

BRITAIN GAINS DAILY IN AIR POWER, CLAIM

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ocean" to send the warships which will "bridge the gap between the peace flotillas of 1939 and the war flotillas of 1941."

There were other high points of Churchill's hour-long speech: Britain will permit no food to reach Hitler-dominated countries, despite American requests, because the nazis are taking the food of the defeated peoples for themselves.

Britain has 92,000 dead, wounded and missing in a little less than a year of war, compared with 365,000 in the first year of the last war, although countries and armies have vanished in this conflict on a scale comparable only to "barbaric times."

Britain, which he proclaimed stronger today than ever before, believes she can "continue the struggle indefinitely and as long as the enemy pleases and the longer it continues the more rapid will be our approach to that superiority in the air upon which, in large measure, the decision of the war depends."

British new air production, he said, exceeds that of Germany, although Britain still is vastly outnumbered in the air itself, yet American planes just are beginning to come.

"Cannon, rifles, machine guns, cartridges and shells" have been ferried in immense quantities, and safely, from America, he said, and "the British army is at home—more than two million determined men have rifles and bayonets in their hands, and three quarters of them are in regular military formation."

"Our stocks of food of all kinds are many times as great as in the days of peace... as in Nelson day the maximum holds, our first line of defense is the enemy's ports."

The prime minister, jeering at Hitler's proclaimed total blockade of England, declared bluntly that no food would be allowed to reach any country which has fallen to Hitler. He said he regretted that he had to refuse American requests that food be allowed to go to the people of France, Belgium and Holland.

He concluded that "the enemy are still far more numerous in the air than we," but declared that British plane production now exceeds Germany's "large."

Dies Declares Nazi, Fascist Spies on Coast

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 20 (AP)—Congressman Martin Dies said today he had evidence that both Germany and Italy maintain active espionage organizations in San Francisco.

"I have the names of seven known Italian spies in San Francisco and the names of 20 of the leaders of the German espionage organization here," he said after taking testimony from half a dozen witnesses at a secret hearing. Names of the witnesses were not made public.

Dies, chairman of the congressional committee on un-American activities, had been told that three maritime unions operating on the San Francisco waterfront and on vessels plying out of this port were controlled by communists. He named these as the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union, the American Radio Telegraphists association and the Maritime Cooks and Stewards.

While the rank and file of these unions were not communists, Dies said, they nevertheless were run by communist leaders.

Dies declared that gaining control of such unions was in keeping with communist policy, the plan being to prevent the United States from preparing its national defense, and, if war should come, to have men in positions where they might engage in espionage and sabotage.

Italian Victory In African 'Empty'

CAIRO, Egypt, Aug. 20 (AP)—The Italian occupation of British Somaliland was minimized today by British as "an empty victory" for Premier Mussolini in no way endangering Britain's control over the Red Sea or the Gulf of Aden.

Although evacuation of the port of Berbera left the Italians in command of the entire Somaliland coast, these sources said the city would prove "valueless to the enemy" and would provide no new base for attacks against British territory.

REDS BANNED

ATLANTA, Aug. 20 (AP)—For the first time in Georgia history, communists seeking public office will be barred in the November general election from having their names placed on the ballot.

Steak Fry — More than 100 reservations have been made for the second annual steak fry which the Sojourners club of this city has planned for Thursday, August 22, at 7 p. m. in Moore park. Chairman of the fry has requested each person to bring his own table service.

UNCERTAINTIES DELAY DEFENSE PROGRAM, HELD

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legislation would lift restrictions on profits to be made from the navy orders and would also permit defense plant construction costs to be deducted from taxable profits over a period of five years.

Some committee members took a different tack, however, the committee's report on the testimony disclosed. Senator McKellar (D-Tenn.) said that he thought perhaps "we should use a little force" to make manufacturers furnish needed materials. Senator Russell (D-Ga.) expressed himself as favoring authority for the president to take over plants when defense materials could not be obtained otherwise.

The admirals, chief of the navy's bureau of ordinance was quoted as saying that "I thought possibly this committee would be interested in knowing the facts that the progress has stopped on the procurement of materials that go into ships."

"The navy had no trouble whatever," he continued, "until business picked up and the army, having increased appropriations, began to buy guns without the operation of the Vinson-Trammell act (limiting profits). This and the foreign nations' and other government departments' buying without the operation of the Vinson-Trammell act has caused business from the navy to be unattractive."

VITAL STATISTICS

SMITH — Born at Hillside hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., August 20, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Smith, a girl. Weight: 7 pounds 12 1/2 ounces.

ALLEN — Born at Hillside hospital, Klamath Falls, Ore., August 20, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. Leland J. Allen, 250 Delta street, a boy. Weight: 8 pounds 9 ounces.

The interior temperatures of some stars is estimated at 1,800,000,000 degrees Fahrenheit.

Japs Alarmed at U. S.-Canada Pact

TOKYO, Aug. 20 (AP)—Japanese newspapers pressed alarm today over the United States' new defense accord with Canada, declaring that ultimately it would cause grave disturbances in the orient, Domei (Japanese news agency) reported in a broadcast.

One influential paper, Hochi, predicted that the Canadian agreement was forerunner of a similar American pact with Australia and said it "obliges Japan to be extremely watchful in view of its possible effect on the peace of the Pacific region."

FOUR KILLED IN DYNAMITE BLAST

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mite manufacturing area of the plant, packs the finished dynamite into paper cartridges. It is not for military purposes.

