

NEW WATER LINE HELD EFFICIENT

The "efficient" operation of Wilmington's new 20-mile concrete-pipe line to King's Bluff was reflected in the announcement yesterday by Water Superintendent W. F. Evans, Jr., that about 83,000,000 gallons of water were pumped through the line in the first 18 days of its use.

Average daily pumpage in the 18-day period ending April 18 amounted to 4,600,000 gallons, he reported. In connection with the operation of the pipe system, Mr. Evans commented that "so far it is working very satisfactorily."

Average power consumed at the King's Bluff station has equaled approximately 503 kilowatt hours per million gallons pumped, while the old pumps at Toomer's Creek accounted for the use of about 538 kilowatt hours for the same pumpage.

Although the King's Bluff station is more than 22 miles farther from the treatment plant, there has been a reduction of approximately six per cent in power consumption, which is attributed to the higher overall efficiency of the pumps at the new installation, Mr. Evans said.

Wilmingtonians were told April 2, by city officials that they were receiving water from the unlimited salt-free source at King's Bluff through the new pipeline.

AMERICANS SCORE GAINS ON LUZON

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Supporting bombers and fighters dropped 500 tons of bombs on Nipponese positions in the area and strafed 100 concentrations.

Philippine based bombers, continuing their south China sea blockade and daily strikes against Formosa and the Dutch East Indies, sank five Japanese cargo ships and a score of smaller craft.

City Briefs

OPEN TO PUBLIC
The Ladies rest room and Merchants' exhibit, which has been closed for repairs, is now open to the public and has been made attractive and comfortable.

BURNEY TO SPEAK
Judge J. J. Burney, of Wilmington, will speak at the Ebenezer Baptist church at 3 p.m. today under the sponsorship of the church brotherhood. The public is cordially invited to attend.

JUDGE TO SPEAK
Armond W. Scott, judge of the municipal court of Washington, D. C., will speak at Central Baptist church at 4 p.m. today, as the congregation observes the annual Christian Citizenship Day.

SUPERFORTS BLAST KYUSHU AIRFIELDS

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It was the second B-29 raid on Kyushu in 24 hours, the fourth in six days, and the seventh since March 27, when B-29s began their series of neutralizing attacks on the island's airbases.

Two hundred to 300 Superforts attacked nine Kyushu airfields yesterday.

Although there is every indication that the airfields have been well neutralized in the previous three raids — the Japanese have sent no aerial attacks in any strength against the U. S. Okinawa force since April 16 — the 21st bomber command apparently has decided to take no chances on the enemy making quick repairs to its runways and other installations.

B-29 crews reported encountering no fighter opposition as they made runs on the five airfields. Two fields, Tomitakanaj and Mizuyaki on the eastern coast, were attacked for the first time.

Bombings were made from medium altitude, probably 20,000 feet.

TRUMAN PROVIDES NEW COOPERATION

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—President Truman blazed a new path of cooperation between Congress and the White House today with an invitation for Kenneth D. McKellar, president pro tempore of the Senate, to sit at cabinet meetings.

The action was believed to be unprecedented. Not since Calvin Coolidge took over the presidency on the death of Warren G. Harding has the nation been without a vice president, and the custom of having the Senate's presiding officer sit in on cabinet sessions was started by Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Mr. Truman, however, already has demonstrated his determination to perfect and maintain a solid liaison with Capitol Hill, and the invitation he extended McKellar underscored that aim.

McKellar sat in at his first cabinet session yesterday, occupying the seat reserved for the vice president at the end of the long table.

The honor was perhaps the greatest yet conferred on the solidly built Tennessee democrat, dean of the Senate by virtue of more than 28 years of continuous service.

Last January he was elected president pro tempore, succeeding Virginia's ailing Carter Glass.

When President Roosevelt died and Harry S. Truman moved up to the White House, McKellar became the Senate's regular presiding officer, although his title remained unchanged. By reason of his increased duties, he is entitled to an additional \$5,000 a year compensation, bringing his salary to \$15,000 annually.

There's not much hope held out for the Jap Navy—with its continual sinking spells.

BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

Polish Problem Darkens Security Parley Outlook

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questions facing the principal Allies, for settlement in advance of San Francisco.

