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NAZIS DENY UNREST OVER GERMANY

News Behind The News by Paul Mallon

Washington, Jan. 10.—Fast readers may have the notion from Mr. Roosevelt's speech that he is dispatching land, air and sea expeditions to Britain. He did not say that. Note well his words that they are to "take stations in the British Isles."

England needs troops less than New- castle needs coal. She is over- run with more than 3,000,000 men in uniform, but there is a very large unprotected section of the "British Isles" which could use American land, air and sea forces to a good advantage, politically, economically and belligerently.

A one-paragraph item out of Dublin the following day betrayed the prospects. It said the Irish would rather have American than British troops.

As American forces go into those valuable bases, however, they will have to furnish extensive anti-aircraft protection to Irish cities. Once established, they can clean the Atlantic of German submarines.

F.D.R. was astonished by one item in his own budget—the appropriation for free-food distribution under the food stamp plan. In his budget explanation conference for news- men, his finger stopped when he reached the item of \$7,000,000 a month for this purpose. He asked a budget adviser why the amount was so large, and then remarked someone else would have to justify such a large expenditure before con- gress.

Free distribution of food hardly fits in with Mr. Roose- velt's program of food conserva- tion to meet war and post- war requirements.

ANOTHER thing Mr. Roose- velt or someone else will have to justify to congress is the new Roosevelt position on business and taxes. He said he not only wants to abolish war profits (which already has been done in the excess profits tax) but to abolish the peace-time profits which some businesses

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JAPAN LOSES 29, AMERICA 6 SHIPS

Washington, Jan. 10.—(P)—Japan has lost at least 29 naval vessels and transports and the United States, six, since hostilities broke out between the two nations a month ago.

A compilation of official re- ports by the army and navy shows these Japanese losses:

Two battleships (the Kongo and the Haruna), one light cruiser, five destroyers, five subma- rines, one gunboat, one mine sweeper, 10 transports, four supply vessels.

United States losses reported by the navy were:

One battleship (the Arizona), one target ship (the Utah), three destroyers and one minelayer, all lost in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7.

NIPPON IDEA HAS HUMOROUS TWIST

Chungking, Jan. 10.—(P)—There was one humorous twist to the Japanese propaganda tac- tics in the siege of Hongkong, which fell Christmas day.

Loudspeakers blaring from somewhere across the harbor frequently played such tunes as "Home Sweet Home" and "Swanee River," presumably to try to make the garrison—of Britons, Canadians and Indians—homesick.

ADMISSION MADE BY HITLER'S AIDE SITUATION GRAVE

Deny Revolt in Reich—Faith in Fuehrer And More Recruits Urged—Surprise Action.

(By the Associated Press)

Somewhere on the German Frontier, Jan. 10.—The Nazi leadership has taken extraor- dinary measures to deny reports of incipient revolution within the Reich, advising to this border point disclosed tonight.

These measures—including the awakening of foreign corres- pondents in the middle of the night to inform them of the rumors and the foreign office denials—came at a time when Adolf Hitler's own press chief and all the German newspapers were acknowledging the gravity of the military situation in Rus- sia.

The admissions, coupled with appeals for a renewal of faith in the Fuehrer, showed that the winter campaign in Russia is written off by the German lead- ers as lost.

In every available quarter, meanwhile, the German army launched a recruiting drive in the hope of building a fresh force for the planned spring of- fensive. Highly reliable advisers said that because of German losses and the need for a far greater army in any new push, this drive had spread into Bul- garia, the occupied Baltic states and even into Norway. The re- cruiting campaign, perhaps, prompted the German paper in Norway, Deutsche Zeitung in Norwegian, to attack Sweden for not aiding Finland and for banning exportation of clothing which Germans in Sweden wanted to send to the Russian front.

Writers Puzzled As far as the internal German situation goes, it is known here that the first great German fail- ures in the east inspired feel- ings of concern and unrest at home. However, the corres- pondents who were called from their beds to hear telephoned denials of reports of an imminent state of revolution said it was quite apparent that there was no evidence of such a thing in Ber- lin, and the best information ob- tainable elsewhere is that no organized effort to revolt exists or is likely to exist soon.

