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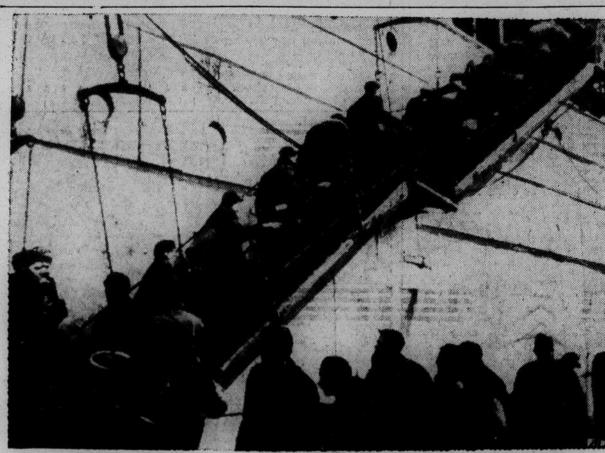
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# GERMANS RUN FOR RHINE IN DESPERATE RETREAT

# Russians Launch New Offensive In Hungary, Advance North Of Mor



FREED ALLIED PRISONERS START FOR HOME-Caption accompanying this Russian photo describes it as showing Allied war prisoners, freed by the Russian Army, boarding a ship in the port of Odessa en route to their home countries. Among the liberated prisoners were aproximately 1,200 Americans.

## 27th Straight Night Raid Against Berlin

British Heavies Attack Witten, Hanau, German Communications Centers

LONDON, March 19.—(AP)—RAF heavy bombers hammered two vital German communications centers behind the western front last night while Mosquitos delivered their 27th straight night raid on Berlin, still smoking from a record-breaking daylight assault by 1,300 U. S. bombers Sunday. this morning as he opened a term

Legislators Ratify Resolution east of Frankfurt-Am-Main. Both blows apparently were carried out in great strength.

RALEIGH. March 19-(A)-The

North Carolina legislature ratified

today a joint resolution by Sena-

tor Lee Weathers of Shelby, pub-

lisher of The Shelby Star, endors-

ing "the principle of free and un-

hampered access to and transmis-

sion of news in the various coun-

in the preservation of peace."

or Wednesday.

A number of local wine bills, a

and a bill extending the authority

of the state highway patrol were

among the last bits of major leg-

Both the house and the senate

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islation left on the calendars.

**AGED SHELBY** 

**NEGRO BURNED** 

Edward Arnold, eighty-fiveold Shelby negro was burned to

"The press of the United States

tries of the world."

continued in daylight today.

U. S. Flying Fortresses and Liberators which hit Berlin Sunday rained 3,000 tons of bombs on the battered capital at the crushing rate of 50 tons a minute. It was the 34th successive daylight assault upon Germany by American warplanes.

Seven hundred U. S. fighters accompanied the great armada of heavy bombers.

has unanimously expressed a de-sire for equitable and uniform While the Yank bombers concentolls in news dispatches emanattrated on railroad yards in the ing from the various countries of heart of Berlin and armament the world," the resolution said, plants in the industrial suburbs, adding that "the unhampered acone group of American Mustangs cess to news in all countries of ranged beyond and teamed up with the world will be a potent factor 15 Russian fighter-planes in de-

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### RALEIGH, March 19 .- (A)-The the shortest week-end recess of the Flood Waters Of legislature reconvened today after session and prepared to take up session and prepared to take up final business in the hope of ad- Mississippi Receding journing sine die either tomorrow

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 19. — (A)—Falling waters of the swollen measure setting up the state hospital and medical care commission, Mississippi river relieved pressure Tennemo-Booth's Point on the road way west of Dyersburg, Tenn., today, easing flood threats that have menaced the section for two weeks.

