

Great British Air Offensive Held Nearing

Northern Italy, Berlin Taste English Powder

German Skies, Fields Will See Trouble Londoners Predict

By The Associated Press
Great Britain served notice on Adolf Hitler today that the RAF is girding to transfer the air battle into "German skies over German fields" and that "the day we can take the offensive steadily approaches."

This double-barreled warning, voiced by First Lord of the Admiralty A. V. Alexander and Colonial Secretary Lord Lloyd, was further emphasized by a London air ministry statement declaring:

"Both ends of the Rome-Berlin axis had a foretaste of the gathering strength of the royal air force last night, when the capital of the German reich and two of Italy's great industrial centers were simultaneously bombed by aircraft from the bomber command."

The air ministry also reported that RAF raiders slashed at Hamburg and Wilhelmshaven and a large warship "is believed to have been hit."

Other RAF bombers attacked Berlin, the great Krupp armament works at Essen, oil refineries and other military objectives.

Lord Beaverbrook, minister of aircraft production, disclosed that England now has more planes than ever before, but he said he would not be satisfied until "the sky is swarming" with them.

Late today, heavy explosions across the channel indicated that the RAF was hammering anew at German-held invasion bases, which last night underwent a 100-bomb-minute assault by British airmen.

Britain's intensified aerial counter-offensive stung nazis to complain bitterly of "outright terror" methods.

Berlin reported many civilians killed and wounded as British warplanes, striking in several waves, destroyed an apartment building in west Berlin and showed incendiaries and high-explosive bombs on the German capital.

It was Berlin's first air raid in five nights. The Germans asserted that their bombing squadrons had dropped 500 tons of bombs on Britain in one 24-hour period over the weekend.

Rome reported eight killed, 15 wounded by British raiders attacking cities in north Italy for the first time since early September.

By daylight, nazis raiders swarmed over the channel to attack London, Liverpool and other sections of the island kingdom after the 44th consecutive overnight attack which Londoners characterized as "comparatively light."

An air ministry communique acknowledged "some killed and injured" in metropolitan London, where "damage was done to buildings including many dwellings."

Darkness Sees London Guns Blazing Skyward

LONDON, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Anti-aircraft guns opened up a deafening barrage in the London area when darkness fell on the capital tonight after earlier sporadic firing.

The barrage signalled the return of nazis raiders to the city after a day they had devoted largely to scattered hit-and-run attacks on Britain.

Alarms sounded twice in London before mid-afternoon. Two bombs fell on the capital just before the sirens shrieked the first time and the throb of the invaders' motors was heard during the second alert.

The all clear signal announced the end of this second raid about mid-afternoon. In the first raid, the Germans again sent over fast, single engine planes to run the British anti-aircraft fire in one's and two's.

At times, the barrage was as heavy as during some of the biggest night raids. British batteries thundered along the Thames estuary, trying to pick off invasion planes dodging low to take cover among clouds on that aerial highway to London.

Heavy Showers Come Over Week-End

Heavy showers of rain swept the Eugene area late Saturday and Sunday following the warm temperatures of the late week. Up to 4.30 a. m. Monday from the time the storms began late Saturday, 79 of an inch had been recorded here.



"BOMB BERLIN" demands, like this one plastered on a London building, were answered Monday as the British showed evidence of taking a strong offensive campaign against continental enemies.

Stimson Will Fish First Draft Number from Old Bowl

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Draft headquarters announced today that Secretary Stimson, rather than President Roosevelt, would draw the first number in the national conscription lottery at noon Oct. 29.

The drawing, it was said, will be conducted in the presence of Mr. Roosevelt.

Headquarters announced that the president would make a brief speech during preliminary ceremonies.

The change in plans, to have Stimson pull out the first capsule, followed the precedent of 1917, when the then secretary of war, Newton D. Baker, led off the drawing.

Dr. Clarence A. Dykstra, selective service director, made the previous announcement that President Roosevelt would pull out the first number after he had conferred with the chief executive.

Dykstra said the drawing would be held in the interdepartmental auditorium adjacent to the labor department building in Washington, with the chief executive pulling the first number from the glass goldfish bowl used in the World war draft.

Dykstra said they did not discuss whether Mr. Roosevelt would be blindfolded and that additional details would be announced later by his organization. But the draft numbers, he said, will be enclosed in the same blue capsules used in the last draft. He showed reporters one of them, with a small tag bearing the number 258—the first in the lottery in World war days.

