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NORWAY AND DENMARK INVADED BY NAZIS

British Navy Moves To Aid Norway

Chamberlain Says Invasion Was Planned

Reports From Paris Say Allied Naval Forces Already Engaged With Germans Along Norwegian Coast In Heavy Storm.

April 9.—(AP)—Britain's navy is moving into the North Sea to aid Norway against the German invasion. Prime Minister Chamberlain told the House of Commons today in a brief, but lively speech.

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Nazi "Secret Map" Released by British



Germany's ten-year plan for the conquest of Europe is shown in this map, which according to the British ministry of information was found by Czech police in a 1938 raid on the Prague headquarters of Konrad Henlein, Sudeben Nazi leader. Photo flashed by radio from London to New York.

Nazis Demand Police Patrol Of Entire Length Of Danube River

Oslo Surrenders To Nazi Forces

More Action In Campaign May Be Expected

Fugitive Is Captured

NETHERLANDS CALLS MEN BACK TO DUTY

The Hague, April 9.—(AP)—The Netherlands government cancelled virtually all army, navy and air force leaves today, calling men back to the colors immediately "as a precautionary measure."

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Belgrade, April 9.—(AP)—The German government, it was learned on high authority today, has demanded Yugoslavia, Hungary, Bulgaria and Rumania accept German river police along the entire length of the Danube river to secure this vital supply route for Germany.

Stockholm, April 9.—(AP)—The city of Oslo, capital of Norway, surrendered to German forces at 4 p. m. (10 a. m. e.s.t.)

Dispatches reaching Stockholm said that the Norwegian police chief had resigned and that he was replaced by German officials.

North of Oslo, Norwegian aircraft was reported to have shot down two German planes.

The Norwegian government moved to the lake village of Hammar, north of Oslo.

The Norwegian army was reported to be guarding a defense line between Oslo and Hammar to protect the new capital.

Fully half of the population was reported to have left Oslo before the city surrendered to German troops.

The Germans were landed from warships along the city's harbor.

The Swedish parliament was called into session for 3 p. m. (2 p. m. e.s.t.) tonight.

Stockholm received reports from Norway and Denmark with a serious calm. It was recognized as a black day.

From northern Sweden it was reported that the German invasion of Norway met opposition and that at least two German ships were sunk at Narvik, the northern port from which Germany has been shipping Swedish ore.

New Demands on Balkan Countries Follow Accusation That Britain Planned To Dynamite Channel To Cripple Germany.

Belgrade, April 9.—(AP)—The German government, it was learned on high authority today, has demanded Yugoslavia, Hungary, Bulgaria and Rumania accept German river police along the entire length of the Danube river to secure this vital supply route for Germany.

The demand was made after the German press accused Britain of plotting to dynamite the channel through the "iron gate" to cripple Germany's transportation of oil, food stuffs and raw materials from southeastern Europe.

Rumanian police seized British lorries loaded with dynamite. The British said that the explosives were to have been used to blow up British and French vessels in the event Germany invaded Rumania.

It was learned that Hungary, Yugoslavia and Rumania previously had "tentatively" rejected the German demands. Then they were made a second time.

Diplomatic quarters here freely expressed the belief that the German news agency here as well as the Berlin foreign office had seized upon the reports of seizure of the British explosives as the basis for the renewed demands for a German police patrol of the Danube.

These sources also believed the demand was a possible forerunner of a German move to obtain Rumania's oil.

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NEW YORK, April 9.—(AP)—A squadron of British bombing planes which invaded northwestern Germany this morning was repulsed by German pursuit ships, said an official Berlin broadcast picked up by N. B. C.

The announcer said several British planes were shot down.

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U.S. Senators Appeal For Public Calm

Serious View of European Situation Taken, But Congressmen Agree That America Must Maintain Neutrality.

Washington, April 9.—(AP)—Germany's advance into Denmark and Norway prompted several senators today to appeal for the United States to take this latest dramatic war development calmly.

While Senator Pepper, Democrat, Florida, declared that "it brings the shadow of the war and conquest by force nearer the shores of every peaceful country in the world including our own," Senator Norris, Independent, Nebraska, said that "this affair is none of our business and we should keep out of it."

