EVENTY-SECOND YEAR

MONROE, N. C., UNION COUNTY, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1944

8-MONTHS, 75c; 6-MONTHS, \$1.25 SEMI-WEEKLY, \$2.00 A YEAR

Solons Close Busy Session

Congress is Adjourned For Election Holiday Returns November 14

MANY FACE OPPOSITION

Congress began its second extended vacation of the year during the weekend, adjourning for an electioneering holiday after an eight-weeks session in which it passed a program designed to cushion the impact of the war's end on the nation's economy.

The principal legislative business of the closing day was unanimous passage in both houses of a resolution calling on all nations to adopt a policy of press freedom and free exchange of news, as a measure to bolster peace.

The lawmakers will return to the capital November 14, unless recalled sooner, to face a docket that may include such controversial matters as peacetime compulsory military training legislation.

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whether compulsory peacetime military training will be taken up immediately after the recess has not been determined, but many members are pressing for its consideration before the new Congress takes over in January. E vente in the European war will decide what other subjects will require consideration before the first of the year.

Tew members remained in town for the closing Senate and House sensions, most of them having hustled homeward for the political hustlings.

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OVERSEAS GIFT MAIL

H. D. CLUB MEMBERS

AT STATE MEETING

Hospital Plan Navy Casualty Gets Approval

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President Authorized Extensive Program For Vets

MONROE MAY BENEFIT

Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, chairman of the Federal Board of hospitaliza tion announced Friday that presiden tial approval has been given to comprehensive program calling for addi-tions of 14,100 beds to the hospital system of the Veterans administration LOST ON DESTROYER by June, 1946.

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THE LATEST WAR NEWS

WESTEEN FRONT—Position of hard-pressed airborne troops neard Arnhem "definitely brighter," Allied headquarters says: wanguard of reacus troops brings aid; supply line strengthened; Canadians gain in drive north of Antwerp toward Dutch-Beigium frontier.

EASTERN FRONT — Russians smash 25 miles inside Czechoslovakia and cross prewar Hungarian border in pincers blow against Hungary; Soviet naval forces in north seize Paldiski, seaport on Estonian west coast.

SOUTHERN FRONT — Eastern half of Germany's Gothic line crumbles, Naxis fall back in disorder; Americans surge within 15 miles of Bologna.

PACIFIC FRONT—Carrier planes sink 29 ships in Manila bay area, wreck 200 aircraft; Nimits says Japanese fleet has withdrawn form the Philippines, its airforce in the islands has been "broken"; Mac-Arthur's beinbers pound Dutch Celeben.

ASIATI FRONT—Chinese command indicates Japanese may be moving to outflank Kweilin, key city in south China's defense sys-

Union County's Men In Service

Five Bancom Brothers In Service

Pyt. Bruce. B. Baucom, who is stationed in New Jersey, left Friday morning for his post after spending a day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Latta Baucom, R3. Monroe. Pyt. Baucom had a five-day leave, but due to transportation facilities in the fiood area in Virginia, he had only one day with relatives.

A brother, PFC Oren N. Baucom of Camp Ellis, Illinois, arrived Friday afternoom, a short while after Bruce had left on his return trip. The boys have not seen each other in several months, and were greatly disappointed at being unable to meet while at home. Oren will be at home 18 days.

Mr. and Mrs. Baucom have three other sons in the service. O. J. is with the Navy in Illinois; PFC Frank-lin L., is "somewhere in the South Pacific. S-Bgt. John Vin is "somewith the Navy in Illinois; PFC Franklin L. is "comewhere in the South
Pacific. S-St. John Vin is "somewhere in France." They also have one
grandson, James Clontz, who is in the
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Pvt. John W. Hearn, Jr., has been transferred from Willow Run, Detroit, Mich., to the following address: 2135 AAF-B, P., Sec. K, Tyndal Field, Fia.

Allies Break German Block

Tanks And Infantry Smash Roadblocks To Reopen Linen

RESCUE HOPES BRIGHTEN

The encircled British airborne force west of Arnhem, has received "limited assistance" from Allied troops battering their way to the rescut and their position is "definitely brighter," Allied headquarters reported last night, confirming frontline dispatches from Holland.

The aid to the beleaguered force came when a thin corridor was established from Nijmegen to the south bank of the Neder Rhine (the Lek) and some Polish troops crossed the river Saturday night in rubber assault boats to contact the trapped British.

British tanks and infantry have smashed a German roadblock north of Eindhoven to reoven aupply lines. of Eindhoven to reopen supply lines and American forces holding the Nij-megen area have been reinforced by the new glider troops which arrived

yesterday.

(Headquarters said the morale of the pocketed British force was high. The British Second army under Lt. Gen. Sir Miles Dempsey is fanning out from Eindhoven and driving southeast toward Maeseyck, a town only seven miles from the northernmost units of the United States First Army commanded by Lt. Gen. Court-

moved up eight miles to the northeast and established a bridgehead over the canal seven miles from the Dutch-Belgian frontier.