Army engineers described as genground out scores upon scores of bills, public and local, last week as erally satisfactory the conditions in the area, where several breaks in a private levee have put 40,000 lowland acres under water. The White River in Arkansas,

however, continued to threaten levees along its lower stretches in "oodruff, Prairie and Monroe

Col. G. W. Miller, Memphis di-

# **LIQUOR EVIL**

In Charge To Grand Jury Says Prohibition Will Stick Next Time

"Give us another crack at liquor and we'll make prohibition stick" was the challenge Judge E. Yates Webb hurled at the wet interests Targets of the British heavies of United States District court were Witten, 26 miles east of Duis- with a charge to the grand jury, burg in the heart of the Ruhr which breathed defiance to those Valley, and Hanau, about six miles who assist in the perpetuation of what he termed Mankind's No.

J. A. Gullick, of Belmont, cot-On News Freedom The German radio indicated the ton broker, was appointed foreman assaults on the Reich were being of the grand jury by Judge Webb. Other members of the grand jury drawn today were Zinn Bridges,
Lander Cobb, Clyde Sherrill, Roy
Waters, Clyde Warlick, Francis
Boyles, C. L. Byers, Frank Gilbert,
Carl Weaver, Plato Champion, R.
B. Costner, Everett Leonhardt,
Paul C. Bringle Worth Silver Van
Land County At Noon Paul C. Bengle, Worth Silver, Van Harrill, Jim Curley, Spurgeon Freeman and Dewey Boyles. The major part of Judge Webb's charge was devoted to the paying

of his respects to the liquor traffic and the attendant evils of synthetic wine and beer. "LIKE VICIOUS DOG"

"Alcohol," Judge Webb told the grand jurors and his courtroom audience, "has hold of the human race like a vicious dog." "The evil is steadily growing worse," he con-tinued detailing how insidious propaganda on behalf of liquor is being spread through the maga-gines, the radio and the films. "The more beautiful the actress is, the more handsome the hero,"

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### Schools Start Back On Early Spring Schedule

thy said the mild weather gave the schools a fine break and after today he said that he did not anticipate anyone would notice the difference. Schools start at 8:45 a.m. strict engineer, said cavings of river banks along the Jackson Bayou now instead of 9:15 o'clock as levee near Trimble Island keeps during the winter months. The buildings open at 8:30 a.m.

# death Saturday on a tract of land owned by Bob Dorsey of Shelby and located five miles north of To-Arnold who was a hard-working and thrifty man was cutting wood alone in the words at the words and thrifty man was cutting wood alone in the words at the words a

clothing and shoes were completely burned off his body and his
pocketbook revealed that he had
between \$30 and \$60 on his person.

The home front as the Allies close
in on Berlin and Tokyo.
Government officials frankly
predicted this today, saying there
will be little if any relief as long
will be little if any relief as long

This was burned into a crisp, convincing the coroner and sheriff of Burke county there was no foul play.

Arnold lived in Shelby in one of J. F. Ledford's houses on Buffalo street. His body has been brought street. His body has been brought and Japan are defeated.

A 12 per cent cut in the home. A 12 per cent cut in the home

and thrifty man was cutting wood alone in the woods, clearing a new ground. It is supposed that in burning a pile of brush that his clothing caught fire and he was unable to put out the flame. His clothing and shoes were completely burned off his body and his pocketbook revealed that he had between \$30 and \$60 on his person.

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH (Front's meat supply was announced over the week-end, as the OPA slashed April passenger tire quotas 37 per cent below this month's level. In another reflection of the war's quickening pace, Selective service said that to retain more young and irreplaceable men in industry it will be little if any relief as long over 29. over 29.

> These moves followed closely anneuncement last week of a deep cut in the amount of leather available for civilian shoes because of increased military demands.
>
> The cut in civilian meat allo-

# GAIN 15 MILES

Kolberg Fell To Soviets Sunday After 13-Day Siege

LONDON, March 19.—(AP) The giant B-29s, paying a prehigh command said today.
In southern Silesia the First

Ukrainian army of Marshal Ivan Koney has plunged forward for gains of 15 miles or more, reaching the area of Neustadt, less than three miles from the border Czechoslovakia, and attacking on both sides of Neisse, 15 miles northwest of Neustadt, the Germans said. Neustadt is 57 miles southeast of besieged Breslau.

