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Warns That U. S. Is Not In The War

Exchange of Destroyers and Defense Bases Does Not Affect "In the Slightest Degree the Non-Belligerency" of U. S.

Sept. 5.—(AP)—Winston Churchill told his parliament today that the British-American exchange of destroyers and defense bases does not affect in the slightest degree the non-belligerency of the United States.

Churchill, speaking from the House of Commons, declared, however, that the United States will pay the United States the cost of the exchange.

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Warns British



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Prime Minister Winston Churchill today told parliament that the United States is not in the war, regardless of the British-American trade of destroyers and defense bases. He also warned the nation of heavier fighting to come in the war with Germany.

First Ships On High Seas

Eight United States Destroyers Swapped to Britain Leave Boston Navy Yard.

Boston, Sept. 5.—(AP)—Sailing from Boston under secret orders, eight United States destroyers, presumed to be the first of 50 traded to Great Britain for air and naval bases, were on the high seas today believed en route to a Canadian port.

Departing coincidentally from Boston were the new destroyer leader Russell with Rear Admiral F. R. Reichmuth, commander of the Atlantic destroyer fleet, aboard, and the supply ship Dencbola. Departure of the Russell and Dencbola remained unexplained, but waterfront sources speculated they might return with the crews of American destroyers engaged in delivering the old destroyers.

Only one of the outmoded destroyers remained in port, but others of the 50 were expected.

Manned by crews of 60 each, three of the destroyers left last night and five today.

Manned by American crews of about 60 men each, who will be replaced by British tars, the first three vessels backed from their navy yard berths at three-minute intervals and then sailed single file into the At-

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Fight Marks Opening Of House Debate On Draft

Washington, Sept. 5.—(AP)—With the spectacle of hard-hitting fist fight on the floor to testify to the hotness of some tempers, the House began its final drive today for a decision on the Burke-Wadsworth compulsory military training bill.

Mexican Revolt Feared

Tobacco Prices Are Slightly Higher

Quality of Offerings on Bright Leaf Markets Generally Regarded as Rather Poor; Farmers Appear Pleased With Prices.

Raleigh, Sept. 5.—(AP)—Tobacco prices appeared slightly better on Bright Leaf markets in early sales today.

At Wilson, Sales Supervisor N. G. Blackman said the farmers "appear right well pleased" and generally regarded the quality of this year's crop as rather poor.

Blackman estimated that 1,250,000 pounds would be sold at Wilson today, clearing floors, and that the average would be slightly above 18 cents a pound. Yesterday Wilson sold 1,350,000 pounds at about 18 cents, and the official average there Tuesday was 18.33 cents.

At Rocky Mount, Sales Supervisor E. G. Johnston, Jr. said \$19,324 pounds were sold Wednesday for an official average of 16.73 cents. Johnston said offerings in the main consisted of ground lugs and other inferior types. Around a million pounds was offered today.

At Goldsboro, prices apparently held at just about the same level as on yesterday when the official average was 17.32 cents. Sales Supervisor W. C. Tucker said he expected floors would be cleared by the sale of about 150,000 pounds. He said quality was still bad but that prices for better leaf were picking up.

At Washington, today's average prices were estimated at 16 to 18 cents a pound. Yesterday's official figures were announced as 116,284 pounds sold for \$19,313.25, and the average was given as 16.69 cents, compared with the opening day average of 17.79. Officials said offerings included much inferior weed.

14 NAZI RAIDERS SHOT DOWN TODAY

London, Sept. 5.—(AP)—Fourteen German raiders were reported to have been shot down over England today.

Americans Show Appreciation Of Nazi Treatment

Berlin, Sept. 5.—(AP)—The Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung published today a letter of thanks which it said six Americans sent to German authorities for "careful treatment" after the ship on which they were en route to South America was seized by German warships and taken to a French port as a prize.

According to the letter, sent from Spain, the Germans put an automobile at the disposal of the Americans to take them to the Spanish border.

House Approves Bill To Provide Defense Funds

Washington, Sept. 5.—(AP)—The House gave its approval today to a comprehensive version of a bill carrying almost \$5,250,000,000 to provide equipment for an army of 2,000,000 men, start work on the "two-ocean navy" and buy 14,391 airplanes for the Army and Navy.

