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## Nazis In Suburbs Of Leningrad

### Britain Rushes Aid To Russians

#### U. S. Bombers Prove Accuracy in Louisiana Test



Wrecked tanks and target pyramids, as well as the churned up earth, bear witness to the accuracy of U. S. Army and Navy bombers in the greatest bombing exhibition in American history at Barksdale Field, La. Flying fortresses, dive bombers and attack bombers vied for honors as the fliers used real ammunition for the first time in the southern maneuvers. Nearly 100 obsolete tanks used for targets were destroyed. (Central Press)

### Tanks Soon To Follow RAF fliers

Imperial troops may be sent through Iran into Caucasus in move to stem developing German offensive in the area.

London, Sept. 25. — (AP)—British aid for the Russian armies is being rushed to the eastern front in a rapidly increasing tide. It was authoritatively reported today as dispatches to London painted a darkening outlook for the Red forces both at Leningrad and in the Crimea in the south.

With the RAF only yesterday disclosed to be flying in battle on the eastern front, a reliable source said today that British tanks soon may be in action with the Russians against the Germans.

Furthermore, newspaper speculation that British imperial troops might be sent through Iran into the Soviet Caucasus to aid hard pressed Russia assumed new significance with disclosure of a series of military staff conferences involving troops in this area.

The need for early British action seemed to be pointed by a report in authoritative circles that a German attack on the Crimea was developing by a force which "may be anything up to four divisions," an attack apparently aimed at the whole Crimea peninsula rather than at just a few strategic points.

These quarters said they lacked information regarding the size of the Russian garrison on the Crimea and therefore were unable to hazard a guess as to how well the Soviet army would be able to resist even a comparatively small attacking force.

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### Bette's Bitten Nose



Bette Davis

The irony of it all! Actress Bette Davis, an original member of the Tail-Waggers Club, which is composed of dog-lovers, was playing in "The Man Who Came to Dinner" when a dog mistook her nose for the dinner and took a nip at it. She is shown en route to Boston to have the injury repaired. (Central Press)

### Reds Claim Nazi Drive Being Halted

German Military Quarters Describe Russian Position as Becoming 'More and More Hopeless' as Storm Troops Advance.

(By The Associated Press.)

German troops were reported fighting in the streets of Leningrad's suburbs today, posing a grave threat in the siege of the old czarist capital, and Nazi military quarters declared that the position of Red army defenders was becoming "more and more hopeless."

The Russians, however, countered with the assertion that the fierce battle was beginning to turn in favor of Marshal Klement Voroshilov's defense forces.

Soviet counter attacks in greater number and strength were reported to be stemming the Nazi onslaught, despite the arrival of a steady stream of German reinforcements.

The Moscow radio, as heard in London, admitted that a few German tanks had succeeded in knifing through the Soviet first line of defense at Leningrad yesterday, but asserted they were thrown back with heavy losses.

German military dispatches said Nazi shock troops were pushing deeper toward the heart of the city of 3,200,000 after crushing Soviet resistance in at least two villages on Leningrad's outskirts.

German assault troops were pictured as fighting the Russians hand to hand with bayonets, hand grenades and side arms in a bloody advance from street to street and house to house.

A single German division was reported to have seized a large Leningrad factory district where every house was bitterly defended by the Russians.

The Moscow radio, denying that the Germans had actually penetrated suburban Leningrad, said the Nazi report apparently referred to the small town of Pulkovo, on the Gulf of Finland, nearly 20 miles west of the city.

### Serb Revolt Is Put Down

Berlin, Sept. 25. — (AP)—DNE reported from Belgrade today that German soldiers and armed Serbian forces had "rendered innocuous a communist gang" which had been terrorizing the Obrenovatz district.

A fight of several hours and a search through a forest in the region near the town of Belgrade, west of Belgrade, the German news agency said, ended with 14 of the band dead, including its leader. Ten others were arrested.

Authoritative sources said they were unimpressed on a report broadcast by the BBC that five bombers had attacked 12,000 rebellious Serbs.

