

WAR STATUS UNCHANGED BY HITLER SPEECH

Landon To Propose That Congress Stay On Job In Capital

G. O. P. Conferee at White House Says Nation Convinced It Can Keep Out Of War; Roosevelt Seeks Full and Free Discussion.

Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—President Roosevelt was represented today as being "disposed to have a very free and frank discussion" of neutrality at his meeting with congressional and political leaders this afternoon.

This was the statement made by Stephen Early, White House press secretary, as one of the conferees, Mr. M. Landon, the Republican 1936 standard-bearer, expressed the hope that Congress, meeting tomorrow, should remain in session during the emergency period of the European war.

"There is a definite feeling," Landon said, "that Congress should stay in session. There is more confidence in united judgment of the representatives than in any one man's opinion. So much depends on the slender thread of incidents that we want Congress to stay in session."

Landon said he intended to stress this point in discussions with the President, if given an opportunity.

The 1936 Republican presidential nominee also declared that sentiment in the Middle West, and as disclosed in mail he has received, appeared to be "very strong" for an extension of the cash and carry method of sales to belligerent nations. He declined, however, to say whether he was in favor of including arms, now embargoed, in such sales.

There had been a "very interesting shift" in sentiment in the last two weeks, Landon said, "from a total conviction that we would get into the war in the end."

"There has been a definite shift in the last two weeks that we are not going to get into it," Landon told newspaper men.

The bipartisan meeting, set for 3 p. m., was expected to receive a presidential plea for quick and united action in the special session.

Four Convicted Of Forging Cards For AAA Tobacco

Fayetteville, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Four Sampson county men were convicted in federal court here today of charges of forging and selling tobacco allotment cards distributed by the AAA in connection with the crop control program.

Judge I. M. Meekins sentenced J. Will Watson, of Roseboro, to three years in the federal prison at Atlanta, Ga.; Elliott Bass, of Clinton, to 18 months in the Atlanta prison, and put Woodrow Smith and Eural Beauty, both of Roseboro, on probation for three years.

Testimony indicated Bass was formerly an employe of the county agents office, where it was alleged the cards were obtained.

Hood Urges Drastic Bank Supervision

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Sept. 20.—North Carolina's Commissioner of Banks Gregory P. Hood, is advocating a drastic step-up in this country's present methods of bank supervision. His ideas of needed changes include abolishing the Federal office of controller of the currency, a concentration of supervisory powers in the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and adoption of rules for supervision which will make procedure uniform for both State and national banks.

The commissioner's ideas were presented to the National Association of Supervisors of State Banks at its 26th annual convention in Salt Lake City, Utah, this morning. Mr. Hood, who is president of the association, left a copy of his address to the convention for release from Raleigh. His talk was scheduled to have been delivered at 10 o'clock this morning.

The address was somewhat on the spectacular side in that it pulled no punches in describing failure of the

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Back to Congress



Sen. Robert R. Reynolds

Senator Robert R. Reynolds, of North Carolina, a member of the military affairs committee of the U. S. Senate, arrives in New York aboard the Washington after first-hand observation of the European problem. His committee will play a prominent role in neutrality law consideration.

Winston Is Talking Pool For Tobacco

Twin City Men Would Buy, Process And Store Leaf; AAA Says Aid for 1939 Crop Hinges on Passing of Referendum.

Winston-Salem, Sept. 20.—(AP)—A tobacco pool of large proportions to buy leaf in Winston-Salem, process and store it and issue warehouse receipts against it was under discussion by several local Twin City men, the Twin City Sentinel learned in informed quarters today.

Although specific plans for the formation and incorporation of the pool were still nebulous, serious consideration of the plan is now under way, and a definite statement is expected shortly.

CONTROL DEMANDED FOR GOVERNMENT HELP NOW

Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The Agriculture Department indicated today any move to support flue-cured

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Hull Answers Reynolds; Says He's Done His Best

Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Secretary Hull, replying to a criticism by Senator Reynolds, Democrat, North Carolina, of State Department efforts to bring Americans from Europe, said today: "We do our best to keep on our feet. If we have fallen down, we are not conscious of it."

Hull permitted direct quotations in reply to Reynolds' assertion that the government had "fallen down miserably" in providing transportation for Americans.

WPA Passes Program.

The WPA began a three-point program to bolster national defense, cushion effects of the European war on American industry and meet the fall demand for work relief.

Officials instructed State WPA administrators to give special emphasis to projects of particular defense value. These include municipal air-

Mussolini's Newspaper Urges Terms

Declares War in West Is Useless and Says Tragedy to Poland Was Worthless; Italy Withdraws Troops From Greek Frontier.

Rome, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Premier Mussolini's newspaper, Il Popolo d'Italia, published today an implied appeal to Britain and France to come to terms with Germany. It called the war in the west "useless."

