THE WAR IN BRIEF

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IN THE NEWS

Germany is beaten.

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Idian Air Force squadror

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Loyalist forces in Spain, hat

sentenced to dismissal from

sirforce following conviction

approper disposal of aircraft

equipment.

Les McCarry, motion picture director, was fined \$200 at Santa Monica, Cal. after he pleaded guilty to
reckless driving. Municipal JudgeTaft suspended a 30-day jail sentence on condition that McCarey
drink no intoxicating liquor for

flight over Hungary March 31, sopold Stokowski, 58, orchestra leader, stopped at Reno, Nev. and was met by the divorce-seeking heiress. Gloria Vanderbilt di Cicco who inherited 34,345,000 in

"nuisance tax."
ustice Department in Washington
announced it had filed an antitrust suit against Westinghouse
Electric and Manufacturing Com-

Doctors Explain Cause Of Roosevelt's Death.

Stettinius Next In Line For Presidency.

Washington, April 12 (AP, —Ac-pession of Vice President Trumun the presidency moves Scoretary t State Stettinius up to next in ne for the office.

Arkansas Thu Gazette.

Weather Forecast.

siderable cloudiness Friday, acat-showers north and central por-Baturday, partly cloudy, not much

PRICE: DAILY AS; RUNDAY to IN GREATER LITTLE ROCK.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT DIES SUDD

END COMES TO EXECUTIVE AT WARM SPRINGS

rhage Proves Fatal.

War Springs, Ga., April 12 A President Franklin D. Roos died unexpectedly today at 4:35 (E. W. T.) of a cerebra

Mr. Roosevelt's last words

were:
"I have a terrific headache." Bruenn, naval physician.

Roosevelt was sitting in front of a fireplace in the Little White House here atop Pine

billet signed a declaration of a against Japan.

Physician Tells Of President's Death.

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general.

Had Been Expected
To Attend Barbecue.
News of the president's death spread like wildfire around the foundation and atop an adjoining mountain where guests were gathering for a barbecue caused some anxioties of the press association were fold for unit mineral table to the caused some anxioties of the press association were fold to rush mineral fall of the caused on the foundation grounds for some news.

Funeral to Be Held At

Of Roosevelt's Death,
Washington, April 12 /Mp.—President Rosevelt died from wind dector call a cerebral hemotrhage,
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Signed CCC Bill as His Final Official Act.

The last piece of legislation Mr.
Roosevelt signed was one to continue the Commodity Credit Corporation and increase its borrowing
nower.

John L. Hines, former army of of slaff, said in Washings and that the believes the Japa. In any give up the fight soon refermant is beaten. Thank Proves CATU PROMISES OATH, PROMISES TO PRESS WAR

Becomes 32d President of U.S.

Washington, April 12 UP.—Harry S. Truman, who 11 years ago was a Missouri county judge, became the thirty-second president of the United States at 7:09 p. m. (EWT) tonight and piedged himself to the policies of Frankilin Delano Roosevell.

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Trumm announced:

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Mother."

An emergency cabinet meeting was called immediately and arrangements made to elevate Mr. Truman quickly into the presidential job.

Governor Dewey

Albany, N. Y. April 12 (Ps. —
Governor Thomas E. Dewey saidl
tonight that President Roosevelt
would be morned "as a human
heing of warm human qualities and
great capacities."
"It remains for all of us to preserve and strengthen our national
victory over our enemies," the 1944
Republican presidential candidate
said, adding:

minutes to sign papers.

"Other papers Mr. Roosevelt signed among his last official acts were headedular succession amonging the special contract solution and special contract solution and special contract solution and special contract solution and special contract solution and

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF PASSES



Destroyer Lost To Jap Planes

Guam, April 13 (Friday) (P)—
Japanese war planes renewed their
suicidal attacks on American amphiblous forces off Okinawa yesterday, sinking one destroyer and
damaging several other surface
units, Fleet Admiral Nimits said
today,
anged United States ships
ramained in action.
One hundred eleven Japanese
planes were shot down in an afternoon attack after seven had been
downed in a morning raid.
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Washington, April 12 (Pr).—President Truman's middle initial "S" is just an initial. It represents a compromise by his parents. One of his grandfathers had the first name Solomon, the other Shippe.

Not wanting to play favorites

Mrs. Roosevelt Is

Sorry For World

Washington, April 12. UP.—
Mrs. Bigson Received and when informed of the death of the president:
"I am more corry for the world than I am for up.
"She received Vice President Truman in her second floor altitude of the president truman in her second floor altitude of the property of the president truman in her second floor altitude of the president truman which adjoint second was "She told Truman "the president has just passed away," and "What can I do?" Truman "the president "She told Truman "the president and way we can help you!" This version was made public by the president of the president of the president in Secretary Steph-

London, April 12 (#)—The German DNB news agency said tonight that the news of President Roosevelt's death "has of course made a great impression in Berlin." but added that Nazi officials refrained from drawing any immediate conclusions concerning its effect on American foreign policy.

RUSSIANS FAST **CLOSE UP TRAP AROUND VIENNA**

Nazi Garrison Virtually Surrounded.

London, April 12 (AP.—Russian armored forces, winning a big tank battle on Napoleonic battlefeids anoth of Vienna, cut the Austrian capital's last lifelines to the north tonight and left only a seven-mile escape gap.

While Russian river gunboats landed Marines in the rear of the German remannts holding out in the bissing city, Soviet tommygun-ared 60 below fighting captered 60 below fighting cap

battis, Malinovsky's troops crossed the Vienna-Evenn highway and railroad. While 5,000 enemy troops were While 5,000 enemy troops were While 5,000 enemy troops were Malinovsky's troops drow with Malinovsky's troops drow with seven miles of the Danube morth-west of Vienna. Within the nar-owe escape corridor are a highway and railroad to Frague, but Berlin and research the Russ-dan troops have the said the Russ-dan troops have the said the Russ-dan troops have the said the russ-tant troops have the said the russ-lant troops have the said the russ-lines.

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U.S. ADVANCE MAY GO INTO **BERLIN TODAY**

MANY DIE AS TORNADO HITS IN OKLAHOMA

At Least 68 Killed Many Hurt.

Oklahoma City, April 12 (P) .-- At

Hundreds were injured and home-less.
Red Cross Chairman Paul Oa-born at Antiers county said 47 bodies had been recovered there from wreckage over one-third of from wreckage over one-third would not be surprised if the final boll ran as high as 80 or 100." Red Cross workers from over the state were arriving to aid in caring for the hundreds of injured at Antiers and ambulances from

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Only Orders From **General Simpson** Needed.

Paris, April 13 (Friday) F.—
U. S. Ninth Army tanks crossed the Elbe river on a skyndle front 57 miles from Berlin yesterday and U. S. First and Third Armies in advances of nearly 50 miles and the Elbergia, 75 miles southwas the foundation of the capital.

Germany appeared near the end of organized recistance in the west as all Allied armies cut those.

Only orders from Lt. Gen. William E. Simpson are needed to sion into Berlin, which could possibly be reached today. Unconfirmed French reports said Allied parachite troops had been dropped from the control of the control

I linid Army Only 129 Miles
From Russian Lines.
Three tank columns of the U. 8.
Third Army advanced more than
46 miles and were 120 miles from
the Cacch border and 100 miles
was 110 miles from the Russian
lines.
The Third Army overwhelmed
Weimar, birthplace of the German
republic in 120 to 40 miles a day,
at a rate of 30 to 40 miles a day,
camp followers—liberated Russian slave histories with the
sian slave histories wilding east,
believing they could get home
quicker that way.
British Move Within