

DOCUMENTS PLACE WAR GUILT ON AXIS

U. S. Reveals Decade of Attempts to Dissuade Germany, Italy and Japan from World Conquest Plans; Diplomats Saw Danger Signs Early.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—America's case toward pinning the war guilt on the axis powers was on record today with publication of an official white book by the state department.

In a series of diplomatic and other documents, some of them previously secret, this government revealed how it had attempted through peaceful negotiations to dissuade Germany, Japan and Italy from their course of world conquest.

The publication, entitled "Peace and War," showed that the United States through its diplomatic representatives abroad had been in possession of advance information regarding axis plans and of the dangers which threatened this country.

Some of the material, although released officially for the first time, had been reported last year in United Press dispatches. This included:

A warning sent by Ambassador Joseph C. Grew from Tokyo in January, 1941, that Japan "planned a surprise mass attack on Pearl Harbor in case of 'trouble' with the United States."

Japan's proposal for a meeting in the Pacific between President Roosevelt and Premier Fumimaro Konoye, rejected by the United States because the Japanese government had given no evidence of an ability to control the military clique.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull's warnings to the army and navy to be on their guard against a surprise attack by Japan.

Psychopathic? Said Messersmith

The white book also revealed how American diplomats in Germany and Italy saw danger signals there in the early "thirties."

Consul General George S. Messersmith, now the American ambassador in Mexico, reported from Berlin on June 26, 1933, that the men running Germany were "psychopathic cases," that they had no desire for peace except on their own terms, and that they were attempting to make Germany "the most capable instrument of war that has ever existed."

The ambassador to Rome, Breck-

WE GET UNDER GOEBBELS' SKIN

All Nazi Newspapers Give
Front Pages to Answer
U. S. White Paper.

By UNITED PRESS

Berlin radio propaganda fumed today over the United States state department white paper demonstrating the war guilt of the axis and revealed that enough of it had already reached the German people to force a concentration of domestic propaganda upon refutation.

The propaganda broadcasts to neutral countries where the white paper had been conspicuously and approvingly published, revealed the concern of the Nazi propagandists lest the German man in the street accept its proofs. Germany as a whole had not been informed of the context of the paper by their own newspapers and radios, of course.

Berlin radio said Berlin newspapers were devoting their front pages to denunciation and refutation of the white paper. Transocean, a German propaganda news agency, said that for the "first time during this war," all the Berlin papers devoted their front pages to "a political announcement of a foreign country."

The theme of the Nazi radio propaganda for foreign consumption and of the newspapers for domestic consumption, was that President Roosevelt was facing hostility because of his "chaotic" war policy from the new congress convening Wednesday and the white paper was a "desperate" move on the part of a "trembling war inciter" to head off congressional action.

The Italian reaction, by contrast, was mild. Rome radio broadcast the summary of the diplomatic commentator of the Stefani agency who said the white paper was both incomplete and "based on entirely wrong assumptions."

Sought "Gradual Evolution"

"Our foreign policy necessarily had to move within the framework of a gradual evolution of public opinion in the United States away from the idea of isolation," the white book asserted.

The white book is not a complete record of diplomacy during the past decade. It carries no mention, among other things, of:

The Soviet-Finnish conflict of 1939-40.

Japan's offer of 1939 to participate in a world conference to avert war.

The statement of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in the fall of 1941 that he might have to sue for peace with Japan.

The proposal for a 90-day truce or "breathing spell," considered but never officially offered to Japan during the tense days of the exploratory talks with Japan's emissaries in November, 1941.

Millionaire Pilot Escapes Nazis

LONDON, Jan. 4 (U. P.)—Acting Air Commodore Willard Straight, 29, American-born millionaire, escaped from the Germans in France by climbing a rope in a converted gymnasium, swinging through a window and overpowering a guard, the Sunday Chronicle said.

Straight was forced down in France last August and his subsequent arrival in the Middle East was disclosed in an announcement last week.

THE INDIANAPOLIS TIMES

Fumbled Film Careers



Mrs. Frank Sinkwich, right, and her sister, Dorothy, as they posed on a Hollywood film lot with the comedians, Lou Costello, left, and Bud Abbott.

He'll Be the 'Breadwinner,' Sinkwich Signals Better Half

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 4 (U. P.)—Frankie Sinkwich, who has any husband's doubts about his wife's prospects for a career, intends to be the sole breadwinner in his family and has no sympathy with whatever film ambitions Mrs. Sinkwich may have.

Boarding a plane for Washington last night, the Georgia football star expressed himself in unequivocal terms on the uncertain status of his wife's film career. "I intend to be the breadwinner in my family," he said.

"Mrs. Sinkwich is not making movies if I have anything to do about it," he said.

Sinkwich said he would return Thursday to complete arrangements for his own appearance in a picture produced by Columbia studios but that his wife, Adeline, would not accept a proffered screen role.

His assertion seemed to put an end to the series of conflicting statements about his wife and the movies.

