## 58 Jap Ships Sunk, Damaged Campaign Will Be Conducted In The County Oct. 25-31; Quota \$14,208.00

great force with the Americans dian Trail; W. A. Hill, Unionville; J. G. Michael, New Salem; J. H. Burschieving complete surprise. Every naval or merchant ship they could find came under the bomb sights of Halsey's fiyers. The planes also bombed and strafed island installa-

another 75 on the ground. Twelve fantile Paralysis Foundation, \$1,000.00. surface ships, including a destroyer, were sunk, 14 probably sunk, 12 damaged and 20 luggers and other small wages or more if possible as the need

The powerful carrier force was in immediate command of Vice Admiral Marc A. Mitscher, American plane losses weer light and no surface ship

It was the first American attack on the Ryukyus which lie between Foothow and Shanghal, China. They also are known as the Locchoos or from his commanding officer for his commanding officer for his

cargo ships.

Damaged — Three medium cargo ships, six small cargo ships, one destroyer and two small tankers.

These do not include 20 luggers and

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The islands extend for 570 miles from a point 60 miles east of Formosa to the southern tip or Kyushu in the Japanese home islands. More than half the population of 220,000 live on ikinawa Jima which has been a communication center for Japanees forces in Formosa. Philippines and forces in Formosa, Philippines vestern Pacific.

While there are several excellent anchorages for war vessels and fleet vember 9 will be valued at four galauxiliaries in the chain, they are considered of little economic importance to Japan. Their strategic value, how- value of three gallons, according to ever, is high as a great many of them probably contain installations. Naha is the largest city in the group. It is on Okinawa island and has a population of 66,000.

**90TH SESSION UNION** 

ASSOCIATION OCT. 24-25

Prominent Speakers Have Been Se cured For Two-Day Program.

The ninetieth annual session of convene on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 24th and 25th at 10 o'clock: This year, as has been the custom for the past few years the session will be divided with the first day's meeting being held with the Corinth church, the second day the Association will with Austin's Grove church.

bluding M. A. Huggins, Executive Sec-etary of the Baptist State Conven-tion: L. L. Carpenter, editor of the order and Dr. Hagerman, ent of the Baptist hospital -Salem and a nun ers and laymen.

The program for the two-day session as follows: CORINTH CHURCH

enday Morning me: Evangelian Roll Call

### PLANS ARE COMPLETED FOR WAR FUND DRIVE

The committee for the Union Coun-U. S. Carrier-Based Bombers ty United War Fund Drive under the Also Destroy 89 Enemy direction of County Chairman E. H. Also Destroy 89 Enemy
Aircraft

Broome, with J. Howard Williams and W. T. Wall as publicity chairmen have completed plans for the coming campaign which will be conducted beginning October 25th and continuing through October 31st.

Carrier planes of the Third fleet cank or damaged 58 ships and small craft and destroyer 89 planes in a strike against the Ryukyu islands, eastern doorway to the East China sea and only 200 miles south of Japan Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific fleet commander, announced in a communique Wednesday.

The attack, Nimitz said, occurred yesterday (U. S. time) and was in great force with the Americans.

through October 31st.

The county will be divided into 14 districts with the following serving as district chairmen: O. W. Broom, Benton Heights; J. E. Hogan, Wingate; O. M. Staton, Marshville; B. W. Lathan, Union; J. Heath Davis, Prospect; S. H. Lathan, Jackson; K. T. Miller, Waxhaw; J. Ka Southard, Wesley Chapel; Mrs. K. T. Miller, Wesley Chapel; Mrs. K. T. Miller, Mineral Springs; B. C. Hargett, Ingreat force with the Americans.

Radio silence was broken by the raiding fleet to relay the news here.

American flyers shot down 14 Japanese planes in combat and destroyed mese planes in combat and destroyed destroyed destroyed mese planes in combat and destroyed

also are known as the Loochoos or Nansei Shoto islands and tare sometimes called Southwestern islands, sadling the eastern entrance to the East China sea. They have been in Japanese hands since 1879, some 15 years before the Japanese occupied Formosa. Fleet headquarters listed the Japanese shipping losses:

Sunk—One destroyer, one minesweeper, one submarine tender, two smedium cargo ships, and flys coastal cargo ships.