The measure, which must go back to the Senate for approval of House changes before it is ready for the signature of President Roosevelt, would boost the session's appropriations and commitments for defense well past the \$15,000,000,000 mark.

Veterans Put Forward To Fill Vacancies

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, By HENRY AVERILL

Raleigh, Sept. 5.—Norwood S. Westbrook, state commander of the Disabled American Veterans, sees a fine job opportunity for veterans of the World War in the call of North Carolina's National Guard into active training for a year.

Commander Westbrook, who comes from Wilmington, came here Wednesday in an effort to enlist all job placement officials in making these opportunities available to veterans.

He pointed out that government officials as well as private employers can help in such a program.

"There are many guardsmen in the state service and when they answer the President's call there is no reason why veterans of the World War should not be given a chance to fill their places," said Westbrook, "and I am trying to interest state officials in giving them a chance to do so."

Two high posts in the Veterans Loan Fund office will be made vacant by the Guard call, Westbrook said by way of illustration. Colonel Graham K. Hobbs, head of the division, is in command of the 105th Medical Regiment, while his chief aide, Charles Burnett, is a captain in the Guard.

"Colonel Hobbs, successor will, of course, be appointed by the governor; but he should be a veteran," said the D. A. V. head. "Captain Burnett's successor will be named by the new division chief, but he, too, should come from the ranks of World War veterans."

Willkie Meets With Leaders

Rushville, Ind., Sept. 5.—(AP)—Exactly two months before the presidential election, Wendell L. Willkie called on Republican leaders from 22 states today to "get an aggressive, organized campaign under full steam."

He invited nearly 100 national committeemen, committeewomen and state chairmen to discuss organizational problems with him.

The meeting was described in advance by the Republican presidential nominee as the largest of its kind planned for this year. It was designed primarily to cover states outside the solid South which he will not visit in his forthcoming western tour.

Precautions Are Taken

Leader of General Almazan's Party Declares Revolt Plans Are Far Advanced.

Mexico City, Sept. 5.—(AP)—The administration of President Cardenas took extraordinary precautions today to forestall a possible armed attempt to seize power, which a leader of General Almazan's party declared might begin "within the next ten hours or two days."

The government's patrolled highways, watched airports and kept all movements of Almazan's followers, while responsible sources reported troop reinforcements were being moved to northern Mexico, regarded as an Almazan stronghold.

The head of the national confederation of three million peasants announced 80,000 trained members were ready to take up their rifles in support of the administration which backed General Manuel Camacho against Almazan in the disputed and bloody July presidential election.

Angel Trechulelo, executive of Almazan's party, made the prediction of an early outbreak of revolt just before he left Mexico City for an undisclosed destination in northern Mexico shortly after midnight.

Declaring plans were so advanced that publicity would make no difference "as the government is unable to stop us," Trechulelo asserted 500 key directors of the revolt left the capital secretly during the night for prearranged meeting places.

Senate Probe Of Air Crash Is Proposed

Washington, Sept. 5.—(AP)—Senator McCarran, Democrat, Nevada, asked the Senate today to order a "full and complete investigation" of the airline crash which took the lives of Senator Lundeen, Farmer-Labor, Minnesota, and 24 other persons near Lovettsville, Va., last Saturday.

McCarran introduced a resolution proposing that the inquiry be made by the Senate commerce committee with \$20,000 of Senate funds. It would cover also other airline accidents and the "efficiency" of all government agencies dealing with air safety.

Babson Finds Business Only "So-So" In Nation

BY ROGER W. BABSON, Copyright 1940, Publishers Financial Bureau. Babson Park, Mass., Sept. 5.—Let me pass on to you a bird's-eye view of the United States. This is based upon the trip from which I have just returned. It was a great trip—4,000 miles by automobile from Boston to San Francisco, returning by train from Los Angeles. I covered nearly 25 states, addressed 18 chambers of commerce and other big gatherings, gave radio broadcasts, and—most important of all—talked with the publishers of scores of important papers.

