

NAZI DESTROYERS AT BREST BOMBED

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fortifications and railroad communications in South Britain. In Tokyo, Foreign Minister Yosuke Matsuoka, reiterating that the German-Italian-Japanese military alliance is a "peace pact," expressed hope that the United States would not become involved in the European war or in a war with Japan.

At the same time the American Secretary of State Cordell Hull and Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles arranged an afternoon conference with President Roosevelt, presumably to discuss critical international problems.

In connection with the Far Eastern crisis, R. A. Butler, British Undersecretary of Foreign Affairs, told the House of Commons that England has been in communication with the United States regarding the continued shipment of certain grades of oil to Japan. Conversations have not been concluded, he said.

The State Department also summoned home Alexander Kirk, chargé d'affaires at Berlin, for consultation and announced he would not return to Berlin.

In Shanghai, it was reported that the British Embassy had cabled the Foreign Office at London asking whether it should prepare to evacuate Britons from China.

News of the Embassy's action came as the American Chamber of Commerce called a meeting for tomorrow to consider an appeal to the United States Government for forced emergency reduction in steamship rates as a means of speeding evacuation of Americans in China.

Mussolini Fails to Make Speech

Some Americans believed an appeal for lower rates, both for passengers and freight, was advisable especially for families in low income groups.

Admiral Thomas C. Hart, chief of the U. S. Asiatic fleet, received an apology from the Japanese for the arrest and alleged maltreatment of an American sailor.

Rome and Berlin denied reports that Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel was taking charge of the offensive against Egypt. The war in the Middle East perked up with air attacks by both sides. The Italians raided Aden for the first time in some days and there was a small clash of border forces at Uar Deglo in British Kenya. The British bombed Tobruk in Libya and Assab, Keren, Buna, Decamere, Bura and Mai Edega in East Africa.

Premier Benito Mussolini failed to make his expected speech at Padua where he reviewed 20,000 Fascist youths and crack detachments of the Italian Army of the Po which is massed close to the Jugoslav border. There was no explanation for his failure to make the address, which had been expected to cast some light on the decisions of the Brenner Pass conference.

Vichy announced sinking of the submarine Ajax. It said most of the crew had been landed safely at Free Town, Sierra Leone, but did not explain how the submarine happened to sink.

De Gaulle Seeks Firmer Hold

A struggle appeared imminent between French West and Equatorial Africa, embracing one-fourth of the dark continent, over conflicting loyalties to the warring nations of Europe.

Gen. Charles de Gaulle, leader of the free France faction allied with Great Britain, landed at Duala; on the Cameron coast to consolidate his hold on Equatorial Africa.

Gen. Maxime Weygand, once generalissimo of the Allied French and British armies, arrived in French West Africa to hold that region for the Vichy Government which has capitulated to Germany. French West Africa embraces 1,820,000 square miles and has a population of 15,000,000.

Weygand's forces held the three important West African ports: Dakar, where a combined free French-British landing force was repulsed two weeks ago; Libreville and Port Gentil. British warships were blockading all three.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

Here Is the Traffic Record

DEATHS TO DATE

County	Total
1939	27 43 70
1940	39 65 104

—Oct. 9—

Injured 6 Accidents 18

Dead 1 Arrests 16

WEDNESDAY TRAFFIC COURT

Cases Convic. Fines

Violations tried cases paid

Speeding 16 15 \$72

Reckless driving. 7 5 0

Failure to stop at

through street. 2 2 7

Disobeying traffic

signal 4 4 2

Drunkens driving 7 3 50

All others 16 15 9

Totals 52 44 \$140

Jesse P. Smith, 24, of 94 Eugene; Marjorie J. Elliott, 20, of 611 Eugene; John E. Johnson, 21, of 100 W. Vermont; Mary E. Johns, 41, of 544 N. Illinois; Earl E. Wilsey, 27, New Berlin; Earl E. Wilbur; Burcham, 23, of 1419 S. Belmont; Lula Geisendorf, 23, of 211 Martha; Ruth E. Preston, 34, of 123 N. Chester; Corlinda Nichols, 48, of 1033 W. 35th; L. P. Jarvis, 25, of 512 E. 31st; Marykate Burnett, Jr., 21, of 1528 Rockville; Lucille Richardson, 18, of 4109 Rockville Road; Walter E. Justus, 24, of 5233 E. 10th; Mary J. Alstatt, 16, of 1127 N. Tacoma.

BIRTHS

Claude, Mary Edwards, at Coleman.

Stanley, Muriel Michaelson, at St. Vincent.

Lester, Anna Love, at St. Vincent's.

Joseph, Marie Baldwin, at St. Francis.

Leslie, Louise Dammyer, at Methodist.

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