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Won't Somebody Scrub My Back?



Yes, folks, the old-fashioned wooden tub is virtually extinct but after a diligent search through Durham, N. C., and the surrounding countryside, the photographer found this one for little Miss Tonya Gamble. She's four and a half years old.

Roosevelt Address Is Expected To Be Strongly Worded

Informed Sources Say President Will Demand That Germany Give Strict Accounting For American Lives and Ships.

Washington, Sept. 10.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, informed sources said today, will demand in his speech tomorrow night that Germany give a strict accounting for the American lives and the American shipping lost at sea because of Nazi operations.

Since the start of the war in 1939, these sources said, five American-owned ships have been sunk, presumably by German action and at least 65 United States citizens have met death in the sinking of American and other vessels.

The President—with the recent attacks a U. S. destroyer and two American-owned freighters providing new material—is still working on his address, it was learned, and no authoritative information was available concerning precisely what specific action he might announce to enforce respect for the rights this country claims on the high seas.

Informed sources, however, entertained little doubt that the President would make clear to Germany and the world in unmistakable language that the United States holds uncompromisingly to its historic doctrine.

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British Papers Call Sinkings 'Challenge'

London, Sept. 10.—(AP)—Sinking of the American-owned steamship Sessa and Steel Mariner and the U. S. counter U. S. U-boat with the U. S. Destroyer Greer were described in British newspapers today as a German challenge to the United States.

The incidents stepped up already keen British interest in President Roosevelt's Thursday night address. Cables from British newspapers in Washington, forecasting a Roosevelt announcement of sterner action by United States warships in the Atlantic were given page one play.

"U-Boat Crises in U. S." said a Daily Express headline. "Anger Rises at Nazi Challenge."

The Daily Mail summed up the situation as "unrestricted U-boat war on U. S.—anger rising."

The tabloid Daily Sketch declared that "fr in these outrages it is clear that Hitler once again has lost his patience and determined to defy American rights completely."

"Surely such acts as these should convert isolationists of the United States," it said.

FDR Names Rail Board

Personnel of Five-Man Fact-Finding Group to Be Announced Later; Strike Looms.

Hyde Park, Sept. 10.—(AP)—President Roosevelt ordered today the creation of a board to investigate the facts in the dispute between most of America's railways and their employees—a dispute which threatened to stop rail operations at a time when vital defense materials are moving over the lines.

The personnel of the five-man board will be announced later. The board members of 14 non-operating unions had set 6 p. m. today for a strike and the 350,000 members of five operating brotherhoods had vowed to go out next Monday.

Also involved are members of three organizations of railway executive workers.

The fact-finding board has 30 days in which to report to the President, and no strike may become effective until another 20 days after the report has been filed.

The national railway mediation board had been unable to reconcile differences between the carriers and the men who run their lines.

Kinston Is Promised M. P. Guards

Kinston, Sept. 10.—(AP)—After a week-end of disorders, Kinston city officials have asked authorities at Camp Davis to provide adequate military police for Negro soldiers on leave here.

Mayor W. F. Stanley disclosed today that he had conferred yesterday with officers at the camp, and had been assured that the military police would be provided.

A local Negro teacher was stabbed allegedly by a Negro soldier during the week-end, the mayor said.

Mayor Stanley said he had also received reports that several white women were insulted by Negro soldiers.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Considerable cloudiness tonight and Thursday; some likelihood of scattered showers; slightly cooler west and north portions Thursday.

Amid Violent Battle For Leningrad,

Reds Claim Nazi Rout

Sessa Torpedoed And Shelled

Ship Sank Within Two Minutes

Survivors Declare No Warning Given Before Being Struck by Torpedo and Two Shells; Survivors Rescued by Destroyer.

Washington, Sept. 10.—(AP)—The State department disclosed today that the American-owned freighter Sessa was torpedoed and shelled by a submarine presumed to be German, without warning, while en route from Iceland to the United States.

The Sessa, according to statements by three survivors picked up by the American destroyer Laundale, sank two minutes after being torpedoed.

The State department announced that it had been informed by Navy department that the survivors of the Sessa were H. K. Bierregaard, chief mate, a Danish subject; G. L. T. Lindgren, able seaman, a Swedish subject; and J. De Oliveira Cordeiro, able seaman, a Portuguese citizen.

