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British and Germans Sink Ships In

Stockholm, Thursday, April 11.—British, warships were reported early today to be ready to shell the Germans out of Oslo after engaging German men-o-war in the biggest naval battle since the British grand fleet limped home from the Battle of Jutland 24 years ago.

First meagre reports of the battle, fought almost within Swedish territorial waters, said the British fleet appeared to be whipping the Nazi warships after forcing its way through the narrow Skagerrak and down into

Fjord, it was said, with the remnants of Norway's tiny navy aiding the British.

according to reports at the Swedish frontier, while planes battled overhead and bombs fell on the outskirts.

town of Gothenburg, four German three others.

cruisers and five heavily-laden One civilian was wounded in

to these reports.

Nazi Ships Down

the water, but fisherfolk were afraid to expose their frail craft in rescue work because of the in- that units of the British navy

tense firing. Later several fishing boats left the Island of Roeroe adjoining this morning, aided by coastal Hippelin and returned loaded guns still held by Norwegian forwith dead and wounded German ces.

soldiers and sailors.

witnesses to have consisted of 23 port of Narvik. transports.

and sailors were washed up on fare.

Several badly damaged troop LOUISBURG BAPTIST ish territorial waters.

See Fighting

in flames and watched the flashes en-thirty he will preach on "The that no German planes were lost. of pounding, big-calibre guns.

The naval battle began at 3 p. m., Wednesday and continued un- Training Union at 6:45 P. M. til far into the night when part of the British fleet, reported to be AT LEAST FOUR DIE 10 ships, pushed back northward into the Skagerrak at full speed and into Oslo Fjord.

Gothenburg reports said there was great loss of life in the sinking of five German troop ships.

Inhabitants of Marstrand reported that the battle began beported that the battle began be-tween German armed trawlers and British submarines, and that Albert Guillie, 24, was drowned in later warships and bombing planes entered the conflict.

Residents of the Island of Esships sink stern first. One was a

German cruiser in flames. A short distance away circles of black smoke rose from a shattered German cruiser.

London, April 10 .- British warships, pounding again and again at the Louisburg Theatre beginat the German invaders of Nor- ning Saturday, April 13th: way, were reported tonight in dismanding the surrender of the city er in "Charlie Chan in Panama." proud and bitter day of sea battle Fighting Legion." from one end of the "Hitler-protected" Scandinavian kingdom to dan, Jeffrey Lynn, Humphrey Bo-

the other. Two Norwegian cities, Bergen Came True." and Trondhelm, already were reported, without confirmation, to Day, Robt. Cummings and Billie mer and then died in a flaming have been taken by British land- Burke in "And One Was Beauti- mattress after setting fire to her ing parties after one day of Ger- ful."

man occupation. barking out across the North Sea, Philo Vance." British fighting planes defending home shores were credited with Lionel Barrymore, Emma Dunn, Chloe, 11, was beaten almost unshooting down four Nazi planes Samuel Hinds and Laraine Day conscious, but officers said she which attempted a Wednesday in "Dr. Kildare's Strange Case."

(EIGHT PAGES)

BIG SEA BATTLE

Scandinavian Waters

the Kattegat strait between Sweden and Denmark.

Fierce fighting also was raging early today in Oslo

British Ultimatum

The British, according to the Stockholm radio, served an ultimatum threatening to turn their guns on Oslo unless the Germans gave up their "protective" hold on the capital by noon today.

The city was being evacuated amid scenes of panic,

(In London, reports circulated that Adolf Hitler had served an night raid on Scapa Flow and perultimatum on Sweden demanding haps four others, all Heinkels, in the right to transport troops and daylight engagements off Scotsupplies across Swedish territory land. Two long-range Royal Air to maintain his foothold in Scan-Force fighters flew over Norway. fired a refueling tank on a Nazi-In the Skagerrak battle, within occupied air base, destroyer a sight of people in the Swedish German bomber and crippled

roops ships were sunk, according the unsuccessful Scapa Flow atthese reports.

