

'BRITISH INVASION IMMINENT'—KNOX

Warns Nazis May Use Gas; House Rules Group Puts Aid Bill Ahead.

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Is Latin America, where bases for attacks against this country might be built.

Mr. Knox declared that such an attack may come "very soon unless we take steps to prevent it."

Mr. Knox said that he personally was absolutely opposed to suggestions to American convoy of merchant ships to Britain, because such action would be an "act of war."

But he admitted that he would go along with Mr. Roosevelt in any decision he might reach on the matter.

"I'm the Secretary of the Navy," said Mr. Knox. "He's my commander-in-Chief. I do what he tells me."

Mr. Knox told the Committee that recent Nazi successes, particularly in submarine warfare and in bombing British industrial centers, have caused "grave concern."

He said the Germans have obtained "effective" results in their bombing of industrial sections.

Want no Axis Dictated Peace

Mr. Knox and Senator Claude Pepper (D. Fla.), agreed that a "peace dominated and dictated by the Axis powers" would be worse than the Versailles Treaty.

Mr. Knox said that during the past several months reliable information has reached the Navy that there has been a "hull" in German warplane production because the Germans are "trying desperately" to turn out a new, more effective aerial weapon.

According to this information, he said, recent British plane production, together with the American output, actually exceeded that of Germany, which already had built up its capacity to a point where it need not fear a diminution of productive facilities.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee majority report issued last night said that in view of existing world conditions prompt enactment of the British aid bill "is of highest importance to the vital interests of our country—and even to our civilization."

A minority report may be issued. As the bill neared the final phase of House consideration, there were these additional developments:

Welles Urges Enactment

1. Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles urged enactment of the British-aid bill in a speech in New York last night. He said it was a means to "greatly facilitate" the task of aiding democracies in their fight "to withstand the forces of world enslavement."

In Washington the Welles speech was interpreted as meaning that the United States will not accept suggestions of a "negotiated peace" and will carry on its fight for the objectives of world law and order and the sanctity of treaties.

2. House Republican Leader Joseph W. Martin Jr. announced his opposition to the bill as now drafted; he charged that the four minor amendments written in by the Committee were "mere window dressing."

He called a caucus of House Republicans today, but said every member was free to vote as he chose since the bill was being considered on a non-partisan basis.

3. Chairman Sol Bloom of the House Foreign Affairs committee, who will have charge of the bill during House debate, said it was a "direct answer" to Adolf Hitler's threat to torpedo American ships if they seek to carry aid to Britain.

General congressional reaction to Hitler's speech was as mixed with emphasis from both sides that what Hitler says "doesn't matter."

Senator Carter Glass (D. Va.) said: "When Hitler begins toppling we should begin ours."

Senator Bennett C. Clark (D. Mo.) said: "Hitler voiced something that everybody knows to be a fact—when you begin conveying ships, they are liable to be torpedoed."

The House Committee rejected a proposal to amend the bill so as to prohibit specifically the use of naval vessels in convoys. It added an amendment that the bill should not be interpreted as authorizing convoys.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

Here is the Traffic Record

County City Total

1940 2 2 4

1941 5 4 9

—Jan. 30—

Injured 4 Accidents 17

Dead 0 Arrests 11

THURSDAY TRAFFIC COURT

Violations 9 Convicted 9

Speeding 9 Fines \$48

Reckless driving 3 32

Failure to stop at 2 4

through street 2 4

Disobeying traffic 3 6

signals 1 0

Drunken driving 3 39

All others 39 60

Totals 57 55 \$150

MEETINGS TODAY

Federated Hardware Mutual, meet-

HINT NAZIS ARM IN MONTEVIDEO

Authorities Say Finding of Bombs Is First Real Evidence.

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MONTEVIDEO, Jan. 31.—Discovery of 20 crude, hand bombs in the river bed not 30 miles from Montevideo furnishes, according to local authorities here, the first real evidence of local Nazi armament and recalls the sensational plot that Arnulf Furman unmasked last June.

A government investigation at that time turned up some documentary material but no actual arms. These bombs were found near the house of one Heinrich Huchler, in the little River Las Brujas, 100 yards from an important road bridge. The road leads from the military airport, at Cerillos, to the navigable Rio Santa Lucia.

Huchler's house had been previously searched unsuccessfully. Finding of these bombs, which the police and newspapers agreed were of Nazi origin, may be the proof required to convict Arnulf Furman and several other Nazis jailed here since last June. The trial was stopped through the intervention of Landkreisleiter, Julius Daidorf, press attaché of the German legation here, who enjoys diplomatic protection.

