

GRAVE CRISIS FACED BY JAPAN

TWIN COUNTER ATTACKS HALT BLITZ

VICIOUS RED ARMY DRIVES BACK NAZIS

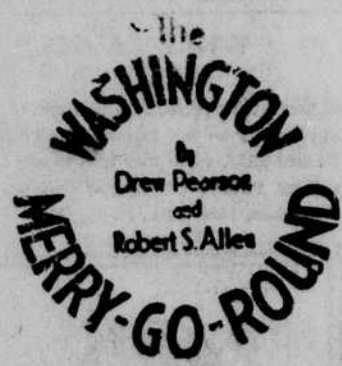
22 Villages Recaptured from Invaders by Desperate Soviets

TRENCH DEADLOCK MAY BE IN OFFING

RAF Night Raid on Berlin Admitted One of Worst in Many Months

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
Twin Russian counter-offensives are reported to have rolled back German thrusts on Moscow and Leningrad as the determined Red Army, reinforced by the People's Army of volunteers, is fighting desperately to protect Soviet homes. In this resurgence of Red Army power, the Russians are said to have retaken 22 villages in a ten-day, 30-mile counter thrust on the center of the main front before Moscow. The destruction of an entire division of Blackshirt Hitler infantry is claimed as the Germans were driven back three miles on the Leningrad end of the main front. Leningrad has been under a direct threat for several weeks as Finnish and German troops knifed down on the former capital city.

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WASHINGTON—When the unwritten history of the past three years is finally written it will show that three times during this period Great Britain secretly asked the United States what cooperation it could get from the U. S. fleet in case of an attack by Japan. And three times Roosevelt replied that the American Constitution prohibited any commitment in advance without the consent of Congress. It may well be that historians will compare these conversations to that between Lord Grey, the British Foreign Minister in 1914, and the German Ambassador in London. At that time, just before the outbreak of the last war, the British were asked what they would do in case Belgium was invaded. Would they declare war against Germany? Lord Grey sidestepped the issue. He declined to take a stand. Many historians believe that had the British flatly stated in advance that they would declare war in case Germany invaded Belgium, Belgium never would have been invaded and World War I might not have started.

Similarly in the late summer of 1938, before Germany invaded the Sudetenland, Prime Minister Chamberlain called in Ambassador Joe Kennedy to ask what support Britain could get from the U. S. fleet in the Pacific in case of war in Europe. He reminded Kennedy that the British fleet would have to be concentrated in Atlantic and Mediterranean waters and could not operate in the Far East. Kennedy, after consulting Washington, replied that the Constitution would permit no advance agreement regarding the fleet.

On one other occasion during the Chamberlain regime when the situation was similar, the British

Shipyards Reopen Under U. S. Navy Control



The United States Navy announced August 26 a 97.3 percent return to work at the vast Kearny, N. J., plant of the Federal Shipbuilding and Drydock Company, stifled for 19 days by a CIO strike. Rear Admiral Harold G. Bowen, who took command of the strike-bound yard under Presidential order, is an eminent engineer. Above Soundphoto shows employees passing through the gates to resume work on two cruisers, six destroyers, two C-2 cargo ships and three tankers now on the ways. The cruiser U. S. S. Atlanta stands ready for launching in the yards. The Navy is considering an offer from the owners to buy over the entire plant.

WARSHIP OF U. S. Army Pursuit Plane Crashes On Busy Street; Three Children Killed

NAZI BOMBED BY BRITISH

Ten Thousand-Ton Pocket Battleship Luetzow Hit by Torpedo Plane

LONDON, Sept. 3.—A British torpedo plane hit the 10,000-ton pocket battleship Luetzow a few weeks ago and did much damage, it is believed. This statement was made by Sir Archibald Sinclair, British Air Minister, at a luncheon today of the National Defense Commission. No details of the engagement were, however, stated. Sir Archibald also said the Battle of the Atlantic was "not going too badly for us," but warned that probably it will require some time and immense concentration and effort. He said sinking of British ships last month were the lowest of any month for more than one year.

DIMOND IS ON HIS WAY TO JUNEAU

Delegate Making Trip to Alaska on Plane Piloted by J. J. Ryan

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—Alaska Delegate Anthony J. Dimond and J. J. Ryan, of New York, Assistant Director of Civilian Defense in Alaska, have left here today aboard a flying boat. Ryan recently flew from Juneau to New York and Washington to obtain supplies for civilian defense units in the Territory.

Ryan is flying his own amphibian plane. The Delegate and Ryan expect to reach Minneapolis tonight, go to Edmonton and Calgary and arrive in Juneau on Friday.

