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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

REALISTIC thinking today (Tuesday) leads to the conclusion that the British adventure in Greece has failed.

It has failed at least to create a new front against which the Germans would dash ineffectively with heavy losses to themselves.

Hitler's war machine is proving too powerful.

WHETHER it has created a diversion that will draw the German lightning away from Britain can not yet be determined.

That must have been one of its larger purposes.

OFFHAND, it looks like another Gallipoli—another Norway. It was obviously carried out with sketchy and incomplete preparation. Back of it must have been merely the hope that it MIGHT work rather than a matured military belief that it WOULD work.

That seems to be characteristic of Churchill. With Gallipoli and Norway and the trifling but typical fiasco at Dakar in his background, it is hard to escape the feeling that he is unable to resist long shot gambles.

From the beginning the Balkan campaign looked like gambling against heavy odds. It looks more so today.

WE must not, of course, overlook the possibility that an immediate German attack upon England may have been postponed, thus giving more time for American aid to reach the British Isles, which are the heart of the British empire.

FOR the next few days (or weeks) watch Africa.

To make the Greek adventure possible, Britain weakened her African forces. The Germans took quick advantage of this weakening and rushed troops over the Mediterranean, probably at night. Anyway they got through the British fleet.

These German forces have already taken back all that Wavell won in his brilliant winter campaign against the Italians. They are directly menacing all of Egypt and are aiming at Suez.

They must undoubtedly have French Africa and Gibraltar in mind as objectives.

MEANWHILE rumors are flying again.

From Istanbul comes the report that political talks of an undisclosed nature are under way at Ankara (Turkish capital) between Turkey and Russia.

The Turkish reaction to the Jap-Russ friendship pact is said to be: "It is of direct concern to GERMANY."

The implication is that with her back door temporarily cleared Russia is preparing to get together with Germany at the front door.

FROM German sources comes a tale that Germany's Russian border in Poland is being heavily and hastily strengthened. The implication of that is that Germany is taking no chances as to Russia.

STILL another rumor, whose origin is hard to trace, has it that Turkish and German negotiations leading to the early signing of some sort of friendship or neutrality treaty are under way at Ankara.

Draw your own conclusions as to that rumor.

THIS much is fairly certain: In the light of what has happened in the past week, any talk of possible British invasion of Europe at any reasonably near time is absurd.

HEAVIEST TRAFFIC

LOS ANGELES, April 15 (AP)—The municipal airport commission reports 330,000 landings and takeoffs at the municipal airport in 1940, claimed to be the greatest air traffic of any airport in the country. Fifteen per cent of the movement was military.

Looking Backward

By The Associated Press

April 15, 1940—British land expeditionary force in Norway. April 15, 1916—British raid German trenches near Lens.

HARRY HOPKINS TO SUPERVISE AID TO BRITAIN

President's Advisor To Control Purchase Of Arms By Allies

By ARTHUR F. DEGREVE, United Press Correspondent. WASHINGTON, April 15 (UP)—President Roosevelt today made his close friend and personal advisor, Harry L. Hopkins, supervisor of the \$7,000,000,000 effort to aid Great Britain and her allies.

The 51-year-old Iowan will supervise all arms purchases by countries "in the lend-lease area." Purchasing operations by other countries, including Latin American republics, which involve matters of foreign policy, will be processed by the state department.

Liaison Unit. The liaison committee established on December 6, 1939, under the chairmanship of Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr., to coordinate foreign military purchases with this nation's defense needs, was dissolved.

The new set-up was revealed in an exchange of letters between the president and Morgenthau made public by the White House. The action merely formalized Hopkins' role in the war-aid effort which he has played informally since the lend-lease bill became law.

Soon after his appointment was announced, Hopkins and the war cabinet composed of Mr. (Continued on Page Two)

Race Winners Finance Big Slum Project

PHILADELPHIA, April 15 (AP)—Investment in the Irish slum project made possible the opening today of a \$150,000 slum clearance project, first of its kind to be privately financed in this country.

Pearl and Benjamin Mason held a ticket on the victorious Workman in 1939 and with their winnings built the Frances Plaza apartments for members of their race, naming the developments after the daughter who drew the top horse.

Happy to share their good fortune, the couple was on hand to welcome first occupants selected from more than 300 applicants for the 50 south Philadelphia dwellings.

Nearly \$100,000 of the Masons' \$150,000 prize went into the project, loans from the Reconstruction Finance corporation and a bank accounting for the remainder.

Modern in every respect, the apartments are equipped with air conditioning, playground, lawns and a fountain, playrooms in the basement for children, a gymnasium and bowling alley, reception hall for social affairs and chapel for religious services.

