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Internal Crisis In Yugoslavia

Nazi Troops March to War In Africa



This official German photo shows pith-helmeted Nazi troops, described as members of the "German African Corps," marching through Tripoli after arrival in Italy's African colony of Libya. These troops are expected to be used chiefly in defense of the Tripoli area, though many have been sent to the front to stiffen Italian resistance to the British advance.

Strike Is Ended At Wright Field

Labor Union Leader Calls off Strike, Avowing Interest in National Defense; Workers Return to Jobs Saturday.

Dayton, Ohio, March 21.—(AP)—In the avoided interest of national defense, an American Federation of Labor leader today terminated a 17-day strike that had paralyzed work on an essential \$9,000,000 expansion program at Wright Field, the Army air corps' huge testing laboratory.

John Breidenbach, president of the Dayton Central Labor Union, informed Colonel Lester Miller, field commander, that 400 men who left their jobs March 4 would return to work Saturday alongside five CIO electricians employed by the Teimer Construction Company.

Colonel Miller described settle-

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Prince, Ward Favored For Highway Post

Raleigh, March 21.—(AP)—Ben Prince of Hendersonville and T. Bodie Ward of Wilson now are most frequently mentioned in political circles here as the principal contenders for the highway chairmanship.

Hundreds of memoranda and petitions, signed by tens of thousands of names, have been received in the governor's office during the last fortnight, backing candidates for chairman and commissioners.

Those most frequently mentioned

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Governor Broughton Is Authorized To Name Eleven New Commissions

Daily Dispatch Bureau.

In the Sir Walter Hotel.

By HENRY A. WATKINS.

Raleigh, March 21.—The recently adjourned legislature set up eleven new commissions to study various sundry problems, and gave to Governor J. Melville Broughton the power to name 78 members thereof.

All eleven are to report their findings ahead of the 1943 General Assembly in order that the next legislature may have the help of their recommendations.

These are completely new commissions and have no connection with the many reorganization measures but through the legislature at the Governor's instance.

Setting up these agencies, however, will prove no great drain on the state's funds, as only one of the acts provides for more than actual expenses for commission members, and the big majority of the commis-

sions will function entirely without pay.

As a result, the 78 appointments at the governor's disposal will carry much more of prestige than of profit or perquisites.

In size the commissions range from three to sixteen members. The subjects to be investigated by them cover the widest field.

Only one can entail the expenditure of much money—the exception being the commission to select the site for a textile training school. Subject to the governor's approval \$50,000 may be put into the construction of a building and for equipment.

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Here are details of the various commissions, some of which may

Senate Group Passes Aid Fund

Senate Vote On Measure Next Monday

Subcommittee Approves \$7,000,000 Measure Without Change; Knudsen Tells Senators Money Can All Be Used.

Washington, March 21.—(AP)—A Senate appropriations subcommittee approved without change today the administration's \$7,000,000 aid to Britain bill.

The bill, already passed by the House, is expected to receive prompt approval from the full Senate appropriations committee. It will be taken up in the Senate Monday, and some leaders forecast passage without major change by Monday night.

Senator Byrnes, Democrat, South Carolina, said the subcommittee deflected on a voice vote a proposal by Senator Nye to cut the appropriation in two. Nye later voted for the full amount along with all members of the subcommittee. Byrnes said the full appropriations committee would act on the record breaking appropriation at 11 a. m. tomorrow.

William S. Knudsen assured senators today that the full amount of the aid fund would be committed during the fiscal year starting July 1.

After testifying for more than an hour at a closed session of the Senate appropriations committee, the director general of defense production said his testimony dealt largely with matters previously presented at a similar House hearing.

"We may not be able to spend the entire \$7,000,000 in the year but we will make commitments for it," Knudsen told reporters. "We already have our plans for expansion well under way."

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Waterway Agreement Submitted

Washington, March 21.—(AP)—President Roosevelt sent to Congress today the text of an agreement by which the United States and Canada propose to develop the St. Lawrence waterway-power project estimated eventually to cost more than \$500,000,000.

Deep sea navigation between the Great Lakes and the Atlantic and provision for 2,200,000 new hydroelectric horsepower for the two countries are contemplated.

The agreement, closely resembling a treaty which the Senate failed to ratify by the necessary two-thirds vote in 1934, is subject to approval of Congress and the Canadian parliament. Only a majority vote would be required this time in the American Congress.

Mr. Roosevelt transmitted the agreement with a brief accompanying message and said he would request introduction in due course of legislation designed to make this agreement effective.

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President Visits New Naval Air Base in Florida



Headed south for a vacation at sea, President Roosevelt is shown as he inspected the new \$10,000,000 naval air base on the St. John's River near Jacksonville, Fla. With the President in his auto are Captain Charles P. Mason (center) and Rear Admiral McIntire. The President's plans included about ten days of fishing before he returns to Washington.

Ford Labor Truce Near

Federal Conciliator Announces Prospects for Amicable Adjustment of Trouble.

Detroit, March 21.—(AP)—James F. Dewey, federal labor conciliator, announced today that prospects for an amicable adjustment of the dispute between the United Automobile Workers and the Ford Motor Company have been greatly enhanced by mediation conferences of the last few weeks.

