

PROBABLE U. S. ROLE IN CASE OF PEACE STUDIED

Diplomats Feel Aid Given Britain Means Place at Table if Axis Loses.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (U. P.).—President Roosevelt's long range peace objectives, as set forth in his message to Congress, aroused diplomatic interest today because of the probable role of the United States in any peace based on an Axis defeat.

Open and effective aid to the democracies was expected to assure for this country an important place at any peace negotiations on such a basis and Mr. Roosevelt—in predicting a future of freedom of worship and speech, and freedom from want and fear—made clear that he expects to use it.

The fact that the United States is not at war prevented diplomatic observers from classifying Mr. Roosevelt's hopes as "war objectives." But they regarded them as important indications of what return the United States expects for its help from the post-war world.

War Objectives Studied

Overshadowed by the more dramatic "aid to democracies" portion of his message, these post-war objectives of Mr. Roosevelt, nevertheless, were receiving close study by diplomats here:

"Freedom of speech and expression—everywhere in the world."

"Freedom of every person to worship God in his own way."

"Freedom from want—which translated into world terms, means economic understandings which will secure to every nation a healthy peace-time life for its inhabitants—everywhere in the world."

"Freedom from fear—which, translated into world terms, means a world-wide reduction of armaments to such a point and in such a thorough fashion that no nation will be in a position to commit an act of physical aggression against any neighbor—anywhere in the world."

Part of Hull Program

The diplomatic observers saw in these points some resemblance to those frequently enunciated during the World War. They were set forth by Secretary of State Cordell Hull when he announced the creation of a committee, headed by Undersecretary Sumner Welles, last January to study peace problems.

Mr. Hull proposed that that committee consider steps which would assist in the readjustment of the economic machine to the new time needs after the war and thereafter work for free interchange of goods.

RETURNS TO ARMY TO FACE PENALTY

FT. WAYNE, Ind., Jan. 7 (U. P.).—Walter E. Alfeld, 17, will return to the Army to face whatever penalty the Army sees fit to impose for desertion, rather than face a civil prison term for grand larceny.

He pleaded guilty to the larceny charge in Allen Circuit Court late yesterday, but his attorney asked the court to withhold sentence to allow Alfeld to return to military jurisdiction.

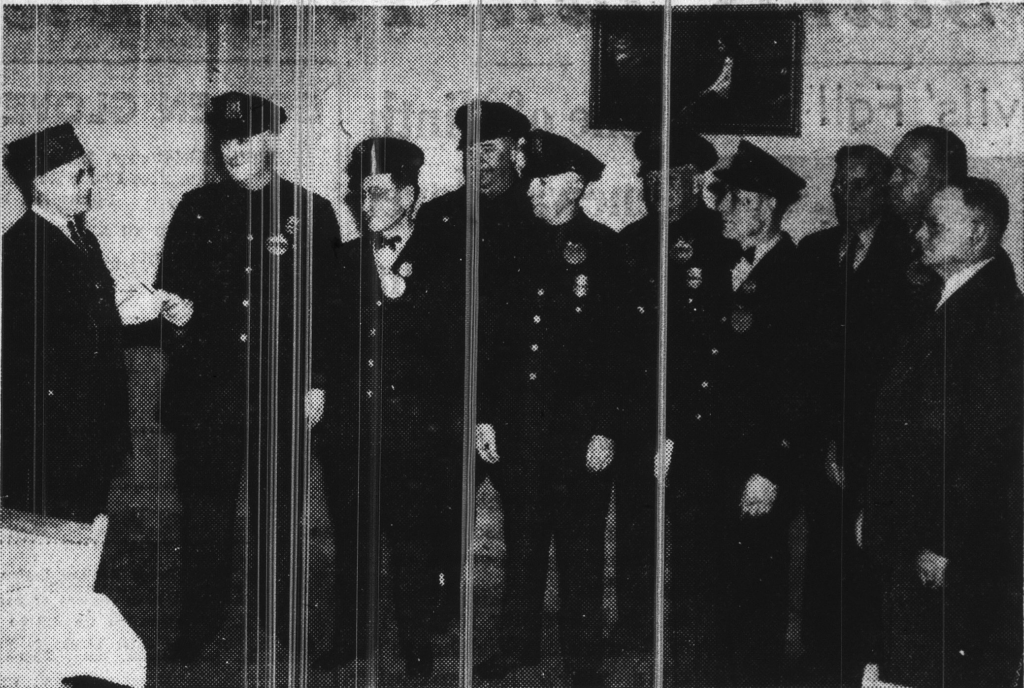
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7 Get Awards for Heroism in Duty



Vernon Scott (left), commander of Bruce P. Robison Post, American Legion, presented medals to police and firemen last night at the post's annual awards dinner. Shown are (left to right) Corp. Ray H. Moistner, Fireman Ralph J. Billiter, Fireman Paul Pearsey, James O'Brien and Arch D. Ball, and Fireman Raymond Rose. In civilian clothes at the right are (left to right) Det. Sgt. Alfred Schulz, Police Inspector Jesse McMurry and Sgt. Frank L. Reilly.

