

# GERMANS NOW TO DEMAND PART OF POLAND

## Tobacco Average Shade Down In Eastern Carolina

### Headquarters for Reich's Polish Army



A quarter of a million German troops were massed on the 250-mile frontier with Poland as the controlled Nazi press thundered that the "day of reckoning" was near. Central headquarters for the army was Zilina, a few miles from Poland through the Jablonka Pass. Above is a general view of the railway center from which German troops are being deployed to strategic points in the Tatra Mountains.

### Price Range \$15 to \$20 For Opening

Some Farmer Disappointment Indicated as Season Starts; Heavy Offerings on Most Markets; Poorer Grades Selling Well.

Raleigh, Aug. 22.—(AP)—First reports of opening sales on the New Bright Belt tobacco market today said prices averaged from \$14.62 to \$20.21 per hundredweight, compared with an expected average of \$18 per hundred.

Some farmer disappointment was mentioned. Offerings were described as of poorer grade. In Wilson, the biggest market, some grumbling was reported, and a number of tags were turned, indicating rejection of the bids made. Kingston, however, said farmers "generally appeared satisfied," as there was little good tobacco offered, and a strengthening trend in prices was noted.

At Goldsboro, the first 2,800 pounds sold averaged unofficially \$14.62 per hundred pounds. Prices ranged from \$3 to \$28 and warehouse men said they expected prices to improve with later sales. Quality of the offerings was fair. A total of 500,000 pounds was on the floors.

The first rows sold in four warehouses at Wilson brought prices which averaged \$15.50 per hundred. A record break of between 3,000,000 and 4,000,000 pounds was offered and prices ranged from \$2 to \$32. One of the first rows sold averaged \$17, and warehousemen predicted a better price average later. The poor grades were going well. The better

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### Accord Not To Ban Anglo-French Pact

British-French Quarters in Moscow Still Hopeful, but Gloomy; Von Ribbentrop to Fly to Moscow to Seal Agreement.

Moscow, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Unofficial Soviet sources said today the impending Soviet Russian-German non-aggression pact would not exclude negotiations of a mutual assistance agreement with Britain and France.

British and French quarters, however, were gloomy over the announcement that Berlin and Moscow were coming to an understanding.

German circles said Von Ribbentrop would arrive by special airplane tomorrow with a staff of 32, including a number of technical advisors. By ironic coincidence, he will be quartered next door to the house where the British mission is staying.

There was no information on how long von Ribbentrop would stay in Moscow, but there were indications he would make every effort to conclude the negotiations speedily—in contrast to the long-drawn French-British diplomatic and military dealings with Russia. Russian officials were reported impressed by the quick method with which authoritarian Germany conducts its diplomatic negotiations, and still smarting because Britain did not send a cabinet minister to conduct the diplomatic talks.

The German foreign minister will be the first active Nazi cabinet member ever to visit Moscow.

### Berlin Hails Soviet Pact Advantages

Germans Think British-French Dream of Russian Aid Is Shattered; Jap Alliance With Axis Ended, However; Hitler Strengthened.

Berlin, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Foreign Minister von Ribbentrop arrived at the Tempelhof airport, Berlin, at 6:20 p. m. tonight enroute to Moscow to sign a non-aggression pact with Russia. He had left Salzburg two hours earlier by airplane. He was expected to remain in Berlin only a few hours.

Berlin, Aug. 22.—(AP)—The momentous handshaking between Germany and Russia was seen by Germans today as having the effect of accelerating Nazi determination

## Plane Crash Kills Four Near Nashville Shortly After Noon

### New Auto Record Set at Salt Flats

Bonneville Salt Flats, Utah, Aug. 22.—(AP)—John R. Cobb, of London, drove his 24-cylinder Ration Red Lion over the measured mile at more than six miles a minute, the fastest man ever traveled on land, but was forced to postpone his try for an official record.

Motor trouble prevented him from meeting the requirements of a return trip within the same hour.

Cobb was clocked at 369.23 miles per hour for the north run. This far exceeded the 356.44 the record holder, Captain George Eyston, of England, maintained for the same run last September.

### Annenberg Is Indicted With Six Others

Chicago, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Moe Annenberg, millionaire publisher, and six others were charged by a federal grand jury today with conspiracy to defraud the government of \$137,727.36 taxes, penalties and interest on the income of the Consolidated Publishing Company, a racing news service.