There are no fish in the Great Salt Lake.

BERLIN IS BLASTED IN NIGHT RAID

RAF Stages One of Liveliest Attacks in Months—Explosions, Fires

LONDON, Sept. 3.—British bombers blasted Berlin last night and caused "enormous explosions" in the German Capital City and also "started very large fires" near one of the main Berlin railway stations. This is according to an official statement issued by the Air Ministry this afternoon.

ADMITS FIERCE ATTACK
BERLIN, Sept. 3.—It is admitted here that the RAF attack last night on Berlin was the liveliest assault in months.

Fishermen on 2 Boats Fined

Fishermen from two boats paid \$375 in fines into the coffers of the U. S. Commissioner at Wrangell yesterday, when they pleaded guilty to charges of illegal fishing in closed areas.

It was the second offense of the season for the boat Eagle. Three members of the Eagle's crew, Robert Harris, Charles Johnson and Albert Rhinehart, each paid \$50, while the other two, Thomas Case and John Anderson, were fined \$25 each.

Henry Bowman, captain of the boat Tiny Boy, drew a \$50 fine, while five crew members of the boat were fined \$25 each. They were George Case, Gifford Close, Andy Dakke, Charles Powers and Marion Goodrich.

HEMPSTEAD, Long Island, N. Y., Sept. 3.—Three children on a busy street were killed when an Army pursuit plane caught fire in mid-air.

The pilot bailed out and the plane landed in the street and the tank exploded throwing flaming gasoline over bystanders. The dead children are Casper Cucio, 5, Georgian Karmer, 4, and Pauline Cucio, 7. The pilot, Lieutenant Roy Scott, was not injured in his landing by parachute.

PRAVDA SAYS THREE MILLION NAZIS LOST

Claims Over Two Million Germans Killed on Russian Front Alone

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
The Russian news agency Pravda has estimated that Germany has lost two million, nine-hundred, thirty thousand men on all fronts in the two years of war. These figures include those dead, wounded or captured.

Pravda declared that of this amount over 2,000,000 have been lost on the Russian front alone.

STOCK QUOTATIONS

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—Closing quotation of Alaska Juneau mine stock today is 4%. American Can 83. Anaconda 28%, Bethlehem Steel 69%, Curtiss Wright 9%, International Harvester 54%, Kennecott 37%, New York Central 12%, Northern Pacific 7%, United States Steel 58.

DOW JONES AVERAGES
The following are today's Dow Jones averages: Industrials 127.91, rails 30.20, utilities 18.79.

BUY DEFENSE STAMPS

2 RUSSIAN PLANES NOW AT KODIAK

Land at Naval Base After Seven-hour Flight from Nome

FLIGHT IS STILL MUCH OF MYSTERY

Flying Boats Refueling—May Fly to Sitka, Seattle Enroute East

PULIETIN, SITKA, Alaska, Sept. 3.—The Russian Military Mission, in two flying boats, arrived here at 11:45 o'clock this forenoon. The two crafts left Kodiak early this morning.

KODIAK, Alaska, Sept. 3.—The two Russian flying boats with 47 Russian members of a reported Russian Military Mission aboard, arrived from Nome last evening after a seven-hour flight from Nome.

Navy officials here gave no details and did not state when the planes would leave for the south enroute to Washington, D. C. It is presumed the next leg will be from Kodiak to Sitka. Extra loadings of gasoline are to be taken aboard here.

TO MEET PLANES
SEATTLE, Sept. 3.—Russian Consulate attaché Ivanov from San Francisco has arrived here saying he has been ordered by his government to meet the Russian planes last reported at Kodiak, Alaska.

The Civil Aeronautics Authority communications station is standing by to establish radio communication but has no information as to the frequency of the Russians' radio. Neither Boeing Field, the Thirtieth Naval District nor the Sand Point Naval Air Station has knowledge of the frequency and the Russian representatives are likewise in the dark.

MAY LAND AT SEATTLE
SEATTLE, Sept. 3.—The two flying boats with the Russian Military Mission aboard, probably will stop in Seattle enroute to Washington, D. C., on a secret mission from

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FDR SENDING MISSION TO AID RUSSIA

Lend-Lease Expediter Heads Group to Discuss Material Help

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—President Roosevelt today named a five man mission headed by W. Averell Harriman, Lend Lease expediter in London, to go to Moscow and discuss material aid to Russia.

Others on the mission are Major General James Burns, executive officer of the Lend Lease Administration; Major General George Brett, assistant chief of the Army Air Corps recently ordered to a special mission with Britain in the Middle East in connection with deliveries of American aircraft; Admiral William Standley, retired former chief of naval operations; and William Bitt, deputy director of the Office of Production Management's production division.