Mrs. Sinkwich and her sister, Dorothy Weatherly, were given a screen test at Universal studios and were offered a part in an Abbott and Costello film. She said Frankie lost his temper when he saw newspaper publicity photographs showing her in a scanty costume and that she'd have to refuse. Later she said that she was returning with Frankie to accept the part.

Frankie has no confidence in his own dramatic talents either.

"Most of the football players who have made movies to cash in on college fame were not much good as actors," he said, "and I don't think I'm any better. But it's a chance to make myself a nice nest egg before I go into the marines."

Sinkwich appears before the Walter Camp Memorial club at Washington today to receive the Walter Camp memorial cup.

MRS. SHAW FUNERAL WILL BE HELD TODAY

Services for Mrs. Nora Shaw who died Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Homer C. Wolford, after a brief illness, will be at 1:30 p. m. today at Shirley Brothers Irving Hill chapel. Interment will be in Memorial Park.

Mrs. Shaw, who was 69, was the widow of Homer Shaw. Born near Vincennes, she came here about 20 years ago from Worthington. She was a member of the Presbyterian church and the Royal Neighbors Lodge.

Survivors are two sons, Allen and Clarence Shaw; Mrs. Wolford and another daughter, Mrs. Ross West and two grandchildren, all of Indianapolis; and two brothers, Lee Reel of Vincennes and John Reel of Glenwood, Iowa.

RAF PLANES RAID 3 AREAS IN BURMA

NEW DELHI, Jan. 4 (U. P.)—British planes, engaged in an offensive against Japanese bases in Burma, attacked three key areas yesterday without loss.

Fighters heavily attacked Japanese base villages in the Rethadaw area, 30 miles above Akyab on the bay of Bengal coast where the British army has pushed into Burma, and started fires.

In Central Burma air force planes started fires in a factory building and in railroad cars at Monywa, 60 miles west of Mandalay, and destroyed trucks in a low level attack at Mektila, 125 miles south of Mandalay.

CHARLES HOOVERS MARRIED 50 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoover, 208 Hobart ave., observed their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner New Year's day.

The couple's twin sons, Wilbur and Richard, were present with their families. Another son, Orville Hoover, lives in Detroit, Mich., and a daughter, Mrs. Frieda Foley, lives in Richland Center, Wis.

SET 'NAVY, WAVES' INTERVIEWS 2 DAYS

The office of naval officer procurement will be open from 7 to 9 p. m. tomorrow and Thursday to interview applicants.

A naval officer will interview men who can qualify for commissions, and Ensign Mary Richmond, USNR, will talk to women interested in the WAVES.

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MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Jan. 4 (U. P.)—United States and Australian troops under the personal direction of Gen. Douglas MacArthur moved today against Japan's last stronghold in the Papuan area of New Guinea. A small, desperate enemy force, pocketed in a salient around Cape Sanananda, alone remained to offer organized resistance after a savage week-end drive in which the jungle-hardened American troops and their Australian veteran comrades stormed and captured the Buna government station.

"Buna area—on the right we have completed the destruction of the enemy's defeated forces," Gen. MacArthur's communiqué said. "His losses have been heavy.

"The only remaining remnants of the Japanese Papuan army are confined in a narrow salient extending from Sanananda Point, which we are preparing to envelop.

"The enemy's position is now hopeless."

Big Guns Used

In a general assault behind Gen. Stuart tanks and artillery ranging up to 4-inch caliber, the allied troops on Saturday broke the back of the Japanese resistance in the last big beachhead between the Buna government station and Cape Endaikader to the south.

With bayonet, hand grenade and tommy gun, the allied troops slashed at the enemy in swamp and coconut grove and on the beaches.

The Buna government station was occupied. The only Japanese remaining in that area were pinned in a small pocket in the neighborhood of Galore Point, between the station and Cape Endaikader.

Yesterday the American and Australian troops drove in on the Japanese from both sides. They joined forces at the creek. They left the beaches littered with Japanese dead. A few Japanese were pocketed in land. They are now being exterminated.

It was estimated that more than 500 Japanese were killed Saturday, most of them in hand to hand fighting.

Some prisoners were taken in the last phase of the fighting, including 35 Japanese coolie laborers.

A few score Japanese troops tried to escape by swimming to isolated points up the coast. They refused to surrender and the new twin-allison-motored Lockheed Lightning P-38 fighters, sent after them killed many.

TWO NAZI GENERALS DEAD

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 3. (Delayed) U. P.)—A Berlin dispatch to the newspaper Dagbladet reported today that Maj. Gen. Victor Koch, commanding a German division on the Russian front, had been killed in action and Maj. Gen. Heinz von Randow, commanding a tank division in Africa, had been killed

CHIANG MAY VISIT U. S.

LONDON, Jan. 4 (U. P.)—Exchange Telegraph quoted axis broadcasts today as saying Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek would visit Moscow and Washington shortly.

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