

## Dies Terms Pelley Aide Foreigners

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Washington, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Chairman Dies, Democrat, Texas, of the House committee on un-American activities, called William Dudley Pelley, Silver Shirt chief, today a foreign agent and "a racketeer the equal of Al Capone."

Talking in open committee session, Dies said also that the Asheville, N. C., publisher of anti-Semitic literature was "the dictator of an organization with more than 5,000 members."

Dies charges against Pelley, whom he wants to put on the witness stand in the committee's investigation of agencies the chairman calls "fascist", followed testimony by Robert B. Baker, committee investigator.

Baker told the committee that an official of Pelley's Silver Shirt legion had sworn in a court petition that the organization had more than 5,000 members, and that its dues were \$12 each year, yet he could find no bank account for the organization, except for a short period of time. Baker also gave the committee a revised figure on what he said were Pelley's known receipts since 1931. He said they totaled \$216,039.

He advised the committee yesterday that Pelley had income of at least \$174,014 during that period.

## War To Halt Cotton Sales To Europeans

Washington, Aug. 29.—(AP)—The Agriculture Department expressed fear today a general European war would seriously interfere with its efforts to increase foreign sales of surplus American cotton.

In an analysis of the world cotton situation, the department said that "should a major war break out, the export movement of cotton from the United States and most other important exporting countries probably would be materially disrupted."

Officials explained that it was customary in times of war for people to buy fewer new clothes and make old clothes last longer. Germany and Italy, the department said, have recently placed further restrictions on the use of cotton. As a consequence, greater quantities of fibre substitutes are being used.

## Passengers Removed Off German Liner

New York, Aug. 19.—(AP)—Immigration authorities took 19 passengers off the North German Lloyd liner Bremen today and detained them at Ellis Island—the same manner taken off the French liner Normandie yesterday.

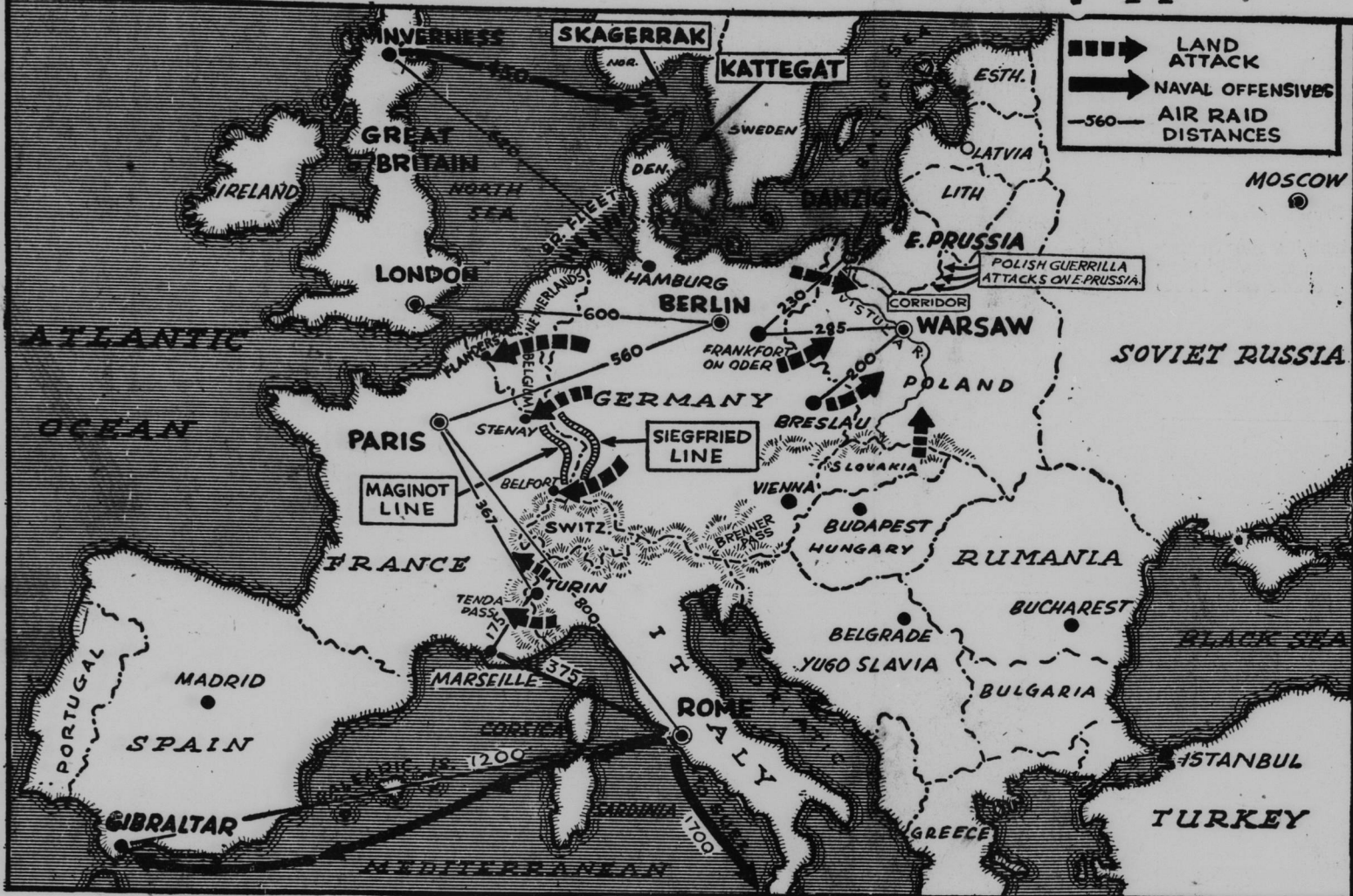
Byron Uhl, district superintendent of immigration at Ellis Island, declared there was nothing unusual about the passengers being held. "It had absolutely nothing to do with the war scare or any unusual circumstances," he said.

