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NAZI BOMBERS RAID NORTH SEA

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

TJUANA, reformed against its will, has turned respectable—like many another Jezebel. From merchandising sin to visiting Americans it has turned to selling duty-free merchandise to the same.

As for Americans, they seem to get about the same kick out of beating the customs laws they used to get out of circumventing the prohibition amendment and the anti-gambling statutes.

AT Villa Acuna, across the Rio Grande from Del Rio, in Texas, one crosses the border with no red tape whatever and returns with equal informality. Immigration and customs officials are stationed there, but they wave you on with a friendly nod.

The reason is plain. They know that if you bought the whole town of Villa Acuna, lock stock and barrel, and moved it bodily into the United States, the customs duties thus evaded wouldn't be sufficient to buy a week's supply of lipstick for one government stenographer.

Villa Acuna is no glittering metropolis.

AT El Paso, the immigration agents take a hasty squint at you to see if you look American, and unless you are loaded like a freshly grub-staked miner's burro the customs men pass you with a bare look.

There's only one real formality to returning from Juarez. Fancy imported liquors, such as rum, brandy and cordials, sell amazingly low over the line, and the state of Texas soon learned it was being done dirt. So, if you are carrying a load of liquor (outside, not inside), Texas officials stop you and slap on a tax that more or less offsets your saving.

El Paso and Juarez are just friendly neighbors, swapping back and forth with each other, and besides the merchandise sold in Juarez is mostly Mexican handiwork on which the total duty wouldn't be enough to be visible to a New Deal spender with a magnifying glass.

AT Tijuana it's a different story. Deprived of its traffic in sin, Tijuana has turned to duty-free merchandising in a big way.

In stores as handsomely equipped as any in Los Angeles, European luxury goods, such as French perfumes, silks, English woolsens, jewelry, etc., are sold by suave attendants who know all the angles. You can spend a wad in Tijuana, if you have it to spend, and the duty savings will be considerable. Quite a little Mexican handiwork, of course, is sold there, but in the aggregate it is just small change.

Within easy shopping range of Tijuana are some three million Americans, all keen on the idea of buying fancy imported stuff cheap.

IT'S easy to get over the border into Tijuana, for the Mexicans, like everybody else, smooth the way for a good customer. Getting back is apt to be something else.

There's no friendly nod or kindly wave of the hand from the American customs officials at Tijuana. They ply you with trick questions and scan you with a cold eye when you answer. If there's a false note anywhere, they search your baggage. Strictly NONE of the free and easy stuff at Villa Acuna (Continued on Page Two)

25 YEARS AGO TODAY

By The Associated Press

March 21, 1915—Germans re-take Memel.

France Gets New Cabinet

REYNAUD SETS UP 'WIN WAR' GOVERNMENT

New Premier Runs Into Trouble With Former Daladier Party

PARIS, March 21 (AP)—Paul Reynaud, France's financial troubleshooter, formed a broad coalition cabinet today to replace the resigned ministry of Edouard Daladier but immediately ran into internal political difficulties.

Even though he named Daladier national defense minister to step up the war against Germany and appeased the socialists by including three in his ministry, these three developments struck the new premier-foreign minister before his first cabinet meeting tomorrow.

Bickering
1. Daladier's own radical-socialist party both in the senate and chamber of deputies "reserved" approval to "await government acts."

2. Louis Marin's rightist republican federation branded the new ministry as failing to represent national adhesion and refused to be represented in it.

3. Former Premier Pierre-Etienne Flandin's rightist republican alliance ruled "no support from us."

The finance portfolio which Reynaud held in Daladier's resigned ministry went to Lucien Lamoureux.

War Committee
Reynaud assumed the premiership and foreign ministry portfolio himself, set up a special "war committee" whose five members include resigned Premier Edouard Daladier and announced a separate "economic council," similar to Britain's ministerial economic warfare group.

The five members of a specially named "inner war cabinet" are:

Reynaud, premier and minister of foreign affairs.

Edouard Daladier, resigned premier, minister of national defense.

Camille Chautemps, vice premier.

Cesar Campinchi, navy.

Senate Laurent Eynac, air.

Roual Dautry, armament.

The socialists, largest party in the chamber but without representation in a French cabinet since Daladier took power in April, 1938, have two ministers in the new government, Monnet and Riviere.

