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Rebel Spain Gives Haven To Soldiers

France Also Hears Italy and Germany Uniting To Enforce Italy's Demands for French Territory; French Students Demonstrate in Paris

Hendayo, France, Dec. 8.—(AP)—Reports from both insurgent and government Spain indicated today that Generalissimo Franco's new offensive on the eastern front war front. As they had done before launching previous drives, insurgent authorities closed the French frontier to prevent leakage of their plans.

Paris, Dec. 8.—(AP)—Concern spread in France today on reports from the Spanish frontier that Italian troops were concentrating in insurgent Spain, within easy striking distance of France.

These reports, which lacked official confirmation, said the asserted Italian troop movement had begun November 22, and was still incomplete.

Reports also spread that Germany and Italy were uniting to enforce Italy's territorial demands on France.

Thousands of students, demonstrating against the Italian clamor for Tunisia and Corsica, battled police in Paris streets today. President Albert Lebrun unexpectedly summoned Premier Daladier for consultations on developments in the increasing strain on French-Italian relations.

Reports of Italian troop movements in Spain originated mostly from travelers who had reached France over the Pyrenees mountains along the frontier. Insurgent Generalissimo

Again the Pen Is Mightier...



In Paris, the epoch-making Franco-German treaty of amity is signed with ceremony at the Quai d'Orsay. This picture was radioed from the French capital to New York. Joachim von Ribbentrop, Nazi foreign minister is at left; France's Minister Georges Bonnet is at right. The pact renounces war between the two countries.

Business Is Divided Over Hull Treaties

Meeting of Manufacturers in New York Split on Trade Pacts; Senator Urges Industrialists To Go Along With the Government

New York, Dec. 8.—(AP)—A gale at sea may make Anthony Eden, late for his address tomorrow night before the National Association of Manufacturers.

The former British foreign secretary was aboard the liner Aquitania, delayed by heavy seas. Officials said a cutter would be sent down the bay to pick up Eden if necessary, although they expected the ship to dock in time.

New York, Dec. 8.—(AP)—A "bitter revolt" by industrialists opposed to the Hull reciprocal trade agreement program developed in committee rooms today, and, according to leaders participating in the discussions, threatened to disrupt the National Association of Manufacturers' program of cooperation with the government.

While this was going on behind closed doors in the liveliest convention the association has had in years, delegates in the open session in the main ball room of the Waldorf Astoria hotel heard:

1. Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney, Democrat, Wyoming, urge the industrial leaders to restore confidence to the public by submitting to the regulations designed for the best interests of the public as a whole, rather than a small business group.

2. Lewis Morris, white-haired Iowa dirt farmer, warn the business leaders "to keep your hands off our farm program."

3. W. W. Waymack, editor, Des Moines Register and Tribune, assert that democracy depends upon a large secure middle class, the backbone of which is the individual farmer, and that "capitalism as we know it is bound to be radically changed."

Vigorous lobbying behind the closed

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Plan Would Allow Americans To Quit Inner China Areas

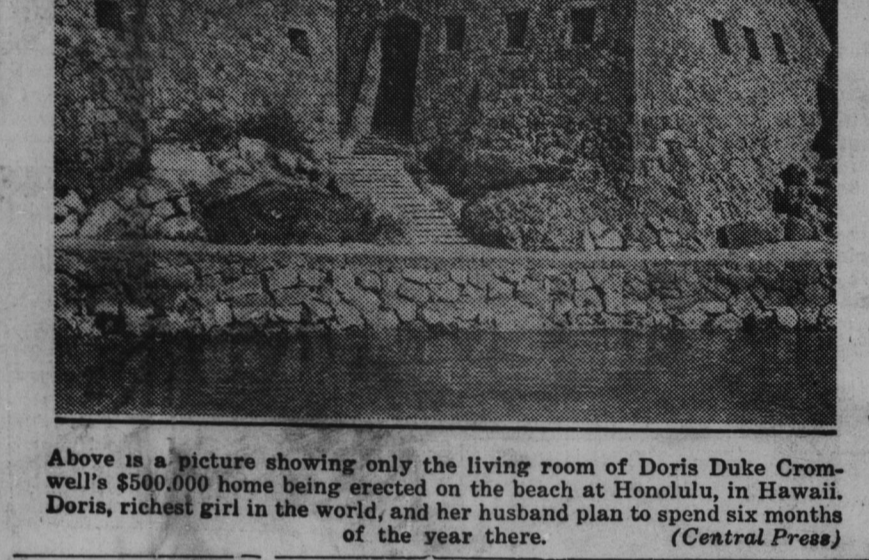
Shanghai, Dec. 8.—(AP)—American and British naval authorities were said today to have negotiated a tentative arrangement with the Chinese and Japanese for removal of 33 of the 20 foreigners marooned at Kuling, Fifteen Americans, 15 Britons, two Swedes and one German were reported planning to leave Saturday with an escort of British and American naval officers and proceed to Kiukiang, where they would board a Japanese transport for Shanghai.

