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STORMY

BRITISH SEIZE ERITREA CAPITAL

U. S. Charges Ship Crews

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

GERMANY and Italy demand today the giving back of their seized ships and the release of the crews.

They don't expect their demands to be complied with. What they want to know is whether we mean business, and if so how much.

JAP FOREIGN MINISTER MATSUOKA, in Rome, tells Italian and foreign newspapermen that:

1. Japan stands for international peace.
2. More, in his opinion, can be gained by negotiation in a spirit of mutual understanding than by war.
3. A personal meeting among the leaders of the great powers would seem desirable.
4. The desire of the Japanese people for peace is strong.

BEFORE you break out laughing, remember this: As Matsuoka was speaking, the flower of the Italian navy had just been blown out of the water by a hard-shooting squadron of British warships that came out of the encounter without a single hit or a single casualty.

IN today's dispatches it is intimated strongly that Hitler ordered the Italian fleet to leave its harbors and take a chance with the British.

Hitler is trying to egg the Japanese into war with the United States in the Pacific so that we may be kept too busy to give the British effective help in the Atlantic.

Matsuoka's interview in Rome sounds like he is getting cold feet.

TODAY'S Berlin report tells of hospitals bombed by the British in last night's aerial attack.

Damage to hospitals is one of the news the censors can't be relied on to pass.

The first law of propaganda is that the other fellow must be made to appear a brute.

THE British (referring to the same raid) tell of using a new and destructive type of aerial bomb.

The London communique says: "Houses took to the air when the bombs burst. Masses of debris flying through the air were outlined against the glow of fires—and the results appeared to be devastating."

That's total war.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT telegraphs to the conference handling the threatened coal miners strike:

"Uninterrupted operation of the bituminous coal industries is extremely important. Suggest if necessary you continue negotiations during Tuesday looking to satisfactory agreement."

IN other words: "Keep working while you're negotiating. Don't let production fall off."

That is all the public asks of labor and management. It is a simple request, but TREMENDOUSLY important.

IN spite of all the threats, no shooting yet (at noon today) in Yugoslavia—or elsewhere in the Balkans.

From this you may judge as to the amount of talking necessary to make a war.

STRIKES BRING VIOLENCE FOR TWO DISTRICTS

Two Shot in Harlan County; Chalmers Scene of Fight

MILWAUKEE, April 1 (AP)—At least 20 persons were injured today as police and deputy sheriffs poured round after round of tear gas into a milling, shouting crowd of strikers who retaliated by hurling hundreds of rocks and bricks through windows at the strike-bound Allis-Chalmers plant in suburban west Allis.

MILWAUKEE, April 1 (AP)—Police and deputy sheriffs late today resorted to the use of tear gas a second time to break up a demonstration of strikers attempting to prevent a back-to-work movement at the strike-bound Allis-Chalmers plant.

NEW YORK, April 1 (AP)—The nation's bituminous operators and representatives of the United Mine Workers of America (CIO) called a short recess late today amid strong indications that an agreement—with concessions by both sides—was near.

By The Associated Press
Violence flared quickly in Harlan county, Ky., today as picketing of bituminous coal mines started while negotiators in New York worked on a new agreement for the 330,000 miners of the eight-state Appalachian region. The old contract expired last night.

A mine guard and a man described by officers as a picket were shot and wounded at different mines.

President intervenes
President Roosevelt last night urged a speedy coal agreement. New violence also flared at the gates of the Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing company at Milwaukee and police again used an armored fortress to break picket ranks which were trying to halt a back-to-work move.

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Explosion Inside Destroyer Hull Kills 1, Hurts 2

KEARNY, N. J., April 1 (AP)—One workman was killed and two were seriously injured today in an acetylene gas explosion in the hull of a US navy destroyer under construction on the Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock company yards.

The dead man was identified as Hugh Scullion of Kearny, a helper in the hull of the vessel, which company officials said was not damaged.

A spokesman for the firm said "no sabotage was involved," and that investigations were started by federal officials, the navy and the federal bureau of investigation.

The two injured men, Henry A. Boutot, 38, a helper, and Benjamin Ferneyhough, 41, a chopper, were treated at St. Francis hospital, Jersey City, for second and third-degree burns and internal injuries. They had been welding plates. No other employees were in the immediate vicinity.

Germans Bomb Three Tankers

BERLIN, April 1 (AP)—Three tankers, aggregating about 24,000 tons, were bombed and destroyed by German planes in St. George's channel west of Pembroke this morning, authorized German sources reported tonight.

They said two other tankers, totaling 16,000 tons, were "so heavily damaged their loss must be assumed."

Miss Klamath



—Comart photo
Miss Betty Patzke of Bly who was named "Miss Klamath County" in the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland theme girl contest Tuesday. As one of the nine Wonderland "Welcomettes" she will be introduced to Wonderland residents along with "Miss Shasta-Cascade—1941 Alice of Wonderland" at Redding Saturday night and Sunday.

