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HITLER SAYS BRITAIN'S CAUSE IS "LOST"

Italian Base Of Derna Is Captured

Bengasi Is Next Goal Of British

Derna is Third Big Italian Citadel Captured by Army of the Nile; Greeks Report Taking of Offensive in Albania.

(By The Associated Press.)

Britain's triumphant desert armies captured the Italian stronghold of Derna 170 miles inside Libya, this morning in a headlong sweep apparently designed to drive Premier Mussolini's troops out of north Africa, British general headquarters announced.

Derna is the third big Italian citadel captured by the British since General Sir Archibald P. Wavell's army of the Nile launched a counter offensive into Libya last December 15, following in the wake of Bardia and Tobruk.

Bengasi, base of fascist Marshal Rodolfo Graziani's forces, is apparently the next objective of the British onslaught. It lies 150 miles west of Derna.

The British announcement of this new blow at the southern end of the Axis-Berlin-Rome line came as the Greeks told of wresting the offensive from the Italians in Albania and driving their legions back from positions in the bitterly contested sector north of Klisura.

British and German warplanes violently shattered a ten-day lull in aerial warfare overnight with royal air force bombers smashing at the big German naval base of Wilhelmshaven while nazi raiders again showered death and destruction on London. The empire capital had three daylight alarms by mid-afternoon.

Hitler's high command acknowledged numerous civilians were killed and wounded by British raiders attacking two localities on the northwest coast of Germany, but asserted the damage was limited "exclusively to residential sections and a hospital."

As an aftermath of the bloody revolt in Rhumania last week it was officially announced that more than 200 rebels, including 52 "gun queen" had been arrested in Bucharest, along with the seizure of 6000 machine guns, rifles, revolvers and hand grenades and almost 4,000 pounds of ammunition.

ROAD PROJECT FOR VANCE IS APPROVED

Raleigh, Jan. 30.—(AP)—C. C. McGinnis, State WPA administrator, announced approval of ten new projects today, including $184,817 for Vance county roads. Another project allocated $14,649 for a vocational building at Oak City in Martin county.

Willkie Tours London Alone

London, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Wendell L. Willkie had his way today, paying an unescorted call on London's off-limited man in the street and man in the pub, drinking and talking with the "boys" and playing darts—the last with a losing score.

The American visitor jammed considerable of London into his tour. He is curtailing his visit, starting for home next week.

He said he would be "delighted" to appear before the United States Senate committee hearing on the aid to Britain bill when he was told that Senator Nye, isolationist leader, had said that Willkie should be heard.

At one place Willkie visited, the proprietor watched Willkie play darts with a loating laborer and in celebration of the occasion broke a bottle of 1929 champagne.

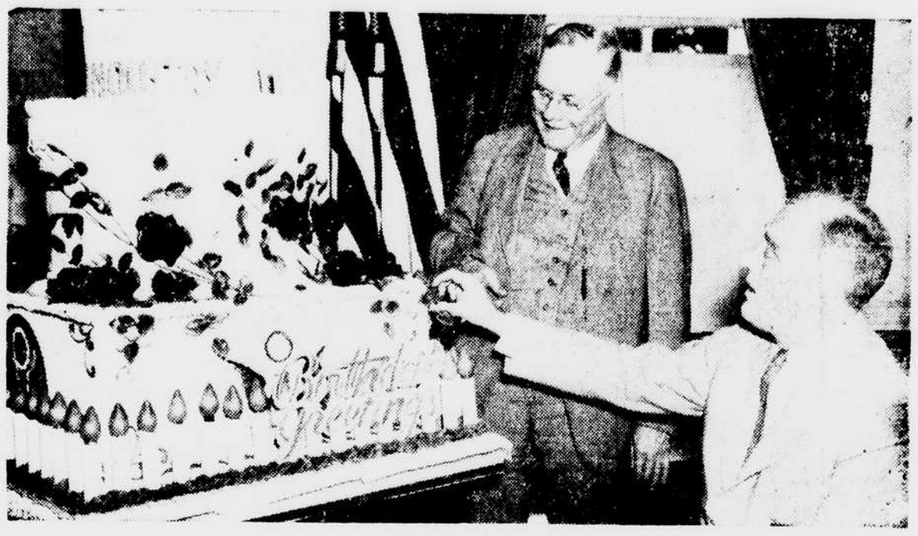
The man easily defeated Willkie, who commented "this guy's too good."

Then the champagne was produced.

"I was going to keep this for armistice day," the pub proprietor said. "But you are as good as armistice day and we'll open the bottle together."

