

BERLIN ANNOUNCES BULGARIAN ACTION

Is Described as 'Protection Against British Measures In Southeast Europe'

BERLIN, March 2.—(AP)—The occupation of Bulgaria by Nazi troops which began early yesterday was not officially disclosed to the German public until late tonight when the high command issued a brief communique calling the move a "protection against British measures in southeast Europe."

The Nazi press throughout the day rejected over Bulgaria's joining of the Axis alliance but until the communique was read over the radio the only indication of the troop movement was the publication of brief dispatches under a Sofia dateline saying that "in order to oppose British plans to extend the war in the Balkans and to protect Bulgarian interests, German troops with the approval of the Bulgarian administration, have crossed the Bulgarian border."

The communique was framed in similar language: "As protection against British measures in southeast Europe, which have become known, units of the German army have marched into Bulgaria since March 2 with the agreement of the Bulgarian administration. The troops were cordially greeted by the Bulgarian public."

The German radio in an English language broadcast quoting the high command communique said the German troops were welcomed by the Bulgarians in the "march through Bulgaria."

This was pointed out to an authorized German source and he was asked whether that meant the German army was enroute through Bulgaria toward Greece.

"Certainly not," he reported.

DARDANELLES ARE CLOSED TO SHIPS WITHOUT PERMITS

(Continued From Page One) which Germany has reached through her occupation of Rumania.

Soviet Russia, which so far has been an enigma showing neither approval or disapproval of Germany's southward drive, is on the Black Sea.

The Dardanelles is the western gate, linking the Aegean Sea and the Sea of Marmara. On the East, the Bosphorus joins the Sea of Marmara and the Black Sea.

Turkish territory surrounds both. Thus, German's Balkan armies have made peaceful penetration into what Turks have called their security zone and within striking distance of the strategic straits.

Through Turkey, dwarfed by her Soviet neighbor, has not committed herself irrevocably to any course of action, the officially controlled press has said that German penetration of Bulgaria would be regarded as a cause for war.

BRITISH VESSELS SUNK BY GERMANS (Continued From Page One) St. George's channel, between the Irish sea and the Atlantic, quickly sank.

Three of the ships claimed in the Sunday total were attacked at dusk in two British convoys off the northeast coast of Scotland, the German sources said.

One long distance pilot reported having sunk a 3,000-ton freighter in the North Atlantic and late reports from the seafloor added another destroyed off the coast of northern England.

Only three ships were recorded as sunk, however, in the high command communique. But it listed eight others as damaged, some of them "so heavily that their loss is probable."

The three merchantmen which the fliers said were destroyed off Scotland had an estimated total tonnage of 22,000 tons. They were in addition to four ships which the pilots reported seriously damaged.

The bombers ranging the North Atlantic, who claimed one ship destroyed, said they also had damaged a 4,000-ton tanker and a 3,000-ton freighter.

The Virginia rail is a marsh bird, very secretive in its habits, and belonging to the same family as the coots and gallinules.

Lamb Patties Are Tempting Fare



What child or adult could resist these tasty broiled patties, made of ground lamb, wrapped in bacon strips? A salad of tomato sections and cauliflower florets accompanies them. Whole wheat muffins are also on the menu.

Balanced Menu Takes Care of Health's Needs

EMILY CONKLIN The majority of mothers today give serious consideration to their children's diets and try to serve meals which include the essential food elements. They are well informed about the value of milk for its calcium, liver with its iron for good red blood, and meat for high quality protein, the building food, its iron and copper, and its phosphorus which acts with calcium in the formation of bones and teeth. They know how important are vegetables and fruits, raw and cooked, cereals, butter, eggs and other nourishing foods, if children are to grow and keep well.

But sometimes there is one problem for which there is no solution in the diet charts. That is: "How am I going to persuade my child to eat the foods he needs?" We usually think of children as having the keenest of appetites. But mothers know that there are stages along the way when a certain amount of persuasion is needed before a little boy or girl will eat the right food in sufficient quantity.

Coaxing Appetites When that problem arises, one of the best ways of meeting it is to prepare appetizing food and serve it in tempting fashion. Appetites can be coaxing when they cannot be forced.

Usually children like meat, and this tempting flavor can be used to lend taste appeal to foods cooked or served with it. This is one reason why stew has always been a favorite dish on the menu for children.

But there are other meat dishes which can be used with as good results in tempting stubborn appetites and at the same time providing wholesome fare. Ground meat is usually relished by youngsters.