The four men killed were those regularly employed on this machine.

Anglo-American Union Visioned By Hore-Belisha

LONDON, Aug. 20 (AP)—Leslie Hore-Belisha, former secretary for war, raised in commonsense the possibility of an eventual union between the United States and the British empire.

Speaking after Prime Minister Churchill had referred to a trend toward British-American cooperation as "rolling along like the Mississippi," Hore-Belisha declared:

"If that trend should lead to the same kind of consummation as we hoped for in the case of France—namely, an eventual common citizenship — all the evils of this war will have been worth while."

"What the prime minister said regarding our relations with the United States," Hore-Belisha remarked, "atones for many diplomatic omissions."

GOING HOME

WILMINGTON, Calif., Aug. 20 (AP)—Dr. Gerhard A. Westrick, trade counselor to the German embassy at Washington, sailed for home on the Japanese motorship Nitta Maru today.

F. R. REFUSES DEBATE OFFER FROM WILLKIE

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speech, the interior secretary last night asserted:

"The republican party in 1940 contains the equivalent of England's and France's pro-Nazi Munich appeasers of 1938—the men with the black umbrellas."

Jokes said that Willkie was a member of Tammany hall and indicated that he considered him an admirer of the late Samuel Insull, utilities operator. Both statements were promptly termed "plain and simple falsehoods," by Willkie in a statement at Rushville, Ind., last night.

Willkie added that he was "astonished that the president of the United States should authorize such a speech."

Willkie wired Chairman Joseph Martin of the republican national committee to "waste no money in buying radio time to answer Jokes. It is unworthy of answer." (It had been planned to have Senator Bridges (R-N.H.) make a reply.)

FIRE CONDITIONS WORST IN HISTORY

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mile north of Weed, at times threatening the outskirts of the California town. Smoke rolled up from a swamp fire near Worden. A truck burned up after crashing into a tree on Hwy mountain, but the small fire set in the roadside was quickly extinguished, Klamath Forest Protective association reported.

Victor Sisson, chief fire dispatcher for the Klamath reservation, urged that The Herald

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and News emphasize the extreme fire conditions in the cause of utmost caution on the part of the public. "No man can hardly walk through the woods without starting a blaze," he said.

Fuel stick measurements, Sisson said, showed a moisture content of 2.3 per cent, the lowest in reservation history. Four per cent is considered "mighty bad," he stated while seven per cent constitutes blow-up conditions. Relative humidity has been at 14 for the past two weeks.

Largest Ever Assembled

The fire fighting force, numbering 550, is the largest ever assembled in the Indian territory. It was necessary to call 50 men from the Yakima reservation and 25 CCC boys from Crater Lake National park when the flames threatened to get out of hand.

Fifty CCC boys arrived from Burns Tuesday.

Logging crews of seven companies operating in the area are all on the firelines, Sisson said. Logging operations have been shut down.

Efforts to halt the racing flames were hampered by a strong wind that blew at the velocity of 30 miles per hour all Monday. It was feared that unless the wind dies, the lines might again be broken Tuesday.

Meanwhile in Tulelake two fires resulting from sparks from combine engines were reported. The first, on the Shindler ranch, in the Tulelake homestead area, burned over 10 acres of clover seed before it was put out. Another, on the Walter Golden homestead, destroyed 10 sacks of oats. Extremely dry weather conditions were blamed.

Contrary to popular opinion, some female canaries have been known to sing.

BRITISH ATTACK GERMAN REGIONS

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Norwegian coast between Bergen and Stavanger, which might serve as a base for a sea-borne Nazi invasion against which Britain is making constant preparations.

Klamath to Have CE Convention

PORTLAND, Aug. 20—Klamath Falls was selected yesterday for the 1941 Oregon Christian Endeavor Union convention.

Mrs. Violette Uhlig Klamath Falls, was elected state superintendent to succeed Christian Pearson, also of Klamath Falls, who resigned.

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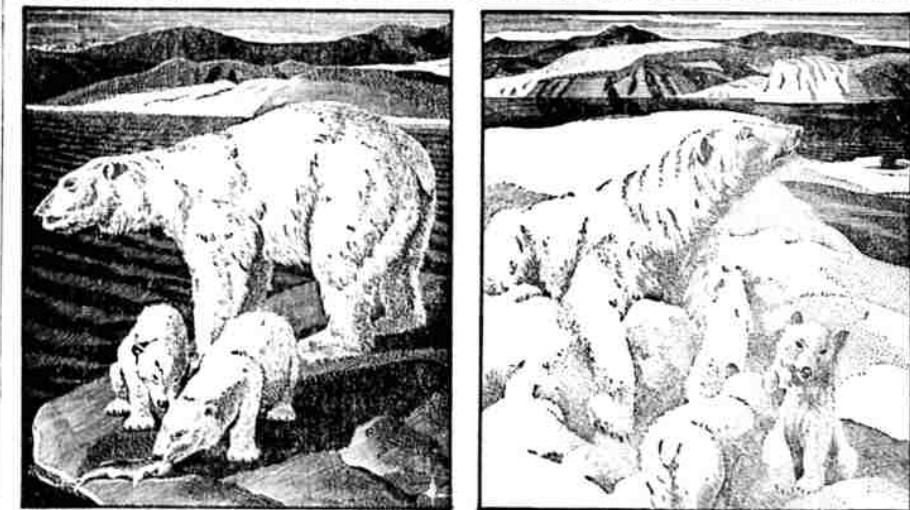
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