

HITLER, SIMON REACH ACCORD UPON 3 ISSUES

England Not to Insist Upon Mutual Assistance for Eastern Security

Germany Will Never Attack Russia, to Make Treaty With Lithuanians

(Copyright 1935 by Associated Press) BERLIN, March 25.—A nine-hour conference between Adolf Hitler, Sir John Simon and Anthony Eden broke up tonight with everybody smiling cordially and with an agreement reached, the Associated Press was informed by an authoritative source, on three important points.

The British envoys promised Hitler that England will no longer insist upon the mutual assistance feature of the proposed eastern security pact.

2. On Germany's part, Hitler gave solemn assurance that his nation does not have the faintest intention of ever attacking Russia. He said this after insisting that "Germany will stand pat on demands for a big army and navy in order to defend Europe from Russian bolshevism."

3. He further stated that Germany is ready to enter a treaty of a military and friendship with Lithuania, provided that country lives up to the terms of the Memel statute which guarantees certain rights to German minorities.

League of Nations Question Up Today
These were the concrete results of the first day of conversations which diplomats agree may mean peace or war to Europe.

Tomorrow the discussions will continue, focusing around the question of Germany's re-entry into the League of Nations, German rearmament and the European air pact proposed in the Anglo-French agreement reached in London.

Both sides were obviously pleased with the results of the day's work. Hitler was in such good humor that he not only asked the British visitors to have luncheon in the chancellery but invited Lady Phipps, wife of Sir Eric Phipps, British ambassador to Berlin, to join them.

Six persons were present during the conversations. Besides Hitler and the two men from the English foreign office were Ambassador Phipps, Baron Konstantin von Neurath, the German foreign minister, and General Joachim von Ribbentrop, Hitler's special diplomatic expert.

Instead of going first into the broad general questions, both sides agreed to tackle first a problem in which Britain is least interested territorially—the proposed eastern Locarno pact. This is France's pet project.

Germany Dislikes Entangling Alliances
It was understood Hitler expounded his views on this regional pact and expressed his aversion to anything that might engage Germany in a military way, even to the extent of involving her with powers that do not touch her borders.

Sir John was obviously pleased at Hitler's assurance of intentions toward Russia. Earlier he had insisted, it was understood, on a big army and navy for Germany in order to defend Europe from communism.

The British foreign minister unexpectedly asked the question: "Are you expecting to take Memel?"

Memel is the mandated territory in Lithuania which was placed under the League of Nations' control after the World war.

In answer to Sir John, Hitler frankly stated the German readiness to enter into a treaty with Lithuania.

Der Fuehrer was said to have insisted upon a German navy capable of controlling the Baltic sea, with a good-sized air fleet as well, talking as if his regenerated army was an accomplished fact, not to be changed by the present negotiations.

Leading Figures in Conversation Which May Decide Europe's Fate



Sir John Simon, Baron von Neurath, Capt. Anthony Eden

Three of the men figuring prominently in the conference at Berlin, planned some time ago when the present peace-or-war crisis was not apparent. Baron von Neurath, German foreign minister, is officially spokesman for the Hitler administration but Hitler himself is also participating in the discussions which made promising headway Monday.

ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR RELIEF, PLAN

Rising Clamor for Money's Inflation Continues; Conference Held

WASHINGTON, March 25.—(AP)—An advisory council to aid in handling the \$4,800,000,000 work relief fund was said in authoritative quarters today to be under serious consideration by President Roosevelt.

While a rising clamor for inflation at the capitol delayed necessary house action, the president and relief Administrator Hopkins held a long conference at which administration of the huge fund was discussed.

The advisory councils would be composed of the heads of emergency agencies or officials closely connected with public works relief at present. Among those mentioned were: Hopkins, who would have (Turn to Page 2, Col. 2)

QUINTUPLET KIDNAP PLOT IS THWARTED

Plan Was to Whisk Them to U. S. Soil and Exhibit; Guard Established

TORONTO, March 25.—(AP)—The Ontario government moved swiftly today against a bizarre plot, reported by authoritative sources, to kidnap the Dionne quintuplets, whisk them to the United States by automobile and airplane and exhibit them there.