A Tempting Combination Ground lamb patties, wrapped in bacon slices, broiled until they are well cooked and beautifully brown, served on pineapple slices, make a main dish which is hard to resist. Bran or whole wheat muffins are served with these, as illustrated, and a salad of cooked cauliflower florets and uncooked tomatoes, in quarters, and lettuce accompanies the patties. Sprigs of mint add a touch of color to the platter. Creamed potatoes, milk and a custard dessert would complete a menu which any child would enjoy.

Lamb Patties With Pineapple Have ground lamb shaped into patties and wrapped with bacon,

- Miss Conklin Suggests for DINNER Grapefruit Juice Creamed Patties Buttered Peas Tomato and Cauliflower Salad Bran Muffins Cup Custard Milk

fastening the ends of bacon with toothpicks or small skewers. Lamb neck, shank, breast or shoulder are economical cuts to use for grinding. Place the lamb patties on broiler rack so that there is a distance of about three inches between the top of the meat and source of the heat. Arrange pineapple slices around the meat. Broil until the patties are browned side down, on pineapple slices. By the time the second side is done, the patties are cooked through and ready to serve.

There are other delicious meat dishes which may be used as the main course in a child's meal and at the same time will be satisfying to adults. Beef birds with a well flavored dressing are among these.

Beef Birds 2 pounds round steak, cut 1-4 to 1-2 inch thick 2 tablespoons flour 2 tablespoons lard 2 cups bread or cracker crumbs 1 small onion, finely chopped 1-2 cup celery, chopped 1 egg, slightly beaten Salt and pepper Meat stock to moisten

Have round steak cut into individual servings about 2 1-2 by 4 inches in size. Combine bread or cracker crumbs with onion and celery and season with salt and pepper. Moisten with slightly beaten egg and meat stock. Pile a spoonful of bread dressing on each piece of meat, roll and fasten the edges with toothpicks. Dredge with flour, brown in hot lard, add a very small amount of hot water, cover tightly and cook slowly until done, about one hour.

Serve with potatoes baked at the same time, lettuce and tomato salad, and a dessert of stewed fruit and sugar cookies.

GERMANY CALLS ON TURKEY TO OFFER WAR MEDIATION (Continued From Page One) membership in the axis three-power pact.

Turkey is linked with Bulgaria in a two-weeks-old treaty of non-aggression and with Britain in a pledge of mutual assistance in the event of an act of "aggression" leading to war in the Mediterranean.

The Bulgarian minister to Turkey called on Saracoglu Saturday, informing him of the Sofia government's decision.

The move was not unexpected in Ankara where it was regarded generally as an axis attempt to counteract the Eden visit.

Although the Yugoslav minister also called on Saracoglu, diplomatic sources expressed belief that Yugoslav, like Bulgaria a potential military highway for a Nazi southward drive would maintain the status quo at least for the time being.

Saracoglu also received Von Papan in a separate conversation yesterday and observers said Turkey seemed to be keeping an attitude of watchful waiting.

NORRIS SUPPORTS LEND BILL CHANGE

Senator Opposes Use of American Troops Outside Western Hemisphere

WASHINGTON, March 2.—(AP)—Unexpected support came today from Senator Norris (Ind-Neb), an administration supporter for an amendment to the British aid bill which would put congress on record against the use of American troops outside the western hemisphere.

Norris told reporters that he thought the bill's present language could not be interpreted as authorizing the sending of troops to help Britain or any other country.

Nevertheless, he said he was inclined to support an amendment proposed by Senator Ellender (D-La) which would state that the measure would not give the President any power beyond what he now has to employ the army or navy beyond the boundaries of this hemisphere or American possessions lying outside of it.

"I think that an amendment of that kind would allay the fears of a great many people that this is a 'war bill,'" Norris said. "We don't intend to send our boys across the ocean and I don't think it would hurt us to say so in this bill."

"I don't want to throw any monkey wrench into the machinery to operate under the bill, though, and if there is any reason why it should not be included, I will be open to reason during the debate."

Administration leaders made it plain, however, as the senate prepared to enter the third week of debate on the measure that they were in no mood to accept the Ellender proposal.

Neither, they said, were they willing to take a compromise proposal being drafted by Senator O'Mahoney (D-Wyo), which would make it necessary for the president to obtain the approval of congress before he could send troops out of this hemisphere.

Opponents of the Ellender amendment, contending its adoption would have a bad psychological effect, asserted that it would amount to advance notice to Germany and Japan that the United States would not send an expeditionary force against them under any circumstances.

In view of the opposition, Ellender told reporters that he was not insisting that his amendment be adopted as presently drawn. He added that if some relatively minor changes were made in two other sections of the bill he would be willing to abandon his proposal.

