

Jap Leaders Split On Reich Alliance; Push Drive in China

THE FOREIGN SITUATION

TOKYO—Japanese leaders debate Reich alliance. **HENDAYE**—Franco claims Madrid has fallen (Page 1). **BRATISLAVA**—Slovak ask Hitler's "protection." **BUDAPEST**—Hungary invites Slovak peace overture. **ROME**—Goering says "axis is unbreakable." **BERNE**—Swiss fortify borders. **MONTREAL**—Canadians divided on war views. **WASHINGTON**—Isolationists seek support in Congress. **LONDON**—British tension eases, Kennedy says.

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TOKYO, March 25 (U. P.)—Japanese leaders are engaged in urgent consultations over a German proposal for a broad German-Italian-Japanese military alliance against any opposition to their policies by the democracies. It was asserted today in official quarters.

Informants said that discussions were so bitter that a Cabinet crisis might possibly be precipitated. It was said that at present a majority of leaders were opposed to involving Japan in European matters but were not willing to abandon the German idea unless a better proposition were forthcoming elsewhere.

Leaders Consult

Premier Hiranuma, Foreign Minister Arita, War Minister Itagaki, Navy Minister Yonai and Finance Minister Ishiwara were said to be in frequent conference in an effort to decide Japan's policy.

In connection with the alliance talk, it was disclosed that Baron Hiranuma had reported to Emperor Hirohito today on the closing of parliament and "pending diplomatic matters."

As Baron Hiranuma visited the Emperor, 106 of the 466 members of the Diet, representing minor parties, sent him a petition asking him to conclude a military alliance with Germany and Italy "against Great Britain and France, which are obstructing Japan's present sacred aims."

Japs, Chinese Lock in Fierce Engagement

SHANGHAI, March 25 (U. P.)—The Japanese and Chinese forces are locked in a series of bloody engagements over a 70-mile front between Wuchung and Wuning, dispatches to the Chinese newspapers said today.

According to messages the fighting is more bloody and terrible than that which occurred on the Shanghai front.

More than 100 Japanese bombers reportedly attacked the Chinese positions in the last few days, but the Chinese defense remains firm except for a hole along the highway to Nanchang.

Slovaks Ask Hitler For Protection

BRATISLAVA, Slovakia, March 25 (U. P.)—Slovak expected Adolf Hitler to intervene today in their fight against an invading Hungarian army. German-blooded Slovaks have been killed by Hungarian bombing planes and Herr Hitler was understood here to be indignantly protesting to Berlin, reminding Herr Hitler of his guarantee of Slovakia's integrity, the price for which his newly proclaimed state placed itself under German influence after its secession from Czechoslovakia last week.

M. Tiso protested that the Hungarians were violating the new Slovak integrity and he sent by special messengers, detailed information of the killing of people of German blood at the towns of Neudorf, and Zips, in eastern Slovakia, where Slovak and Hungarian troops were fighting fiercely.

It was understood that Mr. Tiso expected Herr Hitler to take whatever action was necessary to drive the Hungarians back at least to the former Czechoslovak-Hungarian border established after the post-Munich stripping away of Czechoslovak border areas.

Goering Says Axis Is Unbreakable

ROME, March 25 (U. P.)—Field Marshal Goering, German economic dictator and right-hand man of Adolf Hitler, pledged today that Germany would remain at all costs beside Italy.

The pledge was given in Premier Mussolini's own newspaper, Popolo d'Italia, as Milan's Sir. Mussolini presented the draft of a speech he is to make tomorrow—a speech which may prove one of the most important of his career.

So sensational was Herr Goering's statement that it rose sharply that it would now be possible for Sir. Mussolini to obtain by peaceful negotiation the "natural aspirations" he seeks to satisfy, at France's expense, in the Mediterranean and Red Sea areas.

In pledging German-Italian friendship, Herr Goering spoke bitterly of Great Britain and alluded to her, particularly, as the proverbial dog that barks but never bites.

"The Berlin-Rome axis is unbreakable," Herr Goering said.

Conscription Urged Upon England

LONDON, March 25 (U. P.)—France and several other powers have urged the British Government that immediate introduction of national conscription in Great Britain is essential to the real success of any effort to check German expansion, it was understood today.

It was asserted that President Lebrun of France on his state visit here strongly impressed British leaders with the argument that adoption of British conscription would be of immense material, strategic and psychological effect.

