

EUROPE FACES "CRITICAL" WEEK AHEAD

U. S. PONDERES PEACE MOVE IN NEW CRISIS

Opinion Differs On Wisdom Of Another Personal Appeal By Roosevelt. BY ANDRUE BERDING Associated Press Staff Writer WASHINGTON, Aug. 20 (AP)—As Europe seems nearing another crisis, many high officials of the United States Government are asking themselves, "Is there anything we can do to stop it?"

One of the most important officials in the direction of foreign policy told the writer, "there are still several ways open to us. But what are they? Another appeal for peace? President Roosevelt has made three appeals for peace to Fuehrer Hitler in the last 11 months. There were two at the time of the Munich crisis, another in April.

Could there be a call for an international conference? The idea of a conference to settle a crisis has now assumed unpleasant overtones after Munich. Besides, President Roosevelt suggested in his April appeal that discussions be started on three main topics, political, economic and disarmament, in the last two of which the United States would be glad to join—and the result has been nil.

Could there be a Pan-American appeal for peace coming simultaneously from the 21 American republics—the new world appealing to the old world? Some officials have toyed with this idea, are toying with it still, but the idea has, in effect, already been tried. When President Roosevelt sent his appeal to Hitler last September he simultaneously sent copies to all the presidents of the American republics who thereupon joined in with him.

The United States Government is willing, at any rate, to go beyond an appeal. It has in mind definite economic concessions it is willing to make Germany—credits and access to American raw materials—the moment Germany signs a disarmament agreement.

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Shanghai - shooting Incident Aggravates Already Strained Anglo - Japanese Relations

SHANGHAI, Aug. 20 (AP)—Killing of two pro-Japanese Chinese policemen and wounding of six others by a British policeman with a sub-machine gun Saturday threatened tonight to develop into a major incident aggravating Anglo-Japanese relations in the Far East.

"We take a grave view of this affair," the Japanese Embassy announced after representatives of Japanese army and navy held an emergency meeting aboard the cruiser Izumo, flagship of the Japanese Fleet in China waters. Japanese reports said the battle-ship conference "reached important decisions regarding the shooting incident designed to meet with similar attitude international settlement."

QUIET REIGNS IN POLITICAL PARTY CAMPS

OTTAWA, Aug. 20 (CP)—A lull in party political developments is in prospect this week, and little activity is expected on Parliament Hill apart from the regular routine of administration.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King will remain at his summer home in nearby Kingsmere where he is in constant touch with his office and expected to come down to the capital even for the regular weekly cabinet session.

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CASTEL GANDOLFO, Italy, Aug. 20—Pope Pius XII implored a settlement of Europe's critical troubles that would avert war in addressing Italian pilgrims Saturday just before he received Pope-elect General James A. Farley of the United States in private audience.

He made his plea in imparting his blessing on more than 2,000 Italian pilgrims who came to his summer palace for the 25th anniversary of the death of Pope Pius X.

ROME URGES POLAND ACCEPT HITLER'S PLAN

ROME, AUG. 20 (AP)—Authoritative Italian predicted today tension over Danzig would reach a climax "within a few days" with war the alternative to Germany's acquisition of the Free City.

The Fascist newspapers, as though by government inspiration, urged the Warsaw government to accept Fuehrer Hitler's plan of last April.

1. Return of Danzig to Germany. 2. A German highway and railroad across Pomerania (The Polish Corridor), between Germany and East Prussia. 3. A free zone for Polish shipping at Danzig. 4. German guarantee of Poland's frontiers in a non-aggression treaty for 25 years.

Italians recognized the difficulty of winning Poland to such a plan which was rejected four months ago. A "real friends" of Poland, however, they advised her to think it over again.

Speculation over the purpose of Count Cieski's visit has failed to find any confirmation in official circles. The press denied he sought Mussolini's support against German demands for the right to send an army to Hungary in case of war.

Another conjecture in foreign circles is that the Axis powers, Germany and Italy, hope to make Cieski the mediator for direct negotiations between Warsaw and Berlin. Hungary has been friendly with Poland, and with the Axis powers, particularly Italy.

CHARLOTTETOWN YOUTH ELECTED PRESIDENT OF MARITIME B. Y. P. U. AMHERST, N. S., Aug. 20 (CP)—Edison McDonald of Charlottetown was elected president of the Maritime Baptist Young People's convention Saturday at the close of its annual session.

