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GOOD AFTERNOON

The nations of the world continue to bolster their arms programs, but nobody yet has offered to pillow the taxpayers.

WEATHER

Generally fair Monday night and Tuesday.

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BRITISH IRE MOUNTS TOWARD DICTATORS

Hungarians Twice Attack Czech Patrol

CZECHS FAIL TO FIRE WHEN AREA RAIDED

Slovaks Establish Martial Law, Win Victory in Retaining Towns

REMAIN LENIENT TOWARD TERRORISTS

PRAGUE, Oct. 17.—(UP)—The Czech army advised today that Hungarian soldiers had opened fire on a Czechoslovak patrol at Biel, Slovakia, and brown hand grenades at Czech troops.

After withdrawing, Hungarians returned and attacked the patrol again. Czechoslovaks did not return their fire.

PRAGUE, Oct. 17.—(UP)—The Slovak government today decreed martial law in 17 districts close to the Hungarian frontier. The area extends over 15 districts of the frontier and two districts close to it.

It was announced the step was taken because the Slovak government feared invasion by Magyar terrorists although there is no fear of invasion by the regular Hungarian army.

Meanwhile the Czech government prepared today to resume direct negotiations with Hungary over minority disputes involving border territory, with Czechoslovakia's position reinforced by new German attitude.

Following the return of Foreign Minister Dr. Frantisek Chvalovsky from Berlin and Munich, where he conferred with Chancellor Adolf Hitler, it became evident here that the Hungarian-Czechoslovak dispute will be settled purely along ethnographic lines determined by the 1930 census, as Czechoslovakia insisted. Thus the important towns of Bratislava, Nitra, Kosice and Uhrohor, which possess Hungarian minorities, will remain Czechoslovak.

Although this is a negative result, it nevertheless is a victory for Czechoslovakia to keep these towns which Hungary demanded at the Komaron conference. It was urged on high authority that the Czech government should make the renewed direct negotiations will not suffer any setback, tends to be most lenient with the 300 terrorist prisoners, many of them Hungarians who led bands of disturbances in the disaffected territory.

Reports that these prisoners would be court-martialed and sentenced to death within the next few days were denied. The foreign minister continued conferences with cabinet members in order to speed reconstruction of the new Czechoslovakia, which bound to develop entirely new relations, both political and economic. It was reported that Germany is ready to give financial and industrial assistance if Prague will allow Berlin lines the distance with Hungary.

A proposal for German monetary aid as recompense for loss of Czech territory was understood to be under consideration because of the seriousness of the Hungarian territorial dispute. It was understood that a compromise solution had been offered involving surrender to Hungary of less territory than Budapest demanded.

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. CLEMENT South Carolina Native Will Be Taken Home for Burial Mrs. Emma Clement, 72, of 236 Third avenue east, died last night at 8:40 o'clock at Patton Memorial hospital, following an illness of several years. Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 2 p. m., in Holy Springs, in Spartanburg county, by the Rev. B. E. Wall, pastor of the First Baptist church, in that city.

LEADING FIGURES IN NAZI SPY TRIAL



KEY WITNESS—Called "a woman of mystery" and reported to be a member of a once wealthy family of the old German regime, Miss Senta De Wanger, above, is expected to give valuable testimony for the Federal government in its trial of four alleged Nazi spies in New York.



CONFESSED SPY AND CO-DEFENDANTS—One minute after the espionage trial of the three men pictured above opened in New York Federal court, the man at the left, Guenther Gustav Rumrich, walked to the bench and pleaded guilty to Federal Judge John C. Knox. Rumrich, former U. S. Army sergeant, and a deserter, attempted to obtain false passports for the alleged Nazi spy ring. The other defendants above are Otto Herman Voss, German-American aviation mechanic, center, and Erich Glaser, U. S. Army air corps private of German origin.



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FOREIGN POLICY OF U. S. NOW DECLARED AT CROSS ROADS

MRS. JEROME, 86, PASSES AWAY

Ohio Native Expires at the Mountain Home Residence of Daughter Mrs. Elizabeth Jerome, 86, a native of Ohio, died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Helen Jerome Smith, at Mountain Home, this morning at 2:45 o'clock.

Pomona Grange To Meet Tuesday Night At Etowah

A meeting of Pomona Grange was announced today for Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Etowah high school building, which all members of the three subordinate granges, Mills River, Fletcher and Etowah, are urged to attend.

Some Washington Observers See More Drastic Stand in Future

By GERRY ROBICHAUD United Press Staff Correspondent WASHINGTON, Oct. 17. (UP) Foreign affairs experts last night believed that the Roosevelt administration has reached a crossroads in international policies which will bring about a complete alteration of American foreign policy.

