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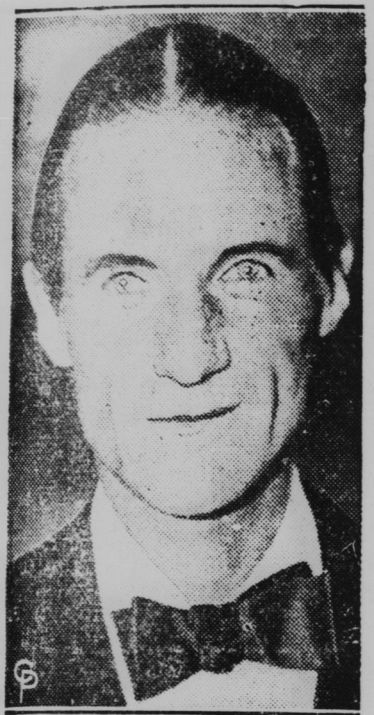
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FREE HAND IN EAST DEMANDED BY HITLER

Danzig Reported Encircled By Poles

Poland Is Prepared For Any Emergency; Big Army Mobilized

Warns U.S. Nationals



Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, Jr., U. S. ambassador to Poland, is reported to have advised all American nationals to leave the country.

Immediate Coup at Danzig Feared by Germans; Hitler Suddenly Returns to Berlin; Polish Border Armed Camp on Both Sides.

Berlin, Aug. 24.—(AP)—The official German news bureau D. N. B., in a special dispatch from Danzig, asserted tonight that the free city had been encircled by a mixed Polish division in the south and west and that the danger of an immediate coup d'etat was very great.

The D. N. B. dispatch said: "By this concentration of a war equipped Polish division at the immediate frontier of Danzig territory, the danger of an imminent coup d'etat has come exceedingly close."

Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop a few minutes later landed in Berlin from his flying visit to Moscow, bringing in his pocket a non-aggression treaty with Soviet Russia.

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In Danzig it was admitted that German troops were in position from

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Sen. McCarran Regretful Of Extra Session

Salt Lake City, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Senator Pat McCarran, Democrat, Nevada, said today his Washington office had telegraphed him that President Roosevelt was preparing to call a special session of Congress to consider neutrality legislation.

