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## ITALY CLAIMS SUCCESSES OVER BRITAIN

### Question Of Guard Mobilization To Fore

#### Roosevelt Proposes To Call Guard

With Congress In Recession for Democratic Convention, Capitol Hill Has No Immediate Reaction To Controversial Issue.

Washington, July 13.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's proposal to put the National Guard in the field for action brought the controversial question of national guard mobilization to the fore today. The president's proposal to call one-fourth of the total National Guard strength was reached yesterday by Mr. Roosevelt's secretary of state, Mr. Stimson, his secretary of war, Mr. Root, and his secretary of the navy, Mr. Clegg, before the proposal was put into action. The president's proposal to call one-fourth of the total National Guard strength was reached yesterday by Mr. Roosevelt's secretary of state, Mr. Stimson, his secretary of war, Mr. Root, and his secretary of the navy, Mr. Clegg, before the proposal was put into action.

#### President's Guard



Col. William D. Simmons

New receptionist for the White House executive office, with the duty of protecting the President from cranks and other unwanted visitors, is Colonel William D. Simmons. He succeeds the late Pat McKenna, who had held the post since the Taft administration.

#### Rain Worth Millions

Heavy Fall Breaks Drought Which Had Threatened Serious Damage To Crops.

Raleigh, July 13.—(AP)—A "million dollar" rain fell over North Carolina today, breaking a drought which threatened serious damage to crops in many sections. Weatherman H. E. Kitchline said 1.4 inches of rain fell in Raleigh and that the downfall generally was the heaviest since the last of May. Frank Parker, statistician for the state and federal crop reporting services, said the rain would be worth "millions of dollars to growers."

#### Q. K. Nimocks Dies Today

Fayetteville, July 13.—(AP)—Quincy Kellogg Nimocks, 73, who served two terms in the State Senate and one term in the house of representatives from Cumberland county, died today. He was the father of Superior Court Judge Q. K. Nimocks, Jr., of Fayetteville. Survivors include his widow and four sons.

#### Morrison Plotting To Oust Miss Cobb, Rumors Have It

Raleigh, July 13.—Newest and most insubstantial rumors regarding North Carolina's delegation to the Chicago convention deal with a suspected plan to oust Miss Beatrice Cobb, national committeewoman, and alleged usurpation by State Chairman Gregg Cooney of power properly belonging to National Committeewoman Lon Folger. By way of caution, your reporter hastens to put in at this point that neither report is more than moderately well substantiated even by the logic of the situation. Therefore all and sundry are advised not to waver the family plate that either is anything more than an effort to put a bit of pep into an otherwise drab, dreary political expedition. The gory details of rumor No. 1 dealing with Miss Cobb have it that former Governor Cameron Morrison is hatching a conspiracy to toss the

#### Raids On England But Preliminaries To Real Blitzkrieg

#### Albamarle Is Christened

Camden, N. J., July 13.—(AP)—The Navy's newest seaplane tender, the 8,900-ton U. S. S. Albamarle, slid down the ways of the New York Shipbuilding corporation today in a double ceremony that saw the laying of a keel for the new U. S. cruiser Cleveland.

The Albamarle was christened by Mrs. Lewis G. Compton, wife of the assistant secretary of the Navy.

The Albamarle, authorized by Congress in 1937, is named for Albemarle Sound.

#### British Hold African Posts

Cairo, July 13.—(AP)—Although heavily outnumbered a small British garrison still is holding all its positions against the Italians assaulting Moyale, fortified post in the British Kenya-Ethiopian frontier district, army headquarters said today.

The communiqué said the besieged British had inflicted heavy losses on the Italians.

In the western district, two Italian columns approaching Fort Capuzzo were "effectively engaged again yesterday," the communiqué said.

#### Naval Reserve Commissions Now Available

Raleigh, July 13.—Sixteen young Tar Heels will sail from New York next Tuesday aboard the battleship Wyoming for a thirty-day training cruise which will determine whether they are fitted for further naval education and commissions in the naval reserve as Ensign-Deck Officer of the Volunteer Reserve for General Service.

These sixteen are the first of many who will have the chance to get commissions in the naval reserve, Lieutenant John B. Yarnall, reserve procurement officer for North Carolina, said today.

He pointed out that there is practically a wide-open field for those wishing to take the training which qualifies for the ensign commission in the reserve.

Three more battleships will sail from New York on August 19 for 30-day training periods and the opportunity to sail aboard them is now open, Lieutenant Yarnall said.

Acceptable candidates will be enlisted.

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#### Lochner Says Well Informed Germans Declare Bombings Are Mere Routine; Hitler Certain of Victory Over Britain.