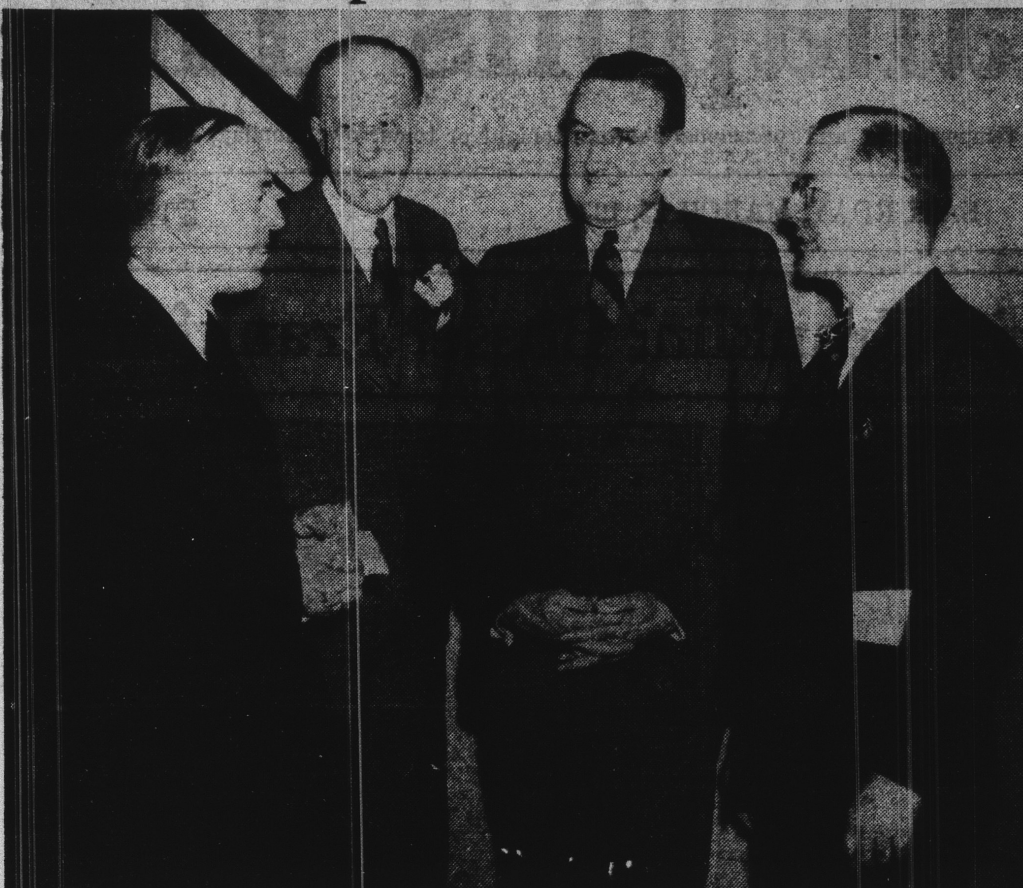
Poland and other powers, it was understood, have been conveying similar arguments to the Government.

France has coldly declined to enter a four power "Stop Hitler" bloc without some concrete military guarantees.

MADISON CCG TO BE MOVED—The Madison CCG camp will be moved to a new location near Kokomo May 1, it was announced here today.

O. L. Head, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, said he had received letters from Rep. Eugene B. Croy and Senators Minton and VanNoy, informing him that the transfer would be made.

Cancer Experts Hold Clinic Here



Surgeons nationally known for their work with cancer, who attended the American College of Surgeons meeting here, held a cancer clinic at the City Hospital yesterday. Dr. Frank Adair, cancer authority from the New York Memorial Hospital (second from right), conducted the clinic. They then were shown the hospital's new cancer ward by Dr. Charles Myers, hospital superintendent (right) and Dr. J. W. Hoffmann (left), the local chairman of the clinic. Dr. Bowman Crowell, second from left, is a director of the American College of Surgeons. The surgeons ended their sessions last night.

Diet Knowledge Termed One of Medical Wonders

The child of the future will be benefited physically and mentally by advanced preventives in the field of medicine, according to Dr. George W. Crile, head of the Cleveland Clinic.

He was one of the speakers at the public meeting at the Claypool Hotel last night which closed the Midwest conference of the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Crile said that medicine now is preventive rather than a last resort. He added that in the future children will be guided more beneficially through childhood, adolescence and into the stress and strain of modern life.