The new news on the Sessa came as President Roosevelt worked on a speech which informed persons said would demand that Germany give a strict accounting for the American lives and shipping lost at sea because of Nazi operations.

The Sessa survivors, the State department said, were not only on the Laundale, and it is assumed they have been landed in Iceland.

While they were still aboard the American destroyer, the department said, they made the following statement:

"The Sessa was torpedoed without warning at midnight August 17, about 200 miles from Reykjavik, while proceeding from New York to that port."

"After the torpedoing the Sessa was struck amidships by two shells. The Sessa sank two minutes after being torpedoed."

Reynolds Speaks in Iowa

Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 10.—(AP)—Chairman Robert R. Reynolds of the Senate military affairs committee declared today that forthcoming federal tax increases "will touch the very bread and butter of every person in the country and will eliminate a lot of better-paid men."

In an address prepared for the Iowa state bankers convention, he predicted a national debt of \$100,000,000,000 if the war goes on another year without our becoming physically involved.

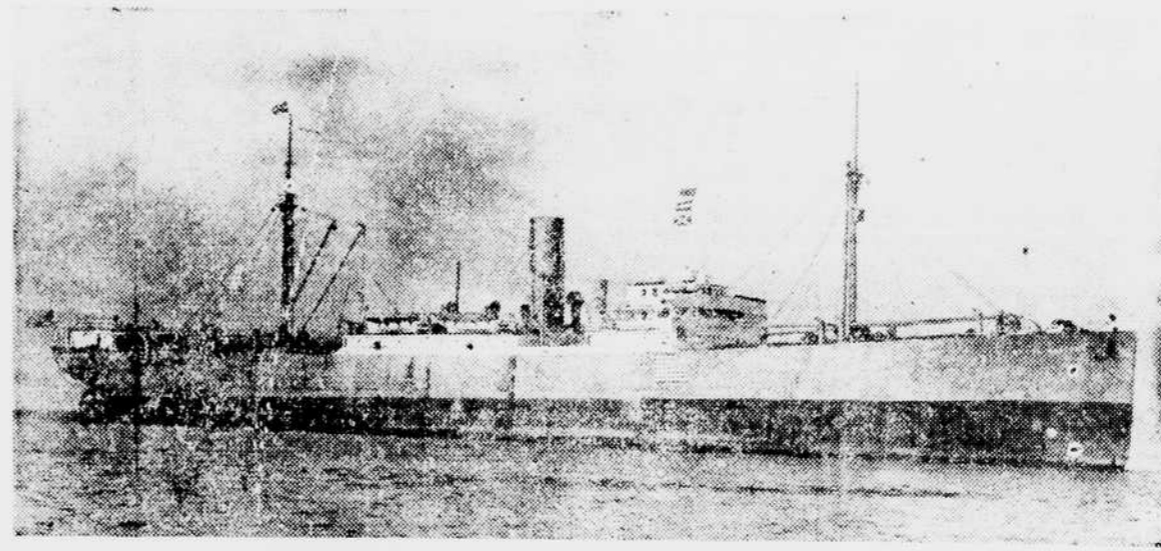
One-Cent Hike In Gas Price Indicated

Washington, Sept. 10.—(AP)—Chairman Maloney, Democratic Conference, of the special committee investigating the eastern petroleum situation, suggested today that a price increase of less than one cent a gallon would remedy all threats of shortage.

Senator Maloney said such an increase would cover the additional cost of moving a large supply of petroleum overland by railroad tank cars to more than offset shortages resulting from diversion of American tankers to British service.

A few hours earlier the supply priorities and allocations board had spiked a plan for immediate construction of an \$80,000,000 pipeline from Texas to the east coast—a project advocated by Secretary of the Interior Ickes and agreed to by a number of large oil companies.

Type of Freighter Sunk in Red Sea



The 5,687-ton Steel Mariner (above) closely resembled the bombed American freighter Steel Sessa, which was sunk in the Red Sea by an unidentified plane which dropped an aerial bomb. It was the second U. S. merchantman to be sent to the bottom since start of the European war. All members of the crew were saved. The ship was carrying supplies to British in the Middle East.