In the north Marshal Gregory Zhukov wheeled Russian divisions westward from the operations around captured Kolberg on the Baltic to add impetus to the battle for Stettin and the mouth of

the Oder.
Kolberg, devastated by a 13-day siege, fell yesterday, a Russian communique announced, as a savage struggle mounted from the eastern suburbs of Stettin to Wollin island in the Oder estuary. Marshal Zhukov's infantry and

artillery today were pressing home new attacks in this flank drive, which is a preliminary to the grand assault on Berlin.

Meanwhile, German forces trapped southwest of Koenigsberg in East Prussia reeled back into final

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land County At Noon Tomorrow

With the co-operation of the local tire dealers and recappers, the Shelby police department and local rationing officials, an intensive campaign will begin at noon omorrow to have all tires in Cleveland county inspected this week. An organization of tire service organizations whose representatives met at the Shelby rationing office this morning with A. H. Quisenbery, from the Charlotte OPA office was perfected for carrying out

the inspection plan. Each service station and re-capping agency will furnish a repre-sentative to go through the sections where cars are parked and inspect tires on all automobiles. In cases where a tire is found to need repairs a card will be left in the car designating which tire needs the repairs and asking them

to see their regular dealer.
Chief of Police Knox Hardin,
who attended this morning session at the rationing board waived Shelby schools started back on their spring schedules of early opening this morning with few reports of tardiness.

Superintendent Walter Aberne
Solve at the fattoning board walted for one week with the approval of the city board, the enforcement of the city ordinance which prohibits putting cards in parked automobiles. He said that his men would also co-operate in the undertaking by giving cards to all heavily hit London areas. stopped for any reason and whose tires need recapping.

The greatest stockpile of rubber

is still on the wheels of American motorists, it was pointed out this morning by Mr. Quisenbery.

Recapping agencies represented at meeting emphasized that camel back for recapping tires will be scarce this summer on account of the shortage of carbon. The recappers hope to get an early start on their summer work. The movement started at the

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Plan Investigation

Of Food Shortage WASHINGTON, March. 19.

—(P)—The senate voted unanimously today for an investigation of food shortages.

Proposed in an effort to find a solution to tightened supplies of meat and other commodities, the resolution was approximately to the state of th by voice vote without

# Hundreds Of U.S. Planes Rained Destruction On Japan Sunday And Today

GUAM, March 19.—(AP)—Hundreds of carrier planes and probably 350 Superforts-flying an estimated 3,000-NAZI FORCES TRAPPED plus sorties—bombed Japan with more than 5,000 tons of incendiaries and high explosives Sunday and Monday.

-A new Russian offensive in dawn return visit to Nagoya to Hungary has advanced to the finish up the destruction started was lost as the result of enemy action. north of Mor, 39 miles west just one week ago, loosed 2500 or HEAVY DAMAGE of Budapest and 98 miles more tons of incendiaries on Jaof Budapest and 98 miles pan's sixth largest city and prin-from Vienna, the German cipal airplane manufacturing cen-

"We burned hell out of Nagoya," reported Col. Carl Storrie, Denton, Tex., who spent 30 minutes over the highly important industrial city of 1,-500,000. He also was on last Monday's 2000-ton raid, which burned out two square miles

of Nagoya. In Washington, a 20th airforce headquarters communique described the results as ranging from good to excellent.

Opposition from Jap fighter planes was "meager and ineffective" the communique said, although anti-aircraft fire was heavier than in the attack on Nagoya

eight days ago. None of the B-29s

An imperial Japanese communique admitted the Superforts caused "considerable damage" and said the planes were over the city three hours. It did not claim that fires had been brought under control. Earlier Domei (Japanese) news agency had said fires were con-

Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz trolled after 5 1-2 hours. reported very tersely in a communique that a large carrier task most of the empire's home islands, Sunday. He said air bases and facilities were the targets.