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FASCIST LEADER DIES IN ACTION

Belgrade, March 21.—(AP)—Reports reaching Yugoslavia today said Roberto Farruco, former secretary of the fascist party, had been killed while leading his battalion of Black Shirts over the top in Albania.

The report said he met his death in furious hand-to-hand fighting against Tepten.

An Italian communiqué announced on January 25 that Farruco had gone to the front to join the fighting forces. He was a member of the fascist grand council, and chief of a newspaper, outspoken in its anti-Jewish policies.

Barkley Urges Larger Fund For Tobacco Grading

Washington, March 21.—(AP)—Democratic Leader Barkley said today he had urged a Senate appropriations committee to increase from \$422,000 to \$650,000 the appropriation for the federal tobacco grading service.

Barkley said he hoped eventually the government would provide \$800,000 annually for the service, thus making possible adequate grading of every market in the United States.

The Kentucky Senator declared that tobacco taxes provide more than \$600,000,000 yearly in federal revenue and the \$650,000 "is little enough to ask" for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

He said that precise federal grading should result in increased prices to tobacco growers.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Mostly cloudy and slightly colder, light rain along the coast tonight; Saturday partly cloudy and colder.

Britain Expected To Buy Tobacco

Campaign Planned To Sell Securities

Washington, March 21.—(AP)—The Treasury today began enrolling an army of 500,000 persons to assist in a campaign to sell billions of dollars worth of the new defense savings securities to the American public.

Gale Johnston, St. Louis insurance man who will supervise the drive, said the campaign workers would be sent out to ask employers to use the securities for employee savings plans; to canvass the schools to urge labor union cooperation; to organize with banks so depositors can have the bond bought for them regularly and charged to their accounts; and to organize other promotional activities.

Governors, mayors and other local officials will be asked to name committees to recruit the smallest communities.

Johnston explained that the theme of the drive would be to let Americans purchase rather than to let someone else buy securities.

More Money For Defense

House Committee Asks Congress to Approve Huge Appropriation for Army and Navy.

Washington, March 21.—(AP)—An additional \$492,310,000 for the Army and Navy, including funds for new plant capacity sufficient to supply a 4,000,000-man army "on a combat basis" was recommended to the House today by its appropriations committee.

About half of the huge sum would be a direct cash appropriation, with the balance of contract authorization.

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Matsuoka To London?

Berlin, March 21.—(AP)—Usually reliable Japanese sources in Berlin indicated today that Japanese Foreign Minister Matsuoka, now en route here for axis conference, might visit London while in Europe.

They were unable to say whether this might mean he would return by way of the United States.

Official confirmation of the report was not obtainable and authorized German sources said this was the first they even had heard of any extension of Matsuoka's visit.

Cabinet Ministers Quit Posts

Government Crisis Follows Decision of Crown Council to Join Axis Alliance; Serb Feeling Mounts.

(By The Associated Press.)

Yugoslavia's cabinet resigned today to join the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo alliance, announced the crown council today. The decision was expected to precipitate a government crisis in which three Yugoslav cabinet ministers might tender their resignations.

Belgrade dispatches said the three ministers predicted serious internal strife would develop in Yugoslavia.

Regent Prince Paul, acting for the King Peter, subsequently refused to accept any cabinet resignations, declaring no one would be allowed to quit until the agreement is signed.

German quarters declared the signature date was set for Sunday.

Belgrade, March 21.—(AP)—A swelling tide of internal discontent, led by three anti-German cabinet ministers and other high officials, forced tonight probable postponement of the Yugoslav government's plans to align itself with the axis Sunday at Vienna.

The three ministers—Serb leaders in this nation of mixed peoples—who resigned in protest against a crown council decision to yield to Germany, refused to remain in the cabinet even though Regent Prince Paul ordered them to do so.

The dissenters flatly declared they would have nothing more to do with the government.

Their stand, which the country learned by the grapevine method, added to the growing crisis over the government's acceptance of the reich's demands that Yugoslavia align herself with Slovakia, Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria, junior members of the anti-British accord.

Yugoslavia's premier and foreign minister stated to leave tonight or tomorrow for Vienna.

Serbs feeling against the government's decision was described as mounting feverishly. Pictures of President Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill were displayed publicly in many towns.

Tension was heightened by the

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House Debates Marine Base Appropriation

Washington, March 21.—(AP)—The House began debate today on a supplemental national defense appropriation bill carrying \$14,575,000 for establishing an east coast Marine training base on the New river in North Carolina.

Spokane expressed hope it would be passed today, spending it to the Senate for action there.

The Marine base already has been authorized by Congress and the Navy also is preparing plans for a \$25,000,000 marine air station on the

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Babson Compares Trends Of Stocks During War

By ROGER W. BABSON
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Babson Park, Fla., March 21.—In spite of the highest rate of industrial production this country has ever known, the stock market shows but little signs of life. Furthermore, while prices have been falling on the New York Stock Exchange since last November, stocks in London have gone up and in Berlin have held at a very high level. Will U. S. and Canadian stocks remain at their prevailing low prices, slide off further, or is there a rise ahead? These are

questions in which readers are interested. Let us look at the record.

Berlin—London—New York. Following the start of World War II in September, 1939, German stock prices reacted only a trifle the next month and ever since then have been climbing to new highs. Of course, the Berlin market is controlled. It is not the type of free market which exists in New York, Toronto, or even in London, despite the pegging of the British pound. From the commencement of hostilities

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