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# Leningrad In 'Dread Danger'

## FDR Reports To Congress On Sea Meet

### Principles Are Clear, He Declares

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Washington, Aug. 21.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, reporting to Congress on his special meeting at sea with Prime Minister Churchill, said today the declaration of principles agreed upon there were so clear that they would be difficult to oppose without automatically admitting a willingness to accept compromise with Naziism.

The principles, the President added in a later special message, also would be hard to oppose without admitting a willingness to agree to a world peace which would give to nations a domination over the large number of conquered nations.

"Inevitably," Mr. Roosevelt asserted, "such a peace would be a gift to Naziism to take breath—armed breath—for a second war to extend the control over Europe and Asia to the American hemisphere itself."

Mr. Roosevelt said it was perhaps unnecessary to "call attention once more to the utter lack of validity of the spoken or written word of the Nazi government."

"A society of the world organized under the announced principles could survive without these freedoms, which are a part of the whole for which we strive."

The President reported the military and naval conversations at the north Atlantic conference "made clear gains" in furthering the effectiveness of lend-lease aid to countries east and west.

He said the prime minister, Mr. Roosevelt advised, was organizing for conferences with Russia to assist in "its defense against the attack made by the principal aggressor of the modern world, Germany."

In fact this copy, furnished to Congress in the nature of a report, constituted most of today's message. Only six new paragraphs were included.

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Once a weak spot was found, these men believe, enough British and allied forces could be landed to overcome local resistance to dig in and open a new front. Most of these men believe that if the British were to land, they would find the German defenses in a state of confusion.

Favored particularly by Poles and Norwegians is a landing in Norway north of Narvik.

## Nazi Force Is 13 Miles From City

Russia's Second City Threatened by New Drive via Gatschina; Germans Claim Total Red Losses of Five Million Men.

(By The Associated Press.) German troops storming toward Leningrad from the south were reported today to be within 13 miles of the old czarist capital. Russia's second city, and even the Russians acknowledged that Leningrad was in "dread danger."

A Swedish broadcast, quoting the Berlin correspondent of a Stockholm newspaper, said the Nazis were advancing via Gatschina, about 22 miles south of Leningrad.

Adolf Hitler's high command reported that German soldiers had smashed three main bulwarks of Leningrad's outer defense system. Total Red army losses of five million men in the 61-day old struggle were claimed by the Germans, including 1,200,000 prisoners. DNB, the official German news agency, said conquered Soviet territory exceeded 335,000 square miles, an area greater than the entire German reich and its newly incorporated territories east and west.

DNB also distributed a statement emphasizing that the war with Russia was being waged to gain pre-conditions for the final struggle with Great Britain and insisting that aerial blows against the British Isles had not been weakened.

Neutral observers interpreted that statement two ways; first an attempt to bolster German morale, now suffering devastating punishment from the RAF; second, to quash vague rumors.

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## Road Money Not Be Cut

Highway Commission Decides to Continue Program Pending Effects of Gas Rationing.

Raleigh, Aug. 21.—(AP)—The possibility that gasoline rationing may take a \$9,550,000 chunk out of revenues which otherwise would be spent for North Carolina highways was considered today at a meeting of the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

The commissioners decided, however, not to retrench in their road expenditures until a shortage of revenue is apparent.

Chairman Ben R. Priddy pointed out that the state's receipts from the gas tax amounted to more than \$20,000,000 a year, and said that if gas consumption were cut by one-third the loss would be \$9,550,000.

Actually, however, he said, the ex-

## Nazis in Position for Drive on Crimea



Claiming control of the entire Ukraine west of the Dnieper River and capture of eight Russian warships at Nikolaev, German war chiefs are reported ready to hurl more than 1,000,000 veteran troops against the Crimea, site of the great Sevastopol naval base and gateway to the rich Caucasian oil fields. Map shows territory already under German control, and the direction of their drive. (Central Press)

## German Troops To Bulgaria

Oust Nazis, Iran Is Told

British Note Suggests Plan for Replacement of Technicians; August 31 Deadline.

Ankara, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Informal sources said today that Britain in a note had outlined to Iran (Persia) plans for replacement of Germans employed in key communications industries and proposed that definite action be taken by August 31.

Observers in Baghdad in Iraq reported steady streams of British material and armored cars moving east in the last week toward the Iranian border.