Probably sunk—Two medium cargo ships, four small cargo ships, one medium oil tanker, and seven coastal cargo ships.

The coupons in the new A gasoline ration books which become valled Nolons of gasoline each, an increase of one gallon over the present A coupon information obtained yesterday from

The same renewal dates apply to the D type of coupon books which are issued to owners of motorcycles,

Application forms on which motorsts and motorcycle owners will apply for the new ration books are now be-ing distributed to the various filling stations throughout the coutny.

Prompt action in obtaining the ap-pliaction forms and filing them with the ration boards will facilitate hand-The ninetieth annual session of ling of the new registration, and en-the Union Baptist Association, will able the applicants to get their new convene on Tuesday and Wednesday, ration books in time for the beginning of the new period, it was said.

The new A books contain 27 coupons and the number 13 coupon is the one which becomes valid November 9. The present tire inspection records which formerly were submitted with applications for the renewal of gasoline rations should be disregarded entirely in the present registration. The new application has a stub attached which State Conven-editor of the of the applicant. However, the back Dr. Hagerman, section of the old A book should be

attached to the new application.

The fact that the coupons in the new books are valued at a gallon more hew books are valued at a gallon more than those in the present books does not encessarily mean that the A book holders will get more gasoline to use in their cars. The periods for which the various coupons have to last have yet to be announced. If the new A book coupons are validated for longer book coupons are validated for longer periods than are the present ones then the increase in the value of the

on, N. D.—A civic celebra-ecently held to honor Mr

S Q Derrick, S 2-c, of Wa D. C., will spend the we Monroe with his mother, h

II Address-L G. Greer

### DEMOCRATIC LEADERS TO SPEAK HERE



R. GREGG CHERRY

Here Tomorrow

Party Leaders Will Gather

Friday Afternoon For Big

IS SCHEDULED FOR 2:30

Democrats of the Eighth Congres-

sional district, will open the fall

campaign here tomorrow afternoon at

2:30 o'clock in the Union county court

house, when party leaders from over the entire state gather here for a

district rally.

Attending the meeting will be Gov.

ernor Broughton, the next governor, R. Gregg Cherry and former Governor and United States Senator-Nominee

William B. Umstead, state campaign chairman will be present and will propably preside at the meeting. Oth-

ers who are expected to attend are Congressman W. O. Burgin, Thad Eure

Secretary of State and C. M. Johnson

been held in this county in a number

CENTRAL METHODIST

**CHURCH ITEMS** 

the injuries of his brother, Gene, on

leg. He is in a hospital in Honolulu.

to sergeant. We are glad for his ad-

The Woman's Society met in Phifer

Hall on Monday afternoon. This was

a final checkup meeting for the con-

brief meeting. Capt. S. H. Green,

On next Sunday morning the annual

survey service and memorial for those

who have died during the year will

the conference year. Each person who

has departed wil lbe memorialized.

On Sunday night, October 22, an

appreciation service for Rev. Joe Cald-

The Annual Conference will convent in Myers Park Methodist church

Charlotte, on Tuesday, October 17th. The church pastors and Edwin niven

On Sunday morning, Neil Huggins, chairman of the Organization Com-mittee for the Men's Fellowship Club.

that the first m

J. E. Caldwell had charge-

r as a subject, "Pirst Hand Re
i." Mr. Morgan sang the closin
ber, "His Eye Is On The Spar
This was the last Sunday Sg
ran will be with us and the con
stion said their farewells as

ficial delegate will attend.

vancement.

ference year.

chairman, presided.

be in charge.

Wilbur Pressley has been promoted

erable attention.

Clyde R. Hoey.



GOV. J. M. BROUGHTON

### THE LATEST WAR NEWS IN BRIEF

WESTERN FRONT-Americans siash at some 10,000 fresh Nazi troops making desperate attempt to break through to relieve Ger-man garrison in shell-swept Aach-en; Third Army starts second week of fighting for Metz stronghold; Canadians make steady progress in clearing Germans from Schelde Estuary in Holland.