Yet, the correspondents ex- pressed surprise that the drastic form of denial was deemed necessary in the Wilhelmstrasse.

Blame Berlin In making its denial, the for- eign office blamed the reports on British and American sources. Today the Berlin radio, quoting the Rumanian newspaper Timpul, said that "rumors of growing dis- satisfaction in Germany... were launched in the hope of influence the forthcoming conference (of American foreign ministers) at Rio de Janeiro." By indirection, the broadcast said the rumors had it that machine guns were mounted on the roofs of Berlin hotels, adding that Rumanian journalists in Germany could themselves see that this was not true.

Germany's fountain-heads of public information appeared to be trying to convince Germans that they were talking frankly about what is going on in Russia.

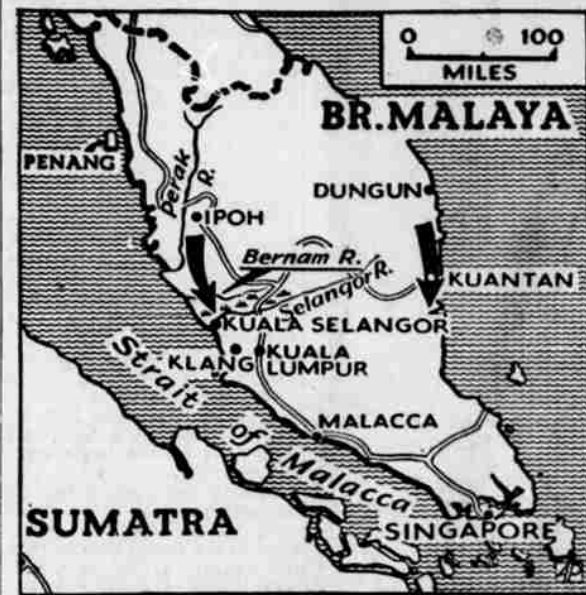
Dr. Otto Dietrich, Hitler's own press chief, told newspaper read- ers in a universally-published article that Germany military op- erations "have entered an ex- tremely serious and indeed crit- ical phase." He asked the people to remember that the Fuehrer had led them to victory in the past "and urged them to believe" that he would do so again.

"Der Fuehrer will know how to overcome this crisis," said Dietrich.

Echoing Dietrich, the import- ant Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung said the toughness of the Russian enemy and the cruel Russian winter "necessitate the last grain of physical and moral courage from our soldiers."

There are four towns named Comfort in America.

Japs Push Down Peninsula



Invading Japanese, striking by land and air in British Malaya, had the key city of Kuala Lumpur as a major objective as they tried to push down the main road from Ipoh. Singapore dispatches said the British had launched a counter-offensive in the Kuala Selangor sector. On the east coast the British said there was no word of further Japanese advance from Kuantan, 190 miles north of Singapore.

SENATE APPROVES ASK \$89,045 FOR PRICE RULE BILL; CRATER LAKE PARK FAVORS FARMERS FOR FISCAL YEAR

Washington, Jan. 10.—(AP)—The administration's wartime price control legislation emerged from a weary senate today so much amended by its farm bloc that Democratic Leader Barkley (Ky.) called it a "farm relief bill."

The vote on passage was 83 to 1 with Senator Nye (R-Ind.) casting the only dissenting tally. Beforehand, however, the farm bloc, in a 55 to 31 division, had succeeded in writing in a series of restrictions on ceilings over agricultural products with the result, administration men said, that many farm commodities were left free to rise 25 per cent or more above present levels.

The far reaching and com- plicated measure—intended to help prevent inflation and sky-rocket- ing living costs—now goes back to the house. A senate-house conference committee is expected to be appointed to redraft im- portant sections before the measure comes up for final consideration.

Whether this group could work out and secure senate and house approval of a measure sat- isfactory to the administration was, however, an open question.

