well as those stationed outcomplete state and local tickto vote complete state and local tick-ets, and who are from states with ab-onstrations begin at 2:30 p. m. The senter voting privileges could use a following is a schedule for the demonsentee voting privileges, could use a simple postcard form to apply for their strations:

RHYTHMETTES' SING AT W. C. SOLDIER DANCE

Monroe Girls Entertain Soldiers And

Girls

damaged, antialreraft positions si-lenced and a motor transport pool Laney, Lorens "Lo" Gaddy and Betsy wrecked. Fire raged throughout the Lee, of Monroe accommodated Betsy Lee, of Monroe, accompanied at the plane by Helen Frostick, are the lat-

5,000 and 8,000 tons each and one of 7,000 tons, forty-three seagoing cargo vessels ranging from 100 to 500 tons and 70 harbor craft.

"In addition, they hit and severely damaged a submarine and it 5,000-ton tender, a 6,800-ton destroyer tender and a 7,000-ton cargo ship.

"On shore, two wharves and a warehouse were destroyed, waterfront installations wrecked and many fires started.

"Five of our planes are missing and others damaged."

soldiers and girls at last Saturday night's dance in Greensboro.

"Bye, By, Baby," "Paper Guys," paraphrasing "Paper Dolla," and an original ditty by Doris, "You Don't Get It From Books" are the items on the Rhythmettes' repertoire, which they are busily enlarging. Doris claims no illusions about possibilities for professional singing, but hopes the quartet will be able to accept an offer to sing at BTO No. 10. At any rate, they are a current attraction of Cherry Folger's orchestrs. Doris is the planist with this orchestrs.

Nazi Defenses

Major Break-Throughs In Offensive

The Red army cracked German de fenses in three major breakthroughs on the long Russian front yesterday, sweeping into the center of the city of Melitopol and to within five miles of Dnieper, and pounding to "the immediate vicinity of Bomel" in White Russia, Moscow announced last night.

Breaking their silence on the bitter

The songs were composed by Mrs. D.
Schumer, and Mrs. R. O. Grable, two Red soldiers forced the Molochna riv-In an advance of five to six miles,

man escape railways from the Crimea. Sixty-seven miles to the north the Dnieper river bend town of Zaporoto the cotton gin to see the fruits of zhe came well within Soviet artillery their labor finally baled. Cotton pick- range after four days of fighting that ing is scheduled for Fridays until the broke the German defense line. Soviet troops are now fighting from five to six miles from the town, said the Moscow communique, recorded by the Soviet monitor.

More than 30 German strongholds fell to the onrushing Soviety army and the Germans "are suffering huge losses in many power and equipment, the communique said. Heavy Rus-sian artillery and massed air forces pounded the Germans incessantly. In the middle Dnieper fighting the Russians broke through enemy lines and advanced five miles despite incessant German counterattacks, the

communique said.

Moscow dispatches said the Soviet spearheads had advanced three kilometers (1.8 miles) from Kiev, Ukrainvoting by servicemen overseas and at already applying the torch before re-home was introduced yesterday in treat. This distance presumably was

from the city limits. "We can see the steeples of Kiev Pechera Lavra (biggest and oldest of Russian monasteries) and the big line dispatch to the newspaper Izvestia

In addition to crossings north and

Splashing htrough autumn rains of Gomel," the communique said.

expected to be recommended by 48 as the Russians forced the Sozh river secretaries of state at a meeting in St. near where it cuts through the heart returned to Maria, Texas, after spend- was crowded into done day because Louis October 18. Public hearings will of the town. Gomel, 145 miles east of ing a 15-day furlough with his par- of the war shortage in space and begin later this month and Green said the old Polish frontier, is an important ents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Moser of help. fense bastion in north Russia.

minent. Already lost to the Germans Crimea north to Zaporozhe and the marine and even civilians attached Dnieper bend. However, they still 9th of October. He is now somewhere to the armed forces outside the United have an escape route on the railway at sea. His address is: John H. Moser,

DEMONSTRATIONS BEING

Conducted By Misses Clapp And Bryan; Schedule Announced.