The United States gunboat Luzon, after spending the night at Nanking, steamed down the Yangtze river for Shanghai this morning, with another group of Americans from Hankow. The Luzon was scheduled to stop enroute and arrive at Shanghai tomorrow.

Army, Navy Tightening On Secrets

Washington, Dec. 8.—(AP)—The Army and Navy are quietly tightening the lid on military secrets in preparation for the speeding up of the administration's national defense program. New rules to safeguard forts, warships and planes, indications of a closer tab on aliens in aircraft plants, and a recent hint by President Roosevelt that more funds would be sought from Congress to combat spies, gave evidence today of increased caution.

Military circles heard that regula-



Above is a picture showing only the living room of Doris Duke Cromwell's \$500,000 home being erected on the beach at Honolulu, in Hawaii. Doris, richest girl in the world, and her husband plan to spend six months of the year there. (Central Press)

Fight Over Schools Is To Come Up

Battle for Control As Between School Board and Commission Due for Assembly

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Dec. 8.—The governor's commission to examine and report on the State's educational set-up put the perennial row over control of spending school money right back in the public eye and on the agenda of the 1939 General Assembly.

It did so by its section No. 9, which recommended that the Assembly provide that the present administration of the public schools be placed under the State Board of Education, with the present School Commission as an "advisory commission". This is urged, the report said, "feeling that it is for the best interest of the public school system to have immediate relief from scattered administration."

That tossed the fat right into the fire of controversy, the same controversy that has raged in every legislative session since the School Commission was set up in 1933 to control the financing of the public schools.

Ever since then, the Department of Public Instruction, backed by the so-called "school people," has fought desperately to get control of spending the more than \$25,000,000 annually appropriated for the support of the public schools. In the 1935 and 1937 Assemblies the attack was completely repulsed as the legislators decided they wanted to see a strict rein kept on the school spending by a group of business men appointed by the government rather than by those charged with expanding the educational system along lines which may be very desirable but which cannot be attained.

300,000 Germans Would Come Here

Washington, Dec. 8.—(AP)—Government officials have received information that there are now nearly 300,000 persons awaiting permission to migrate to the United States from Germany. They attribute the pressure to the new anti-Semitic laws in that country. Nearly 90 percent of the German applicants for admission to the United States are reported to be Jews.

The flood of applications is the greatest since passage of the present immigration laws in 1924. Inasmuch as regulations permit only 27,370 Germans to enter annually, it would take eleven years to work through the present waiting list, provided all are accepted. The German quota will be filled this year for the first time since 1929.

Total State Construction \$35,015,000

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Dec. 8.—Construction contracts of all sorts awarded in North Carolina totalled \$35,015,000 for the first eleven months of 1938, according to figures released in the early December number of "Construction", a business publication with headquarters in Baltimore.

During November contracts were awarded for \$4,557,000 in the State and at the close of the month proposed construction for which contracts were yet to be awarded reached \$13,964,000, a total composed principally of industrial and highway projects.

