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# REPORT CHURCHILL, FDR CONFER WITH INC

# SHIP WISCONSIN IS CHRISTENED AT PHILADELPHIA

Philadelphia—(AP)—The \$90,000, 000 super battleship Wisconsin, her bow towering higher than a five story building, was launched into the Delaware river at the Philadelphia navy yard today, hailed by Assistant Secretary of the Navy Ralph A. Bard, as "an answer" to Japan's Pearl Harbor attack on the second anniversary of the aggres-

Wife Christens Vessel

Mrs. Walter S. Goodland, wife of the governor of Wisconsin; christened the vessel before a cheering crowd of workmen, navy officers, Wisconsin state officials and government executives.

The Wisconsin splashed into the water at 11:45 a.m. (eastern war naval district, said in a launching speech that "as the distance to a probable battle area increases, more ships like the Wisconsin will be

Requires 62 Operations

The task of launching the super ship required 62 distinct operations beginning more than 14 hours before Mrs. Goodland cracked the champagne bottle.

Workmen transferred the weight of the ship from timber shores and keel blocks to the ways on which she slid into the Delaware. The Wisconsin rode down on four

fixed ways, each serving as a track. Months ago, more than 100,000 of grease was applied to these ways to ease the ship down.

The Wisconsin was one of the Jersey.

35,000 Spectators Bard told the 35,000 spectators Thursday. that the launching brought the enemy "one step nearer to their de- year, after his graduation from the around his continental fortress are hope for any victory at all. WISCONSIN-Page 11

### Plover Man Pleads Innocent; Asks For a Jury Trial

Madison, Wis. —(AP)— William Palmer, 46, former Beloit postoffice janitor who pleaded guilty to a charge of taking a letter containing \$4.59 from the mails, was fined \$200 by Federal Judge Patrick T. Stone today.

Judge Stone imposed a six months term in a federal prison but suspended it and placed Palmer on probation for two years on condition that he pay the fine within six months.

Because he appeared for arraignment without an attorney, Alva Text of Telegram Williams of Monroe, rural mail carrier charged on three counts of counsel tomorrow.

David Mansavage of Plover. Stevens Point May 17, 1943, for able and delay in receipt thereof Requests Resignation induction into the army, pleaded must necessarily be expected." innocent and asked for a jury trial. Judge Stone said the trial

### Sentence Portage County Robbers

Stevens Point, Wis .- (A)-Three men were sentenced to terms in the state penitentiary at Waupun and Pro-Nazi Groups in another was sentenced to the state France May Now Arm reformatory at Green Bay yesterday by Circuit Judge Herman J. Severson for participation in robhigh school in Portage county.

Point, was sentenced to 1 to 6 it was learned today. years in Waupun; Chester Osowski, 24, and Edward Matkey, 29, both of Milwaukee, received 1 to 4 year mans themselves distributed arms to terms in Waupun; and Louis Osow- the groups, apparently preferring to ski, 22, Milwaukee was sentenced to 1 to 4 years in Green Bay.



# Rehabilitation Topic



ENS. CARL MITTELSTEADT

outclassed by land, sea and air.

is believed able to muster 320 divis-

ions which with non-divisional com-

By now the Russians' own produc-

tion, plus lend-lease help, has made

The combined British and Ameri-

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Democrats and northern Republi-

The demand was voiced in the sen

Looking directly at the Pennsyl-

vania senator as he spoke, Byrd de-

"There is not one iota of truth in

"The sooner Guffey resigns from

his position the better it will be for

In a statement Saturday Guffey

charged that the senate vote of last

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ica of the right to vote."

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Republicans.

vice and administrative jobs.

6,000.000.

Allied Might Grows

# Ensign Mittelsteadt and Gunner Gordon Firth water at 11:40 a. m. (eastern war time) after Rear Admiral M. F. Draemel, commandant of the Fourth Are Missing In Pacific Tremendous Growth

Two families in this city were saddened today by the receipt 300,000 men in the mightiest air of telegrams from the navy department informing them that force in the world. The navy, ma- ance association on a red, white their sons are missing in action. Ensign Carl Avalt Mittelsteadt, 26, son rine corps and coast guard have and blue background. Across the of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mittelsteadt and Gordon Firth, 17, gunner's mate second class, son of Mr. and Mrs.

