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'Draft' Of Roosevelt Is Expected

Britain Moves To Bring End To Sino-Japanese War

Tells Japan She Will Close Route

British Circles Say United States Government Informed of Offer and Thus Far Has Made No Objection.

London, July 15.—(AP)—British circles said today that the United States government has been informed of an offer to close the supply route to Japan by which war supplies are sent to the Far East, and that the United States has made no objection.

The offer, however, had sent "a strong message" to the British government, it was said. The offer, it was said, was made by the Japanese government, and although it was not a formal offer, it was said that the British government would be free to accept it.

London, July 15.—(AP)—The British government today faced a full-scale battle with Germany in the East, now is seeking to end the two-year war between China and Japan.

The results of this peace attempt will be known soon, it was reported in Singapore by S. W. L. James, acting governor of Malaya. He declared "His Majesty's government will go to the greatest lengths to avoid seconding and prolonging the war in the East and will put forward every effort to end it."

Honeycutt To Fort Bragg

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—Major General Francis W. Honeycutt, commanding Fort Stotsen in the Philippines, has been detailed to the Fourth division being sent to Fort Bragg and will sail for the United States soon.

Petain Moves To Complete New Regime

Paris, July 15.—(AP)—France today after observing its 151st anniversary of the Bastille festival when they were in the Bastille fortress prison, a day of tyranny and oppression. The Marshal Henri Philippe Petain, commander of the new authoritarian government, however, observed little time for sorrow. He attended one of the solemn military services which replaced the usually jubilant Bastille Day celebrations, placed a wreath on the tomb of a nation while a tearful silence.

Vice Presidential Possibility



Senator Pat Harrison (left) of Mississippi, and Senator James Byrnes of South Carolina, get together in Chicago for a confidential discussion. Byrnes often has been mentioned as a running mate for President Roosevelt.

British Children To Be Moved Off Coast

Traffic Deaths Reduced During Six Month Period

Raleigh, July 15.—(AP)—Traffic deaths in North Carolina numbered only 363 during the first six months of this year, the lowest toll since 1933, the Highway Safety Division reported today.

Batista Wins Cuba Election

Havana, July 15.—(AP)—Fulgencio Batista, who once gained a narrow fame as the best stenographer in the Cuban army, appeared today to have won election as president of his country.

FIVE KILLED IN AIRPLANE CRASH

Santa Monica, Cal., June 15.—(AP)—Five persons were killed in an airplane crash today near Markleeville, Cal., the office of the civil aeronautics authority was informed.

Germans Sink Merchantmen

Berlin, July 15.—(AP)—Three British merchantmen totaling 1,700 tons were sunk and four other auxiliary ships were damaged Sunday by German bombers which raided convoys in the English channel, the German high command announced today.

Britain Prepares For Invasion Which Prime Minister Churchill Tells Nation To Expect at Any Time; Raids Continue.

London, July 15.—(AP)—Britain, ready for a long war and waiting for the day when she can take the offensive, ordered today the removal of 8,500 children from southeastern coastal areas in anticipation of the German invasion which Prime Minister Churchill told the nation to expect at any time.

One Killed In Nazi Air Raid

London, July 15.—(AP)—One person was reported killed and several injured by bombs in a raid on a southeast English town, it was announced today.

BRITISH MINISTER SENT TO PRISON

London, July 15.—(AP)—The Reverend R. C. G. Graham, rector of old Bellingbroke, was sentenced today to four weeks imprisonment for ringing church bells for Sunday service June 16 in violation of a defense order that they be rung only to warn of invasion.

Coal Miners Trapped

Johnstown, Pa., July 15.—(AP)—A report that an explosion had trapped several men in a Koppers Coal Company mine at Sonman, 15 miles north east of Johnstown, was reported here today.

Kelly Opens Draft Move In Welcome

Mayor, Welcoming Democrats to Chicago, Demands Roosevelt Be Drafted Because He Is "Kind of Man That Mankind Needs"

Chicago Stadium, July 15.—(AP)—A demand that Franklin D. Roosevelt be drafted for a third term because he is "the kind of man that mankind needs" was sounded during the first hour of the Democratic national convention today by Mayor Edward J. Kelly of Chicago.

British Lose Three Ships To Italians

Rome, July 15.—(AP)—Destruction of two British submarines and a destroyer in week-end naval operations in the Mediterranean were claimed by Italy today.

Wallace Approves Regulations For Tobacco Quotas

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—Secretary Wallace approved today flue-cured tobacco marketing quota regulations for the 1940-41 marketing year.

Army Orders 627 Light Tanks For \$11,000,000

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—The Army ordered 627 light tanks from the American Car and Foundry company today, the largest single tank purchase in peace time history.

Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy to cloudy tonight and Tuesday, followed by showers in mountains Tuesday; slightly warmer in extreme west portion tonight.

Farley Hears from Puerto Rico



Postmaster General James A. Farley (center), chairman of the Democratic national committee, has a private conference with national committeewoman Sarah A. Mendez, both of Puerto Rico. They are shown in Chicago at the Democratic national convention.

British Abandon Moyale Fortress

London, July 15.—(AP)—Exchange Telegraph, British news agency, reported from Nairobi, Kenya Colony, today that the beleaguered British garrison at Moyale had withdrawn.

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Farley Says His Name To Be Offered

Farley Says He Believes, However, That Nomination of Roosevelt Will Be Made Unanimous Before First Ballot Ends.

Chicago, July 15.—(AP)—With a precedent-breaking glint in their eyes which augured ill for the third term tradition, Democratic national convention delegates assembled today to clear away the routine standing between President Roosevelt and another nomination.

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