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U. S. Closes Italian Consulates

Sub And Dead Crew May Be Left In Ocean

Mother of 3—Honor Graduate



Mrs. Elizabeth Livermore Forbes, of Boston, is shown with two of her three children as she was graduated from Radcliffe College for Women, Cambridge, Mass. She received a bachelor of arts degree. Her youngest child is only a year-and-a-half old. Her husband, a prominent attorney, is now with the naval reserve in Washington.

All Hope Abandoned For Crew

Secretary Knox Says Sunken Submarine at Too Great a Depth for Salvage Operations; Wreckage Marked

Portsmouth, N. H., June 21.—(AP)—A possibility that the sunken submarine O-9 and her crew of 33 dead might be left in the ocean floor, crumpled under a compression of 440 feet of water that has crumpled the craft's steel shell, was sounded today by the Navy's high command.

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, unshaven and obviously deeply concerned, told newsmen that "at that depth it is impossible for divers to conduct salvage operations so far as we know now."

In Washington, simultaneously, Navy men said they thought an attempt would be made to salvage the 23-year old O-9, recently recommissioned, to remove the dead, determine the cause of the tragedy and gain experience in underwater work under tremendous pressure.

Apparently the decision rested upon further explorations, as divers stood ready to descend on grappling lines which finally were attached to the submarine during early hours. Weather conditions were favorable.

At the scene, large quantities of oil, pieces of cork from the O-9's inner hull, and other bits of wreckage marked the submarine's grave.

That all aboard were dead, officials no longer expressed doubt. Knox said he had had "hopes" until this morning.

The Navy secretary declined to say flatly that there would be no effort to lift the submarine, asserting that "would be a question for a salvage expert to answer."

ARMY AIR BRANCHES ARE CONSOLIDATED

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Longer Duty For Guard Is Asked

Washington, June 21.—(AP)—The War department has recommended that President Roosevelt ask Congress to retain the National Guard on active duty beyond the current single year of service.

Announcing this today, the department said that "legislation is, of course, required, and the final decision is a matter of public policy which must rest with the President and the Congress."

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The War department's recommendation was said to have been effected by consideration that demobilization of the National Guard would mean demobilization of 18 of the 33 existing organized divisions of land forces. Aside from the 18 guard divisions, there are nine regular army infantry divisions, two cavalry divisions, and four armored divisions in service or in process of organization.

Official indications were given that the Chief Executive was expected to act promptly on the recommendation.

The Soviet Army Girds for Action



These photos of the Red Army in maneuvers arrived in the U. S. at a time when friction between Russia and Germany is reported to have brought those countries to a crisis. In the top photo, Semyon K. Timoshenko (right), Commissar of Defense, watches his troops perform. He is believed among Soviet leaders opposed to making any concessions to Germany's reported demands. Below, troops practice.

All Officers To Leave By July 15

United States Orders Italian Government to Remove all Consular Officials and All Agencies Except Italian Embassy.

Washington, June 21.—(AP)—The United States today ordered all Italian consulates in the United States closed and all Italian consular officers removed from American territory before July 15.

Undersecretary of State Welles at the same time announced that United States embassies in Berlin have been instructed to make arrangements for the return to this country of all American consular officials in those countries but at the same time to reject categorically allegations made against them by the Nazi and Italian governments.

In addition to Italian consular officials, Undersecretary Welles announced that the Italian government had been requested to remove all agencies and organization of the fascist government with the exception of the Italian embassy here.

All German consulates in this country were closed last Monday and Berlin and Rome immediately retaliated by ordering United States consuls out of Germany, Italy and occupied territories.

Headaches Loom For Commissioner Ward

Organization of New Department of Motor Vehicles Presents Problems in Personnel; Ward Generally Approved.

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Star-Walter Hotel. By HENRY AVERILL.

Raleigh, June 21.—Appointment of T. Bodie Ward as motor vehicle commissioner is still too recent to enable a full and complete report on reactions thereto; but there seems complete agreement that he has a real "headache" in store.

Another rather general comment is that Governor J. McWike Broughton should have kept quiet on one of two occasions when (1) when he said there would be no political angle to the motor vehicle commissioner's appointment or (2) when he appointed Ward, aptly described in press stories as a "veteran politician."

Which is not to say that Mr. Ward is not deemed competent to fill the place. On the contrary, many of the same persons who commented on the political side took pains to add their full approval of the capabilities of the Wilson man who has made a success of his business. Wilson as a dealer in building materials.