At the first place visited, also a pub, Willkie was readily recognized by a group of soldiers and others. The proprietor invited him behind the bar.

Birthday Cake for the President



President Roosevelt admires the huge birthday cake from the bakery and confectionary workers union of America. The cake weighed 300 pounds, stood five feet tall. William Green, A. F. of L. president (standing) presents the cake, also a $500 check from the union to be placed in the infantile paralysis fund.

Legislature On Visit

UNC Offers Scholarship

Governor Broughton, Welcoming Latin Americans, Announces New Scholarships.

Chapel Hill, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Governor Broughton announced to the legislature today, as it met in special session here to honor 110 South American students, that the trustees of the University of North Carolina this morning set up six scholarships for South Americans.

Greetings to the South Americans from President Roosevelt and Josephus Daniels, ambassador to Mexico and a university trustee, were read.

The President said he was "gratified" that the university was welcoming the Spanish Americans so cordially. Daniels expressed the behet the interchange of students between the Americas would "forge another link in the chain of democracy."

President Frank P. Graham of the University of North Carolina explained that the students had been welcomed "not with Yankee dollar diplomacy but as brothers."

Speaker Mull urged the need of a feeling of confidence and mutual interest between the people of the United States and "our neighbors to the south."

By a shouted vote of all the legislators and the entire audience in Memorial Hall, a joint resolution introduced by Representative Bryant of Durham was unanimously adopted which extended welcome and expressed good will to the visitors.

Governor Broughton welcomed the representatives of South American republics as good will neighbors. He said the nation "extends not the mailed fist but the open hand of fellowship and brotherhood."

Dr. Victor Andres Belaunda of Peru, acting as spokesman for the South Americans, responded that his people hoped "because we are of one culture and really of one soul that there can be a spiritual union of the Americas."

FDR Signs Appropriation Bill For Navy

Washington, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Legislation authorizing a $300,000,000 expenditure to increase the Navy's protection against air attack was signed today by President Roosevelt.

It was the first bill passed at this session of Congress.

Under it terms the Navy is authorized to install anti-aircraft guns and armor on 58 combat ships and 103 auxiliary craft already in service.

The additional defenses were requested by the Navy as a result of lessons learned from the European war.

Rear Admiral S. M. Robinson, chief of the Navy bureau of ships, had testified before a congressional committee that with the new installations "you can be sure that our ships will be a little better than the other fellow's if we get into any sort of mixup."

Roosevelt Is 59

Washington, Jan. 30.—(AP)—The nation said "happy birthday" to the man in the White House today.

President Roosevelt was 59—a bit graver for the passing of another twelve months and with deeper creases around his eyes. But the broad shoulders showed little sag despite the strenuous burdens of two terms and war-beset responsibilities of the third.

Anniversary or not, the day brought Mr. Roosevelt scant respite from the cares of office. Apart from a flood of greetings and congratulations, it meant the usual hours at his desk and the usual responsibilities.

For tonight, however, a dinner and party will be given at the White House for intimate friends who have gathered around the President every January 30 since 1921.

Throughout the land other Americans by the thousands will dine, dance and dig into their pockets at birthday balls and other celebrations to help finance a campaign against infantile paralysis, a movement to which Mr. Roosevelt has dedicated each birthday observance since 1933.

In Washington there will be receptions, parties, balls, special programs at theatres and more than a dozen movie, radio and sports stars making the rounds of all of them with Mrs. Roosevelt.

Petain-Laval Relations Not Improved

Berlin, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Authorized foreign office sources expressed astonishment and concern today over the failure of French Chief of State Petain and his former foreign minister Laval to get together more closely than indicated by their recent talk.

They observed that a question is justified as to whether the French-German rapprochement as envisaged in the meeting between Adolf Hitler and Marshal Petain is to be actively pursued.

The question arose when a correspondent asked what the foreign office thought of a series of editorials appearing in the French press in the German-occupied area, which asked why Laval is not back in the cabinet.

Without doing more than stating that nothing has happened recently to indicate vigorous pursuance of rapprochement policies, authorized sources said that nevertheless these questions asked by the French press were decidedly justified.

Chapel Hill Meet Today

South American Students at UNC Are Honor Guests at Session of Legislature.

Chapel Hill, Jan. 30.—(AP)—A bill to levy a tax of 5c cents on each automobile license tag issued, to provide for hospital treatment for persons injured in automobile accidents was introduced in the legislature today as it met here at the University of North Carolina.

The Senate met in Gerrard Hall to handle its routine business while the House sat in Memorial Hall. Most of the 110 South American students here at a special winter-summer school attended the separate sessions and then were honor guests at a joint assembly session.

