

WRONG COURSE BY U. S. IN CUBA MAY WRECK TRADE HOPES IN LATIN AMERICA

European Nations Watch Avidly, to Grasp Opportunity if Washington Blunders in Island Crisis.

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—With Great Britain, Japan, Germany, France and Italy jockeying on Latin America's doorstep to grab the maximum of trade and other economic advantages for themselves, Uncle Sam's chances are teetering in the balance, hanging upon what he may or may not do in the unparalleled Cuban crisis.

That the crisis is fundamentally different from crises of the past generally is admitted in Latin American circles here. It, therefore, demands a new and different solution.

The view of informed Latin Americans here is that Cuba's present difficulties are mainly the result of two things:

First, the people are in the grip of an unprecedentedly bad economic situation, due in large part to American exploitation of Cuban sugar and other interests.

Second, a new generation of Cubans educated in this country and abroad, has arrived. Sick of the old regime with its matter-of-fact acceptance of graft and corruption, and its practice of one-man or family rule of the island, the new school is demanding a "new deal" of its own.

Crisis Is Faced

That this "new deal" may take time commonly is accepted. Argentina's polite warning to this country to that effect, and that there should be no armed intervention in Cuba during the period of transition, unless complete anarchy should develop, has the support of the other nineteen republics south of the Rio Grande.

Unless the United States helps Cuba in this supreme hour, as our southern neighbors see it, a serious break threatens between us and them.

The sixth Pan-American congress at Havana in 1928 was all but wrecked by United States intervention in Nicaragua. It required all the tact and diplomacy of the able Charles Evans Hughes, then secretary of state, to save it.

Even he could not do more than stave off the crisis. It was left for settlement at the forthcoming seventh congress at Montevideo next December.

Intervention Would Be Fatal

Prepared by the American Institute of International Law, a new doctrine has been drawn up, barring military intervention by one American state in the affairs of another, save in direct emergency, and then only by what would amount to international, or Pan-American, mandate.

Intervention in Cuba at this time would spoil everything, the writer has been told by some of this country's most ardent Latin American friends here.

If patience is exercised, Latin American republics will go along with the United States. As confidence in President Roosevelt's new policy of "the good neighbor" grows, Pan-American co-operation will increase.

Mr. Roosevelt is believed to be waiting only for the setting up of a stable government at Havana to go to the aid of the Cuban people. Four steps confidently are anticipated by those who have been called into conference at the White House.

Must Relieve Want

First, something will have to be done to relieve widespread want among 50 per cent of the Cuban population. Some are facing starvation.

Second, Cuba's desperate economic plight will have to be remedied. As it was the United States policy to encourage Cubans to devote practically the entire island to the growing of sugar, this country's sugar policy will have to be changed.

Third, the Cuban masses must be put back on the land, with plots of their own to cultivate. Driven off the soil by the process of constantly enlarging the sugar plantations, half the people have become day laborers, dependent upon whatever the big sugar estates desire, or can afford to pay.

Interest Must Be Cut

Fourth, Cuba's national debt, particularly the foreign debt, must be recast, with vastly lower interest rates. Without this Cuba never can pay out.

Aid of the United States in carrying out this program is regarded as imperative. If forthcoming, Latin American here assert it will put Pan-American relations on a new plane. If denied—and especially if there is armed intervention—the fat will be in the fire.

A world battle for trade is on, it is pointed out, and the effect would be for Latin America to turn once more from the United States to favor Europe and Japan.

TOY SAXOPHONE LOOT

That's Sole Reward of Burglars in One of Four Robberies.

Toy saxophone valued at \$3.50 was the only loot obtained by burglars from one of four homes entered during the week-end.

The toy was stolen from the home of Charles Baker, 1710 Baker street. At the home of Mrs. Cora J. Judkins, 3151 East Washington street, a purse containing \$1 was stolen. Purses valued at \$2 and \$8 in cash were stolen from the home of Hugo Pfennig, 335 Carrollton avenue.

Burglars who ransacked the home of Mrs. Jessamine Poor, 2930 North Pennsylvania street, obtained no loot.

PROBE ALLEGED RACKET

St. Joseph Co. Jury Starts Quiz of Investment Concern.

By United Press. SOUTH BEND, Ind., Sept. 11.—Two important cases faced the grand jury as the September term of St. Joseph circuit court opened today.

Investigation of the alleged bucket shop activities of the Interstate Security Company, closed investment concern charged with fleecing its customers, is one of the cases. The other will bring inquiry into the truck accident three weeks ago in which six Wakarusa residents were killed when their farm truck and a transport truck collided.

