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Germany Bids For Support Of Scandinavia

Accord With Nations Is Sought To Bolster Bargaining Position Of Nazis

Showdown With Poland Imminent
Britain Would Consider Reciprocal Agreement With Hitler

By Associated Press
The German government undertook today to strengthen its ties with the Scandinavian and Baltic countries and the German press intensified against Poland a campaign similar to that which preceded the demolition of Czechoslovakia.

With indications that there soon will be a showdown on the German demands against Poland, Nazi diplomats and newspaper undertakings perhaps were related.

Berlin diplomatic quarters said Chancellor Hitler had offered non-aggression pacts to Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Finland and had made similar approaches to Estonia, Latvia and other countries. Such accords would strengthen Hitler's position in bargaining with or against the French-British front of nations.

The foreign ministers of the Scandinavian countries discussed the German proposal at Copenhagen.

Polish troops paraded in the Polish capital today in celebration of the 148th anniversary of Poland's first constitution and national independence.

Prime Minister Chamberlain told the House of Commons the British government would be ready to consider proposals of exchange of reciprocal assurances with the German government.

The British cabinet was reported reliably to have rejected Soviet Russia's proposal for a British-French-Russian guarantee to all Baltic and Black Sea states.

The reason apparently was Poland and Rumania objected to a flat guarantee by Russia.

Great Britain and France last night agreed upon a compromise "interim arrangement" designed to prevent Russia from walking out on negotiations for Soviet adherence to the armed European bloc against aggression.

The compromise plan, still reflecting Moscow's demand for extension of the Anglo-French military alliance to include the Red Army, is expected to be approved by the cabinet today.

British leaders admitted the plan does not satisfy Russia's proposals but said they were confident that the Soviets' would "find it hard to reject it."

The plan was approved by France when French Ambassador Charles Andre Corbin conferred with Foreign Secretary Viscount Halifax. It was expected to be given to Soviet Ambassador M. Malaki today for dispatch to Moscow.

The scheme as described here is a "clever formula" intended not only to overcome Russia's demands for an outright tripartite alliance but also spare Poland, Rumania and other small nations which are reluctant to bind themselves to Russia.

The "interim arrangement" supposedly barring a hint that Britain may be willing later to consider Russia's request for a clear-cut military alliance, was undertaken to prevent:

—Russia with her vast fighting strength would agree to give joint aid with Britain and France to victims of aggression.

—The Soviets would be bound



Quick to learn Italian ways, Albania delegation to Rome, pictured riding through streets, uses the Fascist salute to greet crowds.

President Signs Bill To Boost Defense Of U.S. In Town's Dispute

\$110,000,000 Goes To Army For Tanks And Other Equipment

WASHINGTON, May 3.—(AP)—President Roosevelt signed a bill today providing \$153,000,000 immediately in appropriations and contract authorizations for "critical" defense items for the Army, seacoast defenses and fleet expansion.

The measure will let the Army buy and construct for \$40,000,000 of tanks, anti-tank guns, semi-automatic rifles, gas masks, artillery and ammunition.

The House Naval Committee meanwhile recommended legislation to authorize an expenditure of \$6,500,000 for complete modernization of five battleships as the Navy ordered first enlistments lengthened from 4 to 6 years.

Formation of a Senate "peace bloc" determined to keep Congress in session as a means of minimizing the possibility of American involvement in a European war was indicated yesterday in strong, diversified opposition to proposals for early sine die adjournment.

The keynote of sentiment to keep both houses in session so long as there is a threat of war abroad first was struck by Senator Tydings, Democrat, Maryland.

Senator Johnson, Republican, (Continued on Page Two)

ALBANIA SALUTES FASCISM

Seminole Site Proposed For State Hospital

Legislators Introduce Measure To Authorize Acceptance Of 200 Acres

Senator J. J. Parrish introduced Senate Bill 563 to establish a branch of the State hospital for insane in Seminole County. The branch would be constructed on a 200-acre site offered by the Seminole County Commission.

Representatives John G. Leonard and H. J. Lehman introduced a bill in the House today authorizing the State to accept over 200 acres of land in Seminole County as a site for a branch of the State Insane Hospital. This action by the representatives followed a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners requesting members of the House committee to investigate the proposed Seminole County location for the institution.

From the Seminole County Chamber of Commerce, which is actively supporting the proposal, came the announcement that the introduction of the bills was essential to the inspection tour by the House committee scheduled for Friday. Two other sites have been proposed, Avon Park and Lake Placid.

While it is not definitely known that an appropriation will be made for the construction of a branch hospital, a bill has been introduced to appropriate \$1,500,000 for construction of a branch or an addition to the present one at Chattahoochee.

The Seminole location is being offered by Frank Evans of Lake Mary and is situated on the old Sanford-Orlando highway side of Longwood.

The site has been given the en-

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Blackwelder Boys Plead Innocent To Charges Of Murder

DAYTONA BEACH, May 3.—(AP)—Everett and Earl Blackwelder, accused of slaying the negro driver of a taxi which struck and killed their 12-year-old brother, pleaded innocent to murder charges late yesterday and were held without bail.

The men waived a preliminary hearing and entered their plea of "not guilty" before Peace Justice Charles Beets.

After a coroner's inquest yesterday, the death of Lee Snell, the negro driver, returned a verdict of "murder" at the hands of Earl and Everett Blackwelder.

The jury acted after hearing

the Blackwelders as the men who took him to death Saturday. The negro whose taxicab fatally struck him was Blackwelder at a street intersection here, was being removed to the county jail at Daytona when seized.

County officials stated that they had no idea of the second county would release him but that it would mean that the bulk of the County's road bond debt would be paid from the gasoline tax revenues.

