

'SUBS IN AMERICAN WATER'-CHURCHILL

Claims Nazi Cruisers Also Are Operating on U. S. Side of Atlantic.

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roughly 300 miles out from the Atlantic coast have been patrolled thoroughly by the U. S. Navy.

Born Longer Alone

Churchill asserted that Adolf Hitler had now embarked on an attempt to win the "battle of the Atlantic" by cutting "the sea roads between Britain and the United States and, having divided these mighty powers, to destroy them one by one."

But, he said, Britain no longer stands alone since the "ocean-borne trumpet call" of President Roosevelt's Saturday night address.

"The battle of the Atlantic," he said, "must be won in a decisive manner. It must be won beyond all doubt if the declared policies of the Government and the people of the United States are not to be forcibly frustrated."

Claims Three Subs Sunk

Speaking to a gathering of the Pilgrims Society at which United States Ambassador John G. Winant and W. Averell Harriman, President Roosevelt's special aid-to-Britain envoy, pledged unstinted aid to Britain and other "free nations" against Nazism, Churchill expressed confidence that the "battle of the Atlantic" will be won despite gravity of the German threat and the fact that British shipping losses are mounting.

Churchill said he had learned only yesterday of the certain sinking of three German submarines.

"Not since Oct. 13, 1939," said the Prime Minister, "have I been cheered by news of such a delectable triple event."

He declared that President Roosevelt's "stirring, august and fateful" words of Saturday night have encouraged and fortified Britain.

"At such a moment in such an ordeal," he said, "the words and acts of the President and the people of the United States come to us like a draught of life and they tell us by an ocean-borne trumpet call that we no longer are alone."

"We know," said Churchill, "that other hearts in millions and scores of millions beat with ours, that their voices proclaim the cause for which we strive, that other strong hands wield, hammer and shape the weapons we need, that other gleaming eyes are fixed in hard conviction."

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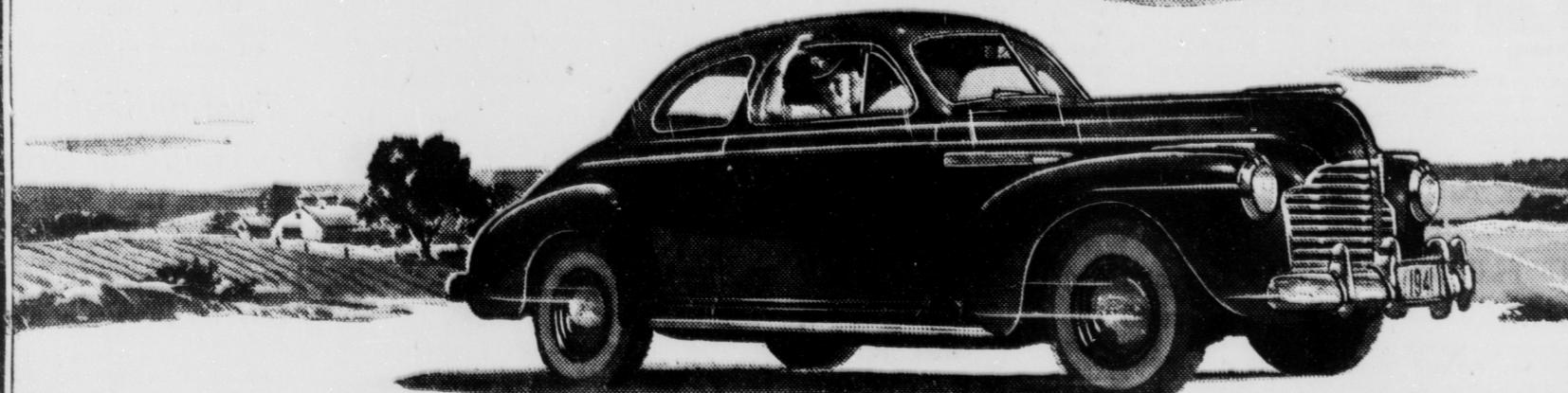
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Printing Board Meets



These Republican members of the new State Printing Board held their first meeting in Governor Henry F. Schricker's office today. Although Governor Schricker is chairman of the board and is outvoted three to one, reports indicated the meeting was "very harmonious." Left to right are Ross Teckmeyer, Chief Deputy Auditor who represented State Auditor Richard T. James; Mrs. Marjorie R. Kinnaird, reporter of the Supreme and Appellate Courts, and Secretary of State James M. Tucker.

NAZI MOVE ON GREECE HINTED

Today's War Moves

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Istanbul Believes Germans Must Act or Let British Get Hold in Balkans.

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were rushing reinforcements into Albania.

London, more conservative and probably more accurate, slashed the Greek figure on Italian losses but said that the Greeks took 3000 prisoners. London specified several Italian divisions which were cut up badly in the fighting on a 20-mile front around Tepelini.

Rome admitted loss of Berbera and said that in "violent" fighting around Keren, an Italian general had been killed.

Cairo reported that determined Italian attacks in Eritrea, East Africa, were repulsed by the British with heavy Italian losses yesterday. In addition to inflicting heavy losses on the Italians, the British took more than 800 prisoners, it was claimed.