### German Sight Used By U. S.

New York, Sept. 25. — (AP)—Testimony that the United States had obtained German bombights and was using parts of them was introduced today at the trial of 16 men charged with espionage conspiracy.

William Friedman, federal bureau of investigation agent, testified that he had overheard on a conversation March 7, 1941, between William Sebald, FBI counter spy, and Hermann Lang, a defendant accused of selling secrets of the American-made Norden bombight to the German government.

Friedman said he was hidden in an adjoining room when Lang, a German-born draftsman of the Carl L. Norden company, entered the office. He said the talk eventually came around to bombights.

"Lang said his plant was being enlarged," Friedman testified. "He told Sebald 'bombight' instruments had been taken from German planes and are being experimented with at my plant and certain parts are being used. Send this across."

"Sebald said he would."

## SENATE GETS REPEAL MEASURE

### Neutrality Fight Looms

#### Opposition Forces Plan Vigorous Battle Against Scrapping Neutrality Act.

Washington, Sept. 25. — (AP)—Amid reports that virtual scrapping of the neutrality act would be sought next week, Senator Taft, Republican, Ohio, declared today that repeal "would be equivalent to a declaration of war."

"At the very least," he said to reporters, "it would grant the administration authority to carry on an undeclared war."

Taft foresaw a knock down and drag out battle in the Senate against any repeal attempt, a forecast which few legislators disputed, and promised that he and other opponents of the administration's foreign policy would fight vigorously.

However, Representative Wadsworth, Republican, New York, believed that the House was ready to repeal or modify the law, and he voiced the hope that it would be "wiped off the statute books."

"In all our history," he told newsmen, "we fought for the right to sail the seven seas at will. In the neutrality act we surrendered that right. That always seemed to me morally wrong."

Both administration and opposition polls have indicated that President Roosevelt could obtain the Senate's consent to modification of the act on this and other points. House leaders also forecast approval there.

Mr. Roosevelt indicated Tuesday that he intended to ask Congress next week to repeal the ban on arming ships, but informed sources now believe that his message may go further than that.

### CHURCH LEADER DIES

Atlanta, Sept. 25. — (AP)—Bishop Warren Aiken Candler, 84, retired, a leader in Southern Methodist for more than half a century, died at his home here today after a ten day illness.

### Shortage Of Aviation Gas

Washington, Sept. 25. — (AP)—Secretary of Interior Ickes, the petroleum coordinator, announced today plans were being studied to triple the refining capacity for aviation gasoline at an expenditure of \$150,000,000.

Ickes disclosed that the Navy had gone into the market in the last few days for 600,000 barrels of aviation gasoline and failed to get bids.

The Navy was understood to have sufficient high octane aviation fuel for its present needs and was seeking storage stocks.

Ickes said an emergency in respect to 100-octane gas line had been intensified materially by needs of combat Russia and Britain. He stated that he said several weeks ago the refining capacity should be doubled but that the situation now required that this capacity be trebled.

### Treasury Drafts Proposed Law To Limit Corporation Profits

Washington, Sept. 25. — (AP)—Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau announced today that Treasury experts had begun drafting a proposed bill to limit corporation profits to six per cent.

Following up his recommendation of such a limit before a congressional committee, the secretary told a press conference that he set his aides to work this morning putting the idea into legal language for presentation to Congress.

"We have started drafting this proposal and will be ready whenever Congress wants to get

to work on it," he said.

Morgenthau indicated, however, that he preferred to present the idea as a tax bill before the House ways and means committee rather than as a rider to the price control legislation being considered by the House banking committee. He expressed the idea for the first time in testifying on the price bill.

The drafting task of his experts, Morgenthau explained, is to surround the idea of a six per cent limit on corporation profits with other provisions to make the proposed law as fair as possible to different kinds of business firms.

### BLAZE DESTROYS FREIGHT STATION AT FAYETTEVILLE

Fayetteville, Sept. 25. — (AP)—Fire destroyed the Atlantic Coast Line freight station and nine freight cars here early today.