"Italian sensibility, tempered by thousands of years, again points out the right road," the paper said, referring to earlier peace suggestions made in Rome.

"The whole civilized world may once more see how correct were the vision and proposals of Rome," the paper declared. "The war was as disastrous for Poland as it was tragically useless. Now that that prediction is fulfilled in the east, the same word of good sense may be repeated for the west."

Italy announced the withdrawal of her troops from the Albanian-Greek frontier as evidence of "complete reciprocal trust" between Italy and Greece.

The gesture came as Italy appeared to be solidifying her position as leader of the neutral states of southern Europe.

"The Italian government and the Greek government, in the present European situation, have agreed upon the utility of examining relations between the two countries, and are happy to state that they continue to be sincerely friendly, and inspired by complete reciprocal trust," the communique said.

"The concrete proof of this sentiment has been given by the decision of the Italian government to withdraw its military forces from the Greek-Albanian frontier, in line with analogous provisions which the Greek government is adopting on its part."

Italy occupied Albania in a brief Easter week-end campaign, which carried troops to the Greek frontier.

Raleigh, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Paroles Commissioner Edwin Gill said today that Governor Hoey had ruled that James Godwin, 21, must die in the gas chamber here Friday for the murder of Donald Moss in Guilford county. There was no announcement of a decision in the case of James Cureton, Negro, sentenced to be executed Friday for the slaying of another Negro in Winston-Salem.

Gill and the governor worked on the Godwin case most of the day yesterday after Gill held a clemency hearing for the High Point man Monday. Previously the governor had studied the court records, including a Supreme Court decision affirming Godwin's conviction.

Godwin was convicted of killing Moss shortly after escaping the Lexington jail, where he had persuaded the jailor's daughter to free him.

Hoey Won't Save Godwin Next Friday

At the same time, the Russian-born promoter said his interest was "not entirely financial."

The battleship project fell through when Russia rejected the plans, but Delinda got \$20,500 for his part, he said, in bringing together a Soviet agent and alleged "contact" men who were to aid in getting State Department approval of the ship plans.

ports, bridges and surfaced highways and local armories.

Washington headquarters started a close study of field reports to determine where the volume of relief employment could be adjusted to changing demands for private labor.

Sought Big Soviet Fee.

Joseph Dalinda, dealer in patents for munitions products, told the Dies committee that he had expected to get \$150,000 in Soviet money for his part in a deal for the building in America of a large battleship for Russia.

Germany and Russia Agree On Partition of Polish Region

Germans to Retire From Present Position After "Destruction" of Last of Polish Armies; Warsaw Still Is Holding Out.

Berlin, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The supreme high command disclosed today that Germany and Soviet Russia have reached an agreement on the partition of Poland, at least so far as their armies of occupation are concerned. That the demarcation line has been set was announced in a high command communique, which, however, did not say where the line runs.

It asserted the German forces would withdraw from their present positions after "destruction" of the last remnants of the Polish army there, "to the demarcation line definitely fixed between the German and Russian governments."

Whether this line lies east or west of Warsaw was not indicated. The communique said German forces had advanced to a line running from Stryj, in northeast Poland, north near the industrial city of Lwow, thence almost straight north to Brzesc, about 160 miles from the Soviet frontier, and up to Bialystok, about 150 miles from the Russian border.

The entire Rumanian frontier bordering southeast Poland is in Russian hands. Presumably as the Germans retire, the red army will take their place by advancing westward from their present positions.

Whether the army occupation areas later will become the new boundaries between Germany and Russia was a moot question.

Informed quarters intimated this question was not yet completely solved. Germany's "lightning war" was considered here at an end, except for mopping up activities in Poland. The Poles, however, were still fighting in the south and near a fortified town immediately north of Warsaw. Warsaw itself also has not capitulated to German arms.

The handful of Polish troops who gave the Germans some trouble yesterday on the heights back of Gdynia, Polish port at the end of the corridor, gave up last night.

Business Better In Piedmont, West; Decline In East

Raleigh, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Mayne Albright, director of the State Employment Service, said today reports from 45 branch offices indicate improved business conditions in the west and Piedmont sections and a slump in eastern and central parts of the State.

He said managers attributed decreases in retail trade at Sanford, Williamston, New Bern, Greenville and Lumberton to the closing of the tobacco markets. At Concord, Morganton and Lenoir, placements by the employment offices set new records last week.

Revival Of Privateering Now Talked

By CHARLES P. STEWART

Washington, Sept. 20.—Washington newspapers and business men contemplate taking advantage of a provision of the United States constitution which has lain dormant for many a year to launch an enterprise (contingent upon Uncle Sam's ultimate participation in the pending European conflict) that bids fair to make the war profiteers of 1914-18 look like pikers.