FIVE STATES CALL SPECIAL SESSION

Chicago, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Only five states—Maine, Illinois, Cal- ifornia, Massachusetts and Mich- igan—have called special ses- sions to deal with problems arising from America's entry into the war, a survey by the council of state governments showed to- day.

However, eight other states will act on emergency war mea- sures in regular sessions this year, and special assemblies are un- der consideration in Pennsylv- ania, Connecticut and Colorado.

CIGARET TAX TO FACE COURT TEST

Portland, Jan. 10.—(P)—Os- wald West, Portland, attorney and former governor, said to- day opponents of the new state cigarette tax probably would ask for an injunction against the tax law Monday.

He did not disclose identity of the opponents.

BAKER PLANT BURNS Baker, Jan. 10.—(AP)—A \$200,000 fire destroyed the Stod- dard Lumber company's planing mill, box factory and dry shed early today.

SIGNS POINT TO NIPPON ASSAULT ON DUTCH INDIES

Enemy Fleet Off Mindanao—Luzon Battle Lulls—Malay Rubber Center Falls.

Washington, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Fragmentary news from the Philippines led some tacticians here tonight to the opinion that the Japanese might be planning an immediate full scale assault upon the Dutch East Indies, si- multaneously with an effort to drive General Douglas MacAr- thur's forces off the island of Lu- zon.

This view was bolstered, they said, by army reports of an en- emy fleet concentration off Min- danao, the southernmost of the Philippine Islands, together with a massing of Japanese re- inforcements on the Luzon front.

The fighting on Luzon was, meanwhile, in a lull. The artill- ery of the two armies banged away at each other from a dis- tance. There were sporadic skir- mishes between Japanese and American patrols. Enemy air ac- tivity was confined to observa- tion flights.

By the Associated Press

Britain grimly swore its "ab- solute determination" to defend Singapore and "other vital areas" today (Sunday) as its troops fought an apparently los- ing battle for Kuala Lumpur, crude rubber center 180 miles north of Singapore.

Gen. Sir Henry R. Pownall, British commander at the British naval base in Malaya, told defenders in a broadcast tonight that there were days of bitter struggle ahead but that Britain and her allies were not idle.

"We are engaged," he said "upon the task of holding the enemy from vital areas and as far from them as possible while we renew, regroup and supple- ment our forces."

MICKEY ROONEY OF FILM FAME WEDS

Ballard, Calif., Jan. 10.—(P)—Fame came to this tiny com- munity in the rich Santa Ynez valley today.

Mickey Rooney, who coaxes more money into theater cash registers than anybody else in Hollywood, was married to his soft-spoken North Carolina sweetheart in the little rustic, Presbyterian church.

The simple ceremony was double ring, pronounced while the pastor's wife played "I Love You Truly" on the piano. First thing the newlyweds did after two affectionate kisses—was call Mrs. Mary Baker Gardner, the bride's mother, in Wilson, N. C.

Mickey's parents, Joe Yule and Mrs. Neil Pankey, were in at- tendance. His closest friend, Les Petersen, was best man. The bride's sister, Beatrice, attended her.

The couple left for a honey- moon in Del Monte, Calif., with- in an hour after the ceremony. They'll return to Hollywood next week.

BANGKOK RAIDED CLAIM OF BERLIN

Berlin, Jan. 10.—(Official Broadcast Recorded by AP)—German radio reports from Bangkok today said the British carried out a heavy aerial raid on the Japanese-occupied Thai capital Friday night, dropping a large number of bombs.

Many casualties were reported among the Indian and Chinese population.

(The account gave no details of military damage. Two raids were made on Bangkok by British air forces based in Burma earlier this week.)

RED STORM WORST 20 YEARS, TREE LOSS HIGH

Damage Heavy In Salem, Eugene And Albany—Many Autos Ditched.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 10.—(AP)—With censorship barriers drop- ped by an elapsed time of 48 hours, Oregon could announce today that it had a storm—and what a storm—earlier in the week.

Snow, sleet and a silver thaw combined to coat the Willamette valley and many other areas with ice, disrupting traffic, caus- ing accidents, straining transpor- tation systems, breaking off tele- phone and telegraph communica- tions and causing untold damage to trees.