The 43-page indictment, covering the years 1929-36, inclusive, was returned by the same grand jury which on August 11 accused Annenberg

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### Walter Tharrington, Dr. W. O. House, Harry Hicks, Phil Koonce Instantly Killed and Plane Is Demolished.

Rocky Mount, Aug. 22.—(AP)—R. E. Lee, Rocky Mount airport manager, said this afternoon that four persons had been killed in an airplane crash in Nash county shortly after noon.

The victims according to Lee, were: Walter Tharrington, of Rocky Mount, pilot of the plane; Dr. W. O. House, Harry H. Hicks and Phil Koonce, all of Tarboro, or near there.

Newspaper reporters, among the first to arrive at the scene, reported that the plane had crashed into a tobacco field, burrowing into the ground. They said pieces of the bodies were strewn over the field, and that the plane was completely demolished.

Lee said the party had left the local airport a few minutes before, enroute to Raleigh. He said the crash occurred near Sandy Cross, in Nash county, about ten miles from Rocky Mount.

All of the victims of the air tragedy were well known Nash and Edgecombe county citizens. Dr. House, prominent Tarboro surgeon, was commander of the Tarboro post of the American Legion, head of the State Hospital Association, and farmed extensively in the county.

Hicks was a well known insurance man at Leggett's. Koonce was a far-

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### Accuses Nazis



Dr. John Harvey Sherman, president of the University of Tampa, is shown as he testified before the Dies Committee in Washington. He reported that an attempt was made by Baron Edgar Spiegel von und zu Peickelsheim, German consul general at New Orleans, to introduce Nazi teachings in the Florida university. This is a phonephoto.

### Republicans May Sit Out Democrats

Washington, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Republicans may try a waiting game to reverse custom and force Democrats to nominate their 1940 presidential candidate first.

With but one exception since the Civil War, the Democrats have enjoyed the strategic advantage of holding their quadrennial convention after their platform and chosen their ticket. The exception was in 1888, when the Democrats met on June 5 and nominated Grover Cleveland. The Republicans, meeting on June 19, nominated Benjamin Harrison.

Some Republican politicians said today Chairman John Hamilton, of the party's national committee, might seek to delay selection of a convention date until after the Democrats have fixed theirs.

### All Army Leaves Are Canceled By Belgian Minister

Brussels, Aug. 22.—(AP)—The Belgian national defense minister cancelled all leaves for army officers today on the eve of seven small powers' conference as a precaution against any turn for the worse in the European situation.

The order, published tonight, said officers were called back from leaves "so all measures which would be ordered in case the situation were aggravated could be taken without delay."

Further measures to strengthen Belgium's defenses, if necessary, were understood to be already under consideration. The number of soldiers involved in the orders was not made known.

### Violence In Milk Strike In N. Jersey

Camden, N. J., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Three men were shot and numerous others bruised today during a disturbance at the dairymen league milk plant here, which had been picketed by sympathizers of a dairy farmers' union strike. Deputy Sheriff L. A. Jones said the shooting occurred as a milk truck, driven by Frank Rice, of Hillsboro, N. Y., was entering the plant.

Taken to Rome, N. Y., city hospital were Roman Charney, Booneville, and Russell Assont, Lyons Falls, described by the deputy as pickets. Hospital officials said Charney was shot in the abdomen and Assont in the leg.

Jones said 50 or 60 pickets rushed the truck and dumped its milk. A 15-minute skirmish followed, during which stones were hurled and shots fired. Spectators and farmers were bruised when struck by the missiles.

### Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Generally fair tonight and Wednesday, preceded by scattered thundershowers this afternoon; slightly cooler in north central and northeast portions tonight.

### New Pact to Have Usual Loopholes

Rome, Aug. 22.—(AP)—The proposed Soviet-German non-aggression pact will contain a provision permitting its denunciation in the event either party commits an act of aggression against a third country, a reliable informant said today.

The pact, this informant said, would contain three points:

1. A pledge to abstain from aggression against one another.

2. In case one party is the victim of an attack by a third party, the other will remain neutral.

3. In case either commits an act of aggression, the other may denounce the agreement.

In some pro-Soviet circles, the agreement as outlined was regarded as not necessarily incompatible with an alliance among England, France and Russia.

### Cheap Power Means Taxes Will Mount

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist  
Washington, Aug. 22.—Wendell L. Wilkie, president of the Commonwealth & Southern power interests, has given advocates of the government mentalization of natural monopolies quite a problem to figure on.