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER

Berlin, July 13.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler, a postmaster at keeping the entire world, including his own people, in suspense, once again has everyone guessing—this time as to when, how, and where he will strike a concentrated blitzkrieg blow at Britain.

However, no competent foreign observer doubts that the German Fuehrer will break his silence and give the word for the start of the gigantic offensive only when he is satisfied fully that all groundwork essential to success has been completed.

Part of that "groundwork" already is being laid in the daily attacks and the starvation blockade of Britain, but these apparently are mere preliminaries.

To inquire whether the present bombings by Nazi flyers are not sufficient evidence that the direct offensive against Britain already has begun, well informed men reply:

"That is mere routine for our aviators, part of the day's work. Wait and see when the real thing begins. This is child's play compared with it."

So certain is Hitler of victory over Britain in case her statesmen decide to continue the fight that hundreds of thousands of troops who had been stationed in the west have been transferred eastward during the past week.

Moreover their presence in eastern and southeastern Germany as well as in occupied Poland is notification to the world that Germany, with the conflict in the west practically ended or about to end, intends to exert her influence on all questions affecting eastern and southeastern Europe while at the same time final preparations are completed for a blitzkrieg of hitherto unknown ferocity.

#### Pendergast Is Indicted By Federal Jury

Kansas City, July 13.—(AP)—Tom Pendergast, deposed Kansas City Democratic boss, R. Emmet O'Malley and A. L. McConick were named by a federal grand jury today in two indictments charging conspiracy to obstruct justice in connection with the \$9,000,000 Missouri fire insurance companies.

Pendergast and O'Malley, former state insurance superintendent, have served federal prison term for failure to pay income taxes on money the government charged was paid them in connection with the conspiracy.

McConick was a key witness for the government before the grand jury which returned these indictments. He had not previously been named on a criminal charge.

The first of the two indictments returned today charged they had "entered into a conspiracy to influence, obstruct and impede the due administration of justice in a certain United States court."

The second charged they had "entered a conspiracy to defraud the United States by interfering with and impeding by dishonest means and by fraud and corrupt agreements the orderly and lawful functions of a department of the United States, to wit, the judiciary department."

#### Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Mostly cloudy, preceded by light rain in extreme southeast portion, slightly cooler on east tonight; Sunday partly cloudy and warmer.

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK. Fair at beginning and end of week; showers about Wednesday; normal temperatures.

#### To Stay in War Zone



Although much pressure has been brought to bear to induce the English royal family to send the Princesses Elizabeth (left) and Margaret Rose to the safety of Canada, the royal children will not leave England. They are shown at one of the country homes of the King and Queen.

#### Farley Is Urged To Keep Chairmanship

#### Clipper Plane On Maiden Trip To New Zealand

San Francisco, July 13.—(AP)—The giant American Clipper, one of the world's three largest airplanes, speeded westward today on a maiden trip to establish the first air line across the South Pacific, linking California and New Zealand.

The clipper should reach Honolulu early this evening and is expected to complete the 8,900 mile flight to Auckland, New Zealand, in 50 hours from the time of the takeoff at 4:35 p. m. yesterday.

There was a crew of eleven and 27 non-paying passengers and five thousand pounds of mail.

#### Labor Peace In Prospect

AFL, CIO and Railroad Labor Leaders Pledge Cooperation in National Defense.

Washington, July 13.—(AP)—Suggesting that the recommended day might furnish the means of ending labor's divided ranks, the White House announced today that 16 AFL, CIO and railroad labor leaders had pledged cooperation with the defense program.

Stephen Early, President Roosevelt's press secretary, said the pledge was given to the President yesterday in a letter which the 16 drafted in their capacity as labor policy advisory committee to the national defense commission.

"The receipt of the letter made the President quite happy," Early said. "It is a very good letter because it shows that national defense may be the means of bringing labor together. At least it holds out that hope."

Early said also that the pledge represented the nearest thing to a united labor front since the AFL-CIO split developed.

#### Suit For \$50,000 Damage Is Filed

Raleigh, June 13.—(AP)—A \$50,000 suit brought against the General Motors Acceptance Corporation by George E. Roes, Jr., of Goldsboro who announces for the Eastern Carolina Broadcasting Company, was filed today in U. S. district court in Raleigh.

Roes, asking for \$25,000 actual and \$25,000 punitive damages, charges he was slandered by a representative of the corporation and placed under false arrest when the company representative sought to repossess a car purchased by Roes.