The federal weather bureau indicated that Portland was on the edge of the storm, which cen- tered somewhere in the middle Willamette valley.

Salem called the storm its worst in 20 years and damage was extensive there, at Albany, Corvallis and Eugene. Salem estimated that 80 per cent of its trees were damaged, some ruin- ed, including rare species on the capitol grounds. Many orchards were seriously damaged.

At Corvallis, fallen limbs blocked sidewalks but thousands of trees in the Oregon State col- lege school of forestry's arbore- um escaped injury. They were planted so close together that they supported each other despite tons of ice on their limbs.

Travel over most highways was hazardous and hundreds of automobiles were ditched by the icy surface. Power failures were common at Sheridan, Willamette, Grand Ronde, Salem, Corvallis, Albany and Eugene.

Numerous communities, in- cluding Portland, closed their schools.

One death, that of Thomas Jubb, 78, Lebanon, was attrib- uted directly to the storm. He was found dead in his driveway after going out to clear off the snow.

SALES TAX LEVY EYED FOR FUNDS

Washington, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Members of the house ways and means committee, searching for \$7,000,000,000 in new general revenue, appeared to be giving increasing, though reluctant at- tention to a general sales tax.

A poll of the 25 members showed that only a few were will- ing at this time to commit them- selves to that method of obtain- ing new funds to help pay for 1942's \$56,000,000,000 war pro- gram. But many others said they regarded it as a comparatively painless tax that "we may have to come around to."

ALIEN SMUGGLING LAID TO LEVINE

New York, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Charles A. Levine, who flew the Atlantic as an airplane passen- ger in 1927, was arrested today on a federal indictment for smuggling into the country an alien whose name was given as Edgar Schneek, alias Edward Sie- gel.

Levine waived removal pro- ceedings and was held in \$1,000 bail by U. S. Commissioner Isaac Platt. Federal agents said that Levine was charged in a Cali- fornia indictment.

NO RACETRACK

Portland, Jan. 10.—(P)—Hen- ry Collins, chairman of the Ore- gon Racing commission, said to- day that plans had been dropped temporarily for construction of a horse-racing track at Portland.

Berlin, Jan. 10.—(Official Broadcast Recorded by AP)—German warplanes sank a 4,000-ton soviet transport and dam- aged three merchant ships and a light cruiser in the Black sea, the high command said today.

War Bulletins

London, Jan. 10.—(AP)—Brit- ain's first women conscripts registered for national service today. Girls of the 1921 class, they numbered about 350,000 and will be called to the ser- vices probably at the end of the month.

Singapore, Jan. 10.—(P)—The British commander in the far east, General Sir Henry R. Pownall, declared tonight that "the most vital of the areas which are to be defended and the one which we are abso- lutely determined to defend is Singapore."

He warned, in a broadcast commentary on the war, that "there are difficult days ahead with much hard fighting."

Alexandria, Egypt, Jan. 10.—(AP)—The British light cruiser Galatea, struck by three torpedoes from an axis submarine, flopped over like a stabbed turtle and went down within three minutes off the Egyptian Mediterranean coast in the inky darkness just after midnight the morning of Dec. 18.

Singapore, Jan. 10.—(P)—The Singapore radio in a broadcast tonight said that American-made Hudson bom- bers of the royal Australian air force had scored four direct hits on a Japanese ship off the east coast of Malaya.

The account said subsequent reconnaissance failed to locate the ship, which was presumed to have been sunk.

London, Jan. 10.—(P)—Ger- man bombers were reported over a northwest England area tonight.

High explosives were drop- ped in scattered areas along the east and northeast coasts. Damage was slight and there were no casualties.

TIRE RATIONING CHANGES SOUGHT BY UNION LABOR

Washington, D. C., Jan. 10.—(AP)—Labor organizations asso- ciated with retail delivery ser- vices are wiring their congress- ional delegations here, urging changes in the government's drastic tire rationing program.

