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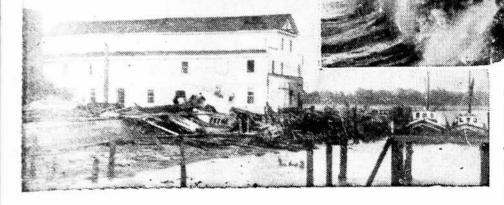
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British Airmen Strike Back

Hurricane Smashes Carolina Coasts



These two pictures show damage done Sunday by a tropical hurricane which struck the coast of Georgia and South Carolina. The Associated Press picture at left shows the Beaufort, S. C., waterfront after the storm hit, leaving 25 persons dead near here and property damage running into millions. The Central Fre., photo above is a view of Charleston, S. C., showing a raging sea battering the sea wall after the hurricane roared through the city, cutting off communications, stalling traffic and doing millions of dollars property damage.

Armadas Of Nazi Planes **Renew Pre-Invasion Raids** As British Fighters Reply

Raids Made On

London, Aug. 14.-(AP)-The Caproni factory at Milan and the

Fiat plant in Turin, "two of Italy's

most vital aircraft works." were

Alps, the British reported today.

In Rome, it was said British war planes, reportedly from the

wounding more than 50 others. The heaviest attack apparently

the city. The death toll was put at 12 and the wounded at 44.

"seriously damaged" by Royal air force bombers which flew 1.600 miles in a double crossing of the

Italian Cities

Waves of Nazi Planes | Long Distance From German, Dutch and Belgian Bases Renew Attacks Under Cover of Heavy Clouds **Over Channel.**

Berlin, Aug. 14. — (AP)— Thundering through the aerial defenses of southern England. nazi raiders smashed at the island kingdom in great waves today in spite of the fierce opposition of British planes and guns. At 6 0. m. (11 a. m. EST), said DNB, the raiders were still go-ing over in droves from German, Dutch and Belgian bases and had

started huge fires at Dover. DNB said that 25 British planes and five German had been destroyed in the intensive fighting over the channel and coastal area and that British planes had fallen "like flaming torches" into the sea.

Military sources, declaring British planes have been swept from the air over the channel, said they expected over the channel, said they expected AP Writer unable to prevent the German air-men from carrying out their duties. The high command reported 132

gigantic air battle which involved 150 planes. ing's communique reported. With fog over the North sea and

Once we could see the flash of

Suddenly a fresh swarm of Ger-

man raiders appeared and began

blasting away at the barrage bal-

loons. Some of the balloons were

ripped through and through and fell.

A shell from a Messerschmitt can-

non nit the ground and exploded

near where we were standing. An

empty machine gun clip dropped at

our feet and fragments of anti-air-

(The man who took this story over

the telephone in London could hear

the explosion of anti-aircraft fire as Bunnelle spoke. "I can see anti-air-

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craft shells feil about it.

Machine gun fire and the roar of

cannon and anti-aircraft fire filled

the air. From the shore, four planes

could be seen as they crashed into

Royal Air Force Planes Strike Back in Engagements from North Sea to Africa While **Defending British Isles**

London, Aug. 14.-(AP)-Armadas of diving and fighting German planes, 300 of them swarming over the southeast coast alone, renewed the relentless prelude to invasion of England in murky skies today as Britain struck back at the axis powers in engagements from the North Sea to Africa. Fleet bombardments of Italian

direction of Switzerland, rained bombs and leaflets early today on rich industrial centers in northern Italy, killing 22 civil'ans and troops in far-off Somaliland, bombing of industrial cities in Italy, and a battle in the North sea were evidence of her efforts to take the ini-tiative of war afield even while on was launched on Milan, where 30 explosive and incendiary bombs were reported to have landed in defense at home.

Authorities sought to round up the users of German parachutes, apparently those of regular nazi pilots whose planes were shot down. The parachutes were found in the heart of the industrial midlands.

