

# CAPITALS BOMBED; BIG BERTHAS ROAR

**'Thousand-Fold' Reprisals Asked for Raids on Berlin;**  
**Wind Saves St. Paul's in London From Flames;**  
**German Seaport on Baltic Attacked.**

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whether the Germans are able, as Berlin claims, to weaken the R. A. F. or whether the British by avoiding a climactic show-down aerial battle can continue to make a fight of it in the skies.

The Germans, in order to advance to the next phase of battle and the ultimate goal of invasion or capitulation, appear recently to have centered attention on breaking up British communications. London is the heart of the nation's railroads, and a central cog in military preparations to fight off an invasion attempt, which might come from either south, southeast or east.

The British raids on Germany have been primarily for destruction of Nazi bases, disruption of communications, elimination of arms depots and production centers and destruction of food supplies. Nazis report that British planes have scattered incendiaries on German fields in an apparent attempt to destroy harvests. The extent of Nazi anger at British attacks indicates their effectiveness.

**Morale Has Its Place, Too**

The main British bombings have been designed to hit where they hurt the Nazi military power most severely, but in addition and for the purpose of British morale the R. A. F. also has struck back with bombs at Berlin—as last night—in answer to the Nazi raids on London.

Berlin was not the only German city visited by the long-distance planes of the R. A. F. bomber command. Stettin, big German port on the Baltic Sea, was raided. So were Bremen and Hamburg, Germany's greatest ports.

The British today counted 592 dead and 2740 seriously wounded in the first two days of the crushing German attacks on London. No figures were yet available on the toll of last night's attack.

The anger of the German press at the new British attacks rose to fresh heights of invective. The call was sounded for "thousand-fold" reprisals against Britain and the stepping up of the current attack on London—officially viewed in Berlin as a "reprisal" for British raids on Germany—to new intensity.

Four waves of British bombers attacked Berlin. The first and third wave appeared to penetrate the city deeply. The second and fourth waves bombed in the suburbs.

A red glow burned in the Berlin sky after the British raid. The British said a power plant and a gas works had been successfully bombed.

**Channel Ports Attacked From Air and Sea**

Other British counter-action was concentrated on the French Channel coast where the Germans have set up their forward bases for the air assault and possibly an invasion attempt. The Royal Air Force blasted for hours at German positions at Calais, Boulogne and Ostend, British long-range guns pounded the German-held shore guns from across the channel and the sky after their "big Berthas" opened up on Dover.

The German High Command revealed that British "light naval forces" made a sortie against German-occupied harbors of France. It claimed the British were beaten off.

The German attack on London followed the pattern of the raid Saturday and Sunday night. The bomb blasts were heard all over the city. An air alarm was in effect for 9 hours and 2 minutes.

Portions of the great city were taking on the dread appearance of those other bomb-devastated cities—Warsaw, Rotterdam and Barcelona. But there seemed to be no cracking of the Londoner's morale. He appeared more grim, more angry, more determined than ever to carry on.

The toll of the German attack included two more hospitals in the center of the city, a children's hospital, a maternity hospital and another nurse's home.

In the heart of London's City—the British equivalent of Wall Street—fires raged which for a time threatened to consume St. Paul's Cathedral, masterpiece of Sir Christopher Wren, and the ancient Guildhall.

Only a contrary wind saved St. Paul's, itself built to replace a church burned in the last great London fire—that of 1666.

## IN INDIANAPOLIS

**Here Is the Traffic Record**

**DEATHS TO DATE**

County City Total

1939 ..... 24 39 93

1940 ..... 31 60 91

—Sept. 9—

**MONDAY TRAFFIC COURT**

Cases Convic- paid

Violations tried fines

Speeding ..... 14 14 887

Reckless driving ..... 1 1 5

Failure to stop at through street ..... 8 8 12

Disobeying traffic signal ..... 13 13 21

Drunken driving ..... 3 1 25

All others ..... 32 30 16

Totals ..... 71 67 166

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**

(These lists are from official records in the County Court House. The Times therefore, is not responsible for errors in names and addresses.)

William J. Rothwell, 29, 104 E. Market;

Katherine Kolks, 24, 1004 E. Market;

Walter C. Anderson, 22, 125 N. Market;

Donald E. Moreland, 22, 10 N. Park;

John, 39, 404 N. Euclid;

Wagner, 62, 1302 N. Chester;

Dorothy W. Miller, 25, Lawrence Ind.

Ralph H. Kell, 22, 1001 N. Euclid;

Robert E. Bennett, 22, Morganfield Ind.; Evelyn M. Holman, 22, Morganfield Ind.

William C. Irwin, 32, 1911 Palman;

Bonham King, 27, 6281 N. Chester;

Barbara J. Holt, 24, 220 N. Chester;

Charles, 20, 1049 Division;

Donald M. Johnson, 21, 1225 Parker;

Mariam F. Lane, 20, Henry County;

James A. Henderford, 22, 2013 Caroline;

Dorothy E. Taylor, 20, 218 N. Dearborn;

**MEETINGS TOMORROW**

Central States Petroleum Council, Hotel

Marion County Fish and Game Board,

Hotel Washington, 7:30 p. m.

Alpha Sigma Alpha, Hotel

Washington, 8 p. m.