

New Blows Forecast After Mountbatten Parleys in China

By the Associated Press.
CHUNGKING, Oct. 22.—Predictions of closely co-ordinated action by Britain, the United States and China were voiced by the Chungking press today as Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten returned to India after a series of talks here with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and British and American military men.

The general tenor of the comment stirred by the visit of the new Allied commander for Southeast Asia was reflected in the Chinese army organ, *Sao Tung Pao*, which said: "We shall soon see on the battlefields the decisions reached in Chungking."

The paper went on to suggest the possibility of a "gigantic pincers movement against Burma," in which, it said, China will play an important part.

Decisions Reported Reached.
The official Chinese Central News said "questions concerning military co-operation were discussed in great detail" and added that "decisions were reached on various questions which had been brought up for discussion."

Sitting in with Lord Mountbatten and Gen. Chiang at the latter's country retreat near the capital were Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, chief of staff of Allied forces in China, and other American, British and Chinese officials.

Lord Mountbatten, who was named at the Quebec conference of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill to head Allied forces for an offensive in Southeast Asia, reached Chungking last Saturday from New Delhi and left Wednesday to return to India.

The Central News said authoritative quarters had revealed that his "visit, though brief, had been successful and that satisfactory results had been achieved on all questions that had been discussed."

Somervell in Parleys.
High among the American consultants was Lt. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, commanding general of the United States Army Supply Corps, whose primary interest is in the movement of food, fuel and munitions, a job largely carried out by air in this theater since less of the Burma road.

Other Americans included Maj. Gen. George Stratemeier, commander of United States Air Forces in China, Burma and India, and Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault, head of the United States 14th Air Force.

British representatives included Maj. Gen. Gordon Grimsdick, head of the British Military Mission in China. Gen. Chiang was assisted by such officers as Gen. Homing-chin, chief of staff, Rear Admiral Chen Shao-kwan, Chinese naval chief, and Gen. Shang Chen, head of the Foreign Bureau of the National Military Council.

Mrs. Chiang Kai-shek also participated in the discussions.

Six D. C. Area Officers Receive Promotions

Benjamin Polk Haynes, 32, a former assistant economic analyst for the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, has been promoted from major to lieutenant colonel, the War Department announced today.

Col. Haynes, who lives at 3903 North Pershing drive, Arlington, Va., is a native of Hope, Ark. He came to the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce several years ago as a special investigator, and was promoted to assistant economic analyst shortly before he joined the service in 1940.

Mariboro K. Downes, 43, of 5310 First street N.W., also was promoted from major to lieutenant colonel. Col. Downes formerly was assistant airways engineer for the Civil Aeronautics Administration in Washington. He is a native of Richmond, Va.

Capt. De Witt K. Mason, Jr., 31, of 4031 Connecticut avenue N.W., was elevated to the rank of major. He is a graduate of the University of Alabama and Alabama Polytechnic Institute. Maj. Mason is now stationed here with the Air Transport Command.

Three other officers from the District area received promotions. They are Ernest F. Randell, 2715 Cortland place N.W., captain to major; Charles A. H. Thomson, 1608 East-West highway, Silver Spring, Md., major to lieutenant colonel; and George H. Folsom, 600 Bashford Lane, Alexandria, Va., captain to major.

Nazi Labor Demands On France Suspended

By the Associated Press.
LONDON, Oct. 22.—The Vichy radio said yesterday that Nazi Labor Commissioner Fritz Sauckel had told Chief of Government Pierre Laval that Germany would make no new demands on France for manpower during 1943.

Laval is reported to have delivered at least 1,200,000 Frenchmen to the German labor service during the year.

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FIRST CLASS OF DIETITIANS' AIDES—Mrs. George A. Garrett, chairman of Volunteer Special Services of the District Red Cross, shown presenting certificates to four members of the first class of dietitians' aides to be graduated here. Left to right: Mrs. Garrett, Mrs. Charles M. Weyand, Mrs. Maynard B. Barnes, Mrs. Herbert F. Corn and Mrs. Arthur F. Ballou. The exercises were held in the nurses' home of Emergency Hospital last night. —Star Staff Photo.

Peril of Communism In Italy After War Minimized by Sforza

By the Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—The Italian radio at Bari today quoted Count Carlo Sforza, anti-Fascist leader who arrived in Italy this week from the United States, as taking issue with statements that there was a postwar "danger of Communism in Italy."

The broadcast, recorded by the Federal Communications Commission, was a report of an interview granted by Count Sforza to an Italian newspaper reporter, but it did not indicate the source of the statements which Sforza disputed.

Last week, however, Premier Badoglio of Italy asserted in a statement published in the 8th Army News, British Army field newspaper, that "after every war there is danger of Communism" and that "the Allies must help us in the press and in propaganda so Communism does not stand a chance."

Sforza was further reported to have said: "The bogey of Communism is one of the filthiest and most dangerous dross of Fascist propaganda. I was shocked to hear Italian express ideas created by the

Nazi Mafia movement prevalent here and there."

Sforza characterized as "those conservatives who through their blindness are the main fomenters of revolution." Sforza was quoted as saying: "Do you wish to avoid the history of revolution? Learn from . . . history. Make the Italian people happy. Give them work, peace and freedom and there will be no revolutions."

"If, on the contrary, you continue to carry on police repressions and maintain futile suspicion toward those who for years sacrificed everything for the ideal of freedom, you will create with your own hands those revolutionary dangers you say you fear so much."