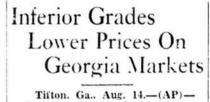
Masses of German planes dived on balloon barrages and were engaged by British fighters and a terrific fire of anti-aircraft batteries

One furious 90-minute battle end-ed about noon, after a great wave of 80 bombers protected by fast pur-suit planes lost themselves behind banks of clouds long enough to get inland where they dropped bombs. Many of the explosives were de-clared to have fallen harmlessly on farmiands.

Another battle among 150 planes was fought on the south coast with British and German craft so closely mixed it was impossible for ground observers to tell friend from foe. Here a lightship was attacked and sunk.

At least one barrag **balloon** was shot down on the south t coast and several were ripped away and sent crashing on the south coast.

At least ten German planes were unofficially reported downed in the Six big nazi Junker II's swooped various battles, bringing to 275 the Germany



Tifton. Ga., Aug. 14.—(AP)— Georgia's bright leaf tobacco markets sagged slightly today in at least four cities as lower qual-

ity leaf went on sale. Warehouse officials here said yesterday's average of 18.43 cents for 794.894 pounds brought \$146.425. or 2 cents a pound less than Monday's figures. Nashville and Adel were the only markets to report prices in

excess of 20 cents. In Nashville, sales averaged 20.17. Today's prices fluctuated in a 4 to 28 cent range.

Lang Funeral



Washington, Aug. 14. —(AP)— Secretary Knox declared today that the United States, lacking a two-ocean navy, needs a "huge army" and he urged that one be created by



Flash Floods Hit Mountains

British planes were destroyed in yes-terday's general combat, but admitted the British navy still was to be encountered in the North sea. A submarine chaser flotilla ran into a flotilla of British destroyers there yesterday, the German com-By ROBERT E. BUNNELLE. mand reported, and forced it to re-treat into the fog after a short skir-A South Coast Town, England, Aug. 14.—(AP)— Britisk._ fighting planes fended off a terrific attack along the coast line here today in a

"German submarines continued their task unhampered," this morn-

heavy clouds over the channel assertedly favoring German air operations. Germans were reticent con-

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The German raiders fiercely attacked.

the sea.

British.

eral dropped on land.

Describes Air Attack

ial plants expected to run into millions of doilars and claiming least six lives.

Asheville, Aug. 14.-(AP)-Mountain streams, swollen by

torrential rains of the last three

days, surged out of their banks

wrecking damage to

ops and lowland indus-

Asheville Is

City Draws on Emer-

gency Water Supply

as Mains Wash Out;

Roads Reopened.

Hard Hit

Highways throughout the stricken area were blocked by indslides or inundations.

North Wilkesboro, a town of 4.000 persons, was c. off from the outside world by the flooded Yadkin river.

den ell of North Wil-regional office of the wage and hour division of the United States Depart-te \$2,000,000 and he ment of Labor, will be held here on Roosey would reach \$5.- Thursday alternoon at 3:30 o'clock. sounty as a whole. Lang was in charge of the Columbia, 500 persons were S. C., regional office.

Charlotte.

Labor before going with the wage and two others and hour division last January.

he was largely instrumental in get-Aug. 14.-(AP)-Ashe- ting approval for construction of the

washed out all main nto this city of 51,-

P. M. Burdette call-

id noon yesterday and

sceping out of the bothilis of western British blockade of Germany" and British blockade of Germany" and said that 'I enacted into law it and two persons and r the safety of many

and Georgia last which has been added the Athentic runed the coast of which has lashed the Atlantic seaboard, swept through the outskirts ge was expected to of Valdese Monday afternoon, damboro was almost com- aging two homes, a number of trees,

which Police Chief any person. the feared took sev-

withton, Tenn., area a opt out of the hills d one or more perscores in panic to ernoon and tonight.

