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## British Raid Continental Coast

### GOP Row Over Foreign Policy Slows Convention

#### Hoover Put Forward As Candidate

Nominating Speeches, Scheduled For Today, Postponed Because of Delay in Presentation of Platform.

Philadelphia, June 26.—(AP)—Its pace slowed by a change in policy row, a Republican convention into which the name of J. Edgar Hoover had been projected to determine policies it will adopt for the nation.

Hoover followed up his rallying cry of the party last night to "save America for free men" with a press conference statement that he was not seeking public office. But, he said, he would be no interference with the nomination of the nominee and he would say he would not take the nomination if it was offered by the convention.

The foreign policy dispute in the nominating committee already had slowed the convention schedule out of the members of that group argued the night over the form of the declaration against intervention in foreign wars should take.

Speeches already were streaming into the convention hall before the issue was finally settled. Even the resolutions committee had not yet carried final touches upon its platform. Its general tenor was "preparedness and peace."

The battle of candidates went on until Wendell Willkie continued

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#### Ford Refuses Contracts For Plane Motors

Washington, June 26.—(AP)—Henry Ford, who said he could turn out 10,000 complete airplanes daily, refuses to manufacture airplane motors for the national defense commission, announced, and this stand forces abandonment of arrangements for a U. S.-British order.

William S. Knudsen of the defense commission, who disclosed this last night, said that "cooperation in the production of this important military equipment will be sought elsewhere."

The statement gave rise to belief that factories of other automobile manufacturers might be enlisted.

#### Fleet Move Still Secret

Washington, June 26.—(AP)—The dispatch of a third cruiser on a "friendly visit to South American ports" was announced today by the Navy.

Acting Secretary Lewis Campion disclosed that the 10,000-ton light cruiser Phoenix, now in the Pacific, was proceeding to its first port of call, Valparaiso, Chile.

Two other cruisers—the Omeys and the Wichita—are already in Atlantic coast South American ports, whence have come repeated reports of "fifth column" activity resulting from German victories in the European war.

Washington, June 26.—(AP)—News known about the sudden departure of the main United States

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#### Would Fly for Uncle Sam



Vice Commander Millard Bennett, of the New York American Legion, gives words of advice to some of the 500 business and professional girls who assembled in Manhattan to form the country's first women's civilian air corps, The Women Flyers of America. They are pledged to offer their services in time of war to release male pilots for duty at the front.

#### Tobacco Relief Bill Awaits House Action

##### Liners To Return For U. S. Citizens

Washington, June 26.—(AP)—The liners Washington and Manhattan are to be sent back to Europe to return Americans to the United States from the war zone.

Secretary Hull announced today that the Washington will sail Friday from New York for Galway, Ireland, to pick up an expected 2,000 Americans.

The Manhattan, the secretary of state added, will leave within a few days for Portugal, where some 1,200 Americans, including many now in Spain, will embark.

##### Long Distance Calls Reduced

Raleigh, June 26.—(AP)—Utilities Commissioner Stanley Wilborne said today that interstate long distance telephone rates on calls for distances farther than 72 miles would be reduced August 1 by the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company by an amount estimated to save customers \$40,000 a year.

The long distance rate reduction will amount to savings of from 5 to 15 cents each call where the distance is 72 miles or more.

##### 24 Tar Heel Officers Killed In Line Of Duty During Last Two And One-Half Years

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, June 26.—Twenty-four North Carolina peace officers have died "with their boots on" in line of duty in the last two and a half years—a rate of four officers killed every five months.

The ratio was worked out on the basis of figures from the office of State Auditor George Ross Pott, who is treasurer and disbursing officer for the Peace Officers Pension Fund.

Mr. Pott reported that he has just paid \$900 to the widow of Deputy Sheriff Bud Towe, of Pine Top, Yancey county, the latest officer to be killed on duty. He left two children in addition to the widow.

Minimum benefits are \$700 to the

#### Nazis Speed Occupation Of Coast

When Occupation Is Completed Every Atlantic Harbor Except Those in Spain and Portugal Will Be Barred to British.

