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With confidence in our armed forces-with the unbounding determination of our people— we will gain the inevitable triumph—so help

Roosevelt's War Message.

SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 1945. TOP O' THE MORNING

The only way we can overcome the Nazi challenge is by the discovery of a sufficient faith, something that can set our sould on fire . . . Without the church we might long ago have been submerged. With it we may yet save civilization. The rock on which the church is built often appears to be weatherbeaten rubble, because it is all mixed with human frailty but the lesson of history is a continual verification of the judgment that "the gates of hell cannot prevail against

E Elton Trueblood, "Readers Digest."

#### Sea Battle In Pacific

When the United States fleet in the Pa cific grew large enough to challenge the Japanese Navy the prayer of the entire force was that the enemy would come out and fight

The invasion of Leyte brought part of it into action, with disastrous results to the

The invasion of Okinawa forced the Japa-

Now the prayer is answered again

nese to send another fleet out of hiding. It was engaged by American task groups Bradford, Bogan and Clark, who sank six of its ships, including Japan's largest battleship, the Yamato, and destroyed 391 of its planes. The Yamato was hit by eight torpedoes and eight bombs. It had been damaged in the Inland Sea battle a month ago and during the fighting around Leyte last October, but survived and was repaired. This time it went down and is beyond salvaging.

In addition to the Yamato, enemy craft air forces lost seven planes.

tion a sea force capable of breaking the ring while." Admiral Nimitz has forged about its coasts.

Not only is Japan's lifeline to outlying positions severed. Japan's naval remnant is no longer capable of shielding the homeland. In combination with the American victory in the Inland Sea, this new victory shows Japan at the mercy of Nimitz' task forces.

# **Baruch Speaks Out**

Bernard Baruch granted an interview recently in London to a representative of Stars and Stripes. Afterwards his secretary attempped to have two paragraphs delated but the request came too late, and they appeared in the Army paper as dictated. As they have had publication in that widely distributed newspaper there is no reason they should now be suppressed. We quote them with a clear conscience.

"And one reason I am over here," they said, "is to hold the big stick over the big boys to make sure they've no going to foul up the

"We've got to deindustrialize Germany and Japan-at least for a generation-so they won't go to war again. Also we've got to see products, lowering the standards of living of resistance. the United Nations."

ing twice when he uttered the words referring Finland, Yugoslavia, Greece, Italy and Rusto the big boys and the need to prevent them sia suffered "unprecedented" damage at the from "fouling up" the peace. On second hands of the Germans. His report says: "A throught he would have omitted this. It is peculiarity of European library experience in not customary for envoys or agents to speak World War II is the degree to which the lightly or slightingly of their superiors, who damage wrought has been the result of delibare universally sensitive and touchy and quick erate action on the part of the Axis powers, to take offense. But it is heartening to find Germany in particular." a person of Mr. Bauch's standing ready, even He cited the burning of the Royal Society on fleeting impulse to speak frankly of a fear Library in Naples after the shooting of which obviously occupies a prominent place German soldier in an adjacent street; the in his thinking. The same fear lodges in many destruction of the Lauvain Library collection minds besides his. The "fouling up" of the of 900,000 volumes because each book carried peace following the former World war is far a bookplate representing a German setting from forgotten. We can only pray that the a torch to the university, and the burning of envoy President Roosevelt sent to London for the Jewish Theological Seminary in Ludlin (Ga.) Chronicle. special conferences with British Prime Minis- while the assembled Jews wept and the Nazis ter Winston Churchill is successful in his cheered. secret personal mission so boldly, if inadvert- He says that from 60 to 70 per cent of guard in two years now

ference to the deindustrialization of Germany other countries Hitler's hordes invaded. and Japan for long years, to prevent them from starting another war, becomes an accomplished fact, as least as far as products capable of being used in combat are concerned. At the same time it is impossible to barbarism. see how either nation can meet indemhities which they certainly must pay if they are not permitted to make articles of one or another peace-time usefulness for sale or barter. The need, it would seem, is not to hald all industry in Germany and Japan but to supervise it and maintain strict control over it, so that neither nation can again manufacture war tools, even in secret and buried plants.

# Russo-Jap Break

says DeWitt MacKenzie, Associated Press analyst, in a masterpiece of restraint. Editors benerally have been more outspoken. The New as yet. MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Denerally have been more outspoken. The New AND ALSO SERVED BY THE UNITED PRESS York Daily Mirror, for example, says, "Rusphis Appeal declares, "Apparently the claws ative kill in Asia."