Knowledge of food values to obtain correct diet and to eliminate harmful "diet fads" was listed by Dr. Bowman C. Crowell, Chicago, associate director of the college, as one of the six wonders of advanced medicine.

Periodical Exams Favored—The others, he said, were periodical health examinations to discover ailments; light and ventilation to kill germs and prevent disease; anesthesia and analgesia, or the relief from pain provided by drugs and gases; antisepsis and asepsis, or prevention of infection in surgery, and organotherapy, or the regulation of human glands with animal substitutes.

Speaking of diet importance, Dr. Charles C. Higgins of the Cleveland Clinic, said that a balanced daily diet should include one serving of meat, one serving of eggs or cheese, two servings of raw fruit, one uncooked and one leafy vegetable, butter and cream, one pint of milk and at least six glasses of water.

Dr. Frank E. Adair, New York cancer specialist, said that the Indianapolis cancer death rate of 500 a year could be cut in half if every one would be examined at least once a year and if the afflicted would heed warning signs.

Cancer Givers Warning—"Cancer is not a disease which creeps up upon its victim, but a growth that gives constant warning signals," he said. "We know a great deal about what causes cancer and have two or three methods of cure for most cases."

He listed common causes of the disease as constant friction on the skin, black moles and excessive exposure to the sun over a period of years.

Other speakers on the program included: Dr. Alfred Adson, Rochester, Minn., Foundation Graduate School, University of Minnesota; Dr. Malcolm T. MacEachern, Chicago, Associate director of the American College of Surgeons and president of the International Hospital Association; and Dr. Howard Nafziger, San Francisco, American College of Surgeons president.

ISOLATIONISTS MAP NEUTRALITY FIGHT—WASHINGTON, March 25 (U. P.)—Proponents of strict neutrality sought support today in the Senate for a bitter fight over the Administration's plan to modify or repeal existing neutrality legislation.

Senators Nye (R. N. D.) and Bone (D. Wash.) are the leaders of the isolationist bloc which will seek more rigid neutrality laws Monday they will introduce amendments which would remove some of the discretion allowed the President under the present act and make several major features, including the "cash-and-carry" provisions, mandatory.

Administration supporters will seek to give the President a freer hand in aiding the democracies against the so-called aggressor nations. That issue will be raised before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee next Wednesday, when Chairman Pittman (D. Nev.), plans to arrange procedure for considering various proposals to amend or repeal the act, including his own.

Nye said he wanted to be prepared for a fight, but that he "seriously doubted" whether recent agitation for repeal or modification was intended to mean that Congress might act on the question at this session.

PEEK'S Jewelry Watch Repairing 9 S. ILL. ST.

TWO GET YEAR FOR THEFTS OF POSTAL FUNDS

112 Others Are Arraigned, Accused of Offenses Against U. S.

Arraignments or sentencing of 114 persons charged with offenses against the U. S. Government were concluded today before Federal District Court Judge Robert C. Balliett.

Charles W. Schultz, former Salt Lake postmaster, was sentenced to one year and a day in prison for embezzling \$232.50 in postal funds. The same sentence was given Thomas S. Stephenson, former Leavenworth postmaster, whose accounts were found short of \$872.54. Both pleaded guilty.

Four persons were arraigned on charges of forging WPA checks. They were James Durrah, 18, of Vincennes, sentenced to one year and a day in prison; Willie Jones, Evansville, and Floyd James, Jeffersonville, whose cases are to be investigated further, and Willie Stewart, New Albany, sentenced to two years in prison.

Five await further probes. Three youths, charged with conspiring to defraud the Government by overcharging the Tell City CCC camp for groceries, will have their cases investigated further. They are James McCown, Tell City grocery manager, and Lloyd Timberlake and Leslie Jones, both CCC grocery purchasers.

The Court also decided to investigate further the cases of George Ackerman Jr. and Robert Grinstead, charged with conspiracy and burglarizing the North Vernon post office.

Yesterday 11 persons indicted by Federal Grand Jury on charges of conspiring to defraud the U. S. Government by diverting WPA labor on projects at Kokomo to private use pleaded not guilty and their trials were set by Judge Balliett for 9:30 a. m. Monday, May 8.