Observers considered that Britain was not disposed to take no for an answer and would move into Iran as she took control in Iraq, to obtain a solid defense front in the Middle East.

Previous British notes to the Iranian government were reported to have called unsatisfactory the expulsion of a few dozen German technicians in view of an estimated 2,000 or more employed in key Iranian industries.

London dispatches today said Iran had been given about a week to meet British-Russian requests for expulsion of Germans, and British and Russian troops were reported already on Iran's frontier. Iranian reports said the country would resist any invasion and was increasing its army.

Britain was described as seeking to displace the Germans with either Iranian or British technicians. It was reported the latest note carried no military threat nor fixed a date for compliance, but the Iranians were cautioned that August 31 was about the latest time for action.

## White House Parley Seeks End Of Strike

Parley between White House and Steelworkers Union continues today.

Following their White House visit, Taylor and Konradt were to confer with Secretary Knox, Sidney Hill, co-director of OPM, and William H. Davis, chairman of the defense mobilization board.

White House officials said there was a possibility that Taylor and Konradt would return to the White House, but that this would depend on what developed at their meeting with Knox, Hillman and Davis.

Reich Evicts Cuban Consuls

Berlin, Aug. 21.—(AP)—The German government announced today it had ordered closing of Cuban consulates in the realm effective September 15.

The announcement followed closely the action of the Italian government in closing Cuban consulates in Italy in retaliation for the expulsion of the Italian consular general from Cuba.

(Cuba ordered expulsion of seven German consuls as well as one Italian, and Germany earlier had responded by demanding withdrawal of Cuban consuls from German-occupied territory.)

DNB and the action was taken because one Cuban consular official had been engaging in activities outside his regular duties, thus "giving reason for severe objection."

## Invasion Move Urged

Unofficial Strategists Declare British Bombings of Germany Are Not Enough.

London, Aug. 21.—(AP)—Unofficial English, Polish and Norwegian strategists raised anew today their cries for a British invasion of the continent as the only way to defeat Germany.

British military leaders were called upon for all-out war against the Nazis. Current RAF bombings of Germany and occupied territories were deemed insufficient by these sources.

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## Nazis Smash Three Outer Bulwarks

Germans Threaten Fate of Warsaw for Leningrad as Challenge of Order to Defend Old Czarist Capital to the Death.

(By The Associated Press.) Adolf Hitler's high command reported today that German troops had smashed three main bulwarks of Leningrad's outer defense system, and the Russians acknowledged that the old time czarist capital was in "dread danger."

Challenging an official Russian order for a fight to defend Leningrad to the death, the Berlin radio declared that if the city were defended it would suffer the fate of Warsaw, which was largely destroyed by Nazi Stukas and siege guns when the Poles refused to surrender.

The Red army's northernmost command admitted that Leningrad was under "direct threat of attack," but the Russians expressed confidence that the city's defenses—with an estimated garrison of 1,000,000 men—would hold.

On the southern front, Russia's great Black sea port of Odessa was reported aflame, blasted by German artillery and Stuka dive bombers.

The German high command reported that Nazi troops storming toward Leningrad from the south had captured the ancient walled city of Novgorod, 100 miles below Leningrad, in bitter fighting against the Red army defenders.

Only last night, Soviet dispatches declared that a showdown battle for Leningrad was raging about Novgorod and that the town, surrounded by swamps and lakes, was admirably situated for a stone wall defense.

The German high command, reporting the swift fall of Novgorod, also claimed the capture of Narva, 31 miles southwest of Leningrad, and Kingisepp, the rail gate to Leningrad, six miles further east.

Amid the desperate plight of the Red armies in the Ukraine, unconfirmed reports circulated in European listening posts that the Russians had opened or blown up the great \$100,000,000 Dnieper river dam in an attempt to stem the Nazi onslaught.

In the distant foothills of Leningrad, Soviet Marshal Klement Voroshilov admitted that the Germans were attacking the city's approaches and dramatically called on the inhabitants to fight to the death.

Besides claiming the capture of three key cities in the main Leningrad defense ring, Hitler's high command announced the "opening of host" and general destruction of 25 Russian divisions, about 375,000 troops as well as two air-borne brigades in a great battle around Grodno on the central front, midway between Smolensk and Kiev.