The ground actions, in spite of bad

The first contact with the encircled airborne force was made under the cover of darkness. Details of the river crossing were few, but it was known that the Poles brought at

Housewives Are Urged To Salvage All Grease Possible For War.

Bellef of American housewives and operators of public eating places that military successes in Europe portend victory over the Germans is causing an alarming decline in salvage of fats for the war effort, according to a report received here today from the American Fat Salvage Committee's headquarters in New York.

The committee's statement said that Americans "should realise that fat salvage is still urgently necessary, re-

CITY MANAGER ROBERT S. HOUSTON PASSES

letim Of Sudden Biness; Funeral Ar-

Robert S. Houston, 50, city manage and treasurer of the City of Monroe, died Sunday afternoon at 5:30 of a sudden illness. Funeral arrangement are incomplete, pending the arrival of

sudden illness. Funeral arrangements are incomplete, pending the arrival of relatives, but will be held at the home on West Franklin street perhaps some time Tuesday, conducted by his pastor, Rev. J. H. Armbrust, of Central Method dist church. Burial will be in the Monroe cemetery.

As a tribute of respect, all city of faces will be closed for two hours during the funeral.

Mr. Houston was a son of the late R. B. Houston and Namie Stroud Houston, well-known residents of Monroe. He was born in Monroe, Jahnary 28, 1894 and had spent practically his entire life hers.

He married the former Miss Mary Rawlings, of Sandersville, Ga., who, with one son son, Robert Houston, Jr., survive. Robert, Jr., is now serving with the Armed Porces and is stertioned in Texas. Surviving also are two sisters, Mrs. R. L. Payne and Mrs. Find Fibers, and two half-sisters, Mrs. A. A. Heath and Mrs. Ella Houston of Monroe.

Mr. Houston enlisted in World War I and was a member of the first Army Air corps as a lieutenant, and he saw service in Prance. He was also instrumental in planning a post-war program for the was and deed and always respectful of the rights of his fellowman.

During his four years as city manager, Monroe has enjoyed a progressive imparovements have been made to the streets of the city's a point. Extensive improvements have been made to the streets of the city's a point extensive improvements have been made to the streets of the city's a point extensive improvements have been made to the streets of the city's a point extensive improvements have been made to the streets of the city's a point in the point of the progressive steps taken.

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This passing Monroe has lost one of the most valuable citizens.

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Latest Figures By Stimson Shows The Army With 337,743 Listed

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Andrew B. Crowell, 23, husband of Mrs. Lelia E. Crowell, and son of Mrs. Clara Crowell, and son of Mrs. Clara Crowell, both of 708 South Hayne street, Monroe, was recently promoted to the grade of Staff Sergeant, it has been announced by Col. Stanton T. Smith, consumnding officer at tended Monroe high school and Geyer Business College in Charlotte. Prior to his induction in April 1943 he was employed as a bookkeeper for the Shaw Grocery Company in Monroe. He attended Army Administration School at Fargo, North Dakota, and in at present chief clark in a squadron orderly room at the Tonopah Army Arministration School at Fargo, North Dakota, and in at present chief clark in a squadron orderly room at the Tonopah Army Arministration School at Fargo, North Dakota, and in at present chief clark in a squadron orderly room at the Tonopah Army Arministration School at Fargo, North Dakota, and in at present chief clark in a squadron orderly room at the Tonopah Army Arministration seed to the squadron orderly room at the Tonopah Army Arministration seed to the squadron orderly room at the Tonopah Army Arministration seed to the squadron orderly room at the Tonopah Army Arministration seed the Army Arministration seed to continue their determined stand at Armine bridge was obscure. Apparently reflected a comparation of heavy fighting as Allied forces in sadministration seed the trapped men who have been fighting night and day for a week without respite. The new Army figure was an increase of 10,127 over that announced as tweek ago, but only about half the rate of increase in recent weeks. The drop and the forces in recent weeks. The drop and the forces in recent weeks. The drop and the forces in recent weeks. The same of the first week at its natural as a week ago, but only about half the rate of increase of 10,127 over that announced a

RETENTION OF WORKERS theaters of war." A BIG STATE PROBLEM

President Raps **GOP** Criticism

Says The Republicans Claim Social Progress Under Administration

From that he launched into an attack upon the Republican campaign, although he did not mention Governor Dewey by name.

He termed a "callous and brasen falsehood" an assertion that the Administration plans "to keep men in the Army when the war is over, because there might be no jobs for them in civil life."

"Why." Mr. Roosevell continued, "the very day that this fantastic charge was first made, a formal plan for the method of speedy discharge of the Army had already been announced by the War Department—a plan based upon the wishes of the soldiers them-

NAVY CASUALTIES 63,017

War casualties of the United States armed forces now exceed 400,000.

Secretary of War Stimson said today that Army casualties reported through August 29 were 337,743. The

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