Damage was estimated unofficially at between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

Soon after the fire was discovered at 5:15 a. m. an explosion in the center of the 150-foot structure caused the blaze to spread rapidly. Firemen, discussing any possibility of sabotage, said the explosion was caused by an accumulation of gases.

### Japs Bomb Chungking

Shanghai, Sept. 25. — (AP)—A large force of Japanese warplanes made a "devastating" raid on the Chinese capital of Chungking today, the Japanese announced, while both air and ground forces hammered against Chinese positions in Hunan province of central China.

In the attack on Chungking the Japanese planes destroyed "important military objectives," the Japanese announced.

In Hunan, the Japanese reported today a mass raid on Changsha, the provincial capital, while ground troops pressed to within 26 miles of the city. Japanese planes strafed Chinese troops elsewhere in northern Hunan.

### TROOPS GATHER FOR MANEUVERS

Chester, S. C., Sept. 25. — (AP)—Approximately 76,000 troops of the First Army Corps will be concentrated in this area by the week-end, ready for first contact work of gigantic, simulated war maneuvers.

Fourteen thousand men of the 8th division will be thrown Monday against approximately 36,000 along an east-west line passing through this sector. The phase will be designed to train the troops in patrol and reconnaissance.

Major General Charles F. Thompson, commander of the First Army Corps, and his staff arrived yesterday. The soldiers were moved from Camp Stewart, Ga., Fort Jackson and Fort Bragg.

### McKellar Is Sponsor

#### Resolution Introduced In Senate Today Would Do Away With Neutrality Act.

Washington, Sept. 25. — (AP)—Senator McKellar, Democrat, Tennessee, introduced in the Senate today a resolution to repeal the neutrality act which bars the arming of American merchant ships and prevents them from entering combat zones.

Declaring that the act was "in direct conflict with our freedom of the seas policy," McKellar told his colleagues that the law ought to be repealed outright. The Tennessee senator has been a consistent supporter of the administration's foreign policy, but there was no immediate indication as to whether he introduced the repeal with the knowledge of Senate leaders.

President Roosevelt said Tuesday that revision of the act was being studied, indicating that action might be forthcoming next week.

McKellar said he thought that while the law was on the statute books, the government was "paying virtually no attention to it" and for that reason it ought to be repealed.

### Coup d'Etat Is Failure

Buenos Aires, Sept. 25. — (AP)—The government declared today all dissent a part from a movement described officially as a coup d'etat in a speech, but rumors continued to fly thick and fast as the public sought explanation of the mysterious plot.

Acting President Ramon Castillo said absolute tranquility prevailed following the government occupation of military air pits, arrests of some 20 aviation officers, and immobilization of the nation's 200 first line warplanes.

He denied that General Angel M. Zaldana had been relieved of command of the U. S. trained air force, although the possibility that the 56-year-old officer had resigned was not excluded.

### TRUSTEE NAMED

Raleigh, Sept. 25. — (AP)—Governor Bragenton today appointed John H. Waldron of Greenville to the board of trustees of East Carolina Teachers college for a term expiring June 30, 1942. He succeeds E. G. Flanagan, who resigned when he accepted a position as highway commissioner.

### WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.  
Mostly cloudy with occasional scattered showers this afternoon, tonight and possibly on Friday; slightly warmer in northeast portion tonight, cooler in west portion Friday.

### U-Boats Sink Eleven Ships

Berlin, Sept. 25. — (AP)—Germany declared today that U-boats traveling off west Africa had destroyed eleven merchantmen of a convoy of twelve ships sailing toward England "despite powerful protection by destroyers."

"Only one small steamer managed to escape," said a special communiqué. "Eleven ships of a total of 78,000 tons were sunk."

(While neither the special nor general communiqués from Berlin to day located the attack more precisely than off Africa in the South Atlantic, there have been stories—covered by Vichy's blanket denials—suggesting that Dakar, French West Africa, westernmost port of the continent, is being used or being prepared for.

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