

BRITISH EVACUATE FORTRESS OF MATRUH

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arrived and that more were being rushed to the desert battle scene indicated every effort was being made to bolster the wavering British eighth army.

Shortly afterwards it was disclosed that fresh troops also had been thrown into the battle, including New Zealand units.

Rommel's greatest problem now is his distance from supplies, especially gasoline for his tanks and armored vehicles. The Germans captured some food, vehicles and shells at Matruh, but almost all the fuel there was set afire.

The British also succeeded in destroying gasoline stores at Matruh and in the region where the fighting was going on tonight.

The German claim that they "stormed" Matruh caused amusement in Cairo, since the fortress there was denuded of men and materials and was only a dummy to make him use up his supplies.

The two ships which the Axis claimed to have set afire in Matruh harbor were disabled vessels which had been there for the past year for the express purpose of baiting bombers.

The decisive struggle churned and crashed over a wide expanse of the Egyptian desert less than 175 miles from Alexandria, Britain's chief naval base in the eastern Mediterranean and a keystone in the United Nations' defenses.

The American Air Corps already is heavily engaged in the battle for Egypt, flying wing-to-wing with the RAF in strafing and bombing the battle area and ceaselessly attacking the enemy's lengthening and tenuous supply lines.

The Americans also have helped the RAF assault Tobruk and Bengasi, Axis supply bases in Libya, and strike back at the Italian battle fleet attacking convoys. At least 25 bomb hits were scored by the U. S. fliers on two Italian battleships.

U. S. Army bombers and the RAF attacked enemy tanks and supply columns throughout the day and night, while on land mobile British artillery pounded vigorously at the advancing Axis Africa corps in a desperate attempt to stem the tide.

Great fires of gasoline dumps were set aflame between Matruh and Salum as the Allied fliers strived mightily to cripple Marshal Erwin Rommel's tenuous supply lines.

The British announcement that Matruh was "evacuated" was taken to mean that the eighth army had retired in good order.

U. S. BOMBERS RAID TINY WAKE ISLAND

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former quarterback at West Point. "We gave them everything we had," he said. "We were over the target for five minutes. It was a beautiful sight, like the fourth of July on Coney Island, only not so peaceful. They had plenty of fortifications but couldn't see us and missed their mark."

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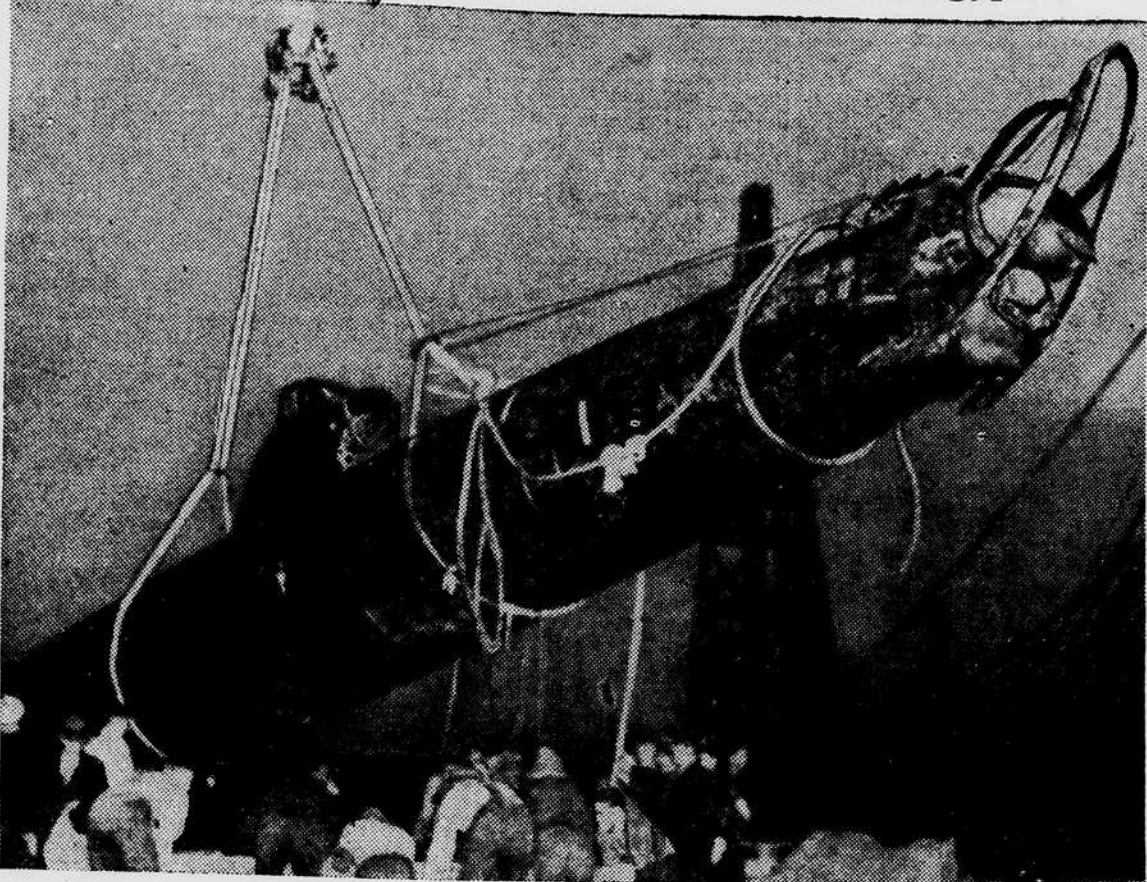
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Parachutists From Crete Seen As Threat To Egypt