A police guard day and night will be assigned to the private hospital near Callander, where the infants live. It was officially announced. Government spokesmen refused, however, to discuss the plot.

Reports said daring exploiters were back of the scheme, seeing a fortune in the making if they could exhibit the famous babies publicly and that the attempt was to have taken place within two weeks. By that time northern roads would be free of snow.

Once the babies were in the states they would be removed from the jurisdiction of Ontario, where legislation was recently passed making them wards of the king.

Under the kidnap plans, it was said, the little sisters would be bundled into an automobile for the dash of nearly 300 miles to (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

MISSING STUDENT FOUND; MIND HAZY

TEKOA, Wash., March 25.—(AP)—Suffering from exhaustion and his mind still hazy, H. Clyde Law, Washington State college student who disappeared from his room at Pullman Tuesday, was recovering at his parents' home here tonight.

Law walked into the sheriff's office at Wallace, Idaho, Saturday and asked that his father, P. L. Law, of Tekoa, be notified. Although he knew his name, and that he was a Washington State college student, the young man was unable to explain why he left notes indicating he planned to take his own life, and could not tell where he had been since Tuesday.

Law said he slept in an abandoned mine near Wallace Friday night. He said he believed he had walked to Wallace from Spokane.

Deputies said there was a strong odor of ether about the youth when he appeared. His parents could throw no light on the mystery. Fellow students suggested that Law's mind might have been affected by "cracking" for examinations at the college.

Elliot Roosevelt Termed Lobbyist, Aviation Firms

WASHINGTON, March 25.—(AP)—A charge that Elliott Roosevelt, the president's son, was a "lobbyist" for aviation concerns was made today in the house during the acrid debate which preceded passage of the Mead air mail bill.

The measure, which would permit increased air mail pay at the discretion of the interstate commerce commission, was sent to the senate on a voice vote. The chorus of "ayes" was so loud that a count was considered unnecessary.

Objecting to the measure, Representative Maas (R-Minn.) said the aeronautical chamber of commerce was "behind the bill" and that he understood that young Roosevelt was "contact man" in Washington for the organization.

At headquarters of the chamber, Elliott Roosevelt was described as a consultant for the organization. He has been interested in aviation for a number of years. Maas himself a former aviator, was not the only member who mentioned young Roosevelt.

13 Hearts in Bridge Hand Played Here

To Mrs. Hal Cuffel goes the honor of being the first contract bridge player in Salem, so far as followers of the game could remember last night, to draw 13 cards of one suit since the present vogue of the game began here.

Mrs. Cuffel bid seven hearts in a game at the Cuffel home last night, and turned up the 13 hearts for a "lay down." Her husband, on the opposing side, perhaps wasn't aware that it is now permissible to bid eight against such a hand. Anyway he didn't.

Mrs. Cuffel's partner was Miss Hattie Ramp and Miss Katherine Gouley was her husband's partner.

MEXICAN BAND RELEASES TRIO OF AMERICANS

Vremsak Held Three Weeks by Group Claiming to Be Revolutionists

Federal Troops Pursue Men Who Held Mine Engineer and Gold Seeker

AGUA CALIENTES, Mexico, March 25.—(AP)—Two Americans were released unharmed by their bandit kidnappers today after days of imprisonment in the mountains of Zacatecas state as their rebel captors fled before hard-pressing federal troops.

Mark Fowler, mining engineer and his assistant, Joaquin Diaz de Leon, and Louis Vremsak, California treasure hunter, returned to civilization this afternoon weakened by the experiences.

Fowler and De Leon had been held captives for ten days while Vremsak was taken three weeks ago. Associates of Fowler refused to discuss the kidnaping except to say "Fowler is all right" but Vremsak gave a vivid account of his experiences.