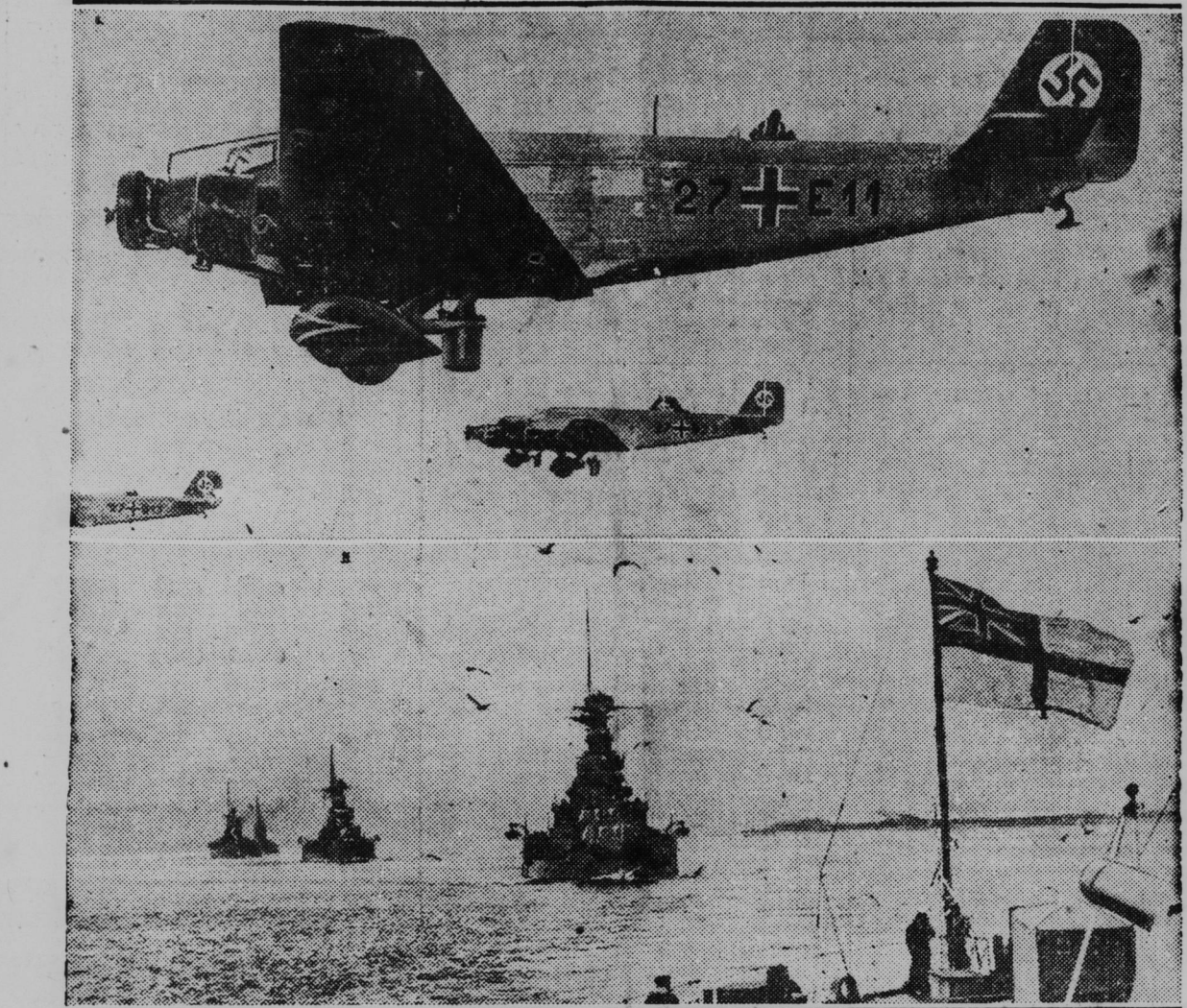
Forster Is Made Ruler Over Danzig

Danzig, Aug. 24.—(AP)—The Danzig Senate, in solemn session, voted today to make Albert Forster, Nazi party gaudier of Danzig, the free city's chief of state.

Danzig's customs officials reported to free city officials today that Poland had closed the border between Poland and Danzig.

D. N. B., official German news agency, said it understood the British consul general left the free city early today.

British Ships vs. Nazi Planes—Europe's Question



Whether Britain's mighty sea fleet can withstand the bombs of Germany's vast air fleet in event of war is the question on which hinges the fate of Europe.

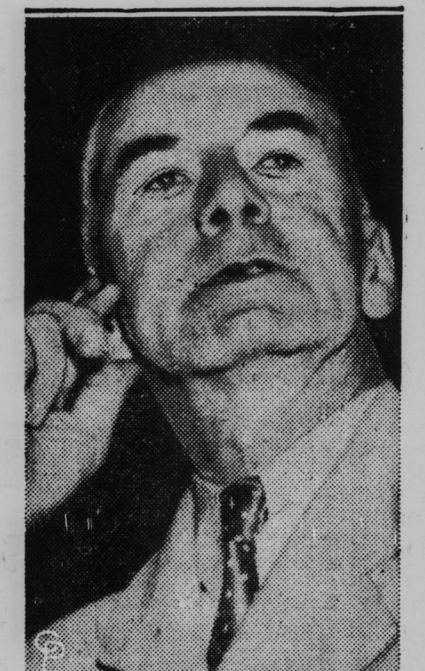
FDR Is Back To Consult With Aids

Precise Steps to Be Taken By United States not Indicated By President on Arrival from Vacation Sea Voyage.

Sandy Hook, N. J., Aug. 24.—(AP)—President Roosevelt told reporters today he would confer immediately with Secretary Hull about the European crisis upon his return to Washington.

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Quizzed by Dies



Henry D. Allen, long active in anti-Semitic and anti-Communist activities in California, is shown as he told Dies Committee in Washington about a proposed federation of all Nazi, Fascist and anti-Jewish organizations in the United States.

British, French Missions Leave Russia at Once

Americans Warned To Leave Quickly

London, Aug. 24.—(AP)—United States Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy today issued a statement advising all American tourists in the British Isles to sail for home at once.

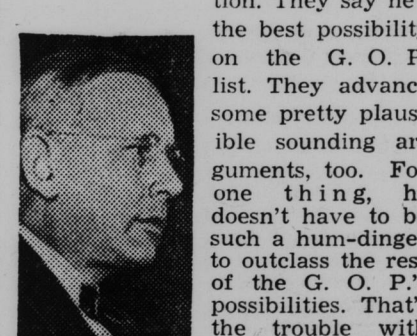
In Berlin, the United States Embassy unequivocally and officially advised Americans to leave Germany.

In Paris, the United States Embassy formally advised all American citizens to arrange to leave France in view of the situation prevailing in Europe.

American officials estimated that there are now between 3,000 and 4,000 American tourists in England, Scotland and Wales.

Kennedy's statement said that "in a day or two it might not be possible for them to get sailings for New York," and warned them that if they stayed they might be subjected to "inconvenience, possibly danger."

Alf Landon Still Rated Possibility



Alf M. Landon

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Fuehrer Will Blame War Upon Countries That May Interfere

Failed in Mission?



Maj. Gen. T. G. Heywood, member of the British delegation seeking a British-French-Soviet military pact, is pictured in Moscow.

