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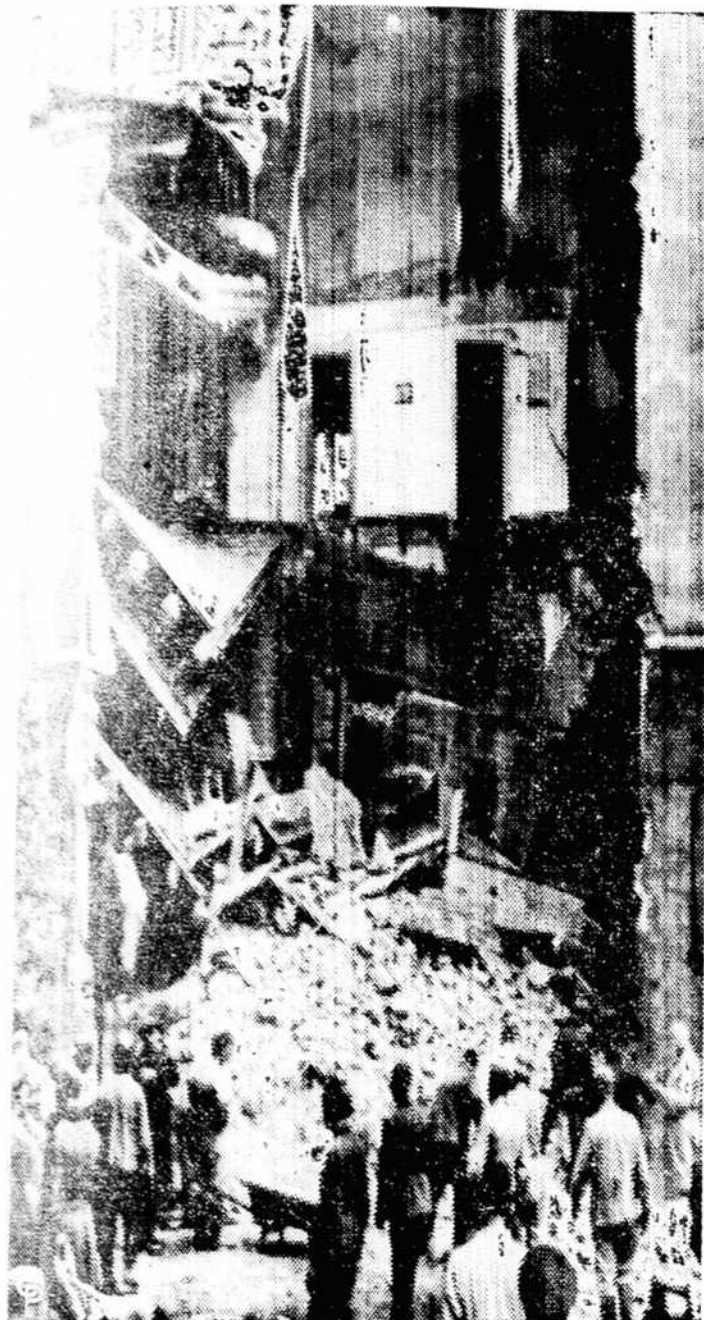
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British Left Calling Card



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Three dead and many injured was casualty toll when British airmen bombed this building in Hanover, Germany, in the mass raids on more than 100 cities. The town was raked from end to end as British bombers searched for hidden nerve centers and rail terminals. Photo radioed from Berlin to New York.

Nazis Speed Activity

FDR CALLS FOR UNIFIED FRONT FOR DEFENSE

President Says "Common Defense Should Be through the Normal Channels of Local, State and National Law Enforcement."

Washington, Aug. 5.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today called for unity between federal and state governments in strengthening national defense and uncovering subversive activities.

"And the common defense should be through the normal channels of local, state and national law enforcement," he said in a message to the federal-state conference on law enforcement problems arising from the preparedness program. "The untrained policeman is as ineffective as the untrained soldier. The amateur detective becomes a fussy and malicious busybody."

"We must be vigilant, always on guard and swift to act."

"We must also be wise and cool-headed and must not express our activities in the cruel stupidities of the vigilante."

A report made public in advance by J. Edgar Hoover said that the FBI investigated 16,835 defense cases during the year which ended June 30, against 1,651 in the previous year and 259 in 1938.

Hoover reported "a negligible amount of sabotage (in the United States) in the second world war in contrast to the similar period in the first world war."

American Ship Is Released by Japs

Shanghai, Aug. 5.—(AP)—The small American coastal ship "Estelle" was released today by Japanese authorities who had held her for five days after she took refuge from a typhoon in a zone forbidden to shipping.

United States Consul Richard Patrick made representations to the Japanese to get the steamer released.