In the 17 states listed as "southern" by the magazine, total construction contracts awarded for the first eleven months amounted to \$715,304,000, with North Carolina ranking squarely in

U. S. Recalls Ambassador From China

Washington, Dec. 8.—(AP)—Acting Secretary of State Welles announced today that Nelson T. Johnson, United States ambassador to China, had been summoned home immediately for consultation with President Roosevelt and other officials here.

Johnson will arrive about mid-January after a motor, airplane and steamer trip by way of London. He already has advised the Chinese Foreign Office that he will be away only a brief time.

Welles said that inasmuch as Johnson had not been back to this country for four years, it seemed desirable to call him home in order to report personally to the President and others here. It was indicated the suggestion came from the White House.

G. O. P. Fight Looms Over Leadership

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Central Press Columnist

Washington, Dec. 8.—Congressman James W. Wadsworth's recent announcement of his candidacy for the Republican leadership in the next House of Representatives puts some "pep" into G. O. P. intra-party politics for the beginning of the coming season on Capitol Hill.

When Congressman Bertrand H. Snell, Republican leader for several sessions past, dropped out of the running for re-nomination it generally was taken for granted that Congressman Joseph W. Martin, Jr. would succeed him. Martin, having been Snell's assistant, has a certain claim to promotion. Moreover, during the last electoral fight he was chairman of the Republicans' representative campaign committee.

As we know, the G. O. P. made big gains, for which it is recognized that Chairman Martin of their congress-



Wadsworth

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Japan And Russia Have Serious Row

Moscow, Dec. 8.—(AP)—A serious dispute developed today between the Japanese and Soviet Russian governments.

The dispute revolved about Japanese agitation for extended fishing rights in Siberian waters under Russian control. It was intensified by a Russian demand for payments in connection with sale of the Chinese eastern railway in 1935 to Manchoukuo.

Tass, official Russian news agency, said Foreign Minister Litvinoff, on November 25, told the Japanese ambassador that Russia cannot "began negotiations on conclusion of a new long-term fisheries convention before the Japanese government fulfills at least its underlings as regards the Chinese eastern railway payments" due from Manchoukuo, the Japanese protectorate.

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Jew-Non-Jew Marriages In Germany Hit

Berlin, Dec. 8.—(AP)—Foreign diplomatic quarters were advised today that the next Nazi anti-Semitic legislation would decree that existing marriages between Jews and non-Jews either must be dissolved or the Gen-



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U. S. Panned By German Mouthpiece

Berlin, Dec. 8.—(AP)—The German Foreign Office mouthpiece today sharply criticized American utterances on the United States arms program, some of which is attributed to President Roosevelt, and said it was "extremely regrettable."

"Admitting that every state has the right to arm as it pleases, we must sharply protest against the reasons for such action" in the United States, the organ said. It continued:

"Again and again American armament propaganda proceeds from the slanderous argument that Germany is a threat to the American continent. Such propaganda also extends to Latin-America, where it is calculated to poison the international atmosphere."

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Terrific Typhoon Hits Philippines, With Heavy Loss

Manila, P. I., Dec. 8.—(AP)—A terrific typhoon swept over several provinces southeast of Manila today, leaving thousands homeless, causing floods over a wide area and disrupting communications. Meagre reports listed 19 dead.

The storm passed south of Manila, hit northern Mindoro island and swept into the China Sea. All sectors reported heavy damage to private and public properties and to crops.

A typhoon signal indicating the center of the storm was over the region was hoisted over Sorsogon, Albay and Camarines provinces. Other provinces also were hit hard. Communication lines in 15 provinces were prostrated.

Envoy Dodd Is Cited For Auto Injury

Hanover Court House, Va., Dec. 8.—(AP)—A warrant was sworn out here today charging William E. Dodd, former ambassador to Germany, with hit-and-run driving in connection with an accident to a Negro child near here Monday.

State Police Trooper Carlisle Johnson obtained the warrant "on information received" and left immediately for Round Hill, Va., Dodd's home, to execute it. Dodd, speaking by telephone from his home, said the Negro child ran directly into the path of his automobile, that he swerved the car and then continued on his way because he thought the child had escaped injury.

