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SENSATIONAL FLIGHT TO BRITAIN BY NO. 3 NAZI

Another Nazi Purge May Be In Making

Diplomats view Hess as extremely important in Hitler's Party.

WASHINGTON, May 12—(AP)—The flight of Rudolf Hess, Nazi party leader and probably Hitler's most intimate associate, into British hands in Scotland aroused intense speculation in diplomatic quarters here tonight on the possibility of a split in the Nazi hierarchy.

Diplomats familiar with Nazi politics described Hess as a tremendously important figure in Germany. His power as party leader was strengthened by his close personal relations with Hitler dating back to early party history.

As Hitler's deputy for party affairs, Hess was the controller of political patronage and was considered almost fanatically devoted to the Fuehrer.

Tall, dark and somewhat retiring, he usually wore only the brown shirt and trousers of the S. A. uniform—some times appearing coatless even at the most formal functions.

Whatever the circumstances of his flight and even accepting the German version casting doubt on his sanity, informed diplomats agreed that it would prove a severe shock to the German people.

Speculation about a possible break in high Nazi ranks centred on the theory that Hess fled Germany for some reason and intentionally landed in the one country which certainly would not send him back.

Some sources even suggested that Hess might have been escaping from another Nazi "purge" such as the famous one of June 30, 1934, when numerous high party men and Hitler intimates were slain.

If a party split had occurred and Hess was fleeing, it was believed here the Germans might logically brand him as mentally unbalanced in order to discredit anything he might say.

The reason for the party break, if there was one, was a puzzle. Hess was said to have tried to avoid intra-party disputes, but it was thought that his close personal association with Hitler might have aroused jealousy among other party leaders.

It was also considered possible that Hess might have disagreed with Hitler or other party chiefs about the general strategy of the war or that he might have retained his early anti-Communist ideas and opposed any closer relations with Russia.

Hess was believed here, however, to have devoted most of his time and interest to domestic political affairs and it was considered more likely that a split, if any, developed over intra-party matters.

Says China can Defeat Japan Single-handed

HUNGKING, May 12—(AP)—Gen. Chiang Kai-Shek, in one of his rare speeches made public today, declared that Japan is so nearly exhausted by almost four years of Chinese resistance that China, given only material and economic aid, can defeat her single-handed.

Significantly, the Chinese leader coupled this statement with a declaration that the resolution of the American people "to defend the spirit of democracy" would "support the policy of their government to the point of war" and that "Japanese aggression has now reached the strength for the audacity to risk a clash with America."

China needs neither the aid of an expeditionary force nor the action of a powerful navy from her friends, Chiang said, "to put down this enemy of all who would dwell in peace on the shores of the Pacific."

The speech was made Saturday night at a farewell dinner given by Miss Chiang Kai-Shek in honor of the United States ambassador, Nelson T. Johnson, who is going to Australia as minister. It was released for publication today.

Hess Was Close To Adolf Hitler

Was with Nazi Leader in drive for power in Germany.

MONCTON, N.B. May 12—(CP)—The Grand Lodge of the Daughters of England will hold their 30th annual Dominion convention here July 17, 18, 19, district deputy Mrs. Elmer Hayward announced today.

Coming Events

Date for Notices in this column 3 cents per word.

- "Dance, Belfast Hall, May 15th. Ladies Eileen Women's Institute, L-603-5-14-11.
- "Come to Women's Institute Concert, Cornwall Hall, Thursday, May 16th. Sale of candy, L-606-5-13-21.
- "Notre Dame Alumnae Rummage Sale Saturday, May 17th, Holy Name Hall 8.30. L-607-5-13-17.
- "Entertainment Kinkora Hall, Friday, May 16 by Charlottetown team, 8 p.m. L-637-5-13-31.
- "Hunter River Starch Factory accepting potatoes only by appointment today, L-620-5-13-71.
- "Play "Nearly Hanged", St. Andrews Jubilee Hall, Wednesday, May 14. L-634.
- "Seven Mile Bay, Tuesday, May 13th. Garden Dramatic Club in 3 Act Comedy, Dance and Orchestra, L-619-5-13-11.
- "League of Mercy Gifts displayed in uptown windows. Choose your Hospital gifts today. L-613-5-13-11.
- "C. W. L. Variety Concert and Dance in Emerald Hall Wednesday May 14th.
- "See "Aunt Bessie Beats the Band" at Milton Hall, May 14th. Proceeds for war purposes. L-594-5-12-21.
- "Leading hogs at Albany every Thursday afternoon, Friday at Emerald until 11:30 a.m. A. C. Green Albany, G. C. Green, Emerald.