A series of demonstrations on Meat clogged, delaying soldiers' mail as well Canning are being given throughout the county during the month of October. These are being given at the Home Demonstration Clubs in the various parts of Union county. side. However, soldiers who wished Beef and Chicken are discussed and canned during the meeting. All dem-

> Wednesday, October 13, New Salem Club room in church. Thursday, October 14, Gilboa—Mrs. W. R. Curlee's Home.

Friday, October 15, Prospect-School Home Economics Room.

Monday, October 18, Beulah-School Tuesday, October 19, Wesley Chapel

School House. Wednesday, October 20, Mineral Springs—School House. Thursday, October 21, Weddington-

School House. Friday, October 22, Rock Rest-Club

House.

Monday, October 25, Trinity—Mrs.
W. V. B. Gulledge's Home.
Tuesday, October 26, Jackson—
School.
Wednesday, October 27, Rehobeth—

Mrs. E. J. Sims.
Thursday, October 28, Fairview-School Lunch Room.

much interest will be shown in the conservation of meat since in most homes, chicken, pork and beef production has been larger this year than in previous years.

The demonstrations will be given by Miss Ruth Clapp, Home Demonstration Agent of Union county and Miss Rose Elwood Bryan of Raleigh, County Home Remonstration Agent at Large.

THE LATE WAR NEWS

Italy-Italy declares war on Germany. Announcement made joint-ly by Roosevelt, Churchill and Sta-

Invasion—Battering down pow-erful German positions, Allies ad-vance nine miles in central Italy to capture San Croce, as British Eighth takes Elocia and Bonefro, the former only eight miles from San Croce offers threat to flank of Germans' powerful Volturno River

Russia—New Red power drive reported north of Kiev. Russians move closer to Vitebsk in White enlarge bridgeheads "many west of the Dnieper.

Pacific-Aussies move relentless ly toward big Jap base of Ma-dang, New Guinea. New Zealand ground troops in action in Solo-

Balkans-Germans are reported forced to move heavy reinforce-ments into Balkans in effort to stop Yugoslav Patriot Armies. Patriots reported storming Croat capital of Zagreb and already in

Southwest Pacific-Janan's badly mauled New Guinea airforce now has to recken with a new sky menace—the P-47 Thunderbolt. Gen. Douglas MacArthur's head-quarters disclosed yesterday that four of these new fighters piled into 32 Japanese fighters over Wewak, New Guinea, Monday and sent at least eight down to join the approximately 500 enemy air-craft which have been wiped out there since mid-August. Two others may have gone down.

London-The Krupp Works at Essen, "greatest armament com-bine in Europe" and "main source Germany's heavy armament, has been shattered by Allied air attacks, Sir Archibald Sinclair, secretary of state for air, said in the speech at the Constitutional Club yesterday. This was accomplished, he asserted, "in a tremendous series of attacks: two in March, two in April, a fifth in May—in that fifth attack Es received nearly four times the weight of bombs dropped in the heaviest raid on London—and a

Union County's Men In Service

William O. Seymour, Jr., son of Mrs. Ethel Seymour of 701 Church street, Monroe, graduated Saturday from the Naval Air Training Center, Worley said the proposal revised the present system which "has proved too complicated, time-consuming and cumadvanced to "the immediate vicinity struction at the Glenview, Ill., reserve,

> railway junction and a German de- R4, Monroe. Sgt. Moser has been in He has been in the service a year the New Orleans, La.

> > Lt. Warren C. Stack of Monroe is he might have been hurt since attending the Antialrcraft Artillery work is so dangerous, and cabled him School, Camp Davis, North Carolina. Friday to call home Sunday. Lt. Stack is the son of Mrs. Pattle Stack of 1002 W. Franklin street.

at Brooke Field, San Antonio, Texas,

Robert B. Hargett, has been in the army fourteen months and in the hour. European theater of operations for recently completed a course in fire-

Hargett, is in the military police. Aviation Cadet John Burns Simpson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Burns had been present in the room. Simpson, left Tuesday night for Kees- conversation was five minutes long ler Field, Biloxi, Miss., to begin train- and cost about \$5.00 a minute.

ing in the U.S. Army Air Corps.

on October 2 at Camp Carson, Colo.