Rents of \$30 a month for three-room units and \$39 for five rooms are the lowest possible to meet construction investment and upkeep.

Law Requires Protection of Merchant Fleet, Says F. D. R.

WASHINGTON, April 15 (UP)—President Roosevelt said today that the United States is obligated by federal law to protect its merchant ships outside combat zones. But he left unanswered the volatile convoy question.

Refusing to discuss whether the need for use of U. S. naval power to protect shipments of materials is growing more acute, Mr. Roosevelt told his press conference that a lot of nonsense has been printed on this subject by people who don't know a hill of beans about it.

He said that although he personally knows a little something about the subject, he would hesitate to comment on the question of convoys.

Federal Law. As for this government's obligation to protect its merchant vessels outside combat zones, he emphasized that this is definite under federal law and is not a question of administration policy. Further, he dismissed, as

Defies Copenhagen



Hurrying to the state department at Washington, D. C., is Henrik de Kauffmann, Danish Minister, who announced after a conference with Secretary of State Cordell Hull that he would disregard orders of his government in Copenhagen in recalling him because he signed an agreement granting defense basis in Danish Greenland to the U. S.

TRIAL STARTS FOR ANDERSON

Scientific Testimony Expected Wednesday By State Witnesses

Testimony of a scientific nature appeared scheduled by state's attorneys here in the second degree murder trial of James Quentin Anderson, 18-year-old Indian youth accused in the death of Jerry Zulkoski, white, last January.

Subpoenaed in the case are Dr. Joseph Beeman, pathologist of the University of Oregon medical school and officer of the state crime laboratory, and Stanley McDonald, ballistics expert of the Portland police department. It is expected they will give testimony Wednesday for the state concerning results of scientific tests made in Portland on several of the state's 20 exhibits already introduced in the case.

Deputy Sheriff Dale Mattoon took the witness stand late Tuesday afternoon to testify he took clothing from the body of Zulkoski and other articles of clothing which Sheriff Lloyd Low obtained at the home of the defendant to Portland, where tests were performed. Officers are reported to have procured clothing supposedly worn by the defendant the night of the shooting as well as two rifles and shells which were in a cabin on the Anderson hay ranch on the table land near Beatty. These articles, along with a bullet (Continued on Page Two)

merely the talk of orators, reports that American merchant ships might be armed.

His remarks followed renewed charges by Sen. Charles W. Tobey, (R-N. H.), that American convoys "may appear out in the Atlantic some day" by executive order unless congress places itself on record against such a move.

Tobey, expressing fear that the administration may "yield to pressure from groups that have heretofore been successful in gaining their ends," demanded speedy consideration of his resolution against use of the U. S. navy to convoy materials to Britain.

He said he feared there was "backstage" maneuvering for convoying and declared that such a step would plunge this nation into war.

Congress has been debating the convoy question for several months and has received many resolutions expressing opposition to such a move.

MINE GUNPLAY IN KENTUCKY KILLS 4 MEN

Score Injured While "Both Sides" Open Fire During Dispute

By The Associated Press. Gunfire in the southeast Kentucky soft coal fields killed four men Tuesday and resulted in wounding of more than 20 others.

Officers said they could not determine at once what led to the shooting near a mine which has not stopped operations in a general shut-down due to a wage dispute.

Tried to Close Mine. Patrolman Guy Harrell of Middlesboro, Ky., said the battle started on a road leading to the Fork Ridge Coal company mine, about a mile from the Tennessee line.

The officer related that his information was that the miners, in about 100 automobiles and trucks of which a majority bore Harlan county license plates, arrived near the mine "shortly after midnight and tried to get the mine to shut down."

"Both sides," he continued, "began shooting with shotguns and pistols. There has been so much confusion it has been hard to get a clear picture of the trouble."

An executive of the Fork Ridge company who declined to permit the use of his name declared that the mine would not attempt operations today.

The dead included: C. W. Rhodes, 45, president of the Fork Ridge Coal company and of the American association, a combination of soft coal mining interests which founded Middlesboro; E. W. Silvers, vice president and treasurer of the coal company a miner and a former Tennessee highway patrolman. Five men were killed in two gunshot battles in Harlan county April 1 and 2 as union miners. (Continued on Page Two)

NAZIS ASSAIL BRITISH ACTION

Evacuation of Troops From Greek Fronts Accused by Germans

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER. BERLIN, April 15 (AP)—England's behavior in Greece was castigated by authorized German sources today as "the most shameful crime ever perpetrated on an ally."

These sources declared the German high command, through Luftwaffe reconnoitering, obtained indisputable proof that the British were preparing a hasty retreat from Greece, leaving their ally in the lurch.