With the arrival of any ships from Europe, he said, "there are always a number of passengers whose eligibility to land are questioned for such varying reasons as health, their ability to support themselves and not become public charges, and the validity of their passports and visas."

There was no indication at noon when the Bremen would be permitted to sail for Germany. Officials of the line said she had been ordered to return to Germany without passengers within 24 hours after her arrival.

Gregory O'Keefe, assistant collector of customs, said the Bremen would receive clearance papers when Collector of the Port Harry Dunning is satisfied that everything is all right.

## If War Comes, Here Is What Will Happen



One hour after war is declared, if it is, armed forces probably will move like this: (1) Poland, especially Warsaw and Danzig's defenses, will be bombed and the Corridor occupied by Nazi infantry while land forces attack from Frankfurt-on-Oder, Breslau and Slovakia. (2) Poland's defense line will become the Vistula River from Danzig through Warsaw. Attacks against East Prussia will divert part of Nazi forces. (3) Britain's mighty navy will blockade and shell the German coast, enter the Scandinavian Straits Skagerrak and Kattegat, cruise to the Baltic and relieve Danzig. (4) On the Franco-German-Belgian front there are three routes through or around the mountains and the Maginot and Siegfried lines. The gaps are at Flanders, Stenay and Belfort, but a deadlock is likely. (5) Italy, unless neutral, will attack Suez and Gibraltar and storm the six heavily-armed mountain passes, already fully manned, leading into France. (Central Press)

## Roosevelt Eyes European Crisis

Washington, Aug. 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt continued his study of the European situation today, pondering over a digest of late diplomatic moves for peace.

The British Embassy sent him a summary of Britain's most recent note to Chancellor Hitler of Germany. Aides said Mr. Roosevelt went over it before he retired last night, but they would give no inkling of his reaction.

Whether the President would have anything to say about the current crisis at his regular press conference this afternoon was not disclosed.

Aides said the President would go to his home at Hyde Park, N. Y., as soon as the uncertainty was over.

