

AIR FLEETS STRIKE FURIOUS BLOWS

Nazi Ties Strained In Balkans

Anglo, Nazi Planes Swirl over Norway

Rumania Halts Flow Of Freight To Germany

Germany Expected To Present Stiff Demands For Danube Trade

BUCHAREST, April 13.—(AP)—Rumania's relations with Germany are rapidly changing. A crisis was expressed here today as Rumania suspended the flow of freight cars for the preliminary to imposing an embargo on export of commodities needed for domestic use.

The suspension of car loadings followed swiftly Germany's action in banning export of a long list of commodities to Rumania—among them metallurgical coke, which is vital to the Rumanian iron industry.

Leading of Danube river oil barges was suspended for several days, but Rumanian authorities said that high water at Giugiu was responsible. German trade quarters called this explanation a "pretext."

Official sources said the economic council of the Rumanian cabinet was drafting a list of raw materials which would be embargoed on the ground they are needed for internal consumption.

Repercussions. It was expected generally that this action would be followed by stiff demands from Germany—perhaps insisting that Rumania direct her trade with the allies and limit her exports almost wholly to the Reich.

Sources close to the government, however, said that any such demands would be rejected firmly.

An apparent indication of the serious view which the government takes of the general situation was an urgent meeting which Premier Gheorghe Tataru held last night with the Rumanian general staff.

Reports have been current here that Germany has warned Balkan trade circles that any commercial favors accorded the allies at the expense of the Reich would be regarded as "unneutral" and might have serious consequences.

FEAR ITALY

BUDAPEST, Hungary, April 13.—(AP)—Yugoslav quarters here stated today that Italy was planning a lightning strike in the Balkans, in conjunction with Germany, to checkmate any entry into southeast Europe by the powerful allied army in the near east commanded by French General Maxime Weyand.

The uneasiness was caused by reports that thousands of Italian "workers" had landed in Albania; that the Albanian-Greek frontier was being hurriedly fortified, and that the allied Mediterranean fleet was active off Salonika, Greece.

Springfield Youth To Hold Cord Dance

The Springfield Youth League will hold a Print and Cord dance at the Springfield armory, Monday, April 15. Print dresses will be the fashion keynote for the girls, while the boys will wear cords.

At the last meeting of the organization, it was decided to hold the regular benefit dance for the Youth League-University of Oregon scholarship fund, April 22.

Weather News

Although Friday's maximum of 61.2 degrees was the high point of the season to date, and one of the highest maximums for April in several years, it did not break the all-time record of 89 degrees in April 1926. The forecast follows:

Oregon: Partly cloudy, slightly cooler in the interior tonight; Sunday fair; moderate northwest wind and west wind off coast.

Airport Bureau Record: Minimum temperature, Saturday morning, 56.2 degrees; maximum temperature, Friday, 81.9 degrees; wind, at noon, Saturday, northwest.

River Bureau Record: Stage of Willamette river in Eugene at 7 a. m. Saturday, 3 of a foot.

Sunrise: 6:04 a. m. Sunset: 7:43 p. m.

Voters May Register Till 8 p. m. Tuesday

A large number of voters in Eugene who are unable to register in the day time are taking advantage of the night service offered by County Clerk Dillard. For several nights the clerk's office has remained open until 8 o'clock for the accommodation of those who cannot get away from their work by 5 o'clock.

The office will remain open until 8 each evening until after Tuesday, which is the last day to register for the primary election.

Wife Of Tacoma Publisher Dies

Mrs. Frank S. Baker Long Active In Civic Affairs

Word reached Eugene early Saturday morning of the death of Gertrude Elizabeth Villars Baker, wife of Frank S. Baker, publisher of The Tacoma News-Tribune.

Frank S. Baker is a brother of Alton F. Baker, editor and publisher of The Register-Guard. He and his wife left immediately for Tacoma.

The Associated Press dispatches say that Mrs. Frank Baker's death occurred at a Seattle hospital where she had gone Friday evening to prepare for an examination, but her condition had not been regarded as dangerous and during the last week she had continued her usual activities.

For many years she had been president of the children's home of Tacoma.

Young Eugeneans Win Solo Music Acclaim

ALBANY, April 13.—(AP)—Orchestra and band contests occupied the northwest Oregon district high school music festival today following completion of solo contests yesterday.

Winners of excellent or superb ratings yesterday included: Trombone, senior, Herman Burke, Eugene, Don Burton, Salem.

Sousaphone, Donald Burke, Eugene; Leonard Rush, Salem. Baton twirling, senior division, David Tallmadge, Salem; Lorraine Mason and Jean Miller, Eugene.

Clarinet, Shirley Baldwin, Eugene; Charles Schuster, Corvallis. Bass clarinet, Phyllis Kachelmoff, Corvallis, and Maurice Childs, Eugene.

