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## Churchill Says Britain Will Be in on the Kill When Japs Are Ultimately Exterminated

### Premier In Big Speech To Congress

**Air Drive Crippling Germany; Singapore Loss Called Worst in British History**

Washington, May 19.—(AP)—Setting his jaw firmly, Prime Minister Churchill pledged today British participation in an eventual finish fight until Japan's war industries and cities are laid in ashes. The British, Churchill said, will be in there fighting "side by side with you" while there is breath in our bodies and blood flows in our veins.

#### Time Is Uncertain

When that finish fight will come, he did not specify, but his ringing prophecy of utter destruction of the enemy in the Pacific, sounded to a joint session of Congress, went out over the air waves to the world—enemy and Allied countries alike.

There was thunderous applause from members of Congress and high officials of this and the British governments as the black-suited prime minister spread his feet apart, stuck his hands in his pockets in a characteristic gesture, and made his declaration.

Then, he disclosed a moment later, he and President Roosevelt hope for a meeting soon with Premier Stalin of Russia and General Chiang Kai-shek of China.

Churchill declared also that Britain's air offensive is forcing Germany to withdraw "more and more" planes from the fighting fronts to "purely defensive" operations at the expense of loss of aggression and initiative.

Thus, he said, will prove a "master factor in bringing victory."

#### Sees Japan in Ashes

As for Japan's cities and war industries, Churchill flatly declared: "In ashes they must surely die before peace comes to the world."

#### U-Boat Will Be Curbed

"While I regard the U-boat danger as still the greatest we face, I have confidence it will be met, contained and overcome," he said.

According to the aerial offensive being carried out against Germany, Churchill said the British "have been vastly aided" by American day bombings.

"The increasing number of American and British planes is being felt," he said, adding:

"There is no doubt the Allies vastly outnumber the air forces of the hostile forces of Germany, Italy and Japan."

#### Germany Weakening

Britain's air offensive, he continued,

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### EASTERN HOUSEMEN TO MEET ON JUNE 11

Wilson, May 19.—(AP)—The Eastern Carolina Tobacco Warehousemen's Association will hold its annual meeting here June 11, A. W. Fleming, president, announced.

### Over 97 Percent Of Pearl Harbor's Wounded Survive

Washington, May 19.—(AP)—More than 97 percent of the navy men and marines wounded at Pearl Harbor have survived, the Office of War Information reported today.

"The wounded don't die," was the theme of an exhaustive OWI report on the treatment of United States army and navy casualties. Its findings were summed up in these words:

"Never before in the history of the world has the fighting man had available the medical care and equipment the United States now furnishes its defenders."

Of all the navy and marine personnel listed as wounded at Pearl Harbor, only 2.6 died subsequently, OWI said. 53 percent had returned to duty by March 31, 1943, while 43.5 percent were still under treatment, and 9.10 of one percent were invalided from service.

Figures for Army wounded were not available, but OWI said obtainable data showed that "recoveries are comparable to naval and marine percentages."

### GEN. VON ARNIM IN PRISON CAMP



FORMER COMMANDER of Nazi forces in Tunisia, Col. Gen. Jürgen von Arnim (foreground) enters barbed wire enclosure of a war prison camp outside London. He was flown to England in an RAF transport plane. British officers walk behind him. (International Radiophoto)

## Food Conference Starts Its Task In Confidence

**Roosevelt Message Strikes Keynote; Magnitude of Problem Fully Recognized**

Hot Springs, Va., May 19.—(AP)—The United Nations food conference, called to explore pathways to a world free from want, settled down to its task today in an atmosphere of mingled far-reaching hope and cautious realism.

The keynote of faith in ultimate achievement of world freedom from want was sounded in a message from President Roosevelt read to the conference's formal opening session last night, vigorously affirming that the world owes every man his daily bread.

"Society must meet in full," the President said, "its obligation to make available to all its members at least the minimum adequate nutrition."

The keynote note was echoed in the opening address of Judge Marvin Jones, elected permanent chairman by the 45 assembled delegations. Jones appealed for global economic and political collaboration to make the next 100 years the "people's century."

The note of cautious realism was sounded in the address of Chairman P. W. Kuo, of the Chinese delegation, speaking for the foreign delegates.

Kuo stressed the magnitude of the problems confronting the conference and suggested three tangible results which could reasonably be expected from its deliberations:

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### Nazis Ban News On Water Damage

Stockholm, Sweden, May 19.—(AP)—German officials clamped an airtight censorship today on details of the widespread damage and numerous casualties caused by flood waters pouring from the mine-shattered Mohne and Eder reservoirs.

Acknowledging that widespread destruction was caused by the spectacular RAF performance, a German spokesman in Berlin prohibited correspondents from using any specific figures as to losses at power plants.

### Thousands Of Homeless In Great Floods

(By The Associated Press.) Thousands of families have left their homes in scattered sections of several midwest and southwest states as surging waters from rivers and streams inundated sections of some cities and flooded farm and river bottom lands.

At least seven persons were dead, four drowned in Indiana, and three deaths were reported in Missouri. Damage to crops and property was heavy as the floods struck Indiana, Missouri, Illinois, Arkansas and Oklahoma.

In Indiana, where at least one-third of the State was gripped by the worst flood in thirty years, some 10,000 persons were homeless. Main

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## Convictions Of Rape Are Both Upheld

**Robeson Men Lose Appeals in Supreme Court; 18 Decisions Handed Down at Noon**

Raleigh, May 19.—(AP)—The State Supreme Court today upheld the conviction of Harvey Hunt and Purcell Smith, Robeson county men, sentenced to die in the gas chamber on rape charges, and took similar action in the case of Carl and Paul Lippard, convicted in Mecklenburg county on charges of conspiracy to violate the liquor laws.

