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GERMANY PREPARES 'TO DEAL WITH POLAND'

Nations Girded For War As Peace Hopes Fade

Communications Cut In Germany; Troops On Move

Tannenburg Celebration At Which Hitler Was Scheduled To Speak Is Cancelled.
(By Alvin J. Steinkopf, Associated Press Staff Writer)
BERLIN, Aug. 26—(Saturday)—Germany shut herself off from the world for seven hours last night and early today as she made apparently last-minute preparations "to deal with Poland."
From 6:30 p. m. (12:30 p. m. ADT) yesterday to 2 a. m. (10 p. m. ADT) today authorities shut off telephone, telegraph and cable communications with most of the world.
During this tense period Germany cancelled her projected celebration at Tannenburg next Sunday, where Fuehrer Hitler was to make an important announcement.
Other rumors said that the Nuremberg Party Congress to start Sept. 2 also had been cancelled. These reports, however, were denied by the Propaganda Ministry.

Speed Preparations
Meanwhile military preparations along the Polish border went on through the night and in military circles the conviction was expressed that Germany is "ready for any action on the part of the Poles at any time."
The reason for the sudden closing of lines of communication was not apparent early today.
The shut down came without warning. An Associated Press dispatch being relayed to London was broken off in the middle.
But there was no censorship, and the official German news agency continued to bring in reports from the rest of the world.
Explanation Given
One explanation for closing down communications was that all available lines were needed for the military and important state calls.
While it is hoped that a conflict might be avoided, it is clear that the night and every German radio station continued blaring out martial music, sleepless diplomatic observers were somewhat relieved when the ban on outgoing messages was lifted.
All German commercial ships in German ports were ordered home, and here they were not permitted to sail.
Commercial air lines ceased to operate. "Bad weather" was given as the reason.
Crowds Gather
Great crowds gathered in the streets in front of Hitler's residence.

Coming Events
*Buying love fowl daily. Bowman's Store. L-308-8-26-29.
*Dance—Vernon Hall, Monday, August 28th. Percy Groom, violinist. L-292-8-26-28.
*Dance, St. Teresa's Hall, August 30th. Webster's Orchestra. L-352-8-26-29.
*Anniversary Social at Lorne Valley Church grounds August 28th. L-292-8-26-28.
*Dance at Belfast Hall Tuesday night August 29th. Music and singing by the Cherry Valley Hill Billies. L-335-8-26-28.
*Farmers Long River vicinity and elsewhere, please note that when Bell, Long River, is prepared to truck hops to shipping point for farmers wishing to market corn, they should call on the Kennington Tuesday forenoon of each week until further notice. Careful trucking service assured. L-322-8-26-31.
*An agricultural meeting will be held in St. Theresa's Hall on Tuesday evening, August 29th, at 8:00 o'clock. Hog production and marketing will be discussed, also other subjects that may be of general interest to local farmers. J. Reid and J. A. Gillis, Charlottetown, will be present. All interested in attending and women, please, will be cordially welcomed. Joseph McCarthy, Club Secretary, will lead stock on Monday afternoon. L-349-8-26-31.

WARSAW CALM AS CLIMAX TO CRISIS NEARS

Question Of Peace Or War Hangs By Slimmest Of Threads, Is Feeling.
(By ELMER W. PETERSON)
Associated Press Staff Writer
WARSAW, Aug. 25—(AP)—Volunteer workmen dug air raid trenches in Warsaw's parks and public squares tonight as the feeling grew in resolute Poland that the question of peace or war hung by the slimmest of threads.
"War is inevitable if one man—Adolf Hitler—overestimates his own possibilities," declared the semi-official Gazeta Polska.
"Poland is ready, formed the major theme of newspaper editorial comment.
New border incidents, including Polish charges that German "gangs" had machine-gunned Polish frontier stations added to the tension.
President Ignace Moscicki was expected to reply tonight to President Roosevelt's peace appeal.
Informed sources predicted that Moscicki would respond in general terms, stressing Poland's desire for peace and belief in "direct negotiations based on equity."
Several Warsaw newspapers published reports indicating Poland had sent a note to Nazi authorities of the Free City of Danzig, listing four basic "Polish rights" which this country will not permit to be violated.
German reports that Soviet Russia, her Ambassador Sharamoff, her Ambassador here, was attempting to persuade Poland to yield in her attitude were sharply denied in official circles.
"Obvious" inspired newspaper articles declared Poland would not accept any terms that would mean:
1. Any attempt at union between Germany and Danzig.
2. Placing of Danzig outside the Polish customs frontier.
3. Submission of Polish rights in Danzig to the control of a third power.
4. Any move to deprive Poland of her right to national development.
Peace Hopes Fade
Hope that peace efforts may be effective at the last moment were fading, but there still were rumors to the effect that Great Britain and other nations were urging acceptance of President Roosevelt's peace plan or some other compromise.
The decision to take drastic steps followed reports of more "atrocities" to German nationals in Danzig.
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World News In Brief

