

WEATHER FORECAST

Partly cloudy and continued warm today, tonight, and Friday.

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MONROE MARKET

Cotton, short, lb ... 21c to 22c
Cotton, long, lb ... 27c to 30c
Eggs, dozen ... 79c
Corn, bushel ... \$1.50
Soybean, bushel ... \$1.70

SEVENTY-FIRST YEAR

MONROE, N. C., UNION COUNTY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1944

3-MONTHS, 75c; 6-MONTHS, \$1.25 SEMI-WEEKLY, 1c A YEAR

Allies Hammer Japs In Burma

U. S. And British Planes Aid Assaults Against Enemy On Two Fronts

AIR POWER IS GROWING

Backed up by American and British fighters and bombers, Allied troops have forced the Japanese to retreat both in northern Burma and on the Arakan front to the west in offensives of the last few days.

In northern Burma, the Chungking radio reported yesterday, Chinese troops to Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's command have cut the Malingkwan-Thalpa Ga highway, west of the Assam road, and are clearing the Hukawng valley area.

"The enemy soldiers are retreating along the road," the broadcast said, and from other sources came word that more than 400 Japanese, including two field officers, were killed in the Hukawng valley action, that 20 more were wiped out in the ambush of a Japanese pack train three miles south of Thalpa Ga, and that an enemy counter-attack was repulsed five miles farther south.

PERMITS ARE GRANTED BY RATIONING BOARD

At the regular meeting of the Union County Rationing Board held Monday afternoon, the following permits were granted:

- Passenger Tires—W. H. Wilson, R. 2; Waxhaw; K. N. Price, Monroe; J. P. King, R. 2; Monroe; R. L. Bacon, R. 2; Monroe; Benford Webb, R. 2; Marshall; W. S. Walden, R. 2; Monroe; David A. Simpson, R. 2; Monroe; Mrs. Ray S. Benthaler, R. 2; Monroe; Bruce H. Griffin, Monroe; Edmond R. Outen, R. 2; Monroe; J. Tom Griffin, R. 2; Marshall; Roy Williams, R. 2; Monroe; Lee Pierce, R. 2; Marshall; W. Brice Helms, R. 2; Monroe; Henry P. Helms, Jr., R. 1; Waxhaw; J. C. Griffin, R. 2; Monroe; Coy Long, R. 2; Monroe; Mrs. Harriette Jackson, Marshall; L. B. Mullis, Unionville; C. O. Cowick, R. 2; Waxhaw; J. S. Dean, R. 1; Wingate; Henry Myers, R. 2; Monroe; N. R. Simpson, R. 2; Monroe; P. B. McCurley, Waxhaw; E. C. Broome, R. 2; Marshall; B. W. Griffin, R. 1; Wingate; C. Parker, R. 2; Monroe; Paul Thomas, R. 1; Monroe; Gladys Steele RRL, Waxhaw; C. H. Ross, R. 2; Monroe; D. V. Love, R. 2; Matthews; Ernest Howie, R. 1; Waxhaw;

FORMAL REOPENING OF FRANKLIN ST. USO CLUB

General Lehman W. Miller Guest Of Honor; 1500 Attend Program.

Over fifteen hundred people attended the formal re-opening of the Franklin Street USO on last Thursday evening. General Lehman W. Miller, U. S. A., Post Commander of Camp Sutton, was the guest of honor for the occasion.

At 8:15 p. m. General Miller, R. A. Willis, Chairman of the USO Council, Mrs. Howard Smith, Vice-Chairman of the USO Council, Captain Light, Public Relations Officer, Captain Kelly, Special Service Officer, Lt. Everett representing the WACs, William P. Feldcamp, Director of the Franklin Street USO, and Miss Ruth Robbins, Assistant Director of the Franklin Street USO, formed a receiving line.

Girls from Charlotte and Monroe were dressed formally and acted as Junior hostesses.

Churchill Says In Speech That Raids On Germany Will Surpass Imagination

Prime Minister Churchill yesterday promised Germany new air blows increasing sharply this spring and summer to "go far beyond the dimensions of anything yet employed or indeed imagined," but he soberly withheld encouragement that the European war would end in 1944.

Speaking before the House of Commons for an hour and 18 minutes in his first war review in five months, Churchill declared that "victory may not be so far away—and will certainly not be denied us in the end," but he spoke with studied caution of the power the German Army still wields and derided the view that Hitler is about to collapse.

LANDING NEAR ROME



ITALY—Troops of General Mark Clark's Fifth Army are shown being landed at the rear of the Nazi "Gustav Line" in the Anzio-Nettuno area 30 miles south of Rome.

Reds Sweep On Toward Pskov

Mighty Red Army Continues Victorious March As The Nazis Fall Back

Russian forces fighting toward the great northern communications center of Pskov captured Strugi Krasnoye, 44 miles northeast on the railway from Leningrad, and broke into the streets of Dno, railway junction 64 miles to the east, Moscow announced last night.

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THE LATE WAR NEWS IN BRIEF

Pacific—American carrier-borne planes slash at heart of Japan's Marianas Islands, within 1,500 miles of Tokyo.

Cotton Prices Make Advance

Last Week Saw Quotations Reach Highest Point Since July

MARKET SALES GREATER

Cotton prices in the Carolinas advanced to a new high for the season to date. War Food administration has revealed in reviewing the cotton situation.

Union County's Men In Service

\$1,600,000 LOANED TO FARMERS IN 10 YEARS

TERM CRIMINAL COURT ADJOURNED YESTERDAY

Five White Men And Five Colored Receive Road And Prison Sentences.

A term of Union County Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases adjourned yesterday afternoon with Judge Allen H. Gwynn of Reidsville, presiding and Solicitor Gibson of Laurinburg, prosecuting for the State.

Veto Message Angers Solons

Historic Revolt Of Congress Against President Is Led By Barkley

RESIGNS THE LEADERSHIP

Draft Of Nazi Labor Studied

FDR Discusses Plan To Force Germans To Restore Ruined Shrines

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HARDING RAMS DEFEAT PURPLE PYTHONS 57 - 19

Local Boys Put Up Game Fight With Charlotte Quin.