The cabinet was kept from being a real national union government by the refusal of Marin's republican federation at the extreme right to be represented.

Mother of Expected Quints Put Under Newspaper Care

MIAMI, Fla., March 21 (AP)—Enriched by an agreement that provides funds and medical care, Mrs. Katherine Callahan, who hopes to become a mother of quintuplets, rested today in a hospital suite far more luxurious than her one-room, \$2.50-a-week apartment.

But she was not a willing patient. Her physician, Dr. Arthur W. Wood, who earlier confirmed that X-ray photographs apparently showed five distinct heads of unborn babies, had to persuade the mother that a period of rest was necessary.

"I'm not sick," she asserted, and demanded to be permitted to join her husband, Emory, 30-year-old furniture factory



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One influential new deal senator from the east, as close to the chief executive as anyone in congress, said he did not know what was in the president's mind but he thought Farley had acted in the belief that Mr. Roosevelt wanted to retire.

Garner forces, however, expressed private elation over Farley's action. They voiced the opinion that Farley was in the race to stay, third term candidacy or not.

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FOOD STAMP BOOST FAILS TO GET VOTE

LaFollette Unable to Increase as Senate Eyes Huge Farm Measure

WASHINGTON, March 21 (AP)—Senator LaFollette (Prog.-Wis.) failed today in an effort to get the senate to appropriate \$113,000,000 instead of \$85,000,000 for expansion of the government's food stamp system.

With chamber approaching a vote on the billion-dollar farm bill, LaFollette proposed that the item for disposal of surplus commodities be increased. The law already provides allocation of a share of federal custom receipts, amounting to about \$100,000,000 for next year, for disposing of surpluses.

Out of Order
LaFollette's proposal was held out of order under provisions of a technical senate rule.

The Wisconsin senator asked the chamber to override the chair and act on his proposal. This it refused to do by a vote of 59 to 18.

The food stamp plan was operating in about 100 cities, LaFollette said, and the larger fund would make possible the addition of 60 cities of the same average size.

La Follette declared the surplus removal activity was "one new deal program that has worked and won unanimous support."

He argued that the food stamp plan was "the most effective device yet worked out to deal with the problem of underconsumption of food products by a substantial proportion of the population."

Senator O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.) told the chamber that unemployment and farm tenancy were factors which might develop "a peasant class in this country."

Tale Fire Spreads Ashes Over City; Ducks Driven Out

Ashes from a fire in the lakes along the western shore of Lake Ewauna sifted over Klamath Falls Thursday, causing consternation among housewives who have taken advantage of summer-like weather to hang washing out to dry.

The fire, set by crews of Great Northern railway to reduce the fire hazard for later in the season, started sending up billows of ashes early Thursday morning and rained them over the city throughout most of the day.

The fire covered an area of about three-quarters of a mile between the Great Northern drawbridge and Western States Grocery.

Unable to locate the source of the ashes, some residents were convinced that an abnormally early forest fire season was at hand.

Officers of the humane society reported that hundreds of honkers and ducks were driven from the fules by the fire. It was feared that the flames destroyed numerous nest eggs of the birds, and the humane society recalled that an effort had been made to have the fules burned off earlier in the year, without success.

Farmer Has Close Call in Lightning

LEBANON, N. J., March 21 (AP)—William Bruner, 50, a farmer, was reading under a lamp in his home last night when a bolt of lightning flashed along the wiring and singed off his hair to within a quarter inch of his scalp.

Otherwise, he was uninjured.

Shoots Official in Protest



"I shoot like I think, at the wall. . . . I did my duty," said Udham Singh, British Indian engineer, who killed Sir Michale O'Dwyer, retired Indian administrator at a London meeting. Singh said he merely wished to protest British government of India.

15 CCC Boys Injured as Truck Upsets

GRANTS PASS, March 21 (AP)—Fifteen CCC enrollees were rushed to Josephine General hospital this morning.

An attendant said they suffered "broken arms, legs, injured chests and backs. There are three doctors treating them and we will be busy all day."

A salesman said a CCC truck overturned near Hayes hill on the Redwood highway southwest of here.

Lieut. Micky at Camp Gasquet, 68 miles from here in northern California, said that the injured youths were from his camp. He said they had just completed their enrollment and were being brought here to entrain for their homes in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and North Carolina.