SUSPECT ACCUSED IN DEATH OF DIVORCEE

MOUNT VERNON, Ind., Jan. 31 (U. P.).—Frank Stader, 38, of Mount Vernon, was held today on charges of first degree murder in connection with the death of Mrs. Ella Louise Dunnivan, 25-year-old divorcee.

Mrs. Dunnivan was found dead in the Louisville-Nashville Railroad station, Dec. 22. Coroner Morris Barrett said she died of a fractured skull, but withheld a verdict as to whether death was by accident or homicide.

The police began an investigation of the death because the position of the body at the rails indicated that she had been dragged to the spot and not hit by a train.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

U. S. Weather Bureau

INDIANAPOLIS FORECAST—Fair tonight and tomorrow; not much change in temperature; lowest tonight about 26; sunrise 6:35; sunset 6:03

TEMPERATURE

—Jan. 31, 1940—

4:30 a. m. 27 1 p. m. 29

BAROMETER TODAY

4:30 a. m. 30.18

Precipitation 24 hrs. ending 7 p. m. .00

Total precipitation since Jan. 1. .00

Deficiency since Jan. 1. 1.23

MIDWEST WEATHER

Indiana—Generally fair tonight and tomorrow; colder in northeast and north-central portions tonight.

Illinois—Generally fair tonight and tomorrow; except increasing cloudiness followed by rain in extreme south portion tomorrow; not so cold in northwest and west central portions tonight.

Michigan—Generally fair tonight and tomorrow; somewhat colder tonight; tomorrow, fair, slightly colder tonight; tomorrow, not much change in temperature.

Kentucky—Fair tonight; tomorrow cloudy; not much change in temperature.

WEATHER IN OTHER CITIES, 6:30 A. M.

Albany, N. Y. Cloudy 29.09 37

Amarillo, Tex. Cloudy 29.09 37

Anchorage, Alaska Cloudy 29.09 37

Boston, Mass. Cloudy 29.09 37

Buffalo, N. Y. Cloudy 29.09 37

Chicago, Ill. Cloudy 29.09 37

Cincinnati, Ohio Cloudy 29.09 37

Cleveland, Ohio Cloudy 29.09 37

Denver, Colo. Cloudy 29.09 37

Dodge City, Kan. Cloudy 29.09 37

Indianapolis, Ind. Cloudy 29.09 37

Jacksonville, Fla. Cloudy 29.09 37

Kansas City, Mo. Cloudy 29.09 37

Los Angeles, Calif. Cloudy 29.09 37

Little Rock, Ark. Cloudy 29.09 37

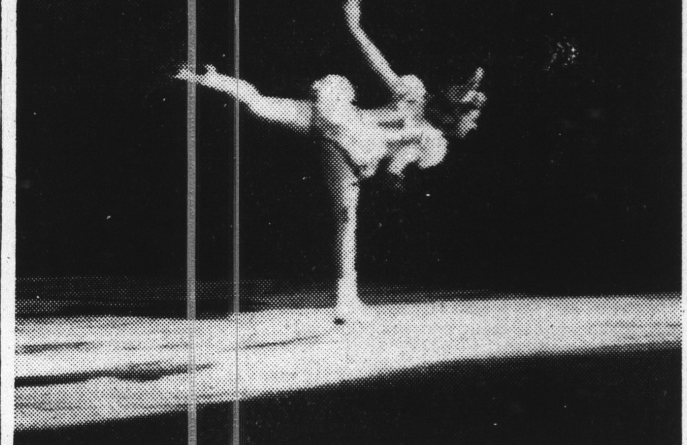
Mobile, Ala. Cloudy 29.09 37

Sonja Wows 'Em Again With 'Big Top' as Smashing Finale

By FREMONT POWER

In many years of wowing American spectators with her artistry, Sonja Henie has learned that everybody but an old scrooge relishes a circus and the stories of his childhood.

She capitalized on this truism in her 1941 edition of the Hollywood Ice Revue before a packed house at the Coliseum last night.