## Fear Big Row At Y. D. Meet In Charlotte

Raleigh, Aug. 29.—Officials of North Carolina's Young Democratic Clubs, and others who have no real stomach for controversy which might make the European situation seem peaceful by comparison are getting their Maxim silencers and their pacifiers ready for instant and effective use at the Charlotte convention of the younger set early next month.

There are clearly discernible signs that they are going to need them, too, in order to keep New Deal and anti-New Deal factions from getting into a good, old-fashioned rowhead and bloody bones battle which would turn the Charlotte hotel, where the meeting is to be held, into a veritable shambles.

On the one side, there is likelihood that ardent New Dealers will attempt passage of a resolution wholeheartedly endorsing the "Roosevelt" administration—note that it will be "Roosevelt administration", not just "administration" or "Democratic administration".

There will be plenty of opposition to that from anti-New Dealers; probably opposition enough to keep any laudatory endorsement from being capable of construction that the convention favors a third term for FDR.

On the other side, action of the Virginia Young Democrats in passing an "anti-third term" resolution (they did it more than two to one but only after a bitter brawl) undoubtedly is going to encourage a similar effort in the North Carolina gathering.

And there's where the silencers and the pacifiers will come in. It isn't probable that the big wigs of Tar Heel Y. D.'s want either one or the other fact to have its way entirely.

There are certain signs that the leaders are really fearful of a big row and equally certain that they are going to maneuver in every way possible to prevent it.

## Belgium, Holland May Mediate

## Eastern Carolina Streams Overflowing From Rains

Some Highways Under  
Water and Traffic  
Has to Be De-  
toured for Safety; Re-  
cent Rains Have  
Damaged Roads \$1-  
500,000.

Raleigh, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Swollen by a series of heavy rains, Eastern North Carolina rivers pushed further out of their banks today, covering adjacent lowlands.

United States Highway 301 between Weldon and Pleasant Hill was under three feet of water, and traffic was routed by Roanoke Rapids, W. Vance Baise, State highway engineer, said recent rains brought to \$1,500,000 the damage done this summer to unsurfaced roads, shoulders and ditches. Last week he estimated the damage at \$1,000,000.

A downpour of nearly five inches in the last 24 hours caused the Roanoke and smaller streams in the vicinity of Roanoke Rapids to leave their banks.

H. E. Kichline, head of the Raleigh Weather Bureau, said the Roanoke was at bankfull stage of 31 feet at Weldon and was expected to flood two feet by Thursday or Friday.

The Neuse river was more than three feet in flood at Neuse station, near here. More than five

## QUARTER MILLION SEE "LOST COLONY"

Manteo, Aug. 29.—A quarter million persons from all parts of the country have witnessed Paul Green's historical drama, "The Lost Colony", now in its third big season at the Waterside Theatre here, since it was first presented in connection with the local historical celebration here two summers ago.

This figure represents audiences which have seen the 125 performances since the opening. Several thousand more are expected to witness "The Lost Colony" before it closes its season Labor Day, Sept. 4. A holiday performance is being given that night to take care of the unusual demand for the production.

### Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.  
Fair to partly cloudy tonight  
and Wednesday; slightly warmer  
in east and central portions to-  
night.

## Commission Sells Local Securities

Raleigh, Aug. 29.—(AP)—The Local Government Commission today sold a \$53,000 issue of Beaufort county refunding bonds to Kirchofer & Arnold, Inc., of Raleigh, and the Branch Banking & Trust Company of Wilson.

The first \$40,000 of the issue will bear 4 1-4 percent interest, and the remainder four percent.

The Provident Savings Bank & Trust Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, bought \$27,000 of Goldsboro fire station bonds at 3 1-2 percent and a premium of \$18.90.

The Scottish Bank of Lumbermen purchased \$10,000 worth of Pembroke water and sewer bonds at 5 3-4 percent and \$5 premium, and \$4,000 of Pembroke fire-fighting apparatus bonds at 5 1-2 percent and \$3 premium.