"God Knows I Have Done All Possible for Peace", Chamberlain Tells Commons, and All Factions Back His Declaration.

London, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain declared in the House of Commons today that Adolf Hitler had demanded a free hand for Germany in eastern Europe and had told Britain that any country which interfered was to blame for an ensuing war.

"God knows I have done all that is possible in efforts for peace," said the prime minister, after he had declared Britain's obligations to Poland and "remain unaffected" by what he called the imminent peril of war.

Speaking against the background of rapidly arming Europe, the prime minister asked Parliament to enact an emergency powers bill, giving the government virtually dictatorial authority to deal with any emergency.

The cheers that rose from all sides of the House at the close of his 33-minute speech indicated quick acceptance of his demand.

Arthur Greenwood, acting leader of the Labor opposition, addressed Commons when the prime minister had concluded, and described Chamberlain's statement as one of "gravity," but approved the government's policy of firmness.

"Let no man abroad," he said, "think Labor will be a willing party ever to acquiesce in any further acts of aggression."

Liberal Leader Sir Archibald Sinclair also approved the government's policy.

"Now that we are in a crisis, criticism must be put aside," he said.

Soldiers To Back Hitler In Demands

Berlin Advises Polish Foreign Minister to Rush to Hitler at Once For His Orders; Russian Pact Hailed in Berlin.

Berlin, Aug. 24.—(AP)—German troops stood ready today to back up Adolf Hitler's demands upon Poland.

With the Nazis seeking the establishment of Germany's pre-war eastern boundaries, one high foreign office official declared it "was very necessary for Polish Foreign Minister Josef Beck to go to Hitler quickly in his Bavarian mountain retreat."

Seeing a possible re-enactment by Beck of the trip to Hitler's chalet last March by President Emil Hacha of Czechoslovakia, the foreign office minister said: "The Poles know exactly what we want of them."

The inference was that Poland had been apprised of Germany's demands, but that perhaps no zero hour

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Japs Plan For Seizure Of Shanghai

Shanghai, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Six thousand Japanese soldiers were reported today to have landed in the Shanghai area in preparation for "some action" against the international settlement, garrisoned by nearly 5,000 American, British, French and Italian soldiers.

The sources of this report, the most reliable foreign quarters, said the landing took place yesterday and that the Japanese had been planning for some time to occupy the settlement, whose extra-territoriality dates back to 1845.

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Coalition In France Aim Of Daladier

Paris, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Premier Daladier plans to form a national union government, uniting all factions of France, it was learned today as five classes of reservists massed under partial French mobilization.

Men called to the colors moved to their posts swiftly in special trains and in requisitioned buses and automobiles.

In Paris, after a two and a half hour cabinet meeting with President Albert Lebrun, officials said France's powerful premier plans a nationwide appeal to the nation for union to be followed by the formation of a cabinet backed by virtually all powers.

Whether this would include communists was not stated.

Officials said the cabinet would sit

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Germans For Second Time Cross Line

Estate Nearly Mile Inside Polish Frontier Reported Occupied; Polish Mobilization Is Reported to Have Been Begun.

Warsaw, Poland, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Well-informed circles reported today that a German patrol crossed the Polish border this morning and occupied an estate about three-quarters of a mile within Polish territory near Ilawa.

In Brussels, long lines of German military trucks were reported by border observers to be moving within sight of the Belgian town of Eupen, former German territory.

Referendum On Tobacco Is Likely

Widely Talked in Eastern North Carolina as Tobacco Prices Continue Unsatisfactory in Portions of the Belt.

Raleigh, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Talk of a tobacco referendum spread today throughout the New Bright Belt.

More farmers were discussing the proposal yesterday and they apparently were not any too pleased with the prices they have been receiving since the market opened Tuesday. Prices generally were a fraction under 18 cents a pound.

Official averages for Wednesday included the following: Farmville, 595,923 pounds, average \$17.23.

Wendell, 228,272 pounds for \$16.02 per hundred.

Kinston, 1,424,618 pounds, average \$15.56 per hundred.

Rocky Mount, 1,086,684 pounds, average \$15.99.

Goldboro, 289,908 pounds for \$16.69.

Wilson, 1,791,922 pounds, average \$13.39.

Smithfield, 322,630 pounds, average \$12.81.

Lepke Is Thought Seen at House In St. Francis, Canada

St. Francis, Ontario, Aug. 24.—(AP)—Louis (Lepke) Buchalter, fugitive industrial racketeer of New York City, for whose apprehension \$50,000 has been posted, was believed seen here by a rooming house proprietor Wednesday.

Mrs. F. J. Andrews, the rooming house proprietor, said today she is positive it was Buchalter who drove to her door and asked for a room at 9:30 p. m. Wednesday night. She told provincial police she had seen Buchalter in a news reel at a movie theatre a few nights previous.