The three were freed, he said, because federal troops were rapidly closing in around the rebels and because 20 of the kidnapers' relatives living nearby were imprisoned by government soldiers and threatened with death if the Americans were harmed.

Mrs. Mary McKinney, a young California widow who is associated with Vremsak in the treasure hunt, who had returned to Zacatecas with funds to pay ransom, was taken into custody by authorities. It was understood, pending an investigation.

Vremsak said Mrs. McKinney and an interpreter were captured March 4 and she and the interpreter were released the following day. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

OAKES MAY SERVE OUT OLD SENTENCE

A Los Angeles prisoner who talked too much and whose fingerprints furnished positive proof that he was the same man who escaped from the county jail here Christmas day, 1926, may be returned to Salem to face charges of jail breaking, Sheriff A. C. Burk said today.

William Oakes, one of a party of four which gained freedom here more than eight years ago, is the prisoner. In the course of a statement to a parole officer in Los Angeles, Oakes bragged that he had never been apprehended for an escape in this county in 1926. The sheriff's office here was promptly notified and Oakes' identity as one of the escaping prisoners established.

The three other escapes have long since been apprehended and their original sentences served. They were Ray Livingston, Harley Wolf and Mark Blum.

Oakes has been going under the name of Gordon Gillis and of Gordon McGillivray. In Los Angeles he was arrested on the charge of driving while intoxicated.

WATER CASE IS ON IN FEDERAL COURT

Testimony supporting the Oregon-Washington Water Service company's plea in abandonment of the city of Salem condemnation suit against its local property is scheduled to begin this morning before Federal Judge James Alger Fee at Portland. The trial was postponed from last Thursday.

The city will be represented by Walter C. Winslow and William H. Trindle, as special counsel, and City Attorney Chris J. Kowitz. Winslow last night said he thought the trial would last two days, possibly longer.

The company in seeking to block continuation of the condemnation action, abandonment of the city of Salem with-out right in refusing an extension of time in which to determine the value of the water system.

Attendance High At First Spring Class for SERA

Two hundred sixty-five new students registered last night at the first of the spring term SERA classes at Salem high school Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Two new classes are being formed this term, show card and sign writing, and landscape gardening. Most popular courses last night were diesel engine theory and recreation for women. All courses are free of charge and open to men and women.

Tornadoes Add to Toll of Nation's Capricious Spring

THREE REGIONS HIT BY NEWEST COSTLY STORM

One Killed in Illinois and Many Hurt; Dust Damage Rises to Millions

Colorado Folk Flee Region Made Unfit for Farming for Next Century

(By The Associated Press) Tornadoes, killing one man and injuring others, added their bit last night to the nation's toll of weather damage.

Striking in three sections of the country, the tornadoes injured more than a score of persons, some of them seriously, uprooted trees and demolished buildings in Illinois, North Carolina and Kentucky.

At Metropolis, Ill., Sam Abell was killed when his garage collapsed. Twenty persons were injured, nine of them seriously, and 45 buildings were wrecked by the wind which followed a brief and violent rain and hail storm.

Several communities near Concord, N. C., were damaged and a farmer was hit by a falling chimney when a small tornado swept the area. At Princeton, Ky., Powell Oldham was struck by timbers from a falling barn and seriously injured when a severe windstorm struck there following a heavy rain.

A shroud of dust covered the damaged crops of a vast southwestern area, snow piled high on northwestern mountains and flood waters raced through two states.

In Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas experts talked of dust storm damage in millions of dollars. Farmers whose fields were not blown away or covered with sand in the affected areas reported that static electricity accompanying the dust storms had seemingly "killed" the soil since wheat and other crops had ceased to grow.

From southeastern Colorado, scene of three successive droughts, (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)

SHEILA MACDONALD IS PORTLAND GUEST

PORTLAND, Ore., March 25.—(AP)—After finding her first sight of an American murder trial "most interesting," Miss Sheila MacDonald, daughter of Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald of England, announced she would depart tonight for San Francisco, Cal.

