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## The Real Victims of War



These are the real sufferers of war. A mother and her three small children walk helplessly through the ruins of a town in Belgium. Even as they pass the bombed house in the background part of the crumbling wall falls in a cloud of dust. Photo passed by the British censor.

# Leopold Surrenders To Nazis, Is "Disowned"

## DEFENSE NEEDS BROUGHT HOME TO CITIZENRY

### Congress Talks of New Taxes to Pay Preparedness Bill; Morgenthau Hints of No New Automobile Models.

Washington, May 28.—(AP)—The demands of national defense were brought home today to the country's citizens by talk of an immediate tax increase and hints of no new model automobiles after this year.

Both houses of Congress manifested a growing sentiment for consideration of new taxation before adjournment to help pay at least part of the \$2,000,000,000 preparedness bill.

There were signs that any new levies probably would be coupled with an increase in the \$45,000,000,000 federal debt limit to permit further borrowing.

Tax discussions were bracketed with an official announcement that served to dramatize the proportions of the rearmament program ahead.

Secretary Morgenthau indicated that defense needs might make it necessary to abandon its custom of yearly models, to make machines available for building airplanes and other defense weapons.

Other events on the defense front yesterday included:

- 1.—President Roosevelt asked Congress for an additional \$32,000,000 for the training of civilian pilots.
- 2.—The White House indicated that Mr. Roosevelt soon would make known his plans for the creation of a national defense council.
- 3.—Former President Hoover in a speech at New York urged the appointment of a "single-headed administrator" with virtually supreme powers in defense measures.
- 4.—The House naval appropriations sub-committee, holding a secret hearing, worked on legislation which would give the Navy the \$250,000,000 in extra money recommended in President Roosevelt's emergency defense program.

## Political Split Seen

### Second Gubernatorial Primary Campaign Threatens To Divide Administration.

Raleigh, May 28.—(AP)—Political realignments in the wake of Saturday's Democratic primary threatened today to split the administration faction wide open in the second gubernatorial primary.

J. M. Broughton, Raleigh lawyer who led the seven-man race, and Lieutenant-Governor W. P. Horton, of Pittsboro the runner-up, will enter a second primary June 22.

The third high man, Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell, urged Horton not to call for a second primary and to concede the nomination, but Horton countered with a statement that he would concede nothing.

"Come what may, may," Horton told reporters, "there will be a primary and I don't mind saying that it's every man for himself."

Horton declared that even if Maxwell supported Broughton in the second primary, many Maxwell workers would join the Horton headquarters.

A Horton spokesman said that Burgin Pennell of Asheville, Maxwell's state manager, had been offered a job as Horton's state co-manager, and that Ronald Wilson of Raleigh, Maxwell's associate manager, was expected to join the Horton forces.

Pennell and Wilson declined to comment.

Governor Hoey, who was neutral in the first primary, indicated that he would remain so.

## Surrender May Bring Italian Move

### Italian Entrance Into War Expected to be Hastened; French Citizens Stopped From Leaving Italy; Students Get Orders.

Rome, May 28.—(AP)—The surrender of the Belgian army was expected in foreign circles here today to hasten Italy's entrance into the war, to help Germany finish off the allies and win a share of the victor's gains.

Official Italian comment on the new disaster for the allies however, was not immediately available.

It was disclosed that French citizens attempting to leave Italy had been stopped because they had no exit visas.

Allied sources said the requirement for exit visas was new and that thus far it had been invoked only against Frenchmen.

The stopping of the visa-less Frenchmen—suddenly and without notice, allied informants said—gave rise to rumors that Italy had closed her frontiers with France and Switzerland.

Fascist militiamen among university students were ordered to gather with their arms throughout Italy tomorrow for "specially significant military ceremonies" marking the 16th anniversary of the establishment of the university militia.

## Battle Of Flanders At Culmination

Paris, May 28.—(AP)—The Belgian army surrendered unconditionally to the Germans today under orders from King Leopold III, breaking the back of the allied armies of north and bringing the battle of Flanders to its culminating point.

The blow was as heavy as the collapse of the army of General Coraps in the battle of the Meuse, May 15, which permitted the Germans to break through France to the English Channel and split the northern and central allied forces.

The French and British remnants of the northern army carried on the Flanders fight but a military spokesman acknowledged their resistance was "extremely difficult."

The outcome of the war now turns on the central front along the Somme and Aisne rivers and down the main Maginot line of defenses.

The Belgians, battered back almost to their western shore by 18 days of blitzkrieg, capitulated before dawn today.