Radio Tokyo, however, said 1400 carrier planes struck Kyushu both Sunday and Monday. Domei (Japanese) news agency

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# Bombs Fall On Jap Positions At Baguio

Yamashita's Headquarters Believed In Vicinity; Airmen Range From Formosa To New Guinea

MANILA, March 19.—(P)—A 337-ton bombing of Jap- camps in South Carolina, Indiana, defensive positions on the outskirts anese positions around Baguio, supposed Philippine headquar- Ohio and Kentucky. For a year or ters of Lt. Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita, highlighted a series more he was in charge of a group of heavy aerial blows from Formosa to New Guinea announced today by Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Baguio, Philippine summer capital, is in the mountains of north-

The latest of the almost daily attacks on Formosa was disclosed as Pacific fleet carrier planes struck the enemy homeland 700 miles further north and B-29s from the

Marianas raided Nagoya again. MacArthur's Monday commun ique said heavy bombers—"contin-uing the neutralization of Formor "—dropped 300 tons of explosives on the Helto and Okayama air

bases and the town of Taihoku. Fires and resulting explosions were observed among installations and grounded enemy aircraft. Two American planes were lost. The Baguio raid was in support

of 33rd division doughboys, whose heavy artillery was battering the supposed headquarters of Japan-ese Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita from less than eight miles away. Southeast of Baguio, the Amer-

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## Antwerp Battered By V-Bombs Four Months

ANTWERP, Belgium, March 19. —(P)—Greman V-bombs were hurl-ed into this great port city for four months ending Jan. 31 in a March 9. Last Saturday police reconcentrated effort to destroy its usefulness as an allied supply base, it can now be disclosed.

March 9. Last Saturday police recovered an emerald ring belonging to Mrs. Boyer in a Pittsburgh, Pa., nawshop.

There are scenes of great destruction as a result of the attacks, the extent of which previously was and a handbag answering the dehidden by censorship. In some sections the city has suffered as bad-from Mrs. Boyer's apartment were y from the V-bombs as the most

Escaped Convict, Suspect In 3 Murders, Arrested By FBI ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 12. -(P)

-Joseph Dunbar Medley, 43, esder in the shooting of Mrs. Nancy Boyer in Washington and wanted for questioning in connection with the deaths of two other women, was arrested by the FBI here last night in the company of a St. Louis woman.
J. Edgar Hoover, director of the

FBI in Washington said agents and members of the St. Louis police department took the man into custody in a hotel and he admitted his identity. He was regis-tered t ider the name of James H. Hanan, of Baltimore, Md.

The FBI expects to return Medley to Washington for trial in the

Hoover said a silver fox jacket See MEDLEY Page 2



And Mrs. Randolph Peel- tween St. Wendel and the er Of Belwood

killed in action on the European the Palatinate. front on Jan. 18, according to a message received yesterday by his Mainz on the bend of the Rhine. parents, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Peeler of Belwood.

in action on this date on Feb. 8. machines in their rout. A further check-up by the War Department reveals that he was kill-

brothers in service. He went away with Company K in the fall of 1940 | St. Wendel, closing all but the eastand spent four years in various ern end of a death box 25 miles long of military police of the army in this country, until he was sent over-

seas in October, 1944 . SURVIVORS The father is a popular deputy sheriff and farmer of Belwood. His mother has been ill for sometime and was a patient for two and a

the Navy hospital at Portsmouth, Va.; Roberts on Navy shore patrol in Boston, Mass., and Walter in the army, training at Camp Blanding, Florida. Walter was at home for a 14-hour visit Sunday morning becaped convict charged with mur- death was received death was received.

### WHAT'S DOING

TODAY 7:00 p.m.—Regular meeting of Junior Chamber of Commerce at Hotel Charles.

7:30 p.m.—City council meets

at city hall. 7:30 p. m.—Opening service in mission revival at First Baptist church.

2:00 p.m.-Mass meeting of Kings Mountain Association in main auditorium of First Bap-

tist church. 7:30 p.m.-Second session of mission revival at First Baptist p.m.—Scouters club

meets at Presbyterian church with Troop 1 as hosts. 7:30 p.m.—C. A. P. members meet at armory 7:30 p.m.-Call meeting of Cleveland Lodge 202 A. F. & A.

M. for work in second degree.

# **HEAT ON NAZIS**

ies Within 15 Miles Of Junction **ENEMY LOSSES HIGH** 

Third And Seventh Arm

PARIS, March 19.—(AP)— An estimated 80,000 Germans ran for the Rhine today in

desperate daylight retreat under perfect strafing weather which turned the northern half of the Bavarian Palatinate into a slaughter ground and the rich Saarland into a death trap.

