

### U. S. INVOKES CRIMEAN PACT

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land, under comparable circumstances, when the Big Three leaders agreed that they would jointly seek to broaden the Soviet-sponsored Warsaw provisional government.

About that time there was increasing criticism in the Soviet press of the Radescu administration. It was blamed for failing to and for inability to maintain order. Those criticisms were generally rejected here. Washington considered the Radescu government bumbling but about the best that could be done in the circumstances.

On February 7, the Russian vice commissar of foreign affairs, Vishinsky, arrived in Bucharest. He had an immediate audience with King Mihai.

On February 8, Radescu was dismissed. An aristocrat, Prince Stirbey, was asked to form a government but after a brief try gave up.

On March 6, Groza succeeded in forming a government.

The leaders of the two largest parties, Iuliu Maniu, National Peasant party, and Dinu Bratianu, National Liberal party, refused to join the Groza administration on the ground that they would not submit to minority control.

### Spring Breezes Cover Much of Nation; Gale Strikes Mississippi

By The Associated Press Springlike breezes covered much of the United States yesterday in the van of snow and death-dealing gales in the West and South.

Temperatures soared to collaring 60's in Arkansas; record 70's in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and other Northern States, and an unprecedented 68 at Boston.

But cyclonic winds left at least three persons dead in Mississippi and uprooted trees and damaged houses in Texas. Heavy snow fell in northern Utah's mountains.

Here is what happened in Romania: The Crimea Conference ended February 11.

### FIFTH ARMY SEEKS FOE NEAR BOLOGNA

ROME, March 15—(U.P.)—Fifth Army patrols probed the perimeter of German defenses in the sector southwest of Bologna, but were unable to contact the enemy, it was announced today, and aggressive German raiding parties continued to stab at Allied strongpoints along the Adriatic.

The U. S. Tenth Mountain Division, aided by Brazilian contingents, edged forward in the Apennine hill country on both sides of Highway 64 and encountered only sporadic artillery and mortar fire. Allied troops in this sector are poised for a thrust at the enemy stronghold of Vergato, 18 miles southwest of Bologna, the city, astride the road to Bologna, is virtually encircled.

In eastern Italy, a sharp fight occurred when enemy forces attacked a British strong point north of Cotignola with flame-throwers. The attack was repulsed but other Eighth Army elements were forced to withdraw from positions southeast of Riolo di Bagni following an enemy thrust across the Senio river.

Tactical Air Force planes in addition to hurrying the usual weight of bombs on communications targets in the vital Brenner rail route between Germany and Italy, bombed targets behind German lines on both the Fifth and Eighth Army fronts. Hits were scored on enemy headquarters buildings and command posts.

### YALTA PACT SEEN AS STEP TO PEACE

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at Quebec, Moscow, Cairo, Tehran, Yalta, Bretton Woods, Chicago and Dumbarton Oaks, he told the Civilians, were necessary practical preliminaries to the April meeting in San Francisco, "which may determine the fate of the civilized world for a century". The realism and determination evidenced by delegates to these conclaves, he said, "beats the League of Nations all hollow".

As a student in Switzerland, he recounted, he had witnessed the impact of the Japanese invasion of Manchuria on the virtually helpless League Assembly, whose subsequent authorizing of the investigative Lytton Commission merely forced the Japanese out of the League. He traced the step-by-step growth of fascist aggression thenceforward in China, Spain, Abyssinia, Austria and Czechoslovakia, symbolizing the horrid helplessness of the League powers and the isolated United States with Lord Halifax's despairing "It can't be true" when told of the invasion of Austria.

Exhorting all three of his successive audiences to publicize their interest in such vitally important events as the San Francisco security conference he called their success dependent on "people just like yourselves", Stettinius—whom he called "an awfully nice man" but just a "front" for the President—has cleaned the cobwebs from the State department, and he asserted "When you write to the State Department, it's acknowledged nowadays."

He professed himself enthusiastic over the choice of U. S. delegates to the forthcoming San Francisco meeting, quoting an unnamed Republican friend who said "Had Gov. Dewey been selected, it would have been the worst disaster that ever occurred". He acclaimed the inclusion of a woman, Dr. Virginia Gildersleeve, of Barnard College.

The Lions and the Sorosis members also heard Dr. Voss assert that "the Jewish problem is a Christian problem," and back it with the explanation that it was Medieval Christian culture which had originally selected world Jewry as a scapegoat, a tactic to be adopted in "brightly" more inclusive formly Adolf Hitler in modern times. Supporting Jewish claims to free immigration into Palestine, Jews' war efforts, marked by an all-time high in military enlistment, with that of the Arabs who oppose Zionist aims.

Dr. Voss talk to the Sorosis group was preceded by vocal selections by Mrs. O. E. DuRant, Jr., contralto. He was introduced to the Lions by William B. Campbell, and to the Civilians by W. A. Raney.

### Navy Moves To Eliminate Use of Physically Unfit Men In Overseas Service

WASHINGTON, March 15—(U.P.)—Many physically unfit men are being sent overseas for Naval duty and the Navy Department says this must stop.