The pis of the battle was n few ment said no damage was done to niles northwest of the Island of shipping or shore properties by the bomb and machine-gun raid-

Delayed dispatches from Swed-Hippelin residents said they belayed dispatches from Swed-saw two ships, believed to be Nazi en did not say what happened at transports, explode and disappear Oslo after 1 p. m., when the reato the sea with amazing speed, ported British deadline for the Hundreds of heads bobbed in surrender of the city expired.

> But the Stockholm reports said penetrated Oslo Fjord, rocky sea

The wide sweep of British nasides shook houses on the Swed-successful attack against German ish islands and shattered windows.

The German fleet in the battle was reported by Gothenburg eye- on the important ore shipping

ships, 11 of which were troop tionally the "silent service." de-The British Admiralty, tradi-The loss of lives was great and clined comment, however, on many bodies of German soldiers most of the reports of naval war-

CHURCH

Residents of the Swedish town preach on "The Closed Gate of ved "a swarm" of German pursuit tinued: of Marstrand saw ships go down Eden" at eleven o'clock. At sev-planes and 24 British aircraft but Open Gate of Heaven."

Sunday School at 9:45 A. M.

AND 27 HURT SUNDAY

Amite, La., April 8.-Tornadic winds ripping across southern Louisiana early yesterday brought death to at least four persons, left one missing, injured 27 and caus-

the picturesque Lafitte-Bayou Barataria section, 100 miles south. when her houseboat was wrecked. keroe said they saw two Nazi war- Her husband was still missing to-Two children, cousins of day. Guille, were injured.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program

Saturday - Double Featurepatches from the North to have Gene Autry and Jane Withers in pointed their big guns at Oslo, de- "Shooting High" and Sidney Tolby its Nazi garrison, during a Also Chapter No. 11 "Zorros

> Sunday-Monday - Ann Sherigare and Zasu Pitts in- "It All

Wednesday-James Stephenson

Thursday-Friday-Lew Ayres.

SPEAK



HON. J. M. BROUGHTON

Candidate for Governor of North Carolina will speak in the Court House in Louisburg at 2:00 o'clock on Monday afternoon, during the recess of Court. All are invited to hear him on the political issues of the day.

CITIZENS OF LOUISBURG REQUESTED TO OBSERVE CLEAN-UP WEEK, APRIL 28

TO MAY 5, 1940

In cooperation with other Agencies of Franklin County who are staging a CLEAN-UP WEEK from April 28th through May 5, 1940, we are attempting to make of Louisburg, N. C., one of the cleanest, neatest, prettiest towns in North Caro-

We are asking the citizens of Louisburg to help us in this movement by cleaning up your premises. We will be glad to send a truck to your homes and stores to haul all of your trash without cost to you. When you have accumulated your trash call Telephone Number 427-1. and a truck will be sent to haul your trash as soon as possible. With sincere wishes that you will join the CLEAN-UP CAM-PAIGN, I am.

Respectfully yours, W. C. WEBB, Mayor.

The detonations of the broad- val action embraced a vicious and TWO BRITISH AND SIX NAZI PLANES DOWNED

Eight warplanes, two British and six German, were reported shot down Tuesday in bursts of aerial fighting over the North Sea and the western front.

official German news agency, DNB, which said two British bom- years. bers were shot down about 100 the fortified German Island of Sylt. The agency Dr. A. Paul Bagby, pastor will said the battle over the sea invol-

> In London, the air ministry announced that two British planes failed to return affer the battle and that one German plane was destroyed in the fight.

BREMEN RUMORS

Amsterdam, April 9 .- A report entirely unconfirmed circulated here tonight that the German liner Bremen had been sunk by British airplanes or had been torpedoed. The reports did not state where the sinking was supposed to have

It was believed the report originated on the Bourse.

New York, April 9 .- Columbia Broadcasting systems short wave station here tonight picked up a radio report from Paris saying that Amsterdam had reported to London that the German steamship Bremen had been sunk while carrying 1,300

CBS said the broadcast was in the Spanish language and that no confirmation had come from London.

MOTHER KILLS 3 CHILDREN AND HERSELF

Los Angeles, April 4 .- A moth er beat her three small children Tuesday-Jean Muir, Laraine to death today with a small hamown hair.