CITY'S BUDGET GETS APPROVAL

State O. K.s Expenditure of 8 Million After Cut of \$12,000.

Approved by the State Tax Board with a reduction of nearly \$12,000, the City of Indianapolis 1941 budget became operative today. It calls for an expenditure of \$8,000,000, a reduction of \$12,000 from the \$8,012,000 budget approved by the board last summer.

City Controller James E. Deery was notified yesterday of the Tax Board's approval. The board made arbitrary cuts totaling \$11,684.

Almost half this amount was slashed from salary increases proposed at City Hall last summer. The largest single cut was a \$6000 item, which was to finance publication of a new codification of the Municipal Code. The code has not been published since 1925.

Increases Refused

In the Controller's office, salary increases totaling \$1294 were refused; \$2258 was cut from increases for assistant City attorneys and \$560 for an additional draftsman in the City Plan Commission was cut along with a \$600 item for a stenographer in the Purchasing Agency.

Tax Board action on the City budget was delayed from last fall as a result of the City's \$300,000 bookkeeping deficit. The deficit, growing out of a budget error, was discovered when the County Tax Adjustment Board began to review the budget.

Prepare for Loan

Tax Commissioners and City officials proposed delaying final approval of the budget until the City could see its way clear toward making up the deficit. Final Tax Board budget approval followed the disclosure that the City had completed its 1940 fiscal year with substantial savings which could be applied against the deficit.

Meanwhile, the City today prepared for its annual temporary loan of more than \$1,000,000 which is to finance municipal operations until spring taxes are collected. Bids on the municipal temporary loan certificates were to be opened this morning by Controller Deery.

ACTOR IS INJURED

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 7 (U. P.).—Lester Crawford, veteran actor, husband of Actress Helen Broderick and father of Broderick Crawford, was confined today with a broken pelvis received when hit by a truck.

Amy Mollison Missing in Sea

LONDON, Jan. 7 (U. P.).—Amy Mollison of the famous "Flying Mollisons" is believed to have drowned after leaping by parachute over the Thames Estuary from a warplane she was ferrying for the British Air Ministry.

The 32-year-old woman flew, who in 1935 flew the Atlantic with her since-divorced husband, Capt. James Mollison, was a member of the wartime air transport auxiliary composed of women flyers who ferry planes from factories to airbases for the R. A. F.

She was seen to bail out from her plane over the Thames Estuary Sunday and a speedboat which since has made a thorough search, found no trace of her.

BEGS FOOD FOR ALL BUT NAZIS

Anne Morgan, Back in U. S., Terms Conditions in France 'Frightful.'

HOBOKEN, N. J., Jan. 7 (U. P.).—"For God's sake, send food to France," Miss Anne Morgan, president of the American Friends of France, told reporters as she arrived aboard the American Export liner Exeter from Europe today.

Miss Morgan was met by her brother, J. P. Morgan, financier, and Herbert L. Satterlee, a brother-in-law.

Formal Interview Later

Refusing a formal interview, "which will come later," Miss Morgan said she returned to the United States "because I had no more money. And money for me means food for the starving French people."

"I came back," she added, "because I want every country in Europe, except Germany, to have food. Conditions in France are frightful. If any Frenchman had the idea before that Germans were nice animals, they think otherwise now—after bitter experience."

She said she was making suggestions for serious relief aid to France which would not detract from the British blockade and felt convinced the British would accept her plan.

War Writers Return

Several American war correspondents who have been in London also returned. They were Quentin J. Reynolds of Collier's Weekly; Ben Robertson, the newspaper PM; Merrill Mueller, International News Service; Victor M. Blensstock, Jewish Telegraph Agency; and Thomas S. Treanor, Los Angeles Times.

Al said British morale was higher than ever after reports of British successes in Africa, and that bombings had become a routine matter for Londoners. They said reports of growing American aid and sympathy had created a new slogan in England: "Now we can't lose."

THE PERRY PARTY IS SET TOMORROW

The Perry Party, annual dinner sponsored by the Perry Township Businessmen Inc., will be held at 6:30 p. m. tomorrow in the Southport High School gymnasium. All Perry Township men and women are invited.

Al Wynkoop, Lebanon reporter city editor and master of ceremonies, will be the principal speaker and there will be a floor show. Dinner will be served by the high school home economics club.

The general committee in charge is composed of Charles Bohne, chairman; R. O. Nabring, Joe Cummings and Edwin Thompson. There will be election of officers and directors.

Howard C. Smith is now president; Vernon L. Little, vice president; Glenn Kennedy, secretary-treasurer and John Rubly, assistant secretary.

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POLICE, FIREMEN GIVEN CITATIONS

Annual Honors Conferred by Bruce Robison Legion Post.

The highest call of duty, that a man should risk his life to carry out a mission, was rewarded last night at the annual open house of Bruce P. Robison Post, American Legion.