Molotov's arrival, now expected tomorrow, already had been awaited with considerable anxiety. It was hoped he would be able to give details of the reported treaty and possibly suggest something to break the deadlock.

Anthony Eden, British foreign secretary, emerging from a conference of an hour and a quarter with Stettinius, said that the two were "as usual in complete agreement on all points discussed."

The Russian situation came up at the White House too, in the second conference in two days, between President Truman and W. Averell Harriman, U. S. ambassador to Moscow, who hurried here when it was announced that Molotov would come to San Francisco.

Russia has demurred twice in the past three weeks that the provisional Polish government at Warsaw be seated at San Francisco.

The United States and Britain sent a flat refusal the first time. The second demand was addressed only to Washington, the United States therefore put forth the second rejection.

Eden's statement was taken to mean that Britain thoroughly supported the American decision to stand firm.

It appeared likely that President Truman would take a hand in the important discussions.

EXPANSION DEMANDED

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.—(AP)—Expansion of the proposed world security council to give small nations a greater voice on issues of war and peace was demanded today by representatives of Latin American countries arriving for the United Nations conference which opens next Wednesday.

BEACH EXPECTING RECORD ELECTION

Carolina Beach residents anticipate the heaviest voting in the history of the town in the general election Tuesday, May 1, as registration books, closing at 9 p.m. yesterday, disclosed a total registration of 626.

Eleven candidates have filed for the town Board of Aldermen, which was the same number who filed for election to the body two years ago.

Those seeking re-election are A. P. Peay, mayor, W. G. Fountain, E. A. Reynolds, A. L. Bert Jewell and Derwood L. White.

Others who have filed are E. E. Harrill, R. G. Westbrook, T. A. Croon, G. B. Hellen, W. L. Farmer and Claude A. Sikes.

Senators Recommend Gilliam For Bench

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ple of the entire eastern part of North Carolina and of the bar and the people generally through the state," Bailey and Hoey said.

"He is a man of rare personal charm, dutious in habit, cultivated in manner and bearing, and endowed with an understanding heart as well as a brilliant mind," they added.

Gilliam, a graduate of the University of North Carolina, was appointed solicitor by Gov. Cameron Morrison and was offered a superior court judgeship by Gov. Hoey, but he declined it.

The two senators said they had received great numbers of letters and resolutions from county bar associations testifying to Gilliam's merits. The counties sending such endorsements were not named.

Gilliam has served as chairman of the Edgecombe county Democratic Executive committee for 29

Junction Of Yanks, Reds Does Not Mean That War Is Over

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our exactly as General Eisenhower originally planned it.

Gen. Smith said Eisenhower was conducting the campaign on a strictly military plane and his liaison with the Russians is limited to military matters. All political aspects are being handled by the leaders of the Allied governments.

The chief of staff made this remark as reports were widespread that an agreement between the western Allies and Moscow as to what parts of Germany each will occupy was affecting military operations and was responsible for the stopping of the Americans on the Elbe river line.

Two of Eisenhower's decisions during the course of the Allied campaign in Germany were vital, Smith said.

The supreme commander, he said, decided to occupy all the western bank of the Rhine between Wesel and Coblenz before fully exploiting the First Army's Remagen bridgehead. His other decision was to send Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army south across the Moselle instead of directly across the Rhine.

years. He has repeatedly been nominated and re-elected solicitor, mostly without opposition.

Bailey and Hoey said "he will maintain the great tradition of our federal bench and his appointment will be accepted with gladness by the people whom he will serve as judge."

**GLASSES REPAIRED
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CLOTHING MOVIE DRAWS HUNDREDS

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the amusement of the youngsters as they watched comedies and cartoons on the screen with their favorite characters, Popeye, Pluta, Little Lulu, and many others. The pictures lasted for a little over an hour.

W. R. Doshier, chairman of the United National Clothing Collection, said the success of the mat-

inee far exceeded expectations. The committee, he said, "is very grateful to the management of the Carolina Theater and the publicity committee of the drive for arranging this event."

LIBERALIZATION INDICATED

WASHINGTON, April 21.—(AP)—Some liberalization of civilian tire rations by June was indicated tonight in a war production board action increasing passenger tire manufacturing by goals about 60 per cent.

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