## Ward Says "Good Scotch Practice" Will Save Gas

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Se Water Hotel. By LYNN NISBET

Raleigh, Aug. 21.—Enunciating a three-point program for gasoline conservation which he said was nothing but "good Scotch practice" and applied common sense, Dr. Leslie Ward, director of the Motor Vehicle Department, declared that the public does not realize the seriousness of the situation facing this country.

The three points emphasized are (1) efficiency of equipment, (2) reasonable driving speed, and (3) systematic planning of trips and merchandise delivery schedules. These were the matters discussed at the recent regional conference of petroleum interests at Columbia, attended by representatives from Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, and at which Dr. John A. Frey, chief of the division of markets, Department of Interior, represented Oil Czar Iraq.

It developed at the conference that the service station curfew had not appreciably affected gas consumption, Mr. Ward believes, however, that it was and is justified by savings in electric current and labor. Since its main purpose is gasoline saving was not fulfilled, the other plan of gasoline rationing has been adopted. Deliveries to distributors will be curtailed ten per cent, based on July business. Present plans, leave it up to the distributor and the filling station operator to ration the gas out to individual cars. It is contemplated that no rationing will be called for in commercial and business vehicles, but that passenger cars will have to cut down about 20 percent Mr. Ward made it very clear that so far this whole program is voluntary, but warns that if the driving public does not cooperate, something more drastic will be tried.

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Raleigh, Aug. 21.—With elections already scheduled in Franklin, Vance and Warren counties, and one likely in Bertie this fall, the issue of legal liquor sales is more prominently before North Carolina now than it has been for some time in the past. Advocates of the ABC system contend that it is a control measure, while many—perhaps a preponderant majority—of North Carolina voters feel that any suggestion of "control" for an outlay is absurd. Proponents of legalized sale say that they are not interested in profit, and United Dry Forces say they don't want their children educated with blood money. Quite likely all of them have their fingers crossed.

Eastern North Carolina is generally "wet" while central and western portions of the state are "dry". At the same time, it isn't just a coincidence that North Carolina, most westerly county with legal liquor, is also the banner county in sales and profits. A glimpse at figures for the three counties with elections just ahead

## Gasoline Probe Asked

Washington, Aug. 21.—(AP)—A New England senator today urged a speedy Congressional investigation to determine whether the east actually faces a gasoline shortage, as the defense petroleum office sharply reasserts is the case.

"I want to learn if there is an actual shortage or if we are being pushed around for psychological reasons," Senator Maloney, Democrat, Connecticut, told reporters, saying he would ask the Senate commerce committee to act immediately on his resolution for an inquiry.

## Automobile Quota Set

Passenger Car Production to be Curtailed 26 1/2 Per Cent During Next Quarter.

Washington, Aug. 21.—(AP)—The office of production management announced today that passenger car production will be curtailed 26 1/2 per cent during August, September and October.

The curtailment will be progressively greater in subsequent months, officials said, with the expectation of a 50 per cent curtailment for the model year ending July 31, 1942.

The production quotas were formulated by the OPM and the office of price administration and civilian supply.

A substantial increase must be made in motor truck production, officials said, in order to meet vital needs.

## Japs Launch Anti-American Campaign

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indicates the importance of liquor revenue. For the fiscal year just closed Franklin county sold \$163,923 worth of booze through its ABC stores. From this sale the state of North Carolina received \$8,352 and the county and three towns in which stores are located got \$11,959. Vance county sold \$208,375 and had into the state treasury \$12,051.48, leaving a profit for the county (the city not participating) of \$36,403. Warren county's stores put out \$140,107 worth of drinks, from which the state got \$10,645 and the county and towns nearly twice as much, or \$20,560.

It is an ancient maxim that "figures do not lie, but liars save can figure." It is also a thoroughly deserved fact that honest auditors can take the same set of figures and draw entirely different conclusions. This correspondent does not desire to propagandize either the "dries" or the "wets". The figures presented are culled from state records. Perhaps if this money had not been paid across ABC counters it would have gone into constructive enterprise. Perhaps it would have gone to boot-

(By The Associated Press.)

In an eleventh hour attempt to halt the 14-day strike at the Kromy, N. J., Federal Shipbuilding and Drydock plant, President Roosevelt conferred today with L. H. Korndorf, company president, and Myron C. Taylor, former board chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, of which the Kromy company is a subsidiary.

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There were indications, meanwhile, that developments might be

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## WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA  
Considerable cloudiness tonight and Friday, scattered thunder showers Friday afternoon in southwest and extreme south portions.