Middle Belt Movies Are Charged With War Mongering

Offerings Better Than Average; Sales Average Around 30-Cent Level Today.

Burlington, Sept. 10.—(AP)—Prices paid for the quota of cigarette type tobacco continue around the 30-cent level today on the North Carolina Middle Belt markets. The ten markets opened yesterday.

Quotations, when crowded warehouse floors, were better than average and farmers were reported abundant over the best prices paid for the weed in a decade.

At Durham, where 1,223,428 pounds were sold yesterday for an average of 30.25 cents a pound, says Superintendent L. G. Clark, producer with 1 million pounds would be sold today.

Prices were firm in the Oxford market and 600,000 pounds were expected to be sold in that city. A bid of 34.00 cents was sold yesterday for an average of 34.00 cents a pound.

Sales Supervisor South Young said 250,000 pounds offered at Henderson today was better grade than yesterday, when 667,296 pounds was sold for an average of 31.70 cents a pound.

J. H. McClung, in charge of records of the Land-grant market, said that sales this week were "fairly equally as well as an opening day yesterday when 121,700 pounds of tobacco sold for \$3,750.00, an average of 31 cents a pound. "There is no well placed crop," he said.

Smoked tobacco, an estimated 150,000 pounds on the floor. The one was described as strong, with the average price about 31 cents.

TANK STAR INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Goldboro, Sept. 10.—(AP)—Prince Nelson, Goldboro's 15-year-old swimmer, star and outstanding camp champion in many backstroke events, suffered a broken pelvis in an automobile accident near here last night.

Hospital authorities were unable to say whether the fall of the injury would interfere with her swimming activities in the future.

AGREEMENT LIMITS USE OF LEASE-LENZ MATERIALS IN TRADE

London, Sept. 10.—(AP)—Great Britain today announced an agreement with the United States to prevent lease-lend materials from being used in competition with products of U. S. industry.

The agreement, announced in a white paper, followed discussion between British and United States government representatives.

The white paper was issued to counter complaints heard in many quarters that Britain was misusing goods obtained from the United States export markets in South America and elsewhere.

Defense Comes First

Washington, Sept. 10.—(AP)—Industrial expansion to meet purely civilian demands was forbidden today by the supply priorities and allocations board if the planned expansion would require the use of large quantities of material critically needed for defense.

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"Hundreds of similar applications are on hand," the board said, "and in simple one can't possibly be treated until it is known how much of a drain on scarce materials would be involved in granting all of them."

Civil Siege For Oslo

Norwegian City and Surrounding Area Covered in Decree by Nazi Commissioner.

Oslo, Sept. 10.—(AP)—A state of civil siege for Oslo and surrounding districts was decreed today by the German commissioner for Norway, Joseph Terboven.

The step follows a similar order covering certain Norwegian coastal regions in late effect August 1 to deal with disturbances to public order and security.

At that time it was explained officially that the move was a precautionary legal step taken because the war had moved into a decisive stage for Norway.

Today's decree, which became effective at 5 a. m., was ordered, the German authorities said, because of "criminal disturbances of labor peace" by communist and Marxist elements in recent days.

It was charged that these elements in the labor unions had made preparations for strikes.

The decree forbids Norwegians to appear on the streets in the area between 8 p. m. and 5 a. m.

All communications cease at 7:30 p. m., restaurants close at 7 p. m., and the sale of alcohol is forbidden. Theaters and movies are closed. Dancing is banned.

Violators are to face court martial.

Senator Clark Says Half-Dozen Moving Picture Magnates Bent on Inflaming American People to 'Clamor for War.'

Washington, Sept. 10.—(AP)—Senator Clark, Democrat, Missouri, charged before a Senate investigating committee today that a half-dozen men who he said control the motion picture industry were bent on inflaming the American people to "clamor for war."

Clark took the stand as an interstate commerce subcommittee began its second day of inquiry into the alleged dissemination of war propaganda. He testified after Wendell L. Willkie, representing motion picture producers, had demanded in a letter to Chairman Clark, Democrat, Idaho, that the committee view alleged propaganda pictures.