Two main revisions requested are that the government restrict tire rationing to commercial de- livery vehicles and taxicabs and that no restriction on tire sales be applied to delivery services until all private automobile op- eration is abolished.

"Before taking action on tax- icabs we urge you to bear down on private cars," Seattle taxi- cab drivers urged.

A Salem, Ore., teamsters union demanded that there be no curtailment of retail delivery without first "abolishing all pri- vate car operation."

FREE FRENCH TO RETAIN ISLANDS

St. Pierre, St. Pierre-Miquelon, Jan. 10.—The Free French will remain in occupation of the islands of St. Pierre and Mique- lon, Vice-Admiral Emile Mus- seler declared today.

Musseler, who commanded the Free French units that occupied the islands Dec. 24, said that the plebiscite taken the following day showed that the population was in favor of the Free French as against Vichy, which formerly controlled the islands.

"In case anyone still remains in doubt as to my position, I am glad to repeat what I have said before. Here we are, and here we shall remain," Musseler said.

NIPS BEAR DOWN

Tokyo, Jan. 10.—(Official broadcast recorded by AP)—The Domei news agency re- ported today that the Japanese commander in the Philippines had ordered all United States and British nationals to report to the army immediately for in- terment "for their own pro- tection."

RUSSIAN PINCHER MOVEMENT KEEPS FOE RETREATING

Mozhaisk Trap Closing—Libya Armored Forces Last Stand Site Chosen.

London, Jan. 10.—(P)—Like a heavyweight champion keep- ing his foe off balance, the Soviet army tonight was re- ported pressing its uninter- rupted counter-offensive with con- spicuously successful blows in the central sector northwest and southwest of Moscow.

The two arms of the pincers seeking to trap perhaps 100,000 Nazis about Mozhaisk, 57 miles west of the capital, were extended further. Below Mozhaisk the Red army claimed recapture of Mozhaisk and to the north the Nazis were said to be retreating from Staritsa toward Rzhev—placing the Soviet advances at least 30 miles beyond Mozhaisk on either side, with the jaws of the pincers drawing ever closer.

In the Staritsa-Rzhev area the Germans apparently were trying to make a stand, for the Moscow radio broadcast a dispatch to the newspaper Izvestia reporting that the Nazis were rushing up planes "and infantry units are being brought up from deep in the rear."

Cairo, Egypt, Jan. 10.—(P)—Reports of an RAF bombing and machinegun attack on axis tanks grouped near Ras El Aali were seen tonight as indicating that General Erwin Rommel may have chosen that section along the Gulf of Sirte for the next stand of his still-strong armored force.

The British middle east head- quarters said the axis with- drawal along the 70-mile road to El Aghelia from their last stand at Agedabia was so swift that British advance troops were unable to bring the enemy to action.

The number of prisoners taken since the British drove westward from the Egyptian frontier ap- parently is not more than 25,000 and other axis casualties would appear to account for a rela- tively small part of the 150,000 axis troops which Prime Min- ister Churchill said confronted the British at the outset.

The rest, some sources said, apparently were in the hold-out forces near Halafya pass and scattered along the long com- munication lines which Rom- mel must guard.

ARMY AIR FORCE TROOPS GLIDERS

Washington, Jan. 10.—(P)—The War department disclosed today that the first of a number of large transport gliders—designed to carry air-borne in- fantrymen with full fighting equip- ment—had been delivered to the army air force.

Similar to those employed by the Nazi air force in the con- quest of Crete, the gliders have a wing span of more than 80 feet. The first was delivered to Wright field, Ohio, the army's aviation experimental station.

The War department said several manufacturing concerns had been working for the last nine months designing and building the gliders.

MICHIGAN SOLON PROUD OF LOUIS

Washington, Jan. 10.—(P)—Senator Brown (D., Mich.) told the senate today that Joe Louis, heavyweight boxing champion, "is a citizen of whom Michigan and the nation is proud."

The senator called attention to Louis' victory over Buddy Bear last night in which the Negro fighter risked his cham- pionship while donating his purse for navy relief funds.