The dead, officers reported, are While the navy guns were and Margot Stevenson in "Calling Mrs. Lolita Davis, 43: Daphne Davis, 10; Deborah Davis, 7; Marquis Davis, 3, A fourth child, probably would recovered

LITTLE HOPE ADVANCED FOR IMPROVING U.S. NO. 1 U.S. Shipping

Traffic does not justify better- for improvement of the northment of U.S. Highway I south of south artery in North Carolina.

in these counties have clamored road .- News-Observer.

Cary and any widening of the Figures of the highway departhighway north of Raleigh must ment show the road to extend 179 ton .- Preswait until-and if - adequate miles through this State, 171 dent Roose

funds are available. Highway Eu- miles of this distance being gineer W. Vance Baise said yes- feet wide, six miles (between Ral- United Stateigh and Cary) being 30 feet wide The engineer of the Highway and two miles (north of Sanford) Wednesday and Public Works Department is- being 20 feet wide. sued the statement in answer to a Any betterment program, the waters arouquestion from New York, but it engineer said, would not be un- nd the Scan-

indirectly answered recent peti-dertaken as a continuous project d in a vian tions to the Highway Commission along the road but would be a peninsula. from Wake, Vance. Halifax and sector - by - sector improvement Franklin counties. Civic agencies where traffic demands most of the ident sign-

trars and Poll Holders

At a meeting of the Board of Elections for Franklin County following were appointed Registrars and pollholders for the coming primary and election. The first named is the Registrar and the last named is the Republican member:

Dunn No. 1-J. O. Williams, J. F. Perry, J. R. White.

Dunn No. 2-C. E. Pearce, A. D. Mills, J. A. Ray. Harris-Oscar Hagwood, J. B. Wilder, W. R. Young.

Winston. Youngsville-C. G. E. Winston, E. M. Mitchell. Franklinton-M. W. Hardy, J. B. Kearney, B. B. Pruitt.

Hayesville-A. A. Purnell. H. Goodson, G. T. Ayescue. Sandy Creek-G. B. Egerton, Morris Bledsoe, Walter Ball. Gold Mine-Alston Fuller, T.

R. Gupton, Bennie Shearon. Cedar Rock-Ira Inscoe, Arch Wilson, J. C. Barthoomew.

Cypress Creek—J. A. Boone. J. M. Harris, A. N. Wilder. Louisburg—W. A. Huggins, R. W. Alston, E. H. Hight.

Recorder's Court

Franklin Recorder's Court held short session on Tuesday morning and disposed of cases as fol-

Thomas Hunt plead guilty to motor vehicle violations, prayer for judgment continued.

Bulsy Dunston was found guilty of unlawful possession of whiskey, and given 60 days on roads, Perhaps the most spectacular suspended upon payment of costs action of the day was told by the official German news agency of the State for a period of two

Tom Williams, Jr., plead guilty to larceny and receiving and was given 4 months on roads

The following cases were con-

Mary Lee Alston, motor vehicle violation. George Ragland, motor vehicle

violation Archie Bell, unlawful posses-

CURRENT LITERATURE CLUB of the office announced today.

sion of whiskey.

The Current Literature Club was entertained by Mrs. A. Paul Bagby at her home, on Tuesday afternoon, April 9. The subject of the program was "The East." Mrs. L. F. Kent spoke on "Sinkiang, Afghanistan, Baghdad"; kins spoke on "India Reveals Herhostess, assisted by Miss Elizabeth dates of planting over the Cotton

Members present were: Mrs. L. Mrs. V. R. Kilby, Mrs. J. G. Phillips. Miss Mary Yarborough and Mrs. Bagby. Miss Elizabeth Lassiter was a special guest,

MILLS P. T. A.

everybody come.

Mrs. Earle Murphy. Pres. BAND CONCERT

Henderson High School Band, pled for classing." April 26, Friday night, at 8:00. Go out and make this entertainment a big success.

A car traveling at 60 miles at hour strikes a stationery object with an impact equal to that it would have if dropped off a 10story building.