British military observers say they expect the next German move in the Libyan-Egyptian campaign will be co-ordinated with a Nazi parachute invasion from Crete (broken arrow), intended to strike behind British lines in Egypt. German forces in Libya (black arrow) now are poised at the Egyptian border, ready to attempt to drive eastward (broken arrow), with the Suez canal as a main objective.

TODAY and TOMORROW

BY WALTER LIPPMANN

The Case Of Professor R

Some time ago "Collier's Weekly" published an article and maps by the professor of geography at Teachers College, Columbia University. It was called "Maps for a New World." It was an astounding performance. Much the most important aspect of it is not what Professor Renner thinks our war aims ought to be, but how he thinks about them. For while he has no political influence, he is a teacher in an institution which trains teachers who go to all parts of the country. He is a professor in an institution which exercises immense influence upon American education.

The outlook for American civilization would be, I submit, very dark indeed if Professor Renner's habits of mind were to become at all general in American colleges. For they are the habits of mind which have caused the deepest concern to the lawmakers and to teachers and to the doctors of religion in all ages and in all places. They are the habit of thinking of others as if they were inanimate objects, and the habit of thinking of oneself as above all human standards of good and evil. Professor Renner is no doubt a man of blameless life. But when his ways of thinking are found in a man of violent and active character, it may take a world war to subdue him.

In this way of thinking we find always an overwhelming conviction that the man is appointed by destiny to improve the human race, to solve its ancient problems, to inaugurate a new order. The man is always convinced that he has heard voices, or that he has intuition, or that he has "scientific knowledge" available only to himself and a few of the specially initiated.

These warning symptoms are present in what, speaking "scientifically," we may now call the case of Professor R. His special knowledge is what he calls "political geography"; his appointed mission is the "designing of a new world map to meet democratic specifications." So he clears the ground for his task by dismissing all "the amateurs of the state departments of the various nations of the world," and goes on to say that "every map or blueprint for peace so far has been drawn by self-appointed amateurs."

Professor R's new world map to meet democratic specifications confirms the clinical picture which these preliminary warning symptoms would lead a student of the human mind to anticipate. In those maps we behold a mind unconsciously conceiving a series of atrocious and irreparable crimes in order to make a more perfect world. Thus it is Professor R's view, arrived at by special geographical insight, that in a perfect world there would be "a Europe consisting of nine strong nations, any one of which would be strong enough to discourage aggression."

Therefore, in order to make the nine strong nations Professor R advises the United States to murder the small nations and feed them to the bigger nations. He believes, for example, that "to meet democratic specifications," we should exterminate the Swiss Republic, and then divide up its territory and its citizens among Germany, Italy and France. The reader must bear with me: I know this is revolting but I must repeat that Professor R. wishes to found a democratic peace on the political murder of the most ancient republic in the Western World. After more than six centuries of Swiss independence, he wishes us to celebrate our victory over Hitler by dismembering the Swiss nation and placing the Swiss people under the domination of three strong foreign powers.

We may note in passing that Professor R has not specified whether the destruction of Switzerland is to be done by American troops, or whether we are to incite German, Italian and French troops to do the political murder for us. In any

EIGHT SABOTEURS MAY BE EXECUTED

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shortly after landing on our coasts from Nazi submarines. "A further and more detailed announcement concerning this matter may be expected within 48 hours."

