

out as the raiders approached. Radio Tokyo said Osaka also was

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Earl Of Athlone Queen City Line Filing To Visit White **House Next Week**

WASHINGTON, March 17. -(AP) from Shelby to Grover and thence -The Earl of Athlone, governor general of Canada, and his wife, Princess Alide, will arrive in through service for Columbia and Washington next Thursday to be other South Carolina points.

White House guests for three days. announcement today, said the visitors will be received with all the honors accorded the head of a state. Full details of the social program during their visit will be announced later.

The reception to the governor governor general will follow closely on the visit to the White House of Prime Minister MacKenzie King Greyhound Lines. of Canada, who a few days ago returned to Ottawa after discussing Canadian-American relations, particularly postwar economic affairs, with President Roosevelt.

Another distinguished foreign visitor was due at the White House today - Crown Princess Juliana of the Netherlands. She was due in from Canada to be the Roosevelts' week-end guest.

Weathers Resolution **Endorsing Freedom Of News Is Adopted**

RALEIGH, March 17-(P)- The North Carolina legislature has a-dopted a joint resolution by Senator Weathers of Cleveland endorsing "the principle of free and unhampered access to and transmission of news in the various countries of the world."

The resolution also said that "the press of the United States has unanimously expressed a de-sire for equitable and uniform tolls in news dispatches emanating form the various countries of the world"; and "the unhampered access to news in all countries of the world will be a potent factor in the preservation of peace."

Singled out for commendation for work in those fields were Kent Cooper, executive director of the Associated Press; and Hugh Baillie, president of the United Press. Copies of the resolution were or-dered sent to the state's senators The resolution passed the house late yesterday and will be ratified Monday. and representatives in congress.

track," said one Lancaster gunner.

RALEIGH, March 17 .- (AP)-Defi-Both Nuernburg and Wuerzburg nitely in the "home stretch," the were bombed by moonlight. Smoke nitely in the "home stretch," the soon blurred the targets, but the North Carolina legislature bent on glow of fires could be seen for adjournment by the middle of the

coming week, held its first Satur-Nuernberg, war center and Nazi meeting place in southday session on public calendar today. By agreement, the Saturday sessions have heretofore been devoted to local bills only. House Speaker Oscar Richard- has been spared. son announced earlier in the week SLOW ADVANCE

factories are still producing on a reduced scale. Wuerzburg, Bavarian industrial city 55 miles northwest of Nuernto York, connecting there with berg, has a large number of engi-

neering and textile plants. ITALY-BASED PLANES Previously, the Atlantic Grey-Yesterday was the first time in

miles.

The White House, in making this hound Lines had announced inten- 32 days that Germany proper estion to seek a franchise for a caped without a daylight raid by heavy bombers from Britain, but Shelby-Grover linking of its U. S. heavy bombers from Italy through service from Atlanta to Winston-Salem. Both petitions will refineries in the Vienna area. be scheduled for hearing in April Weather curtailed air activity at forward bases. However, U. S. at Raleigh before the State Utilities commission. Henry B. Edninth air force Marauders got in thhe new state board of education, than 50 Liberator bombers dropwards represents the Queen City several attacks at railroads. forti- as nominated by Governor Cherry, ped 243 tons of explosives on the Lines. O. M. Mull the Atlantic

behind the Nazi lines. Principal tar- sion of the two houses yesterday, on adjacent islands. Some planes It is the purpose of the petitioner, Mr. Edwards said, to provide Kaiserslautern areas. early morning, mid-day and later afternoon schedules into and out Eight German fighters were of Shelby on the projected exten-

sion of service to a territory not See PETITION Page 2 13 MISSING

What Did You **Buy**, Brother?

WASHINGTON, March 16. $-(\mathcal{P})$ —If you paid \$500 income tax, you bought the Marines two flamethrowers. Here's what other sample 1944 tax payments can provide for the fibbing formation

BUS VIA GROVER

Competitive Application

For Franchise

Queen City Coach company is

filing a competitive application to

operate passenger bus local service

the fighting forces: Five cents-a cotton handker-

chief \$2.50-A steel helmet. \$15—The new submachinegun. \$35—A garand rifle. \$150—A potato peeling ma

\$250—A motor scooter. \$350—A 50 - calibre machine-

\$1,000—A barrage balloon. \$2,500—A "Flying Jeep" s5,000—A 75mm. aircraft can-

\$10,000—A 10-ton truck. \$20,000—A155mm. howitzer. \$50,000—A Sherman tank or a

sobile laundry. \$100,000—Two P-51 fighter

\$250,000—A Liberator bomber. \$600,000—A B-29 Superfortress. \$1,000,000—One one-hundredth of a battleship. Feel better about it now?