A law student in England, Miss MacDonald is travelling alone on an extended tour of many countries. She witnessed today's session of the trial of Joseph J. Osborne, special policeman charged with first degree murder for the slaying of Simon Mish, Portland merchant.

She said she probably would go overland to the Atlantic coast and thence home. Australia and the Fiji Islands were among places she visited.

PLEA DELAY ASKED IN POISONING CASE

Elsie Brown, facing an attempted manslaughter charge for allegedly furnishing poison to Harley Davis, a patient at the state hospital for the insane, yesterday asked time in which to enter her plea. At request of her attorney she will reappear Friday at 2 o'clock before Justice of the Peace Hayden to state her plea.

The woman, common law wife of Davis, is in the county jail in lieu of \$1000 bail. She is charged with mercury in an attempt to suicide, was reported yesterday to be recovering. Mrs. Brown is alleged to have taken Davis the poison on some of her frequent trips to see him.

Late Sports

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 25.—(AP)—Two last period goals gave the Vancouver Lions a 3-2 victory over the Seattle Seahawks in their battle for the Northwestern Pro Hockey league championship here tonight, tied up the series at two games each and made a fifth and deciding game necessary at Seattle next Wednesday night.

More Cold Weather And Rains Forecast For Salem Vicinity

Downpour 1.86 Inches Sunday Night, Extreme High Water in River Not Expected; Some Damage Noted; Flood Control Works

CONTINUED cold weather with intermittent rain and some moderation in the wind and the heavy rainfall which prevailed as the week began.

A dreching rainfall of 1.86 inches on Sunday brought a threat of high water yesterday, the Willamette river rising from 1.5 feet to the 6.9 foot level during the day. Rivermen said last night no immediate danger of high water was in prospect due to the prevailing cold which served to keep the snow of the last ten days on the hills.

Only a fraction of an inch of rain fell up to midnight yesterday but it was mixed with snow which was reported to be staying on the ground in the foothill districts.

The storm which swept the valley late Saturday and early Sunday was preceded by a heavy wind which did minor damage in the city. Several streets in Salem were (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

World News at a Glance

(By The Associated Press) The Arms Situation: BERLIN—British envoys drop part of proposed eastern Europe security pact in amiable 9-hour talk with Hitler. Chancellor declares peaceful intentions toward Russia; Lithuania.

PARIS—French foreign minister plans trip to Moscow to press mutual assistance pact in eastern Europe; bigger navy voted.

WASHINGTON—Senator says plans discussed by administration to keep Americans at home and avoid second Lusitania incident in event of war.

Domestic: WASHINGTON—Seven point calendar for congress omits bonus, Warner labor bill, 30-hour week, munitions control, AA amendments, ship subsidies.

NEW YORK—Ely Culbertson and P. Hal Sims begin 150 rubber bridge match in atmosphere of "squared circle."

WASHINGTON—Pres. Roosevelt starts for southern fishing cruise; his secretary, Col. Louis McHenry Howe, reported improved.

WELCH, W. Va.—Half hundred patients moved as flood inundates lower floor of hospital.

CHICAGO—Jury convicts "Baby Face" Nelson's companion in slaying of two federal agents; fixes life imprisonment as punishment.

Washington—President's son called "lobbyist" for aviation interests in house debate; house passes legislation to increase commerce commission.

METROPOLIS, Ill.—One killed, buildings wrecked by southern Illinois tornado.

Foreign: TORONTO—Bizarre plot to kidnap Dionne quintuplets and exhibit them in United States reported; government posts guard.

ROME—Armed clash between Italian and Ethiopian troops on Eritrea border reported; one killed.

Dust is Chief Offender in Making Washington Suffer

SEATTLE, March 25.—(AP)—Dust, snow, wind and rain, weapons of the storm gods, continued today to make life miserable for citizens in various parts of the Pacific northwest.