These, he declared, included a provision that would eliminate the possibility that United States citizens could be sent to Great Britain or any other country to "test, inspect, prove, repair, outfit, recondition or otherwise place in good working order" any defense article that was turned over to another government.

PROPOSE WATERWAYS MAINTENANCE FUNDS (Continued From Page One) terway connecting Swan Quarter Bay with Deep Bay, \$5,000; Belhaven harbor, \$10,000; Far Creek, \$2,000; Pamlico and Tar rivers, \$66,000; Rollinson channel, \$4,200; Bay river, \$2,000; Neuse river, \$12,500; Smiths Creek, \$1,000; Swift Creek, \$1,500; Contentnea Creek, \$1,000; Trent river, \$2,100.

Channel connecting Thoroughfare Bay with Cedar Bay, \$5,000; Drum Inlet, \$4,500; Beaufort harbor, \$17,500; Waterway connecting Pamlico sound and Beaufort harbor, \$11,750; channel from Back Sound to Lookout Bight, \$11,000; Inland waterway, Beaufort to Cape Fear river, including waterway to Jacksonville, \$161,000.

Intracoastal waterway from Cape Fear river to Winyah Bay, \$ C., \$22,000; Cap Fear river, above Wilmington, \$3,000; Black river, \$3,000; Smiths Creek at Wilmington, \$43,600; Northeast river, \$3,000; Black river, \$3,000; Lockwoods Folly river, \$7,000; examinations, surveys and contingencies at Wilmington army engineers headquarters, \$24,000.

The report also disclosed the board of army engineers has not yet received a report on a proposed flood control project for Neuse river, between the Johnson county line and New Bern.

DECREES EXPECTED VICHY, France, March 2.—(AP)—A decree making all non-conforming French citizens abroad—such as Mile. Eve Curie—liable to lose their nationality will be issued shortly, the minister of justice announced tonight.

FREIGHTER ARRIVES NEW YORK, March 2.—(AP)—The 5,702-ton freighter Starstone, which the German radio said was sunk by a Nazi bomber west of Ireland last October, arrived today from Glasgow.

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES Boots' Opinion By Edgar Martin

Efforts To Reduce Funds Measure Will Be Opposed

Proposed 1941-43 Budget Star Out of Balance by Approximately \$2,200,000

BY JOHN PEELE RALEIGH, March 2.—(AP)—Supporters of increased funds for schools, agriculture, higher education and charitable institutions tomorrow will stiffen their forces to combat attempts to prune \$2,200,000 from the appropriations bill.

The proposed budget for 1941-43 is now out of balance by that amount. The joint spending committee cut short its weekend by agreeing to meet at 10:30 tomorrow and renew consideration of the measure. The group usually does not start Monday sessions until 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Increases totaling \$4,035,400 have been tentatively written into the bill. Revision of revenue estimates for 1941-43 provide only \$1,806,715 more money than anticipated when the advisory budget commission prepared original versions of the appropriations and finance bills.

Here are the boosts made of the committee during the past three weeks, as summarized by R. G. Dayton, assistant director of the budget bureau: Schools—Five days sick leave with pay for teachers, \$200,000; ninth increment in pay for teachers with nine or more years experience, \$661,464; gradual provision for a twelfth grade, \$750,000; and vocational education \$560,000.

Provision for the state's contribution to the retirement fund for teachers and other state employees are included in the original appropriations bill by the budget commission. The increase for vocational education, adopted unanimously by the appropriations committee, adds additional teachers of home economics, trades, agriculture and other occupational courses. The total increase for schools, made by the joint appropriations committee, is \$2,170,464.

Greater University of North Carolina—\$540,376 total additional funds, including \$196,966 more for the University at Chapel Hill, \$208, 950 for N. C. State college at Raleigh and \$134,460 for Woman's College at Greensboro.

Agricultural agencies—\$164,300 to increase research by the State college experiment station, \$90,000 for more farm and home demonstration agents, and \$34,150 to add to staff and equipment of department of agriculture.

Educational institutions—East Carolina Teachers College at Greenville, \$38,952; Negro A. and T. college at Greensboro, \$47,910; Western Carolina Teachers College at Cullowhee, \$27,850; Appalachian State Teachers College at Boone, \$21,150; Cherokee Indian normal school in Robeson county, \$10,566; Winston-Salem Negro Teachers college, \$20,000; Elizabeth City Negro Teachers college, \$7,734; Fayetteville Negro Teachers college, \$17,100; N. C. School for deaf at Morganton \$29,982.

