

France Seeks Armistice With Nazi Conquerors

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broadcasting system correspondent, speaking from the same studio in Bordeaux where Premier Pétain spoke, declared: "The French intermediary is expected by the ambassador of Spain. What the German terms will be, if they will give terms, none of us know as yet."

Bordeaux is in the far southwestern region of France, near the Bay of Biscay.

Maginot Line Abandoned

The reported capitulation came as France's great Maginot line—built at a cost of \$500,000,000 and supposedly impregnable—was abandoned except for a skeleton defense force and Germany's armed legions smashed through and around the vast steel-and-concrete system of fortifications.

With onrushing German armies already having cut off France's "lost provinces" of Alsace and Lorraine by thundering down to the Swiss border at Pontarlier—while other Nazi legions reportedly captured Orleans on the River Loire, where Joan of Arc won her great victory—the new French cabinet met at Bordeaux to "await developments" on France's capitulation offer.

The German high command reported its troops "tentatively pursuing" the retreating French armies, had crossed the Loire river.

It was believed this river, some 55 miles south of Paris, that the French had hoped to reform their broken lines for a defense which former Premier Paul Reynaud said would be carried into "the last corner of France."

About 1,000,000 French soldiers were reported surrounded in the Alsace-Lorraine area.

Five Gypsies Jailed Here on Charge of Robbery

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mobile. A search of the five prisoners failed to yield the stolen money, the officer reported, but in searching the car the officers ripped open the feather pillows and there found the bills tightly rolled in bits of cloth torn from the colored scarfs worn by the gypsy women. The denominations—eight \$20 bills and thirty \$10 bills—were exactly as described by Mr. Sellers, the officer reported.

Mr. Sellers told the officers that he and his wife had been going to return to their old home in Alabama to spend the remaining years of their life, after spending the past 14 months in Douglas county. The gypsies were brought into the local justice court this morning for preliminary arraignment. They asked a preliminary examination, which is to be held Tuesday morning.

Activities for Summer Mapped by Men's 99 Club

The Men's 99 club, recently organized at the First Christian church in Roseburg, has adopted several important projects for the summer season, Pastor John Barney announced today. The club at present is active in preparations to send a number of boys to a summer Christian service camp. Other projects will be in the form of community service, particularly in distribution of clothing and food to needy families and maintenance of an unemployment bureau where efforts will be made to find jobs for the unemployed. The principal purpose of the club, Mr. Barney reports, is to give the average man a place in which to serve, and to promote fellowship among the men of the city. The club is to meet at 8 p. m. Tuesday and is inviting all interested men to attend. Elden Gled is president of the club; Everett Wilmer, vice-president, and Clyde Hammond, secretary-treasurer.

Two U. S. Army Bombers Crash, Killing 12 Men

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Guttenberg, N. J.
Private Clinton O. Rhodes, of Clinton, N. J.
Staff Sergeant Claude A. Shelbourn, of Hempstead, Long Island.
Corporal Frank Deely, of Daytona Beach, Fla.
Lieut. Hall was married a month ago to Miss Louise Owens, daughter of Major and Mrs. Ray L. Owens, of Hamilton field, San Francisco, Calif.

The mid-air collision, probably the worst in the history of Mitchell field army flying station, occurred while four planes were flying in practice V-formation only a few minutes after the takeoff.

Both planes crashed in a densely populated suburban area in the vicinity of the Creedmoor state hospital, on whose grounds one flier landed by parachute, suffering a broken leg.

Witnesses said one man bailed out but his parachute caught fire. Alive when he landed, however, he was taken to a hospital.

Another flier's parachute failed to open and his body crashed to the ground.

Other planes in the formation radioed the control tower that the crash occurred when one B-15A "medium bomber" attempted to execute a "cross-over," that is, crossing above another plane, at fairly low altitude. The plane below pulled up and both crashed in flames.

Eyewitnesses said the bombers burst in flames an instant after the collision, then spun crazily to earth in the suburban residential block.

Wreckage of the planes and flaming gasoline was scattered over half a dozen houses in the neighborhood. Firemen extinguished several blazes.

THREE KILLED WHEN TWO TRAINING PLANES CRASH
TULSA, Okla., June 17.—(AP)—A mid-air collision between two

training planes killed two students and an instructor today six west east of municipal airport. Two persons on the ground were injured.

The two ships crashed while flying at an estimated altitude of 2,000 feet, burst into flames and plummeted to the earth, witnesses said.

The bodies of the three victims were burned beyond recognition. The dead were identified as: Louis Seibel, 19, student at a training school (Spartan); John Langmaid, instructor at the school.

Cadet Daniel G. Stone, 23, government cadet at the school.

Population of N. Y. City Shows Only 6 Perct. Gain

NEW YORK, June 17.—(AP)—Preliminary census figures announced today gave New York City a population of 7,380,259, a gain of 419,813, or six per cent, during the past ten years.

PORTLAND, July 17.—(AP)—Although Portland proper gained only a few thousand in population between 1930 and 1940, Multnomah county gained 17,195, State Census Director Byron Carney said today.