12 Hour Job

Dykstra said he did not know who would take over the bulk of the drawing after Mr. Roosevelt had selected the first number, but that he thought the process would take at least 12 hours.

The numbers drawn will correspond with serial numbers assigned to more than 16,500,000 men who registered for selective military service last week. The order in which the numbers are drawn will determine the order in which the men in each draft area are called for service.

Drawings will continue until numbers have been reached exceeding the highest serial number assigned in any selective service area. The reason for exceeding the top serial number, Dykstra said, is "to be sure that late comers get a number."

Phi Beta U-O Season Ticket Sale Near End

Phi Beta will end its season ticket sale for the 1940-41 University of Oregon "greater artists" series Tuesday, the chairman, Mrs. Lester F. Beck, reminded Eugeneans Monday.

More than 400 tickets have been sold by the sponsors. The cardboard, selling at \$4, \$5 and \$6, will be available at Miller's store in downtown Eugene from 10 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. Tuesday. Tickets to Paul Robeson's concert will go on sale Oct. 25. He will sing here Nov. 7.

Farley Thinks Election Will Be Close, With Roosevelt Slim Winner

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Former Postmaster General James A. Farley was represented by friends today as believing the Nov. 5 presidential election would be the closest in years and that President Roosevelt probably would win by a slim margin.

The master-manager of the 1932 and 1936 campaign believes 1,000,000 votes in big battleground states are likely to make the difference between the winner and loser.

Japanese Oil Mission Held Hitting Obstacles

TOKYO, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Reports of a serious hitch in Japanese negotiations to obtain oil from the Netherlands East Indies were followed today by a foreign office announcement that Seizo Kobayashi, chief of the Japanese negotiators, was returning to Tokyo.

The foreign office insisted that negotiations were progressing satisfactorily and will be continued during Kobayashi's absence by members of his suite and the Japanese consul general.

Germans Clamp Censor's Lid on Night War News

BERLIN, Oct. 21.—(AP)—German authorities announced today a complete prohibition, effective at once, on the dispatch from Germany of any military news whatsoever between the hours of 11 p. m. and 6 a. m., Berlin time.

Churchill Tells French Nation May Be Erased

Dramatic Radio Delivered to Fr Ally of Britain

LONDON, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill warned the French People tonight that Germany "is resolved on nothing less than the complete wiping out of the French nation" and urged Frenchmen to "rearm your spirits before it is too late."

In a fireside pep talk to the people of Britain's French ally, broadcast in both English and French, he declared that Britain is fighting for a victory which "we will share with you" and said all Britain asked of Frenchmen "is that, if you cannot help us, at least you will not hinder us."

An apparent reference to American aid for Britain came in this passage of Churchill's fighting speech:

"Our Friends"

"The crimes of Herr Hitler are bringing upon him and upon all who belong to his system a retribution which many of us will live to see."

"The story is not yet finished, but it will not be so long. We are on his track and so are our friends across the Atlantic ocean."

Churchill's broadcast came at a time when the Germans were rumored attempting to maneuver the French into joining forces with the axis powers against the British.

"Do not imagine, as the German-controlled wireless told you, that we English seek to take your ships and colonies," the prime minister remonstrated.

"The British seek only 'to beat the life and soul out of Hitler,'" he continued.

Churchill reminded Frenchmen that Britons have not forgotten the "ties that unite us to the French."

"The British, he continued, 'now as ever, will command of the seas and 'in 1941 we shall have command of the air.'"

The prime minister made a bid for the good will of the people of Britain's former ally, declaring that "when good people get into trouble because they are attacked and heavily smitten by the vile and wicked they must be careful not to get at loggerheads."

Appealing to France he said: "Frenchmen, for more than 30 years, in peace and war, I have marched with you and I am still marching along the same road tonight. I speak to you at your firesides, wherever you may be or whatever your fortunes are."

"I repeat the prayer around the Louis d'or, (French coin): Dieu Protege la France, (God Protect France)."

Declaring London is bearing up well under German bombardment, Churchill said:

"Our air force has more than held its own. We are waiting for the long-promised (German) invasion."

Then he quipped, "so are the fishes."

DIX KILLED

GRANTS PASS, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Emmitt Jack Dix, about 32, of Grants Pass, was fatally crushed in the pile up of a tow car and his wrecked automobile yesterday, Coroner Virgil Hull reported.

Air Convention Delegates Tell of Flying Enthusiasm

A new statewide interest in private flying clubs was reported Monday by S. V. Cuddeback, Eugene, who, in company with Andy Christensen, Springfield, returned Sunday evening from the first annual convention of the Federation of Flying Clubs of Oregon, held in Bend over the week-end.