Rites Thursday

Formville, Aug. 14.—(AP)—Fu-neral services for Jack P. Lang, su-pervising inspector of the Carolina

least 2,500 were out He died at the United States vet-emergency meeting crans hospital in Columbia, S. C., late sioners of North last night after a two weeks' illatternoon arrange- nesse. Before going to Columbia to take care of he was acting regional director in Shelter and food were charge of regional headquarters in

tedly grabbed an He was a student at the University ean North Wilkesboro of North Carolina before enlisting A man drowned when in the United States Army and servcept over a dam near ing overseas. He was chief inspector of the North Carolina Department of

As North Carolina service officer

an emergency water veterans hospital at Fayetteville. Trade Fund

a in the reservoir just There was no esti-agth of time the sup-

northeast of the city Northeast of the city Over the objections of the Republican minority, the House banking committee closed hearings and re-

the state highway de-orted that all roads while except the one and had been reopen-

an, Michigan, described the measures as a "roundabout method of assisting

TORNADO STRIKES.

rom the outside world but without resulting in injuries to

Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy with showers this aft-

Should England be defeated by Germany, he said "we will be left without a friend in the world." He expressed the opinion that such a defeat in 60 days was possible.

The Navy secretary appeared before the House military committee in support of the Burke-Wadsworth compulsory service bill on which the Senate undertook its fourth day of

> At the White House, President Roosevelt and congressional leaders went over the legislative slate consisting chiefly of defense bills. After the conference, Democratic Leader Barkley predicted the Senate would act on the Burke-Wadsworth measure some time next week. Others at the meeting were Speaker Bankhead and Democratic Leader Rayburn of the House. At the Capitol, Senator Byrnes,

Democrat, South Carolina, said that Admiral Harold R. Stark, chief of Robert Jackson ; naval operations, had asked a Sen-

Floods Work

At Mt. Airy

ate appropriation sub-committee to such proceedings increase by \$47,000,000 the lunds he got word from the national depending \$4,963,000,000 appropriation to start anything that might interbill. The increase would be used for fere with its program of armament armaments, for fighting planes and development. Either Bob saw the for aviation maintenance.

or aviation maintenance. Before the house committee. Knox a tip from higher up not to open fire asserted that the nation faces "a very on the country's big industries at this

None in this country can tell the trend of the battle for Britain, he initiating no anti-monopoly litigasaid, because information from bel- tions until he hears further from the ligerents comes through officially defense commission. controlled communiques.

It doesn't seem likely that the commission will flash him a green light in the very near future.

What the commission wants is encouragement, not only to the oil corporations, but to all our largest scale industries to spend lots of money UntoldDamage with a view to increasing their vari-ous capacities to Uncle Sam's requirements. And there's small probability that they'll be inclined to do it with the justice department accusing them of being too big already.

The question does arise, and is be-ing asked in congress: "If Bob Jack-

ported that rainfall of 3 inches at Graham and 3.41 inches at Randleman during the last 24 hours threat-ened to send the Cape Fear river into flood at and below Fayetteville, while man, succeeding James A. Farley. law ar

Va., and 2.80 inches at Danville a Tammanyite once, but he broke Forsyth, Gaston. Robeson and Wake a statistic while the Seventeenth, with pushed the waters of the Ronoke with the Tiger when the New Deal are each entitled to a Senator apiece. pushed the waters of the Robote in and fought the critter without having to skip a term once came in and fought the critter without having to skip a term once in awhile. Except for Durham, they aid a flood bulletin would be issued as a politicians take the leaders' do get a Senator each time and so as and Roanoke rive.

or the Cope Fear and Roanoke rivers this afternoon.