Among the problems raised in connection with the prosecution of the case is the fact that two of the eight men are American citizens. Another question which must be settled and on which nothing has yet been made public is whether the members of the groups landed from the submarines were members of the German military. If so, they could be treated as spies because they were found in this country in civilian uniform. The penalty for spies is death. The same as it would be in the case of treason, a charge which could be placed only against American citizens.

Two of the eight Nazi agents, captured by Federal authorities after they had been landed on the beach at Long Island, N. Y., and Jacksonville, Fla., by German submarines, were among the seven German crew members of the 45-foot yawl Lakala which was detained for nine days at the Marine service pier at Wrightsville sound by government authorities in December, 1939.

The two men, who, together with their comrades, carried a total of \$170,000 in U. S. currency and cases of high explosives when captured shortly after they were put ashore from the submarine, were Edward John Kerling, alias Edward Kelly, 32, who described himself as master of the Lakala when she was detained here, and Herman Neubauer, 32, a crew member of the Lakala who told authorities at the time that he was in a hurry to reach Florida where he had a job as steward in a hotel.

Kerling was described by the Federal Bureau of Investigation as the "group leader" of the four men who came ashore in a rubber boat from a submarine about 500 yards off Ponte Vedra beach, near Jacksonville, changed into civilian clothes, and buried the explosives and the money in the sand of the beach.

Neubauer was also a member of the Florida group. According to J. Edgar Hoover, director of the FBI, all eight men were specially trained by the German high command for their work of sabotage and had detailed plans of action against American defense plants and public buildings which would have taken two years to carry out.

The Lakala was first boarded and searched by the Coast Guard in Topsail Sound about 2 a. m. on December 5. It was then brought to Wrightsville sound and kept at the Marine Service pier until December 14 under the supervision of the Coast Guard patrol boat 228.

All the seven German crew members contended steadfastly that they bought the expensive yawl for a "pleasure cruise" down the inland waterway from New York to Miami.

The boat, however, was heavily provisioned and Collector of Customs John Bright Hill served an order forbidding the yacht to leave the jurisdiction of the United States because "the United States finds reasonable cause to believe that said vessel Lakala is about to carry arms, ammunition, men, supplies, dispatches or information to some war ship, tender or supply ship of a foreign, belligerent

WASHINGTON, June 29.—(AP)—Weather Bureau records of temperature and rainfall for the 24 hours ending 8 p. m., in the principal cotton growing areas and elsewhere:

Table with columns: Station, High, Low, Prec. Rows include Atlanta, Birmingham, Boston, Buffalo, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, El Paso, Fort Worth, Galveston, Jacksonville, Memphis, Meridian, Miami, New Orleans, Norfolk, Portland, Me., Tampa, Washington, and Wilmington.

NEGRO KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Camp Davis Worker Fatally Injured By Bolt Sunday Afternoon

One person was killed instantly and another seriously injured Sunday afternoon when lightning struck a frame building in the western area of Camp Davis.

Elijah Butler, negro civilian employe, was killed and E. R. Murphy, Sr., white employe, was injured. Station hospital attaches said Monday that Murphy "has a good chance to recover."

Butler was a resident of Bolton while Murphy's home address was given as 625 Bohler Ave., Augusta, Ga.

The building, the public relations officer reported, caught afire after it was hit but it was not badly damaged. The blaze was quickly extinguished. Some of the interior walling was knocked off by the bolt of lightning.

Britain-Russia Sign Financing Agreement

MOSCOW, Tuesday, June 30.—(AP)—Great Britain and the Soviet Union have signed an agreement providing for financing of British military supplies sent to Russia, the Moscow radio announced today.

The agreement was signed June 27 in Moscow by the British ambassador, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, and A. I. Mikoyan, Soviet foreign trade commissar.

The order, said at the time to have set a precedent, was drafted by U. S. District Attorney J. O. Carr at the request of the collector of customs.

The boat was allowed to continue to Miami where, according to Acting Collector of Customs D. C. Sneed, it was sold by the Germans.

"She later came back through the inland waterway here under a new owner," Mr. Sneed said today, in recalling the case.

According to Associated Press dispatches, Kerling came to this country in 1929, when he was 20 years old, and was employed by a New Jersey oil company.

From 1930 to 1939, he and his wife were employed as domestics in Greenwich, Conn., and Short Hills, N. J. In 1936, he was a guest of the German government at the Olympic games at Berlin.