EASTERN FRONT - Combined Russian and Romanian forces cap-ture Cluj, capital of Transylvania, and Szeged, second largest city in Hungary and 95 miles southeast of Budapest; Germans report Rus-sians drive inside present East Prussia boundary and surround

PACIFIC FRONT—Night raiding American Liberators bombed four hours Sunday the Borneo base of Balikapapan, source of 15 per cent of Japan's aviation gasoline; Radio Tokyo broadcasts warnings that attacking Yank ships are "still lurking" immediately acust of Nigney homeland. ately south of Nippon homeland.

SOUTHERN FRONT—British in southern Albania capture Sarande (Porto Edda,) supply port for Ger-man garrison on Corful island.

# Union County's of years and it is expected to attract

PFC Starnes Wounded Wounded during the invasion of the

Admiralty Islands in the Southwest Pacific, Private First Class Henry W. of R5, Monroe, has brought back from that battle zone and is now in Lawson General Hos-Lt. J. C. Plyler was presented to the congregation Sunday morning. At the same time anonuncement was made of pital, Atlanta, Ga., recovering.

Assigned to a cavalry unit which fought as infantry troops in the jun-Guam. He has a shrapnel wound in his ankle and a bayonet wound in his gles, Private Starnes was hit in the head by a enemy machine gun bullet during the intense fighting. He has been awarded the Military order of Purple Heart.

The soldier, the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Starnes of Monroe, was a farmer before he entered service on November 12, 1942. He went overseas in June, 1943, and served in Australia and New Guinea before going to the of the day. The Board of Stewards met after the morning service Sunday for a Admiralties. Private Starnes was wounded last May 17.

PRC Robert J. Helms, of R5, Monroe, has received a Medical Discharge from the U. S. Army at Moore General Hospital, Swannanoa, North Carobe held. The pastor will give a res-ume of the accomplishments during lina. PFC Helms was wounded in action overseas causing his release from the service.

Mr. and Mrs J. Walter Laney have a message from their son, Lieut. well will occur. The young people of George Laney, who has been in the church will plan the program and France, saying he had landed on the lander on the in charge.

> Joe W. Plyler, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Plyler, R1, Waxhaw, was inducted into the navy on September 11th and is now stationed at Bainbridge, Md. He was inducted through the Kannapolis board. His wife and shildren are making their home with

anniunced that the first meeting will occur on Tuesday, October 31st, 6:30 p. m. A dinner and an oration and singing will be featured. The officers of the new club will be elected at that time.

Rosser Wolfe continues ill in a Charlotte hospital. Our prayers make mention of his name for Christ's blessings and peace. Cpl. Hurley W. Campbell is spending Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Campbell of Indian Trail Route 1. Before leaving for overseas replacement depot at for overseas replacement depot at Greensboro, Cpl. Campbell has been with the Director of Operations, Marsh

# Draft Boards Given Orders

CLYDE R. HOEY

More Vets Unless Instructed By Washington

Draft boards have been told by national selective service headquarters, that unless they are specifically advised to do so they will not induct any more veterans. Up to this time, it has been the policy to reinduct discharged service-

armed services had let them go. Selective service spokesmen plained that the reduction in

ited service jobs "makes it less neces-sary to keep going aggressively after those who have been discharged." At the same time, according to selective service spokesmen, Director Hershey has formally eliminated the the Army has not been accepting limited service men since June. He also Men In Service other classifications with the letter House to signify they are beyond draft age as to the re-induction of discharged As to the re-induction of discharged veterans, it was explained that it had been necessary to re-induct them when draft boards were "trying to squeeze all they could" out of the

### longer necessary. SOVIETS SCORE TWIN VICTORIES IN SOUTH

Germans Say Offensive In East Prussia Now In Full Swing.

Combined Russian and Romanian forces scored twin victories on the southern front vesterday, capturing Cluj, capital of Transylvania, and Szeged, second-largest city in Hungary Marshal Stalin announced in an order

Twenty-four hours previously the Russians and Romanians had partly encircled Szeged at distances of a dozen miles and had fought within three miles of Cluj. Szeged is 95 miles southeast of Budanest and although Russian troops already were only 47 miles from the

Hungarian capital at other points farther north, loss of that city of 132,000 was a blow to the shaky morale of Hungary, last German satellite of any consequence. Cluj, deep in the Transylvanian

mountains, was a particularly palata-ble prize to the Romanians, who lost city of 100,000 and most of Transylvania to Hungary in 1940 by a German "gift," and now are winning it back with Soviet help.