Senator Leary of Chowan introduced a bill to provide a ten percent salary increase for all teachers and principals in the public schools and the gallery applauded as the title of the bill was read.

Both divisions adopted a resolution congratulating president Roosevelt on his birthday, but the measure had to be amended to make it his 59th instead of his 58th birthday which they were observing.

The automobile hospitalization bill was sent in by Senator Long of Halifax. It provides that 50 cents be added to the regular license fee and that it be collected when license plates are issued. When $100,000 has accumulated, it would be used to pay hospital costs of persons injured in automobile accidents up to $3 a day for 21 days.

Senator Long also sent in a bill to prevent property owners from impounding waters and thereby creating malaria hazards and a measure to provide that a marriage license may be issued to a person passing a medical examination within 30 days after the examination was made. Under present law the license must be obtained within 7 to 14 days after the examination.

The Senate passed and ordered ratified into law bills to create a supervisor for Robeson county elementary schools and to create a five-member Robeson board of education.

Representatives Johnson and Pitman of Robeson introduced a bill to place solicitors of recorder's courts in Robeson on salaries of from $900 to $3,000 a year.

HOPKINS SEES KING.

London, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's personal envoy, had an audience today with King George and remained for lunch at Buckingham Palace with the King and Queen Elizabth.

Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Increasing cloudiness followed by showers over north and west portions Friday, probably beginning in mountains tonight; somewhat warmer tonight.

Gerard For U. S. Entry Into War

Former Ambassador to Berlin Tell House Committee Nazis Would "Seize" Mexico if Britain Should Be Defeated.

Washington, Jan. 30.—(AP)—James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Berlin, announcing that he favored declaration of war against Germany, predicted that the nazis would "seize" Mexico if Great Britain was defeated.

Supporting the administration's British aid bill, Gerard, who served as ambassador to Germany from 1913 to 1917, told the Senate foreign relations committee that if Germany is victorious "we will meet the first shock of her attack in the countries to the south of us."

Germany and Italy now are sending "vast sums" to Mexico and other Latin American countries, he said, adding that if Germany wins the war in Europe "Mexico will be seized by the nazis."

Gerard said he could see no hope for a negotiated peace in the war and he urged that Congress furnish this country with a "lightning defense against lightning war" by passing the British aid bill.

"I think the American people, like the British, would rather die standing and free than kneeling in appeasement before the nazis," Gerard said.

"We are faced by what they call a blitz war—a lightning war—and this bill provides a lightning defense x x x We can trust our President with these powers—powers which he may have to exercise at a moment's notice if the world and our civilization is to survive."

A proposal for a $2,000,000,000 ceiling on the lease-lend program furnish the last big test of strength as the House foreign affairs committee met to finish work on the aid to Britain bill and report it out for action.

Already successful in carrying four major amendments believed acceptable to the administration, the bill's supporters were expected to defeat the "ceiling" proposal just as they voted down a "no convoy" ban yesterday.

CARBON MONOXIDE CAUSE OF DEATH

Raleigh, Jan. 30.—(AP)—A man identified from papers in his pocket as Carnee Conway Nipper, about 25, of Lillington, was found dead in an automobile at a filling station here this morning, and Coroner Roy Banks ruled it was an accidental death from carbon monoxide.

Succeeds Metaxas

Alexander Korizis

Governor of the National Bank of Greece, Alexander Korizis was named by King George II to succeed Gen. John Metaxas as premier of Greece. There will be no change in the cabinet or war policy, it is reported, Metaxas, who died in Athens following an operation, shared with Gen. Papagos the credit for his country's successful counter-attack against the Italians.

(Central Press)

Aid Bill To House

Foreign Affairs Committee Approves Four Amendments Before Passing Measure

Washington, Jan. 30.—(AP)—The administration's British aid bill was approved by the House foreign affairs committee today after efforts to write in a financial limit had been defeated.

The committee's action cleared the way for House debate of the measure, probably Monday.

Vote on final approval was taken quickly after the committee had defeated a proposal to place a $2,000,000,000 limit on transactions under the bill.

When the committee session broke up, Chairman Bloom, Democrat, New York, announced the bill was reported out for House action with four minor amendments adopted yesterday.

Bloom disclosed that in the last few minutes of its meeting the committee had rejected six amendments ranging from an entirely new bill based on loans of money to Great Britain to a proposal to strike out a section authorizing the Secretaries of War and Navy to acquire arms and ammunition in a foreign country.

The four amendments approved

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Nazis Ready Against Aid By U. S.