In 18 decisions, the court found no error in the conviction of Damon Austin in Guilford county on second degree murder charges, and in the conviction of Gladys Minter McKinnon and Henry Kendrick in Moore county on second degree murder charges.

#### Two Get New Trial

Associate Justice M. V. Barnhill ordered a new trial in the case of Pete Miller and A. B. Miller, convicted in Robeson county in connection with the deaths in a gunfight of O. D. Grimsley and W. G. Grimsley. The jury's verdict was that Pete Miller was guilty of murder in the second degree in the death of O. D. Grimsley, and innocent as to the death of W. G. Grimsley, and A. B. Miller was guilty of manslaughter in the death of W. G. Grimsley and innocent in the death of O. D. Grimsley. The shootings followed an argument over a drain ditch, and the defendants pleaded self-defense.

The Hunt-Smith decision, handed down by Associate Justice Wallace Wakeborne, related that the defendants kidnapped a taxi driver on October 27, 1942, and at pistol point forced Mrs. Eldora Hinson Eason and her sister, Mrs. Elberta Hinson Capell, into the cab. The women, walking along the road, had refused to accompany the defendants until they were forced to do so. Hunt and Smith were released and told to leave, and Mrs. Capell escaped. Then both men allegedly raped Mrs. Eason.

Other opinions: State vs. Miller, et al, Robeson, new trial.

State vs. Baxter, Robeson, no error.

State vs. Hunt and Smith, Robeson, no error.

State vs. Charlie Herndon, Robeson, no error.

McNeill vs. McNeill, Robeson, new trial.

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## Japan's Losing Battle Now Near Climax on Attu Island With U. S. Troops Closing In

### YANKS MAKE PROGRESS ON ATTU



SOME INDICATION OF THE PROGRESS of the battle on tiny Attu Island in the Aleutians is coming from the Jap radio, which has been admitting that American reinforcements have been landing steadily on the Jap-held base. Tokyo declares that the Americans struck in force from the North, East and South under the cover of naval gunfire and with the help of a strong air attack.

(International)

## Face Saving Movement Is Now Feared

**Enemy Watched All Over Pacific; No Sign of Reinforcements; Japs Frightened**

(By The Associated Press)

Japan's losing battle on Attu island was reported nearing a climax today, with United States troops tightening a trap on the main Japanese forces at Holtz bay, and American fighting men throughout the Pacific kept vigil for a possible "face saving" thrust by the enemy elsewhere.

Eight days after American seaborne contingents landed on Attu, opening an offensive to drive the Japanese out of the Aleutians, there was still no sign of Japanese reinforcements en route to support the beleaguered Attu garrison.

Washington quarters declared, however, that the enemy might still attempt to get reinforcements into Kiska, 196 miles east of Attu, even at the risk of precipitating a naval battle with American warships in the nearby waters.

Observers pointed out that the Japanese recklessly expended ships, troops and planes in vain attempts to hold Guadalcanal and the Papuan peninsula in New Guinea, and said that unless the enemy had learned his lesson in those theatres he would probably try the same thing in the Aleutians.

In the southwest Pacific, Japanese alarm over the Allied threat to the big enemy base at Salamaua, New Guinea, was reflected by the heavy aerial assault poured on the little mountain town of Wau, 35 miles below Salamaua, which serves as the Allied forward base.

In the last four days, General MacArthur's headquarters announced the Japanese have sent 162 planes to attack Wau, including 25 bombers carrying Zeroes, yesterday. In addition, 64 Japanese planes have been sent against the most advanced Allied position only five miles from Salamaua.

Meanwhile, General MacArthur's bombers raked seven Japanese bases in widespread sweeps over enemy territory yesterday.

On the Burma front, land fighting was marked by small skirmishes, in which British troops killed 25 Japanese, while in the skies RAF bombers and fighters hammered enemy water transport along the Bay of Bengal coast, and pounded other targets inland.

The scale of RAF operations indicated that the British were striving to prevent the Japanese from moving up troops and supplies for an invasion of India before the arrival of the monsoon rains.

## U. S. Forces In Attu Now Are United

(By The Associated Press)

American troops, driving toward a swift capture of Attu island, have pinched off Japanese forces in the east end of the island, the Navy announced today, and have thrown the enemy back against the harbor for a last-ditch stand.

A Navy bulletin said United States columns striking south from Holtz bay and north from Masacre harbor had met, thus closing the trap on apparently the main enemy forces on the 35-mile-long island.

The communique said the Japanese fled toward Chichagof on the northeast coast, leaving only snipers behind.

Meanwhile, American fighting men throughout the Pacific kept vigil for a possible "face-saving thrust" by the Japanese elsewhere.

## Total Axis Losses Put At 324,000 In Africa

### At Food Parley



Two of the Latin American delegates attending the United Nations food conference on food and agriculture at Hot Springs, Va., are Dr. Gustavo Fajardo, director general of Ecuador, and Jose J. Gonzalez, president of the Venezuelan delegation.

## RAF Presses Its Bombing Of Continent

London, May 19.—(AP)—The roar of a large formation of planes over the English channel this afternoon signalled the continuation of the Allied aerial war on the Nazis in Europe after a night of light activity by the RAF.

The strong force swept over the straits in a southeasterly direction toward Boulogne, riding high in the haze.

Flood waters from the rapidly emptying Mohne and Eder reservoirs in Germany reached in Sunday night's spectacular aerial mining continued to spread devastation and paralysis in Germany's Ruhr and Weser industrial areas, as the offensive entered its eighth day of round-the-clock activity.

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## WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.  
Little change in temperature.