Flight Officer Chas. B. Rorie, who is in the glider corps, U. S. Army, is sta-tioned at Sadalia Air Base, Sadalia, tioned at Sadalia Air Base, Sadalia, Mo. He received his wings in April in Lubbock, Texas, and has been in service 15 months. Cpl. Wm. E. Rorie, Jr., with the U. S. Army Air Corps, has been stationed in the Carribean area about two years, and has had no furlough since the day he enlisted. Pvt. James H. Rorie, stationed with an infantry division in the New England states, has been in the zervice about six months. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Borie of Mouroe R4, Mr. Rorie says it's about a mile to his mail box, but he manages to get there every day, and there are very few times but what he finds a

Mayor Issues **Proclamation**

In Interest Of National WAC Recruiting Campaign Now In Progress

COUNTY'S QUOTA IS SET

In keeping with the national campaign being conducted throughout the number is expected to increase greatnation, seeking the enlistment of 600,- ly during the next day or so. 000 WACs to release men now serving Under the new system on handling in army positions for combat duty, gasoline rations the A coupons are 000 WACs to release men now serving Mayor V. D. Sikes of Monroe, yester- good for three gallons each, and the day issued a proclamation, appealing time periods in which these coupons to the young women of Monroe and are valid have been arranged so that Union county to enlist in the WACs, the holders of the A books are allowed icipation in the drive.

t Raleigh within the very near future. two gallon valuations. The recruits will go through basic thorpe, near Chattanooga, Tenn. Sikes, yesterday afternoon is as fol- plicant.

To The People Of Monroe: It is with great pleasure that I. V. D. Sikes, heartly indorse this City's participation in the nation-wide allstates campaign for the Women's Army Corps' recruiting drive.
You doubtless know there is a tre-

Marshall stated recently: "Comman-ders to whom WASs have been assigned have spoken in the highest terms of their efficiency and value—in 155 kinds of Army jobs." This state-ment is indicative of the excellent job the Women's Army Corps is doing. However, the present objective is to release more thousands of soldiers for combat training. In order to accomplish this, each state will participate in the campaign. Likewise each city and county. Our office of Civilian Defense has been designated by Governor

North Carolina Our City's participation in this Naruits by October 15. I feel sure that the people of Monroe will want selected from it. Union county and North Carolina to lead all others in the nation-wide en-

listment drive. V. D. SIKES, Mayor.

MISS BOWIE HONORED Miss Mollie Bowie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carr Bowie, who is a member of the senior class at Woman's

ident of the Aletheian Society. Instead of spreading out over the entire week as has usually been done, in the hall, where they streamlined the program and all intruder dropped it. T/4 Sgt. Horace N. Moser has just four of the societies of the college

the service four years. He would like an exciting week-end for Mr. and With fighting in the center of Me- to hear from all his old friends. His Mrs. Bruce Thompson of Wadesboro to outlying forces in time for the 1944 litopol, capture of that town was im- address is Hq. Co. 85. Cml Bn. Fort Da agenue as they clung to the telephone to hear their son, James F. Thompby this gain was the railroad from the Moser have another son in the Navy. son, speak to them from Hawaii. Due to the irregularity of the mail, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson had only one letter in eight weeks from their son, a going west through the Perekop land Co F, U. S. N. Armed Guard Center, welder at Pearl Harbor, and he had a similar complaint. Upon receipt of a cable from him, they had an idea

> The first report from the overseas operator stated that Mr. Thompso was requesting that his parents, and Lt. Linwood C. Brooks, who recent- his girl friend, be at the telephone around 3:30 Monday afternoon when the call would be completed. has been spending a furlough with Mrs. Thompson then "got on the line" his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob C. and down came the girl friend, Miss Geneva Echard of Hickory. They even his new assignment in Lakeland, Fla. went one better and had his best buddy, Frank Howard, who, inci-Col. Vann W. Hargett, son of Mrs. dentally is leaving this week for ser-

> vice, at the 'phone at the appointed The call came through fifteen minseven and a half months. He has utes earlier and all took their turn to fighting at an American school center asked his daddy, "How's Frank?" Mr. Thompson said he was right there n England. His brother, Pfc. Earl B. and he would let him tell himself. The connection was excellent and Jimmy's voice was as clear as if he

Jimmy was instructed in welding by his father, Bruce Thompson, of Yancey D. Crow of Ri Waxhaw, by his father, Bruce Thompson, of the Monroe Welding Shop, and first went to Portsmouth, Va., to work.