"There's one thing very certain," commented a state official who is far from in sympathy with the current administration, "Mr. Ward will work at the job he's been given. He has spent more time actually attending to business as a member of the Highway Commission than any two other men on it."

There was still considerable speculation over identity of the yet to be appointed deputy commissioner. In some quarters it was reported that Ronald Hoeft, director of the Highway Safety Division, has high hopes of landing the post immediately under Ward in the new setup authorized by the 1941 legislature.

In other quarters, it was predicted that should Hoeft be named it would increase the already difficult task ahead of the new commissioner.

That emphasized the "headache" angle, with a number of those who commented calling particular attention to the generally recognized discord and dissension now existing in the three main divisions which will function under the new motor vehicle setup—the motor vehicle bureau, the safety division and the highway patrol.

One view of the situation is that no more than one of the three present heads—R. R. McLaughlin, Hoeft and Major John Armstrong—can be retained if there is to be any possibility of cooperative effort among the divisions. Those who hold this view, of course, believe that the appointment of Hoeft as deputy commissioner would make smooth working of the department even more difficult.

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Damascus Still Stands

Defenses Holding Out Despite Heavy Shelling of Capital, Vichy Declares.

London, June 21.—(AP)—Reuters, British news agency said tonight it had intercepted an announcement on the wave length of the Beirut radio reporting that the French had evacuated Damascus.

Vichy, June 21.—(AP)—The defenses of Damascus are holding out against British attacks despite heavy shelling of the Syrian capital, French sources said today.

The French said they had established a strong position midway between the capital and Kessouh, 15 miles to the south, and that invading troops had been driven entirely out of the Mezza airdrome area, three and one-half miles southwest of the capital.

It was reported, too, that the French had withdrawn from a position at Kameitro, where a battalion, penetrated more than half-way from Damascus to the Sea of Galilee several days ago.

This move was described here as a normal withdrawal after completion of a mission—to take prisoners.

In all, more than 1,000 prisoners have been captured since the fighting in the Levant states broke out two weeks ago, the French declared.

Along the Lebanese coast the British fleet was said to have forced to stand farther out to sea as a result of attacks by French planes and shelling from shore batteries.

In the Merjayoun sector of south-central Lebanon, British units which surrounded the town were reportedly pushed back and contact re-established with the French garrison there.

ZAMZAM SURVIVORS LAND AT NEW YORK

New York, June 21.—(AP)—Twenty-six American missionaries, survivors of the sinking of the Egyptian liner Zamzam, and 111 European refugee children recently released from concentration camps arrived today on the Portuguese liner Mouzoino.

Miss Alice E. Landis, Elizabeth T. Wain, Pa., missionary nurse who was en route to the South African British territory of Kenya Colony when a German raider sank the Zamzam, said the federal government had ordered the missionaries not to discuss details of the South Atlantic incident.

Miss Landis was one of the survivors who left an overloaded lifeboat and swam to a nearby raft to await German rescue an hour or more later.

Secret Clause In Treaty?

Socialistic Trend Seen

Amos Pinchot Named As Authority for Extensive Discourse on Socialism.

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Central Press Columnist

Washington, June 21.—Amos Pinchot is named as the authority of an elaborate "release to the press" raising the question: "Are President Roosevelt and his more intimate advisers, in co-operation with the British Labor party, bent on delivering the United States to socialism?"

The strenuousness of this release's tone makes it noticeable, for one thing, the fact that the allusion is to one of the prominent members of Pennsylvania—though there is no indication that Gifford Pinchot, ex-governor of Pennsylvania, had anything to do with preparation of the release, or that he agrees with what his brother's credited with having said.

"To the Public"

For that matter, the release doesn't bear the preliminary line, "By Amos Pinchot. It is preceded, however, by the black-faced assertion that Amos Pinchot has addressed this startling announcement to the American public. According to Mr. Pinchot, the plan involves continued expansion of government control until private property will be largely in hands of the state, which will be ruled by socialist labor parties in the United States and England. Mr. Pinchot especially names Harold Lasker, a British laborite professor and advisor of Mr. Roosevelt's; Ambassador John G. Winant, Bill Drotter, Benjamin Cohen, Harry L. Hopkins, lend-lease administrator, and Justice Felix Frankfurter, as "members of the group."

This summary correctly epitomizes what follows.

The release then asks: "Have they (the President and his more intimate advisers) seized up in the present defense crisis as an opportunity to discredit, then liquidate private enterprise? Is the administration taming a half puppet

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Nazis Given Copy Of Message

London Hears Rumors of Pact Binding Turkey to Benevolent Neutrality.