missing men. Both of them are said by their parents to have been stationed about the bear statio by their parents to have been stationed aboard the escort aircraft tioned aboard the escort aircraft carrier Liscome Bay, which the sunk by a Japanese submarine off the Gilbert islands last Thursday. Ensign Mittelsteadt enlisted in

the navy in October, 1942 and was commissioned in February of this

TWO RIVERS TAR MISSING Two Rivers, Wis.—(AP)—Mr. and | tion by the mightiest military array

few ships in history that required Mrs. David Gauthier, Two Rivers, the world has ever known. four ways for launching. The usual received word from the navy denumber is two. Others which re- partment today that their son, Rusquired four include the Nazi Bis- sell, 18, seaman second class, is marck and Tirpitz, the British Rod- missing in action in the southwest ney and Nelson and the Wisconsin's Pacific area. The parents said the sister ships, the Iowa and the New youth was a member of the crew of the escort aircraft carrier Liscome Bay, which the navy reported sunk by a Japanese submarine last

> was a graduate of Central State over the allied power on land. teachers' college, where he had tak- and air daily is growing. en a B. S. degree. Brothers In Service

He was married on February 19 this year, and his wife Betty lives at LaCrosse, Wis. His two brothers, both in service, are Avalt F., seaman second class, stationed at San Francisco, and Pfc. Otto, stationed at A & M college, College Station, Russia Can Match Nazis Texas. He has two sisters, Charlotte and Adeline.

Gordon Firth joined the navy in of Soviet strength are ultra-secret, March, 1943, and was stationed at military observers here would be Farragut, Ida., Puget Sound and surprised if the red army numbered Bremerton, Wash. at gunnery less than 350 divisions with a comschools before leaving for combat bat complement of more than

Gordon's parents had heard from him about November 1, while Ensign Mittelsteadt's last letter was dated November 9.

The navy department telegrams state, in part, that the men are taking money from the mails, was reported "missing following action ordered to return to court with his in the performance of duty and in the service of (their) country. The department appreciates your great charged with failing to appear at anxiety but details not now avail-

The Liscome Bay carrier was the only American vessel lost durprobably would be held within two ing the costly Gilbert island operations, according to the navy department's recent announcement, and is the first American aircraft carrier to be lost for more than a year, the last having been the Hornet, which went down in the battle of Santa Cruz on October 24-25, 1942.

Madrid—(AP) - German authorheri-s of creameries, taverns, and a ities in Paris have given oral anproval for five pro-Nazi organiza-Steve Bemowski, 27, Stevens tions there to arm their members,

the Democratic party." No written or public authorization has been issued, nor have the Gerweek which killed a proposed federal give the permission secretly because war ballot for armed service voting of the possibility of civil strife if the and directed the states to get in the order were announced officially.

The heavily censored Paris press as been carrying references in the past week to the fact that "collaborationists replied with fire to terrorists when attacked."

# Pope Asks Catholics to Pray For Peace at Rotary Wednesday

W. H. Siemering, veterans' employment representative for Wisconficial located in Madison, will dis- dispatch from Rome. cuss rehabilitation of World war No. the Witter hotel here Wednesday serve the law of God," the dispatch the time of the attack.

# **BRINGS CAUSE**

Washington—(AP)—"... December 7, two years ago, is a day that is remembered in this country as one of infamy on the part of a treacherous enemy. The day itself requires no reminder."

With those words President Roosevelt vetoed last week a resolution to commemorate this day.

The president has set his face against any celebration of the day, manager of the local company. against proclaiming observance of the surprise blow struck by Japa-

The army has grown from 1,500,-000 to five times that size, with 2,fighting men have proved the absurdity of axis claims that the men of democracies were decadent.

No nation in history ever raised such a military force in so short u London — (P) — The Teheran promise of allied drives from the clerks and workers and manageeast, west and south confronted Germany today with the problem of disposing her numerically inferior forces in an effort to avoid destruccan forces, but it has supplied vast around the world. Gathers Momentum

Against the combined strength of All this began to happen immethe United States, Britain and Russia, Adolf Hitler now finds his once diately after the blow at Pearl Harproud military forces completely bor, and it gathered momentum dur-His soldiers are outnumbered by ment, who fought until they drop- and to make further improvement at least three to two, his air force ped, and delayed the aggressor, up- whenever possible," he continued. is at an over-all disadvantage of at set his timing, ruined his chance for least three to one and the seas all a quick victory, and therefore his

rines held Wake island until December 24; Manila fell Jannuary 2, but See—INFAMY—Page 11 Germany at the very outside now

### Lincoln High bat troops, would mean a fighting force of around 5,500,000 plus 3,500,-000 to 4,000,000 in the supply ser-Over Top In 3-Jeep Drive Almost certainly Russia alone can more than match this. While figures

