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## FDR Asks Added Defense Fund

### Italy Disputes Britain's Rule Of Sea

#### Versions Of Fight Differ Decidedly

British Say Italian Warships Fled After Battleship Was Hit—Italians Assert British Fleet Was Driven off In Battle.

By The Associated Press

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#### Wheeler Is Out Of Race

Montana Senator Will Not Be Candidate Regardless Of Roosevelt's Plans.

London, July 10.—(AP)—Senator Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, announced today that he would not be a candidate for the Republican nomination for the United States Senate in 1940.

Wheeler said he was not interested in the nomination and that he would not be a candidate.

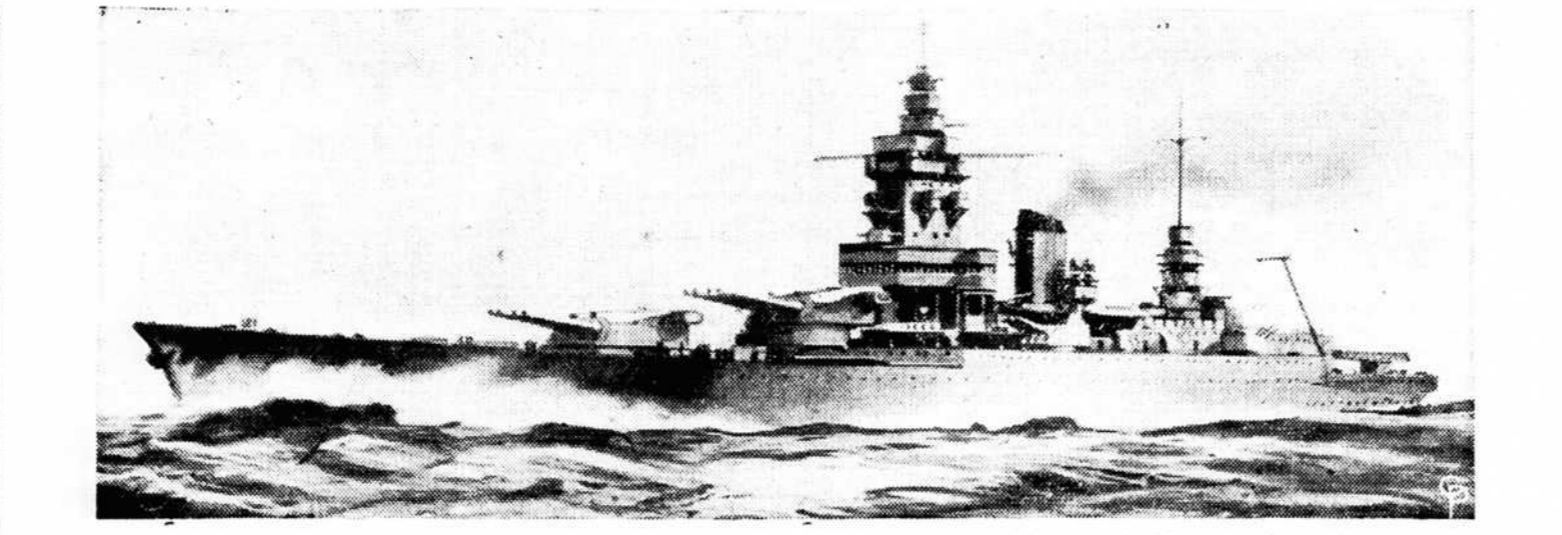
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### France's Mightiest Battleship Put Out of War



The 35,000-ton Richelieu, pride of the French navy, has been put out of action by combined British naval and air forces attacking the vessel at Dakar, French West Africa. Depth charges dropped by a motor boat under the stern of the Richelieu wrecked her propeller and steering, and crippling of the ship was completed by aerial torpedoes dropped by British planes.

## Hungary Told To Stay Demands

### Antonescu Is Arrested

Veteran Leader of Rumanian Iron Guard Held Because of "Unfriendly Attitude"

Bucharest, July 10.—(AP)—The ministry of propaganda announced today the arrest of General Ion Antonescu, veteran leader of Rumania's pro-Nazi Iron Guard, as King Carol II moved to prevent the Iron Guard from wresting control of the government from him.

Antonescu, who had been trying to unite various Iron Guard groups, was seized yesterday in the Transylvania foothills "because of an unfriendly attitude towards the present regime," the ministry said.

The king strove to win the support of all factions and quell any internal threats to his totalitarian "party of the nation" to present a united front against outside danger to Rumania's existence.

King Carol has forbidden revival of any outlawed political parties. Informed parties said this decree was aimed primarily at the Iron Guard.

There have been numerous indications that it is not well between the king and the guard, although the new cabinet of Gigurtu includes four members of the long outlawed group.

### Animal Veterans Of Movies Die In Spectacular Fire

Ventura, Cal., July 10.—(AP)—Twelve circus animals, movie veterans all—seven tigers, three camels and the expertly trained elephants "Sally" and "Queenie"—died in a spectacular fire last night.