Berlin, June 26.—(AP)—Occupation of France's entire Atlantic coast by the German army proceeded swiftly today under the terms of an armistice agreement which, authorized sources said, had eliminated the remainder of a military factor and paved the way for a final reckoning with England.

When the occupation is completed, these sources said, every continental Atlantic harbor except those in Spain and Portugal will be barred to British ships.

Tightening aerial and naval warfare on the British Isles was reflected in a communique of the high command which reported successful bombing of "several airports and airplane factories" in central England and the torpedoing of three Allied merchant ships southwest of Ireland.

The Germans announced further British air raids on northern and western Germany last night and said that no military targets were hit, but that at least four persons were killed.

Authorized sources said the armistice terms imposed upon France were designed solely to meet war conditions and in no respect foreshadow the peacetime reorganization of Europe which Hitler envisages.

#### Officers Seek Three Men

Fayetteville, June 26.—(AP)—Lieutenant A. T. Moore of the State highway patrol said efforts were being made today to apprehend three young men suspected of several robberies, larceny, thefts and at least one slugging this week.

The three, all apparently in their teens, Moore said, were believed to have been the men who robbed and bound a taxi driver to a tree near Benson and then escaped toward Wilmington.

They are suspected of stealing a Clinton taxi and of perpetrating two robberies and a slugging at Stem and Creedmoor.

They were reported to have been sighted north of Roxboro today, going in the direction of Danville, Va.

#### Taylor Undergoes Operation In Rome

Rome, June 26.—(AP)—Myron C. Taylor, President Roosevelt's representative at the Vatican, underwent today an operation which lasted two hours. His condition was reported as satisfactory.

#### U. S. Embassy Offices Set Up In Monts

BY ROY PORTER. Monts, France, June 25.—(By airplane courier to Berlin)—(AP)—Temporary offices of the American embassy in France have been set up here in the chateau of Charles A. Bedaux, where the Duke and Duchess of Windsor were married.

The staff consists of three men—First Secretary Hugh S. Fullerton, Third Secretary Ernest Mayer, and Trade Commissioner Leigh Hunt.

I arrived here after a long swing through the war sectors south and west of Paris.

I found German activity to be two-

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Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Generally fair, slightly warmer tonight; Thursday increasing cloudiness, becoming unsettled.

#### French Balk Aid to Nazis



"Many such guns were captured in France," said the German censor in the caption accompanying this photo. French gun crews made sure the victorious Nazis would never be able to use the cannons. The broken gun takes the place of the broken sword as the symbol of defeat.

#### Turkey Definitely Will Not Enter War

##### Turkish Premier Tells Parliament The Nation is "Alertly Continuing Defense Preparations"; Seeks To Justify Stand.

Ankara, June 26.—(AP)—Refik Saydam of Turkey told parliament tonight that his government has definitely decided not to enter the war.

The address, which was the first official announcement of Turkish policy since Italy entered the conflict, came amid grave concern over the future of French-protected Syria and the possibility of a Bulgarian attack on Turkey from the north.

"Our position, devoid of any provocation, is a guarantee of our own and our neighbor's peace," the premier said.

He sought to justify Turkey's refusal to go to war on the side of the allies when Italy entered the conflict by citing the section of the mutual assistance pact with Britain and France which stipulated that Turkey was required to take no action which would bring her into conflict with Russia.

Thus Saydam indicated that Moscow had told Turkey that Russia would regard Turkish entry into the war as a hostile act.

##### More Americans Arrive In Spain

San Sebastian, Spain, June 26.—(AP)—Eighty-six more Americans, hungry and thirsty but cheerful, crossed the international bridge from France here today. They were taken immediately to Bilbao, where it was reported yesterday a United States warship might come to take them away.

The remainder of a group of 147 Americans listed for entry last night were expected in the course of the day.

##### Hitler Visits Napoleon's Tomb, Other Paris Points

Berlin, June 26.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler paid an extended incognito visit to Paris yesterday and visited the tomb of Napoleon, a highly reliable source said today.

