

WEATHER FORECAST

Fair to partly cloudy with moderate temperatures tonight and tomorrow; fair and mild Friday.

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MONROE MARKET table with columns for Cotton, long, short, and other commodities with their respective prices.

SEVENTY-SECOND YEAR MONROE, N. C., UNION COUNTY, THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 1944

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

Nazis Frantic Over Invasion

Force Aged Civilians To Aid In Digging Trenches As Reds Approach DEATH FOR DESERTION

The alarmed Nazis threw in savage counterattacks at the Russians' closest points of approach to East Prussia yesterday and summoned every able-bodied man and woman from 15 to 65 to dig trenches against the imminent entry of the Red army into the "holy" soil of the Fatherland.

The Russians said in their midnight broadcast communique said the counterattacks, east of the East Prussian border town of Schirwindt, were beaten off with heavy losses to the large German tank and infantry forces employed, and told of continuing hard won Soviet gains at both ends and in the center of the 1,000-mile eastern battle front against stiffening German defenses.

In the north the Russians reported capture of 280 towns in twin drives northward toward Riga, Latvia, along both sides of the Daugava river, while they widened to the westward their trans-Latvian corridor to the sea that has cut off two German armies.

NEWS AND VIEWS OF SUNNYSIDE REPORTER

(Mrs. Emma Thompson) T. B. Benton remains critically ill at a Charlotte hospital as a result of injuries sustained Monday when an oil tanker struck his wagon and he received serious head injuries.

POSTHUMOUS AWARD FOR MARSHVILLE MAN

Staff Sergeant Floyd T. Hill, son of Mrs. O. T. Hill, 211 N. Main, Marshville, has been awarded the Bronze Star medal posthumously by Maj. Gen. Robert S. Heigher, 57th Division commander, for meritorious performance of duty as a section leader of an anti-tank company in the Boulogneville island campaign.

War Casualty

FVT. REUBEN JAMES STACK

Pvt. Reuben James Stack, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stack of Monroe, was killed in action in France, on July 9, according to a message received by relatives from the War Department.

Pvt. Stack was inducted into the armed forces November 28, 1942 and received seventeen months of training before being sent overseas, May 1, 1943.

Himmler Dead Says Rumors

Gestapo Chief Reported Victim In New Flare-Up In Germany

NAZI GENERALS HANGED

Eight expelled army officers were hanged yesterday in the Hitler assassination purge, Berlin announced amid rumors—unsubstantiated by German or Allied authorities—that Heinrich Himmler had been killed and Hermann Goering wounded in a new outbreak against the Nazi regime.

GOVERNOR ASKS DELAY IN SCHOOL OPENING

Wants Action To Curb Any Further Outbreak Of Polio In view of the polio epidemic Governor J. M. Broughton yesterday asked the State Board of Education to adopt a uniform delayed opening date for the State's public schools.

Churches

Benton Heights Presbyterian Church H. Edwin Richard, Pastor August 13, 1944 Morning Worship—11:00 o'clock, "The Demands of Discipleship," Luke 9:23. Sermon by the pastor.

City Trucks To Collect Paper

Salvage Drive Sponsored By Lions Club To Be County-Wide ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

The Monroe Lions Club in cooperation with the City of Monroe will make the first collection of scrap paper on Sunday afternoon, August 27, starting at 2 o'clock, instead of Wednesday afternoon, August 30, as previously announced.

This decision was reached at a meeting held yesterday by W. T. Wall, president of the Lions Club; R. S. Houston, city clerk and Mr. Zimmerman, representative of the War Production Board, who was in the city for the purpose of assisting in the local drive, and to give added impetus to the campaign.

Union County's Men In Service

Price Brothers Meet In Hawaii Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Price of Unionville received a letter from each of their boys in service recently, Tommie Lee Price, S-2-C, and Opl. Dewitt W. Price.

Philip Stanley Gravelly, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Gravelly, of 417 Wadesboro Ave. Monroe, recently was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant in the U. S. Army Air Force at the Air Force B-25 Advanced Flying School, March Field, California.