HITLER RULES GERMANY WITH FEAR

Nation Bows Down to Oppressor; Spy Terror Reigns in Land

What is going on in Germany under Nazi rule, led by Chancellor Adolf Hitler, is told by George Britt from first-hand observation following his return from an extensive stay. This is the first in a series of articles.

BY GEORGE BRITT, Times Special Writer

THE first Nazi I saw was on the dock at Bremerhaven, my first ten minutes in Germany. It was a melting hot day, but his swag never faltered. He enjoyed the heavy military equipment he wore—a leather Sam Browne belt with dispatch case attached, thick boots, knee high, and flannel breeches and shirt of a distinctive cinnamon tan. Around his left arm was a red band bearing the black "hakenkreuz" or swastika. He saluted a helmeted policeman, giving him the Fascist greeting of arm up-raised from the shoulder and a ringing "Heil Hitler."

He saluted with exuberance, as



300,000 men and women raise their arms in Fascist Salute to Hitler and Hindenburg at last May day review in Lustgarten. (Above) Hitler in a characteristic oratorical pose.

if a huge bird were flapping its wings, and each time, "Heil Hitler." One was to grow older Albert E. Andrews, Major William H. Evans and Captain Stanley Y. Kennedy.

Reserve corps instructors returning will include Major George S. Beuret, Major M. Huddleston and Major William G. Patterson.

Batteries A and C, Third field artillery, will complete summer training camp duty at Ft. Knox and start marching back here Sept. 18. Captain Arthur L. Shreve is in command.

Several instructors will be released for duty with the Indiana military area Saturday when the reserve officers' camp closes at Ft. Knox. These include Major Joseph H. Davidson, Major Harry S. Robertson, Major Edward W. Bondy, Captain Lloyd M. Hanna, Captain John W. Bulger and Staff Sergeants But my feeling toward the Nazi idea built up to a convinced and settled hate, because it represents oppressors and fanatics, because it is the utter denial of individual liberty and because it is the fermenting and poisoning war spirit personified.

HERE is one incident to verify the charge of oppression, even though Germany still appears so orderly and kindly, so quiet and charming, that the tourist might remain for months without dreaming of the rough stuff.

A German friend of mine, helping me get some routine information from a group of uniformed Nazis, let slip the indiscretion, "This is an American journalist."

The Nazis answered courteously, indeed, and then, while I listened, one of them said to my friend, "If this man goes back to America and writes anything disagreeable, you'll land in a prison camp, you know."

V. F. W. SPEAKERS TO AID AMERICANIZATION

Bureau Is Formed to Assist in Organization Work.

A speakers' bureau of the Indiana department, Veterans of Foreign Wars, has been formed to promote an Americanization program and to assist the department chief of staff in organization work. Charles R. Michael of Indianapolis, state commander, said today.

Members of the bureau are: J. W. Scherer, Earl S. Passwater, Carl Carey, Earl C. Jones, Arthur G. Gresham and H. A. Green of Indianapolis; Dr. Frank T. Tabor of Terre Haute, R. K. Graham of Evansville; Sylvester Harrison of Lexington, John C. Heenan of Vincennes, Michael Herron of Seymour, R. R. Hilton of Aurora, L. M. Morgan of Newcastle, George Keller of Covington, William Brown of Kokomo, Gilbert Wilburn of Elwood, Charles Dickerman of Gary, Ray Palmer of South Bend and Gary Smallwood of Wabash.

This week the Indiana department will forward a check for \$1,800 to the V. F. W. national orphan's home in Eaton Rapids, Mich., meeting the department's annual payment on the Indiana cottage there. The Indiana cottage now houses twenty-seven children from this state.

\$75 IN STAMPS STOLEN

Thieves Also Get \$25 in Cash at Insurance Firm Office.

Stamps worth \$75 and \$25 in cash were stolen during the week-end from a money drawer in the office of the Franklin Life Insurance Company, 706 New City street.

Mrs. Mary Shaw, 40 North Oakland avenue, the cashier, discovered the theft when she opened the office today.

Well, I am simply taking a chance. My friend happens to have fought in the war, to have voted for Hitler, to be very well connected. His whole interest during the time we spent together was to show me the new regime in its most favorable aspects.

They have jailed better men than he, and still if any one in Germany is safe he should be.

Fear and suspicion come out, too, in conversations such as this: "I'll meet you for lunch at Blotz's restaurant."

"Oh, go some place else. Their food is impossible."

