## Germans Admit **Allies Gaining**

Berlin Radio Says 300 Planes Ferry Whole Divisions In Invasion

## THREATEN CHERBOURG

The Germans reported last night that a full Allied airborne division ferried by 300 planes had dropped to earth on the west side of the Cher-bourg peninsula and conceded the Allies had made gains which threatened to isolate the prize port of

broadcasters declared coastal guns had repulsed an Allied landing attempt off Le Havre; that longrange batteries fired upon smoke-screened ships during "a second day-lyight invasion attempt" at Pas de Calais, but results were not observed. The Germans said new airborne landings were made at Coutances and Lessay, across the Cherbourg peninsula from the main Allied assault positions.

but only 25 miles from the nearest of these holdings.

Altogether, between two and five new Allied divisions have been landed since Tuesday from air and sea and strong paratroop forces" and formations continue to drop, reports said. German radio conceded that

airborne troops which were the main highway leading from Cherbourg down the peninsula toward Paris had linked up with

The radio reported Allied tanks had plunged through the Atlantic Wall in a drive southeast upon Bayeux from Arromanches on the coast. Caen was "burning like a blazing torch," these

DNB asserted the German air force had swung into action and was directing uninterrupted machine-gun fire at British and American landing units lying off-shore between Cherbourg and Le Havre.

In a potential preliminary to a full-scale countersttack, Field Marshal Gen. Karl Rudolf Gerd von Rundstedt reportedly was pitting his own airborne troops against those of the Al-

A heavy stream of comment from the German radio, however, reflected Nazi speculation over the possibility of handings elsewhere. The Allies were said to be waging "highly mobile and aggressive warfare.

### CITY-WIDE BIBLE SCHOOL WILL START ON MONDAY

A city-wide, interdenominational Daily Vacation Bible School for children of the city four through fifteen years of age begins Monday morning. June 12th and will continue through Friday, June 23. The school is being sponsored by the Ministerial Association and the churches of the city. In order to make best possible use of space the School will be in two sec-tions: the Beginners Department (chil-dren 4 and 5) and the Primary Department (children 6, 7 and 8) will meet at the Methodist church, while

church schools of the thy children approximately thirty-five people will assist with the teaching and other activities. The School will be run daily, Monday through Friday for the two weeks, beginning at 9 in the morning and adjourning at 11:30. The School's

weeks, beginning at 11:30. The School's schedule will include worship, study, handwork and recreation. An excellent program of work and activities is being planned.

The faculty will be composed of the following workers: The Beginners' Department: Mrs. J. E. Glasgow, Supi. Mrs. Sidi Stewart, Mrs. Joe Ferguson. Mrs. John Effrd, Mrs. Roy Curry, Mis. Katherine Kennedy, Mrs. Roland Helms, and Mrs. Howard Williams: The Primary Department: Mrs. Bruce Lites, Supt., Mrs. Yarry Hawthorne, Mrs. Ward Broome, Mrs. Brice Getys, Mrs. Roy Laney, Mrs. Brice Getys, Mrs. Roy Laney, Mrs. H. Hasty, Mrs. Clyde Helms, Mrs. S. H. Foster and Miss Barbara Winchester: The Junion Department: Mrs. Bice Getys, Mrs. Roy Laney, Mrs. B. H. Dorminy, Mrs. Clinton Langham, Mrs. B. M. Durham, Miss Myrtls Jo Privotte, Mrs. L. A. Everett, Mrs. Henry Hinson and Mrs. Sally Rogers: The Intermediate Department: Miss Any Petitt, Supt. Mrs. R. A. Willis, Mrs. Margaret Cutbbertson, and Miss Elisabeth Prior.

FARM MACHINERY

OPERATORS TO MEET

At Appendicural Religing On Salvarday June 19th At 126 A. E.

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MONROE, N. C., UNION COUNTY, THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 1944



make patterns and models for many vital war materials.

BATTLESHIPS BLAST INVASION COASTAL AREAS (Official U. S. Navy Photo)

## Continue Through June 21; The Playgrounds In City Now Open

Large Growds And Many Varied Activities Mark First Day's Program

## **OPENED FOR THE SUMMER**

11) together with the Intermediata Department (12-15) will meet at the First Presbyterian church.

The faculty of the School will be composed of workers from the various church schools of the city churches. Approximately thirty-five people will a sexpected. The three city playgrounds opened

junior baseball team today at 3:30 at the Monroe high school. This team is to be made up of boys in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades.

Friday morning at 10 o'clock the same kind of team will be organized at Benton Heights school. It is expected that these team will play a series of "championship" games.