## Maxwell Said To Be 'Very Ill Man'

Raleigh, May 28.—(AP)—The local government commission sold \$27,500 of Wilson county notes to the Wachovia Bank and Trust Co. at a premium of \$1.53 with interest at 1 percent today.

## Allied Divisions Massed Near Rethel For Drive

Bern, Switzerland, May 28.—(AP)—Thirty allied divisions were reported moving into position tonight south of the Aisne river near Rethel for a "now or never" offensive to rescue French and British forces trapped in the Germans' Lille pocket.

Reports reaching here from both sides of the war zone indicated that allied Generalissimo Weygand had planned a major part of this force in position before the Belgians surrendered.

Allied divisions ranged from about 15,000 to 18,000 men—450,000 to 640,000 in the 30 divisions reported massed for attack.

Both allied and German sources here believed that if Weygand found

## SUCCEEDS IRONSIDE



Replacing General Sir Edmund Ironside, General Sir John Greer Dill (above) was appointed chief of the British Imperial Staff and will direct British war operations in France. Ironside was named to the post of commander-in-chief of British Home Forces.

## Crop Loans Approved

### Senate Banking Committee Approves \$560,000,000 Increase in Loan Fund.

Washington, May 28.—(AP)—The Senate banking committee approved unanimously today a \$560,000,000 increase in government funds for crop loans intended to protect American farmers from wartime price shocks.

Senator Byrnes, Democrat, South Carolina, who sponsored the legislation which was advocated by Secretary Wallace said he would seek prompt Senate action on the bill.

Officials of the crop loan agency said the present lending limit of \$1,000,000,000 was nearly exhausted and that the additional funds were needed to cushion 1940 crops against wartime disturbances.

Senator Taft, Republican, Ohio, made some comment on past government losses on price-supporting crop loans but he said that if "you ever had a justification for making loans you have it now, because of the cutting off of exports."

Taft noted that the government agency now owns outright about 6,300,000 bales of cotton on which it made loans. It has pending loans on another 2,000,000 bales; it may have to take over, he said.

"How are we ever going to get rid of this cotton?" Taft asked.

"I don't know," Senator Byrnes replied. He explained that Congress had directed that loans be made on cotton, corn, wheat and other crops whenever market prices fell below certain levels.

Government loan officials estimated that the total amount of loans outstanding would be \$1,560,000,000.

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## Allies Say Campaign To Be Continued

### Belgian Government, In Exile in Paris, "Disowns" Leopold and Says Belgian Forces Will Be Reorganized; Nazis Advance.

Paris, May 28.—(AP)—Belgian leaders in France announced today they had decided to "disown" King Leopold after his order for unconditional surrender of the Belgian army.

The leaders said they would meet at the Belgian embassy today to lay charges against the 38-year old monarch and organize a provisional government.

(By The Associated Press.) King Leopold of the Belgians ordered his army of approximately 300,000 men to surrender to the Germans today, was promptly "disowned" by his own government and British Prime Minister Churchill told the house of commons that allied generals had been ordered to continue their campaigns.

The action of the refugee Belgian government, now in Paris, means in effect that the Belgian king has been declared deposed.

Premier Hubert Pierlot announced, contrary to the monarch's order to lay down arms, that Belgian forces would be reorganized.

Paris, May 28.—(AP)—A war ministry spokesman said tonight that the Belgian army "almost in its entirety" has given itself up as prisoners to the Germans and that the situation as a result of King Leopold's capitulation is "very difficult" for the allies. He placed the number surrendering at 300,000.

German divisions are pushing hard in an east to west direction on the northern front above the Lys river, the spokesman said. This is in the direction of the channel ports, Ostend and Zeebrugge.

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All indications were, however, that the main Belgian army—the Germans said between 400,000 and 500,000 men—had ceased to fight and that only minor units or new levies raised from among the throng of Belgian refugees in France would be at the disposal of the Belgian government.

While Frenchmen in the streets of Paris cried "treason" at the news of King Leopold's capitulation, Churchill told the house of commons that the British and French governments would ignore Leopold's action.

The allies, he said, will carry on with all vigor.

Churchill was wildly cheered as he declared:

"Nothing which may happen to us in this battle can in any way relieve us of our duty to defend the world cause to which we have bound ourselves."

With the German high command declaring that the allied armies "pocketed" in Flanders were doomed, British naval spokesmen hinted that the British expeditionary force was preparing to withdraw from the battle in Belgium.

It was not immediately indicated whether the British contemplated complete withdrawal from the continent or merely a shifting of their trapped armies south to aid France in her defense along the Somme river front.

At the height of the furor created by King Leopold's sudden surrender, the German high command announced a new series of smashing nazi successes.