Special fire Preventive body Is organized

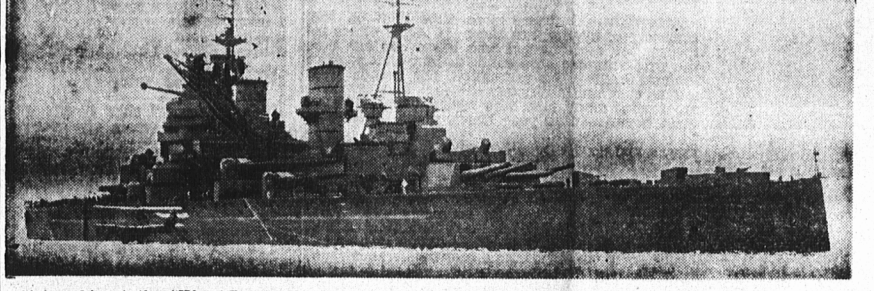
TORONTO, May 12—(CP)—Formation of a special fire sabotage preventive organization in military, naval and air force establishments in Canada was announced today by W. J. Scott, Ontario Fire Marshal, in an address before the 45th annual convention of the National Fire Protection Association.

The convention was addressed also by V. A. M. Kemp, superintendent of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, who told 1,000 delegates to the meetings that Communist activities still present a problem to Canada's police and industrial groups.

The wartime strategy of Communism in Canada has been to urge the return of Canadian soldiers from overseas and to advocate cessation of hostilities, Supt. Kemp said.

The new committee, Mr. Scott said in disclosing its formation, will advise on methods of fire protection in the services' establishments and also as an advisor to the Department of Munitions and Supply and other federal departments. He said it had been formed "recently."

Powerful Addition to British Fleet Launched



Sister ship of the "King George V," which recently brought Viscount Halifax to the United States as British ambassador, is the H.M.S. Prince of Wales, one of the world's most powerful fighting battleships, displacing 35,000 tons. Three more such ships are on the way. A "Walrus" flying boat is being raised here from the water to the catapult deck of the battleship.

Roosevelt's Speech is Postponed

WASHINGTON, May 12—(AP)—The speech which President Roosevelt was to deliver Wednesday night to the diplomats of Latin America was cancelled today and the White House said that Mr. Roosevelt, instead, would make a "fireside chat" on the night of May 27.

The address scheduled for Wednesday had been heralded as one likely to prove of paramount importance. But Mr. Roosevelt has been ill since Tuesday, and a reception at the Pan-American Union which he was to have addressed was cancelled.

State Secretary Hull, Chairman of the Union Governors, extended on behalf of the President an oral invitation for the heads of Latin American diplomatic missions here to be guests at the White House on May 27.

The diplomats, their wives and families, said Presidential Secretary Stephen Early, will be invited to the White House at 10 p.m., and will be present when Mr. Roosevelt delivers a radio talk to the United States between 10:30 and 11 p.m. E.D.T.

Early said it was up to radio companies what distribution the address will receive, but added it "probably will be world wide."

While Mr. Roosevelt's illness, a gastro-intestinal upset, was the explanation advanced for the change in plans, Early reported the President was "feeling perfectly fine" today. Mr. Roosevelt still is in bed, he said, but is "working right along."

Chaos Created In Nazi Ports

Hamburg, Bremen take new overnight poundings.

LONDON, May 12—(CP)—Aircraft of the Royal Air Force bomber command, apparently still concentrating on efforts to paralyze Germany's sea power at its source, were announced today to have left Hamburg and Bremen, two of Germany's greatest shipbuilding centres, in chaos after new overnight poundings.

The R. A. F. continued "destruction and disorganization of the vital parts" of Hamburg, the Air Ministry reported, and delivered an equally heavy raid on Bremen with corresponding success in the brightness of a clear night.

Much-smashed Hamburg and Bremen were R. A. F. targets for the third night in the past four and an Air Ministry news service bulletin said shipbuilding yards which line the river Elbe on both sides for nine miles at Hamburg "were threaded and crossed with fire."

The bulletin mentioned specifically the Blohm and Voss yards, where some of Germany's mightiest battleships have been built, and where it said, high explosives and incendiary bombs added to damage previously done.

"Opposite these yards on the other side of the river flames leaped high and, away from the dock, industrial quarters of the town were vigorously assailed," the statement added.

In these operations, which included attacks also on the German port of Emden and the Netherlands seaplane and shipping centres of Rotterdam, IJmuiden and Texel, the R.A.F. lost four planes.

Nazis make light Stabs at Britain

LONDON, May 13—(Tuesday)—(CP)—London had a two-hour air-raid alert starting last midnight but there was only a brief burst of gunfire and no planes were heard overhead.

During Monday the German air force made only light stabs at Britain, while the air ministry announced that during Sunday night's forays nine enemy aircraft were shot down.

Dr. Bruce urges Compulsory Enlistment

OTTAWA, May 12—(CP)—A direct demand that Canada should have "selective, compulsory enlistment" for overseas, and a reply from Defence Minister Ralston that this was "nothing less than a blow at our national unity" enlivened the budget debate today in the House of Commons.

The conscription issue was raised by Dr. H. A. Bruce (Con. Toronto-Parkdale) who said this was the only answer to Canada's complex defence needs.