## LATEST INVASION NEWS

"GOING TO THE MAT" IN EUROPE

British sappers, above, are laying a piece of "portable high-way" to permit safe passage for transports and tanks as they land on European shores. Bundles of steel landing mats are unloaded from ship to shore, to form highways to speed men, munitions and guns to the front line fighting. Landing fields are quickly completed this simple way, too:

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force—A powerful sky fleet including U. S. heavy bombers continued support of the Allied invasion force today after RAF bombers maintained the air cover last night by biasting rail and battle area targets.

Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force—Allied invasion troops constantly reinforced by air and sea struck south of by air and sea struck south of fallen Bayeux in fierce fighting today, striving to chop off the Cherbourg Peninsula, and Berlin reported a pincers threat to seize the tip of the jutting coast and its strategic port of Cherbourg. Capture of Bayeux snipped the rallway between Paris and Cher-bourg, 45 miles to the northwest, and opened the way for a thrust deeper inland.

London—The German High Command said today that the Allies had launched an attack to the southwest—in a direction that would cut off Cherbourg—from their bridgehead between Bayeux and Caen and that heavy fighting was in progress with the Germans throwing reserves into counter-at-

London-A Berlin broadcast to-London—A Berlin broadcast to-day said an American attempt to enlarge a beachhead at Vierville, il miles northwest of Bayeux, had been frustrated but admitted slight Allied gains at Treviers, four miles south of Vierville. "The Germans' strenghold of Douvres resists all attacks. There is heavy fighting west of Douvres," the broadcast said. Deuvres is seven miles north of Caen.

# Men In Service

PPC Joe Lemmond of A. S. T. P. at the University of Pittsvurg, Pa., and has been transferred to the University of Chio in Cincinnati, where he will complete his training in electrical engineering, is now spending his furlough here with his mother, Mrs. W. O. Seenmond.

## Allied Invasion Forces Move Inland; Capture Nazi Held City

Normandy

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Caen, 18 miles southeast of Bayeux and nine miles from the sea, was the scene of a German armored counterattack which has been hurled back, 'better than expected."

Aside from these two towns, supreme

headquarters gave no place-names, ignoring a continuing stream of German broadcasts which reported new Allied attacks all the way from the Pas de Calais area on Dover strait to Nantes at the base of the big Brit-tany peninsula futting out into the

A headquarters communique said the Allied landing beaches had been cleared of the enemy and had been linked up by flank extensions in some cases during the second day of in-vasion, while steary reinforcements poured inby sea and air.

Union County's

Wen In Service

Dought D. Eisenhower, toured the areas in a British vessel for four and one-half hours Wednesday, conferring with Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery and other operational chieftains less than five miles from German-held territors.

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The German accounts, many apparently designed purely to provoke replies, claimed the British sixth parachute division had been "annihitated;" that a beachbear on the right bank of the Orne river had been wiped out; that a new amphibious attack had been made on the Calais area nearest Britain, heaviest bombed spot before the invasion; that new Allied airborne operations were directed against Lorient, Nantes and St. Brieno—all on the Brittany peninsula, and on Falsise and Argentan, 30 miles south of Gaen and 40 miles inland.

far very small. thorough can Resistance of the German navy and communities.

air force continued relatively light, REINFORCEMENTS LAND with E-boats driven off in two attacks and 51 German planes downed Wed-

One returning fiyer said the Ger-mans had flooded three large lowland areas near the beaches in efforts to hold up the Allied advance.

The German land forces put up in-creasing resistance that was expected to become still stronger as the Nazi command struggled to discern and meet the Allied strategy.

Allied airborne operations, a feature

of the initial landings, were resumed Wednesday on a "very large scale," neadquarters disclosed, and the Allied Wednesday on a "very large scale," forces were said to be doing generally the Allied communique stated, while supplies and men moves constantly to winds, which moderated somewhat Clearing the beaches of the enemy

freed the supply and reinforcement convoys and men from small arms attack, while naval forces silenced re-maining German coastal guns, which

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# **D-Day Is Solemnly Observed Here** With Impressive Prayer Services