It was disclosed tonight that the Navy's Bureau of Medicine and Surgery and the Bureau of Naval Personnel have sent a joint memorandum to all ships and stations telling them what to do about the situation.

"Numerous reports of receipt of men in the overseas areas who are not physically qualified to perform all of their duties, have been received by the Bureau of Naval Personnel," said the memorandum, which then directed:

"In view of the transportation involved, the unwarranted burden on medical facilities in advanced areas and the present congestion of men awaiting medical or dental treatment in those areas, it is extremely urgent that steps be taken to prevent transferring such men overseas."

### FATHER OF NINE IN 1-A



Reporting for pre-induction physical examination at Philadelphia for service in the armel forces is Henry J. Huston, father of nine children. He was put in 1-A when he refused to leave his \$80-a-week job in a hosiery mill for work in a war plant.

### Yanks Control Section Of Nazi Superhighway

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gunners beyond easy range. Associated Press Correspondent Don Whitehead said the Germans were building up strength east of the bridgehead. That might be to contain the bridgehead or to muster the force for one big attempt to crush the all-important American foothold east of the Rhine.

Between the assault of the U. S. Third Army from the north, and the U. S. Seventh Army's drive from the south, Hitler's hold on the Saar and the nearby Palatinate, his last west of the Rhine, seemed to slipping fast.

Strong air patrols kept German planes away from the bridgehead, the nearest getting eight miles from the battlefield before it was shot down. Pilots said German trains and vehicles were moving toward the bridgehead, bringing up forces for the bridgehead battle.

So far, however, the Germans had been unable to aim a single major counterblow and it appeared their forces over cratered highways and bomb-wrecked villages east of the Rhine.

At the same time, German fire on the bridgehead had dropped off sharply, testimony to the effectiveness of the steady expansion operations which have shoved enemy

### 'OPEN DOOR' PLAN FOR PARLEY URGED

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a co-sponsor on the terms set forth by the Big Three at Yalta. The next meeting of the U. S. delegation will consider the selection of advisers. The policy followed at the Mexico City Inter-American Conference with such great success is expected to be retained. Representatives of the House, the Senate, labor, business and agriculture were included in that delegation.

Stettinius met for an hour with a bipartisan group from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He reviewed the Yalta and Mexico conferences and discussed briefly preliminary plans for San Francisco. Cordell Hull started meetings with that group nearly a year ago to keep them informed of progress on plans for a world organization.

President Roosevelt promised earlier this week that an "open door" policy would be pursued at San Francisco, subject to the approval of the other nations present.

### WINDSOR RESIGNS BAHAMAS OFFICE

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When he learned that the word was out, he called his staff and colonial leaders together and told them of the resignation.

It was explained that the Duke himself was somewhat surprised by the announcement because he did not expect it to be made until April.

In a later news conference, the Governor explained that the resignation will come after he has served within three and one-half months of the five year period of normal maximum tenure of a colonial governorship.

The news that His Royal Highness had now decided to tender his resignation of the post of Governor is therefore not unexpected nor gives any cause for surprise," a government announcement added.

The Duke took office Aug. 17, 1940.

There had been no public indication here that the former King of England would leave the post he had held since August 17, 1940. The Duke would not receive overseas telephone calls from newsmen in the United States who sought to interview him.

Edward and his American-born wife, for whose love he abdicated, have been hard at work—except during their occasional visits to the United States—ever since they landed at this outpost of empire. The Duchess, as president of the

Bahamas Red Cross, has been active in war and welfare projects. Her untiring efforts have won her the admiration of Bahamians, who were impressed by the fact that she did not leave the hard work to others.

Trained to rule a mighty empire, the Duke put all of his energies into the task of governing this tiny colony of some 70,000 inhabitants who live on the islands scattered off the southern coast of the United States.

He has worked and planned, particularly, in an effort to solve the islands' economic plight which resulted from the war-time cessation of tourist trade.

The Duke arranged for about 5,000 Bahamians to go to the United States to help relieve the shortage of farm labor. He took a lead in efforts to revive peasant industries.

### Von Rundstedt Reported In Fear of Life, Taking Blame For Nazi Failures

COLOGNE, March 15. — (U.P.)—

Field Marshal Karl von Rundstedt is so fearful of his life, since seeing what happened to his colleagues who were purged after the Hitler assassination attempt last July, that he now unresistingly lends his name to military adventures which he knows are doomed to failure.

This is the considered opinion of a Rhenish man of letters who knows von Rundstedt intimately. His name must be withheld at present for family reasons. The so-called von Rundstedt offensive last December was not the

field marshal's at all, this informant asserted. He said it was concocted by Hitler, Himmler and Field Marshal Walther von Model, but that von Rundstedt was compelled to carry it out against his better judgment.

### PARATROOPER WINS

PARATROOPER SGT. Lee Croft, 188, of Spokane, Wash., knocked out Aaron Levy, 198, Brooklyn, in the first round of their scheduled 10-round go here last night. Sgt. Croft, who is stationed at Camp MacKall, blasted the veteran from Brooklyn with a right to the chops for the payoff after a minute and 30 seconds of scrapping.

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