Plans for the coming year were laid, including the formation of a board of trustees to be made up of one member of each club in the federation. A possibility was seen, also, that the second annual convention will be held in Eugene next year, depending upon the action of the McKenzie association, according to Mr. Cuddeback.

The two local aviators were ferried to return to Eugene via bus after the convention. They set out for home in the Taylorcraft, but a storm over the Cascades sent them back to Bend, where they left the ship and hopped a bus.

The plane will be flown to Eugene later this week by one of the club members, Mr. Cuddeback stated.

FDR Still Won't Debate

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, a secretary said today, is not accepting Wendell L. Willkie's offer to share an auditorium with him in Baltimore October 30.

Stephen Early, the president's press secretary, said that rather than in Baltimore or Washington on that date Mr. Roosevelt probably would speak at the academy of music hall in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Asked whether the chief executive had any disposition to accept Willkie's challenge to debate, Early remarked that it had been a "public" challenge.

Republican View On Election Given

The third term, national defense, the matter of class hatred, the unemployment question, and the fiscal policy are issues in this coming national election, according to Frank B. Reid, local attorney, in presenting the republicans' viewpoint on the campaign at the Kiwanis meeting, Monday noon.

"One of the most important issues is the third term. It is vital and fundamental to republicans and democrats alike who understand our government and the safeguards for it in the constitution and in traditions that have grown up through actions of former statesmen," Mr. Reid commented.

The principle against a third term is so important and so entrenched there should be a change in administration to insure continuance of our democratic form of government and the American traditions and principles.

The speaker added, he pointed out that the statesmen who set up our government spent much thought and effort in working out the checks and balances that would keep the three branches of government functioning, realizing that should the executive branch become dominant over the others that democracy would be gone.

If the third term is allowed there is no guarantee there will not be a fourth, fifth, or sixth term, with the new deal, through its great power, perpetuating itself in control of the government, Mr. Reid added. He quoted Thomas Jefferson and George Washington in their opinions against a third term for a president, and briefly discussed the smallpox case in the city this year.

The smallpox case is now on the health department's list, this being the second one this year, he reported in October. One of the cases was at Cottage Grove, and another at Dexter. There have been seven cases of infantile diphtheria in the county this year, two new cases of scarlet fever and one of chickenpox.

Dr. N. Paul E. Anderson, county health officer, stresses the importance of immunization from these diseases. At the present he is unable to answer all the questions for immunization clinics, but is urging all parents to have their children immunized or vaccinated as soon as possible, and to be their own physicians.

Draped Mannequins Placed From Windows

CHARLES, Mo., Oct. 21.—A reform movement hit this city today and merchants were urged that henceforth no naked mannequins in display windows will be tolerated.

Police were notified to be on the watch for undraped dummies following a campaign against "decency" which was started by Mayor.

Guard Nilsen Voice Concert Is Tonight

Guard Nilsen, Metropolitan Opera bass baritone and now on the faculty of the University of Oregon music school, will appear in concert tonight at 8:15 in the opera auditorium.

The singer, a native Oregonian, came to Europe a year after he graduated from the Whitman conservatory of music at Walla Walla, Wash. After returning to America, he appeared in leading operas, after which he was signed for radio work for the next eight years.

Army Readied for Lewis Conscripts

LEWIS, Wash., Oct. 21.—(AP)—First Lewis officers and conscription crews rushed preparations today for arrival next month of the first wave of Pacific Northwest conscripts.

Quantity of the first reception party of 12 flung through the nation—is being doubled in care for 1,000 instead of 500 men at a time. It will be ready long before the first of the conscripts from Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming begin arriving.

Weather News

(U. S. Weather Report)
OREGON: Partly cloudy tonight. Low temperature in the interior generally fair but near coast, moderate west wind and of the coast.

WEATHER BUREAU:
Temperature, Monday 45 degrees, maximum 55 degrees, minimum 35 degrees. Tuesday, 61.6 degrees, maximum 71.6 degrees, minimum 45 degrees. Wind, at noon, Monday, 10 to 15 m. p. m., Tuesday, 10 to 15 m. p. m.

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Highway Men From 5 Cities Meet in Eugene

Specific Route Shows Delegates Session

Representatives from five cities met in Eugene today to discuss the proposed highway route from Cottage Grove to Dexter. The meeting was held at the Kiwanis club and was attended by representatives from Cottage Grove, Dexter, and Eugene.

Diphtheria Cases Appear In County

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