German Fuehrer, Speaking on Eighth Anniversary of Rise to Power, Says Nazis "Thousand Times As Strong" as Shown.

Berlin, Jan. 30.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler said today that "Germany has no quarrel with the American people" but declared that if "non-European powers try to intervene here Europe will rise. Every ship that comes within the reach of our torpedoes will be torpedoed."

These words drew the longest applause of his entire one hour and 32 minute speech marking the eighth anniversary of Hitler's rise to power.

"Germany never attacked the American continent," Hitler said. Then followed, to a tumult of cheering, his reference to "non-European" intervention and the torpedoing.

For his hearers he predicted "victory within the year."

He declared that although the British were now hoping for aid from the United States that "when we were forced into this war we had plans even then for this emergency."

The fuehrer, speaking on the eighth anniversary of his assumption of power, insisted that Britain's cause "is lost."

"We are now fully prepared for whatever may happen in relation with America's help" he said.

He boasted of the armed power of the reich and said that Germany had many things making it "a thousand times as strong as the strength we have already displayed."

Hitler devoted 25 minutes of his address to a bitter attack on the British empire which he described as the product of 300 years of robbery. He called Britain the most "anti-social" state in the world "a paradise for a few, continuous misery for the masses."

"The lie is constantly spread around the world, that the antagonistic states want to conquer the world. In reality, our enemies are the ones who have the lust of conquest," Hitler said.

Britain, he went on, not only desired to keep Germany down but Italy and Japan.

"Her balance of power theory was really the disorganization of Europe in the interest of the British empire," he declared.

"To speak of Britain as the lord of the world is vain imagining. She is the most anti-social state in the world run by a small upper crust plus Jews.

"To keep up the pretense of being

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DUTCH SUBMARINE IS REPORTED SUNK

London, Jan. 30.—(AP)—The Netherlands government announced today the loss of one of its submarines on war service.

The name of the submarine and the nature of the operation in which he was engaged were not disclosed.

SEC Policy To Favor Small Cities, Babson Says

By ROGER W. BABSON.
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Washington, Jan. 30.—The new policy of the Securities and Exchange Commission should be good news to every part of the country but New York—and perhaps not bad news for even New York. This is what I learned yesterday when passing through Washington. The SEC has nothing against the New York Stock Exchange per se; but it does not want it to have a monopoly of all the stock exchange business. This is its main reason for objecting to the New York Stock Exchange attempt to prevent its members from operating on other exchanges. The commission feels that this is a deliberate endeavor on the part of New York bankers to dry up those other exchanges and put them out of business.

Decentralization The Keynote

I find, however, that the SEC has some reasons for this move which should be very helpful to cities in the central West, the South, and on the Pacific coast. The commission is not opposed to speculation provided it is carried on in a legitimate manner and distributed properly throughout all sections of the country. It, therefore, believes that the smaller stock exchanges, in the smaller cities, should be strengthened and even subsidized, rather than handicapped as the New York bankers apparently want to handicap them.

Such a decentralization program should encourage more trading in the securities of smaller companies and thus "decentralize" the trading which is now confined to the blue chips. This program should not only broaden the market, but also tend to prevent the terrible "spread down" fluctuations which are inevitable when the dealings are 80 per cent in the blue chips. Naturally, New York bankers and owners of New York real estate will fight this movement, but it should be backed up by all interest in other cities.

Already the SEC has regional offices in several cities as follows: Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Cleveland, Denver, Fort Worth, New York City, San Francisco, and Seattle. In addition, it has branch and temporary offices in Detroit, Los Angeles, New Orleans, Orlando (Fla.), Philadelphia Jackson (Miss.), St. Louis, St. Paul, and Tulsa. The new idea, however, contemplates that, beginning next month, there will be complete registration facilities in their Cleveland and San Francisco offices. If this

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British Turn Tobruk Port Into Base

By LARRY ALLEN.

Aboard a British Warship at Tobruk, Jan. 30.—(AP)—To maintain the momentum of the British drive across Libya, the royal navy and engineers are swiftly rehabilitating this captured port and are turning it into an advance supply base more than 200 miles from the nearest railroad in Egypt.

Their first task after Tobruk fell January 22 was the removal of Italian mines guarding the entrance to the harbor. This done, the British turned to clearing away the wreckage of 17 Italian ships whose submerged hulls menaced transports coming in with men and supplies and moving out with thousands of Italian prisoners bound for internment camps in Egypt.

Among the submerged vessels were the old Italian cruiser San Georgio and three destroyers which the fascists destroyed after they had been hammered by British guns and bombs.

Use of this harbor brings the British fleet 400 miles west from its big base at Alexandria.