State Officer Jay Williams said he was told the driver of the leading truck in a caravan of three dozed at the wheel. There were skid marks at a curve, Williams said. The canvas-topped truck turned upside down but its wooden stakes held it off the 23 passengers.

Critically injured was Ivan Lee Pursell, Yorkville, Tenn., fractured spine and other injuries.

Bids Opened on Highway Buildings At Lake Odell

PORTLAND, March 21 (AP)—The state highway commission whipped through a routine session of bid opening today after seating Herman Oliver, John Day.

Oliver, formerly a board of higher education member, was appointed by Governor Sprague to succeed E. B. Aldrich of Pendleton, who resigned.

The commission also promised early improvement of the coast highway north of Newport; took under advisement a Roseburg request that the commission maintain the North Umpqua highway to Diamond lake, and considered a request for improvement of the Tiller Trail highway in Douglas county, which taps a sugar pine region soon to be opened by the forest service to sustained yield cutting.

Low bids on 12 road projects, totaling approximately \$440,000, included:

Klamath County—Construction of two frame dwellings and one frame maintenance building on Willamette highway near Odell lake, Barkham brothers, Salem, \$32,441.

SWAMP FEVER

WASHINGTON, March 21 (AP)—President Roosevelt was confined to his room again today with what he facetiously called "swamp fever."

BOMBS STRIKE TEN VESSELS IN TWO DAYS

British Claim All Convoy Trips Safe; Germans Say Nine Sunk

LONDON, March 21 (AP)—An admiralty communique tonight raised to ten the total of British or neutral ships attacked by Nazi bombers within the last two days, but asserted that three convoyed ships bombed last night "now are safe."

However, the admiralty disclosed that two other ships in the bombed convoy had reported reaching port that they were damaged. These were the British Northern Coast, 1211 tons and the Norwegian Erling Lindoe, 1281 tons.

Reports Denied
The communique insisted the German claim to have sunk nine merchant ships and war vessels totaling 42,000 tons was "in excess of the actual facts."

The communique also told of damage to the British steamer Barn Hill and the sinking of the Bothal and Viking, with 33 dead of a total of about 40 crewmen.

Danish snipping bore the brunt of the widened German offensive, losing three vessels. It was feared 30 men had gone down with the ships.

The 2465-ton British steamer Albion burned after being hit by an incendiary bomb and another British ship, her name undisclosed was bombed last night off the southeast coast and five of her crew killed.

Parliament recessed for the Easter holidays today amid growing reports that Prime Minister Chamberlain would reconstruct his cabinet during the interval before sittings are resumed April 2.

The house of commons sessions ended with outspoken criticism of two cabinet bigwigs, Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir John Simon and Lord Privy Seal Sir Samuel Hoare, voiced by Geoffrey Mander of the liberal opposition.

"It is widely felt throughout the country that the chancellor of the exchequer and the lord privy seal are heavy liabilities both at home and abroad," he said.

Meantime Germany's gun-bristling submarine bases in the Baltic loomed the next probable targets of British bombers, it was reported, as the belligerents disputed the results of their heavy exchange of blows across the North sea.

Planes to Seek Missing Trio

Taking advantage of a smooth lake surface, Sheriff Lloyd L. Low and Bill Randall early Thursday afternoon flew over Buck Island and Upper Klamath lake continuing the search for Darrell Culliver, George Schollenburg, and Jack Pflug-haupt, missing since March 4.

The three young men set out on a fishing trip in a canoe on that date and have not been heard from since, although parts of their camping equipment and the canoe have been located.

Mercury Rises To 74 Here

The Klamath basin basked in uncommon March warmth as an unofficial thermometer gave the temperature at "slightly under 74 degrees" at 2:30 p. m. Thursday.

Wednesday, first day of spring, saw the mercury rise to a new high for the year when the thermometer registered 71 degrees, warmest since October 16, 1939, when 72 was chalked up.

Thanksgiving Row Rears Head Again

BOSTON, March 21 (AP)—Massachusetts, where the first Thanksgiving was observed in 1621, will cling to custom in 1940 and celebrate the holiday upon the traditional last Thursday of November.

Governor Leverett Saltonstall, who stuck with the traditional date last year, along with New England's other five republican governors.

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