## Stocks Slow But At Gains

New York, Aug. 29.—(AP)—With the European political poker game still under way and the players seemingly indisposed to call a war bet, Wall Street turned to the buying end of the stock market today and lifted prices fractions to around three points.

There were intermittent let-downs in the advancing trend, but final quotations were near the best. Transfers for the five hours approximated 500,000 shares, one of the smallest turn-overs for a full session in two weeks.

American Radiator	10 1-4
American Telephone	163 1-2
American Tobacco B	79 1-4
Anaconda	25
Atlantic Coast Line	17
Atlantic Refining	18 3-4
Bendix Aviation	23 3-8
Bethlehem Steel	59 1-2
Chrysler	79 5-8
Columbia Gas & Elec Co	6 7-8
Consolidated Oil Co	7
Curtiss Wright	4 3-4
DuPont	160 3-4
Electric Power Light	8 1-8
General Electric	56 1-2
General Motors	45 7-8
Liggett & Myers B	100 3-8
Montgomery Ward & Co	49
Reynolds Tobacco B	38 3-8
Southern Railway	15
Standard Oil Co N J	40 3-4
U S Steel	47 3-4

## France Immediately Accepts "Good Of- fices" of Little Neu- trals in Seeking Way Of Peace; Others Wait Developments.

Paris, Aug. 29.—(AP)—King Leopold III of the Belgians and Queen Wilhelmina of The Netherlands were reported today in a quarter close to the French Foreign Office to have offered their "good offices" for an effort to mediate the German-Polish crisis.

The monarchs of the two powers, these sources said, have made their offers to France, Britain, Germany, Italy and Poland. France was said to have received the Belgian and Netherlands communication this morning and to have replied with a prompt acceptance.

The proposal of mediation in search of a peaceful settlement of the strife between Germany and Poland was reported to have been funeral arrangements were not learned last night between Belgian Premier Hubert Trierlot and ambassadors of the major powers.

Final decision by Britain and (Continued on Page Four)

## War Picture At A Glance

(By The Associated Press.)  
Paris—Foreign office source reports Belgian and Netherlands monarchs offer to negotiate German-Polish quarrel; France accepts offer.

Berlin—Optimism rose after Hitler's reply was said to have been given to Britain; unofficial and unverified reports heard that Britain was willing to consider "conciliatory and far-reaching" solution of German-Polish and European problems; British Foreign Office denies details of these reports.

London—Chamberlain tells Commons Britain has again made it plain to Hitler that she stands by her pledges of aid to Poland; asserts while British fleet is ready to take war stations; Commons adjourns for a week.

Moscow—Soviet delays ratifying non-aggression pact with Germany, apparently waiting to see whether there will be peace or war.

Paris—Nation coolly awaits report of British ambassador to Berlin; general mobilization order reported ready if needed.

Warsaw—Poland stands firm against German demands amid reports that Reich troops were completing "encirclement" of Polish frontiers.

Rome—Italy looks to Berlin for developments and believes Mussolini will step in as mediator if British-German negotiations break down.

Chungking—Chiang Kai-Shek says China will fight on, regardless of European events.

## Rumors From Berlin About Conciliation Refuted at London

## Chamberlain Tells House Of Firmness

Commons Cheer Premier's Stiff Stand as Stated to Hitler; Says British Fleet Ready For Service If War Comes.

London, April 29.—(AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain told a tense but cheering House of Commons today that Great Britain has again made plain to Adolf Hitler its determination to fulfill its obligations to Poland, and added that "the issue of peace or war is still undecided."

"We shall hold fast to the line which we have laid down," he declared, as the House echoed with tremendous cheering. "We will still hope and still work for peace." His speech was only 16 minutes in duration.

"We will abate no jot of our resolution to hold fast to the lines which we have laid down for ourselves."

He also announced that the whole of the British fleet was now ready to take up its position in the event of war.