Washington, June 21.—(AP)—Summer Welles, undersecretary of State, announced today that he had transmitted a copy of President Roosevelt's message to Congress, branding the sinking of the S. S. Robin Moor "the act of an international outlaw."

The message was sent to Hans Thomsen, German charge d'affaires, along with a note which said:

"I am directed by the President of the United States to transmit to you herewith, for the information of your government, a copy of a message addressed today by the President to the Congress of the United States."

"Accept, sir, the renewed assurances of my high consideration."

A strong note demanding that Germany make full reparations for the sinking was expected to follow, Welles told reporters that this demand would be made as soon as the proper compensation had been decided upon.

Nazi Press Silent On U. S. Relations

Berlin, June 21.—(AP)—The Berlin press today still was without a word of comment on the requested closing of United States consulates in Germany, but the man on the street nevertheless was worried and asking whether history would repeat itself.

The older generation, which remembers the effect of United States entry into the World War, especially looked into the future with pessimism and at the very least abandoned hope that the conflict would be terminated within a reasonable time should the present tension lead to a final rupture of relations between the U. S. and Germany and should the U. S. openly join Britain.

While the controlled press occupying the minds of the people, one Berlin paper asserted that American consular officials in Germany after the outbreak of European hostilities "adopted an attitude which virtually made them English agents."

A German spokesman said last night President Roosevelt's message to Congress on the Robin Moor case had been carefully read but declined to comment on it.

Turks May Be Bound

London Hears Rumors of Pact Binding Turkey to Benevolent Neutrality.

London, June 21.—(AP)—A reliable foreign source said today the German-Turkish treaty contained a secret clause binding Turkey to benevolent neutrality in the event of war between Germany and Soviet Russia.

The clause, which probably would bar the Dardanelles to Russian war or supply ships if the Soviet Union fought Germany, was said by this source to have been forced on Turkey by "terrible German pressure, like the rest of the declaration of German-Turkish friendship."

This source said he was told by well placed informants that Germany insisted on the Turkish pact as a prelude to what he called "big moves" in eastern Europe involving Russia.

These moves were said to be required by the Germans as necessary to insure their eastern frontier against England.

Highly placed sources in London have said they expect a German effort to hold such a blow within the next three months.

If the Dardanelles, the narrow strait between the Mediterranean and Black seas, were sealed against the Russians they would lose their readiest connection with Britain, a possible ally of the Soviet in any Russo-German war.

This would isolate Britain from Russia, in fact, except by difficult land connections through the Middle East and by sea through the Arctic.

LEAF ASSOCIATION MEETS NEXT WEEK

Norfolk, Va., June 21.—(AP)—Proposed tax increases, export conditions and dates for the opening of markets in six southern states will be discussed next week at the annual convention of the Tobacco Association of the United States at Virginia Beach. The convention will begin Thursday and continue through Friday and Saturday. States affected are Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and Kentucky.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday.

BRITISH ULTIMATUM TO FRENCH COLONY

Vichy, June 21.—(AP)—The French said today that the British had sent an ultimatum to French Somaliland demanding that the colony join the de Gaulle movement and fight on the British side or be starved out by blockade.

Vichy sources had told earlier of increasing British and de Gaulle pressure against the East African colony of the Gulf of Aden—surrounded by the British-conquered Italian colony of Eritrea, British Somaliland and Ethiopia, now virtually free of Italian rule.

SENATOR HARRISON IS GROWING WEAKER

Washington, June 21.—(AP)—Aides of Senator Pat Harrison, Democrat, Mississippi, gravely ill in Emergency Hospital, reported today that he was growing weaker.

Latest word was that his temperature was abnormally high and that he was unable to take nourishment.

Gayda Says War Opened

Authoritative Italian Editor Declares Washington Had "Created a Perfect Break."

Rome, June 21.—(AP)—Virginia Gayda, authoritative fascist spokesman, declared today that Washington had "created a perfect break" between the United States and the axis powers, which meant "continental Europe."

"An economic war and a partial diplomatic war between the two continents had already opened," Gayda wrote.

Gayda declared that "strong and aggressive language" used by President Roosevelt in a message to Congress on the sinking of the S. S. Robin Moor would not be possible in formal diplomatic usage except in an ultimatum.

The editor asserted that the President was violating international regulations in supplying Britain with arms and munitions and was "deliberately going in search of war against the axis powers."

Fascist political circles insisted calm prevailed.

They termed the President's speech an attempt to hold Germany and Italy responsible for developments in the worsening situation between the United States and the axis powers.

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