"Loves Surprises." London radio reports purporting to give Greece news of victories such as repulsion of the SS Adolf Hitler guards were declared to be "infamous and silly lies."

When asked where German forces now stand in the Balkans and Africa, these sources said: "As you know, our high command loves surprises and completeness. We don't propose to dish our military news out piece-meal. You'll learn soon enough just what the military (Continued on Page Two)

Hawaii Has Third Plane Crackup In 24-Hour Period

HONOLULU, T. H., April 15 (UP)—An army pursuit plane and a navy plane crashed in mid-air today in Hawaii's third military airplane accident within 24 hours.

The army announced 2nd Lieut. Ellis W. Wright, Jr., 24, air corps reserve stationed at Wheeler field, parachuted from the army plane, landed in the ocean and swam safely ashore. He was the only occupant of the army plane.

The navy plane was not identified and it was not disclosed immediately how many persons were aboard it and whether they escaped in the crash. The collision reportedly occurred at 1000 feet altitude over Paumotu beach.

British Forces Trapped In Greece By Nazis, Report

Convicts Captured After Break From Sing Sing



Two long-term convicts who shot their way out of Sing Sing prison infirmary, Ossining, N. Y., in a sensational break which cost four lives were captured within a few hours in the woods across the Hudson river. Police took the two, Joseph Riordan (left), and Charles McGale (right), into the Ossining police station prior to return to prison.

BRITISH RUSH EGYPT DEFENSE

Nile Troops Race To Halt Nazi Columns Driving Toward Suez

LONDON, April 15 (AP)—Thousands of British imperial troops released from the east African front were reported hastening to the defense of Egypt today in a race with mechanized axis forces pushing from the west in a drive aimed at the Suez canal.

With the British garrison at Tobruk, Libya, hemmed in by German and Italian units which already have reached the Egyptian outpost of Salum, there no longer was any attempt here to minimize the seriousness of the situation.

More Difficult Job. Although public confidence in General Sir Archibald P. Wavell, British middle east commander, appeared strong, most observers agreed that he is facing a more difficult task than the one he accomplished only a few months ago when he drove the Italians out of Egypt.

This time, they pointed out, (Continued on Page Two)

Lost Plane Found Crashed, Burned

CHEYENNE, Wyo., April 15 (AP)—A missing monoplane carrying two Denver men was sighted at 2:25 p. m. this afternoon by an aerial searching party. The plane had crashed and burned.

News of the discovery in a remote part of southeast Wyoming was radioed to state highway patrol headquarters from a Continental Airlines plane hunting the lost ship.

Search for the missing plane, which carried Charles B. Owen, 48, Denver contractor and Stanley Jamelle, 30, co-pilot for Continental Airlines at Denver, was directed toward the 11,692 foot mountain peak when a report was received this morning that "something that looked like a plane" had been sighted in that vicinity.

DANA, Wyo., April 15 (UP)—The bodies of two men, burned beyond recognition, were found late today in the charred wreckage of a small monoplane which crashed on Dana ridge five miles southwest of here.

Linden White, 37, a filling station employe, snowshoed to the top of the ridge and found the bodies of Stanley Jamelle, 30, of Denver, and Charles Owen, 48, Denver contractor, strapped to the seats of the wrecked plane.

The plane crashed on a mountain three miles from the nearest highway.

Mexican City Feels Severe Earthquake

MEXICO CITY, April 15 (UP)—Reports seeping in over damaged communications systems tonight said the most severe earthquake felt here in years had wrought havoc in Colima, city of some 20,000 near the southwest coast.

Unconfirmed newspaper reports said the city 570 miles southwest of the capital and 38 miles from the coast, was "half destroyed." One account set the dead at 30 while other of more general nature said many were killed and others injured.

Damage estimated at 3,000,000 pesos was caused in Mexico City when the capital rocked at 1:10 p. m. At least eight fires broke (Continued on Page Two)

Dollar-a-Year Men Scarce In Democrat List

WASHINGTON, April 15 (UP)—President Roosevelt said today he asked OPM Director General William S. Knudsen why a list of \$1 a year men submitted for his approval contained only republicans.

Haven't you been able to find any democrats? the president asked Knudsen. Knudsen's answer, according to the president, was: There are no democrats rich enough to serve for \$1 a year.

Needs of Civilians May Be Subordinated, Says Stimson

WASHINGTON, April 15 (AP)—Secretary Stimson solemnly warned a senate investigating committee today that the United States was facing "a dangerous emergency" which "may be very prolonged."

Testifying as the first witness before a new defense investigating committee headed by Senator Truman (D-Mo.) the war department head indicated that in future preparations to meet this emergency the nation's civilian needs may be further subordinated to the military program to expedite production of war supplies.