"Yes, I know, but it's the only place around here where you can talk."

And I never shall forget an evening in a German garden, where we sat around a lighted table under a tree at least ten yards from the nearest fence.

It was an easy, pleasant party of trusted friends until the talk got into politics. Then every one hunched over the table, voices blurred to a whisper and Hitler's name was not even mentioned.

THE people next door used to be the best of neighbors," explained the host, "but they are Nazis, and one must be careful."

The long train ride from Bremerhaven to Berlin that first afternoon, through a country that looks almost a twin to the flat American middlewest, stimulated a flow of speculation about the Nazis and the new Germany.

New brick apartment houses lined the town street, visible from the train. The buildings were pleasantly reminding of Forest Hills. Window boxes everywhere spilled a profusion of flowers.

In the open country, red-tiled roofs splashed the landscape, covering neat red brick cottages. Lines of hay wagons, horse drawn,

patiently rolled along the roads. Poppies showed in the oat fields, and other fields were gay with the blossoms of the German potatoes—pink blossoms.

Great herds of cattle, all white and black Holsteins, grazed in the lush pastures. Weather-stained windmills, as natural as in a painting, swung with aged dignity.

At the edges of the towns were old little garden colonies, collections of tiny piano-box cottages, each with its own little pocket handkerchief plot of garden, more nearly all the houses flew the Nazihiakenkreuz flag or the red, white and black of old imperial Germany.

Once these colonies had been nests of Communists and the flags mostly red.

IN one town a new brick house had been raised as far as the framework of the roof, and there was nailed a green tree branch and a flag. It was the old custom of the "richtfest," celebrating the finish of the job, in accordance with which the owner bought beer for his workmen. They waved their mugs at the train.

Everywhere appeared smiling peace, comfortable, living amid simple and pictorial surroundings, nothing at all that seemed to go with that cocky young Nazi flapping his wings in perpetual salute. What possible connection was there between that Nazi and this German landscape of order and industry?

One answer, I think, is to be found in the distinct homey flavor of bourgeois Germany. Even more than in America, the small man has a stake in the existing system, and Communism seemed a frightful and unbearable disruption. Anything but Communism! Adolf Hitler and his lieutenants whipped up conservative Germany

feel that she is no longer licked and humiliated. The Versailles treaty can not evade its responsibility here. But the optimism extends equally to the business community, and in a forlorn way to the working classes as well.

HITLERISM is a religion, and its followers are as zealous as whirling dervishes. Whether they approve every item of Hitler's program or not, or whether they approve of every one of his lieutenants, they will trust him a long way further in perfectly blind confidence.

Hitler himself already approaches a supernatural place in the minds of his people.

The anti-semitism worked up by a dozen years of fanatical rallery is a force for the whole world to reckon with. It is highly improbable that emotions so violent can be confined to one country alone. Anti-semitism in Germany today is bland, blunt and unblushing, among non-Nazis, as well as Nazis.

There is no apology, as usually in the United States that "some of my best friends are Jews."

The deep disrepute of the Socialist party is another striking impression from Germany. There is hate and fear of the Communist, only scorn for the Socialist. The Socialist movement in Germany was waxing great and could have scattered him as he now has scattered them. They let him grow unhindered and then surrendered without a fight.

IF the majority which now approves of Hitler and consents to his way and should become dissatisfied, still he is in power and could maintain his grip for a long time. He holds Germany in a vise. He can blanket the country.

I was riding on a train at noon, July 25, when the regime staged its glittering demonstration of mastery. Storm troopers came through every train, asking to see passports. They halted automobiles on the roads, pedestrians on the streets, ferryboats at the piers, everywhere in Germany.

The scurrilous said with a laugh that the whole show netted only five Communists. But what an object lesson it was!

Therefore, I think any plan by any individual, group, or nation anywhere else in the world for dealing with Germany should be based on dealing with Hitler.

The question of what to do after Hitler is overthrown is becoming more academic. Hitler simply is, so what then?

Next: Hitler and the Jews.

FAIR DEAL FOR ALL VETERANS IS LEGION AIM

Organization Asks Benefits for Only Deserving Ex-Service Men.

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veterans and their dependents who did not suffer directly as result of service in the World war.

Should Be Federal Charge. The report does set up one qualification, in asserting that only completely incapacitated veteran, whether he has fallen on evil days because of a service or non-service connected disability, or because of advanced age, should be a direct charge upon the federal treasury. The committee's report by inference backs up Commander Johnson in his call to Legionnaires to watch all costs of federal government. The report states that the veterans as a class have been called upon to make greater sacrifices toward balancing the national budget than any other group of citizens.