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THE LATEST WAR NEWS IN BRIEF

Monroe—Soviet tanks, supported by bombers, rumbled forward toward the Latvian port of Liepaja today in a new drive that carved additional chunks out of the Nazis' Baltic flank.

U. S. Pacific Fleet Headquarters, Pearl Harbor—The virtual re-quest of Guam after nineteen days' fighting was announced last night. Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific commander, said in a communique that a final thrust Tuesday brought all of Guam into American hands again, except for a small area inland from Pali Point, the island's northeastern extremity.

Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force—An American-British front extending in a winding 175-mile arc drove the Germans' battered forces back toward the Seine today in what the Nazis called the "Battle for Paris." The enemy's last report placed American vanguards within 87 miles of the French capital, and his next potential defense line appeared to be only 50 miles from Paris.

London—Allied bombers striking from Britain and Italy cut further into Hitler's dwindling oil supplies last night with assaults on storage depots and production centers, and today the German radio said the Reich was again under attack.

New York—The British radio said in a German-language broadcast today that Stockholm had reported 35 empty German vessels sighted in the Baltic, traveling in the direction of Estonia and Latvia. "This seems to indicate that the Germans may attempt to evacuate troops and materials by way of the Baltic," said the broadcast, recorded by the Office of War Information.

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Opl. Price has been in the Army two years and Seaman Price has been in the Navy four months. It was the first time Seaman Price had seen Opl. Price since he has been in the Navy. Mr. and Mrs. Price also have a son-in-law in France. He is Pfc. Amos D. Frealey.

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Americans Race Toward Paris

Bradley's Whirlwind Wedges Rush Unchecked On Road To French Capital NAZI ATTACKS HALTED

Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley's whirlwind wedges rushed toward Paris on the last 100 miles toward Paris last night after sweeping through Le Mans and forcing the die-hard defenders of Brittany's sea fortress of St. Malo to knuckle under in surrender.

The capture of St. Malo, whose defenders had been ordered to fight to the last man, was reported in field dispatches. Never before had it been taken, though it had been the scene of many sieges in the Middle Ages. The historic fishing village and resort on the north coast was perched on an island connected with the mainland by a defender causeway.

Unconfirmed reports said American troops had pushed into Nantes on the Loire and into Angers, just north of the Loire and 50 miles upstream from Nantes, indicating the Americans were still sweeping forward without any stiffening Nazi resistance that would prevent a real fight for southern France.

Yule Mailing Dates Are Set

Packages For Overseas Must Be In Mail Not Later Than October 15

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Killed In Action

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Mr. and Mrs. Leon W. Dunlap of 24 Concord, are in receipt of the following telegram from the Adjutant General War Department, Washington, D. C.: "The Secretary of War desires me to express his deep regret that your son, Private Howard E. Dunlap, was killed in action on the 19th of June in France."

The letter following gave no further details, but was rather an eulogy of the boy's worthy service in the army in which he gave his life for his country.

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Union Exceeds E Bond Quota

Final Figures Reveal County Surpassed Goal By A Large Sum PURCHASED \$937,474.75

Union county exceeded its E bond quota in the Fifth War Loan drive by approximately one hundred thousand dollars, according to figures released by Claude Eubanks, chairman of the Union County War Finance Committee.

The final report from the Federal Reserve shows that with a quota of \$817,000.00 the people of Union county actually purchased \$937,474.75. A credit of \$340,000.00 form state purchases made the total for the county \$1,180,764.75, while the E bond quota was \$373,000, which was exceeded by approximately \$100,000.

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APPEAL IS MADE FOR MILL CREEK CEMETERY

Interested Parties Urged To Be Present Saturday Morning The Enquirer has an urgent letter concerning the meeting on Saturday August 12th, at seven o'clock, for the purpose of raising the \$1000.00 needed to complete the Mill Creek cemetery. This is a particularly necessary fund to others at this time when so many calls are being made.