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POLICE CONTINUE DRIVE

Judge Karabell Suspends Licenses of Two Motorists.

Two youthful companions were fatally injured early today when their automobile crashed into the rear of a seven-car Indiana Railroad train on Oliver Ave., 1300 block.

They were Richard Reid, 23, of 1858 Wyoming St., the driver, who died at the scene, and Lawrence W. Reed, 20, of 1045 Reiser St., who died later at City Hospital.

Eight persons were injured in 14 other traffic accidents here as police continued their war on erring motorists with the arrest of 34, among them alleged speeders.

Two Licenses Suspended

Municipal Court Judge Charles Karabell suspended the license of one driver for 10 days for disobeying a signal light and that of another for the same period for ignoring a preferential street.

The fatal crash at 2:55 a. m. climaxed a ride which the two youths, who had been friends for years, and two other companions started after Lawrence Reid finished work at the Real Silk Hosiery Mills. The two others had been taken home earlier and escaped a similar fate or injuries.

The last car of the train carried two red lights, Dr. Norman Boomer, deputy coroner, and a spokesman for the Indiana Railroad said. The latter said that the freight train, outbound on the track in the center of the street, was traveling slowly.

It was in charge of Martin Lynch, conductor, and Lawrence Miner, motorman, both of Terre Haute.

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Four occupants of an automobile were injured when it failed to negotiate a curve on Road 37, two and one-half miles south of Glenn's Valley, and rolled over three times.

The injured were Vernon Miller, 21, of 21st St., 310 Blake St.; Miss Louise Henry, 17, of 301 Harvard Place, and Thomas Johnson, 18, of 2006 Cornell Ave. They were taken to City Hospital.

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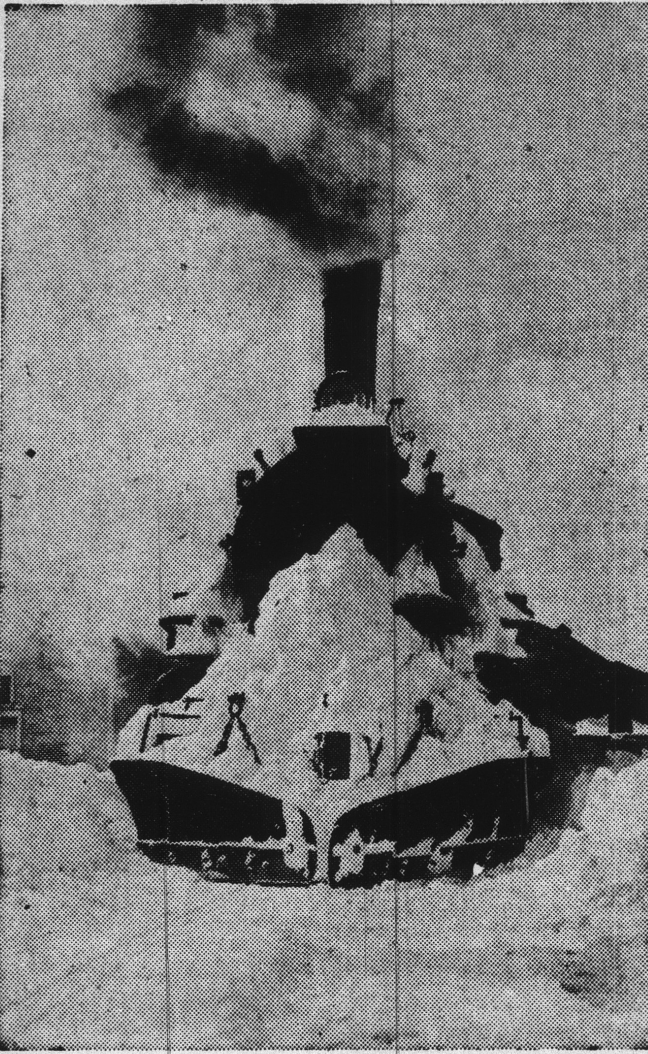
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Train Battles Michigan Snow



A snow-covered locomotive steams into Escanaba, Mich., after battling drifts 10 and 15 feet deep in the storm that swept the upper peninsula of the state. It was the worst blizzard of the winter, and left dozens of communities snowbound and several trains stranded.