Appoints Regis- Golf Tournaments are forbidden to operate, from Begin

The first of a series of golf tournaments by the Green Hill' Country Club will take place on teen of the Wake Forest Faculty have signified their intention of taking part in this tournament: Kola peninsula of Russia and thus and although a large number of play on Saturday, the Tournament Committee reports that they hope to be able to match all Wake

Forest players. Only a very few matches will be scheduled to be played on Saturdays, as that day is not convenvenient day for the college pro- goods in this country.

Tournament Committee expects to arrange matches with Jones, federal loan administrator, tee. date, only one other definite en- and Undersecretary of State Sum- iness was taken up. gagement has been settled. This ner Welles, is with Warrenton on May 8, on the local links.

BASE-BALL

The Louisburg College Trojans will play Col. Earl Holt's Oak Ridger's this afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at the College Ball Park This is expected to be a tight game as Col. Holt always brings a good team to Louisburg.

DOUBLE-HEADER SATURDAY The Trojans will also play Wingate a double-header the local grounds Saturday, the first game starting at 2:00

APPLICATION FORMS FOR FREE CLASSING

Forms for making request for the free classing of cotton of their Here is the status of credits to 1940 crops are available for one- the Scandinavian countries as variety communities and other Jones outlined them: cotton improvement groups at Denmark-\$10,000,000 allocat-the Atlanta classing office of the ed by the Export-Import Bank, Joe M. McLure who is in charge or obligated for purchases.

Representatives of any cotton of which \$226,000 has been ex-O. Box 4027. Atlanta, Georgia. would be available. Mrs. M. S. Davis reviewed the Any group may file its applica- Sweden-\$15,000,000, of which book, "In the Steps of Moses, the tion as soon as its members have none has been spent. Lawgiver"; and Mrs. C. M. Wat- planted their cotton. In considering requests early applications ed, of which \$7,000,000 has been self." Following the program, re- will be given preference after al- spent and more than \$3,000,000 freshments were served by the lowance is made for the different made subject to committments.

Mr. McLure calls attention to Members present were: Mrs. L.

F. Kent, Mrs. C. M. Watkins, Mrs.

the prospect that applications for \$1,000,000 to Iceland. No purM. S. Davis, Mrs. T. C. Amick,

the free classing may go over the
chases have been made, but Jones 900 mark again this year. Last said that if Iceland needed the season the Service approved 918 money to buy American goods it groups for the free classing. would be available. Early filing of applications," Mr. McLure said, "will help the classing offices arrange for the work and assure the group that its ap-Mills P. T. A. will hold its last plication will be acted upon in meeting Thursday, April 18th, time for their early-picked cotton 3:30 in the auditorium. Please to be classed." "Last season so late that the groups did not receive their shipping tags and other supplies until after cotton

The Service will supply free graph operator broke it off with market news reports again this season to supplement the free run away."

graph operator broke it off with onstration he conducted with peanuts last year, reports N. K. Rounds again to supplement the free run away." classing for improvement groups.

Roosevelt Bars

Washinges shipping

ed a proclamation extending the European combat zone, in which American vessels ing Mitchell Field. Bergen on the west coast of Nor- bumpier than a landing under way entirely around the Scandi- normal conditions when the pilot mainland just south of 44 degrees him. east longitude and 70 degrees

north latitude. The newly added area extends from all outside contact by a can-Saturday afternoon. April 20, for several hundred miles to sea Elections for Franklin County when the Wake Forest golfers along the entire west and north will meet the local boys on the coasts of Norway and closes some coasts of Norway and closes some Green Hill course. About eigh-Russian' ports to United States' shipping also.

The zone extends around the from going into the White Sea or from visiting the Russian ports of Archangel and Murmansk. administration adopted

ancing purchases of non-military

Applying the term "stop, look meeting, and listen" to the course the government will follow for the immediate future. Jones said that "we want to wait and see how things go" before deciding on a perma-

nent policy Wait On Policy

"I think the whole situation in regard to the Scandinavian countries." Jones told newsmen, "is one that requires that we look a little further before we determine problems today: upon a policy or a change in policy. Naturally we will look to American nationals in Europe. the President and the State Department for guidance in that re- idential, proclamation formally

The loan administrator explain- as belligerents. ed that even after credits are goods are bought and shipped, so action on extending the combat that this government retains con-READY FOR GROWERS trol of the money as long as po