Besides these Balkan victories, still greater events were shaping on the Baltic front where the Russians entirely encircled the port city of Meme and began the battle for East Prussis with a thundering drum fire from

three sides.

Tilsit, northern border city of East Prussia, was under heavy cannon fire, indicating continued Soviet advances fro repositions that were 20 miles to the northeast on Tuesday.

Another Red Army force drove westword toward East Prussia from captured Sakiai in Lithuania, seven miles from the border, and the Germans said still another powerful Soviet grouping was prosecuting an of-

### FBI WILL CONDUCT OFFICERS' SCHOOLS

8-MONTHS, 75c: 6-MONTHS, \$1.25 SEMI-WEEKLY, \$2.3

Local Law Enforcement Officers Attend Charlotte Meet.

Inclusive, as one of the major developments, of a swift demonstration of jujitsu, also defensive tactics in general, a series of conferences for law enforceemnt officers under sponsorship of the Federal Bureau of Investigation will attract widespread and intensive interest at strategic centers in North Carolina and South Carolina in October and November. The Enquirer was informed yesterday by R. D. Kinsey of the F B I, who was a visitor in attempted to run a terrible gantlet of the city. A number of local officers American fire late yesterday and join plan to attend the Charlotte meeting. the Nazi hold-out garrison inside

Edward Scheidt, special agent in Aachen, which was being systematic-charge of the Charlotte office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has announced the complete schedule of dive bombers after expiration of the conferences. The one nearest Monroe U. S. First army's ultimatum to surwill be held in Charlotte at the Cham- render.

Kimbrough, special agent of the bu-reau office in Miami, to participate It was one of the most expert in the art/of defensive tactcis, and is one of the instructors on Mr. Hoover's staff. Using another agent as his subject, he will demonstrate a number of methods which police may stave off the Americans as long as Are Told Not To Induct Any as his subject, he will demonstrate a

In addition Mr. Scheidt revealed BOARDS TO RECLASSIFY that Roy L. Morgan, special agent assigned to the Charlotte office of the bureau, will discuss "Arrests, Searches consist of an exhibition and explanation of the restraining devices used by the bureau.

Lieut. Phifer Laney who is spendmen after draft board doctors had re-examined them and found them fit for duty, despite the fact that the gone to Wilmington where he is visiting his brother, Emsley Laney and family.

# needs of the armed forces and the fact that combat casualties are being kept in the service and used for lim-To Aid Peace

limited service classification because Conferences In Moscow Expected To Iron Out

Prime Minister Churchill is now in buried amid the ruins." Moscow for talks with Premier Stalin responsible quarters last night.

man-power pool, but that this is no Kremlin Monday night and met again ern edge of the city and shooting the standard at a gala banquet arranged every soldier who attempted to ge Soviet government and at-through to the Allied lines. tended by the entire delegation and The willingness with which Stalin for the Allied bombardment. met Churchill was indicative of the

> the war. the German and pro-Fascist special colliminated in southeastern Europe.
>
> The question of what to do with in and strafed the columns.
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> "Whoever sent those turkeys into Germany is of course, one of the biggest topics before the United Nations. it is believed a free exchange of ideas mented.
> between Churchill and Stalin will do As a re

involving oil. about Poland. Churchill's attitude on the shell-blasted city. Poland is well known because he has spoken recently in a fashion that met with Soviet approval, especially when he said Russia had a right to expect friendly Poland.

With the two leaders personally discussing the problems confronting the United Nations, Izvestia, the official Soviet government organ, stoutly expressed opposition to altering the principal of a unanimous vote by the four major powers on the international security council in case of postwar aggression.

Monday with Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, talked with Stalin Monday night and Tuesday conferred with British diplomatic and military the Soviet Premier.

The United States was kept fully informed of the progress of the Churchill-Stalin conferences through Ambassador W. A. Averell Harriman

acting as President Roosevelt's per-sonal representative although he was not present at the Kremlin at the initial talks.