Arctic Hero

Dead Pilot Found, Lips On Radio; Five Others Killed.

JUNEAU, Alaska, March 18 (U. P.).—A pilot's fight to save the lives of six men trapped in a storm-tossed plane high above the frozen Arctic tundra was revealed today with the recovery of the six bodies.

Coast guardsmen who brought the bodies here after they had been found in the plane by a woodsman, were able to reconstruct from the death scene some of the things that transpired a moment before the plane crashed in a desolate waste 15 miles south of Juneau, the night of Feb. 12.

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CITY TO FIGHT HEALTH RULING

Attacks Injunction Against Barring Pupils Not Vaccinated.

A court fight against a permanent injunction to prevent the City Health Board from barring unvaccinated pupils from schools was planned today by Board officials.

The hearing on the petition for the permanent restraining order was scheduled before Circuit Court Judge Earl R. Cox Tuesday.

The temporary order was issued yesterday by Judge Cox on the plea of the parents of a 12-year-old boy that he had been illegally prevented from attending school because he was not vaccinated against smallpox.

As the Board prepared for the court fight, Dr. Herman G. Morgan, secretary, said that the development of 24 new cases of the disease here this month was proof that it still is prevalent.

City Attorney Michael B. Redding is to represent the Board. Meanwhile, the outbreak of influenza which swept the City in epidemic proportions last month was definitely broken today, Dr. Morgan said. He said that the number of influenza type infections now prevalent has dropped to about average for this season.

The decrease has been reflected, he said, in the declining pneumonia mortality rate during the first three weeks of the month.

Threatening to reach a five-year high for March, the pneumonia weekly mortality rate has dropped almost 50 per cent since the week ended March 4.

A total of 103 pneumonia deaths this month, Dr. Morgan said, is a result of the recent flu epidemic. There were 81 deaths last month and 79 in January.

FAIR AND WARMER, BUREAU PROMISES

White River Still Mounting In Southern Indiana.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES
7 a. m. 23 11 a. m. 23
8 a. m. 22 12 Noon 23
9 a. m. 22 1 p. m. 25
10 a. m. 23

The Weather Bureau today promised continued fair weather for the week-end with a rise in temperature.

The forecast said the lowest temperature tonight would be about 28. The mercury this morning dipped to the low 20s against a normal of 41.

A snow flurry this morning was attributed by J. H. Armstrong, meteorologist, to a condensation caused by warm air in the upper strata meeting a colder area below.

The main stretch of the White River downstream was reported still rising. However, the Weather Bureau said both forks of the White were falling.

The River was reported rising from Vincennes southward. At Petersburg it was at 23.1 feet, 7.1 feet over flood stage.

Flee Wabash Lowlands

At Mount Carmel, Ill.

MOUNT CARMEL, Ill., March 18 (U. P.).—Residents of the lowlands along the Wabash River continued moving out today as the river reached a flood stage of 23.7 feet to spread over an increasingly large acreage. The river rose nine-tenths of a foot in 20 hours.

16 TEAMS WAIT TPOFF TODAY IN SEMIFINALS

Play Starts at 2 P. M. With 4 High Schools Playing At Tech Gym Here.

COMPETITION IS 'HOT'

Survivors Will Meet Here Next Week for Indiana Championship.

By TOM OCHILTREE

Skilled in plays that would strike envy in the heart of a whirling dervish, 16 high school basketball teams were to compete in four cities today in games which will pare down the number of contenders for the state championship to four.

All of these teams, from Ossian's surprising Bears to Frankfort's towering Hot Dogs, are members now of Indiana's basketball elite by virtue of their past records. All have beaten back in sectional and regional tournaments the challenges of less powerful rivals.