Norris described the march into Scandinavia as "the same old process—take whatever you have the power to take."

Senator McNary of Oregon, the Republican leader, declared: "The United States must keep calm. No matter how distressing the news is from Europe we must keep our heads and not be swept into hysteria. If we maintain our poise and equilibrium they will help us to withstand these recurrent shocks from Europe."

"The invasion of Denmark and Norway," said Senator Brown, Democrat, Michigan, "is condemned by all thinking people. It makes the situation more serious. I see no reason, however, why our government should get into the long view of the situation will show that Germany has made her task much more difficult because she has added enemies and stifled any sympathy that existed for her anywhere in the world."

BRITISH MINISTER AND STAFF MEMBERS TAKEN BY GERMANS

London, April 9.—(AP)—The British foreign office was said authoritatively tonight to have re-established communication with Norway and to have been informed that the Norwegian government was "in good heart and bent on resistance."

The German radio was said to have announced that Howard Smith, British minister to Copenhagen, and his staff had been made prisoners.

The British assumed that this was true, because they could not communicate with the legation.

SEA BATTLE

London, April 9.—(AP)—A British source said tonight that it "understands a naval action is in progress somewhere near the coast of Norway" between British and German forces.

The British press association said "there is reason to believe that good news may be forthcoming" within 12 to 24 hours, but later asked its subscribers to delete this sentence.

WAR COUNCIL MEETS

London, April 9.—(AP)—The supreme war council of the allies met today at No. 10 Downing street with Premier Paul Reynaud and Defense Minister Edouard Daladier representing France.

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London, April 9.—(AP)—Rome radio reports intercepted in London today said communications between Germany and Hungary had been severed.

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Manteo, April 9.—(AP)—James Dixon of Norfolk, Va., the pilot, was drowned when his plane crashed outside Oregon Inlet, 42 miles south of Manteo.

Jerry Lowe, also of Norfolk, a passenger in the plane, was saved by coast guardsmen.

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London, April 9.—(AP)—Unconfirmed reports from Stockholm which reached London today via Amsterdam said that the 26,000-ton German battleship Gneisenau and possibly other German warships had been sunk. The reports lacked details.

Weather For North Carolina

Generally fair, slightly cooler, scattered frost in west portion tonight; Wednesday fair, slightly warmer in the interior.

Copenhagen, Oslo Occupied By Nazis

Germany Announces Extension of "Armed Protection" To "Counteract British Aggression" Against Neutrality of Scandinavian Countries; "Slight Local Resistance" Met in Oslo, No Resistance to Nazis in Copenhagen.

Berlin, April 9.—(AP)—Germany invaded Norway and Denmark by land, sea and air today.

Germany announced she had extended "armed protection" to these states "to counteract British aggression" against their neutrality.

By this afternoon German armed forces had occupied Copenhagen, capital of Denmark which did not resist, and Oslo, the capital of Norway, where Norwegian troops put up what the Germans called "slight local resistance."

This afternoon the German high command announced that "occupation of the most important objectives in all Norway by German troops is proceeding rapidly."

"At most points," said the afternoon communique "a slight local resistance by Norwegian troops has ceased."

A dispatch from Copenhagen by the official German news agency said that the Danish government had accepted the German "protection" with a "protest" in view of the circumstances and conditions of the protection.

Germany gave the signal to march northward less than 24 hours after British warships steamed into Norway's territorial waters to sow three mine fields, to cut off German iron ore shipments from Sweden through Norwegian coastal waters.

"In order to counteract British aggression under way against the neutrality of Denmark and Norway, German armed forces have assumed the armed protection of these states," the communique said.

"For this reason strong German forces of all army units entered and landed this morning in these two countries x x x."

"For months England and France have attempted to make a new battlefield out of Scandinavia."

In a blistering statement delivered personally to assembled press representatives of many nations, Foreign Minister von Ribbentrop charged the western powers with plotting to extend the war to the north and declared that the Reich had "assumed responsibility" for protecting Scandinavian neutrality.