After hearing Chamberlain's statement and speeches, in which opposition leaders approved the policy of standing unitedly with Poland against attack, the House adjourned to meet again next Tuesday, or earlier if necessary.

Without disclosing the details of the exchange, Chamberlain declared that Great Britain had delivered "our final answer" to a communication from Hitler that "we have made plain that our obligations to Poland will be carried out," and "at this moment the position is that we are awaiting Hitler's reply."

## Buying Lifts Cotton Prices

New York, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened firm, 17 to 19 points higher, on active foreign and trade buying. Better than due cables were also favorable factor. Prices around mid-morning were holding steady, 12 to 17 points higher. Prices around noon held to gains of four to six points net, with October up four at 6.41, and December six higher at 8.26.

Futures closed 9 to 13 points higher; middling spot, 8.91.

	Open	Close
October	8.54	8.47
December	8.39	8.33
January	8.23	8.17
March	8.16	8.13
May	8.07	8.00
July	7.91	7.85

## Russia Waiting To See On Which Side To Jump

Moscow, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Soviet Russia cautiously delayed formal ratification of her non-aggression pact with Germany today and watched the grave movement of the European situation.

The supreme Soviet, Russia's Parliament, today pushed consideration of the pact farther into the background, deciding that the second item on its agenda, changes in the military service law, could not be considered until August 31 at a joint sitting of both chambers. The non-aggression pact was the third item on the agenda and no date for its consideration was announced. It was understood, however, that ratification would not come before September 1 at the earliest.

Approval was given today to an agricultural tax bill. Deputies declared that the tax law would play

## British Foreign Office Discounts Purported Specific Details of Negotiations Over Crisis; Hitler Talks With Henderson.

Berlin, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Optimism spread in Berlin this afternoon after Adolf Hitler's reply to Great Britain's crisis note was reported dispatched by air to London, and after entirely unofficial and unverified reports were heard that the British were willing to consider "conciliatory and far-reaching" solutions of both the Polish-German issue and European problems generally.

Purported specific details of these reports drew strenuous denials from the London Foreign Office.

Official quarters merely said, "Watch the British Parliament. All we can say now is that a tremendous, last-minute effort is being made on either side to keep the peace."

The airplane which was believed to have carried Hitler's reply to London bore a member of the British Foreign Office, who flew here last night with Ambassador Sir Neville Henderson. It left here about noon (6 a. m. eastern standard time), and reached London late in the afternoon. The ambassador himself remained in Berlin.

Hitler hands his reply to Britain's ambassador. Berlin, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler tonight handed to the British Ambassador, Sir Neville Henderson,

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## Poles Blame Germans For Incidents

Warsaw, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Poles blamed Germans for a new series of subversive acts in this war-threatened country today, while the press unanimously branded as "lies" Adolf Hitler's declaration that his countrymen are the victims of terrorism in Poland.

Seven persons were reported killed in an explosion which wrecked the railroad station at Tarnow, in southern Poland. Police arrested two Germans.

Herbert Frenkel, Breslau, Germany a university student, was arrested at Katowice after allegedly confessing he left three bags containing bombs in a room at Biala, Silesia, which later exploded.

A time bomb was found on the rail road tracks between Klaji and Krakow before it exploded.

Warsaw's morning newspapers devoted front pages to statements and editorial comments charging Germany's allegations of mistreatment of Germans in Poland merely were attempts to stir up hatred of Poland among the German people and to justify German aggression.

An important part in the further consolidation of collective farms.

Foreign observers thought a speech by Soviet Premier and Foreign Commissar Molotov, expected to precede ratification of the non-aggression pact, was being delayed because of the possible outbreak of a "capitalistic war."

Foreign observers did not doubt that Russia would ratify the treaty with Germany. But they expected Europe's coming events would decide the tones of Molotov's speech. If there is peace, the Soviet Union is expected to claim credit for it. If there is war, she expects to remain neutral. In any event, Molotov is believed waiting to seize the most effective propaganda angle.

German circles in Moscow pro-

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