Two of the defendants, former Mayor John R. Holt of Kokomo and Carl Brod, former Kokomo City Attorney, waived counsel.

Others Indicted—The others indicted include Lester E. Ratcliff, 2865 Kenwood Ave., Indianapolis, former WPA supervisor in Howard and Tipton Counties; Thomas C. Heady, president of the Sumption-Heady-Hunt Co., Kokomo; Joe Tarkington, former Governor's Unemployment Relief Commission employee; George H. Morrow, former Kokomo City Engineer; George Mix, former Kokomo assistant City Engineer; Mel Good, former Kokomo City Clerk; Lincoln F. Record, former Kokomo WPA project superintendent; James A. Harmon, WPA project supervisor, and Charles W. Harley, who succeeded Ratcliff as WPA supervisor in Howard and Tipton Counties.

The trial of Clarence V. Crockett, former teller and cashier of the Farmer's National Bank at Shelbyville, was set for May 4. He pleaded not guilty to a charge of embezzling \$42,423 from the bank.

Clifton Faces Trial May 3—Oscar L. Clifton, former manager of the Hobbs branch of the Windfall Union State Bank, is to be tried May 3. He pleaded not guilty to a charge of misapplication of the bank's funds.

Twelve pleaded guilty to charges for forging and passing Government checks and were given heavy sentences by Judge Balliett who warned that "this practice must be stopped."

BARKLEY BOOSTED FOR '40—LOUISVILLE, March 25 (U. P.)—A group of 200 Kentucky Democrats moved today to make Senator Barkley, U. S. Senate majority leader, their "favorite son" candidate for the 1940 Presidential nomination.

he has lost the road and is really heading for a crash bed in Uvalde. "Anyway I thought you'd be interested in knowing that Mr. Garner never could carry Washington or any of these Western states."

"Regardless of how the family might feel about it, the fact of the matter is that out here you can't stop people insisting that your Pa has got to stand for a third term. It would be tough on him—to say nothing of the rest of the family—but people won't stop talking that way."

"Maybe what you really mean is that Mr. Garner would be a good president of the State of Texas. The Texas people might be growing conservative as you suggest but certainly that isn't true of the people of the real West."

"The way we look at it is this: 'The Democratic convention in 1940 has to name a New Dealer. If the boys down in the Solid South put up a reactionary Democrat, and the rest of the states somehow put enough votes to nominate him, it will be just too bad for the party and the country, as we see it, because in such a case these folks out here would turn right around and vote for a third party candidate or a Republican. Wouldn't that be too bad?'"

OFFICER ASKS TO QUIT—William H. Normann, 3506 E. Michigan St., an Indianapolis policeman 39 years, today asked, in a letter to the Safety Board, that he be permitted to resign. Officer Normann asked that his resignation take effect tomorrow.

FRANK SELMIER LOWEL SUPPLY

That Red-headed Fighting Cowboy Is on His Way ...!

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Early Bird Gets Squirm In This Case

The moral of this may be to report for work exactly on the dot. If you're late, the boss is peeved and if you're early, the police reserves are called out.

Willard Greenard arrived for work at the Dayan's Linen Store, 25 W. Washington St., at 8 a. m. today, 15 minutes before he was due. When he unlocked the door the delicately-timed A. D. T. burglar alarm sounded.

The result was the arrival of three cars of police armed like the posse which sought Wyoming's Tarzan, an A. D. T. officer and a crowd of curious.

Mr. Greenard took it with surprise, the police as routine, the crowd with excitement and the A. D. T. officer—well, the same thing happened last Saturday morning when another employee came to work too early.

HANDS MOTORMAN DIME, SEIZES \$17

Police today sought an armed bandit who last night held up a Shelby St. streetcar motorman and robbed him of \$17. In other overnight burglaries more than \$115 worth of jewelry was taken, police reported.

Thomas J. Reilly, 48, of 219 W. 31st St., told police he stopped his streetcar for a man at Troy Ave. and Shelby St. The man handed him a dime, Mr. Reilly said, then thrust a revolver in his back, saying: "All right, hand it over."

As he stepped from the car he told Mr. Reilly to "get going or I will blow your head off," the motorman said.

James Fleming, 38, of 245 W. 38th St., reported his house had been ransacked and his cuff links and a watch worth \$75 had been taken. Fleming valued at \$41 was reported missing by Joseph A. Sturdyvin from his home at 4561 N. Delaware St.

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