Hitler's mechanized columns broke through strong French border fortifications "on a broad front," the high command said, and captured numerous towns and villages in the giant "squeeze" movement on the trapped allied armies in Flanders.

The Belgian monarch's decision to lay down arms came at the most critical hour in the struggle for mastery of the English channel.

The nazi high command reported its armies had driven to within six miles of Bruges, Belgium, and had partly broken allied resistance in the battles of Antois and Flanders.

The German breakthrough, it said.

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## NLB Charged With Hampering Defense

### Two House Members Make Charges As Amendments to Wagner Act Near Discussion; Delay In Shipment of Motors Mentioned.

Washington, May 28.—(AP)—Two members of the House asserted today that the National Labor Board was hampering defense preparations.

Representative Hoffman, Republican, said the agency was delaying a shipment of 1000 motors to the Philadelphia Ordnance factory and Representative Cox, Democrat, Georgia, said the board was "sabotaging business" by its corrupt administration of the Wagner act.

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## North Carolinian Says Sweden Won't Have Fifth Column

New York, May 28.—(AP)—Sweden won't be taken by "Trojan horse" tactics if the Germans attempt an invasion, A. N. Daniels, Jr., of 209 Goldsboro street, Wilson, N. C., said today on his return from Stockholm aboard the U. S. liner Washington.

"Sweden is armed to the teeth," he said. "The government and army have been combed for enemy sympathizers. It is the only country in Europe that I visited where there is no food shortage or rationing."

In contrast to Swedish confidence in national integrity, Daniels said he found Switzerland seething with rumors and fears of "fifth column" activity.

## Hitler Assigns Belgian Castle To King Leopold

London, May 28.—(AP)—A German radio announcement heard in London today said King Leopold had been assigned a Belgian castle to stay in following his order to his army to capitulate to Germany.

The announcement said: "The fuhrer has ordered that the king and his army be given until further notice the consideration due a brave people. Leopold has been assigned a Belgian castle for his stay."

## BLOWS EXCHANGED AT DEMOCRATIC MEET

Waco, Tex., May 28.—(AP)—Mayor Maury Maverick of San Antonio, ardent advocate of a third term for President Roosevelt, exchanged blows today with Mayor Tom Miller of Austin outside the hall where the Texas Democratic convention was deciding whether to pledge the state's 46 delegates to Texas' own John Nance Garner or to Roosevelt.

## Lindbergh Given 'Slap'

Lafayette Escadrille Withdraws Honorary Membership Confered in 1927.

Washington, May 28.—(AP)—Honorable mention in the Lafayette Escadrille award to Col. Charles A. Lindbergh after his 1927 Atlantic crossing, withdrawn today by the French and Air Association.

The French and Air Association, a volunteer committee of the French army in 1914-1918, withdrawing former pilots of the Lafayette Escadrille announced its decision today.

Lindbergh's flight was classified as a military feat by the spirit of the original volunteers of the Lafayette Escadrille and Foreign Legion who were devoted to the defense of France.

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## New Taxation To Finance Increase In Debt Limit

Washington, May 28.—(AP)—New taxation to finance an immediate \$2,000,000,000 increase in the national debt for emergency defense outlays was agreed upon today at a conference of administration and congressional leaders.

A special issue of "national defense obligations" would be offered the public to supply funds for strengthening armaments in a program approved by President Roosevelt which would require lifting the present \$45,000,000,000 debt limit to \$48,000,000,000.

The new taxes would be designed to produce between \$600,000,000 and \$700,000,000 a year for the next five years.

But exactly what levies were contemplated was not revealed. Indications were that this would be left up to Congress to work out.

Congressional leaders had expected to adjourn early in June. The new program calling for major legislative action presented them with the prospect of an indefinite delay.

The plan drafted by President Roosevelt was ratified in a three-hour conference by Secretary of the Treasury, Morgenthau, Chairman of the House ways and means committee and Chairman Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi, of the Senate finance committee.

## Many Deals Under Way In Headquarters

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. By HENRY AVERILL

Raleigh, May 28.—There were more political "deals" on in Raleigh Monday than there were transactions on the New York stock exchange, but so far little or nothing has leaked out about the outcome of the attempted trades.

Posted in the Sir Walter lobby the keen-eyed observer could see scores of the state's best-known political figures hurrying either to the mezzanine floor (where are the offices of J. M. Broughton, leader in the first primary) or to the ninth, where runner-up Lieutenant Governor Wilkins P. Horton has his staff located.

There was no apparent weakening of the political positions.

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## Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Mostly cloudy with scattered showers tonight and Wednesday, not much change in temperature.