

U. S. BELIEVED ONE TOPIC AT BRENNER

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districts of the city were raided after daylight. Two bombs fell in East London, burying a number of persons in the debris of demolished houses.

Other attacks were reported from Wales and along the Thames Estuary.

In London it was charged that German aviators within the last 24 hours have bombed a village school, killing six children; machine gunned a second one, machine gunned a recreation ground in the midlands and machine gunned a busload of factory girls in Liverpool suburbs.

About 400 children, including some evacuated from London, were in their classrooms in a midlands village when a German plane, the first seen there since the war started, began dropping bombs.

British bombers meanwhile made daylight attacks on various objectives on the Dutch Coast today, the Air Ministry said.

The British made one of their rare daylight air offenses on Germany and German-held territory yesterday, taking advantage of the cloud cover to swoop down and drop bombs at Dunkirk, Rotterdam, barges in the Maas River and factory at Wesel, a railroad and oil reservoirs at Cherbourg.

Air raids by the British on key Italian positions all the way from the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan through Ethiopia and British Somaliland into Kenya were admitted in Italy's war communiqué.

Report Nazi, Italian Subs Sunk

The Admiralty, admitting intensification of German sea warfare, reported that seven German and two Italian submarines had been sunk recently and others damaged.

Reports from Amsterdam said that scores of persons had been killed and hundreds wounded in intensified British bombings of recent days.

The Germans reported that the British dropped 7542 bombs in 1471 attacks on Germany in September. The figures did not include occupied territory. They claimed that 1.6 per cent of the attacks caused military damage, 50.4 civilian damage and 48 did not damage anything of value.

In the worst air raids on Berlin, it was said, not more than 10 per cent of the city's security services was called into play. It was claimed that 2400 British planes had been destroyed since the second week of August with a high of 643 in the week of Aug. 12-18.

Britain's first approach to Russia with regard to Far Eastern developments occurred yesterday when Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs Richard A. Butler received Ambassador Ivan Maisky at the Foreign Office, it was learned today.

Simms:

New and Perhaps Dangerous Crisis Involving U. S. and Japan Feared

By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS

Times Foreign Editor

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—A new and perhaps dangerous crisis about the middle of this month, further involving the United States in the Far East, would cause no great surprise here.

Britain is now almost certain to reopen the Burma Road in mid-October, if not before, probably at the suggestion, direct or tacit, of this country. Should that happen, Tokyo might construct it as a hostile act and retaliate.

At any rate, Japanese spokesmen are obviously seeking to convey that impression. And they go out of their way to include the United States in their warning. Some of them imply that the reopening of the road might even be regarded as an "attack" on Japan within the meaning of the new treaty of alliance between Japan, Germany and Italy, and they say Japan will "act accordingly."

Save for certain tenuous caravan routes of doubtful value connecting



Mr. Simms

At Hitler's Side

Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel
key man of Hitler's conference with Mussolini.

LONG BATTLE IN DESERT LIKELY

Bédouins Become Refugees As Italians Build 75-Mile Road.

SOMEWHERE IN THE WESTERN DESERT, Egypt, Oct. 4 (U. P.)—Great Britain's International Army is digging in for a long campaign here in the wasteland, home of the nomadic Bedouin tribesmen. They have a dismal life with only two things to look forward to, the late November rains and the coming of the Italians.

The army is made up of crack regiments of Australians, Rhodesians, French, Indians, Cypriots and Palestinians. They have streaked the sands with rows of dugouts in which to dive during air raids. The going and coming of patrols, which keep watch on the Italians, occupies most of the diversions.

The 50,000 native tribesmen, only inhabitants of this 2,000,000 square mile stretch of sun-scorched desert—an area as large as Britain—are gathering at railroad stops and oases to be evacuated to safer provinces in the east.

Little to Leave
They are becoming war refugees for the second time in 26 years, along with the millions of French, Belgians, Dutch, Poles, Norwegians, Danes, Czechs, Austrians and Spaniards of Europe. For the Bedouins, however, evacuation involves little hardship. Many of them never had more than a dirty cloth stretched over two sticks for a home.

The Italians are reported building a road from Sollum, on the Libyan-Egyptian border, to the Sidi Barrani encampment. That is a 75-mile stretch, traversed now only by a sand road paralleling the Mediterranean coast. A hard-surfaced road begins at Sidi Barrani, extending 250 miles east to Alexandria, but before the Italians can venture any farther they must have a hard-surfaced road behind them to bring their supplies the 75 miles from Libya.

That back-stretch, especially the 30 miles between Bugbug and Sidi Barrani, is usually ankle-deep in swirling, fine sand, where cars skid and slide-slip continually. When the rains start it will be a quagmire and it is believed the Italians are speeding up construction to get as much done before then as possible.

The British have great respect for the Italians as road builders, recalling the speed with which they repaired the defile at Sollum, which the British blew up before their withdrawal.

PROFIT-TAKING CUTS STOCKS
NEW YORK, Oct. 4 (U. P.)—Profit-taking cut stock prices about \$1 today and trading slackened. Chief losers were American Can, du Pont, Johns-Manville, Sears Roebuck, Youngstown Sheet & Tube and U. S. Gypsum.