The flames started in a hay barn and roared through an elephant barn, camel barn, hay shed and machine shop at Louis Goebel's lion farm at Thousand Oaks.

Sally and Queenie, driven mad by the flames, stampeded through their pens and broke the main water line. The blaze grew unchecked until the break was mended.

Sally burned to death. Queenie, badly scorched, had to be shot. Both elephants were to have been used at Paramount studios today for scenes with Dorothy Lamour in "Moon Over Burma."

"The camels were killed when the roof caved in on them," said Goebel. "The most pitiful sight of all was the tigers running back and forth in their cages, their coats on fire. We managed to get close enough in spite of the heat to shoot two of them but we couldn't put the others out of their misery."

### Tobacco Crop Of 1,291,685,000 Lbs. Is Now Estimated

Washington, July 10.—(AP)—The Agriculture department today estimated the 1940 corn crop at 2,415,998,000 bushels and total wheat production at 728,614,000 bushels on the basis of July 1 crop conditions.

Corn production was 2,619,137,000 bushels last year and in the ten years 1929-38 averaged 2,299,342,000 bushels.

The country's wheat crop totaled 754,971,000 bushels last year and averaged 754,685,000 during the ten years.

Tobacco was put at 1,291,685,000 pounds, against 1,848,654,000 last year and 1,369,661,000 pounds in the ten years.

### Concession In New Tax Bill

Washington, July 10.—(AP)—Agreement has been reached that the forthcoming excess profits tax shall carry a special provision permitting amortization over a five-year period of additional industrial facilities created for necessary national defense purposes.

The announcement was made by Stephen Early, the President's press secretary, after Mr. Roosevelt had conferred with Secretary Morgenthau, Jesse Jones, the federal loan administrator; William Knudsen of the national defense commission; Chairman Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi, of the Senate finance committee, and Chairman Cooper, Democrat, Tennessee, of a House subcommittee on taxation.

Early said that the amortization provision, designed to protect industrialists against the uncertainties of the international situation, would affect such additional facilities as were certified by the Army and Navy and the advisory commission of the national defense council as being immediately necessary for national defense purposes.

### Hitler Gives Final Word

Hungarian Leaders Told That This Is Not Time to Press Claims Aggressively.

Munich, July 10.—(AP)—Hungary's leaders were told definitely by Adolf Hitler and the foreign ministers of Germany and Italy today that Hungary must not upset the Balkan appeasement at this time by trying "to secure her rights" from Rumania, informed German sources said.

Premier Count Teleki and Foreign Minister Count Tassky, who came to discuss Hungary's demands that Rumania restore at least part of war-lost Transylvania to her, conferred first with Foreign Ministers von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano and then were received by Hitler.

While both Hitler and Premier Mussolini of Italy are agreed that their program for scrapping World War treaties means also revision in the Balkans, the informants said Hitler holds this is not the time for revisionists to press their claims too aggressively.

However, a brief communique is—

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### Japanese Navy Joins Army In Attacks

Shanghai, July 10.—(AP)—Japanese residents of Shanghai at a mass meeting tonight demanded in a resolution that Colonel DeWitt Peck, United States Marine commander, "apologize before an international gathering for insults offered to the Japanese."

Shanghai, July 10.—(AP)—The Japanese navy today joined the army in bitter verbal attacks on the United States Marine stationed in Shanghai, reiterating charges that Japanese gendarmes arrested by Marines July 7 had been maltreated and the Japanese military insulted.

Rear Admiral Takeda, commander of the Japanese naval garrison here, told newspaper men that "the violence and insults inflicted on the Japanese gendarmes were barbarous acts beyond description."

Colonel Dewitt Peck, the Marine garrison commander, has replied bluntly to the Japanese charges that they were "lies," and demanded an explanation of the 16 gendarmes' presence in violation of previous agreements at the time of their five-hour detention Sunday.

"The fact that United States marines committed such acts, fully knowing the Japanese were gendarmes, is a deliberate and grave insult to Japanese soldiers," Admiral Takeda said.

"I am greatly offended as a soldier and as a Japanese subject by such an insult to the honor of Japanese forces. I am paying attention to developments of the case with the greatest concern."

### New Constitution For France Is Authorized

Vichy, July 10.—(AP)—French national assembly passed tonight a bill giving the Petain government full powers to draft a new constitution.

The vote was 569 to 80. There were 15 abstentions.

Vichy, July 10.—(AP)—A dramatic shouting defense of Former Premier Edouard Daladier and other absent leaders by the elder statesman Edouard Herriot today interrupted proceedings of the national assembly, gathered here to pave the way for a new totalitarian constitution for France.

Boos greeted the reading of a list of senators and deputies who had absented themselves from the meeting.

### Weather For North Carolina

Mostly cloudy, widely scattered showers tonight and Thursday.