Mrs. Estelle Price of Glenwood, Fla., said a man who had been struggling with Durden shot him dead when the negro attempted to run from his car at the point of a gun by the man who was present.

Mrs. Price testified that she was not close enough to identify the man, but that she saw Durden forced into his car at the point of a gun by the man who shot the negro.

State Attorney Murray Sammons announced at the conclusion of the inquest that he would call the county grand jury together Thursday to investigate this crime thoroughly.

Attorney William W. Judge said he would ask Circuit Court to fix bonds for the brothers.

Meanwhile, Margaret Baile, State representative of the International Labor Defense, said, urging a full attendance of members.

Officers and directors of the Business and Professional Men's Association will meet in the chamber of commerce building tonight at 8:00 o'clock.

The weekly meeting of the Lions Club will be held in the Valdiz Hotel tonight at 7:00 o'clock. Secretary J. L. Galloway said, urging a full attendance of members.

A new light proof door is being installed in the entry way of the (Continued on Page Two)

City News Briefs

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The Seminole Bills Passed In House

The House passed a bill submitted by the Seminole delegation relating to compensation of the Circuit Court in Seminole County. Also House Bill 200 relating to the pay of deputy sheriffs at polling places.

Funding on the calendar for

date, Senator J. J. Parrish of Titusville asked for the withdrawal from further Senate consideration Senate Bill 121. He had moved

the reconsideration of the vote

from the measure went down to remaining defeat.

POLICE ROUT SEAMEN



Police reserves effectively used tear gas bombs to rout striking seamen during a strike fight in Everett, Mass. Note effigy in upper right corner left by the strikers.

Solons Reach Half Way Mark At Legislature

Fiscal Program Still In Nebulous Stage With 30 Days Of Biennial Parley Ended

House Will Get Sales Tax Bill

Counties Are Given \$2,000 Additional From Racing Fund

TALLAHASSEE, May 3.—(AP)—The 1939 Florida Legislature reached the half-way point in its 30-day biennial session today with its big task of forming a fiscal program still in a nebulous stage.

Hundreds of bills and proposed constitutional amendments—many relating to taxes and appropriations—are before committees.

Rep. Stokes of Bay county said he would introduce a bill tomorrow calling for a 3 percent general sales tax to be used only if the legislature and voters at next year's general election approve the elimination of all ad valorem taxes. The House killed a Senate approved bill to outlaw the so-called heart balm suits based on breach of promise and alienation of affections.

The House completed legislative action on a bill appropriating \$25,000 a year for the promotion of the Sea Island cotton industry. The racing bills making up the \$20,000 deficiency appropriation for controller's office and giving each of the 67 counties an additional \$2,000 from the surplus in the state track fund.

A Senate committee gave an unfavorable report to a bill to (Continued on Page Three)

Dewey Declares Nation Cleaning Its Own House

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., May 3.—(UPI)—Thomas E. Dewey, dynamic district attorney of New York County, last night declared "Any man who claims his own house is a fool."

The Comedie colonel, in an informal account of the annual Newman award for 1938 to the "leader" of the year, was on the fourth annual occasion prepared and

The World War I ace is preparing following the completion of a career of 100 days of the various countries of the world, while the fourth award which may be given to the World War II ace, (Continued on Page Three)

Hospital Is Making "Open House" Plans

The Fernand-Lauthon Memorial Hospital is making plans to participate in National Hospital Day, May 12. Hospital officials stated, in the memory of the birth of Florence Nightingale, a pioneer in modern hospital methods.

Yesterday, Representative Smith of Clay County, who had spoken for one of the 500 Hospital members threatened the regional Dodge County Hospital.

Charles E. Wiggin of Marion, who attended a bill distribution of the money, withdrew his opposition to the proposed bill.

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The suit is dismissed and we're just sitting steady on the boat," Representative Smith said. He informed the House about it and thanked the representatives who stood together to get this money."

The bill had threatened also to repeat the 1931 law legalizing National Hospital Day and will be a vote of the House on April 26. The bill, introduced by the Dodge County (Marion delegation)

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At the Fernand-Lauthon Memorial Hospital the program will be conducted in the community of the United States and Canada established their "day" in 1921 and this year this movement for the education of the public concerning hospitals and hospital service has crossed the oceans, even to Australia and China.

Generally, hospitals celebrating National Hospital Day will hold open house and invite the public to visit the institution for a self.

Dewey, whose name has been mentioned frequently in discussions of Republican presidential possibilities, called for "spiritual guidance" on the part of all citizens to complete the task. He

The president of the state, the strength of government in substitute for the strength of the individual. He has been shown in many countries that excessive reliance upon government has the effect of weakening the individual, a weak government is bad politics.

He urged Americans to retain the religious ideals and traditions of the country so that "when we have cleaned our own house, we shall keep it clean."

The district attorney said he accepted the gold medal struck in memory of the late John Henry Cardinal Newman not as a personal prize but as a tribute to the "thousands of citizens" who aided him in his drive against the racketeers. He mentioned especially the jurors, business men and workers "who dared to stand up and fight."

LOCAL WEATHER

Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday; little change in temperature.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS—Our friends in Oviedo are loyal supporters of our baseball team and are evidencing their support by their continued attendance at the games and boosting of the team, and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should express our appreciation of this fine spirit of co-operation on the part of our Oviedo friends.

THEREFORE, I, Edward Higgins, by power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Sanford, Florida, hereby proclaim Thursday, May 5, 1939, as OVIEDO DAY throughout the City of Sanford, and urge all that can possibly do so, to attend the baseball game to be played here on the night of that day and give our Oviedo boosters a rousing welcome.

Done this 3rd day of May 1939,

EDWARD HIGGINS,
Mayor.