Grace Doherty of Fairview, N. B., was elected secretary, Ruby McKay of Saint John, N.B., assistant secretary and Eimer Perry of Sussex, N.B., treasurer.

Attempt Made To 'Blow Safe' In The City

Burglars attempted "big time stuff" in Charlottetown Saturday night or early Sunday morning when apparently they made an attempt to "blow" the safe in Moore and McLeod's dry goods store on Queen Street. They quit work after drilling a small hole about half an inch deep.

Toys and equipment were taken with them when they fled, except a small bottle of oil used, police believed, to lubricate the drill.

No signs of a break could be found on the premises and it was thought the burglars or burglars scented themselves in the store previous to closing time Saturday night. A door at the rear of the premises, entering from an alley and used to load goods to the delivery truck, was found open yesterday morning.

Evidence of the work of burglars was discovered by Mr. W. Stewart, a member of the firm when he visited the building shortly before noon yesterday. Police were notified and a careful check made. Few clues were found. Nothing in the store had been disturbed, except the safe, a check-up revealed.

MASS TROOPS ON FRONTIER Germans In Full War Kit Occupy Slovakia. ZILINA, Slovakia, Aug. 20—A quarter of a million German troops with full war equipment, massed today at the Slovakian 292-mile frontier with Poland.

The greater part was concentrated behind the four main passes leading over the Tatra Mountains into Poland. Concentration points were the towns of Cadca, Trojena, Orlov and Mezlaborce, with central headquarters at Zilina.

Units were choked with moving troops, artillery and supply trains. There was a steady movement of troops entering the area from Moravia, along the Moravia-Cadca (Mairisch Ostrau) Cadca highway.

In the occupied areas, schools and town halls were taken over for barracks and base hospitals, clearly marked with large signs. Between villages, munitions depots were established and there were large supplies of barbed wire and corrugated iron shelter roofs.

Chamberlain To Meet With Key Ministers Tuesday On Contentious Danzig Issue

ANXIOUS TIME Great Britain May Spur War Preparations, Belief.

(BY PAT USSHER) (Canadian Press Staff Writer) LONDON, Aug. 20 (CP Cable)—Prime Minister Chamberlain, cutting his fishing trip short 24 hours ahead of schedule left Inverness, Scotland, for London today to attend Tuesday's important meeting of his key ministers.

Amid indications that a climax to months of European tension over Germany's demands on Poland was at hand, Cabinet Ministers were travelling to London from vacation spots to review the situation both on the Continent and in the Far East.

Great Britain remained calm despite the ominous signs on the Continent, but the Sunday newspaper editorials reflected the gravity of the situation.

J. L. Garvin, the well-known political commentator, remarked in the Observer ("Conservative") that "there will be no respite until the tremendous crisis now rising into full view has reached its sequel—whether of peace almost by a miracle or an irrevocable catastrophe. Neither event is excluded."

The Prime Minister, who had been fishing in Scotland since Parliament recessed two weeks ago, had been expected to leave for London tomorrow night but he left this afternoon instead.

War Secretary Leslie Belisha cut short his vacation on the French Riviera.

Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax, who returned unexpectedly Saturday, went back to his home in Yorkshire this morning but only to spend the day.

"Hour Approaches" Says Nazi Leader Addressing Throng

DANZIG, AUG. 20 (CP)—Albert Forster, Danzig Nazi district leader, proclaimed today before a crowd of 5,000 that "the hour approaches" for solution of the Polish-German problem.

He predicted victory for Danzig's who wish the Free City rejoined to Germany.

"The hour approaches now," he told a party rally in suburban Langfuhr. "When it comes we will win."

Approximately 3,000 members of various uniformed formations - - - some carrying rifles - - - and some 2,000 civilians stood under a hot sun listening to the district leader.

"We stand together in this serious hour and our soldiers also stand together," Forster said. "We know what stands before us."

Forster told of the "solution of the Sudeten problem" and the absorption of Czechoslovakia "without the firing of one shot."

He said the Poles had indulged in "unshamed insolence" in rejecting Fuehrer Hitler's proposals for solving the Danzig problem.

"DER TAG" NEARS Berlin Hears "Day Of Reckoning" With Poland Near.

BERLIN, Aug. 20—Declarations of the "day of reckoning" with Poland are coming soon, one upon another in Germany today.

