

'NO NEW PEACE BID'-SWEDEN

Swedish Emissary Admits Talk With Himmer.

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that they must be "prepared for anything."

Churchill conferred with King George in Buckingham palace and then appeared before a tense house of commons to deliver a guarded and deliberately vague statement. He did not deny that German surrender negotiations were in progress.

He side-stepped comment on the Swedish reports, asserting that he had no "special" news at the moment.

Churchill revealed, however, that official plans for Britain's victory celebration would be made public tonight, ready for application at a moment's notice.

Throughout his brief appearance in commons he spoke as if Germany's unconditional surrender now were a foregone conclusion and that the armies in Europe might be engaged in occupying their various post-war administrative zones.

To Expedite News

Churchill promised that news of Germany's capitulation would not be withheld until the complete occupation of the Reich is achieved, pointing out that the movement of the occupying armies and the surrender of enemy troops might take a considerable period of time.

"I would certainly not delay for a moment the news," he told the cheering house. "It will break, I expect, from some authorized or unauthorized source."

Earlier dispatches indicated that Himmer's decision to evacuate Denmark as a preliminary to the unconditional surrender of the Reich might be announced by Swedish intermediaries in Stockholm. However, the Swedish foreign office announcement might precede this.

Radio Luxembourg said the Germans also were trying to negotiate the surrender of the Nazi-created protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia, otherwise western Czechoslovakia, to the United States without a fight.

Earlier dispatches also said Himmer's reply to Anglo-American demands that Germany surrender unconditionally to all of the Big Three was believed already in allied hands.

They indicated Bernadotte may have relayed Himmer's reply to Stockholm yesterday by telephone or special emissary.

An N. B. C. correspondent in Stockholm said Bernadotte met Grand Adm. Karl Doenitz, commander in chief of the German navy, and Field Marshal Ernst Busch in addition to Himmer at the Baltic port of Luebeck.

Swedish reports said the Germans were withdrawing from Copenhagen and southern Sweden, the island on which the Danish capital is situated. Danish circles in Stockholm speculated that the Germans probably intended to quit all Denmark.

Another Stockholm dispatch said the Germans were expected to turn back the administration of Denmark to King Christian today. The Danish parliament may be convened by telephone, the dispatch said.

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Stalin Stages Triumphant Parade for Reds on May Day

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a gigantic roar of hurrahs went up from the 100,000 men massed before him. It was so loud it drowned out the Kremlin chimes and the salvos of the Kremlin's guns.

As the swell of applause died down, the formal parade began, led by a company of young students from the Suvorov elite cadet officers school. They were followed by battle-scarred war veterans, detachment from all service bodies, including frontier guards and women clapping.

Hundreds of bombers and fighters

British War Bride Eager For Shopping

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too, but there was no space. They finally arrived here Sunday.

THE FIRST scheduled stop on the shopping tour was to the ration board, for "what I need most are a pair of shoes," she said.

"But it is a wonderful feeling to know you can buy clothes without rationing."

"All our clothes over there are pretty well gone," she said. "We try to make things last, but in five years everything goes to pieces."

"So many rationing points come good every six months but you can't get much with them. A dress, a coat or a pair of shoes eats the points up so fast."

LIKE others from England, the vast size of America impresses her. So do many of the things in life Americans take for granted. As one example, the refrigerator is virtually unknown to the greater number in England and even an ice box is a rarity.

And it is a relief for her to believe her eyes when she sees the miles unfold and none of the country-side damaged by war.

In England her home stands on a little horseshoe block. Homes on the point of the shoe have been damaged by air warfare.

IT'S ALL quite different here and strange, but I'm sure I'm going to like it," she said.

Sgt. and Mrs. Simmons were married Nov. 6, 1942, and will make their home at the sergeant's present base at the Lockbourne army air field, Columbus, O. He is a graduate of Manual high school.

G. O. P. CONTROL OF BEER IS DELAYED

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porary 30-day permits to Democratic veterans in order to forestall a beer drought in some sections.

Whether enough temporary permits have been issued to carry individual counties over the hump is still problematical. The rebound of last night's deadline possibly won't be felt for several days.

Firms failing to receive temporary renewals sold out their supplies in anticipation of going out of business. Taverns are still well-stocked with these supplies.

Marion county, consumers will feel no effects immediately. Only one of nine Indianapolis wholesaler companies has denied a temporary permit, and its application is still pending.

SWEDEN BUSY IN AVIATION FIELD

By Science Service

WASHINGTON—Leading all Scandinavia in the development of military and civilian flying, Sweden may become one of the important nations in post-war aviation. Most of the flying these days over Sweden is being done in America-built airplanes, and the outlook for the sale of our aircraft to that country is good for the future.

Within less than six weeks, 50 North American P-51 Mustang fighter planes, purchased for the Swedish air force by the Riksdag (Swedish Parliament), will be in service.

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Earlier Radio Tokyo said that allied invasion forces landed last night on Borneo and were engaged in "fierce combat" with the Japanese garrison.

The broadcast said the landing was made under heavy naval bombardment in the Tarakan area on the east coast, 175 miles "southwest of American bases at the southern end of the Bulu Archipelago. It said an earlier landing attempt at noon had been repulsed.

Borneo—third largest island in the world, with 392,000 square miles—had been bombed repeatedly since Gen. Douglas MacArthur's forces

moved into the southern Philippines.

Tokyo reported that American Superfortresses attacked Kyushu, southernmost of Japan's home islands, yesterday for the sixth straight day in the assault to knock out bases from which Japanese suicide planes have been attacking in the Okinawa area.

The 21st bomber command reported that B-29's yesterday set huge fires in the Tachikawa army arsenal near Tokyo, and at Hamamatsu, 60 miles northeast of Nagoya. Some of yesterday's raiders also hit Baguio.

It was disclosed that an attack on Kyushu Sunday destroyed 36 Japanese planes and probably 13 others, bringing the week-end toll of enemy craft to 72 along the 350-mile front from Okinawa to Kyushu.

American troops on Okinawa drove within two miles of Naha, the capital, and brought its northeastern outpost at Shuri, under tank fire.

Advances also were reported down the east coast with the Americans closing in on Yonabaru airfield, five miles across the island from Naha. On Luzon, American troops ad-

vanced north and east from newly captured Baguio.

On Mindanao American troops advanced 10 miles to reach within 17 miles of the big port of Davao.

The Japanese Domei agency reported today that warships and carrier planes of the British Indian fleet had bombarded Port Blair in the Andaman islands and Car Nicobar, 165 miles to the south.

Marine KILLED IN AUTO CRASH HERE

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hospitals with severe head lacerations. The marines were stationed at Great Lakes and were headed for the camp.

A soldier they had given a ride, T. 4th Gr. Arthur H. Kaiser, 34, of Ft. Knox, is in the Ft. Harrison hospital with a possible skull fracture. He was en route home to Iowa.

A sailor, H. L. Flesher who with his wife, Ruth, were a short distance behind the Williams car, was being driven north, said the car suddenly swerved to the opposite side of the road and rammed head-on into the truck being driven by Harry Kurtz, 42, Chicago, driver for Harris Forwarding Co.

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