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## NAVY PURSUES JAPS NEAR PHILIPPINES

### Russians Push Into Carpathian Mountains

#### Service Vote Bill Will Become Law Without Signature

#### 1,000 RAF Planes Smash Nuernberg In Great Attack

London, March 31.—(AP)—A great armada of RAF bombers numbering probably more than 1,000, smashed at the southern German transport center and Nazi congress city of Nuernberg last night.

#### House Waits Public View On 4-F Plan

Deferred Men to Be Forced Shortly Into Work, However

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#### President Informs Congress He Won't Sign; Asks Changes

Washington, March 31.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today informed Congress he would not sign the service vote bill because he believed its signature, even though he considered it "highly inadvisable," in prevailing emergency and wartime conditions would be unjust.

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#### 3 Planes, 30 Seconds



LT. WILLIAM J. SIMMONS, Los Angeles, Calif., set a record when he shot down three Nazi fighter planes in 30 seconds during a long range pursuit over the English Channel.

#### Reds Within 15 Miles Of Old Hungary

#### Pressure Increased On Part of Odessa; Nazi Unit Wiped Out

Moscow, March 31.—(AP)—Soviet forces, pushing northward from the Carpathian mountains toward Hungary and Rumania, dispatched from the front declared today.

Zhitov's command, led through Delatits, 150 miles north of the front, destroyed a Nazi unit of 100 men in the Carpathian mountains today.

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#### ODESSA NEXT! NIKOLAEV GONE!



NAZI EVACUATION of Odessa is now rumored following the fall of Nikolaev, important naval base. The "end" of the Black Sea is virtually in Russian hands and the extent of Nazi disaster on the Eastern front continues to spread with amazing speed. Crimea is now completely trapped and the imperiled German fleet from Nikolaev to Odessa and thence into Rumania on which the Reds are fast marching, as arrows on the map indicate.

While flight across the Black Sea often escape to come, Red P-T boats are reported checking air communications. The Prut river line fast spreads toward the key center of Iasi in one direction and the rail center of Comrat in the other.

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#### Foe's Fleet, Forewarned, Flees Scene

#### Devastating Attack On Truk and Dutch New Guinea Reported

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#### CHAPLAIN HOLDS FIRST SUBMARINE SERVICE



CHAPLAIN W. S. BROWN, an Episcopal minister from Toledo, O., reading from a prayer book, holds what is believed to be the first church service ever conducted within the confines of a U.S. submarine while on war patrol. Undersea craft usually do not carry chaplains. In this case he was being transported to a new station somewhere in the Pacific and held the service at the request of the crew. U.S. Navy photo. (Internationally)

#### State Asked For Right To Bore For Oil

#### Carolina Company May Make Tests in Eastern Counties

Charlotte, March 31.—(AP)—The Carolina Oil & Gas Co. today asked the State for the right to drill for oil and other minerals in Great Smoky, Sevier and Abasco ranges in Pendler and DeWitt counties.

The request was submitted by E. F. Wallace, an Erwin, spokesman for the company, to a joint meeting of the State Board of Conservation and Development and the State Geological Survey.

The request also included the grant of part of Sevier, Swain and Graham counties in the Great Smoky range, and the right to drill for oil and other minerals in the Sevier range for one year, with the usual provision for an extension if the drilling is not successful in that time.

The board cannot get back possession of the rights from the company.

#### Favorites In Stocks Gain

New York, March 31.—(AP)—Selected stocks, particularly those of the oil and gas industry, were among the favorites in the stock market today.

#### Cotton Mostly Is Unchanged

New York, March 31.—(AP)—Cotton futures were mostly unchanged in the market today.

#### STRAWBERRIES NOT DAMAGED BY COLD

Washington, March 31.—(AP)—The Department of Agriculture said today that the cold weather in the South will not damage the strawberry crop.

#### WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Fair and not quite so cool tonight. Saturday, fair to partly cloudy and warm.

#### Reds Seize City Far Along Route To Odessa Base

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#### Japs Give Up Oil And Coal Rights On Soviet Sakhalin

Moscow, March 31.—(AP)—The Japanese government received today a staggering blow from the west when the Soviet government announced it had signed a protocol under which Tokyo agreed to surrender her oil and coal leases on northern Sakhalin island in the Pacific.

The Russians contracted to furnish Japan with 200,000 tons of oil a year for five years beginning after the war.

The Soviet Union also will pay Japan 5,000,000 rubles (about \$350,000) under terms of the protocol signed yesterday. Japan promised to hand over to Russia all property, including equipment, material and food, which belongs to Japanese con-