Both the press and officials kept to the theme of Danzig, Free City under Polish customs administration which Germany wants returned to her (it was hers before the Great War), and Pomerania (the Polish Corridor), through which the Nazis want a connection to German East Prussia.

The phrase "Der Tag" (day of reckoning) was being spoken in official quarters with increasing frequency.

(In Danzig the Nazi leader, Albert Forster, told a Nazi meeting "the hour approaches.")

In Berlin the press insisted "Polish insolence" was fast exhausting German patience.

Immediate Settlement. The influential Hamburg Fremdenblatt headlined that Poland "still has five minutes for re-consideration. The Fremdenblatt reflected the general official contention that the Polish dispute must be settled almost at once.

Some papers, including the Fremdenblatt, hinted Poland might "save itself" by coming forward with an acceptable suggestion.

Japs Threaten To Blockade Hong Kong

HONG KONG, Aug. 20—A Japanese threat to "isolate" this British Crown Colony was reported from Canton today.

Despite Tokyo assurances that the Japanese do not intend to blockade this port, Hong Kong learned the Japanese army press spokesman in Canton made this statement Saturday.

China Kai-Shek regime if she pleases, but the Japanese army will be obliged to sever if it entails isolation of Hong Kong.

"If Britain refuses to discontinue acts benefiting Chinese Kai-Shek, a blockade of the Hong Kong perimeter is inevitable."

The ministers will consider a report of European developments during the past two weeks and the situation in the Far East.

(Negotiations in Tokyo between Britain and Japan over their "Danzig dispute" where the British and French concessions have been disrupted by Britain's rejection of Japanese demands that economic questions be included in the discussions.)

The fact Mr. Chamberlain advanced his return by 24 hours was regarded as significant, but it was not mentioned in a communiqué issued at 10 Downing Street.

"In accordance with arrangements made before the ministers dispersed for the recess," the announcement said, "the Prime Minister will return from Scotland in order to preside over the meeting of ministers arranged for Tuesday night."

"For this purpose, Mr. Chamberlain will leave Scotland this afternoon and will arrive in London early tomorrow morning."

Take Serious View. The seriousness with which the Government viewed the situation was indicated by the fact Lord Halifax spent Saturday afternoon at the Foreign Office. Ordinarily cabinet ministers are not at their desks.

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RUSSIA SIGNS TRADE PACT WITH GERMANY. MOSCOW, Aug. 20 (AP)—In the midst of the important military staff talks among Great Britain, France and the Soviet Union which are reported to have struck a snag, Russia tonight announced a long-term trade and credit agreement with Germany.

Under the terms of the agreement, made known over the Soviet radio, Germany will grant Russia a five per cent credit of 200,000,000 (about \$80,000,000) German marks for a period of seven years.

The announcement came as a surprise to foreign diplomatic circles although it was known negotiations were under way.

Its effect on the staff talks was unpredictable but observers believed it could prove a barrier to any Soviet alliance with Great Britain and France.

ARREST OF NAZI YOUTH OFFICIALS IN HUNGARY. BUDAPEST, Aug. 20—The Hungarian Nazi organ, Magyararsag, said today 21 executives of the Nazi youth group had been arrested for organizing secret military exercises in the hills outside Budapest.

The newspaper, which insisted the gathering was for "political education" only, said police arrested 30 members of the organization Aug. 18, later releasing nine.

According to the Magyararsag the arrested men were accused of drilling several hundred youths last Sunday.

The Hungarian press still referred from direct comment on Foreign Minister Cieski's talks with German and Italian leaders, but one political weekly reprinted a foreign dispatch declaring "German pressure on Hungary is still increasing."

The bewildered average Hungarian, seeking light on Count Cieski's talks in Salzburg and Rome, anxiously tried to read between the lines of his newspaper.

HON. H. G. CARROLL PASSES IN QUEBEC. QUEBEC, Aug. 20—Hon. H. G. Carroll, 74, former Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec Province and retired judge of the Quebec Superior and Appeal Courts, died at his home here today. He had been ill two months.

SPANISH REFUGEES AT PORT OF SPAIN. PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Aug. 20—Eleven days of the Spanish civil war arrived here yesterday only half-dressed and hungry after a 50-day trip across the Atlantic in the schooner Alexandria Endeavour.

The group, which included a lawyer and members of the military and diplomatic service of the Republican Government during Spain's civil war, sought help here to enable them to continue on to South America.