#### Politicians Want Him To Carry One Step Further His Declaration That He Will Not 'Take a Walk' on Roosevelt.

Chicago, July 13.—(AP)—Tremendous pressure was brought to bear upon James A. Farley today to continue for a time as chairman of the Democratic national committee, regardless of next week's convention's choice of a presidential nominee.

As the crowds assembled for the big party meeting—virtually certain to renominate the President, Farley, old New York associate urged him to carry one step farther his declaration of yesterday that he would not "take a walk" if President Roosevelt were renominated—and they reported that he was wavering.

A candidate himself, Farley, who directed the President's 1932 and 1936 campaigns, has long been an opponent of the third term movement. Moreover he is one of the very few politicians in Chicago who knows the president's decision on the third term question.

The leaders of the third term movement regarded Farley's statement of yesterday as at least a partial victory in their efforts to persuade him to direct the campaign.

His pronouncement came at the one serious movement in a press conference. A reporter asked whether Farley would "take a walk" if Mr. Roosevelt were renominated. His mood suddenly changed to one of intense earnestness as he asserted: "Anybody who knows anything"

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#### Infernal Machine Found At School

New York, June 13.—(AP)—Acting Lieutenant James Pyke of the police bomb squad said today he was convinced a box-shaped apparatus found at a school in Union City, N. J., was an infernal machine.

Pyke said the apparatus, brought here for investigation, included a clock mechanism, but by the same company which produced the one used in the bomb which killed two detectives and injured five at the New York World Fair July 4. Preliminary investigation, however, revealed nothing of an explosive nature.

#### Deputy Sheriff Is Missing

Fayetteville, July 13.—(AP)—W. T. Patrick, 55, chief Cumberland county deputy sheriff, has been missing since Thursday and Sheriff N. H. McGee expressed the belief today that he may have met with an accident.

The sheriff said Patrick has been a routine investigation in the county.

#### Sea Battle Still Going On Actively

#### Italian Planes Pepper British Ships With Bombs; Germans Claim Capture of Merchantmen With 'Valuable Cargoes'.

(By The Associated Press.) The Italian high command claimed notable successes as Britain and Italy clashed away at each other on land, sea and in the air today in their fight for control of the Mediterranean and supremacy in Africa.

A naval engagement that started in the Mediterranean five days ago still is going on, the Italian command said, with Italy's bombers peppering British ships with bombs. They scored hits on a battleship and two cruisers yesterday, said the Italian command.

Italian forces which since Wednesday have been besieging Moyale, Ethiopian frontier, have taken a village near the town, the Italian command said.

That Britain was getting in her fields, too, was acknowledged by the Italian command in the announcement that an Italian destroyer had been hit "by enemy bombardment."

The German high command, meanwhile, said its sea war on Britain had been marked by the capture of a number of merchantmen with "valuable cargoes" and the sinking of 24,674 more tons of "enemy cargo space."

In the Balkans a major development was the report that Rumania, clearing more and more to the Rome-Berlin axis, would withdraw from the Balkan entente unless Turkey turns out her officials who engineered alliance with Britain and France.

Edinburgh, Scotland and Wales again yesterday and last night, the sixth successive day of heavy assault, cost the Germans eleven bombers, the British said, and killed at least ten civilians. No full statement of casualties and damage was given, however.

Renewed German attacks came today. The air ministry announced that one enemy bomber was shot down in the English channel by British fighter planes and a raider was chased away over a northeast England town.

British fliers hit back with bomb and machine gun attacks on the French coast airbases in the Netherlands, and objectives in Germany.

Britain's new mobilization program, which has been putting 700 men a day into the army, was extended today to include 32-year olds, as the nation dipped deeper into its reserve of manpower to meet the threat of invasion.

Approximately 300,000 men were called to register before midnight, in response to the latest call to the colors, bringing the total summoned to date to more than 3,300,000.

#### Three Nazi Planes Downed

London, July 13.—(AP)—Three German aircraft were destroyed by British fighters after British bombers last night and today had pounded naval bases at Emden and Kiel and objectives in the Rhineland, the air ministry announced. The total of raiders destroyed during the day and early evening thus rose to five.

#### Supporters Would Nominate Willkie Demo Candidate

New York, July 12.—(AP)—Headquarters were opened here today for an organization dedicating to nominating Wendell L. Willkie for president at the Democratic national convention.

Explaining the purpose of those who would back the Republican standard bearer, head of the Democratic party as well, Guy Warren of Corpus Christi, Tex., chairman of the organization, said:

"The Nominate Willkie Democrats organization was formed to provide a nucleus for the people to express their desire for national unity and it is our profound belief that the delegates from all states will heed the wishes of the vast majority of the people of the party and give their support to a united nation."