The dispatch declared that Kerling and his friends, all active in German bund activities, bought the Lakala to return to Germany. Neubauer entered the U. S. under an immigration quota through the port of New York as a seaman aboard the S. S. Leviathan.

LEGION PROPERTY BOUGHT BY COUNTY

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concessions as had been asked by C. B. Parmelee, spokesman for Coastal Fairs, Inc., committee, to read that the county pay \$15,000 for the property and permit the American Legion use of the part now occupied by trailers on a monthly basis with either the county or Legion holding the right to withdraw the agreement on 30 days notice.

Commissioner George W. Trask originally moved that the county offer Coastal Fairs, Inc., the \$15,000 and right to lease the part occupied by trailers for the duration of the war.

On motion of Commissioner Trask the board voted to pay for the property in full, today, after Coastal Fairs, Inc., presents the deed to the property and it has received approval of the county attorney.

The land consists of between 15 and 20 acres in two tracts—one tract lying between county property at the stadium and the Carolina Beach road and the other between stadium lands and Greenfield Lake.

In speaking for his committee, Mr. Parmelee first proposed that Coastal Fairs, Inc., would sell the property for \$15,000 in cash with the proviso that they have a five year lease on the part of the land not in use by the Legion. He explained that the organization only wanted use of the property so long as the Legion could get revenue from it by renting space for trailers.

"I wouldn't vote for that proposal," Commissioner Gardner declared. "I think the property should be directly in the hands of the county and not leased to some individuals or organization. I'd rather let them use some other county property and fix this up as a park."

Mr. Parmelee then explained that the organization had put in septic tanks and lighting facilities at some expense to get money from the property.

"I wouldn't like to lease the property for five years, but I don't mind going on a month to month basis and when we need the space we can take it over," declared Commissioner James M. Hall.

"That part of the land has never been used for parking," Mr. Parmelee explained. "They are now getting some revenue and I don't think it would hurt the county when housing is needed."

Commissioner Trask then explained "I don't think it is needed for parking and I would be willing to let the Legion use it for the duration of the war" and followed his comment with his motion, which failed to get a second.

Commissioner L. J. Coleman commented that "the county needs the American Legion and the Legion needs the county. I am of the opinion expressed by Mr. Gardner and think that we ought to buy out or sell out. The matter has come to a head now and they say they will sell the property if we don't buy."

"The facilities placed there for use by occupants of the trailers have been helpful to folks during the housing shortage," Chairman Addison Hewlett commented. Information I have is that they have recently installed facilities and we might let the folks use them."

"I think we would reimburse them for cost of installation of the facilities by giving more than we offered originally," Commissioner Gardner declared and then offered his substitute motion.

Members of the committee representing Coastal Fairs, Inc., were Jack Nigel, George Hutaff, Sr., Walker Taylor, and Mr. Parmelee.

SOLONS CRITICIZE GAS RATION PLAN

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tioner qualified to administer to the religious needs of the members of a congregation.

The latter change, OPA explained, placed on the same basis with ministers "practitioners or religious groups such as the Christian Science church."

At the same time, the regula-

tions were changed to deny tires to a vehicle owned by a physician, minister and others in the same category unless it is used "exclusively" for professional services or religious duties instead of "principally" as heretofore.

STATE PROTESTS

RALEIGH, N. C., June 29.—(AP)—State highway chairman Ben Prince today protested a two and one-half cent increase in the price of gasoline permitted by the Office of Price Administration on the Eastern seaboard.

Asserting that the increased cost of gasoline transportation could be distributed by a small increase throughout the entire nation or by a direct Federal subsidy to the oil companies, Prince estimated that the increase, on the basis of last year's consumption, would cost the people of North Carolina \$12,000,000 a year and the state itself \$450,000 a year.

"This will result in burden of war falling with greater severity on this section," Prince said. The price increase was effective today.

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Bidders will stipulate the amount of their bids on a yearly basis, contract to begin October 1, 1942, and run through September 30, 1943. Monthly payments to be made in advance on or before the 10th of each month. Bidders are advised that the City of Wilmington collected approximately 12,000 barrels of garbage during the past year. Further information can be obtained from the office of the Superintendent of Streets. Address all bids to the undersigned marked on the outside of envelope "Bid On Garbage." The right to reject any and all bids is reserved. CITY OF WILMINGTON BY J. R. Benson Dated this 30th day of June, 1942.

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