Lincoln high school students celebrated Pearl Harbor day fittingly was expressed after Premier Stalin berts only two weeks ago. today by going "over the top" in had returned safely to Moscow afthe "triple-threat jeep" campaign, ter a hazardous round trip of 1,700 having sold \$7,400 worth of war miles during which his plane bravbonds and stamps since November 2, in the drive which ended today. The quota which had been set for Soviet equipment as plentiful and as good or better than that of the Ger- the school in the treasury-sponsored campaign was \$6,225, the sum required to buy one of the famous 'jeeps," one amphibian jeep and one

can ground strength in the Mediterranean and Britain is not yet as The final sale, which occurred totwice the \$1,100 which was needed to complete the quota. Ninety-six per cent of the students in the school made purchases of war bonds Delay Consideration or stamps during the campaign. Washington - (A) - Senator As reward for their efforts in Byrd (W. Va.) angrily demanded the drive, Lincoln students will today that Senator Guffey (D-Pa.) resign as chairman of the Democra-

celebrate with a get-together and tic senatorial campaign committee because of his charge that southern cans formed an "unholy" alliance to "deprive the armed forces of Amercorps which managed the sale.

NJURIES PROVE FATAL

# Ahdawagam, Maker of Paper TURKEY MIGHT Products for War Use, Winner CAST LOT WITH of Coveted Ordnance Banner

The Army Ordnance banner, highest production award available to sub-contractors engaged in the manufacture of war materials, has been received by the Ahdawagam Paper Products company of this city, according to the announcement made today by Frank R. Walsh, general

The award was made by the Chinese airmen while their diplomats cago post of the Army Ordnance were talking peace in Washington, association to the employes and against recalling the unreadiness of management of the local company America's Pacific bastion. They are on the basis of meeting schedules not the occasion for a holiday, but promptly, despite paper shortages, the day does not lack cause for and for "meritorious production." pride-pride for what has happen- Mr. Walsh was advised of the award by George B. Vidal of the Chicago post of the association late

The banner carries the khaki colored insignia of the Army Ordnreached a strength of nearly 3,000,- top is the inscription "Chicago 000. The fleet is twice the size it Ordnance District," while at the was just before Pearl Harbor. In bottom are the words "United every part of the world, American States Army." It will be displayed inside the company's plant.

Overcame Problems

In his acceptance of the banner on behalf of the employes and mantime. And to arm and equip its agement Mr. Walsh said "we are forces, the nation's industries, pleased to know that the men and girls in our organization have been ment, have performed industrial awarded the Army Ordnance banner miracles. The stupendous output of for meritorious production and outarms has not only equipped Ameri- standing performance. This is gratifying to all of the people who have quantities to the allied countries helped to earn this award because many problems were involved before we were able to make some of the products satisfactorily. "I am sure that this recognition

and encouragement from the men in ing the interval provided by the des- the Army Ordnance department wil perate resistance of men, too few in be an inspiration to continue the numbers and with too little equip- good work they have accomplished The banner was received on be-

half of the employes by Earl Holistruction by the allied nations" and New York midshipmen's school. He dominated by allied navies. More—the mastrom, president Local No. 195 of They fought for time—the mastrom, president Local No. 195 of See-AHDAWAGAM-Page 11

### Soviets Approve Teheran Accord

Moscow-(A)-The Soviet government through its newspaper Izvestia indicated in the most emphatic terms today its complete satisfaction with the results of the Teheran meeting of Roosevelt, Stalin and Churchill.

ed snow and zero temperatures.

"For four days over a roundtable," said the Izvestia editorial, which before nightfall was available to millions of Russians from the German front to the Pacific ocean, "the most eminent statesmen of our day conferred and reached complete agreement on questions of war and day, brought in \$2,301.65, more than the most important problems of post-war organization of peace."

# of Rail Wage Boost

Washington-(AP)-The senate to dance in the field house on Decem- day put off until Thursday considber 16. A citation from the treasury eration to grant an 8-cent hourly department will also be awarded wage increase to 1,100,000 non-opwithin the next few days, according erating railroad employes-a pay to Miss Christine Pedersen, school hike agreed upon between the raillibrarian, who heads the Victory roads and 15 union leaders last Aug-

Senator Truman (D-Mo.), author of the resolution, won it Thursday Neillsville, Wis. -(A)- Paul consideration with the consent of Reich, 30, of Chili, in Clark county, Majority Leader Barkley of Kenlied in a hospital today of injuries tucky. Previously Truman had said suffered yesterday when his mo- he might call the legislation up for action today.