And the Washington Star believes that "to the Japanese, cricically burdened and harassed R. Morris. alreadry, it (Russia's act) must come as a final blow to the last of their vanishing hopes." Another National Capital newspaper, the Post seeking Russia's motive for the denunciation, explains: "Both our enemies are reeling uncan power or with the aid of America's mighty Russian statesmanship." \*

The New York Times comments: "The denun- or the Capitol. ciation no only demonstrates Russia's own stiffering attitude toward Japan, but also spe-

Bolder and more outspoken than most, the New York Herald Tribune flatly declares, 'Russia is preparing to enter the war in the Far East," and adds: "This is the only the militarists of the Japanese Army instead of those of the Navy had had their way Japanese treachery would have resulted in a surcommanded by Rear Admirals Sherman, prise attack on Vladivostok instead of Pearl

> More cautious is the New York Daily News. "Of course," it says, "a diplomatic breakoff does not necessarily mean a declaration of war" But the news is not unmindful of the possiblilities inherent in Russia's action. "Let the way into the war, so much the better."

James Cox' Miami paper, The News, besunk was an Agano light cruiser, another light lieves it not improbable that Japan itself, speech on the Senate floor. He's observing an ed by the agent Baron Suzuki who cruiser and three destroyers. American losses in desperation may take the lead in com- old Congressional custom that newcomers has the reputation of being a modwere three destroyers sunk. Several other de- pleting the breach. The News says: "Indeed, stroyers and smaller ships were damaged. The now that the Japs know what is coming, they may very well commit a breach of the treaty A significant thing in connection with the that will be both larbescale and bonafide. . . engagement is that it took place within fifty They may be the ones to strike. . .with so miles of Japan's owns shores. Clearly this much at stake and so little to lose in the the stores much sooner than that. Several of were none who looked for an end demonstrates Japan's inability to put into ac- end, they might consider the gamble worth the biggest manufacturers say their schedule in the Pacific war short of uncon-

> Generally out of sympathy with the way afairs are conducted as Washington, PM sticks a knife into censorship, saying it had hoped to carry on editorial on the denunciation, but "restrictions imposed by censorship prevent any but the most inane comment. Under those circumstances, we prefer to discuss the censorship. . . and we hope the censor doesn't mind if we add that Tokyo's speculations can hardly be joyful, as are America's."

# **Nazis Destroy Libraries**

By his own account Hitler's "new order" from what he has done, or permitted and condoned, it is apparent that success for him as the Dark Ages.

This is to be seen in the wholesale destruction of libraries wherever Hilter's armed forces moved during their conquests. Dr. Grayson N. Kefauver, who has been in Europe making a survey of the damage by Germans for the State Department, reports hundreds diana's new Senator Homer Capehart, a preof libraries, including some of the finest on the Continent, devastated by Nazi barbarians. that those subsidized slabe-labor countries do Some, says Doctor Kefauver, were delibernot again flood the world with their cheap ately destroyed as reprisal or punishment for

In his travels the Doctor found that li-Obviously Mr. Baruch spoke without think- braries in England, France, Norway, Poland,

And we can only hope, also, that his re- The situation is not better in Russia and the

The only "new order" Hitler could have created if he had achieved world conquest would have been complete destruction of civilization and the substitution of complete

# CAROLINA FROM THE CAPITAL

By DAVID BRINKLEY Star-News Washington Bureau

Bailey's selection of a nominee to succeed the Reich toward the Russians on thermometer dropped to 21 degrees at Waynesville and 28 at Asheville field reports indicate the damage Russia's denunciation of her neutrallty pact be announced early next week and he dewith Japan is a "momentous development," clined today to offr any idea of whom it most instances, fight with what supervisor said. "Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged, with what damaged, Buncombe County Farm the supervisor said. "Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged, with what damaged, Buncombe County Farm the supervisor said. "Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged, and the supervisor said." Some indictions are comparatively staged, and the supervisor said. "Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged, and the supervisor said. "Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged, and the supervisor said." Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged, and the supervisor said. "Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged, and the supervisor said." Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged. The supervisor said the supervisor said the supervisor said the supervisor said. "Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged, and the supervisor said." Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged. The supervisor said the supervisor said the supervisor said the supervisor said. "Some indictions were not so severely has been comparatively staged." The supervisor said the supervisor said the supervisor said the supervisor said. "Some indictions were not supervisor said the superv