On Orthogr 2 at Carmo Corson Colo.

There he received a promotion (a raise)

I lead For Conned There he received a promotion (a raise in pay) from a week to two weeks Cyrus Fletcher Bean, Jr., son of earlier during each course, and was Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bean of Washing- one among the first to receive the ton street, has graduated from the Aviation Machinist's Mate School at the Naval Air Station at Jacksonville, Fla., and is now a qualified aviation mechanic ready for service.

Think Officer Char B. Porte who is the property of the contraction of the first of receive the first of receive the form of the first of receive the first of receive the form of the first of receive the first o he has been overseas, he was the only one out of eleven to pass. He has had a furlough over there, and took a 200-mile trip around the island, which he says is beautiful.

> Bobby Laney who has been spending his furlough here with his par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Laney, eff a few days ago for Bainbridge, Md. where he will be stationed waiting for

FRIDAY LAST DAY TO RENEW "A" GAS BOOKS Italy To War

Approximately 2100 Books Have Been Renewed; Deadline Near.

Approximately 2100 "A" Books had been mailed out by the local Rationing Board, it was stated today, as the deadline of October 15 approached for the renewal of the "A" books. Motorists expecting to get a new "A" book must have their application in by the time set, it was stated earlier this week by officials of the board. Hundreds of applications are being received by the board and the

ndorsing the city and county's par- a slight increase in over-all rations.

The supplementary rations of B and Union county has been asked to C, however, have been reduced dras-furnish three recruits by October 15 tically. Both the B and C coupons, for the North Carolina Company to which formerly were good for three be sworn in by Governor Broughton gallons each, have been reduced to

In applying for the new A books. training together and will carry the the application, the tire inspection North Carolina Flag as a part of the certificate and the back cover of the will be trained at historic Fort Ogle- staffs will make out the new books, and mail them, together with the tire The proclamation issued by Mayor inspection certificate, back to the ap-

Trial Monday

Accused Of Killing His Wife

A. J. Hudson, Waxhaw merchant, ecused of slaying his wife at their home there with a window weight hast August 11, is scheduled to go on trial here in Superior Court next week on a charge of first degree murtroughton as the recruiting agency in er, Sheriff B. Frank Niven stated to-

day.

It was indicated that the accused tion wide drive is needed to assure man will be arraigned Monday and the success of this program. Our county has been selected to enlist three re- Charlotte, who will preside, will order a special venire summoned and a jury

Hudson, is in his late sixtles and has been confined in the Union county jail here since his wife was slain. Mrs. Hudson was found in her bed by a next-door neighbor, Mrs. W. B. Kissiah wife of a Waxhaw policeman. on the morning of August 11 after Hudson had summoned her husband to home and told him he had been as-College of the State University in Saulted by an unidentified intruder who had fied by way of the back door. The window weight was on he floor beside Hudson's cot, which was

in the hall, where Hudson said the Kissiah said she entered the Hudson home a few minutes after her husband did and when she heard Hudson's story she asked about Mrs.

Mrs. Kissiah said she went into Mrs. Hudson's room and turned on the light and saw her body lying in the crushed just above her right eye and the bonny structure of her face, immediately below her nose had been shattered. From the appearance her body it was believed she was killed

in her sleep. Hudson said he was awakened by a glancing blow on his head and saw a man standing over him, his hands upraised, ready to strike again with window weight. Hudson said he dodged the second blow, which he said grazed his nose, and that it was on this side, then that the intruder dropped the There is no weight and fied. The weight, about an inch and a half in diameter and

pounds. Hudson had a small scalp wound to date. and a scratch on his nose.

than two years. It was the second for both. Hudson's wife died a few years ago and Mrs.

of Weddington. Define Book 4 Green Stamps

Used For Canned Fruits, Etc.

BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1

The green stamps of the new War Ration Book Four will be used to buy canned fruits and vegetables beginning November 1.
The Office of Price Administration announced yesterday that Book Four will be distributed in a nationwide

schoolhouse registration between Oc-tober 18 and 30. Time and place will be announced locally. be announced locally.