Mrs. A. A. Peterson, 41, of Yreka, was killed near Yreka, Wash., when the car in which she and her husband were riding skidded in the snow and turned over. Her husband, with a fractured skull, was not expected to live.

SIX DEATHS IN OREGON DUE TO VARIED STORMS

Rain, Snow and Dust Create Havoc; Three Bodies are Taken From Alsea

Wagon storms which were blamed for six deaths in Oregon sprayed some sections of the state with rain, some with dust and some with snow.

Dust in eastern and central Oregon was settled by rains Monday, and the wind had moderated. But blizzards made the Wapinita cutoff impassable, it was reported last night.

Rain and wind which obscured vision were said to have contributed to an early Sunday accident which sent an automobile with four passengers into the Alsea river six miles east of Waldport. Bodies of three of the victims were recovered and grappling operations continued for the fourth.

The bodies recovered were identified as those of Mrs. Ruth L. Bancroft of the Beaver Creek section, Timothy O'Brien of Beaver Creek, and Mrs. E. E. Weststone of Willis, Cal. said to be a sister of Mrs. Bancroft. Oscar Oberer of Salem was believed to have drowned also.

Hoquiam Man Drowns as Trolley Beached
A man identified by an employment card as Frits Johnson of Portland was killed when heavy winds crashed a huge tree into the bunkhouse at a mine above Detroit, Ore., early Monday.

John Berge of Hoquiam drowned Sunday when his motor launch drove his 30-foot troller Ariene ashore near the south jetty of the Columbia river. His companion, Floyd Mock of Toledo, Ore., narrowly escaped drowning.

Fast-drifting snow caused stages and automobiles to slide over Portland, cutoff from Bend to Astoria. Portland fire hoses late despite the combined efforts of four snowplows.

Motorists were urged by the Oregon State Motor association to use the Columbia River highway to The Dalles and then south over The Dalles-California highway to reach central Oregon cities.

The wind reached gale proportions in the Willamette valley, which was drenched by rain over the weekend. Light and power failures occurred in several places, and communication systems were crippled throughout the northwestern part of the state. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 8)

AUTOS RECOVERED, NO THIEF CAUGHT

Two more automobiles were stolen here Sunday and Monday, bringing the total for the week past to 12. Police said they had made little headway toward apprehending any of the thieves. But the one machine reported missing last night.

Mark Powell, 571 North Capitol street, last night notified police his coupe, Oregon license 118-071, had been driven from its parking place at that address. An automobile stolen Sunday, belonging to N. M. Cook, 1511 South Liberty street, was found downtown yesterday. Three cars stolen Saturday night were located by police Sunday.

Other than the Powell machine, one stolen, unrecovered automobile is listed at police headquarters. Lloyd Thomas, West Salem, the owner, reported it missing February 9.

Raisins and Dates Topics For Recipe Contest This Week

Raisins or dates combined with rice, tapioca or corn starch pudding add interest to any dessert. It is recipes such as these or for raisin muffins, date bars and the like that the Round Table wants this week.

Each contributor may send in a recipe and a date recipe, making a total of two recipes, or if she likes, just send in one for either of the topics. The contest closes at noon on Thursday. Address all contributions to the Round Table editor, The Oregon Statesman.

DAMAGED HALIBUT VESSEL TOWED IN

ASTORIA, Ore., March 25.—(AP)—The halibut boat Kiwanda the Second of Marshfield, in trouble with her rudder broken and her anchor lost, was picked up this morning by the pilot boat Columbia in stormy seas eight miles southwest of the Columbia river lightship.

The Columbia, operated by the Columbia River Bar Pilots' association, towed the Kiwanda the Second to the lightship at the mouth of the Columbia river, where the disabled boat was tied up pending improvement of conditions at the river entrance.

Captain Frank Craig was in command of the pilot boat which went to the Kiwanda on a request made through the lightship from the coast guard cutter Redwing.