Charitable and correctional institutions—State hospital at Morganton, \$121,607; Caswell Training school at Kinston, \$44,600; State hospital at Raleigh, \$50,000; N. C. Orthopedic hospital at Gastonia, \$2,480; Stonewall Jackson Training school at Concord \$10,200; State Industrial Farm Colony for women near Kinston, \$4,671; Pythian Orphanage home at Clayton \$15,000.

State agencies—Department of revenue, \$69,000; department of public institution, \$6,400; state library, \$2,500; state board of health, \$37,000; insurance department, \$5,800; department of labor, \$38,400; industrial commission, \$16,473; department of conservation and development, \$25,000 for Morrow Mountain Park; credit unions, \$15,000; commission for the blind, \$43,210; blind aid, \$44,320; Japanese beetle control, \$30,000; and aid to county welfare administration, \$100,000.

Circles of Southside Church Meet Tomorrow The circles of the Woman's Missionary Society of Southside church will meet at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon as follows: Circle No. 1.—Mrs. C. N. Brewer leader, with Mrs. A. W. Land, 308 Castle street.

Circle No. 2.—Mrs. D. W. Mintz leader, with Mrs. C. H. West, 208 Church street.

Circle No. 3.—Mrs. D. H. Malpass leader, with Mrs. N. W. Allen, 206 Williams street.

Circle No. 4.—Mrs. J. G. Brinson leader, with Mrs. T. J. Jenkins, 811 South 5th street.

Circle No. 5.—Will meet Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, with Mrs. W. D. Sidbury, 807 South 5th street.

The ratio for triplet births is only 1 to 8649.

STRICKEN GREEK CITY IS BOMBED

Italian Planes Strike at Larissa During the Peak Of Relief Work

ATHENS, March 2.—(AP)—Italian bombers struck at the earthquake-stricken city of Larissa today during the peak of relief work, a government spokesman said, but no additional casualties resulted.

Buildings already shattered by yesterday's quake crumpled under the impact of bombs after the city's population had been removed, he added.

On the central Albanian military front the Greek army was said to have thrown back repeated Italian counter-attacks aimed at re-occupying positions captured by the Greeks. The fascists suffered heavily, the spokesman said, with dead and wounded strewn on the slopes of the mountains.

NAZIS PUSH MOVE TO HELP ITALIANS (Continued From Page One) swear to make the greatest effort for a joint victory for great Germany and great Italy. Long live great Italy! Long live great Germany!"

When he finished, Stefan said, the troops shouted: "We swear it!" The high command's communique said British were routed in two actions yesterday in the East African campaign—in the Arresa sector of northern Eritrea and in the Sirgilo zone, southwest of Asosa, western Ethiopia.

It declared there was "no important land activity" on the Greek front, reported Italian bombing of troop concentrations, defense positions, supply bases and communication lines in Albania, and also said German warplanes had attacked Valletta, Malta, "with visible effect."

LINER SINKS LONDON, March 2.—(AP)—An Exchange Telegraph agency dispatch today quoted shipping circles in Shanghai as reporting the 17,880 Italian liner Conte Rosso had struck an Italian mine off Sicily and sank with a heavy loss of life. The Conte Rosso, built in 1922, had been withdrawn from the Trieste-Shanghai run and converted into a troop ship.

FLYING AMBULANCE NEW YORK, March 2.—(AP)—Purchase of sportsman Gar Wood's \$35,000 Fairchild amphibian airplane as the first flying ambulance to be sent to Britain by the British American Ambulance Corps was announced today William V. C. Ruxton, president of the corps.

Rising Temperatures Forecast for Today Increasing cloudiness and rising temperatures today for Wilmington and vicinity were forecast last night by local weather bureau officials.

Weathermen predicted that the mercury would drop to a low of about 35 degrees, with gentle and variable winds becoming southerly during the day.

WILMINGTON, March 2.—(AP)—Weather bureau records of temperature and rainfall for the 24 hours ending 8 p. m., in the principal cotton growing areas are elsewhere:

Table with columns: Station, High, Low, Prec. (Alpena, Asheville, Atlanta, Atlantic City, Birmingham, Boston, Buffalo, Burlington, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Duluth, El Paso, Fort Worth, Galveston, Havre, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Key West, Little Rock, Los Angeles, Louisville, Memphis, Meridian, Miami, Minn. St. Paul, Mobile, New Orleans, New York, Norfolk, Pittsburgh, Portland, Me., Portland, Ore., Richmond, St. Louis, San Antonio, San Francisco, Savannah, Tampa, Vicksburg, Washington, Wilmington)

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