As for the re-appointment of John Bright fewer men. The Wehrmacht's loss-damage to Forsyth county crops, checking plant growth for the on the programs of the Rotary sia rarely talks tough unless planning and Hill as collector of customs or the appoint- es are enormous—141,756 lost in especially small grains, beans, po- time. Insects and weeds have giv- club, Kiwanis club, Junior Champrepared to act tough." Poetically, the Mem- ment of a successor Senator Clyde Hoey will days of this month. This, of course, tatoes and other early garden type en only a normal amount of trouber of Commerce, and the Delta have a decision some time next month. Here, does not include the additional loss- produce. too, the word is that no decision has been es in killed and wounded. of the bear are being sharpened for a cooper- made. Among those being considered, as list- The Germans, however, continue ed by Hoey, are Col. John Bright Hill, R. S. to fight fiercely within their while the predicted banner crop McKeithan, Fred Poisson, Nathan Haskeit, means. They are launching local may have been reduced somewhat

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vision of state patronage, Bailey will have a more or less free hand in naming a judge while the job of customs collector falls into Hoey's patronage province as a sort of handder hammer blows delivered either by Ameri- me-down from his predecessor, Robert R. Reynolds. The actual nominations, of course, are made by the President and final confirarsenal. . . The Kremlin's action is a tribute mation is by the U. S. Senate. But tradition to that attention to realities which explains gives a senator an unofficial stewardship over state appointments and seldom is there any interference either at the White House

FAVORITE PROJECTS Hoey, still wearing his frock coat, flowing in. When the battle was over an white hair and buttonhole flower, is dividing American naval spokesman estirifically emphacizes Russia's solidarity with his time between the Agriculture and Interher Western Allies. . . and it speels the doom state Commerce committees, both of which wield vast power and are considered two of of Japan had been sunk or put tors and a few missionaries. Forthe choicest committee assignments in the out of action. Senate. Being from North Carolina, the reasons for his interest in agriculture are obvious. But another of his favorite projects American landing on Okinawa, onin Interstate Commerce is those much-discussed southern freight rates. As a member homeland. Hard on the heels of thinking of Wilmington, His 35 voluntarily returned to their jobs interpretation which can be given." The Her- of the Southern Governors' conference he was this came another bit of bad news years of unselfish devotion to this afternoon. Navy wives "pitch-culture touring the Sandhills Peach this came another bit of bad news years of unselfish devotion to this afternoon. ald-Tribune goes so far as to say that "if a leader in the fight for equitable rates in the south and he plans to continue the fight for Russia's Christian fellowship is an inspirafrom now on. He is 'optimistic' he says, neutrality pact with Japan. There concerning the suits against the railroads now followed an unpleasant hint from man would be proud." he added, their posts. pending before the U. S. Supreme Court, and Washington that the final phase of he believes it will not be as long as it has the war in the Pacific was combeen before the south will pay freight charges ing up. That hint was the naming comparable to those in other sections.

TEACHES SUNDAY SCHOOL

Aside from his legislative work, Hoey has accepted four or five invitations to teach the German front kept alive specu-Sunday school classes at Washington church- lation over the imminence of Na es. He's been offered permanent teacherships, zi defeat. And the swift developus not look a gift horse in the month," it but he feels he won't have that much time . . . ments about and within Japan gave adds, and concludes, "If Stalin. . comes all he beat Washington's much-touted housing rise to speculation about possibilishortage by moving into a downtown hotel just ten blocks from the Capitol . . . al- These were heightened at the though his fame as an orator came to Wash- weekend when Tokyo announced ington before him, Hoey has yet to make his formation of a new cabinet, headshould be seen often but heard seldom. erate. He kept for himself key non-

CIVILIAN GOODS SCHEDULES

WPB Director J. A. Krug announced this week that most consumer goods will be avil- lations and military fields, there able within a year after V-E day, but he were many who saw signs of a didn't make it clear that many will be in bid for negotiated peace. But there from the time WPB gives their assembly lines the green light will be something like this: radios, two to three months; ranges, three to four months; washing machines, six months; and refrigerators, nine to 12 months.