## President Declares "We Will Not Send Our Men" To Europe

### Ten German Planes Said Shot Down

London, July 10.—(AP)—Ten German planes were reported shot down this afternoon in a great air battle over England's southern coast and the English channel, involving nearly 150 planes.

An air raid warden at a south-eastern English port said two formations of German raiders, each nearly 50 strong, attacked a convoy of small ships and he believed one ship was sunk.

"I saw three bombers go down in less than two minutes as the British fighter pilots maneuvered to encircle the Nazis," he declared.

The warden was authority for the estimate of the forces involved and German planes destroyed.

The warden said that in a colossal dive bombing assault, the Germans enveloped the ships in a cloud of smoke.

Anti-aircraft guns helped the fighting planes break up the raid and smoke poured from several of the raiders as they retreated toward the French coast.

British accounts of another phase of the battle said more than 30 German bombers, accompanied by fighting planes, kept in close formation until swift British fighters split them up. Then they released their bombs, shaking buildings for miles, and then turned back toward France.

The government announced that "a few persons" had been killed on the south coast of Britain when German bombers struck there.

### Roosevelt Asks \$4,848,171,957 in Cash and Authorizations, Bringing Total Asked At This Session to Ten Billions.

Washington, July 10.—(AP)—President Roosevelt asked Congress to authorize an additional \$4,848,171,957 for defense today in a special message, asserting that "we will not use our arms in a war of aggression; we will not send our men to take part in European wars."

Mr. Roosevelt's request brought to approximately \$10,000,000,000 the funds and contract authorizations asked this session for land, sea, and air armaments.

Specifically, Mr. Roosevelt today requested \$2,161,411,957 in a cash appropriation and \$2,686,730,000 of contract authorizations.

"The principal lesson of the war up to the present time is that partial defense is inadequate defense," the President said.

"So great a sacrifice means hard work—the participation of the whole country in the total defense of the country. This nation, through sacrifice and work and unity, proposes to remain free."

The President outlined the government's "immediate objectives" as follows:

1. To carry forward the naval expansion program designed to build up the navy to meet any possible combination of hostile naval forces.
2. To complete the total equipment for a land force of approximately 1,200,000 men—though, of course, this total of men would not be in the Army in time of peace.
3. To procure reserve stocks of tanks, guns, artillery, ammunition and so forth for another 800,000 men, or a total of 2,000,000 men if a mobilization of such a force should become necessary.
4. To provide for manufacturing facilities, public and private, necessary to produce critical items of equipment required for a land force of 2,000,000 men and to produce the ordinary items required for the armament program of the Army and Navy—guns, bombs, armor, bomb sights and ammunition.
5. Procurement of 15,000 additional planes for the Army and 4,000 for the Navy complete with necessary spare engines, ornaments and the most modern equipment.

Mentioning that Congress was considering enactment of a system of "selective training" to develop "the necessary man power to operate this material and man power to fill army non-combat needs," Mr. Roosevelt commented but without specifying what plan he favored:

"In this way we can make certain that when the modern material becomes available it will be placed in the hands of troops, trained, seasoned and ready and that replacement material can be guaranteed."

At one point Mr. Roosevelt declared: "We fully understand the threat of the new movement in which men may not speak, may not listen, may not think. As these threats become more menacing and their dire meaning more clear it deepens the determination of this government."

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### FRENCH LINER BEING HELD AT SINGAPORE

Singapore, July 10.—(AP)—British naval authorities announced today that the French liner Ile de France has been detained here pending instructions from the British admiralty.

The 13,450 ton vessel has not been seized, it was stated, and still flies the tri-color.

### Surplus Irish Potatoes Are Purchased

Raleigh, July 10.—(AP)—The Federal surplus marketing administration moved today to buy surplus Irish potatoes in the Elizabeth City and Washington areas and eastern North Carolina generally.

John W. Goodman, assistant extension director at N. C. State college, said that an appeal for aid from potato growers yesterday and that by late last night "satisfactory arrangements" had been made.

W. L. McGahery, Beaufort farm agent, sent in the first appeal, saying between 150 and 200 ears of potatoes remained to be moved from his county and that the regular market had virtually collapsed. Goodman said even larger shipments from the Elizabeth City area remained to be made and that Tyrrell county also had considerable unmarketed potatoes.

### GERMAN CLAIMS AND BRITISH DENIALS

Berlin, July 10.—(AP)—Twenty-eight British planes were shot down during an attack yesterday on the German base at Stavanger, Norway, the high command asserted today.

Earlier a communique had reported that all of twelve British planes attacking Stavanger yesterday were shot down. (The British have admitted loss of seven planes there.)

### Air Battles Are Reported

Berlin, July 10.—(AP)—The German high command announced today that frequent air battles had been fought over the English channel as well as over the southern and northern shores and attacked maritime works and oil tanks ashore.

The daily communique said one patrol boat and three merchantmen totaling 26,000 tons had been sunk in the air attacks, while ten other merchant ships had been damaged and some set afloat.