The 1940 figures for the county were 355,436, compared with 338,241 in 1930.

Crickets Menace Meadow Lands of Jordan Valley

ONTARIO, Ore., June 15.—(AP)—The limited meadow lands of the Jordan valley are seriously threatened by Mormon crickets, Russell McMenon, Malheur county agent, said today.

The crickets are moving northward and westward from the area south of Ontario, McMenon reported, adding that unless additional fences are secured, the migration will spread to the Jordan valley.

The county court and two grazing districts have agreed to join in the purchase of fences. The cricket infestation has spread nearly 40 miles the past two years.

Stock and Bond Averages

Compiled by The Associated Press June 17:

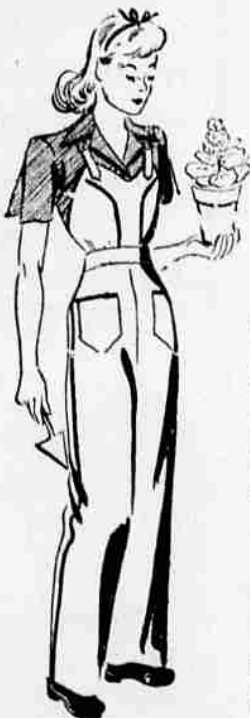
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Monday (to close)	134.1	133.2	132.3	131.4	130.5
Prev. day	133.8	132.9	132.0	131.1	130.2
Month ago	133.0	132.1	131.2	130.3	129.4
Year ago	127.2	126.3	125.4	124.5	123.6
1940 high	142.2	141.3	140.4	139.5	138.6
1940 low	123.3	122.4	121.5	120.6	119.7

	20	10	10	10	10
RR's Ind's U's Fdn.					
Monday (to close)	100.4	93.0	92.0	91.0	90.0
Prev. day	100.1	92.7	91.7	90.7	89.7
Month ago	100.5	93.3	92.3	91.3	90.3
Year ago	96.9	100.2	96.0	91.8	87.6
1940 high	103.6	97.5	96.5	95.5	94.5
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Republican Central Committee Dates Meet

A meeting of the Douglas county republican central committee will be held Monday, June 24, Vernon Orr, chairman, announced today. The meeting originally was scheduled for tonight, but due to conflicts has been postponed for one week.

Speed Given Delivery of Planes Bought in America

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ing to a 22 per cent increase in the fleet's present authorized strength of 1,700,000 tons.

"World conditions make it absolutely imperative that the navy be built up as rapidly as possible," Vinson told reporters.

Vinson spoke just after President Roosevelt had signed into law two previous bills authorizing a naval air force of 10,000 planes and 16,000 pilots and increasing the fleet by 21 new warships, and 22 auxiliary naval vessels.

The aviation expansion bill authorizes spending of specific sums at 20 airbases, and also permits spending of \$29,000,000 for building and improving reserve and auxiliary bases.

Trade Problem Muddled

The white house announced today that, with a view to submitting the matter to the other American governments, a cabinet committee today would conclude a study of "the most effective manner of disposing profitably of export surpluses in the western hemisphere."

But there were indications that the United States was thinking of attempting to draw the American republics and possibly Canada into some form of international cartel which would attempt to control prices and marketing of such things as wheat, cotton, beef, coffee and copper.

Back of the meeting, too, it was reported in some quarters, was a desire to prepare the Americas for the time when Adolf Hitler might become economic dictator of Europe.

Britain Vows to Battle on Until Victory Gained

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nation rises as one man to the towering height of the struggle" there will be no need for disarmament.

Prime Minister Churchill will make a statement in the house of commons tomorrow and is expected to reiterate his declaration that Britain never will sheath the sword until the war is won.

What of French Fleet?

The main uncertainty is the future of the French fleet. If it escapes general capitulation it would be of inestimable value to the British.

If it is handed over to the Germans—and it may be—it would be serious for Great Britain.

It is considered certain that Germany's attempt to subjugate England is about to start. It may come any minute. It may be after the Germans have rested from the French campaign.

The Germans for some time have been practicing combined land, sea and air operations off Norway.

Ireland, the Shetland Islands or Iceland might be stopping off points on the way to England.

It was believed Germany would attempt to seize all those outposts as bases preparatory to the move against England herself.

If the fleet can maintain a blockade against Germany and Italy, and England can get enough additional assistance from its dominions and the United States, a long war may still be a possibility. A long war, the British contend, means a defeat for the German-Italian axis.

Sir Neville Henderson told a

meeting here today that he expects Adolf Hitler to attempt the invasion of England this month or July rather than wait until August or September.

Sir Neville, Britain's last ambassador to Germany, urged every able-bodied man and boy to learn to use a rifle. "Hitler," he said, "can only defeat the British by starving us through a blockade, by bombing us into submission or by successfully invading or conquering. I think he will try all

three. "We cannot any longer carry on an amateur lines. We are not going to beat Germany unless we turn professional."

NEW YORK, June 17.—(AP)—Reliable Wall street sources today disclosed that the British government intends to "take over all war supplies contracted for in this country by France" and to buy as much more here as the United States can produce.

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