About nine technicians will accompany the mission. No announcement was made as to when the men will leave.

TOKYO GIVEN WARNING



Any Japanese action against England, America, the Dutch East Indies or Russia in the Pacific would be national suicide for Japan, Alfred Duff-Cooper, one of Britain's war leaders, told San Francisco's Commonwealth Club before boarding a clipper plane for Singapore with his wife, the former Lady Diana Manners, where Cooper will act as co-ordinator for England's political and military efforts in the Far East. Cooper recently conferred with Secretary of State Cordell Hull. Cooper's warning to Japan was interpreted as indicating that the U. S.-British plans for maintenance of the status quo in the Pacific also includes the inviolability of Russia's maritime provinces on the Pacific.

Net Loss of U. S. Combat Ships by Transfer Made To Britain Is Only 27

By JACK STINNETT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—Answering the mail:

D. L., New London, Conn.—According to the latest available information, the net loss in combat ships to the U. S. Navy through transfers to Britain and other developments has been 27. Fifty-three destroyers have disappeared from the navy lists in the last year and a half, but the navy has gained one aircraft carrier, three cruisers and 22 submarines. The navy now has a total of 332 combat ships, with 360 on order. The information as to how many submarines are new and how many recommissioned is not available. Also, the 53 figure doesn't represent total transfers to Great Britain. Thirty destroyers left the rolls when they were reclassified (for non-combatant use).

T. C. J., Manchester, Tennessee.—Trainees may join the parachute corps only after they have completed the training period at infantry replacement centers. I doubt if at this time there are any trainees in the 'chute battalions. All of the men are drawn from the regular army. The second 'chute battalion (at Fort Benning like the first) now is being organized and two more are authorized. It certainly is no disgrace to "flunk out" of 'chute troop training. This is a highly specialized job and you could have nerve, brains, brawn and almost everything else, but if it developed that you had a "glass" ankle or knee, you would be out immediately. The only 'chutist I have talked with told me that it was not considered a disgrace to lose your nerve on your first hop.

F. G., Newton, Kas.—Sens. Elmer Thomas of Oklahoma and James J.

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JAPANESE TOLD TO MOBILIZE

Premier Crown Prince Konoye Paints Gloomy Picture to Nippons

NATION THREATENED, GOVERNMENT IS TOLD

Ocean Safety Zone Proposed—Russ Planes Landing in North Cause Concern

TOKYO, Sept. 3.—Japanese Premier Crown Prince Konoye today told government and war industries representatives that Japan is facing one of the gravest crises in her history and that total mobilization is absolutely necessary to overcome the present emergency. The official talk was the Premier's first statement since July 30 and came as the movement of war supplies to Russia from the United States approached, these supplies passing through waters adjacent to Japan. He stated the subject is already a discussion between Tokyo, Washington and Moscow.

For Economic Power
Premier Konoye spoke with deep concern before a round table conference of government executives and leaders of Japanese business. It was the first conference of a series planned and initiated by the National Service Association to develop Japan's economic power.

The Extreme Nationalists, a political group headed by Seigo Nakano, threw support to proposals for the establishment of an ocean safety zone around Japan, a plan which Konoye said yesterday was under consideration.

Dangers of North
The passage of two Soviet planes across Bering Sea to Alaska was cited today by the Japanese Times-Advertiser as indicating the possibility of dangers of the north.

The newspaper said: "Any effort to establish a system of warplane service between the American and Asiatic continents will be viewed by the authorities charged with the defense of Japan as a question of state and international importance."

SAYS JAPAN IS AFRAID OF U. S. FLEET

Republican Congressman, Col. Maas, Gives Views After Service on Sea

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.—A Minnesota Congressman, just returned from sea duty with the Marine Corps as a Reserve Officer, declared that Japan is "deathly afraid" of the United States Fleet when it is in the Pacific.

The legislator, Col. Melvin J. Maas, Republican of Minnesota, made the remark in an interview and further said that although some of the Pacific Fleet has been withdrawn from the Pacific and sent to the Atlantic, there are, in his opinion nevertheless, strong U. S. forces remaining, enough to fend off any attack against the United States and at the same time, keep open the supply routes vital to shipments of rubber and tin.

Col. Maas further said he believed the Western Hemisphere was in "no danger of Japanese aggression."



Fiesta Farmerette Jane Thompson heralds the San Mateo County Fiesta to be held at Bay Meadows September 18-21, by parading with this basket of choice produce. But Janie also can provide a basket of data telling about all the other features of this annual festival event.

BUY DEFENSE BONDS