The four teams surviving today's play will compete for the title at the Butler University's Fieldhouse next Saturday in a meet often designated as "the biggest boys' show in the world."

Sharing the sports spotlight here tonight will be the seventh annual Butler Indoor Relays at the Fieldhouse. Action is to get underway at 7 o'clock following the opening parade of officials and contestants. A field of 384 athletes, representing 28 schools, will compete. Elimination trials in four events were to be run off this afternoon.

Indianapolis, Evansville, Hammond and Muncie are the centers for today's sectional tournaments. Procedure in all these meets will be identical. Four teams will compete at each center and afternoon games will be held at 2 p. m. and 3 p. m. Winners in the afternoon will play at 7 p. m.

Many Evenly Matched

Many of the teams are so evenly matched that the basketball fans—those weird spirits that determine whether a long shot goes in or rolls around the rim of the basket—probably will have to do an "eerie, eerie, minie, mo" to determine the winners.

While tournament competition isn't much of a novelty to teams like Frankfort, Anderson, Logansport, Greencastle and Kokomo, members of all competing squads are faced with one of the major problems of competitive sports—that of making good for admiring and acclaiming friends.

The Indianapolis journey, to be held in the Technical High School gymnasium, will bring together two cautious old rivals, Anderson and Greencastle, in the first afternoon game. Always a headache for competitors, the two teams have met in the semifinals here since the 1936-37 season.

The drug store athletes in various towns, who claim to know everything about everything, have made the Indians a slight favorite in this tournament, but members of the three other competing teams aren't having to take sleeping tablets at night because of that.

Aurora's Red Devils and Franklin's Grizzly Cubs, who meet in the second afternoon game here, are newcomers to the Indianapolis semifinals, but they are strictly second semester as far as basketball is concerned.

Aurora's Southeastern Indiana Conference champion and Franklin's Eastern Indiana Conference champion were beaten only four times this year, while Franklin is said to have one of the State's most graceful ball handling clubs.

Born at Evansville where Vincennes, Meigs, Salas and Garfield of Terre Haute play, Bosse of Evansville there seems to be considerable mystery about the outcome of the tournament.

Johnson is Main Spring Led by Splinter Johnson, classed as one of the State's star centers, Frankfort rules as a favorite in the Hammond tournament. The Hot Dogs meet La Porte's Slicers, a team which can match them for size, in an afternoon game, while two other strong contenders, Elkhart and Logansport, will battle it out in the second afternoon game.

If Ossian beats Kokomo in the second game at Muncie they probably will have to furnish straight jackets for some of the Bear rosters, who have been dizzier than the wooden horses on a merry-go-round since last Saturday when their boys defeated South Side of Ft. Wayne, last year's champions, in the finals of the Huntington regional.

Ossian is the smallest high school to have a surviving team in the championship race and the vast army of unorganized fans, who like to see great teams humbled, are supporting the Bears.

Auburn and Burris High School of Muncie play in the other game at the Muncie center, and both are regarded very highly. Burris makes up in speed what it lacks in size since it doesn't have a six-foot player in its starting lineup.

Roads to all the tournament centers were crowded this morning by motorcades of fans, and by fans in Indiana you mean anyone beyond being prepared to acclaim him for the teething ring stage, since half of them here learn to say "basketball" before they say "dada."

U. S. IMPOSES 'PENALTY' DUTIES AGAINST GERMANY'S IMPORTS; LONDON, PARIS PROTEST SEIZURE

Two Men Without a Country



Col. Vladimir Hurban (left), who was minister from Czechoslovakia to the United States, and Fernando de los Rios, ambassador from Loyalist Spain, meet during a visit to the State Department in Washington.

Washington, Col. Hurban's country has been shattered and swallowed by Germany. Loyalist Spain is already nonexistent to countries that have recognized Generalissimo Franco's Government.

TROOPS SHIFTED BY KING CAROL

Rumania Denies Economic Demands Are Imposed By Germany.

