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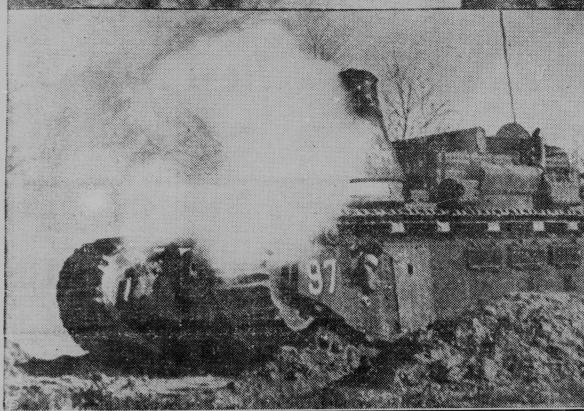
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U. S. Army To Expand To Limit

Tanks Thunder on the Western Front





France believes in the worth of heavy tanks, using 72-ton and 92-ton tanks to lead the advance into Germany. Top photo shows inside of one of the juggernauts, with two heavy machine guns my shirtless men attempting escape from the choking heat. Bottom, the lumbering land battleship crashes forward, its two 3-inch guns pounding away at the opposition.

Adolph Hitler Would Like For Roosevelt To Be Mediator

Raglands Got Big Profits From Stone

Southern Aggregates Were Favored In The in peace appeals to the German chancellor and the President of Poland and the had not connected by the control of the con Selling Of Stone.

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Oct. 7.—Gilliam Grissom very thinly-veiled hints in a recent story by "Fleet" Williams in the tion. Raleigh News and Observer that big profits of the Southern Aggregates Corporation, under management of E. U. and W. T. Ragland, were due to favoritism or monopoly.

Mr. Grissom, a former collector of tain and France. and Republican candidate for governor in 1936, ought to have some conflict it was predicted in reliable knowledge of the facts whereof he quarters he would not take the offer the Aggregates for something like from the Allies that they would acspeaks because he was receiver for eighteen months—from late in 1937 cept. to the middle of the current year. To be exact, he is still nominally receiver, as he has not been formally discharged by the Federal court which appointed him, though he has taken no active part since an order

The Raglands' success in making TWO BRITISH SHIPS money for the corporation is attribut able to their outstanding genius of

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Mussolini Is Ready to Help Hitler On His Roosevelt Not willing to Lend Him- As Mediator

Washington, Oct. 7.—(AP)—Hints from Beriin that Adolph Hitler would ters today that the President would view that any peace move

flict, it was recalled, but Hitler did the subject, Pittman added that he not reply until his troops had mov- believed that if under such cired against the Poles. When he did cumstances it appeared his ideas ply the German chancellor said that might be accepted, Mr. Roosevelt takes exception to and hotly denies an intolerable situation and that appropriate suggestions" mediation had been out of the ques-

> ing unwilling now to lend himself possibility of his offering his good to any move to Hitler which would offices for peace which was raised have the effect of throwing the onus yesterday for the first time since for continuance of the war on Bri- the war started.

If Germany were to suggest that unless he had assurance in advance

MUSSOLINI IS READY TO HELP HITLER'S PEACE EFFORTS In Delegates Rome, Oct. 7.— (AP)—Authorita-

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couldn't have been due to having a miralty announced today that two political and economic matters of monopoly because there was com-petition from other companies for tacked by German flying boats in The Finish go practically every contract they se- the North Sea this afternoon. No yet acted on the invitation. Howcasualties were suffered by either side, the announcement said.

Proposals For Ending War; Roosevelt Un- Ready To Act

Washington, Oct. 7.—(AP)-like President Roosevelt to mediate Senator Pittman, Democrat, Nevathe war in Europe brought a predic- da, an administration advisor on tion in usually well informed quar- foreign affairs, expressed today the Grissom Denies Hints not offer such mediation unless Bri- President Roosevelt would have to tain and France authorize him to do be preceded by clear evidence that European warring nations them-Mr. Roosevelt proposed mediation selves already had "made efforts to-

Poland had created disturbances and "would not hesitate to make any

The President, now at his Hyde Park, N. Y. estate for a week-end The President was reported as be- of rest, maintained silence on the

Soviets Ask Finns To Send

Helsinki, Finland, Oct. 7.—(AP) The foreign minister announced today that the Russian government RAIDED BY GERMANS had suggested that Finland send London, Oct. 7.—(AP)—The Ad- a delegate to Moscow to discuss

The Finish government has not as

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Iroquois Is BelievedSafe Far At Sea

No News From Threatened ship Bearing Many American Passengers: Hitler Speech Declared "Political Offer".