ern Germany, has one of the largest railroad yards in the reich, with trunk lines running to all war fronts. Some of its armament plants and tank the public calendar would be con-

finish

with the senate's slate in even bet- though the 300 foot steel and conter shape, observers believe the as- crete Aringay span was captured sembly can close the books on the by a surprise night move. session Tuesday and certainly by Gen. Douglas MacArthur anmaintained assaults on enemy fuel Wednesday if no unforeseen com- nounced the new successes today plications arise to delay it. EDUCATION BOARD

fied positions and ordnance depots was accomplished at a joint ses- Ansan naval base at Formosa and

gets were in the Mannheim and but due to a transposition of names from MacArthur's southwest Pawas found necessary to amend the nawa, midway between Formosa knocked down by American pilots bill in the house. The amendment and Japan. over the front yesterday and seven others, were destroyed on the Rockingham, and adopted, placing

ground. Eleven U. S. fighters were Dr. Julian S. Miller, Charlotte edi-missing. Dr. julian S. Miller, Charlotte edi-tor, in the seventh educational dis-Other elements bypassed Teresa, trict, which embraces Mecklenburg Thirteen Italy-based planes, in- county, and Mrs. R. S. Ferguson, of

cluding six heavy bombers, were Alexander county, in the sixth. The missing from yesterday's opera-tions, which damaged severely three districts reversed, placing Dr. Millof four intact refineries in the er in the sixth and Mrs. Ferguson

in the seventh Four German planes were shot It may have been the 86-degre

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LARRY ALLEN SPEAKS:

Vienna area.

ganization.

Entire Nazi System Damned By News Ace

By JOHN WEBB CANNON, City Editor The Star

venge for the weak soup and Bitterness oozing from his pungent sentences, Larry Allen, Assomouldy bread, his fare as a ciated Press correspondent, who risoner of war, for his cold nights and ner starvation was released from a German prison camp six months ago, gave the whole Nazi system and philosophy ing the time he spent behind barbed wire in various Nazi priof life a damning in his speech at son camps. the high school auditorium last night. He was speaking under the auspices of the Junior Chamber of

Correspondent Allen started out as an Italian prisoner after his fifth dumping into the Mediterra-Commerce and was presented by Doris Bolt, president of that ornean. He became a German prisoner of war when he tried to make his escape from a cattle car and From the start, Corresponwas betrayed by a couple of Ital-ians who had promised to help him just before he reached the Swiss dent Allen seized the sympathy and interest of his Cleveland county audience and it cheered him on as he took verbal re-

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43rd infantry division meanwhile is delivering a smashing double-pronged blow against the Japanese in the Srimbu line east of Manila while an ampribious operation has been made in southern Luzon.

international events he will submit to questioning, a post-lecture Installations around Baguio, Lt feature of each of the Executives Gen. Tomovuki Yamashita's headsession when the speaker submits quarters, have been bombed and to audience questioning in extenshelled heavily. As yet the city sion of remarks.

The advance of the 33rd has U. S. Forces Break sidered this 64th day of the 1945 been slow-13 miles in a monthgeneral assembly, and yesterday the but the methodical gain has been Into Vergato But senate also agreed to consider pub- made through difficult mountain lic bills as a means of speeding the terrain filled with Japanese am-Are Forced Out Again bush parties. The going has been With only a few public bills re- made more difficult by the syste

maining on the house calendar and matic blowing up of bridges al-ROME, March 17-(AP)-Troops of the U.S. First Armored division yesterday broke into the village of Salvaro near the Bologna-Pistoia highway behind the German-held road-crossing town along with stepped-up air attacks of Vergato, but later were forced on enemy islands between Luzon to withdraw, Allied headquarters Confirmation of ten members of and the Japanese homeland. More announced today.

The Germans have clung stubbornly to Vergato for months. It the Oder itself, from Griefhagen controls the southwest approach- toward the Stettin-Berlin autoes to Bologna. Allied capture of bahn was unofficially reported de-Salvaro would virtually isolate the molished before the Russians ocof two of the board members, it cific theatre ranged up to Oki-Vergato garrison.

The Americans entered the town NEAR BRAUNSBERG Meanwhile, the Third White Rusafter driving from Serra, captured General Wing's 43rd has dethe day before. For a time they sian army group, liquidating the controlled a number of buildings Nazi's East Prussian fragments, in the town. They withdrew af- pressed closer to Braunsberg and ter suffering a number of casual- reached the outskirts of the Port of Brandenburg, which already has

WHAT'S DOING

experience in writing that includ-

ed collaboration with Franklin D.

Roosevelt on a detective novel.

Following his timely discussion of

See.

points.

main highway bridge across the

Oder's eastern arm, the Reglitz, and

been cut off from Koenigsberg, 10

An uneasy lull was reported from the most crucial of all sectors of

the eastern front—the 25-mile

stertch of the middle Oder due east

Marshal K. K. Rokossovsky's Sec-

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miles to the northwest.