How's Business? Speaking frankly, business is "so-so" about everywhere. It is what farmers would say—"neither hay nor grass." Retail trade is holding up well and manufacturers are hopeful; but peace industries are playing safe while the war industries have only partly got under way. I believe, however, that December 31 will justify my favorable forecast for the second six months and—in fact—my forecast for the entire year 1940.

I was especially interested in visiting the airplane factories. Notwithstanding all the new-paper talk, I understand that the United States and Canada combined are now sending only about ten planes a day to

May Abdicate



King Carol II of Rumania is expected to quit his throne to join his red-headed friend, Madame Magda Lupescu, in exile was reported today, as the Rumanian monarch bowed to the demand of his new premier, General Ion Antonescu, for a virtual dictatorship.

After an all-night conference King Carol issued a royal decree dissolving parliament and suspending the constitution.

With full power yielded to General Antonescu to save the strifetorn kingdom from anarchy—arising from the recent cession of great chunks of Rumanian territory to Soviet Russia and Hungary—the little Balkan country for all practical purposes became one more in the growing list of European dictatorships.

Madame Lupescu, with whom King Carol fled to exile in 1925, abandoning his throne, was reported waiting for Carol aboard the royal yacht anchored at Istanbul.

Madame Lupescu has frequently been called the "uncrowned queen" of Rumania and has been bitterly opposed by the nation's anti-semitic Iron Guard and by the army.

As Carol was reported on the verge of quitting his kingdom for the second time, Hungary's aged regent Admiral Horty rode astride a white horse leading 80,000 troops of the Hungarian army of occupation into northern Transylvania—the rich region wrested from Rumania under an axis-supported threat of war.

Mobs of Rumanian peasants in the ceded area, armed with pitchforks and other crude weapons, were reported clashing with Hungarian peasants as a result of the occupation. More than 150 were reported killed at the border town of Sigt.

Unconfirmed reports said 3,500 Rumanian soldiers had volunteered to form a "death legion" to resist Hungarian occupation of northern Transylvania "to show the world that Rumania has courage."

On the war front developments broke swiftly: British bombers, challenging Hitler's threat to "erase" English cities

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Walker Is Named Farley Successor In Cabinet Post

Washington, Sept. 5.—(AP)—Frank C. Walker of New York City and Scranton, Pa., 54-year-old lawyer and theatre owner was nominated today to be postmaster general to succeed James A. Farley, resigned.

Walker, a native of Plymouth, Pa., is an old friend of the President and is a former head of the National Emergency Council.

He also served as treasurer of the Democratic national committee in the early days of the first Roosevelt term.

Survivors Are Landed

Thirty-Seven British Seamen Survive Sinkings of Two Ships; Over 100 Lost.

Baltimore, Sept. 5.—(AP)—Thirty-seven haggard and disheveled British seamen, eight of them injured, told a grim tale today of disaster and death in the war at sea.

Landed here unexpectedly last night by the Swedish freighter Ekman, they were the sole survivors of crews of two British vessels, the 4,000-ton freighter Blainmore, and the royal navy sloop Penzance, both torpedoed and sunk August 24 about 700 miles off the Irish coast.

More than 100 of their shipmates were lost.

Their stories pieced together through a wall of censorship clamped down by British consular officials, indicated the eight injured men were the only survivors of the Penzance.

These, burned, cut and dazed, were aboard the Baltimore when it sped to aboard the Baltimore when it sped to the warship's aid—only to be torpedoed in turn a few minutes later by the same U-boat.

With 29 Baltimore survivors they were rescued again by the Ekman after 17 hours at sea in two lifeboats.

Manchester Area Suffers Small Damage

By TAYLOR HENRY Manchester, Eng., Sept. 5.—(AP) The great Manchester industrial area—one of the world's most densely populated—is functioning normally despite three weeks of sporadic bombing by German night raiders.

On an unimpeded tour of this area I have been unable to find a single factory that has been hit.

Before coming here I completed a survey of the Birmingham area, another of England's big production centers. There I saw only two factories damaged enough to cause total disruption.

Here in the Manchester area, I checked factory after factory, mill after mill, along the ship canal in the industrial suburbs.

Cotton mills, steel and iron works, chemical factories and rubber plant officials said they have not lost an hour's production.

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Two Arkansas Convicts Shot To Death

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