The child, Gloria Grimes, 4, was reported to be in a critical condition in a hospital at Richmond. The warrant named a number of persons as witnesses. These included Mrs. Winston Woolfolk, of Carolina county, who was said to have been driving a car directly behind that of Ambassador Dodd. Others listed as witnesses were W. S. Chenault, who reported the matter to police; Gertrude Green and Anna Virginia Grimes, the latter a sister of the injured child, who was said to have reported the automobile license number.

Dodd said he had explained the matter to the division of motor vehicles in Richmond by letter, and had talked to a police officer in Loudoun county.

Causes Of Unemployment Not Removed, Babson Says

Philadelphia, Dec. 8.—The causes of unemployment have not been removed, and until they are difficulties will continue, Roger W. Babson, noted statistician and economist, said in an address here this afternoon at the Penn Athletic Club. In the course of his address, Mr. Babson said:

President Roosevelt has done many good things. Any honest statistician must admit this. President Roosevelt, however, has done nothing to eliminate the cause of unemployment. About one-third of our 9,000,000 unemployed are idle for one or more of the following six reasons:

1. Women in industry, while men are refusing to take their places as workers in the home.

2. Labor unions, which are forcing employers to install automatic machinery which temporarily throws more out of work.

3. Loss of foreign trade through high tariffs, excess labor costs, and

300,000 Farmers To Vote In Referenda Saturday

College Station, Raleigh, Dec. 8.—North Carolina farmers, some 300,000 strong, will march to the polls Saturday to decide whether marketing quotas will be in effect for cotton and flue-cured tobacco produced in 1939. Farmers of other states where these two crops are grown will be voting at the same time on the same questions. If two-thirds of those voting approve quotas, they will be in effect again next year.

In referenda last March 12 marketing quotas for cotton were approved by 92.1 per cent, while flue-cured tobacco quotas were favored by 86.2 per cent. Although North Carolina, the heaviest producer of tobacco and one of the leading cotton states, will play an important part in the election, the national totals will decide the issue.

Farmers will vote by secret ballot in the communities in which they reside. Local AAA Committees will conduct the election and separate ballot boxes will be provided for cotton and tobacco votes where both crops are grown in the same community.

All farmers, including tenants and sharecroppers, who produced cotton in 1938 with a staple length of less than 1 1/2 inches, and all who engaged in the production of flue-cured tobacco in 1938 are eligible to vote. No farmer, whether an individual, partnership, corporation or association, can vote more than one time. No votes by mail or proxy will be allowed.

The polls will open in this State at 8 a. m. and will remain open until 5 p. m. Immediately after the close of the polls the election officers will open the ballot boxes and canvass the votes. Community totals will then be transmitted to the County AAA committee, which will in turn notify the State AAA office in Raleigh as to the county vote. The National and State votes will be announced by newspapers and radio stations as they come in, and the final official results will be announced by the Secretary of Agriculture in Washington after the official tabulations have been made in all states.

Newspaper Guild Chicago Members Put Under Arrest

Chicago, Dec. 8.—(AP)—Five Chicago Newspaper Guild members were arrested and blown off a dozen heads in a melee today along the picket lines at the Hearst building, where Guild members are on strike against the Evening American and the Morning Herald and Examiner.

Those arrested were Harry Wool, president of the Chicago Guild, affiliated with the CIO American Newspaper Guild; Don Stevens, executive secretary of the Chicago Guild; his wife, Sada; Virginia Gardner, a newspaper reporter; and Nate Aleskovsky, Herald and Examiner copy reader.

About 100 persons were on the picket line on Wacker Drive when truck drivers pulled up to load papers. The melee started when police began opening the line of pickets to let the drivers through.

The Guild issued a statement saying the truck drivers "attempted to crash the picket line, wielding rubber hoses."

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Cloudy and unsettled, possibly scattered light rain this afternoon, tonight and Friday; slightly warmer in north and east portions tonight; cooler in mountains Friday.

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