



# Bomber Hits Great Skyscraper

## Jap Battleship Is Sunk As 1,500 Planes Attack Base

### Steps Down As Prime Minister



Steps down as one of his favorite of war, Prime Minister Churchill today relinquished his post as Prime Minister to King George VI. This fell to the British war effort, which was the subject of the speech given by the Prime Minister at the Conservative Party conference in London.

## Finances Of State Best In History, Cherry Says

## Tobacco In Slump At Week's End

Georgia Price Off; Border Markets Will Open On Wednesday

### Says Future Safety Depends On Proper Handling Of Funds

Richmond, July 28.—(AP)—The State now is in the best financial condition in its history, Governor Cherry said today, but he cautioned that "only a proper handling of the state's financial resources can insure a safe and happy future for North Carolina."

In a statement released simultaneously with his report on the State's financial condition, Cherry said there could be no doubt that "the state's financial resources are in the best condition in its history."

The State, he said, has a credit balance of \$30,744,435 in its general fund as of June 30. The balance represents a surplus over all expenditures during the last fiscal year, including the 1943 General Assembly, the largest surplus in the State's history.

## Promised Bombing Of Japan's Cities Is Already Begun

San Francisco, Calif., July 28.—(AP)—NBC War Correspondent Ray Clark broadcast today that the city of Oaki, one of the eleven Japanese war cities listed for attack in yesterday's bold new policy announced by the bomber command, was bombed today.

Another NBC correspondent, George Thomas Foster, broadcast from Guam, said seven task forces of Superfortresses took off at dawn (Sunday, Guam time) from their bases in the Marianas. Clark said he rode out the attack in yesterday's bold new policy announced by the bomber command, was bombed today.

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## Scores Of Nip Planes Destroyed

### Other Warships Are Hit Squarely With Showers Of Bombs

Guam, July 28.—(AP)—A Japanese battleship was reported sunk today as nearly 1,500 United States and British carrier planes battled through heavy flak and fighter screens and dealt the third heavy blow of the week on the broken and bleeding enemy fleet in the island sea.

Pilots reported that the 29,500-ton battleship Hyuga, the converted warship with a flight deck for catapulting planes, had been sunk in the great Japanese naval base of Kure, where the remnants of the Mikado's fleet took little refuge under extensive camouflage.

In order to keep out of sight, the Hyuga had been camouflaged with a black and white pattern of smoke and steam. The ship was hit by a single carrier plane which set it on fire. It was reported that the ship was sunk in the Kure area.

Three of the first carrier planes that landed in the air today were shot down by enemy fighters. An Associated Press spokesman said the fleet did not make clear whether it was some delay in its operations.

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## Armies Of China Break Into Great City Of Kweiling

Chungking, July 28.—(AP)—Chinese forces have broken into Kweiling, former U. S. air base in Kwangsi province, the Chinese high command announced today.

A communiqué said the Chinese smashed into the city late last night after a coordinated attack launched from the western suburbs. The south and west gates were captured.

Before the signal for the attack was given, Chinese columns had swung from the western suburbs and had poised themselves for the strike. Those which reached the southern suburbs pulled into their positions Friday morning after advancing from Yunlin, 31 miles southwest of Kweiling.

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### Attlee Smiles At Party Victory



Attlee smiles at the result of the British general election, which gave the Labour Party a majority in the House of Commons. He is expected to become Prime Minister.

## Attlee Flies Back To Potsdam Meet To Resume Parleys

### Big Three Near Climactic Stage With Close Expected In Few Days

Washington, July 28.—(AP)—Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee will fly to Potsdam today to resume the big three conference with President Truman and Soviet Premier Stalin.

Attlee is expected to arrive in Potsdam today. The conference will continue until August 1.

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## Land Price In South Is Rising Fast

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## Empire State Spire Bursts Into Flames Following Collision

### Undetermined Number Are Killed Plane Obviously Out Of Control

New York, July 28.—(AP)—An army bomber crashed into the top of the Empire State Building at 9:40 a. m. today, killing at least 45 people and scattering debris over a wide area.

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## Truman To Seek Vote On Troops

### Military Agreement Would Be Approved By Congress First

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## Tokyo Claims Plans For "Finish Fight"

San Francisco, July 28.—(AP)—The unconditional surrender ultimatum of the United States, Britain and China was received today by the president of Japan's mass totalitarian political party, first identified enemy to sneak out.

Radio Tokyo quoted General Hiro Mitsumi, president of the Political Association of Greater Japan, as declaring "the Japanese nationals will remain absolutely undaunted in their resolute determination to save their country from national extermination."

Mitsumi admitted that Japan may be "overwhelmed by armed forces, but only at the cost of millions of lives."

He declared the Allies had been driven into extreme dilem-

ma by war weariness and inability of their people to stand the sacrifices necessary to defeat Japan.

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### WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA  
Considerable cloudiness and little change in temperature tonight and Sunday. Scattered showers and thunderstorms this afternoon and evening and again Sunday afternoon.