Several hundred Legionnaires and friends attended the supper and heard the names of five police officers and two firemen added to the City's honor roll.

Corp. Ray H. Moistner and Fireman Arch D. Ball and James J. O'Brien of the Police Department were awarded gold medals, and citations were given to Police Sgt. Frank L. Reilly, Det. Sgt. Alfred Schulz and Ray Rose and Ralph Billiter, firemen.

The presentations were made for the Legion Post by Paul Gary. Cited for Captures

The three officers received their gold medals for a thrilling chase and capture in downtown streets of bandits who held up and robbed a finance company. The capture was made under gunfire.

Det. Sgt. Schulz received his citation for a single-handed capture of three safe crackers. On information, he had waited until early morning and captured them as they entered a business building.

Sgt. Reilly was cited for his quick action in shooting a bandit who had placed a gun against the stomach of Sgt. Reilly's companion, Patrolman Paul Pearsey, and pulled the trigger twice, the cartridges failing to explode.

Fireman Rose, a driver in District 2, was honored with a citation for rescuing a sick woman from a burning building and giving her first aid.

Honored for Rescue

A citation was given to Fireman Billiter, a driver in District 1, for rescuing a man from a burning building as other firemen sprayed chemicals. Billiter kept his clothing from catching fire.

Post Commander Vernon Scott presided at the dinner. The speaker was the Rev. Chester A. McPheters, pastor of the North Methodist Church.

Assistant Fire Chief Harry H. Palmer represented the Fire Department, and Inspector Jesse McMurry represented the Police Department.

This was the 14th year that the post, through the study of police records and with the co-operation of Chief Michael F. Morrissey, has determined who has distinguished himself in the line of duty.

WELLS ON COUNCIL

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Jan. 7.—President Herman B. Wells of Indiana University has been appointed a member of a committee of the Federal Savings and Loan Advisory Council to study operating expenses of Federal Home Loan Banks.

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NEW CENTRAL SYSTEM

SEEK CONTROL OF PROPAGANDA

Friends and Foes of F. D. R. Foreign Policy Call for Investigations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (U. P.).—Friends and foes of President Roosevelt's foreign policy today indicated they may be racing for control of an investigation of propaganda, pressure groups and other influences affecting American neutrality and defense progress.

Senator Harry S. Truman (D. Mo.) asked for \$100,000 to investigate foreign and domestic interests retarding the defense program.

His colleague, Senator Bennett C. Clark (D. Mo.) sought \$50,000 for a special investigation of the acts "of any person, firm, committee, or corporation—acting for or on behalf of in the interests of any foreign nation, by way of propaganda or otherwise—having as their ultimate goal or tending to cause, directly or indirectly, the influencing of the neutral position of the United States in the conflicts now waged abroad."

Senator Josh Lee (D. Okla.) is preparing a resolution asking \$50,000 to investigate "pressure groups" such as the No Foreign Wars Committee, headed by Iowa Editor Verne Marshall, and the William Allen White Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies.

The money provided for in Mr. Truman's resolution would go to an Interstate Commerce subcommittee headed by Senator Burton K. Wheeler (D. Mont.).

Mr. Wheeler's committee already has announced that William R. Davis, international oil operator, will be questioned at his own request. Mr. Davis recently was named by Mr. Marshall as the bearer of a German peace proposal handed to the State Department soon after the European war began in September, 1939.



Mr. Mason

War Moves Today

By J. W. T. MASON
United Press War Expert

British estimates that Italian casualties in the present North African campaign total 94,000, coupled with the great quantity of weapons and stores captured, indicate that the backbone of Italy's Libyan Army has been broken beyond repair.

British casualties placed at approximately 2000, further show that the Imperial fighting force retains all its original driving power, heavily augmented by the abandoned Italian supplies.

With British ships operating along the Libyan Coast able to act as floating supply bases, it would seem probable that the offensive against Tobruk offers a problem no more difficult than the attack on Bardia.

Indeed, the Tobruk operations will be easier if the British are anticipated by their own offensive drive.

The successive captures of motor units by the British at Sidi Barrani and Bardia must have reduced Graziani's small total to a tragic modicum. The British now should have overwhelming superiority in this essential arm of modern warfare—motorized vehicles to start his offensive.

It would seem hopeless, therefore, for the Italians to base their present strategy on any major counter-offensive. Without mechanized equipment their infantry might well be subjected to massacre if they sought to engage the British, so well protected by mechanized vehicles.

The mass capitulations of the Italians since the start of the British push may be partly explained by the supremacy of British mechanized weapons. When that situation happens in modern fighting, the hapless enemy, bereft of mechanized support, and inferior in the air, has little choice.

Within a reasonable time, Tobruk should be taken by the British, and if the Italians escape, their way of retreat may have to be southward through the desert instead of along the coastal road. The British Mediterranean fleet may be able to command the coastal route.

If that happens, the lack of mechanized transport through the desert for the Italians will give the British an opportunity to cut them off, probably compelling still more surrenders.

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