The vessel has been detained by the Japanese navy off the blockaded Cheuking province coast. The Japanese recently warned all shipping to stay away from these ports.

No Americans were aboard the ship.

Willkie In Iowa Confab

Republican Presidential Nominee Meets Governors and Farm Leaders of Corn Belt

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 5.—(AP)—Wendell L. Willkie sat down with governors and farm leaders from the politically important corn belt to discuss political questions today.

The conference, attended by more than 70 farm spokesmen, was held in the large square office of Governor George A. Wilson in Iowa's capital.

Willkie was seated at the head of Wilson's desk. Gathered around him were Wilson and governors of several other mid-western states.

Others present included Governor Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota, Governor Ralph Carr of Colorado and Governor Holland J. Bushfield of South Dakota.

Among other things several of the conferees said they wanted to ascertain Willkie's views both as toward the farm plank in the Republican platform and the administration's existing agriculture program.

Willkie has said he would stand on his party's platform, but has not yet detailed his views on the farm question.

RUHR IS BOMBED

London, Aug. 5.—(AP)—The air ministry tonight said that British bombers attacked the oil depot at Stegeland in the Ruhr and left it in flames.

76 DIE IN SINKING OF CHILEAN VESSEL

Santiago, Chile, Aug. 5.—(AP)—The ministry of interior announced today that 76 persons perished when the 785-ton steamer Morsleda, owned by the Chilean state railways, sank north of Faraway Island in the Straits of Magellan.

Six Dead In N.C. Accidents

Charlotte, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Traffic accidents took the lives of at least four North Carolinians over the week-end.

Myron E. Davis, 46, Fayetteville electrical contractor, was killed when his car crashed into a tree near the Cumberland-Roberson county line.

A collision of their motorcycle and a truck trailer cost the lives of Eugene Little of near Statesville and Troy B. Moore, of Landis, both about 25.

Tom R. Saunders 27, of Marion was killed when he lost control of his car and it struck an embankment.

Miss Madis Greene, 19 of Shelby, and Coleman Rollings, 27, of Buffalo Mills community, were injured fatally in an automobile accident yesterday in Shelby.

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They're Against Conscription



Members of the Youth Committee Against War demonstrate in Washington against conscription of youth for military training. These young men would be among the first called if the Burke-Wadsworth bill is passed by Congress. The placards express their sentiments. (Central Press)

Japs Make Third Protest To Britain

Food Dealers Are Told To Organize

Raleigh, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Independent food dealers must organize to combat chain store competition and possible government regimentation in war time, North Carolina food dealers were told today.

George King of Charleston, W. Va., director of the National Association of Retail Grocers, and Paul Fishback, executive secretary of the national association, sounded the warning at the first session of the North Carolina Food Dealers Association.

Tonight, J. M. Broughton, Democratic gubernatorial nominee, and Governor Hoey are to speak at a banquet.

Italians Raid British Bases In Africa

Rome, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Some of Britain's most important strategic centers in the Anglo-Egyptian, Kenya and Aden zones, including newly built airfields, were wrecked over the week-end by Italian air bombardment, Stefani, official Italian news agency, reported today.

New British air bases, the agency said, were discovered by Italian scouting planes and attacked by strong bombing squadrons.

Not only was a large hangar set afire at Halya, important anglo-Egyptian Sudan railway center Stefani said, but planes on the ground were put out of action.

Cairo, Aug. 5.—(AP)—There Italian planes were shot down in a big air battle in eastern Libya yesterday in extensive operations in which only one British plane is missing, the navy air force communique announced today.

The British declared that their reconnaissance aircraft, accompanied by four fighters, met fifty Italian fighters in eastern Libya and shot down two of them in flames while a third Italian plane was the victim of anti-aircraft fire of its own ground forces.

An earlier communique of the RAF said British planes seized direct hits on an Italian naval vessel and showered bombs on a squadron of submarines in an attack on the harbor of Masaua, Eritrea.

New Russian Trade Pact Expected

Washington, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Senator Welles, acting secretary of State, said today a new trade agreement with Soviet Russia, replacing the one expiring tomorrow, probably would be completed soon.

Welles said he understood that a new agreement was in the offing but had not yet been actually reached. Whether the new agreement would merely extend the existing one, under which Soviet Russia agreed to purchase \$40,000,000 worth of goods annually, was not disclosed. Welles said the details would have to await actual signing and would be announced simultaneously here and in Moscow.

Red Plot Is Uncovered

Los Angeles, Aug. 5.—(AP)—District Attorney Byron Fitts said today he had a "startling amount of evidence" pointing toward a plot to assassinate prominent Americans and overthrow the government violently.

The evidence, accumulation of a 22-month investigation of suspected communist activities in southern California, will be presented to the county grand jury tomorrow.