LONDON, Aug. 26—(Saturday)—The German Embassy today instructed all Germans in Great Britain to leave as soon as possible for home.
ROME, Aug. 26—(Saturday)—Rome's two morning papers said the intense diplomatic activity being pursued in Europe had increased hopes that war could be averted.
NEW YORK, Aug. 25—American marine insurance underwriters today doubled war risk rates for shipment by German and Italian vessels to and from Germany and Italy. It was the second drastic increase in rates in two days.
CADCIA, Slovakia, Aug. 25—Fresh, veteran regiments poured into the Slovak frontier area opposite Poland tonight. (Approximately 50,000 troops were reported massing there a week ago.)
THE HAGUE, Aug. 25—A royal decree forbidding foreign warships to enter Netherlands territorial waters in Europe was issued today and went into effect immediately.
PARIS, Aug. 26—(Saturday)—A Havas News Agency dispatch from Warsaw said today that Polish anti-aircraft batteries at Gdynia shot down a German bomber late last night. The Nazi warplane, the dispatch said, failed to heed repeated warnings to stop flying over a forbidden zone.
GLEIWITZ, Aug. 25—German troops in the Gleiwitz area have been moving towards positions on the Polish border since early tonight. Up until 11:30 p. m. however, no crossing of the line had been reported, or firing heard.
QUEBEC, Aug. 25—Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers and a Quebec lawyer, hearing a warrant for seizure of the German freighter Koenigsberg on a charge of theft, boarded the vessel in midstream tonight as she steamed past this port on her way down the St. Lawrence River.
YARMOUTH, N. S., Aug. 25—Leaving part of her intended cargo on the docks, the German freighter Helene left Yarmouth harbor hastily today after apparently receiving wireless instructions to put to sea.

Call For Volunteers From Non-permanent Militia To Bolster Permanent Force

OTTAWA, Aug. 25—(CP)—Canada martialled her defence forces tonight in anticipation of a national emergency. Volunteers from the non-permanent militia were called to the colors to aid the small permanent force in manning coastal defences and guarding vulnerable points from possible sabotage.
The call for volunteers, issued by Defence Minister Mackenzie, was not compulsory, he stressed, adding they would aid the small permanent force in manning coastal defences and guarding vulnerable points from possible sabotage.
Earlier, the Defence Minister had ordered Royal Canadian Air Force units to be in readiness to move to war stations in various parts of the Dominion if required.
Leaves Cancelled
All leave for members of Canada's permanent defence forces was cancelled today.
"Mr. Mackenzie announced that his department had complete plans in readiness for the protection of the security of the Canadian people from enemies both without and within."
Canada's militia comprises slightly more than 50,000 men, and the Canadian Legion has offered to supply 60,000 war veterans for active militia on service. The duties to be carried out include the manning of coastal defences and the guarding of certain vulnerable points.
The present action is being taken under the authority of section 63 of the Militia Act which permits the Governor-in-Council to authorize the Minister of Defence to place the militia or portions of it on service for any military duty other than drill or training.
5. The procedure under section 63 differs from that under the well known section 64 which deals with calling out the militia for active service. Under section 64 the call is compulsory on all members of the militia units named in the order-in-council invoking the act. Further, if section 64 is invoked it is mandatory upon the Government to summon Parliament.
6. It is considered that the vol-

Situation At A Glance As Crisis Nears Climax

(By The Canadian Press)
Berlin—Germany cut off communications with other countries for seven hours last night as she made preparations "to deal with Poland."
Tannenburg celebration for Sunday, with Hitler speech scheduled, cancelled; commercial ships called home, commercial air lines grounded.
Warsaw—President Moscicki accepts conciliation suggestion of President Roosevelt and agrees to refrain from hostilities provided Germany also agrees to do so; workmen dig air raid trenches in parks; new border incidents add to tension. Press declares "Poland is ready."
Paris—Premier Daladier calls on nation to be ready for "every sacrifice" to defend nation; says France will not submit to violence; troops move to frontier.
London—British prepares for eventualities; signs mutual assistance pact with Poland; envoy to Berlin due home tomorrow with report on talk with Hitler.
Washington—State Department announces sweeping arrange-

NAT. UNITY CALLED FOR BY DALADIER

PARIS, Aug. 25—(AP)—Premier Daladier called tonight upon his nation, rising in arms, to be ready for "every sacrifice" to defend "the safety of the home land."
Giving an accounting of his stewardship of France at the height of the crisis over Germany's demands on Poland, the premier took the uncompromising stand that the country could not accept "submission to violence."
"I told his people that in this crisis 'it is the destiny of the other peoples of Europe that is at stake.' 'French men and French women, you have no need for me to indicate the uncompromising stand that you are determined to assure by every sacrifice the safety of the Fatherland.'"
As he spoke the country was pressing every preparation to go to war if necessary to block any extension by force of Nazi domination in Central Europe.
Havas News Agency said the French government tonight extended its right of wartime requisition to the entire country.
STEADY TROOP MOVEMENTS
There was a steady movement of troops to the frontier. The communist press was suppressed. Citizens no longer needed for defence were gradually being cleared out of the capital and military chiefs and diplomatic envoys were being recalled.
Daladier's words went out over all of France's major broadcasting stations, preceded by several minutes of silence on the air broken by a succession of announcements that he would speak. Then came his voice, heavy with the possibility of tragedy.
His speech was broadcast also to France's friendly neighbors and to North America, but it was to his own people that Daladier directed his talk.
"You know me well enough to know that I will do everything that is humanly possible to avert a catastrophe such as that which we are now facing," he said, echoing the peace appeals of President Roosevelt, Pope Pius XII and the King of the Belgians.
"But why does the Danzig question risk unleashing a European war?" He added quickly: "It is because, presented under the threat of a capitulation already by vast claims, it raises the question of the liberty and life of Poland."
Firmly he ruled out the possibility of "agreements" such as that which gave Czechoslovakia to Germany.
Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet, meanwhile, conferred at the Foreign Ministry with the Soviet Ambassador, Jakob Surits, envoy of the nation whose new pact with Ger-