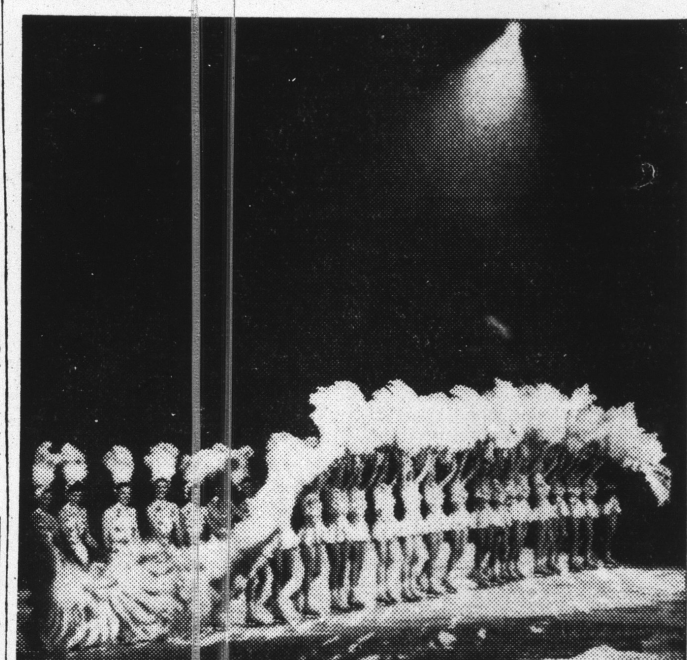
Sonja, the incomparable... in a solo number.

The revue consumes about two hours and a half and Sonja is on the ice a total of 55 minutes, exclusive of encores.

The childhood-story number was "Little Red Riding Hood," in which Miss Henie is rescued from an elongated wolf (Fritz Dietl, on high stilt skates). It wasn't only the children that liked this one.

The circus number was the finale and it's really more than just an impression of the "big top." The ringmaster is Miss Henie's young leading man, Harrison Thomson. He directs a circus that has among other things horses and polar bears (not real), a Garagantua, and acrobats, not to slight the fat lady and the strong man.

The bears perform in a ring and for the finale they stand up on



The ladies of the ensemble... a reverie in white.

Henie being the pearl and Mr. Thomson being a pearl fisher. Briefly, it's an "all out" act.

It wasn't long after the one when Fredy Trenkler, the Viennese comedian, put on his "Bouncing Ball on the Ice." The folks liked it so well Friday had to take five bows. He kept up the good humor even in this, by going out one exit and appearing at the other so quickly you wondered if it really was the same guy, although we have no reason to doubt it.

The second act was given over in great part to Spanish music numbers, and it was here that M.-S. Henie did her popular "Tango" with Eugene Mikeler.

Prior to the tango, she did the "Intermezzo," a beautiful solo ballet.

Just before the circus finale, Messrs. Trenkler (Topsy) and Dietl (Simon Legree) gave a modern comedy version of "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

Most of the people, as they filed out of the Coliseum, were able to express their reactions with only those old reliable adjectives which mean, collectively, "tops." The best way for you to find out about the 1941 Hollywood Ice Revue is to see it.

Last night there were 10,000 general admission tickets still available for the five remaining shows.

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DEATHS

Farlie Stern, 89, at 1047 E. Ohio, bronchopneumonia.

Paul R. Young, 67, at Central Indiana, arteriosclerosis.

Bernard R. Martin, 68, at 47 N. Walnut, chronic myocarditis.

Myrtle Brown, 42, at 3094 E. 16th, cardiovascular renal.

James William Tobin, 62, at 2354 Kenwood, chronic myocarditis.

'NO!' SAYS GOP TO COMPROMISE

Formal Democratic Offer on 'Ripper' Bills Rejected By Senate.

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to pull themselves out of a bad hole in the event their bill is declared invalid," Senator Phillips said.

"Where would the Government of this State be in the event the Republicans push through all their so-called 'decentralization' bills and the main 'ripper' bill is held unconstitutional?" he said.

"Under such conditions the State Government would be ruthlessly sacrificed in order to force the Governor to call a special session of the Legislature to straighten out the mess," he said.

Senator William E. Jenner, Republican floor leader, answered Senator Phillips.

"The great reformers—look at them, gentlemen," he said, pointing to the minority. "They are on the march after the people of Indiana told them on Nov. 5 that they had eight years and couldn't reform Indiana any longer."

He said that he was "sick of hearing" that the Republican program would make an errand boy out of the Governor. He read from the State Constitution the provisions giving the Governor power over the militia, to keep peace, issue pardons and paroles and study the government and make reports to the Legislature on what should be done.

"Gentlemen, is that the power that belongs to an errand boy?" he asked.

