

## BRITISH HOPE FOR U. S. PACT

People Want Some Kind Of Alliance After War, Says Howard.

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interests of either America or Britain can escape involvement.

On this premise, they argue that the interests of peace would be best served if the rest of the world knew in advance that England and America could be counted on to stand together. In support of this argument they point to peace maintenance qualities of the Monroe Doctrine which they say has always been joint Anglo-American policy.

Natural Ally of U. S.

They reject any idea that a partnership would be jinx-handled because England is on a hot spot subject to involvement in the quarrels of continental Europe, whereas the United States is presumed to be far removed from old world feuds. They contend that henceforth every American interest will, regardless of our desires, necessitate our dominance of the Pacific.

With Japan, China and Russia all factors to be reckoned with in the years ahead, they point out that Britain's fleet, naval and air bases, plus her own territorial and commercial interests in the Pacific, will make her the natural ally of America in that area in the future.

Basing their estimates for the future on what has happened in the development of aerial and mechanized warfare since 1918, and recognizing the narrow margin by which Germany failed to win this war by quick knock-out, it is assumed that future wars will be blitz affairs, short, devastating and decisive.

There is little prospect that any major power can ever again build a winning army from scratch subsequent to the actual outbreak of hostilities, as has been done since 1939 by England and America.

Have Common Stake

For this reason it is argued that since in the future as in the past the causes which will drag one nation into war will involve the other also, defense becomes a problem in which the two greatest exponents of democracy will have a continuing common stake.

During the closing stages of the first world war, many Americans said that the financial capital of the world would shift from London to New York. English financiers, past-masters at their own game, saw to it that no such thing happened.

Once again there is talk of Britain being relegated to a secondary role in the commerce of the post-war era, with America dominating the stage. The British are not arguing the point, but when Churchill stated that he had not been chosen prime minister "to liquidate the British empire" it was assumed that he was speaking of the British commercial as well as the political empire.

Certain of Major Role

The British are fully aware of the gigantic strength and resourcefulness of American industry as revealed by the war effort. They admit their inability to match this in volume, but they believe, with their long experience in the world's greatest trading nation, they are still certain of a major role in the post-war world economy.

They realize that peace will open vast new world markets. It will see a rush to develop a global air transport system. A new social order will demand a minimum of unemployment, and industry, both British and American, must meet this demand, to escape permanent governmental regimentation. Booms and depressions must be prevented, or at least minimized.

To this end the British are most anxious to come to some agreement with American industry that will eliminate cut-throat competition, maintain price and wage levels and stabilize employment. Their thinking runs to the idea of a modernized version of the cartel system operated in the future in the interest of the consumer, as well as of the producer.

The Lesser Evil

Britain seems to realize that in such an undertaking she cannot play the role of senior partner or controlling stockholder. What her businessmen hope for is a fifty-fifty deal.

What they expect is that in those lines where the British are stronger, they will dominate. In those where Americans are dominant, Britain will be forced to play the secondary role.

To the hard-headed British businessman such a situation may have much to be desired. As a choice, however, between that and a knock-down, drag-out fight with revitalized and expanding American industry, co-operation to control world markets is regarded as much the lesser evil.

## MITCHELL ARRESTED ON GAMING CHARGE

Thirty persons, including Joe Mitchell, operator of an Indiana ave. pool room and cafe, were arrested by police in a series of gambling and liquor raids during the week-end.

Mitchell and three other men were charged with keeping a gaming house above the Mitchell pool room at 408 Indiana ave. Ten persons in the place were charged with visiting a gaming house.

Four men were charged with violating the liquor laws in a raid on a house at 822 Darnell st.

Twelve persons were held on charges of violating liquor laws following raids at 515 N. West st. and 336 W. Merrill st.

## RAF Finishes Off Nazi Transport



A giant German ME-323 is straddled by a stream of cannon shells just before a flaming death meted out by an R. A. F. Marauder near Cap Corse, Corsica. Tommy guns firing from the ME's windows at the R. A. F. plane troops (not shown) indicate that it was transporting troops before it was caught by British guns and the camera in this remarkable war photo.

### Hoosier Heroes

## Lt. Ruth Gardiner, Army Air Force Nurse, Dies in Service

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Indianapolis, she was at St. Agnes' hospital in White Plains.

### Prisoner

Sgt. Jerome D. Reese of Indianapolis, reported missing in action over Europe Thursday, is a German prisoner of war, the International Red Cross notified his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George D. Reese, 1313 Lexington ave., yesterday.

Sgt. Reese, a waist gunner and flight engineer on a Flying Fortress, had been missing since July 26, the war department stated.

### Wounded

TWO INDIANA sailors are among 101 additional casualties announced by the navy. Listed as wounded, they are Seaman 1-c Lewis Earl Fohl of Cedar Grove and Seaman 1-c Charles Ralph French of Brookville.

### Missing

THE WAR DEPARTMENT announced today that Cpl. Ronald A. Creakbaum of Claypool has been wounded in action in the European area, and Pfc. Frank H. Nagy of South Bend and 1st Lt. Marvin B. Noble of Valparaiso have been wounded in the Southwest Pacific.

INDIANA MEN being held prisoner of war by Germany include Pvt. Harold E. Fletcher of Kokomo; 2d Lt. Victor C. Kress of Ft. City, and S. Sgt. Ralph C. Wood of Hagerstown.

### Honored

Nine Indiana men have been awarded medals for distinguished military service on the war fronts. Those receiving distinguished flying crosses and oak leaf clusters for acts of valor in the South Pacific allied air forces were:

Capt. Milton J. Porter, Kokomo; Sgt. Clarence L. Albright, Muncie; Lt. Richard E. Smith, Evansville; Sgt. John E. Walters, Marion; Lt. Donald L. Sander, Hamilton; Sgt. Jacob G. Robinson, Greenwood; Sgt. Robert E. Gibson, Elkhart.

Sgt. Harvey K. Ramsey, a radio operator with the air corps in the Caribbean, was awarded a medal for duty on long range anti-submarine patrol flights.

### FBI MAN FROM HERE DIES IN AUTO CRASH

NOBLESVILLE, Ind., Aug. 9 (U. P.)—Cloud Lee, 30, Ft. Wayne, an FBI investigator attached to the Indianapolis office, was killed instantly today when his car crashed into a truck.

The accident occurred on Road 37 about 67 miles northeast of here. Authorities said Lee left Ft. Wayne early this morning and apparently fell asleep.



1st Lt. Henry L. Ayres Jr.

### Missing

1ST LT. Henry L. Ayres Jr., a veteran British and American fighter pilot and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Ayres, 1837 Nowland ave., has been reported missing in aerial action over Europe since July 28. The 23-year-old flier was commanded by the British government while flying with the American Eagle squadron of the R. A. F., and after transferring to the American flying forces, he received an oak leaf cluster for an air medal.

There was evidence the situation was building up to a crisis in Finland. A Stockholm dispatch reported that the Helsinki correspondent of the Svenska Dagbladet described the greatest activity there and numerous important conferences by Finnish Premier Edwin Linkomies with other leaders.

Censorship blanketed the details but reports in Stockholm said Finnish politicians were concerned over a rising sentiment for peace.

Finland's position may soon become untenable. This would be certain if the Nazis are contemplating a general withdrawal from exposed positions in Russia to concentrate on new lines requiring roughly half the present forces for defense.

However, there is every indication that Russia would agree to suspend hostilities with Finland only on the basis of restoration of the 1940 frontier plus the establishment of a "friendly and neighborly" Finnish government.

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