Flute, Barton Spring, Corvallis; Vera Fair, Eugene. Alto saxophone, Howard Smith, Eugene, junior division, and Margaret Mickelson, Eugene, senior division.

Clarinet trio, Springfield. Girls' chorus, class D, Corvallis junior high, class 1, Corvallis and Eugene.

Boys' chorus, class A, Eugene. Mixed chorus, class A, Eugene and Corvallis.

High voice, girls, Bernice Ayers, Corvallis; Patsy McCoy, Eugene. Violin, Kathleen Broer, Salem; Flora Secher, Corvallis, and Bill Shisler, Eugene.

Orson Welles' Strictures Draw Wrath Of Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD, April 13.—(AP)—What Orson Welles, the "boy wonder" thinks about the "future of the theater" brought the wrath of Hollywood down upon him today.

Movie actors, Welles said in Kansas City, Mo., are "really the same class as those who wait on tables. . . . Of the movies, I will speak only in terms of contempt."

"He is just trying to imitate a Harvard undergraduate," said Ann Sheridan, the \$100,000 a year "Oomph Girl" the Harvard Lampoon selected as the actress "most likely not to succeed."

"He came out here to make pictures, and as a producer he turned out to be a good conversationalist—with a cute beard," Olivia DeHavilland, the English actress said. "Now, I am told, he hasn't even the beard."

Dies See Not Of Cor Nazis In Mexico

Germany, Russia Said Plotting Revolution South Of Border

By JOSEPH H. SHORT WASHINGTON, April 13.—(AP)—Rep. Dies (D-Texas) said today he had information that Russia and Germany were plotting to bring on a revolution in Mexico and set up a puppet government on the door-step of the United States.

The house investigator told newsmen that communist Russia was keeping alive, for use in a Mexican upheaval, "the same organizations" which functioned in the Spanish civil war.

This information, the Texan declared, constituted one of the reasons why his committee on un-American activities was questioning veterans of the Abraham Lincoln brigade, an organization of Americans who fought for the Barcelona government in Spain.

Dies said that 5,000 to 6,000 Americans were recruited by communists for the brigade and that a military force of similar strength "might turn the decision" in Mexico. He was informed, he added, that communist organizations in the United States were prepared to begin a new recruiting drive for a Mexican coup.

Senators Are Source. The committee head said that his informants included "elective officials" in Mexico and "one or two United States senators," all of whose names he withheld.

Among the things they told him, he declared, was that 10,000 communists already had moved into Mexico from Spain and France.

Dies said he "certainly" regarded the information as authentic.

"The same crowd is perfecting plans to do in Mexico the same thing they did in Spain," the chairman added.

Their strategy, he continued, was to seek victory in Mexico's national election next July and, that failing, to resort to force.

"I know," Dies said, "that German agents and communist agents are active in Mexico now. I think we'll be able to develop this fully."

Pending hearings on this subject before his committee, which was in recess today, Dies called on the justice department to "be prepared to deter any attempts to recruit for this Mexican campaign."

Anthony Demaio of Hartford, Conn., a former officer in the Lincoln brigade, refused at the committee's hearing yesterday to tell anything about the passport he used.

Terrorism. Other witnesses told of executions and brutality against Americans in the brigade. William C. McCuiston of Frederick, Md., said he saw "Demaio kill two men" in a Barcelona cafe.

McCuiston later amended this statement, saying one of the two died on the spot and the other was moved to a hospital, where he presumed he died.

The man who died instantly, McCuiston said, was an American named Mathews and the other was a Canadian named Moran. Both were "stragglers" from the army, he added, and Demaio was engaged in rounding up deserters.

Wells, who makes \$5,000 a week from radio, but has yet to complete his first major picture as Hollywood's only director-producer-writer-actor, said in Kansas City that the average person attends the movies because "it is better than drink."

W. C. Fields, the bulbous nosed comedian, remarked: "Well, I don't know about that."

Poor Fish Take Beating As Opening Day Sends Swarms Of Local Anglers A-Tripping

Lane county's myriad fishing streams and lakes were a mecca Saturday morning for hundreds of hopeful trout hunters as another fishing season got off to the usual flying start.

Conditions over the county were reported only "fair to good," but early birds were bringing in sizeable catches long before noon. The season opened at 4:28 a. m.—one hour before sunrise.

Increase Asked For Flood Project

Angell Wants 5 Million For Willamette Valley

WASHINGTON, April 13.—(AP)—An increase in the appropriation for the Willamette valley flood control-irrigation program from \$11,000,000 to \$16,000,000 was asked of the house flood control committee yesterday by Rep. Angell, republican of Oregon.