BUCHAREST, Rumania, March 18 (U. P.).—It was reported today that reinforcements had been called up for three army corps stationed in Transylvania, an area once in Austria-Hungary that was ceded to Rumania after the World War.

A secret session of the Grand Council was held at the Palace last night, with King Carol presiding, and the chief of the Army Staff was said to have reported on the mobilization.

No details were given. A communiqué said that the Council had "approved measures so far taken and decided that they should be extended insofar as national defense requires."

It was understood that the Council had decided to dispatch troops into Carpatho-Ukraine, which was seized by Hungary this week. Rumania has claimed a border area of the Carpatho-Ukraine populated mostly by Rumanians. Rumors that Hungary had warned Rumania of serious consequences if she sent troops into Carpatho-Ukraine, however, were said to be without foundation.

The Government categorically denied a report emanating from London that Dr. Hellmuth Wohlthat, head of a German economics commission sent to Rumania, had suggested that Rumania abandon its factories and concentrate on agriculture, in return for a German guarantee of its borders.

"This report is a pure invention," a Government spokesman said. "Economic negotiations with Germany are continuing most harmoniously."

He said the negotiations dealt only with application of last November's agreement designed to increase the trade volume between Germany and Rumania. Wohlthat could not have made such a suggestion, the spokesman said, because that would have exceeded his domain as an economic negotiator.

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BURGLARS GET \$300 IN CASH AND GEMS

More than \$300 in cash and jewelry were stolen in three overnight burglaries, police reported today.

Arthur Formes, 533 N. Tacoma Ave., told police someone took \$275 from a dresser drawer at his home.

"As for us," the informant added, "we are going ahead calmly, prepared to give the Fuehrer a tremendous reception on his arrival in Berlin."

Hitler had left Vienna by train for Berlin this morning, but had stopped in Linz, Austria. He may not arrive in the capital until Monday for a gigantic torchlight parade being prepared to acclaim him for his march into Czechoslovakia.

The Fuehrer was expected to sum-

British Cabinet Meets; Daladier Awaits Vote

French Envoy Recalled as Premier Asks Power to Act Swiftly.

PARIS, March 18 (U. P.).—Robert Coulondre, French Ambassador to Berlin, was instructed today to protest to the German Government against Adolf Hitler's smashing of Czechoslovakia and to say that the French Government did not recognize it as legitimate.

Immediately thereafter M. Coulondre was called home. He will arrive here on Monday, it was announced officially tonight.

Great Britain, which already has recalled its Ambassador, was understood to be making a protest similar to France's.

France's first move in the Czechoslovak situation came as Premier Daladier stated the life of his Government in the Chamber of Deputies on his demand for dictatorial powers to put France on an immediate war-preparation footing as a defense against German and Italian expansionism.

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M. Daladier's request was for permission to take "imperative, immediate and secret measure" for the nation's welfare.

The act would permit the Council of Ministers, composed of the Cabinet and President Lebrun, to rule by decree on all matters of defense until Nov. 30. The Council could, without recourse to parliament or without any public announcements:

1. Mobilize army reserves;
2. Extend the 40-hour work week (Continued on Page Three)

Reich Reported in Move to Bring Rumania Under Its Expanding Orbit.

LONDON, March 18 (U. P.).—Great Britain and France sent formal protests to Berlin today against Adolf Hitler's Czechoslovakian conquest and were understood to have been joined by the United States and Russia in refusing recognition.

In Berlin it was reported that the British Embassy delivered to the German Foreign Office a note reportedly containing Great Britain's notification. The move was a step in a joint action by England and France to stop Hitler in which the United States and Russia are reportedly lending a hand.

It was understood Sir Neville Henderson, British ambassador who has been called home, did not deliver the note personally.

The British Cabinet went into special session at 5 p. m. (11 a. m. Indianapolis Time).

Despite denials in Berlin and Bucharest, reliable sources here insisted that Hitler has made strong economic demands on Rumania and that Rumania has rejected them.