It also points out that the legion, aside from its preoccupation with veteran legislation, has sponsored many pieces of legislation on highly controversial subjects not connected with the World war. Among these are national defense, immigration, aviation, world peace, prohibition reform and child welfare.

Help Given Children

This last activity is the one to which legion officials direct the most attention. The legion since May, 1925, as a national organization, together with its state departments and its 10,746 posts, has spent \$5,700,000 directly in the aid and service of children.

Commander Johnson and the national executive committee now hope that the delegates to the Chicago convention will approve a definite extension of this national child welfare policy to the broad national question of government economy.

They propose that the legion devote itself to the parents, widows and orphans of the war dead, and to the men whose lives were wrecked by service in the World war.

They fully realize that if justice is to be rendered to these classes of war sufferers, the legion must directly interest itself in how the government spends its money.

(This is the last of a series of three articles on the change in legion policy toward pensions.)

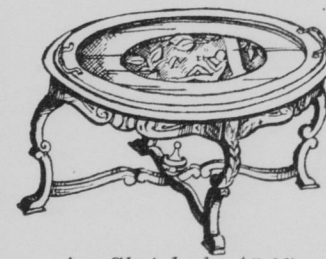
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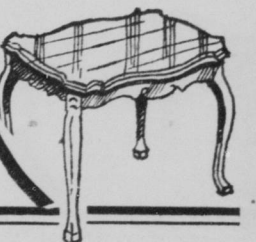
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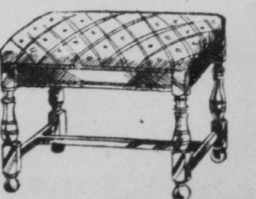
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Battle Faced on Slash in City's School Budget

Board Expected to Ignore C. of C. and Realty Chief's Demands.

Faced with demands for drastic retrenchment in the city's school budget, school commissioners will meet Tuesday night to conduct a public hearing on the proposed 1933-34 budget and tax levy.

Latest proposal for slashing the school appropriations is that of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce budget committee, which asked that another \$599,085 be pared from the proposed figure of \$5,755,583, calling for a \$1.02 tax levy, an increase of 10 cents.

The school board is expected to adopt the proposed budget and levy without changes.

A. B. Good, school business director, in a recent statement, declared any further slashes in the budget would mean a shortened school term.

The chamber proposal coincides with that of the Indianapolis Real Estate Board, in that it asks elimination of the usual sinking fund item, \$511,600.

The realty board proposed refunding of bonds maturing this year, but Good met this with the statement that the new bonds probably could not be sold.

Among the larger items of reduction in the chamber proposal were: Insurance on school buildings, \$21,500; elementary school improvements, \$60; elementary school improvements, \$7,203; workmen's compensation, \$9,675; library periodicals and

equipment, \$4,800; fuel, heat, water, electricity and telephones, \$3,700.

The proposal estimates that the school city will receive \$975,000 from the state at the rate of \$600 a teacher. A foot note in the proposal adds that it is doubtful if more than \$300 a teacher will be received, and the schools anticipate only \$200, basing their lower figure on statements of state officials.

The proposed school budget calls for approximately the same sum as was allowed in the last school year, which proved inadequate, teachers serving the last few weeks of the school term without pay.

The 10-cent increase in the proposed levy is occasioned by the heavy tax delinquencies this year and reduced valuation, which produced revenue this year far below the amount appropriated.

Any figure adopted by the school board for the budget and levy is expected to be appealed to the county tax adjustment board by the realty board, in its fight to enforce the \$1.50 maximum levy law.

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ALLEGED FUGITIVE IS HELD IN WIRE THEFT

Peter Morris Is Turned Over to Greenfield Authorities.

Peter Morris, 32, of 639 Temperance avenue, was turned over to Greenfield authorities Sunday after his arrest here as a fugitive following theft of copper wire.

Morris is said to be one of two men who abandoned a stolen automobile in Greenfield when an officer approached to question them.

The car was reported stolen by Morris' father-in-law, H. Watkins, of the Temperance avenue address. Detectives who arrested Morris stated he admitted theft of copper wire belonging to the former Terre Haute, Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Company, which formerly operated an interurban line passing through Greenfield.

Hip Fracture Is Fatal

Millard Middaugh, 78, of 1201 North Haugh street, died Saturday night in city hospital as a result of the fracture of his left hip, suffered July 31 when he fell on steps at his home.