BETTY PATZKE TO BE MISS KLAMATH

Bly Girl Chosen to Represent County In Wonderland

REDDING, April 1—Election of Lydia Santini of Weed, Siskiyou county, California, as theme girl and official hostess of the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland scenic region of northern California and southern Oregon, was announced today by Tom L. Stanley, general manager of the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland association. She will be titled "Miss Shasta-Cascade—1941 Alice of Wonderland" and will be so proclaimed at opening ceremonies of the 1941 Shasta-Cascade Wonderland all-season "Fun Festival" in Redding and at Toyon City in the Shasta dam area this Saturday and Sunday, April 5 and 6. The public is invited.

Elected with Miss Santini to officiate as county theme girls and hostesses of "Fun Festival" events in their home counties of the Wonderland scenic region were:

"Miss Tehama County," Arda Westcott, Gerber; "Miss Lassen County," Marjorie Compton, (Continued on Page Two)

AXIS PROTESTS TO BE IGNORED IN WASHINGTON

Hemisphere Joins in Seizure of Boats In Harbors

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP)—Attorney General Jackson today ordered United States attorneys to proceed immediately with prosecutions in cases involving sabotage of Italian and German vessels in United States waters.

Immigration officials have arrested 875 sailors taken from 28 Italian merchant ships and two German ships to face deportation proceedings and some of these are expected to face charges of sabotaging the ships.

Prosecution Starts
The justice department said that prosecutions already had been started at Boston, Mass., and Mobile, Ala.

Justice department officials said the proceedings had nothing to do with possible moves to take title to axis ships which have been taken into custody by federal agents.

The law provides maximum penalties of 20 years' imprisonment and \$10,000 fine for firing or sabotaging any privately-owned vessel, whether foreign or domestic, in United States territorial waters.

Axis Demands
Germany and Italy have demanded that the United States release axis ships taken into protective custody during the weekend and also members of the crews, it was learned reliably today.

The demands were made in notes of protest lodged with the state department by the axis embassies late yesterday. The state department and the embassies alike declined to make public the contents of the notes. (Continued on Page Two)

Squadron Visits In Fiji Islands

SUVA, (Fiji Islands), April 1 (AP)—Two United States cruisers and five destroyers arrived here today on a training cruise, and varied entertainments were arranged for the officers and men.

The city was bedecked with bunting to welcome the visitors, and dances, boxing matches, social events and other affairs were planned.

First Dance Ticket Sells



First ticket to the annual Shrine dance given for the crippled children's hospital in Portland, went to "Tex" Castleberry, well known Klamath Falls druggist, who paid \$100 for the pasted board at a noonday meeting Tuesday of the Lions club. At the left, Elmer Balsiger, president of the Shrine club, shakes hands with Castleberry, while Walter Wiesendanger, Lions club president and active Shriner, holds the check. The dance is scheduled for Saturday, April 19, at the armory.

Kesterson Workers Vote



Employees of the Kesterson Lumber company Tuesday were casting their votes in a national labor relations board election to determine the bargaining agent for all workers. On the ballot were the AFL, CIO and "no-union." Seated at left is Robert E. Davies, NLRB field representative, who announced that results of the poll would be released late this evening.

U. S.-MEXICO PACT TO BOOST DEFENSE

Joint Use of Fields For Air Forces Agreed

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP)—The United States and Mexico today signed a convention providing for reciprocal use of air fields which will permit American military planes to speed to Panama in the shortest possible time.

The convention was signed at 12:15 p. m. by Sumner Welles, under secretary of state, and Francisco Castillo Najera, the Mexican ambassador, in the presence of Mexican and American military experts who formed the committee to draft plans for mutual defense measures for defense of the western hemisphere.

The convention will now be sent to the senate for ratification and to the Mexican congress for appropriate action.

The agreement, qualified authorities stated, would greatly strengthen the aerial defenses of the Panama canal by making it possible for the United States to shift air force reinforcements rapidly southward from this side of the Rio Grande if danger threatened the canal zone.

Under its terms, army and navy planes would be permitted to fly the length of Mexico, utilizing Mexican air fields en route for refueling and repairs, and thus would be able to reach Panama in the shortest possible time.

Hopes Higher For Kalpine Strike Windup

Hopes for peace and a return to work for striking employees of the Kalpine Plywood company appeared higher Tuesday than at any time during the month-old strike as a prolonged conference between CIO representatives, company officials, and Charles Wheeler, federal labor conciliator continued through the afternoon.

Details of the conference were not released nor was there any intimation regarding proposals which may end the CIO shutdown at the Weed highway plant but the general attitude of all parties was cheerful.

As Kalpine negotiations continued an important national labor relations board election was being conducted at the Kesterson Lumber company. Workers were voting at Harmony hall at the mill throughout the day on whether they wanted the CIO or the AFL as bargaining agent or were in favor of a "no-union" setup.

Robert E. Davies, NLRB field representative here for the ballot, said results would be announced at the conclusion of voting tonight.

No further statements were issued by any of the embattled parties. Last gun fired in the almost continuous verbal warfare was a CIO release of Monday. Full text of this will be found on Page 3 of this paper.