The German press continued to fulminate against the United States and President Roosevelt. The *Espresso National Zeitung*, owned by Marshal Hermann Goering, said that Germany, Italy and Japan would strike back at the "hateful interventionists."

British Royal Air Force planes raided the German ports and naval bases of Bremen and Wilhelmshaven on a "fairly heavy" scale during the night, the London Air Ministry said.

Berlin admitted raids on the northwest coast and said the British killed or wounded a number of civilians when several private houses caved in.

German planes bombed Portland docks at Newcastle-on-the-Tyne during the night, Berlin said. German planes also sank a merchant ship of about 4000 tons off Newcastle, it was claimed.

One submarine, the High Command said, reported sinking five armed merchantmen totaling 35,300 tons from convoys.

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sists. At this critical time in Yugoslavia's history, Russia's secret support cannot help strengthen the position of the anti-German party at Belgrade.

Nevertheless, Yugoslavia is in a quandary of much complexity. The Belgrade statesmen can have no absolute certainty about the way the European war will end. They wish to guard the future of their own country and do not want to take action now that would ally them as an active or potential beligerent against either side.

If they were to make the wrong choice, they might find Yugoslavia partitioned at the conclusion of the war. Powerful groups within Yugoslavia want to see Great Britain win the war. Indeed, there are few who would receive a German victory with enthusiasm though some are influenced in their predictions by the strength of the German war machine.

Especially, the Yugoslavs wish Italy to be weakened by the war. The Italians are the chief rivals of the Yugoslavs and it would be directly contrary to Yugoslav welfare if Italy were to be a major power. The two countries are rivals especially for future control of the Adriatic, which separates them.

Jugoslavia wants to be the dominant Balkan power but an Axis dictated peace would make that impossible. The Axis itself, would then dominate southeastern Europe. Yugoslavia would have a better opportunity of expanding her influence if Great Britain won the war.

Thus, to help the British would help Yugoslavia if Britain won in the end. But such assistance would bring down on Yugoslavia the might of the German Army. Even a policy of neutrality might not keep the German Army from entering Yugoslav territory if Hitler thought it essential to move that way, as he did through Holland and Belgium.

The Yugoslavs are showing courage in delaying a decision, especially since Russia cannot promise them active help at this time and there are no full certainties of what will happen in Greece.

ELECTED GOP MAY FILL JOBS

Report Party Chairmen to Relinquish Power to 4 State Officials.

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Richard James, Lieutenant Governor Charles M. Dawson and State Treasurer James Givens.

The chief patronage spots they will fill are: Mr. Tucker, the auto license division; Mr. James, the gross income division; Mr. Dawson, the conservation and highway departments, and Mr. Givens, the unemployment compensation division.

Nearly 3000 jobs were removed from the patronage list by the G. O. P. merit system act which covers an estimated 2500 employees at the 21 State Institutions, 275 in the Welfare Department, 300 Health Board employees and 45 employees of the State Library and Historical Bureau.

The State Police department also was placed on a bi-partisan basis, with 50 Republicans expected to get jobs on the force after a school session at Bloomington this summer.

Lieutenant Governor Dawson also is scheduled to name Republican members of several administrative boards, with Governor Schricker naming the Democratic members.

Chairmen to File Lists

Chief topic at tomorrow's State Committee session is expected to be the method of making applications for State jobs. Most of minor places will be filled from the lists submitted by district and county chairmen, it's said.

Selection of a State attorney to serve until a new Attorney General is elected in 1942 is another subject expected to stir heated discussion. At least four candidates for the post have been mentioned frequently, including two Legislators - Senator William E. Jenner and Rep. George Henley. Judge James A. Emmert of Shelbyville, unsuccessful candidate for the 1940 Governor nomination, and Albert Ward, Marion County deputy prosecutor, also have been mentioned.

The new official, to be selected by the Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of State, Republicans, and the Democratic Governor is to take office April 1. This move is expected to touch off the legal battle testing the constitutionality of many of the G. O. P. Legislature's "slipper" acts.

HEARING ON THOMAS PLEA IS POSTPONED

Hearing on a plea in abatement in the case of Henry M. Thomas, Warren Township trustee, was postponed from today until 2 p. m. Thursday by Criminal Court Judge Dewey Myers.

The delay was requested by Russell K. Richardson, defense attorney.

Mr. Thomas was indicted last July on charges of perjury and conspiracy to commit a felony.

They were based on the charge that Mr. Thomas had made a pre-election agreement in 1938 with his campaign managers, Fred W. Rubin of Marion, N. W., that he would confer with them on all decisions involving contracts and certain other township business.

The plea in abatement was based on the assertion that the trustee was called to testify against himself before the Grand Jury.

BREMEN SEVERELY DAMAGED

BERLIN, March 18 (U.P.)—The official news agency DNB said in a dispatch from Bremen today that fire which burned for two days in the luxury liner Bremen had been put out, but that the 51,731-ton ship had been severely damaged.

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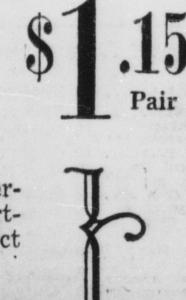
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