# CAPITAL CHATTER

Some enterprising but unsung bureaucrat er have seen a movie . . . men under 21 only his immediate family, but also has figured out that 5,000,000 Americans nevafter V-E day . . . the Washington Mountment, once the number one tourist attraction with the content of the strength of the s but now losing ground to the Lincoln Memorial, expects its 20 millionth visitor early this summer Idaho's guitar-strumming lems of this world. this summer . . . Idaho's guitar-strumming Glenn H. Taylor, cowboy singer turned U. S. man when he and I were em-Senator, is one of the few members of the ployed in the office of Col. Thom-Senate whose voice can be heard all ovr as Cowan James, general agent of the chamber without benefit of public address the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley was to be based on a new civilization, but system . . . 1,000 press and radio correspon- Railway Co., during the years dents have asked the State Department for of 1890 to 1895, and have kept this credentials to the San Francisco conference, friendship alive to the present. and all travel to the west coast will be frozen would have brought another period as dark on April 17 to make room for them on trains less sense of humor, and his value and planes . Washington's permanent resi- of a real friend were some of his dents, or those who were here before the qualities which go to make up a war, are agitating for a subway system to real man and the loss of such a replace surface transportation . . . freon gas man in this day and time is a for air conditioning has become available and real calamity to his family, friends 300,000 government employes have been assured they won't have to sweat out another summer in the Potomac Flatlands . . . Inwar manufacturer of radios and phonographs, has hired a high-priced public relations expert to try to stop the press and the public from referring to bim as "the juke box king."

# EDITORIAL COMMENT

WILLIAMS REJECTED

The senate's refusal to confirm the appointment of Aubrey Williams as rural electrifica- ater this afternoon at 1 o'clock, tion administrator was a rebuff for President just before the usual Sunday after-Roosevelt, of course, but the acceptance or noon matinee. rejection of the appointment was hardly a His appearance is in keeping with matter of great enough importance to war- his policy to play military camps rant all of the oratorical steam that was gen- whenever possible. Music for the erated during the congressional debate. It was the old argument between so-called by the Camp Davis "PDC-mpho liberals and so-called reactionaries, and the ny."

senate was turned into a forum for the expression of the senators' personal views on the subject of the new deal, liberalism, communisi and godlessness. If a thing was proved it was that the night that Gen. Ferdinand Schoerncoalition of Republicans and conservative er had been promoted to field mar-

Fritz Fenderbender says he is getting rusty last was reported in Romania last

# ently, confided to the Stars and Stripes repoland's libraries were destroyed. Fifty or more libraries were destroyed in England. Interpreting FROST DAMAGES **CROPS IN STATE** The War

By ELTON C. FAY Associated Press War Analyst

The inability of either Axis member to cope with, much less reconsiderable damage to fruit and visor of the Lumperton topacco will present its third aimidal spring
market, said today. He added that
concert at 5 p.m. Sunday, April
truck crops in western North Caroonly severe blue mold can slow ing struck by the Allies is appar- lina last night. Temperatures that down individual planting schedent in the news of this past week. German attempts to reestablish ed. The Nazi fight now is composed laid a blighting blanket on the apof a series of organized groups of ple-growing section around Ashe-

divisional or army strength operattionship to each other. They have of frost into South Carolina. taken up positions at transporta-

These groups, in many if not the truck and rail lines of supply.

W. B. Cooper, Oscar Abernethy, and John counter attacks. In general, the there was a possibility the fruit swift progress of Allied forces might benefit from being thinned showed some slight signs of slow- out by nature. Under a gentlemen's agreement on the di- ing down as the week wore on. resistance by the enemy was accountable.

The Japanese had the blackest quer of the Orient. The Imperial will be honored at the class' factions represented in two key er members of he board are Al fleet, cornered in Japan's inland Homecoming Day program to be posts. sea, sent out its biggest and fast- held April 15, it was announced est ships, apparently to scurry for yesterday by Otto Pridgen, assist-bilization of a new Czechoslovak Chadbourn and F. B. Gault, of new cover to the northward. An ant teacher. American carrier task force closed mated that 25 per cent of the remaining major naval combat force

This naval battle rounded out a be found in all phases of Wilmingweek which started with the ton life. American landing on Okinawa, on-ly 325 miles south of the Japanese able contribution to the Christian ed Flamingo hotel here last night, of the co - leaders for that action, Gen. MacArthur and Admiral Nimitz.

The progressive disintegration of

military cabinet portfolios.