Construction of parts of seven dams included in the project is now going on under last year's \$5,000,000 appropriation.

Angell styled the project vital because of an estimated flood damage of \$1,693,000 annually in the valley.

'Idiot's Delight' Held Good Satire

For audiences which are wondering "how soon" the United States will get tangled in the European mess, the University Theatre presents "Idiot's Delight"—satirical melodrama, from the pen of Robert Sherwood. Horace Robinson directs. Friday night's audience registered appreciation indicating sellouts for Saturday night and the third showing next Tuesday night, both at 8 o'clock.

A tourist hotel in the Italian Alps near the Swiss-Austrian (before Anschluss) border is the setting (done swank by Robinson and staff). There you have gathered the usual conglomeration of travelers—the very British honey-mooners, an Austrian doctor and scholar, a pacifistic Frenchman, an international munitions scoundrel and his more or less Russian lady friend, and, for good measure, a stranded American vaudeville troupe.

Sherwood mislabeled his shots at the activity and administrative sections.

Wilbur Bishop Gets Oregon Editorship

Wilbur Bishop of Tigard, University of Oregon sophomore, was selected as 1940-41 editor of the Oregonian by the educational activities board it was announced Friday night. The appointment was confirmed by the student executive committee.

The new head of the annual yearbook is a sophomore in social science, and but 20 years old—one of the youngest men ever to be selected for that position. He has worked on the staff of this year's Oregonian, serving as sports editor, and acting as director of the activity and administrative sections.

Norway's King Pledges To Remain In Native Land To Bitter End

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, April 13.—(AP)—King Haakon of Norway said in an interview published today by the newspaper Svenska Dagbladet that he would remain in his country so long as there remained a single inch of Norwegian soil.

"My ministers can visit Sweden, my people can evacuate to Sweden," he said. "I will have to stay."

Kattegat Sea Battle Just Myth To Danes Living There

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER GILLELEJE, Denmark (On the Kattegat) April 13.—(AP)—There may have been a great naval battle in or near the Kattegat, but the Danes who live along its coastline know nothing about it.

Although British warships and planes have headed toward the Kattegat (and according to Swedish reports destroyed a number of German troopships near Swedish shores where the Skagerrak joins the Kattegat) Danish shore police, fishermen, factory workers and ordinary folk have neither heard nor seen anything to indicate such a battle was fought.

And they should know if there had been one—for in the 1916 battle of Jutland countless windows in their homes were broken by violent concussions.

The skipper of a little fishing smack assured me calmly he had "started from Skagen Wednesday, put in there at Gilleleje that night and we heard and saw nothing."

Curious crowds were waiting for the ferry to Halsingfors, Sweden, to open up again. Halsingfors is directly across the strait from Helsingor in Denmark.

The ferry has been closed since the German occupation but it would reopen soon. One little tugboat that brought a dozen residents back from Sweden had been permitted to enter the harbor. German guards closely scrutinized each passenger.

Nazis Claim Tight Clutch On Norway

Berlin Says Big Guns, Additional Troops Run British Blockade

By GEORGE KIDD BERLIN, April 13.—(AP)—German big guns have been transported through the British naval and air blockade of the Norwegian coast and were landed yesterday at Trondheim, between Bergen and Narvik, the official German news agency DNB announced today.

The agency earlier said that large, additional units of the German armed forces had been landed at Oslo yesterday.

Germany, according to DNB, has taken over units of the Norwegian navy in occupied Norwegian ports and has manned them with German crews.

Sink Big Cruiser. DNB said it had been confirmed that the British cruiser York, 8250 tons, had been sunk off Trondheim. The announcement indicated that the cruiser went down on April 11 as a result of an attack by German bombing planes.

Regarding north Norwegian events, the agency said that "German troops assigned to securing and extending occupied territory in the region around Narvik have taken control of the greater part of the roads from Narvik to the Swedish border."

(Stockholm dispatches yesterday reported without confirmation that British naval and air units were being concentrated north of Trondheim, apparently in preparation for an attack on the German forces of occupation there.)

Oslo Re-enforced. The announcement that German forces at Oslo had been re-enforced was regarded as another indication that the British had not yet succeeded in cutting Germany's communications with Norway.

Dealing with the re-enforcements for Oslo, the agency said: "They were immediately transported to assigned locations, part of them being quartered near Oslo," the agency said.

The high command announced this morning that German troops "continued to expand" the occupied zone around Narvik, Norway.

Dean Morse Reiterates Stand On Picket Law

In reply to the apparent confusion of names on the part of Claude W. Barrick, attorney and director of the associated employers of Oregon, in a talk given in Salem Wednesday night and reported in The Oregonian, Saturday, April 13, Dean Wayne L. Morse of the University of Oregon law school announced today that it was he and not Dean Victor P. Morris who had repeatedly criticized the Oregon anti-picketing law as "vicious legislation."