As he spoke the Nazi high command broadcast a proclamation assuring Norway and Denmark that Germany has no designs on their independence and urging them to accept as friends the German troops already pouring over their frontiers by land and sea.

Three Killed In Explosion

Gas Plant Blast Kills Three and Injures At Least 13; Loss Set At \$500,000.

Braintree, Mass., April 9.—(AP)—Three men were killed and at least 13 persons injured seriously today in a terrific explosion at the Old Colony gas company plant in East Braintree. Company officials estimated the loss at \$500,000.

The roar of the blast was so severe several office girls suffered bleeding ears. Carl H. Burnett, 53, a gas fitter, was crushed to death under the bricks of the compressor house.

James W. Plunkett, 40, and Tony Orlando, 55, died shortly after admission to a hospital.

Despite persistent reports that three or four persons were missing, company officials said all employees had been accounted for. Firemen still reached the ruins, however, after extinguishing the flames in the tank.

Senate Appropriations Committee Cuts \$55,000,000 From Sub-Committee Bill.

Washington, April 9.—(AP)—The Senate appropriations committee reduced the total of its sub-committee bill today and sliced \$55,000,000 from proposed waterway projects of the war department civil functions bill.

Holding its approval of total expenditures to \$223,362,517, the full committee struck out \$29,000,000 for flood control projects and \$25,000,000 for rivers and harbor work included in the appropriation measure by the sub-committee. It accepted a \$15,000,000 item the sub-committee put in the bill to start a third set of Panama Canal locks.

As approved by the committee the bill carried an increase of \$19,829,950 in appropriations above the total previously voted by the House.

Spread Of War Brings U. S. Diplomatic Problems

Washington, April 9.—(AP)—The explosive spread of Europe's war to Scandinavia confronted the administration with three urgent problems today.

1—The safety of some 3,500 American nationals in Europe.

2—The question of a new presidential proclamation formally designating Norway and Denmark as belligerents.

3—The matter of protecting American shipping interests in the invading countries and possible action on extending the combat zone to include the waters around the north coasts of Norway.

Decision on the steps the government would take awaited the return of President Roosevelt from Hyde Park and Secretary of State Hull from Atlantic City.

The first official word of the Reich's swift hammer blows on the Scandinavian front reached the capital shortly after midnight from Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, United States minister to Norway.

High state department officials headed by Assistant Secretary Berle were quickly summoned to the State department building near the White House and lights burned on toward dawn.

Farm Belt Popularity Tests In Today's Voting

The Associated Press.)

Nebraska provided two of the most heated tests today of the popularity of the Roosevelt third term movement and of Thomas E. Dewey, campaigning for the Republican presidential nomination.

Delegates who won Wisconsin's 24 electoral votes last week over Arthur Vandenberg, of Michigan, were meted against the same opponent in Nebraska. He was unopposed in Illinois.

The Democratic situation was not clear to Roosevelt, who gave no hint as to whether he would accept another nomination, was unopposed in Nebraska. In Illinois, however, the third term forces reached a show down with supporters of Vice President Garner.

Two-fold interest centered on the Illinois voting for 50 national convention delegates.

The Kelly-Nash Democratic organization was out to roll up a big vote for President Roosevelt on the theory that an overwhelming victory would lead to his renomination. Garner men on the other hand, pinned hopes on a showing formidable enough to curb third term talk.

In Nebraska, 14 delegates were at stake in each party.

Maxwell Declares Against "Contingent Diversion" Plan

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, April 9.—Commissioner of Revenue Allen J. Maxwell has become the first gubernatorial candidate definitely and flatly to declare he is against the present "contingent diversion" provision of the Revenue Act.

This provision was continued in the law by the 1939 General Assembly after a desperate fight in which Anti-Diversionists were finally defeated only because Governor Clyde R. Hoey threw the full weight of his influence on the side of retention of the section.

Maxwell had already permitted himself to be quoted as being against the provision but the declaration was made in a private letter and last night's address at Manteo was the first in which any one of the seven candidates has expressed any definite opinion as to the "contingent" section. All have more or less strongly opposed "diversion", but none of them has referred specifically to the existing law on the subject.

The Revenue Commissioner did not

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