Duration Unstated. He did not say just how long he thought the danger period might last but he declared that to meet whatever situations may arise the army was planning a program of training which will cover "many successive military units and a many successive installments of men, and which in the aggregate may last for five years." Presumably he referred to the training program under the selective service act which will be operative until 1945.

"Thus far the department has imposed its military program on top of the normal commercial operations of the country and to date the government has done little to subordinate the civilian needs of the country to its military program," Stimson said. "Possibly, we can improve our rates of production if we cut in to those needs."

War Bulletins

LONDON, Wednesday, April 16 (UP)—Four German bombers were destroyed during last night's rather heavy attacks on various parts of the British Isles, it was announced this morning.

BELFAST, Northern Ireland, Wednesday, April 16 (UP)—Practically all of northern Ireland was covered by a heavy hour's-long bombing attack by German planes last night, the ministry of public security announced this morning.

ISTANBUL, Wednesday, April 16 (UP)—Reliable Bulgarian sources here said today that Bulgarian troops have begun to march into Grecian Thrace to occupy the region from Alexandropolis to the Struma river.

ROME, Wednesday, April 16 (UP)—The Italian Stefani news agency reported in a Berlin dispatch today that a Croat officer said hard fighting between Serbs and Croats was in progress around Mostar, Jugoslavia.

BERLIN, Wednesday, April 16 (UP)—British bombers attacked northern Germany last night and strong Nazi formations attacked military objectives in northern Ireland, the official news agency said this morning.

imposed its military program on top of the normal commercial operations of the country and to date the government has done little to subordinate the civilian needs of the country to its military program," Stimson said.

Analyzing the problem confronting the army in creating large forces "fully trained to operate in a war of movement," he said:

"Furthermore, our forces must be prepared for the possibilities of war in many and varied terrains, it being quite uncertain in what part of north or south or Central America, or even possibly other regions it ultimately may be necessary to use in the defense of this country and its possessions."

Paying tribute to the spade work done by the army general staff and the war department in getting the defense program into full swing, Stimson said it had made possible the delivery of weapons and other equipment from eight to 12 months ahead of the World war schedule.

PANZERS BACK ALLIED FLANK 35-40 MILES

Germans Say Troops Cut Off Between Mt. Olympus and Aegean

LONDON, Wednesday, April 16 (UP)—German "panzer" forces driving down across northern Greece in a huge arc have swept behind Mt. Olympus and entrapped British forces holding the allied flank between Mt. Olympus and the Aegean coast, an Ankara radio dispatch said early today.

"The Germans expect to capture these British troops which now are hemmed in between fabled Mt. Olympus and the sea," said the Ankara report by the CBS correspondent in Turkey.

The reported encirclement of British forces holding the eastern wing of the allied line followed Greek radio announcements that Anglo-Greek forces had been "completely consolidated along a strong mountain line" after strategic withdrawals.

The British and Greeks appeared to have fallen back 35 or 40 miles toward the interior of Greece after smashing German "panzer" assaults upon both flanks of the allied line, above Mount Olympus and down through Monastir pass at the Yugoslav-Greek frontier.

The German forces said to have cut off the British between (Continued on Page Two)

Ex-Red Editor On Stand For U. S. In Bridges Hearing

SAN FRANCISCO, April 15 (UP)—Howard Rushmore, communist editor and organizer for five years, testified today the communist newspaper Daily Worker considered Harry Bridges a "sacred cow" who should always be praised and never criticized.

Rushmore was expelled from the party in 1939 because he refused to write an unfavorable review in the Daily Worker of the movie "Gone With the Wind."

Sole Witness. He was the sole government witness today in the bridges-deportation hearing. The government seeks to deport Bridges, California CIO director, back to his native Australia on grounds he cooperated with or was a member of an organization advocating overthrow of the U. S. government by force.

Government Attorney Albert Del Guercio said he believed Bridges was a member of the communist party "from 1932 to the present time." In questioning Rushmore, he asked him if in his experience any non-communist was ever given such favorable treatment by the Daily Worker as Bridges.

"No person who ever deviated from the party line," said Rushmore, "was ever given consistently such favorable treatment."

Five Volunteers to Answer Draft Call

Five men, all volunteers, will leave Klamath Falls Wednesday night, April 23, to make up the Klamath county quota for Call 7, the next call under the Selective Service act.

Leaving from the Klamath Falls Board 1 are Raymond G. O'Rourke, 1756 Fargo street, and George B. Hanson, 833 Walnut street.

Board 2 men are Robert P. Martin, Fort Klamath; John E. Williams, Klamath Falls; and Edwin D. Fox, 521 Oak street, Klamath Falls.

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