Several factors convinced them that the "idealism" of the new deal's early forays into international affairs had been abandoned in favor of a policy, as yet undetermined, of dealing realistically with "aggressor" nations and other world problems. They based their observations on several developments, including President Roosevelt's announced intention to survey American defense needs with a view to building up military and naval strength as quickly as possible and the standardization of munitions manufacture to permit rapid industrial mobilization in event of war.

WILL CALL 40 WITNESSES IN U. S. SPY CASE

Prosecutor Charges Conspiracy, Directed in German Government

NEW YORK, Oct. 17. (UP)—The government today charged in federal court that three defendants on trial for espionage conspired to obtain information concerning the United States military secrets and "transmit it to Germany." United States Attorney Lamar Hardy charged in his opening statement that the conspiracy against the American government was "conceived and directed in a German government."

Britain Awaits Full Report From Its Palestine Commission Before Framing New Status As To Jewish Homeland

LONDON, Oct. 17. (UP)—The Daily Herald said today that Britain intends to abandon the plan to partition Palestine and at the same time curtail drastically Jewish immigration to Palestine and the sale of Palestine land to Jews. The paper quoted A. L. Esterman as a Jewish authority for this information and said the government studied the report of the Woodhead commission, recently returned from the Holy land.

COUNTY WINS IN ALL CLASSES IN STATE FAIR

Henderson Exhibitors Bring Home \$200 Prize Money From Raleigh

TURKEY EXHIBITS LEAD ALL OTHERS

Henderson county exhibitors at the State Fair, at Raleigh, really "went to town," G. D. White, county farm agent, reported today.

The Henderson exhibitors won in every class they had exhibits and captured approximately \$200 of the fair prize money. On Hereford beef cattle, J. Z. Cleveland, with five head, won \$111 in prize money and the following awards: Second for young bull; second for young cow; first and second for heifers; first on pair of calves and reserve champion female.

Sam Childs, Jr., with New Hampshire Reds, won first and second on cockerels and first and second on pullets for \$6 prize money.

In the turkey division, Henderson county entries won every prize except one third ribbon. Dr. M. Szamatolski won the award for best tom and best hen, and his turkeys and those of B. M. Sewell won the prize for the best exhibit of turkeys with White Hollands. Turkey prizes were won as follows: First, second and third pullet, Mr. Sewell. First, second and third hen, Dr. Szamatolski. First and second young tom, Mr. Sewell. First yearling tom, Mr. Szamatolski. First and second old tom, Dr. Szamatolski. Turkey prize money totaled \$37.

Frank Corpening won first prize money with a Guernsey bull and \$10 prize money. Ann Carlisle, Mills River 4-H girl, won third in the 4-H junior heifer class and third in the open heifer class.

In the apple division, J. R. Townsend, route 1, won two first prizes, and E. L. Marshall, of Dana, won three firsts, three seconds and two thirds. Mr. White did not know the amount of apple prize money won.

Kiwanis To Give Tryon Program

The Kiwanis club of this city will present the program at the weekly meeting of the Tryon club at Tryon Tuesday. A large number of local club members will attend, it was said today. Cars will leave the Skyland hotel at 12 o'clock.

OSTEEN RE-ENLISTS

News has been received of the re-enlistment of H. A. Osteen, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Osteen, of Zirconia, in the navy. Mr. Osteen is now aboard the U. S. S. Vincennes at Long Beach, Calif. He will be remembered as "Bert" Osteen by fellow students of Flat Rock high school and Furman university.

Where Volcano of War Steams Again



War talk raised its ugly voice again in Europe after Hungary joined in the partition of Czechoslovakia by demanding a large slice of territory along the Hungarian-Slovakian border. Both disputants massed troops on their common frontiers and violence broke out in several towns. The shadowed area on the map above shows the piece of Slovakia that Hungary wants. It covers approximately 4349 square miles containing 1,120,000 inhabitants, of whom 433,000 are said to be Slovaks. The Czech offer of 2152 square miles with 378,000 population was refused by Hungary, which put the dispute up to the four signers of the Munich accord.

CHURCHILL CALLS U. S. TO HELP STEM TOTALITARIAN MARCH

MURDER CASE IS DEFERRED

Agreement Is Reached by Council in Girl's Death; State Seeking Trial

The case of Morris Michael, Asheville salesman, indicted last week on a charge of murder in the death of Kathleen Barham, school girl, at Brickton last March 8, was continued in superior court this afternoon for the defense.