He declared that the people "don't want a dictator as they have had in the last eight years," and that the abolition of this system was the purpose of the Republican program.

"And in this program, we have been fair. We have not touched any of the Governor's constitutional powers and we are placing the 22 State Institutions under truly bipartisan boards with the employees to be governed by the best merit system the State ever has had."

Senator Jenner declared he was "tired of the innumerable that chaos is going to result from the Republican program." He declared that there "is nothing unconstitutional about any of our bills."



A cigaret tax, suggested by the State Budget Committee, has stirred up a lot of smoke, but it's hard to find the fire.

Republican leaders say "it has never been discussed by the steering committee or in caucus." The Democrats say they want no part of it.

The Budget Committee tossed Henry Schricker, who still is standing by his pledge of "no new taxes."

There are some individuals, however, who feel that levying this tax would be a quick method of keeping Indiana "out of the red" for the next two years. Many others, especially minority party men, oppose it on the grounds that "it soaks the poor man."

Twenty-six states now have a cigaret tax. Of the four bordering states, Ohio and Kentucky collect on the smokers, Michigan and Illinois do not. In Ohio, the revenue raised on the 2-cents a package levy is \$7,400,000. Since that state's population is almost twice that of Indiana, it can be assumed that the Hoosier yield would be about \$3,500,000 a year.

Two problems are raised by the tobacco tax—collection and "bootlegging." Nearly all the states having this tax use stamps, which are sold by the state to distributors, retailers, jobbers and wholesalers. Others use a metering system.

"Bootlegging" is harder to fight when surrounding states do not have the tax. Peddlers, for instance, could set up business just across the state lines in Michigan and Illinois, and Hoosier smokers could drive across and load up. Or some of the peddlers might even drop down into the state and sell their wares on the quiet.

But there's no use worrying about this until somebody decides to introduce the bill. The Budget Committee made the same recommendation two years ago and that's as far as it got.

2 Bills Missing

Two bills still are missing from the G. O. P. official program. They will cover liquor, and agriculture. And the hottest of these, of course, is the liquor

BOYS REPORTED HELD IN DUNGEON

Charge That Reform School Inmates Were Whipped Stirs Colorado.

DENVER, Jan. 31 (U. P.).—The State Civil Service Commission today fired the superintendent of the Colorado Industrial School for Boys and recommended dismissal of 35 employees of the institution, in which naked inmates allegedly were chained together in a dungeon and lashed with studded leather straps and cat-o-nine tails.

Discharged was Col. Raymond W. Combs, former executive of the Colorado country patrol. J. H. Wallace, chief clerk, who precipitated an inquiry by charging Combs with incompetence, was suspended. The Commission said it would "take action" against 35 of the reform school's 43 employees, and that they should be fired.

The State Legislature appointed a special committee to conduct an investigation.

Witnesses in a five-day inquiry said the dungeon was a cold, windowless garage under the laundry. They said Combs had ordered boys 11 to 14 years old chained together, beaten and held in solitary confinement. Some were made to wear a ball-and-chain, and it was charged that they had no sanitary facilities.

Carl A. Morse, president of the School Board of Control, said the boys were strapped for disregarding orders and fighting.

The representatives of rural areas and small communities are hearing plenty from the dregs, while the city boys are getting demands to "support H. B. 14"—that's the one to cut the gross income tax rate from 1 per cent to ½ per cent for retailers. . . . Federal Security Administrator Paul V. McNutt's warning that Indiana may lose some Federal money through the G. O. P. ripper bill, "pool-pools" from the Republicans. "There are saving clauses in all the bills now," one leader said. "Federal requirements take precedence when there is any conflict with State laws." So there, Paul.

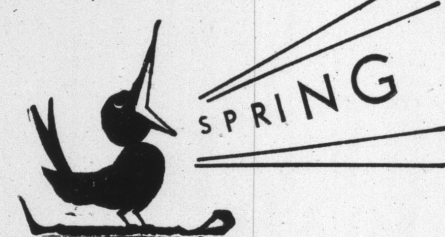
Poor Mailmen

The mailmen and messenger boys are carrying pretty heavy loads to the legislators these days—from "the folks back home."

Aside from the strictly local problems, gross income tax changes and local option in liquor are bringing in the most "fan mail."

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MEETINGS TOMORROW

El Lilly & Co., University of Oklahoma Pharmacy School, breakfast, luncheon and dinner, Hotel Severin, 8:15 a. m.