The first series of green stamps—
A, B and C—will be valid from November 1 through November 20. Under the customary overlap, the last blue stamps of Book Two—X, Y and Z—will also be good during this period.

Values of the green stamps will be the same as the blue, with each group containing four stamps worth 8, 5, 2 and 1 points.

containing four stamps will be used for processed foods only until the ration "token" system goes into effect early next year. Thereafter the blue and red stamps of book four will be used fol processed foods and meat in conjunction with red and blue change

Upon Germany

One Time Nazi Ally Now Lined Up On Side Of The Allies

BADOGLIO GIVES ORDER

Italy declared war against Germany esterday and was accepted by the United States, Great Britain and Rus-

sia as a co-belligerent. Premier Marshal Pietro Badoglio. declared in a message to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Allied commander in the Mediterranean, that "all ties with the dreadful past are broken, and my government will be proud to be able to march with you on to the inevitable

With Italy an exhausted nation and most of her soldiers showing little disposition to fight, it is not likely that the Badoglio government will be able to put any great army in the field

beside those of the Allies. Its action, however, may increase color guard. They will wear a North old A books should be mailed to the car guard resistance in those Carolina insigna on their uniform, and rationing board. The rationing board parts of the country under the German heel and facilitate cooperation of Italians with the Allies in that part of

Italy so far wrested from the Ger-Acceptance of Italy as a co-belligerent was announced in a joint state-Hudson To Face rent was announced in a joint statement by President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill, and Premier Stalin. This amounted simply to putting an existing state of affairs into writing. Virtually all Italians now detest the Germans, and some have been

fighting them. mendous need for WACs. General To Arraign Waxhaw Man the status of an ally, and so far as can be learned, no promises have been made to her other than the commitments already undertaken-to aid the Italians in driving the Germans from BOBBITT TO PRESIDE the country and to give them a certain amount of food and other sup-

plies to keep them going.
President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin in their joint statement made it plain that Italy's future would be adjusted the light of the asistance which the Italian government may be able to afford the United Nations' cause." This carries the implication

further concessions to Italy, both during the war and in postwar settlements, will be on a quid pro quo basis—in return for whatever aid Italy actually delivers to the Allies.

Marshal Badoglio issued a proclamation to the Italian people saying: "Italians! I inform you that His Majesty the King, has given me the

task of announcing today, the 13th of

October, the declaration of war against Germany." Italy's declaration against her former Axis partner came a little more than a month after Allied bombings forced her to sue for an armistice. Badoglio failed to state specifically whether his government intended to maintain control over the Italian fleet, the bulk of which is in Allied hands, or over such units of his army as

might still bear arms and oer some asdrive the Nazis from Italy. An indication that the marshal pects to place his troops in the field Hudson. Mrs. Kissiah sald Hudson to the press yesterday that Italy can was seen, however, in his statement be freed from the Germans "only by the united military effort in which

we shall work in the closest possible manner with British and American Italian vessels in Allied hands con sist of more than 100 warships and

more than 150,000 tons of merchant of shipping. It was not immediately clear whether Italy's declaration of war on Germany would result in the release of hundreds of thousands of Italian prisoners in Allied hands. Many of the men have been sent to prison camps in the United States, while others

have long been in only normal custody There is no question that the haplese Italian soldiers who escaped from the Germans at the time of the armistice September 8 have been much more of

a handicap than a help to the Allias

Accusing the Nazis of "abuses of power, robbery, and violence of all kinds" in Catania while Germany and Italy still were nominal allies. Badoglio asserted in his proclamation to the Italians that "even more savage incidents against our unarmed populations took place in Calabria, in the Puglie, and in the area of the Salerno. "Shoulder to shoulder we must march forward with our friends of the United States, Great Britain, Russia, and all other United Nations. Italians, there will not be peace in Italy as long as a single German remains upon our soil."

population" since the armistic population" since the armisuce.

Badoglio said every political party
would be invited to participate in an
Italian government soon to be completed, with himself at its head. He said the present arrangement would "in no way impair the untrammemled right of the people of Italy to choose their own form of democratic govern-

TWENTIETH CENTURY

BOOK CLUY MEETS