### Plan Observance National Flower Shut-In Day Here

Saturday, June 10th is National Flower Shut-In Day. The Main Street USO is celebrating this holiday by collecting flowers for distribution to the soldier patients of the Station Hospital, Camp Sutton. A Hostess Committee will distribute the flowers on Saturday. A committee of soldiers will visit the Monroe hospital and distribute flowers to civilian patients. A large quantity of cut flowers will be needed. Local residents are naked to contribute whatever flowers they can; such flowers to be delivered to the Main Street USO opposite the Patafflee anytime between the hours of 10 s. m. to 1 p. m. Saturday. Contributors are asked to attach their names and addresses to the flowers they bring with them. Local residents went prayerfully to bed Tuesday night after a long and eventful the flowers on Saturdy. A committee of soldiers will sit the Monroe hospital and disbute flowers to civilian patients. A large quantity of cut flowers to have asked to contribute whatever were they can; such flowers to delivered to the Main Street of opposite the postaffice anyme between the hours of 10 s.m. and day from the first flashed announcement at 3:32 o'clock Tuesday morning, hundreds of local citizens had followed the sensational landings of the Allied armies on the coast of France. Many had stayed up long past midnight to keep up with the newest developments, soon after a German broadcast was heard stating that Allied troops had landed on the Normandy coast in France.

Those who professed greatest interest and had every reason to be interested, had sons and husbands and other relatives in England poised for the attack, perhaps in the divisions already landed.

At two o'clock Tuesday afternoon a crowd of several hundred attended

# County's Bond

Fifth War Bond Drive To Be Launched Next

000.00 or \$164,000.00 more than the quota in the fourth War Loan Drive, eccording to figures released this morning by Claude Eubanks, chairman of the Union County War Finance Committee. In the fourth War Loan Drive, the county's quota was \$653,000.00 with sales amounting to more than a million dollars. Of this amount, \$550,000.00 was "E" bonds. In the drive which starts Monday and will last through July 8, the county's quota in "E" bonds has been set at \$372,000.00. at \$372,000.00.

Inland; Capture Nazi Held City

Assisting also in the campaign will be all the Home Demonstration Clubs of the county under the direction of the county under the direction of Miss Ruth Clapp, Home Demonstration Severed and British navies reported their casand British na

The county organization as nounced by Mr. Eubanks is as fol-

Union County Victory Loan Committee: Olin B. Sikes, Chairman; Jesse A. Williams, P. E. Greene, J. L.

Monroe Committee: Edwin Niven, Ruth Chairman; A. H. Miller, Jr., Hal Love, George W. Davis, Roy J. Moore. House to House Canvass: Mrs. John ant. Hearn, Mrs. Jeff Sewell. Booths Committee: Mrs. S. C. Dun-

can, Mrs. Henry Hinson. Chairman Work With Colored Peo-

Massey, W. R. Armstrong.

Marshville Committee: J. L. Bivens, Chairman; Mrs. Heath Phifer.

# Hundreds Attend Services To

### Offer Prayer For Allied Soldiers

NO HOLIDAY SPIRIT SEEN Local residents went prayerfully to

At two o'clock Tuesday afternoon a crowd of several hundred attended solemn and impressive D-Day ser-vices at Central Methodist church.

Week

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J. H. Armbrust, Rev. Joe Caldwell,
Rev. F. B. Drane, Rev. Harry Hawthorne, Rev. Robert Turner, and
Chaplain L. W. Teague of Camp Sut-Union county's quota in the fifth
War Loan Drive has been set at \$817.
000.00 or \$164,000.00 more than the
Quota in the fourth War Loan Drive

To Drane; closing with the Lord's Preyer

All business in the city was halted Extensive plans for the sale of bonds in the business section have been completed and booths will be solemn and eventful day in our na-

opened at Penney's, Belks, and Woolworths, with the Main Street Branch
of the American Bank and Trust
Company remaining open each day
during the drive until 5 o'clock for
the sale of bonds.

In connection with the campaign,
the Union County War Finance Committee is abking all ministers of the
county to assist and stress the necessity of purchasing bond during the
more critical days are to be left to the
individual churches. individual churches.

ganization displayed on the first day of the invasion was also being ex-

# **4-H MEMBERS WILL SEE**

Demonstrations Will Be Held June 12 Through June 30.

The Union County 4-H Clubs will meet during the month of June for canning demonstrations given by Miss Ruth Clapp, Home Demonstration Ruth Clapp, Home Demonstration Agent and Miss Ada Braswell, War Emergency Food Preservation Assistant. The demonstrations will begin at 3:00 p. m. After the demonstrations there will be a recreational hour. The 4-H boys in the various communities are invited to come for the recreational hour and plenic. They should go to the one located nearest to their home. Mr. Mayfield Asst. ple: Mrs. Fred Huntley.

Waxhaw Committee: M. L. Braşwell, Chairman; Mrs. John A. Davis,
Chairman Woman's Division; W. C. boys.

The meeting schedule is as fol-