Swift tank and infantry celumns of the Third and Seventh Armies surged withbombed Kyushu, southern- Son Of Deputy Sheriff in 15 miles of each other be-Zweibruecken areas of the Saarland and within 42 miles Pfc. Franklin H. Peeler, 22, was of a junction farther west in

Tanks shot within 14 miles of This was the last debacle west of the Rhine and the German First and Seventh armies were los-Pfc. Peeler was reported missing ing terrific numbers of men and

> Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third army threatened the great Rhine valley cities of Mainz, Frankfurt on the Main, Weisbaden, Ludwigshafen and Mannheim. His assault troops crashed into

and 15 miles wide along the whole Saar line. From the south. Lt. Gen.

Alexander M. Patch's Seventh iabbed through the S friend line east of Saarbrucken

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## Lincolnton Boy and was a patient for two and a half months in the local hospital. Among Heroes Of The three other brothers are stough who is a warrant officer in Remagen Bridge

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY EAST OF THE RHINE, March 16 (Delayed)-(P)Sgt. John Reynolds. Lincolnton, N. C., today was revealed as one of the three soldiers TNT into the Rhine river March 7 after they hauled it out of the stone piers at each end of the Remagen bridge.

Lt. Hugh Mott. Nashville, Tenn. under whom Reynolds and Sgt. Eugene Doran, Manhattan, Kans., performed the task, insisted that credit for the feat go to the two sergeants. "They were there on the bridge

all the time," he said, "I was running back and forth." PASSAPOAG MILL

Reynolds was glad Doran brought the pliers with which they cut the wires. He said "he always thinks of everything. We figgered at first we were just going to make a reconnaissance to see if tanks could get acros the bridge."

Reynolds worked in the Passapoag mill at Lincolnton with his father and was the only one of the three with previous experience in handling dynamite.

"I fooled with it some when I was in a CCC camp in the western part of the state." he said.

## One Of Participants Tells Story Of July 20 Attempt On Hitler's Life

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER

-A man who is a fugitive from WHY IT FAILED German authority because he was implicated in the July 20 bombing

ing quarters constantly to avoid impact of the blast. detection. He desires even now, Copyright, 1945, By The Associated when under Allied rule, to have his moment of the explosion, Hitler RADIO SPEECHES name withheld because he has nu- stepped to a cupboard to look for

Here is his story: The bomb attempt failed beattempt on Hitler's life has told cause Hitler did not receive his me that the fuehrer. fully aware officers in a concrete bunker July that the war is lost, now peps him- 20, but in a wooden shed to show self up from time to time watch- Mussolini and high Italians he was ing movies showing the purging of not afraid of air raids. The Ital-generals and nobles who died for lans were scheduled to attend a

(Louis P. Lochner has obtained their part in the plot.

a remarkable account of last

My informant, who gave a complete story of the bomb plot, is a plete story of the bomb plot, is a plete story of the bomb plot, is a ceremony incorporating remnants of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the Nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the Nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the Nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the Nervestic of the Fascist army into the Wehrstein of the Nervestic of the Nerve

rectly from one of the participants. man I have known for years and The bomb's effectiveness had September. Since then he often los-Lochner, who was chief of the former Associated Press bureau in Berlin, is again in Germany hoping to return soon to the Nazi capsince July and has changed sleep- concrete walls, was to heighten the swoons. Frequently speech fails

Secondly, it failed because at the only with great difficulty. BONN, Germany, March 19.—(P) merous relatives beyond the Rhine. a magnifying glass. The bomb had explain why Hitler's radio speechbeen placed under his chair.

Even so, Hitler was badly hurt. His hearing apparently has been impaired permanently. His right arm was injured, but nursed back to health by professor Gohrband, noted Berlin physician. He also suffered some burns.

him, or he can pronounce words These facts, my informant said,

ments and the best parts put together for broadcasting. See ONE OF Page 2

es of Jan. 1 and Jan. 30 aroused

so much controversy as to whether the speaker actually was Hitler.

Records, my informant believes.

are made during Hitler's lucid mo-