ARREST 4 GERMANS FOR PHOTOGRAPHING COASTAL DEFENSE

COLON, Panama Canal Zone, Oct. 17. (UP)—Army authorities yesterday arrested four Germans, one a woman, after the group had taken photographs of coastal defenses at Fort Randolph.

SIX SHERIFFS HERE TO TALK NEW LAW

Six sheriffs from other counties conferred here yesterday in an informal gathering with Sheriff W. E. Davis. The meeting discussed proposed legislation to increase the term of office from two to four years.

British Statesmen Already Envisions Great Damage to Power

By RICHARD D. McMILLAN LONDON, Oct. 17. (UP)—Winston Churchill, accused by Chancellor Adolf Hitler of trying to foment war against Germany, last night appealed to the United States in a trans-Atlantic radio speech to join with Great Britain "before it is too late" and halt the aggressions of the dictators.

The fiery-tongued Churchill, wartime first lord of the admiralty and now the severest critic of Britain's "kneeling down" to the totalitarian powers, said it was futile for the American people to talk of washing their hands of Europe's troubles.

Churchill, who has held virtually every post in the British government except prime minister and who is the leading exponent of the mightiest air force in the world for Britain, said the democracies must band together without delay.

Churchill said Britain would rearm feverishly and predicted that conscription was not far off. He made no direct reply, however, to Adolf Hitler's accusations against him, nor did he mention to his American audience the unpaid British war debt.

"We are left no doubt as to where American convictions and sympathies lie, but will you wait until British freedom and independence succumb and then take up the cause, when it is three-quarters ruined, yourselves alone?" he asked.

COMMUNISTS' STATUS FACES COURT RULING

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17. (UP)—The United States supreme court today agreed to rule upon the question as to whether membership in the communist party is prima facie grounds for deporting of an alien from the United States.

The case is considered of special interest because of the long standing dispute over Harry Bridges, Australian and west coast C.I.O. director. Bridges' deportation on the grounds of Communist membership has been sought by a number of organizations.

DECLARED SUICIDE

JACKSON, Miss., Oct. 17. (UP) A coroner's jury said last night that Thomas P. Abernathy, 47-year-old insurance salesman, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head with a .22 caliber pistol.

REPORT MORE CONCESSIONS TO BE SOUGHT

German Tirades Fail to Halt Speeding of British Armaments

BERLIN MAY DEMAND FAR FLUNG COLONIES

LONDON, Oct. 17. (UP)—Reports multiplied today that Adolf Hitler will follow up his Czechoslovak crisis triumph with far-reaching proposals soon to Great Britain.

Coincidentally there was mounting feeling against further concessions to dictators which threatened the British government, not only at home but in far-flung parts of the British empire.

The speech broadcast to the United States last night by Winston Churchill sounded a clear call for a strong stand against totalitarianism, for intensified rearmament and world cooperation among democracies.

According to present reports, Germany intends soon to propose an Anglo-German discussion on arms limitation generally, on an air pact, on colonies—and possibly, the revision of the Anglo-German naval treaty.

In each case, there would be involved definite and costly concessions by Great Britain to Germany. Hitler's informal approach was reported coincident with indications that Britain plans immediate intensification of "full speed" re-armament despite a burst of anti-British tirades in the German press.

The German press, obviously inspired, has taken the view that British proposals are an unfriendly gesture in view of the four-power collaboration that prevented war in Czechoslovakia and the agreement signed by Hitler and Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain that their peoples are resolved "never to fight each other again."

Chamberlain's cabinet, which will meet Wednesday for the first time since settlement of the Czech crisis, was understood to be anticipating an early proposal from Hitler for the opening of negotiations on Anglo-German appeasement.

No one doubted that there would be a tremendous roar of protest in Great Britain if there was any suggestion that this country accept inferiority to Germany in the air. Acceptance of equality at sea was unthinkable.

As regards colonies even if the rank and file of the conservative party agreed to sacrifice African territory—and there was no reason to believe that it would—it was increasingly certain that there would be firm and perhaps dangerous opposition in Africa.

A Daily Mail dispatch from Dar-es-Salaam, Tanganyika, said ominously today: "It is reported in reliable quarters that negotiations between the British government and Germany for the return of Tanganyika to the Reich are imminent."

"Europeans and natives are most perturbed and have formed a defense league to resist to the utmost any attempt to use mandated territory as a pawn for European appeasement."

Competent observers are convinced. (Continued on page three)

Pleasure Planes Collide 300 Feet Up; 5 People Die

DETROIT, Oct. 17. (UP)—Five persons were killed Sunday when two airplanes collided about 300 feet over the motor city airport here and crashed on a golf driving range in a mass of twisted, flaming wreckage.