Agricultural Marketing Service, none of which has been expended Norway-\$10,000,000 allocated

improvement group in Georgia, pended and \$180,000 obligated Alabama, Florida, South Caro-Few-purchases not yet shipped. If lina, North Carolina and Virginia the goods should be shipped, Jones may obtain sets of these applica- said, the money would be advanction form by applying to the Ag- ed under the committement but he ricultural Marketing Service, P. considered it unlikely that ships

Minland-\$30,000,000 allocat-

Work on Proclamation The Export-Import Bank also has approved a committment of

State and Justice department experts were at work on a proclamation for submission to the President, extending neutrality provisions to Norway and Denmark. late in the trial and stated withbut lack of diplomatic word from out reservation she shot her fasome applications were received Norway slowed up a decision on ther because, she said, "he threat-

exactly what steps would be taken. At the State Department it was reported that the last official Mills P. T. A. will sponsor the able to get their first cotton sampled for classing."

word received from Oslo was at 11

J. B. Webb, of Chowan County.

a. m., E.S.T., Tuesday. That was same highly pleased with the relefit incomplete when the telesults of the sulphur dusting demword received from Oslo was at 11

Dim your lights when meeting about the kind of mistakes that another car. Glaring headlights can be corrected. The ones that TIME AND THEN SETTING cannot be are the ones that hurt your WATCH TO CORRESTINGS.

Blind Flight Successful

In North First Totally "Blind" Flight Made From Mitchell Field To Langley Field

> Langley Field, Va., April 6 .--The first totally "blind" flight in the history of aviation was completed today by a United States Army air corps bomber as it landed at Langley Field from Mitchell Field, N. Y.

Major Carl B. McDaniel, a native of Texas, took off, flew and landed entirely by instruments. The giant four-motored plane touched its wheels to the ground

at the big army base here two hours and two minutes after leav-The instrument landing was no

navian peninsula to the Russian can see the ground in front of Major McDaniel, in charge of a crew of six men, was shut off vas screen around his side of the

GREEN HILL GOLF CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

yearly meeting of the the Louisburg golfers cannot prevents United States' vessels Green Hill Golf Club was held at the club house on the 4th of April, at which time officers for the coming year were elected. They were as follows: Wednesday a "stop, look and list- Williamson, President; Coy Cox, Vice-President; L. M. Word, Securdays, as that day is not convenient for most Louisburg golfers. the Export-Import Bank for fin- G. M. Beam, J. S. Howell, Maurice Murphy, Bill Boyce, Executive Committee: President, Secretary, This was reported by Jesse and Chairman Fairways Commit

Roxboro, Mebane, South Boston, after he conferred at the White. The meeting was most interest-Oxford and Warrenton, but to House with President Roosevelt ing and some very necessary busly dance was held following the

SPREAD OF WAR BRINGS U. S. DIPLO-MATIC PROBLEMS

Washington, April 9.-The explosive spread of Europe's war to Scandinavia confronted the administriaion with three urgent

1-The safety of some 3,000 2-The question of a new pres-

designating Norway and Denmark 3-The matter of protecting granted money is not actually ad- American shipping interest in the vanced for purchases until the invading countries and possible

> Decision on the steps the government would take awaited the return of President Roosevelt from Hyde Park and Secretary of State Hull from Atlantic City. The first official word of the Reich's swift hammer blows on

the Scandinavian front reached

the capital shortly after midnight from Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, United States minister to Norway. High state department officials headed by Assistant Secretary Berle were quickly summoned to the State department building near the White House and lights

burned on toward dawn. MORRISON GIRL IS ACQUIT-TED ON MURDER CHARGE

Wilmington, April 6 .- A verdict of justifiable homicide with accompanying complete acquittal was returned at the trial of Zelda Deloris Morrison, charged with murdering her father, was completed late yesterday afternoon in New Hanover juvenile court.

The maximum sentence that could have been imposed under North Carolina juvenile statutes had the court found otherwise would have been incarceration in a reform school for an indefinite period. The defendant took the stand

ened to cut my mother's tongue out.

State College Extension Service.