

How Long Will Hitler Continue Bloodless Drive? Europe Asks

Indications of Flowering Napoleonic Complex Are Observed.

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no immediate outbreak is impending, the Germans are not so sanguine. They know their Fuehrer and his unpredictability. They know that Germany, disciplined and obedient to authority, will march when Hitler demands it, though the route be over a precipice. Of this no foreigner in touch with German life has any doubt.

If anyone familiar only with the Germany of the twenties it is obvious that Hitler has revitalized a broken-spirited, defeated nation. Comparing Hitler's Germany of 1938 with the Kaiser's Germany of 1914 is quite another matter. With single exception of the German Air Force, there is nothing in the picture—considering Army and Navy strengths and economic and financial factors—to warrant a laxman in believing that Germany, in a war against Britain and France, could do today what she was unable to do 25 years ago.

That Hitler would score heavily at the outset of any war, due to his superiority in the air, is obvious. That he has means for a sustained campaign, which certainly would result after the bombing of civilian areas in France and England, is far from obvious.

Jewish Question Undiscussed

Discussion of the liquidation of Jews is virtually taboo in friendly German circles today. Professional Nazis have closed their minds to reason, justice and human consideration. Argument is futile. To the average, normal German the subject is distasteful.

Many will tell you the situation needed correction because the Jews was crowding the German out of the professions and forcefully substituting his own culture and philosophy for that of the Germans. But very few even attempt a defense of the frankness and terrorism, which have been understated rather than exaggerated. This is true even as to some persons who are high in the Nazi Party, though there is little evidence that any of these men made a serious attempt to moderate the purge.

The Rome-Berlin axis is no more popular in Germany than in Italy. The Germans have not forgotten how Italy ran out on them in 1918 and accepted a harsh offer from the Allies. The Germans feel that the Italians are not their natural allies, because of conflicting interests, what was Austria, in Hungary and in Yugoslavia. The opinion is general in Berlin that Britain's Anthony Eden and France's Front Populaire did more to shape the axis than any mutual confidence between Hitler and Mussolini.

Both Want Same Things

The great weakness of the axis alliance is that both nations need the same things—colonies and credits. Both these would probably be attainable via peaceful negotiation for either country acting alone. Probably neither will be attainable if a joint strong-arm effort is attempted.

It is also recognized that a continuance of the axis can probably be assured only through the development of a military situation necessitating joint action. German uneasiness about this situation is attributable to recognition of the fact that Italy herefore has always been "willing to listen to reason" plus the fact that France and England have more to reason with than Germany has.

In Germany, as in Russia and Italy, the greatest selling argument for totalitarianism against democracy is that the dictatorship has furnished jobs for six million men who were unemployed in 1932, thus practically eliminating unemployment.

That the German brand of employment scarcely suffices to keep the flesh and the spirit together, that it would collapse overnight upon the sudden termination of the mad armaments race, is not stressed.

Industrialists Rue Choice

In Germany as in Italy, it is the former industrialists and capitalists who now realize their fatal error in employing Hitlerism to escape something else. Today they realize that the cure is almost as bad as the malady. Likewise, the old Army autocracy is still unconvinced of National Socialism. But here time is serving Hitler by gradually removing recalcitrants among the old officer group. If the Fuehrer distrusts the old Army officers, this may prove to be a factor favoring peace, at least temporarily. In another six years the German Army will be completely officered with Hitler-henchmen—if Hitler proves as durable as Mussolini and Stalin.

Despite all the complexities of the European situation, nothing that has taken place on this continent has given Germany quite such a

Change Orphans' Home Management



Final details for the transfer of the management of the Marion County Colored Orphans' Home from the Board of Commissioners to the Marion County Welfare Department tomorrow were made at this meeting yesterday.

At the conference were (left to right): Mrs.

Dora Robson, supervisor of child welfare services in the Marion County Welfare Department; William A. Brown (standing), County Commissioner; Thomas L. Neal, Marion County Welfare Director, and John Newhouse, president of the Marion County Board of Commissioners.

Text of Chamberlain's Declaration

Government would feel themselves bound at once to lend the Polish Government all the support in their power.

They have given the Polish Government an assurance to this effect. I may add the French Government has authorized me to make it plain that they stand in the same position in this matter as to His Majesty's Government.

The Foreign Secretary saw the Soviet Ambassador this morning and had a very full discussion with him on the subject and I do not doubt that the principles on which we are acting are fully understood and appreciated by that Government.

As the House is aware, we are ex-

pecting a visit next week from Col. Beck, the Foreign Secretary of Poland, and there will then be an opportunity of discussing with him various further measures that may be taken in order, as Mr. Greenwood put it, to accumulate the maximum amount of co-operation in any efforts that may be made to put an end to aggression, if aggression is intended, and substitute for it the more reasonable and orderly methods of discussion.

U. S. S. R. INCLUDED

The text of Mr. Greenwood's second supplementary question follows:

May I put a point with regard to the possibility of a conference? I think, but it is quite frankly and think the House will agree with me, that there is a full sense of responsibility. Can the right honorable gentleman say whether he would welcome a maximum amount of co-operation with all powers, including the U. S. S. R.?

Mr. Chamberlain replied:

We should welcome a maximum amount of co-operation, and so far as I forgot regarding the question of a conference. The question of a conference in our view is simply a matter of practical expediency. We have no theoretical views regarding conference. If it proves to be the best way, we should adopt it. If we can achieve some more effective way to achieve our object, we might dispense with a conference.

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TONS' CONCERTS CANCELED

NORWALK, Conn., March 31 (UPI)—Tally Tons canceled a scheduled appearance at Cleveland Saturday night because of engagements today because of an attack of laryngitis. Her physician said her condition was not serious.

PLAN PUBLIC SALES IN GROSS TAX CLASH

SOUTH BEND, March 31 (UPI)—Sheriff's deputies today planned to hold public sales of South Bend groceries and meat markets, delinquent in gross income tax payments.

They prepared for action despite veiled threats by St. Joseph Valley Food Dealers Association officers that they would fight the sales.

Nearly 65 per cent of the city's groceries and meat markets are delinquent in gross income tax payments. It was said, and deputies hold approximately 100 warrants to file on the concerns. Serving of the warrants would lead to a public sale to force payment of the tax.

Officials of the food dealers' association refused to state what procedure they planned to take to prevent the sales, but admitted that a tax strike was in progress.

ROOSEVELT BEGINS WORK-PLAY PROGRAM

WARM SPRINGS, Ga., March 31 (UPI)—President Roosevelt began a work and play program at the "Little White House" today.

He arrived here last night after a tour through Alabama with Secretary of Commerce Hopkins.

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