The U. S. ambassador, however did attend Stalin's mid-afternoon banquet

## Destruction Of Aachen Is Near

Yanks Repel German Suicide Relief Units As Battle Rages

TERRIFIC BOMBARDMENT

Thousands of fresh German troops attempted to run a terrible gantlet of

ber of Commerce auditorium at 2 p.
m., on Wednesday, October 18.

J. Edgar Hoover of Washington, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has designated W. G.
Kimbrough, special agent of the bureau of Investigation, but the bureau of Investigation of the blazing city as Yank infantry and armor smashed into the suicidal relief column and artillery and mortalized of the blazing city as Yank infantry and armor smashed into the suicidal relief column and artillery and mortalized of the blazing city as Yank infantry and armor smashed into the suicidal relief column and artillery and mortalized of the blazing city as Yank infantry and armor smashed into the suicidal relief column and artillery and mortalized of the blazing city as Yank infantry and armor smashed into the suicidal relief column and artillery and mortalized of the blazing city as Yank infantry and armor smashed into the suicidal relief column and artillery and mortalized of the properties of the pro

It was one of the most amazing in the conference. Mr. Kimbrough, a moves by the German command since law enforcement officer of wide ex-perience and a graduate of the Na-troops in broad daylight and under perience and a graduate of the Na-tional Police academy of the bureau in Washington, is recognized as an American land and air power. The Germans appeared to number about one division (possibly 10,000 men.)

employ to protect themselves in cases of attacks by larger physical specimens or armed criminals.

possible in carrying out the Fuehrer's orders to fight to the death in protection of Reich soil," said Don Whitehead of the Associated Press, a witness of the desperate maneuver. Promptly at noon, an hour and 10 minutes after expiration of the Allied

and Seizures." Part of this lecture will ultimatum to the German commander of Aachen to surrender, hundreds of American big guns began throwing shells into historic Aachen and dive bombers began shattering and burning its ancient buildings.

Last night Aachen was slowly falling apart under the terrific bombardment

as the shells marched across its length and breadth and high explosive and fire bombs faked it from end to end.

fire bombs faked it from end to end. At times the German city was completely blanketed with smoke.

It was the "ruthless' destruction promised in the American ultimatum.

"Although I am looking right down into the heart of the city I can see no real details of the immense damage that is being inflicted," said William S. White of the Associated Press.

"Down in the main part of the city you can see nothing for the all-enveloping smoke—red, pinkish white and deep black.

"I have been able to detect no

ited service men since June. He also is understood to have issued an order to put all men over 38 in Class 4-A instead of scattering them among other classifications with the letter H to signify they are beyond draft age.

U. S. IS FULLY INFORMED

The out of the dead of who are left down there are

Of approximately 200 German priswhich should lead to guarantees of oners who managed to slip out of peace after victory, it was learned in Aachen and surrender before the ulesponsible quarters last night.

The British and Russian leaders two Nazi officers had been standing spent three hours together in the guard at railroad tracks at the east-

tended by the entire delegation and the U.S. and British ambassadors and estimated at 1,500 men, had been isenvoys from the British Dominions. | sued whiskey and wine to brace them

In the midst of the thunderous Soviet Marshal's readiness to discuss shelling and bombing American obthe mighty problems which must inservers were astonished to see enemy evitably face the United Nations after columns moving along roads to Aachen in the vicinity of Mers-High on the agenda is the Balkan brueck and Hostenrath. Artillery imsituation—what to do to make sure mediately was turned on the Nazis the German and pro-Fascist spirit is and dive bombers, which had just

est topics before the United Nations, a situation like this was doing them There are all kinds of opinions; and no service," an American officer com-

As a result of the unexpected enemy much to shape the course of events.

Also prominent on the list of topics, it is understood, are discussions.

And to shape the course of events movement, Lt. Gen. Courtney Hodges troops did not move against the topics, it is understood, are discussions. point, but concentrated on ke The two also are expected to talk the Nazi reinforcements from reaching

### MONROE PYTHONS TO PLAY MOORESVILLE

their Monroe eleven against a Mooresville team temorrow night team to a scoreless tie though the team is young and

# 27,000 AXIS PLANES