It came during an otherwise quiet debate on the budget. Col. Ralston

Bengasi was Hit from point Blank range

LONDON, May 12—(CP)—Bengasi, the western Libya axis port and base, was bombarded by powerful units of the Mediterranean fleet Saturday night from point blank range, the admiralty announced tonight. Damage was inflicted on shipping and military objectives.

It was the second fleet bombardment of that port within a week. Mediterranean units having shelled Bengasi last Thursday.

The admiralty said that repeated attacks by enemy dive-bombers proved futile, thus replying to German and Italian claims that British ships had been hit.

"No casualties or damage was sustained by any of His Majesty's ships," the brief admiralty communique said.

"Fire from enemy shore batteries was ineffective."

No details of the damage done was given in the admiralty statement, but in last Thursday's radio two axis supply ships were intercepted, one being sunk and the other blown to bits and additional hit. were scored on ships in the harbor.

Find plane of Missing couple

NEW YORK, May 12—(AP)—Searchers late today found the wrecked plane of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Brewster, prominent New York residents overdue on a short flight, and a report that they were found alive was discounted as the work of a crank.

The coast guard announced that the plane was found 12 miles northwest of Middleburg, Pa., in a "very damaged condition," but that there was no word on the condition of its two occupants.

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BLOSSOM OF CANADA

The all-purpose FLOUR

Rudolf Hess Makes Escape From Germany

Lands In Scotland

Guns in fighter plane were unloaded; Hitler's former right hand man had ankle broken landing by parachute.

(By Noland Norgaard)
(Associated Press Staff Writer)
LONDON, May 13—(Tuesday)—(AP)—Rudolf Hess, head of the German Nazi party and one of the oldest and closest confidants of Hitler, has landed by parachute in Britain under circumstances suggesting the most profoundly important desertion in all history.

The British government announced from the home of Prime Minister Churchill at No. 10 Downing Street that Hess is in a Glasgow hospital under treatment for a broken ankle suffered in floating down from a German Messerschmitt fighter plane near there.

Three Significant Facts

While the statement did not specifically say that he had deserted, it made three observations of seeming inescapable significance:—

That Hess had brought along photographs taken at varying years in his life to establish his identity if it were questioned.

That he had arrived in a plane which could not possibly have had enough gasoline for a return to Germany—and thus, inferentially, that his trip was clearly not a one-man offensive but a one-way flight.

That the Messerschmitt's guns were empty.

This most extraordinary flight of this or any other war was disclosed in London a few hours after the Germans in Berlin had announced that Hess—Hitler's political heir but once removed—was missing, that he presumably had taken a forbidden plane flight and had cracked up; that he appeared to have been suffering "hallucinations" and had "left behind a confused letter."

The implication was that he was mentally unbalanced and had been deranged for some time; for it was stated that Hitler personally had directed that he not be permitted to use any plane.

(Early Tuesday German informants in Berlin insisted that they knew nothing beyond the Reich's original announcement of Hess' disappearance.)

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Forecast

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Maritime Provinces: Moderate winds; cloudy with scattered showers and probably some fog; not much change in temperature.

Synopsis: The weather has been mostly fair and warm in the Western Provinces, and fair with moderate temperature in Ontario.

Gulf and North Shore: Moderate winds; mostly cloudy with scattered showers, chiefly in west portion; not much change in temperature.

Sun sets this evening at 7:19 and rises tomorrow morning at 4:32.

Last quarter moon May 17, 9:17 p.m.

High tide this morning at 1:59 and tomorrow morning at 1:10.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

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Leaves Borden 9:35 A.M. 1:00 P.M. 4:45 P.M.
Leaves Tormentine 11:00 A.M. 3:15 P.M. 6:30 P.M. daily except Sunday.

"Much more Sane than Crazy" belief

WASHINGTON, May 12—(AP)—One of the leading psychiatrists in the United States tonight declared that Rudolf Hess, Hitler's second lieutenant who landed from a plane in Scotland Saturday, was probably "much more sane than crazy."

Dr. Wilfred Overholser, head of St. Elizabeths Hospital, the federal government's principal institution for the insane, said that while it was possible that Hess "got the idea and thought the world was coming to an end" he probably did a cool, sane job of calculation and estimated that his chances were better in being interned in Britain than they were in staying in Germany.

Even if the man were insane he still could pilot an airplane, the psychiatrist said, "but it is much more reasonable to think that he was in full possession of his faculties and merely wished to escape" from some situation that he considered no longer tenable for him.

Such an escape by a man who had been discouraged from flying by Hitler himself would indicate calm deliberation and planning well in advance which a man with a very unbalanced mind would hardly be capable of carrying out, Dr. Overholser said.

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| Dawson | 33 | 64 |
| Victoria | 56 | 67 |
| Edmonton | 46 | 60 |
| Regina | 50 | 82 |
| Winnipeg | 51 | 73 |
| Toronto | 42 | 59 |
| Ottawa | 33 | 54 |
| Montreal | 49 | 59 |
| Quebec | 35 | 58 |
| Saint John | 41 | 58 |
| Halifax | 34 | 45 |
| Charlottetown | 36 | 59 |

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