Asks Jackson to Hold No Prosecution Off Persecution of Oil For Purchasers Companies. Of Demo Books

By CHARLES P. STEWART **Central Press Columnist**

Defense Commission

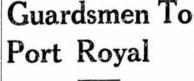
Washington, Aug. 14.—(AP)— Justice department officials indi-Washington, Aug. 14.—Attorney General Robert Jackson finds himself stymied as a trust buster by our ment that there was little likelihood

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national prepared- of prosecution for purchasers of the Democratic 1940 campaign book in bombs in the sea off to the east. Sevness campaign. The justice de- the event that the Democratic napartment head re- tional committee decides to sell the volume despite the Hatch Act. cently recomm e n d e d s u its against 22 major One official said that prosecution under a law which would impose a oil companies, with maximum \$5,000 fine or five years a view to separat- in prison on a person who merely ing their oil pro- bought a 25 cents campaign book duction activities was "an impossible situation."

from their pipe line and marketing facilities. But before he had time actually to begin any



APPROVES BRANCH. Columbia, S. C., Aug. 14.-(AP)-Raleigh, Aug. 14.-- (AP) -- The state banking commission has au-Adjutant General James C. Dozier sent into Port Royal Sound today to thorized the Waccamaw Banking and assist local authorities in the ad-ministration of hurricane relief and distribution of food.



districting. Some of the other districts, how-

damage in this section last night and today. Tobacco crops were whipped to the ground by wind and rain and bottom land was washed clean. In Raleigh, the weather bureau re-ported that rainfall of 3 inches at ever, are palpably beneficiaries or victims of political gerrymandering. Edgecombe, population 49,060, gets a Senator every time, for instance, while Durham, population 79,735. Tammany leaders unexpectedly but the politically wise will lay you are expressing gratification at the long odds that they will not get outvote the other three counties in its district.

Also on the basis of the organic han, succeeding James A. Farley. This wasn't anticipated. Flynn was the counties of Buncombe, Durham,

they have nothing much to kick

about in the matter of senatorial re-

down and sank a lightship in the German losses since channel. Eritish fighters dived on launched her major a launched her major attack last them from high above and the bomb- Thursday. moved away in the direction of er moved away it the French coast.

The din of battle came as the military correspondents of Reuters news agency declared "all reports confirm The fight at times became such an involved mass of twisting, diving planes that it was impossible to tell that the present German tactics against Britain are similar to those preliminaries which were so successwhich were German and which were ful against Poland."

INJURIES FATAL.

Hillsboro, Aug. 14.—David Long Wilkerson, 19. died at Watts hospit/1 Durham, vesterday morning of injuries he received when the car in which he was riding overturned after a tire blew out. The accident occur-red near the Orange Furniture Craftsman plant.

Parachutes Are Found

Widesprad Search Begun for Nazis Who Left Parachutes in British Midlands.

London, Aug. 14 .- (AP)-Seventeen parachutes bearing German markings were found today in midland villages as the ministry of home security appealed to the public to report urgently any information they may have about parachute troops landing in England.

Police and home guards stopped all traffic in the area where the parachutes were found.

A farmer who found several of them said he could locate no trace

of any men near them. (The midlands is England's great industrial area and a few parachute troops might be able to conduct extensive sabotage there.)

Finding of the parachutes intensified a day-long search.

The ministry said police, the military and home guards were continuing a widespread search begun immediately after reports were received that parachutes had been found in The First District gets two Sena- two areas in England and one in tors for a combined population of Scotland last night and early today. 83,458; while the Seventeenth, with Earlier reports said eleven Ger-a population of 210.132, also gets two man airman (not parachute troops)

as group, four in another.

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Dozier said he directed Colonel C.

BAY RUM THEFT. C. Smith, commanding officer of the 263rd Coast Artillery, to send an of-ficer and men to Port Royal to report ficer and men to Port Royal to report to Sheriff M. E. McPeer, who had wired Governor Burnet Maybank asking for "martial law". Chapel Hill, Aug. 14.—For stealing a 25-cent bottle of bay rum from a Chapel Hill store, Charles R. Smith. 52, was sentenced to six months on the roads in recorder's court Chapel Hill, Aug. 14 .- For stealing

said that National Guard troops were