Moher Hears From Marine Reported Dead for Months
By the Associated Press.
MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 22.—Nearly 18 months ago Mrs. Alfred Doran was officially advised that her son, Pvt. William Doran, a marine, had been killed when the Japs swarmed over Corregidor.

But, she said, she "just couldn't believe William was dead. Everywhere I went, I felt his presence close to me. I kept faith that he was alive."

So, regularly each week, despite efforts of other members of her family to dissuade her, she wrote and mailed a letter to him. Yesterday she received a card

written in her son's handwriting and mailed recently from a Japanese prison camp and felt that her faith had been vindicated and her prayers answered.

"We will be home together before we know it," he wrote.

He mentioned nothing about the letters his mother had sent during the months since he was reported dead.

Navy Announces Raid On Japs in Gilberts

PEARL HARBOR, T. H., Oct. 22.—Tarawa, major Japanese base in the Gilbert Islands, was attacked again Tuesday "by a small force" of Navy Liberator bombers, the Navy announced here yesterday.

The heavy bombers encountered "considerable anti-aircraft opposition," the announcement added, but "our forces suffered no damage."

No enemy aircraft were sighted during the raid.

Tarawa, some 2,500 miles southwest of Hawaii, was one of the places attacked by the carrier task force and land-based Army and Navy bombers, which raided the Gilberts last September 17 and 18.

The Tokio radio said early yesterday that six American Liberators had attacked in the Gilbert Islands Wednesday. The broadcast minimized damage done by the raiders.

Clark and O'Mahoney Debate Senate Rules On Treaty Approval

By the Associated Press.
NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—Senator Clark, Democrat, of Idaho, said last night the rule requiring a two-thirds Senate vote to approve treaties protected American interests, while Senator O'Mahoney, Democrat, of Wyoming criticized the rule as "the greatest obstacle to the winning of world peace."

"America's Town Meeting of the Air" radio program.

"Under the two-thirds rule, Senator Clark declared, "executives know that even if they desire they cannot gamble recklessly with the destinies of their people."

"Foreign nations know that they cannot shamelessly out-trade us or completely rob us, although, even with the two-thirds vote requirement in effect, they sometimes have sought to do this."

"Surely this restraint on our own Chief Executive tends to influence him to shape a more cautious and a more thoroughly American foreign policy. Surely, also, it tends to make foreign nations more careful and more reasonable in their negotiations with us."

Senator O'Mahoney said the two-thirds rule had become "an instrument in the hands of an irreconcilable minority to prevent the majority from effectuating its policy."

"It was the two-thirds rule which, under Woodrow Wilson, defeated the will of the overwhelming majority of the people of America by preventing our adherence to the League of Nations," he said. "It prevented our becoming a party to the World Court."

Senator O'Mahoney said the two-thirds requirement dated from the Articles of Confederation when the colonies had not been welded into a union. He described it as an inheritance from the days when scattered settlers were fearful that the Mississippi River might be bargained to the French and when New Englanders were fearful that their fishing rights in Newfoundland would be sacrificed.

Portsmouth Police Seize Truckload of Whisky
By the Associated Press.
PORTSMOUTH, Va., Oct. 22.—A truck loaded with 195 cases of whisky, allegedly transported from New York, was seized here yesterday by police.

Kenneth Reid, 52, of New York was arrested and charged with violation of the State ABC Act. He is being held pending a hearing in Police Court Tuesday.

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Girls, 17 and 19, Fight Duel With Knives Over Married Man

Met in Moonlight With 'Seconds' After Challenge
By the Associated Press.
LOS ANGELES, Oct. 22.—A hand-to-hand knife duel by moonlight between two teen-age girls over the affections of a married man left both contestants injured and one in a hospital, Detective Lt. William G. Marr said today.

The attractive combatants met at midnight in the presence of "seconds" following a formal challenge. Lt. Marr added. The married man's identity was not disclosed.

Doris Rhoads, 17, telephone operator, is in a hospital with deep arm wounds. Betty Reeves, 19, drugstore clerk, is at home nursing nicks on her hands.

Lt. Marr said Miss Reeves told investigators: "Doris had been picking on me for a long time. She started going with a fellow, Betty went with for quite a while, and was always making cracks when she saw me."

"She came into the drugstore and said if I wanted to fight her to be on a certain bus when I got off work. She said she would be there. I said O.K."

Lt. Marr quoted Betty as saying that as a precaution she tucked a knife into her belt and took with her a friend, Jean Jackson, also employed at the drugstore.

On the bus, Lt. Marr quoted Betty as relating, the girls encountered Doris, likewise accompanied by a friend, Bertha Cook, 17. They rode to a vacant lot.

"Doris was much larger than I so I pulled out the knife and showed it to her, telling her I don't want any trouble," the detective quoted Betty. "Then she came at me with what

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BETTY REEVES.
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looked like a letter opener, or a long, thin knife, and grabbed my hair.

"She threw me down and kept pulling at my hair. If I cut her I

don't know when it happened. But suddenly there was blood dripping on my face and I said, 'Please, Doris, don't let's fight any more.' She was on top of me, trying to grab the knife, and I felt the blade cut my fingers."

Miss Jackson told detectives, "both girls got up and started crying about their wounds. Then we split up."

Betty said she invited Doris to come home with her and wash up, but that Doris refused, the detective reported.

Leaning Church Righted Like New by Storm

By the Associated Press.
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