Britain On Alert For Blitzkrieg

Tides and Weather Combine To Make Conditions Favorable for Hitler To Attempt Invasion; Air Warfare Intensified.

London, Aug. 5.—(AP)—increasing Nazi activity at French channel ports reported by British bombers returning from raids in Germany kept England on the alert today as tides and weather combined to offer Hitler more favorable conditions for his long-promised blitzkrieg.

Authoritative sources indicated that the royal air force, attempting to smash any invasion before it could be launched, was hurling more and more planes into raids on Germany and German-held territory.

The air ministry reported, meanwhile, that three Messerschmitt fighters were shot down this morning as Spitfire pilots continued to carry the war into the Nazi camp.

Two of the German planes were shot down on the far side of the English channel within range of German anti-aircraft guns by a squadron of nine Spitfires, the air ministry said.

"Germany is out for a bigger headache than she has yet suffered," one spokesman predicted grimly.

The government, meanwhile, moved to strengthen Britain's defenses by placing the home guard, now 1,500,000 strong, under new leadership, replacing with younger officers a handful of elderly generals whose ideas of war were described as "highly antiquated."

At the same time the civilian population surrendered its traditional August bank holiday to speed the work of producing munitions and vital war supplies.

German bombers kept up their scattered attacks on England with a series of raids during the night which the government said resulted in the death of one person, a few other casualties and small damage.

Thousands of green and yellow leaflets containing extracts of Adolf Hitler's peace offer, speech to the Reichstag were dropped in a northeast England town and in sections of Southeast England last night.

Nazis Bomb British Points

Berlin, Aug. 5.—(AP)—The German air force carried out a number of raids on British anti-aircraft positions, oil tanks and shipyards yesterday, the high command announced today, claiming British bombs dropped in western Germany last night caused little damage.

In reconnaissance operations over England, Scotland and "the sea regions off these coasts" the high command's daily communique said, a merchant ship was sunk 65 miles southwest of Penbrooke.

Imperial To Buy Tobacco

Richmond, Aug. 5.—(AP)—The New Leader said today there were reports that the Imperial Tobacco Company's buyers would attend the Georgia tobacco market's opening Thursday as the buying agent for the Commodity Credit Corporation.

The company's buyers would make sufficient purchases, the paper said, to offset the loss in purchases by the withdrawal of the Imperial and other British companies from the market because of the European war.

The paper added that indications were the Imperial would buy from 150,000,000 to 250,000,000 pounds of the bright tobacco crop for the Commodity Credit Corporation on the open basis of the Imperial bought in cooperation with the corporation that it would not have option on the 1939 crop as was the case last year.

Conscription Bill Is Sent To Senate

Senator Sheppard, Military Committee Chairman, Says It Is His "Firm Belief" That Hitler Intends To Attack The United States.

Washington, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Senator Sheppard, chairman of the military committee of the Senate, today voted to send to the Senate floor a bill authorizing the compulsory military training of 12,000,000 young men of the age of 21 to 30.

"I am for it," Senator Sheppard said in a statement. "I believe that Hitler will attack the United States."

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Train Wreck In India Kills 30

Calcutta, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Thirty Indians were killed and 70 injured today when the Bacca-Calcutta mail train was wrecked about 75 miles from Calcutta.

Authorities said they suspected sabotage.

The wreck occurred at almost the same place as the Bacca-Calcutta mail was wrecked last year when 35 were killed and 26 injured.

A length of rail had been removed from the track.

Forrestal To New Navy Post

Washington, Aug. 5.—(AP)—President Roosevelt nominated James Forrestal of New York today to be undersecretary of the Navy, a post created by the President under recently adopted legislation to reorganize the Navy.

Forrestal, former president of Dillon, Read and Co., has been serving as an executive assistant to Mr. Roosevelt.

The national defense advisory commission announced the creation of a division of state and local cooperation to be headed by Frank Kane, former executive director of the Social Security Board.

The commission said Kane, new executive director of the council of state government, "would assist temporarily in establishing and organizing" this division.

Young Democrat Convention Expected To Be Big Factor In State Political Future

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. By LYNN NISBET.

Raleigh, Aug. 5.—Every indication is that the state convention of Young Democrats, scheduled for Raleigh September 12, 13 and 14, will be about as important in determining the course of state politics for the next two or four years, as was the convention of the regulars held here in May. The young Dems don't adopt

binding platforms, and they don't nominate delegates to national conventions which select presidents and vice presidents. But they do have keynote speeches, pep meetings, and all the other incidentals of regular political conventions; and they do stir up more enthusiasm for the party ticket than the oldsters are able to muster. The young Dems meet every year.

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Dr. Cook Dies After Illness

New York, Aug. 5.—Dr. Cook, one-time Arctic explorer, died today. He had been ill for months.

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