In the story in The Oregonian, Barrick was credited with saying that he resented "that sort of thing from a man employed by the people who are paying the taxes that pay his wages."

Dean Morse, who as coast labor arbitrator is in constant demand

SEE DEAN MORSE STORY PAGE 4

George Jessel Wed. Youthful Show Girl

DETROIT, April 13.—(AP)—George Jessel, 42-year-old comedian of stage and screen, and Lois Andrews, 16, New York show girl, were married here today with James H. R. Cromwell, United States minister to Canada, acting as best man.

Cromwell explained he was en route from Ottawa to St. Thomas, Ont., when his airplane was grounded at Detroit by bad weather, and he met Jessel whom he described as an "old friend."

The ceremony was performed by Common Pleas Judge Gerald W. Groat of Detroit in Jessel's 15th floor suite in a downtown hotel.

The bride was attended by Betty Allen, New York actress.

Jessel has been married and divorced twice. His first wife was Florence Courtney; his second, Norma Talmadge.

Conflicting Reports of Successes Emanate from London, Berlin

(By The Associated Press) British and German air fleets, striking over land and sea, claimed signal successes today in the furious give-and-take conflict swirling around Norway.

The German high command reported two British submarines were sunk at the same time by German warplanes which attacked them as they came to the surface in the North sea.

British fliers meanwhile were carrying the war to Norway again.

Norse Troops In Violent Clash

Volunteers, Soldiers Fighting For Homeland

By RALPH FORTE STOCKHOLM, April 13.—(AP)—Violent clashes between Norwegian and German troops were reported from Kongsvinger, northeast of Oslo, by the newspaper Aftenbladet tonight. The German air force was reported attacking Norwegian forces north.

Aftenbladet said that there was heavy fighting at Vornund, near Kongsvinger, and that fighting also raged at Aarnes, in the Oslo area. The brunt of German air attacks was centered on Eidsvold.

There was no further confirmation of earlier reports that Norwegian troops at Narvik were attacking the German forces of occupation while British troops landed from men o'war in the face of a German land and air bombardment.

Norse Hold Out. Norwegian soldiers and volunteers are holding Halden, on the Oslofjord, despite reports of a German troop landing and the Norwegian flag still flies over the strong Norwegian fortress of Fredriksten nearby, it was reported.

Earlier it had been reported that a German battleship, three destroyers and several submarines were coast port held by the Germans, and warships and supply ships machine-gunned and bombed.

German staffmen and aircraft personnel killed or injured and airplanes destroyed in an attack at Kristiansund, southern Norway.

A German flying boat damaged and a German destroyer raked with machine-gun fire by a British bomber over the North sea.

Contradictions. Conflicting German and British announcements hid the price paid on each side for the furious fighting.

The British said one of their planes in the Bergen raid made a forced landing, while eight of their aircraft were shot down, two made forced landings and four German warplanes were downed in the Kristiansund raid.

German accounts made no mention of a Kristiansund attack but said 10 British planes were shot down at Bergen while the Germans lost five. They also said one British airplane was downed at Narvik, northern Norway, and one at Stavanger.

Nazi Grip Tightens. German reports said the invaders were tightening their grip on the country, with continued troop arrivals to reinforce the expeditionary forces, and the taking over by German crews of Norwegian vessels found in seized harbors.

There was no explanation of how reinforcements were reaching Norway since the British mined the sea lanes between Germany and Scandinavia.

Some troops, however, already were known to have been flown to the northern kingdom.

Kattegat Sea Battle Just Myth To Danes Living There

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER GILLELEJE, Denmark (On the Kattegat) April 13.—(AP)—There may have been a great naval battle in or near the Kattegat, but the Danes who live along its coastline know nothing about it.

Although British warships and planes have headed toward the Kattegat (and according to Swedish reports destroyed a number of German troopships near Swedish shores where the Skagerrak joins the Kattegat) Danish shore police, fishermen, factory workers and ordinary folk have neither heard nor seen anything to indicate such a battle was fought.

And they should know if there had been one—for in the 1916 battle of Jutland countless windows in their homes were broken by violent concussions.

The skipper of a little fishing smack assured me calmly he had "started from Skagen Wednesday, put in there at Gilleleje that night and we heard and saw nothing."

Curious crowds were waiting for the ferry to Halsingfors, Sweden, to open up again. Halsingfors is directly across the strait from Helsingor in Denmark.



THE JUTTING peninsula of Scandinavia, above, is the scene of fighting on land, sea and air. Map shows German occupied Denmark and the coastal ports of Norway, where the British are reported trying to dislodge the Nazi units of occupation.