Washington, Oct. 7.—(AP)—A navy spokesman's cryptic observation that "no news is good news' gave reason to believe today that the steamship Iroquois was proceeding unmolested on its voyage across the Atlantic with Americans fleeing the European war.

A German official advised the United States on Thursday that the ship would be sunk before reaching this country. Berlin collegues of Adolf Hitler represented the fuehrer today as "serenely confident his

peace appeal will be heeded." His speech before the Reichstag yesterday was characterized authoritatively as a "political offer to make a clearcut political reply", but sources close to him said he would refuse to give further elucidation of the speech as a preliminary to negotiations for an armistice. Details, it was said, might be worked out later, but for the pre-

sent the only question is: Shall war cease or go on. Because Hitler's offer was regarded as a broad political gesture—not -German officialdom saw no rea-

as a "narrow" diplomatic document son why President Roosevelt or any of acceptance of an offer of mediation before making it. Well informed sources said Hitler

looked preferably to President Roose-

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Battle Over Neutrality At Truce Stage

Washington, Oct. 7.—(AP)— TheL Senate declared a "truce for rest" in its battle over the neutrality re-

embargo and both sides prepared for said. a first test of strength Tuesday.

Although some ser ators were scheduled to carry on the contest over ported reconnoitering patrols were the radio during the week-end, most active in the region southwest of of them were weary of listening to Saarbrucken during the night. thousands of words on how best to keep the United States out of war, and planned to obtain a two day rest. Administration supporters said that with the anticipated arrival here Tuesday of Governor A. B. Chandler, of Kentucky, to take the seat of the late Senator Logan, Democrat, Kentucky, they would have 65 votes for the bill to lift the arms embargo and

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Sheriff's Home Is Wrecked By Explosion

Bakersville, Oct. 7.—(AP)— Two terrific explosions within a few minutes of each other partly destroyed today the homes of Sheriff Jeff
Woody of Mitchell Countries I Sheriff Jeff Woody of Mitchell county, and his father, N B. Woody. No one was in-

The sheriff and the members of his family who miraculously escaped death could give no reason for the

"I was awakened at 2:15 this morning by a terrific explosion", the

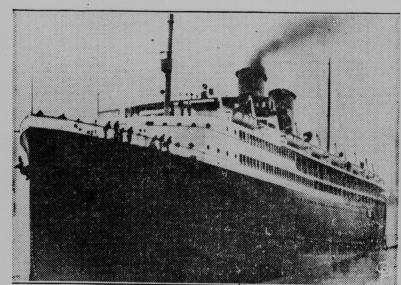
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Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy tonight and Sun-day, unsettled in the mountains, no decided change in tempera-

WEEKLY WEATHER. South Atlantic States: Fair and mild except scattered showers in extreme northern portion and extreme southern sections first of week and brief scattered shower period following by cooler weather in latter part

Headed for Destruction?



A flotilla of United States war vessels was sent to protect the American steamship Iroquois after the Government received a bizarre tip from Germany that the vessel would be sunk as she neared this country's shores laden with 584 Americans returning home from Europe. The warning did not say how or by whom the vessel was to be sunk.

France Prepares To Carry On To Victory Against Germany

Indications Are War Is About to Enter New Phase Marked By Large Scale Operations; German Reinforcements Move Up.

Paris, Oct. 7.—(AP)—France setother neutral need assure himself tled herself today for a long war with her announced determination to "carry on to victory" apathetic to Adolf Hitler's "last" offer to call off hostilities.

There were indications of a growing conviction that the war was about to enter a new phase marked scale operations and the new threat of a German air offen

Military leaders said France was prepared for any surprise the Nazis

Latest information from the front said German troops were continuing to harry French outpost in the Saar and Palatinates sectors, apparently in an effort to test the French strength.

German reinforcements were reported moving up steadily behind the Siegfried line. These reinforce-Administration forces claimed ad- ments included large numbers of ditional votes for repeal of the arms heavy tanks and airplanes, it was

A communique issued this morning by the French general staff re-

Life Termer Escapes From Georgia Guard

life termer who guards drew a pistol and escaped last night in an automobile with his pretty blonde bride of four months by his

Two guards were taking the 29year-old prisoner from an Atlanta (Continued on Page Four)

Aboard Arizona At Los Angeles

San Francisco, Oct. 7.—(AP)— ers do. The federal bureau of investigation | Pacifistic organizations outside the is checking up on persistent rumors of sabotage aboard the battle-ship Arizona now, in the Los Angeles harbor. J. Edgar Hoover, the oureau head, who is here to address the convention of international Association of Chiefs of Poice, said today he would return to Los Angeles soon to pursue his inestigation. He was accompanied by five as-

istants. Hoovier explained that his office Crosley Field, Cinn., Oct. 7.—(AP)

Eleship returned recently after bat-tle practice at sea. It is a flagship of Rear Admiral Willson's battlehip division No. 1.