Rumania, these sources said, officially informed Britain of the demands and asked how far Britain is prepared to go in supporting Rumania's rejection of them.

The Evening Standard said King Carol conveyed to Britain his fear (Continued on Page Three)

STOCKS DOWN 1-5 ON NEWS FROM EUROPE

Rails Suffer Worst Losses; Bonds Decline.

NEW YORK, March 18 (U. P.).—Stocks crashed 1 to 5 points on the New York Exchange today under the impetus of heavy dumping by European and American traders.

The list was at new lows since Jan. 28. Selling was executed in blocks of 1000 to 6000 shares.

Most European markets were closed in line with the usual Saturday procedure. Hence foreigners turned to the New York markets for their sales and houses with foreign connections reported sales on balance on what they termed "pessimistic cables."

Bonds declined and foreign currencies were irregular in dollar terms. Rails were hardest hit, losses ranging to 2 points. Sloss-Sheffield Steel dropped 10 points on a single transaction. General Cable preferred made a new low at 65, off 5 points.

Col. Gen. Goering, head of the Nazi Air Force, ordered the immediate establishment of a new air force command with headquarters in Vienna today.

It will include the newly acquired territories of Ostmark (Austria), Bohemia, Moravia, parts of the Sudetenland and parts of Silesia.

Despite statements by Nazis, it was plain that Government quarters were startled by the news that Great Britain would refuse to recognize Hitler's conquest. The shock was equal to that with which they received news of Prime Minister (Continued on Page Three)

Countervailing Levy Goes Into Effect On April 23.

THE FOREIGN SITUATION WASHINGTON—U. S. imposes penalty duties on German imports and moves against Nazis "vigorously, but short of war." Prepares to train 3000 cadet fliers.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee to study revision of Neutrality Act.

Mail service to former Czech republic halted.

CHICAGO—Police guard Faderewski after he expresses indignation over Nazi seizures.

LONDON—England leads "Stop Hitler" drive and joins France in lodging protest with Berlin.

PARIS—Daladier awaits vote on plea for wide powers to act swiftly in emergency. Ambassador recalled from Berlin.

BERLIN—Nazis, angry at Britain, prepare to give Hitler Roman triumph.

VIENNA—Hitler leaves for Berlin after naming Baron Konstantin von Neurath as "Reich Protector" of annexed Czech areas.

BUCHAREST—Rumania denies Nazi demands for economic control bringing nation into Reich orbit.

BUDAPEST—Hungary completes occupation of Carpatho-Ukraine.

ROME—Italians instructed on behavior during air raids.

PRETORIA—South African reserves are mobilized.

WASHINGTON, March 18 (U. P.).—The United States today imposed severe restrictions on German trade by proclaiming a conditional 25 per cent penalty tariff on all imports of Nazi goods after April 22.

The action followed swiftly after announcement by Acting Secretary of State Welles that the United States will send a note to Germany which is expected to state official abhorrence of Nazi absorption of Czechoslovakia and refusal by the United States to grant diplomatic recognition of the change.

The new duties are expected to curtail the flow of German products to the United States to a thin trickle.

Regarded as Rebuke Treasury announcement of the action attributed to subsidies employed by the German Government to aid imports in "dumping" commodities abroad. However, the timing of the action left no doubt that it was determined whether it was a direct result of official indignation at Hitler's seizure of Czechoslovakia.

The Treasury said it would apply the 25 per cent penalty duty to all German goods entering this country. It will then investigate each shipment to determine whether it was subsidized, and, if so, the amount of subsidy.

The duty will then be corrected to conform to the subsidy. If the subsidy is greater than 25 per cent, an additional charge will be assessed. If less than 25 per cent, if no subsidy was paid, a refund will be made.

The action was based on an opinion by Attorney General Murphy, which had been requested by the Treasury last Nov. 28. The opinion, as given by the Treasury, was dated today.

Germans Control Barter Mr. Murphy said he had found that in the case of barter arrangements on cotton bought by Germany, there was a net subsidy of