Edmonton Man Is Given Two Years.

EDMONTON, N. B., Aug. 25—(CP)—John Robertson, Hamilton, Ont. charged with obtaining \$15 by means of a worthless cheque, was sentenced today to two years in Dorchester Penitentiary.

Britain Cements Alliance With Polish Nation

Sir Neville Henderson Flies To London After Interview With Herr Hitler.
(By J. F. Sanderson, Canadian Press Staff Writer)
LONDON, Aug. 25—Great Britain today strengthened its alliance with Poland in a direct answer to the German-Soviet non-aggression pact and watched a series of unexplained diplomatic moves that held a slight glimmer of hope in the war clouds that have settled over Europe.
Sir Neville Henderson, Britain's Ambassador to Germany, who is noted for his blunt speech and forthright manner will fly to London tomorrow with a report for Prime Minister Chamberlain as a result of a suddenly-arranged interview with Fuehrer Hitler.
The nature of the conversation with the Fuehrer or the report he would make could not be learned in London but talk of a new peace offer resulted in diplomatic and political circles here.
A source close to the Government, commenting on Sir Neville's flight said:—
May Break Deadlock
"The news has brought a new hope that perhaps some move is afoot which may break the deadlock and the accelerating drift toward disaster. It is clear that Henderson is bringing proposals or questions requiring an answer from Britain."
Official circles would not comment on the latest developments in the European crisis and no hint was given of what passed between Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, during a lengthy interview tonight.
Earlier in the day Lord Halifax and the Polish Ambassador, Count Edward Raczyński signed a five-year Anglo-Polish treaty pledging each country to come to the other's assistance in the event of aggression.
It put in writing pledges previously given, but its publication at this juncture was regarded as important, demonstrating to the world Britain's determination to stand by its Polish ally in the face of ever-increasing German sabre rattling.
The treaty was regarded as a regional omen, features which dampened but did not extinguish the new hope aroused by Sir Neville's projected flight to London.
Germany began calling its merchant ships home—in 1914 her shipping was caught all over the world and she evidently does not want to repeat that blunder.
Civil aviation was grounded. Communication with Berlin became difficult and at times impossible, after Hitler conferred with the German Ambassador.
Sir Neville will stay in London only long enough to obtain an answer from Mr. Chamberlain, and will then fly to Berlin with the announcement from Berlin that Fuehrer Hitler had cancelled his Sunday speech.
It meant that Fuehrer Hitler would have time to digest Mr. Chamberlain's answer, if he makes no moves during the weekend. They

500,000 More Men Called To Colors By Mussolini

ROME, Aug. 25—(AP)—Premier Mussolini called up approximately 500,000 more men today to put his fighting forces on a war footing.
The call was estimated unofficially to give Italy a fighting force of about 1,700,000 men. Expert estimates placed the navy personnel at about 60,000 men and the air force at 40,000 with 35,000 militiamen called up in addition to six classes of army troops numbering 1,500,000 to 1,600,000 men.
The navy and air force have been virtually at full strength for five days.
Participation of militiamen in the recent summer manoeuvres in northern Italy near the French frontier indicated that Mussolini

Insurrection In Chile Is Quelled

SANTIAGO, Chile, Aug. 25—Chile's Popular Front Government, backed by thousands of volunteer workers, today quickly put down an insurrection in the army.
With quiet restored and the leaders of the revolution arrested or dispersed, President Pedro Aguirre Garcia decreed a nation-wide state of siege—the equivalent of martial law—for one month.
It was probably the quietest revolution in Chile's turbulent history.
The movement was said to have originated in the "Tacna" Artillery Regiment and to have spread to two others. It failed, however, when most soldiers in the three revolting regiments refused to join.



METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE
TORONTO, Aug. 25—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	34
Edmonton	50
Regina	63
Winnipeg	55
Toronto	61
Ottawa	58
Montreal	67
Quebec	57
Saint John	64
Halifax	63
Charlottetown	63

High tide this morning at 7.24 and tonight at 9.05.
Sun sets this evening at 6.50 and rises tomorrow morning at 5.14.
Full moon Aug. 29, 6.09 P.M. Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.
Maritime East: Moderate or fresh southeast to southwest winds; cloudy with scattered showers and some fog.
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.