Article 2, section 8 and paragraph 11 of the constitution provides that: "Congress shall have power to declare war, to grant letters of marque and reprisal," et cetera.

That is to say, when Uncle Sam is at war private American ship owners constitutionally can be authorized to prey, with their own craft, upon enemy vessels or upon neutral contraband carriers on the high seas, and realize financially upon their seizure for their personal benefit.

This business sounds a good deal

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Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Mostly cloudy tonight and Thursday; light to moderate rain this afternoon and tonight in east and central portions and on northeast coast Thursday.

Poles Make a Last Stand



This photo, released by the German censor, purportedly shows Polish troops in a trench "somewhere in Poland," as they staged a last-ditch fight in defense of their country. Their attention has been diverted by approach of tank in background.

France Will Pursue War On To Definite Victory

Paris, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The French government facing collapse of its Polish ally under the combined attacks of Germany and Russia, adopted measures today to "pursue the war to definite victory."

Premier Daladier's new war ministry at the same time renewed its union with Great Britain, and pledged that Poland, now facing dismemberment, would eventually be reconstituted.

French attention shifted to the Aachen sector, opposing Belgium, where the Germans were reported massing reinforcements coming from Poland. French advisers said precautions had already been taken to meet any German repetition of the 1914 attack through Belgium, to outflank the Maginot line.

The cabinet communique, which was the first formal statement of French policy since the start of the European conflict, September 3, implied firm rejection of any German overtures for peace, on Nazi terms such as were read here into Adolf Hitler's speech at Danzig yesterday.

The new measures approved by the cabinet were described in the communique as "military, economic and financial." Their exact nature will become known only upon publication of the official journal.

On the western front, where the French general staff's morning communique reported only German artillery fire, the armies appeared to have been held in leash pending clarification of the diplomatic situation.

The French press published dispatches from Brussels reporting the Germans were concentrating around Aachen, which, it pointed out, is not on any of the direct routes leading to the fronts further west.

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WILKES BOY DIES OF AUTO INJURIES

North Wilkesboro, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Grant Parsons, 14, died early today in a hospital here of injuries suffered yesterday when struck by a truck in the Miller's Creek section.

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No Threats Will Change Allied Aims

Chamberlain Tells Commons Britain's Purpose at War Is to Redeem Europe from Perpetual Fear of German Aggression.

London, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain declared today that no threats could deter Britain and her allies from achieving her war aims, but that "what we will not do is to rush into adventures that offer little prospect of success."

With the obvious purpose of allaying public anxiety as to whether the western allies were striking vigorously enough against Germany, Chamberlain declared in the House of Commons:

"There is no sacrifice from which we will shrink. There is no operation we will not undertake, provided our responsible advisors, our allies and we ourselves are convinced that it will make an appropriate contribution to victory."

London, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain declared in the House of Commons today that Britain's general war purpose was "to redeem Europe from the perpetual and recurring fear of German aggression and enable the peoples of Europe to preserve their independence and liberties."

Replying to Adolf Hitler's Danzig speech yesterday, the prime minister added:

"No threats will deter us or our French allies from this purpose." "Here Hitler says much in his speech about the humane methods with which he has waged war," Chamberlain continued. "I can only say that methods are not made humane by calling them so, and that

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Full Program Had For Annual Synod Of Presbyterians

Greenville, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The second day of the 126th annual session of the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina opened this morning with devotions led by Rev. L. R. Scott, of Goldsboro, and the appointment of standing committees.

The day was rounded out with a well-filled program, including a talk by Miss Louise Clanton, of Charlotte, president of the Women's Auxiliary of the Synod. Rev. J. R. McGregor, of Burlington, reported on the activities of religious education in the synod.

Joseph B. Johnston, superintendent of the orphan home at Barium Springs, was programmed for an afternoon talk.

Soviets Cut Poles' Flight To Roumania

Budapest, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Fast moving Soviet mechanized forces, pushing further westward into Poland, were reported today to have blockaded the entire Polish-Roumania frontier, while Warsaw, still fighting the German invasion, buried its dead in public parks.

Severe fighting was reported around Lwow and in the Bug river districts.

Massing of Russian troops along the Rumanian border cut the stream of refugees from Poland, but thousands, finding their way barred on that border, poured into Hungary. Soldiers among them were disarmed and civilians were sent to special camps. A Hungarian agency estimated 30,000 civilians and 10,000 soldiers had reached the Rumanian town of Cernauti before the Soviet lines were drawn.

Radio broadcasts from Warsaw, entering the 13th day of siege, presented a graphic picture of a city whose defenders had vowed to resist the Germans to the death, and seemed to be doing it. "Warsaw still resists," said a communique read over the radio last night. "We have con-

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