Peanut Buying To Be Carried Out

Washington, Oct. 7.—(AP)— The Commercial Credit Cor-poration announced today it would loan up to \$9,000,000 to cooperative peanut grower associations to assist them in carrying out a program for the diversion of surplus peanuts into by-products.

The associations which will be eligible for loans include the G. F. A. Peanut Association, of Camilla, Ga.; the Peanut Stabilization Corporation of Edenton,

Capper, As Pacifist, Is Rational One

Average Pacifist Is Almost Too Bellig- Dr. Cushing, erent In His Passion For Peace; Capper Surgeon, Dies Tries To Reason With His Opposition.

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

hur Capper of Kansas is about as years. effective a pacifist as this county | The surgeon, professor emeritus of has got. Paradoxical as it may seem, neurology at Yale, had been in poor Atlanta, Oct. 7.—(AP)—Officers the average pacifist is almost too health for some time. He died of a

war bloc on Capiare more violently pacifistic than others, and the members of the extreme ultra group

Senator Capper arount of antagonism among legislators who don't feel Hitler Move quite as strongly as the 200 percent-

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Yankees Win Third Game

Grinding out four home runs, three while on a news dispatch sug-Rumors at Los Angeles dealt with damage to the Arizona mabhinery and water tanks. The bat-leghin returned area to the Arizona mabhinery and water tanks. The bat-leghin returned area to the Arizona mabhinery and water tanks. The bat-leghin returned area to the superior of the world series. Four of the Yankees five hits

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Concentrate Most Troops Down South

Full Peace Time Limit Of 280,000 Men Is Goal; Mass Training During Winter Of Seven New "Streamlined" Divisions.

Washington, Oct. 7.—(AP)— The War Department announced intention today to expand the army to its full peace-time limit of 280,000 men and at the same time ordered mass training this winter of seven new

streamlined" divisions. Five divisions and additional units comprising more than 65,000 troops vill be concentrated first at scattered southern points and then at Fort Benning, Georgia, for large scale

training as an army corps.

Two cavalry divisions will be concentrated at Fort Bliss, El Paso, A formal announcement approved by President Roosevelt disclosed the plan calls for converting the peace-time army into a fully prepared

With addition of 53,000 men, regular troops "when and if" authorized by Congress, a second combat corps of four additional "streamlin-

ed" divisions will be created.

The army's present first division now stationed at 10 different posts in the northeast will start moving about October 25 to Fort Benning. Other divisions will move "in rapid succession" first to other posts in the

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Reserves Are Called By Finns

Copenhagen, Oct. 7.—(AP)—The Finnish Defense Ministry an-nounced today it had called some reserve divisions to the colors to strengthen the national neutrality", while the cabinet pondered a Russian invitation to send a special envoy to Moscow to discuss political and economic matters.

Visits of such envoys from Esthonia and Latvia have resulted in concessions by those small states greatly increasing Russian power round the Baltic.

The defense ministry's announcement in Helsinki said some of the additional troops might be

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 7.—(AP) -Dr Harvey Williams Cushing, whose pioneering in modern brain surgery won him world-wide re-Washington, Oct. 7.-Senator Ar- nown, died today at the age of 70

searched southeast Georgia today for Richard Gallogly, wealthy Atlanta

Take congress, for warded by the United States with instance. Of ocurse the distinguished service medal for there isn't any pro World War.

The surgeon was the father-intol Hill, but some law of James Roosevelt, son of of the lawmakers President Roosevelt.

Britain Is in general are so vehement that they Suspicious Of

London, Oct. 7.—(AP)—Britain looked with suspicion on Adolph Hitler's "outstretened" hand "today as the government analyzed the fuehrer's "last chance" proposals to

nd the war. It was expected the war cabinet would complete its promised "careful examination" of Hitler"s Reichtag speech in time to permit Prime Minister Chamberlain to deliver his reply before the House of Com-

mons Monday. The government was silent meanany other important neutral power. The London Morning papers car-

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