### U.S. Senate Revises Resolution More Sub Successes (At the same time Dealing With Kimmel, Short Washington- (P) - The senate to the house which previously had rine successes. The navy reported approved unanimously today a reso- voted an extension for one year aft- in Washington that 11 more ene-

overseas vote was engineered by southern Democrats, working with lution extending for six months the er the defeat of the Japanese. statute of limitations under which Rear Admiral Husband E. Kimmel and Maj. Gen. Walter C. Short can be brought to courts-martial in connection with the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

Rern-(A)-Pope Pius XII has Revise Resolution asked all Catholics to hold public prayers for peace tomorrow on the The pontiff sent his "urgent ex- duty" in postponing court-martial of had asked unanimous consent of the ("This I can promise: we SHALI,

"If they continue to fail to per-

peached," Clark asserted of Stimson and Knox. **Blocked Concurrence** 

The Missouri senator blocked sen-

approved resolution was revised to proved yesterday by the house, to forces, reviewing the progress in his ergency medical corps of the civiloccasion of the feast of Immacu- meet objections from Senator Clark extend the statute of limitations so sector in the past year, declared we late Conception, the Swiss tele- (D-Mo.) who accused Secretary of that Kimmel and Short could be now have the springboards "from Room 12 of Witter vocational school sin, a war manpower commission of graphic agency reported today in a ficial located in Madison, will disdispatch from Rome.

War Stimson and Secretary of Navy brough, to trial after the war. | which our future offer Knox of a "disgraceful dereliction of Majority Leader Barkley (D-Ky.) | launched," and added:

2 veterans in a talk to be given be- hortation" to the faithful through- the military leaders in charge of senate to bring up the resolution have offensives. Taking back what squad members and any others who hour period ending at 7 a. m., 38; fore Wisconsin Rapids Rotarians in out the world to "scrupulously ob- American forces at Pearl Harbor at with the explanation that the two- was ours originally is just the start. have completed the standard first minimum temperature for 24-hour year statute of limitations in the Each of us has an appointment in aid course and have been certified period ending at 7 a. m., 16; tem-The resolution must now go back case would expire today.



AHDAWAGAM RECEIVES COVETED AWARD-Earl Hollstrom, president of Local No. 195 of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill workers union, left, and Frank R. Walsh, general manager of Ahdawagam Paper Products company, right, are shown here with the Army Ordnance banner which was awarded Ahdawagam employes and management for "meritorious production" of war packaging materials. The award is the highest production recognition that can be given to sub-contractors. The banner will be displayed in the company's plant here.

## U.S. Aircraft Carrier Forces Smash Nippon Bases In Marshalls

Pearl Harbor — (A) — Two years after Japanese planes touched off the Pacific war at Pearl Harbor, America's expanding airforce is raining heavy offensive blows which hint at early invasion of the Marshalls and New Britain, two vital links in the enemy's chain of outpost defenses for

Japan and the Philippines. Tersely, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz Council Has rier task forces smashed hard Saturday at the Marshalls—the same Bender Buy type of attack which immediately This full and official approval terly-waged, conquest of the Gil- Up Tonight

More Direct Route

stepping stones on what Navy Sec- | meets tonight. retary Frank Knox has termed "the more direct route to Japan."

Nearly 2,000 miles to the southwest of this action. New Britain isopen the sea lanes to the Philipaffd Sunday from the fortress of Rabaul on the east to the air base of Cape Gloucester on the west, Gen.

Pound New Britain

that tonnage has fallen on supplies and west. and installations at the western end which is separated at the closest point by only 70 miles of water from MacArthur's ground forces on New Guinea's Huon peninsula.

(Keyed to these offensive thrusts that 20,000 U.S. firms have been given the go sign to turn out more invasion craft, such as self-propelled barges, tank-landing vessels and amphibious "ducks."

(At the same time, Japan's abilion-menaced areas has been further impaired by new American submamy cargo ships have been sunk, bringing to 516 the grand total of form their duty they should be im- Japanese vessels destroyed in two (Words of American leaders car-

ried a tone of confidence for the future operations.