Hitler is known to admire the French emperor greatly.

While foreign correspondents who visited the Hotel des Invalides in Paris last week found Napoleon's tomb still covered with sandbags, all these had been removed by yesterday for Hitler's visit, the informant said.

Apparently moved, Hitler stood for a while in the big rotunda whence one gazes down at the tomb,

##### Russia Adopts New Work Week

Moscow, June 26.—(AP)—Because of increasing war danger and the need of greater production, the Soviet Russian government adopted today a new working week—six days of work and a day of rest—to replace its revolutionary week of five working days and a day of rest on the sixth.

Abandonment of the six-day week, which was a feature of the changes wrought by the bolsheviks revolution, was recommended by the Soviet trade unions and adopted by the government.

##### PAROLED

Raleigh, June 26.—(AP)—Governor Hoke today paroled six state prisoners, including Foster Revels, Robeson county Indian serving a 30-year term for second degree murder. He was convicted in January, 1935.

##### Turkey And Iraq Sign Pact

London, June 26.—(AP)—An agreement between Turkey and Iraq for the joint defense of Iraq and French-mandated Syria in collaboration with Great Britain was concluded today at Ankara, Exchange Telegraph (British news agency) reported today in a dispatch from Istanbul.

Since France surrendered to the axis powers, both Iraq, which maintains close treaty relations with Britain, and Turkey, which had mutual assistance pacts with France and Britain, have shown increasing anxiety lest Syria become a battleground.

The Turks have feared that Italy might attempt to succeed France as the occupying power in Syria and make it a base for further expansion in the Near East.

#### New Phase Of British Action Begun

Clashes Herald Far-flung Guerrilla Campaign to Harass German Coastal Bases and Obtain Information of Nazi Actions.

London, June 26.—(AP)—British landing parties actually stabbed into the continental coastline front behind which Germany is preparing for the battle of Britain, it was reported today, and the sorties mark "the new phase of aggressive action."

Casualties were inflicted on German troops yesterday by naval and military raiders, it was announced and some of the German dead fell into British hands along with "much useful information."

The clashes between the heavily armed British raiders, supported by the royal air force, and their Nazi foeman appeared to herald a far-flung guerrilla campaign to harass German coastal bases and obtain information on preparations for the invasion of Britain.

Reuters, British news agency, hinted at this in commenting on the strategic position of the Germans in the light of the raids—the German burden of patrolling and placing of thousands of men on the European shores from Norway to the Spanish coast "to ward off the risk of raids made possible by dominant British sea power."

Contributing to Germany's disadvantage, Reuters said, was the depletion of German naval forces in past engagements with the allies and the wrecking of defensive works and harbor establishments by the British and French before they were yielded to the nazis.

Neutral military observers expressed

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#### Germans Open Trade War In South America

Buenos Aires, June 26.—(AP)—Germany has already opened a strong "trade offensive" in lower South America, designed to swing such nations as Argentina and Uruguay away from close economic and military cooperation with the United States, a well informed source said today.

Agents of the Nazi government have established contact with Argentine officials, bringing full authority from the Reich to negotiate gigantic barter deals, it was said.

These agents are reported to be offering to purchase millions of pesos worth of Argentine foods and raw products, making payments through such as the electrification of Argentine state railroads and the construction of various hydro-electric plants to offset the dwindling supplies of coal and oil in this country.

#### British Blow Up Bridges At Hongkong

Hongkong, June 26.—(AP)—Bridges spanning the Shuncheon river forming a part of the Chinese frontier of this British crown colony were dynamited today by the British military in an action described as "purely precautionary and defensive."

The British measures were taken shortly after the Japanese army in north China announced that Japanese forces had reached Lungchow, near the French Indo-China border.

At the same time, Chinese reports said that between 70 and 80 percent of the Chinese population had moved out of the French-leased territory of Kwangchowwan in fear of a Japanese attempt to seize that area.

An authorized British statement declared there was no cause for alarm and expressed the belief that

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