Several of the men said they had escaped from firing squads and others said they had fled from detention camps. They sailed from La Rochelle, France.

17 INJURED IN U. S. TRAIN WRECK. CHATSWORTH, N. J., Aug. 20 (AP)—Five hundred men laboring in South Jersey this Belt widened tonight to clear the wreck of the "blue coast" modernistic Atlantic City-New York flier of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, in which 17 persons were injured.

Five derailed coaches and baggage car of the blue-and-gold crack train which carried 40 passengers rested at crazy angles along the single track between undated cranberry bogs.

Three of those injured when the train was derailed in a heavy rainstorm late Saturday remained in a hospital. The other injured, some of them carried 2 1/2 miles through the downpour, were treated in this remote hamlet or at the scene of the wreck.

PRINCESS MARGARET ROSE NINE TODAY. BALMORAL, Scotland, Aug. 20 (CP)—Princess Margaret Rose went to bed tonight wishing it was already morning. Tomorrow is her ninth birthday and she is to be allowed to celebrate it, not in a style befitting a princess, but like any other little girl in England.

There will be presents, a pink-and-white birthday cake with nine candles on it, and a little party for children from neighboring estates. Perhaps the only difference between her birthday and that of other little girls will be the presence, among the gifts, of a pearl from the King. It has been an annual present from His Majesty to his youngest brother.

BOERS ARE LOYAL. CAPE TOWN (CP)—More than half the applications from Johannesburg to join the Royal Navy recently came from Afrikaans-speaking people, descendants of the Dutch settlers of the Cape of Good Hope.

CLIPPER TAKES OFF ON ATLANTIC FLIGHT. BOTSWOOD, Nfld., Aug. 20—Pan American Airways' Yankee Clipper took off for Foynes Eire, at 10:50 p. m. Newfoundland daylight time tonight (8:20 p. m. ADT) on a regular scheduled flight across the Atlantic. She arrived here at 8:22 p. m. NDT from St. John's, N. B.

The Clipper arrived at Shediac at 2:48 p. m. ADT Saturday from Port Washington, N. Y. Her take-off from Shediac was delayed by fog over Botwood, and she did not get away until this afternoon.

COMING EVENTS. Rate for notices in this column 2 cents per word.

**Madame Doyel, readings, 195 Kent. L-194-8-21-31.

**Talks and dance Bradalbane Tuesday. L-178-8-19-21.

**Talks Malpoque Wednesday. L-178-8-9-21.

**Dance, St. Peter's Wednesday, August 23rd. Percy Groom's Orchestra. L-162-8-19-21.

**Dance Vernon Hall Monday 21st. Good Orchestra. L-141-8-19-21.

**Dance Forest Hill Hall, Aug. 21. Webster's Orchestra. L-187-8-21-11.

**Festival at Roland Jay's, Fanning Brook, August 23rd in aid of new school. Good music. L-148-8-21-11.

**Chicken Supper, Bingo and Dance, Treacle Hall, Wednesday, August 23rd. L-198-8-21-31.

**Bouris, Aug. 23. Ladies Aid Lawn Party at Mrs. Harold Matthews. L-187-8-21-11.

**Women's Institute Dance Grandview Hall, Wednesday, Aug. 23rd. Refreshments. L-188-8-21-11.

THE CAR FERRY SAILINGS. Leaves Borden 7 A. M., 9:45 A. M., 1 P. M., 4:30 P. M. Leaves Tormentine 8:15 A. M., 11 A. M., 3:05 P. M., 6:20 P. M.

SUNDAY SAILINGS. Leaves Borden 9 A. M., 7 P. M. Leaves Tormentine 10:15 A. M., 8:10 P. M.

MARITIME EAST: Moderate winds fair and warm. High tide this afternoon at 3:37 and tomorrow morning at 3:21. Sun sets this evening at 6:58 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:49. First quarter moon Aug. 21, 5:21 P. M. Summer tide eighteen minute later than Chacottetown.

THE WORST TROUBLE A WOMAN HAS WITH HER HUSBAND IS GETTING HIM!

TORONTO, Aug. 20 (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:—Dawson 38 56, Vancouver 47 73, Edmonton 48 76, Regina 46 73, Winnipeg 46 73, Toronto 40 85, Ottawa 46 80, Montreal 65 90, Quebec 67 90, St. John 56 73, Halifax 65 73, Charlottetown 50 81.