One of Commonwealth & Southern's subsidiaries was the Tennessee Electric Power Company. Some years ago Uncle Sam's Tennessee Valley Authority broke into competition with this

latter outfit and began underselling it. "That," said public ownership apostles, "is illustrative of public ownership's advantages to power-consumers"—meaning, directly or indirectly, nearly everybody.

T. E. P. Sells Out. Well, the T. E. P. company couldn't stand the gaff indefinitely. It had a big plant, however, which it proposed to sell to Uncle Samuel, then getting out of business in T. V. A.'s favor. The other day this transaction was consummated. Wilkie complained that T. E. P. wasn't paid enough. Most folk thought he was pretty liberally compensated.

Let that pass, though. The nub is this: As he scooped in the government's money, Wilkie grouchily remarked: "In the last decade T. E. P. has forked out more than \$25,000,000 in local taxes. T. V. A., being govern-

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### Warsaw Says Plans Have Never Called For Asking or Expecting Russian Aid; Some See Soviet Aim To Stay Out of Any New War.

Warsaw, Poland, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Official Poland, surprised by Berlin's announcement of negotiations for a non-aggression pact with Soviet Russia, maintained a reserved attitude today, but it was responsibly stated Germany's latest move "has brought absolutely no change in Polish policy."

Official comment was withheld until all details of the reported pact are available.

Regarding the problem of Danzig, however, Polish circles emphasized that Poland's "present policy" has "never involved any question of seeking or expecting the assistance of Russia."

In both Polish and foreign quarters, speculation ranged from the suggestion that the German-Soviet pact is "no more than a new card in the game," to a belief that it may bring some fundamental changes in the European situation.

It was held that Russia could "afford" to make such a gesture because she is "still satisfied that she is shielded behind the Polish fence."

Another popular view, expressed freely, was that Russia intends to stay outside any possible European war, in the beginning at least.

### Prison Guard In Wayne Fired Upon Prisoner's Death

Raleigh, Aug. 22.—(AP)—State Prison officials announced today dismissal of a Wayne county prison guard as the aftermath of the drowning of James Clayton Oliver, Negro convict, while swimming in Little river last week.

The guard, Penal Superintendent Oscar Pitts said, allowed Oliver to swim while out on a work party, an infraction of prison rules. The Negro's body was recovered Sunday.

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### DALADIER CONFERS WITH DEFENSE HEAD

Paris, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Premier Daladier left a special cabinet meeting late today for a long private conference with General Gamelin, commander-in-chief of all France's armed forces.

There was no immediate indication whether the premier and war minister were discussing with the generalissimo the call of even more troops to the colors than those summoned before the cabinet met.

Although the war ministry was silent on the measures taken, usually well informed private sources estimated that between 300,000 and 600,000 had been called up.

to regain not only war lost Danzig but all the rest of present-day Poland which once was Austrian or German.

From the German viewpoint, the outlook shapes up this way:

Poland is now surrounded by German troops from the eastern borders of Slovakia via Bohemia and Moravia up to the Baltic.

Germany, moreover, has non-ag-

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### Three Rivers On Rampage In The East

Raleigh, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Three eastern North Carolina streams, the Neuse, the Cape Fear and the Roanoke, were on the rampage today the result of torrential rains last week. The Weather Bureau here said it was too soon to predict how much damage would result to lowland crops. Warnings, however, should reduce the loss to farmers. Flooding streams in this area seldom cause great damage.

A crest of 20 feet, six feet over its banks, was the forecast for the Neuse

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## British Parliament Will Meet Thursday

London, Aug. 22.—(AP)—The British government tonight called an emergency meeting of Parliament for Thursday to take special defense measures to deal with the critical European situation.

The decision was announced after the cabinet had concluded a meeting lasting nearly four hours. Parliament will be asked to rush through a bill to give the government special powers to take any necessary measures without delay.

At the same time, it was disclosed that further precautionary measures ment.

As the session ended, United States Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy, who had been on vacation on the French Riviera, arrived in London by plane to get a full report on developments.

These measures, it was said, would include the calling up of ad-

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## Bumper Yields Reported For Most Of N. C. Crops

College Station, Raleigh, Aug. 22.—Evidence of a bumper crop year in North Carolina are reports of the Federal Crop Reporting Board which indicate increased production of every major crop in the State except wheat, tame hay, and burley tobacco, it was announced today by Julian E. Mann, extension studies economist of State college.

It is especially significant, Mann stated, that the Federal reports indicate a decrease in corn and cotton acreage from last year, but an increase in total production. There

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