FDR MAY SIDESTEP DRAFT CHIEF ISSUE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4 (U. P.)—President Roosevelt was reported today to be planning to name a civilian as director of the draft in order to avoid choosing between two Army candidates.

Officials believed the President might withhold his nomination until after the election. They hoped, however, that the nomination would come earlier in order to permit selection of service leaders who are to operate with great efficiency.

The Army fight has centered over Maj. Gen. Allen W. Gullion, Army Judge Advocate General, and Lieut. Col. Lewis B. Hershey, of Indiana, now acting draft director. Mr. Hershey has been executive director of the joint Army and Navy committee

Army, Navy Order 20,000 Planes, Engines; Air Corps Will Build Stations in 13 Cities

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4 (U. P.)—The Army and Navy have placed contracts worth \$1,227,662,237 for almost 20,000 planes and engines since July 1, a United Press survey disclosed today.

The Army has placed aircraft and engine orders totaling \$223,353,172, while the Army has spent \$1,003,867,031.

The War Department today awarded a \$37,770,981 contract to North American Aviation, Inc., Inglewood, Cal., completing the entire ordering program for 18,641 aircraft.

The Army now has on order all the planes to bring it to its goal of 25,000 planes by 1942. The Navy is seeking to obtain an air strength of 10,000 planes by the same date.

The Army has some 3500 planes on hand and probably had about 2000 others on order prior to July 1.

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox estimated that the Navy had 1812 "useful" planes on hand of which 1234 are combatant type. He said that the Navy has 3001 aircraft on order, half of which are combat planes. About 2000 of these probably were contracted for since July 1.

Meanwhile, the War Department has selected 13 cities from Maine to California, as sites for a new chain of Army air corps stations.

Except in four cases, the exact locations near these cities were not

disclosed, since the department is seeking to lease the necessary land and facilities without encountering real estate speculation.

The new stations, which will accommodate 28,370 officers and men with necessary planes and equipment, will involve an expenditure of approximately \$15,000,000. Their construction is part of the program to build up a fully equipped air force of 25,000 planes by 1942.

The stations will be established at Bangor, Me.; Manchester, N. H.; Charlotte, N. C.; Atlanta, Ga.; Jackson, Miss.; Boise, Ida.; Bowman Field, Ky.; Albuquerque, N. M.; Portland, Ore.; Everett, Wash.; Yakima, Wash.; Spokane, Wash., and Salinas, Cal.

truck industry's part in defense was discussed to T. B. Rodgers, Washington, of the National Defense Commission at a luncheon of the International Trucking Association at Antlers.

Rodgers is president of the Trucking Association. Gov. Henry F. Schricker of convention delegates.

Antlers will be held tonight on the trailer class of the truck between Meridian and Indiana.

Cline, of the Michigan-Indiana Transportation Co., Indiana, will defend his state champion tomorrow.

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DEATHS TO DATE

County	City	Total	
1939	26	42	
1940	37	63	
Oct. 3—			
Injured	13	Accidents	18
Dead	0	Arrests	22
THURSDAY TRAFFIC COURT			
Violations	Cases tried	Fines Paid	
Speeding	8	7	
Reckless driving	2	1	
Failure to stop at through street	0	0	
Disobeying traffic signal	2	2	
Drunken driving	2	1	
All others	38	30	
Totals	52	49	
MEETINGS TODAY			
Indianapolis Press Assistants' Union, Hotel Sevier, 8 p. m.			
Hotel Bel-Air, Arthur Paper Co., Hotel Sevier, 8 p. m.			
Stewardship Committee, D. C. Hotel Sevier, 8 p. m.			
J. F. Kurfees Paint Co., Hotel Sevier, 8 p. m.			
Travel Study Club, Claypool Hotel, noon.			
Brotherhood of Railway Signalmen, Indianapolis Motor Traffic Association, Antlers Hotel, all day.			
Singer Refining Co., Hotel Sevier, 9:30 a. m.			
Present Paper Co., Hotel Sevier, 6:30 p. m.			
MEETINGS TOMORROW			
Shell Oil Co., Hotel Sevier, 8 p. m.			
P. O. Motor Vehicle Employees, Hotel Sevier, 8 p. m.			
J. F. Kurfees Paint Co., Hotel Sevier, 8 p. m.			
Travel Study Club, Claypool Hotel, noon.			
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DEATHS			
Edward King, 34, of 3248 Brookline Rd., chronic myocarditis.			
William L. Wittemer, 48, at City, bronchopneumonia.			
Rufus Clark, 58, at 2371 English, carcinoma.			
William Oliver, 61, at City, ruptured duodenal ulcer.			
James Hazel Waugh, 51, Methodist.			
James E. Margaret Lewis, at Methodist.			
Hubert Martin, 77, at 1422 Park, cerebral hemorrhage.			
DEATHS			
Clifford Marcell, 30, at Coleman.			
Ed. Sadie Schuster, at St. Vincent's.			
Edward, Helen Troy, at St. Vincent's.			
John Marion, 48, of 3001 Central; Ramona J. Winfield, 21, Carthage, Ind.			
Robert, 40, of 1201 W. 12th, Belmont.			
Mary A. Kohler, 21, of 1114 S. Fern.			
David L. Stone Jr., 31, Indianapolis Athletic Club; George R. White, 32, City, D. O. W.			
C. Talbott, 22, of 222 E. 7			