(Admiral William F. Halsey. The action came after the house- ate concurrence in a resolution, ap- commander of south Pacific allied

Final steps in purchase of the

Enemy air and shipping bases in Bender property on the west edge the Marshalls 2,000 miles southwest of town, long considered for recreaof Hawaii and about 300 miles tional and educational purposes, northeast of the Gilberts, form may be taken when the city council City Engineer Carl Cajanus has

reported that options have been taken on parcels of property which land, whose capture would burst may be considered for city purchase, including one tract of 20 acres ownpines, was blasted Saturday night ed by Bender brothers, a tract of 6.3 acres owned by the Benders, a tract of 4.1 acres owned by Wood County Realty company, and a 2.3 Douglas MacArthur reported today. acre tract owned by James Agenta more than one or two of these tracts Within two weeks, his planes have will be bought by the city, city offiexploded 1,000 tons of bombs on cials have said. The tracts all lie New Britain, a position to which between Chase and Alton streets, Japan has hinged her Solomons and south and north, and Thirteenth and Romeo Plenge has sold his insur-New Guinea defenses. The bulk of Seventcenth avenues, on the east ance business in Nekoosa and has

Aldermen tonight are also expected to inspect new bids for plumbing, wiring and renovating the Cummings building, corner of Oak and North Second streets, which the was the disclosure in Washington council recently purchased for a venison steak fry in the Masonic \$6,000. A responsible city official temple Monday night. Officers elecsaid today that the building pur- ted were Earl Van Ornum, H. P.; chased for comfort station purposes, will require considerable renovation "and will almost have to be rebuilt."

son, state planning engineer, that ty to supply and reinforce invas- Wisconsin Rapids should include a new Wisconsin river bridge in the city's post-war program may be seconded in a discussion before aldermen tonight. Torkelson's suggestion was made at a Rotary club luncheon a week ago. It is probable that plans for a

new bridge will be initiated by al-

CALLS MEDICAL CORPS

An important meeting of the emian defense corps will be held in which our future offensives can be at 6:30 p. m. today, called by E. A. Knuth, chief of the emergency medical corps. All emergency medical are requested to attend.

London — (AP) — A conference between President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and President Ismet Inonu of Turkey has been in progress in North Africa, it was learned today, and the results will concern Turkey's future position in relation to the allies' war against the axis. The participation of Inonu

in conferences with Roosevelt and Churchill apparently was based on the never-implemented British-Turkish pact of 1939 which pledged Turkey to aid Britain in the event of aggression leading to war in the Mediterran-

The diplomatic correspondent of the British Press association wrote, 'Churchill and Roosevelt are in conference with President Ismet Inonu of Turkey and their deliberations may in due course have almost as important an effect upon the course and conduct of the war as the great inter-allied talks which already have taken place in Cairo and Teheran." Berlin's Version

The Berlin radio said that the conference had been completed in Cairo and that Inonu had returned to Ankara, where the Turkish cabinet would meet in special session. German spokesmen meanwhile

told Swedish correspondents that the allies are exerting heavy pressure to force Turkey to join the (A Budapest broadcast heard by U. S. government monitors said Bul-

garian Premier Dobri Bojilov had conferred with the Turkish minister to Sofia after a meeting of the Bulgarian cabinet last night. It declared that "well-informed political circles in Sofia connect this cabinet meeting with the Turkish-Anglo-Saxon-Soviet conference.")

Franz Von Papen, the German ambassador, talked for nearly an hour yesterday with Turkish Premier Sukru Saracoglu, Reuters reported today in a dispatch from An-

There has been no American confirmation of such a conference. Cairo dispatches yesterday stated that the whereabouts of President Roosevelt had not been disclosed since he attended the three-power parley in Iran, although it was revealed that Churchill had attended combined British-American military parleys in Cairo subsequent to the

Teheran meeting. Reports reaching Budapest from Sofia, however, indicated that the Nazis, preparing to meet any change in Turkey's status, were moving troops through Bulgaria in the direction of the Turkish border. See-TURKEY-Page 9

### Reno Plenge Replaces Brother on Co. Board

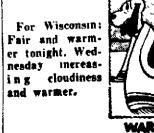
Reno Plenge, Nekoosa Edwards Paper company employe, was nomnated Monday night by Mayor Joseph Peltier of Nekoosa as third ward supervisor, representing his ward on the Wood county board. The appointment was immediately confirmed by the Nekoosa city coun-

Reno Plenge succeeds his brother, Romeo Plenge, who served on the county board for more than 12 years, resigning effective December 1 because he is moving to Chicago. taken a sales position with a large insurance firm in Chicago.

R.A.M. ELECTION

Wisconsin Rapids chapter No. 89, R. A. M., held its election following William Seidel, K.; George Sawyer, S.; A. D. Hill, treasuren; John L. Timm, secretary and George W. Baker, trustee. The election was The suggestion of M. W. Torkel- followed by work in the R. A. M.

### THE WEATHER



Today's Weather Facts-Maximum temperature for 24 perature at 7 a. m., 18.

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