House Approves Bill to Affirm Monroe Doctrine

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP)—The house completed congressional action today on a measure to reaffirm the historic Monroe doctrine by opposing transfers by non-American nations of their possessions in this hemisphere to any other non-American power.

Representative Luther Johnson (D-Tex.) said the measure, which went through on a voice vote and now goes to the White House, was almost identical with those passed by the house and senate last year but which died in a senate house conference committee.

The two houses differed only as to whether the measure should refer to "this hemisphere" or "western hemisphere." The former—house—language finally was adopted.

There was not a word of opposition to the measure Representative Fish (R-N.Y.) and other members of the minority declared they favored its adoption "at this critical time" to prevent any future possibility of Germany obtaining control of any territories in this hemisphere now held by Britain, France or the Netherlands.

TOLL AT GLASGOW
LONDON, April 1 (AP)—Listed casualties for two night raids on the Clyde area at Glasgow March 13 and 14 have risen to 1100 killed and 1000 seriously injured, Home Secretary Morrison told the house of commons today.

YUGOSLAVIA MAY ASK SOVIET AID

Guards Keep People Of Belgrade Off Refugee Trains

BELGRADE, April 1 (AP)—Soldiers with fixed bayonets stood at the entrance to railway stations tonight to enforce a government order against hysterical evacuation of this capital as Belgrade-Berlin negotiations appeared to have reached an impasse.

An authoritative German source said Germany had rejected a Belgrade offer of "some verbal promises" in connection with last week's Yugoslavian adherence to the tripartite pact, and instead is insisting upon "an open offer of complete friendship with the axis."

It was believed this would involve mobilization of the Yugoslav army and possibly transportation of material and later soldiers through Yugoslavia toward Greece.

BELGRADE, April 1 (AP)—Government circles said today Yugoslavia's new government was seriously considering joining soviet Russia and Turkey in a neutrality declaration.

Such a declaration was said to have been proposed by the soviet union but ignored by Regent Prince Paul, who was ousted last week with the Cvetkov government that signed the axis three-power treaty.

(Russia and Turkey issued identical statements March 25 pledging each other "full and comprehensive neutrality" in the event that either was obliged to fight to defend her territory.)

Belief was expressed in important quarters here that such a declaration could have an important psychological effect on the critical relations between Germany and Yugoslavia.

Virtuoso



Albert Spalding, known as "America's violinist," who will appear in concert here tonight.

LAST ITALIAN STRONG POINT IN EAST FALLS

Undefended Seaport Only Remaining Enemy City

CAIRO, Egypt, April 1 (AP)—Asmara, capital of Eritrea, capitulated to the British today, it was announced officially tonight.

The report of Asmara's capitulation came swiftly after the March 26 capture of Cheren, 42 miles to the northwest, a mountain stronghold which 35,000 Italian defenders made a major obstacle in the British path.

One Port Left
Only Massaua, on the Red sea, Eritrea's sole good port, remains now as a major goal of the British in their sweep across the East African colony from the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan frontier toward the sea.

The city of Asmara had been in Italian hands since 1889 and had come to resemble a city of southern Italy—even to sidewalk cafes. It became the Eritrean capital in 1900, when the seat of government was transferred from Massaua, 40 miles to the northeast.

Of Asmara's last recorded population of approximately 98,000 persons, more than 50,000 were Italians—the largest concentration of Italians in the entire colony.

The city was well fortified and Fort Baldissera, on a hill overlooking the town, once had the reputation of being impregnable. A new airport recently was constructed south of the city and before the war regular service was maintained to Bengasi, Libya, to Rome, to Assab, Eritrea, and to Addis Ababa.

It was linked by rail with Cheren and Agordat, already in British hands, and to Massaua. The rail distance to the latter city is 75 miles. Motor roads (Continued on Page Two)

Holman Tells of Refugee Plot

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP)—Senator Holman (R-Ore.) told the senate today that "persons high in government authority are conniving" to bring to the United States 450,000 refugees communists now in southern France.

He did not elaborate but he was supported by Senator Reynolds (D-NC.) who said thousands of "communists are waiting in France" to come to this country "under the smoke screen of being tourists and refugees."

Dignified Judge Spills Crockery

LOS ANGELES, April 1 (AP)—Samuel H. Blake, the dignified judge, arose for an after-dinner speech. Dishes crashed to the floor; water spilled from glasses.

Someone had stuffed a corner of the tablecloth in the jurist's vest. Judge Blake roared—with mirth. He's president of All Fool's Asylum, Inc., No. 1, which held its annual banquet last night. Membership is limited to persons born April 1.

RECORD TOTAL
LONDON, April 1 (AP)—Britain spent a record total of \$3,887,245,870 (about \$15,546,000,000) in the fiscal year ended last night. Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir Kingsley Wood said this compared with \$3,317,972,855 (about \$13,338,000,000) in the year before.

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25 YEARS AGO TODAY

By The Associated Press

April 1, 1916—Zeppelins attack England and Scotland.