Relating the cabinet assignments to Japan's troubles in foreign re-

# LETTER BOX

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE P. JAMES Editor, Star-News:

The passing of George P. James brings sorrow to the hearts on not mind which he constantly display-

I knew George James as a young His sterling character, his endand associates.

May his soul rest in peace is the fervent hope of a devoted friend. Henry G. Fennell. Carolina Beach, N. C. April 7, 1945.

# 'Smiley' Burnette To Appear At Camp Davis

"Smiley" Burnette, who has been co-starred with Gene Autrey in many screen and radio shows. will appear at the Camp Davis the-

special program will be furnished

PROMOTED LONDON, April 7-(AP)-The German DNB agency announced to southerners still holds sway in the senate, and shal and appointed commander-incan make or break any individual and settle chief on the Eastern Front. Schoernany issue to their way of thinking.—Augusta er, a die-hard Nazi, was appointed to command an army group on the Eastern Front last April, and as a Sunday driver. He hasn't nicked a mud- July, just before Romania switched to the Allied side,

ranged down to 20 degrees at the ules.

Commercial apple growers in the more rainfall within the next few boys and a girl, and Ruth Walker, tion network centers to impede but Asheville area said they expected days to help plants in getting a lyric soprano. not stop the prongs of American the apple crop to be a total loss, good start in the fields.

He said the fruit crop had suffered no material damaged, that

# Bible Class To Honor Dr. Smith On April 15

First Baptist church for 35 years, new government with left wing

influence. Some have become pasmer members of the class can

man would be proud," he added. their posts.

# Tobacco Transplanting Underway In Robeson

LUMBERTON, April 7 .- Tobacco transplanting is moving into full swing in the Lumberton flue-Heavy frost, coming in the wake a full crop being out in the fields

climax of a three-day cold snap In his second semi-monthly toers indicate the crop prospects at ture of the program will be the divisional or army strength operating without any strategical relating without any strategical relating without any strategical relating without any strategical relating to the mixed and male good." The farmers are hoping for

Other crops were not so severely has been comparatively slight," At Winston-Salem, Farm Agent tial change in weather conditions, several months. It has appeared Each days' battle is fought with R. W. Pou reported probable heavy, with a rapid drop in temperature at white and Negro schools and

#### Czechs Pledge Practical Relations With Russia

LONDON, April 7 .- (AP)-The dayold Czechoslovakia government pledged itself today to maintain "practical" military, political, WHITEVILLE, April 7 — Major economical and cultural relations R. J. Lamb, of White has with the Soviet Union.

Dr. W. T. Smith, local dentist sued through its London press but to succeed A. L. Griffin, who was and Sunday school teacher at the reau soon after formation of the not reappointed to the board.

army would continue in the lib-"During Dr. Smith's 35 years as erated areas of the country, and a Bible teacher," Mr. Pridgen residents of German-occupied last year. said. "many hundreds have been areas would be roused to "an allbrought under his kindly Christian national struggle against the occupants.

> STRIKERS RETURN MIAMI BEACH, Fla., April 7 .-(AP)—Sixty civilian employees who

# **WILLISTON CHORUS TO GIVE PROGRAM**

The Williston High School Choral organization, a group of 125 voices of exceptionally warm weather, did by May 1, Jasper C. Hutto, super-directed by James Thompson, Jr., considerable damage to fruit and visor of the Lumberton tobacco will present its third annual spring

The singers will open their concert with the well - known "Anvil Chorus" from the Opera "Il Trovatore" by Verdi, followed by sequartet, the girls choir, the eight

Some of the best known spirisolo sung by Ruth Walker.

The Choral organization has been one of the outstanding singing groups of the city for the pass grams have been given for your er groups at white and Negro

# Lamb Heads Columbus County School Board

WHITEVILLE, April 7 -- Major been named chairman of the Co-The declaration of policy was is- lumbus county board of education

In addition to Major Lamb, oth-Williams, of Tabor City, Ksaac The announcement also said mo- Gore, of Bug Hill, J. T. Wooten, of Lake Waccamaw. Only Lamb and Guat were members of the board

In its first official meeting, the board did not take any action regarding filling the office of he county superintendent of education for the next year. H. D. Browning, Jr., is the present superintendent.

PEACHES ESCAPE DAMAGE RALEIGH, April 7-(AP)-Agents of the State Department of Agri-

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