"Before anyone is accused and subjected to unimpaired proceedings, Willkie asserted, there should be reasonable grounds to believe that an offense has in fact been committed." He contended that Senator New, Republican, North Dakota, who had led several motions yesterday in propaganda pictures, had viewed only one or two of them.

Willkie also made public a letter to Chairman Clark in which he urged that the committee press its discovery at once an investigation by Navy that the government had requested a moving picture picture to many propaganda films, he had been committed.

According to a person opposed to the administrative foreign policy had not been able to get a hold of film or a syllabus of a word anywhere, any day in any of the 1,000 theaters of this country. Clark of Missouri declared that the motion picture industry was turning out "dozens of pictures to meet the needs of their audiences, with intent to influence them, to arouse their emotions, and to make them clamor for war."

New Defense Plants Set Up

Washington, Sept. 10.—(AP)—Arrangement for additional production of 30,000,000 pounds of aluminum and 12,000,000 pounds of magnesium to be financed by the defense plant corporation were announced today by Jesse Jones, federal loan administrator.

The additional aluminum will be produced in a \$2,500,000 plant at Tacoma, Wash., to be operated by Olin Corporation of Alton, Ill., which is a newcomer to the aluminum field.

Two magnesium plants will be built, one at a cost of \$2,000,000 and with an annual capacity of 72,000,000 pounds to be operated near Freeport, Tex., by Dow Chemical Company. The other plant will cost \$16,000,000 and have an annual capacity of 26,000,000 pounds and will be operated by Diamond Alkali Corporation of New York, at Painesville, Ohio.

Nazis Admit Leningrad Has Outlet

Russians Still Control Territory on Lake Ladoga; Germans Claim Capture of Town 130 Miles West of Moscow.

(By The Associated Press.) High German quarters, reversing earlier assertions that Leningrad and its 1,000,000 Red army defenders were doomed to quick surrender, indicated today that Adolf Hitler's invasion forces may now decide to shell or starve the old czarist capital into submission.

Conceding that the Russians were making a bitter stand, with the bloody struggle increasing in violence hour by hour, Nazi quarters hinted that the German siege armies may not even attempt to storm the city.

With Nazi troops reported within 15 miles of Leningrad at the nearest point, authorized German spokesmen acknowledged, too, that the city still had an outlet through the German-Finnish siege ring—across Lake Ladoga to the east.

Previously, Adolf Hitler's high command had asserted that Leningrad was completely cut off from the rest of Russia. A Berlin spokesman made the amendment today, however, that the high command referred only to the covering of land communications.

While the Russians still hold eastern and northern coastal territory on Lake Ladoga, the Germans said, they have no adequate harbors there from which to supply Leningrad. Moreover, the lake begins to freeze in October.

On the central front, the Berlin radio broadcast a report from "competent quarters" that German troops had captured the key town of Vyazma, only 130 miles west of Moscow.

Lying 90 miles east of Smolensk, on the Napoleonic highway to Moscow, Vyazma is 60 miles northeast of the Yelnya sector where Red army troops were reported pressing a powerful counter-offensive toward German.

Soviet front line dispatches, admitting that Leningrad's defenders were putting up a tenacious battle, said the Russians were "firing from all directions."

A bulletin from the frontier headquarters merely noted "steady successes in attacks" while a Soviet communiqué reported that Red army troops in better all-night fighting "continued to engage the enemy on the entire front."

Both Moscow and Berlin reported heavy rainstorms drenching the northern front, but said the 81-day old weather had not set bogged down into the phase of trench warfare.

Jap Press Quits Clamor Against U. S.

Tokyo, Sept. 10.—(AP)—A general slackening of newspaper clamor against American foreign policy moves was noted today concurrently with the disclosure that U. S. Ambassador Joseph C. Grew has conferred with the Japanese foreign minister about twelve times within a week.

A Japanese concern over the Russian-German war became more noticeable, the press criticism of the United States subsided from a shout to a murmur.

The main theme was that Germany's war in Russia would be a long one, in contrast with previous optimism expressed by the papers at the start of the conflict.

The subject of Ambassador Grew's frequent talks with the Japanese foreign minister was not disclosed, but they occurred while the first American tankers carrying oil to Soviet Russia were passing near Japanese waters and while Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye was reported considering proclamation of a safety zone around the Japanese islands.