SUNDAY 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.-U.S. O. center open to service folk visiting in the city. MONDAY

7:30 p.m.—City council meets at city hall. 7:30 p.m.-Mission Revival series begins at First Baptist church.

Hard-Won Little Iwo Paying Off With Quick Dividends

By MORRIE LANDSBERG | the same day three Marine divis-U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEAD- ions crushed the last organized

today

QUARTERS, GUAM, March 17- enemy resistance after 26 days of ficers the following story: (AP)-Volcanic little Iwo, won at a fighting in which more than 21,parently had been gained in Dyer cost of 4,189 Marines killed, 15,308 000 Nipponese were killed.

county, Tennessee, where 40,000 wounded and 441 missing, already SOUTHERN FIELD acres have been flooded and 200 is paying off with quick dividends. The big southern bomber field, The navy disclosed today that captured on the second day of the by breaks in a small private levee. two airfields are in combat opera- invasion, has been in operation Engineers said conditions along tion within fighter plane range of since Feb. 26 and already 30 Suhe main Booth's Point-Tennemo Tokyo. The second one, in the perfortresses have made emergenroadway were "more favorable center of the eight square mile iscy stops there-halfway between than at any time" since the flood land, was completed by engineers B-29 bases in the Marianas and who worked on it while the blood- bombing targets in Japan. Here-The Mississippi river was due to jest engagement of the Pacific tofore, the costly Superforts cripcrest here today at 38 feet, four raged about them. See HARD-WON Page 3 Engineers finished it yesterday, above flood stage.

and lecturers, has had a varied against the reduced enemy bridgehead at Stettin from within four and a half miles of that vital northern gateway to Berlin.

Simultaneously, the Russians **CONFESSES TO** were reported bringing up pontoon equipment along a three-mile stretch of the Oder river in the vi-SIX KILLINGS cinity of captured Griefhagen, less than 11 miles south of Stettin. The heaviest Russian pressure was exerted against the southern

flank of the Nazi bridgehead, which Arkansas Youth Tells Maextends along the east bank of the Oder for about 11 miles south from cabre Story Of Series Stettin's eastern suburbs of Altdamm, on the edge of Dammscher **Of Crimes**

The remaining Nazi bridge-head east of the river is only LITTLE ROCK, Ar., March 17-(AP)-A 24-year-old tax1 driver one to two miles deep at some Its complete seizure 'when he worked" - was held in would be a tactical preparation Pulaski county jail here today on for the Berlin offensive second open charges after police reported in importance only to the caphe had confessed to killing six ture of Kuestrin early this week. persons, including his second wife Fall of Griefhagen put Marsha and an Arkansas state official. Gregory K. Zhukov's troops into State Police Sgt. Homer Sims another good jumping spot spanning the Oder. However, the

and City Detective Herbert R. Peterson said James W. Hall, redhaired native of Enola, Ark., told them last night that he killed

J. D. Newcomb, jr., of Little Rock, state boiler inspector, whose charred body was found in his automobile last Thursday night near Heber Springs. His second wife, Mrs. Faye Clements Hall.

E. C. Adams, of Humboldt, Kansas, found slain in his car near Fordyce, southwest of Little Rock, Feb. 1.

Doyle Mulherin, of Little Rock, packing company truck driver, whose body was found on the roadside between Brummet and Stuttgart in eastern Arkansas on Feb. 8.

of Berlin-where both German and An unidentified negro at Russian troops continued to mass Camden, Ouachita county, in for an impending climactic bat-January.

An unidentified negro woman at Salina, Kansas, seven ond White Russian army again toyears ago. day sustained the powerful drive

Peterson said Hall, a five-ten 170-pound dapper looking man, was arrested yesterday morning on a tip that he had left Little Rock and headed toward Conway, Ark. on the day Newcomb was slain. Conway is between Little Rock and Heber Springs, where Newcomb's body was found.

MACABRE STORY

The detective said Hall told of-

"I'll tell you all about it. I killed them all.

"I married a Conway girl and we were divorced after more than

four years. We have a little twoyear-old. I'm crazy about him. "I was drafted into the navy in 1943 and was discharged after six weeks service because of

indifference. I don't know what that means. "I married Faye Clements of Lo-

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Engineers said there had been little change in the caving of the levee just below Trimble island, but there was still a threat of the embankment giving way. All families have been evacuated from the threatened area. Meanwhile, the upper hand apfamilies forced from their homes

threat appeared.

stroyed the entire south flank of ties.

MEMPHIS, March 17-(AP)-The

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WHITE RIVER **STILL SERIOUS**

situation along the Jackson Ba-

you levee in Prairie county, Ar-

while army troops battled to hold

the flooded White river which has forced 230 families to higher

kansas, remained "serious"

ound.