

WILSON'S ARTS Nazi Surrender

GO-BETWEEN'S "NEW TALK WITH HIMMLER" 'BE READY FOR TRUCE' WARNING TO 7th ARMY AMERICANS ENTER MUNICH, HOME OF HITLERISM

The whole of Gen. Patch's American Seventh Army front in Bavaria has been warned to be ready for a sudden cessation of hostilities, says a message received from Seventh Army H.Q. just before two o'clock this morning.

Last night, after a week-end of dramatic developments, the world was waiting to hear of Nazi Germany's final surrender to the Allies.

Himmler's offer to yield unconditionally to Britain and the United States, it was officially disclosed in Stockholm yesterday, was made through Count Folke Bernadotte, head of the Swedish Red Cross.

The Count, after passing it on to the Swedish Foreign Office on Tuesday, returned to Germany. Shortly after 3 o'clock this morning it was reported from Stockholm that he was again in Denmark last evening and had met Himmler during the day.

Himmler's offer was firmly refused on the ground that it must be made to Russia as well, and it was expected in responsible British circles last night that news of full surrender might come at any time.

From the fighting front came news that American troops had struck what might be the final blow at Hitlerism by entering Munich, cradle of the Nazi movement and scene of Hitler's abortive beer-cellar putsch in 1923.

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REPORTED HIMMLER OFFER TO SAVE HIS LIFE

From W. E. MUNDY.
Daily Telegraph Special Correspondent

STOCKHOLM, Sunday.
The Swedish Foreign Office today officially confirmed that Count Folke Bernadotte, head of the Swedish Red Cross, had been in contact with Adolf Hitler, who was reported to have made a last-minute offer to save his life.

Himmler, after two special meetings with the Count, placed a special plane at his disposal in which he flew direct to Stockholm on Tuesday afternoon.

It is now known here that Himmler, at the second meeting, told Count Bernadotte that Hitler was dying from cerebral hemorrhage. Himmler asked the Count to convey his wishes to the Western world.

During the meetings Himmler, according to Bernadotte, gave me here to-night, was "cooled" and "passionately" begged Bernadotte to convey his wishes to the Western world.

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MYSTERY DOCTOR Himmler's Contact Man

Count Bernadotte is known here to have conducted a humanitarian mission in what is left of Germany.

During his visits to further Swedish Red Cross work, Count Bernadotte had met Himmler, but the first "captivity" meeting, it was said, took place in Berlin on April 19 or 20 after the Count had received word that Himmler wished to meet him.

Count Bernadotte, it was said, was accompanied by a Swedish physician, Dr. Erik Friberg, who was reported to have been in contact with Himmler.

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CASTLE FIRE Archives Destroyed

A telephone message (tonight) from Lindeburg, 25 miles north-west of Hamburg, reported that Friedrichs Castle had been completely destroyed by a fire, the cause of which is unknown.

The Swedish General lost his life and his wife was injured. No one was hurt, but all the Swedish archives were destroyed.

Count Bernadotte's second meeting with Himmler took place on Saturday, April 21, at this place. It was reported that the Count had been in contact with Himmler, and that he had been in contact with Himmler.

MORE REPORTS OF HITLER'S DEATH

"ANNOUNCEMENT HAS BEEN DRAWN UP"

Varying reports of Hitler's fate were again rife yesterday.

Stockholm—People in Stockholm were very close to the truth until recently said that Hitler had suffered from more than one stroke, and that he had never completely recovered. His doctors were afraid that any excitement would cause further complications.

Stockholm—A message said to have been sent to the British and United States Governments by Himmler stated: "Hitler is not well and may not live another 24 hours."

The Blue Network radio correspondent, quoting a "high source" in the German High Command, said: "Himmler has promised to turn over Hitler's body to the British and United States as a token of the good faith of his unconditional surrender offer."

"Himmler Wounded"
According to an Ankara radio report from Paris, Himmler had been wounded during the Berlin fighting and is now in Salzburg.

STATEMENT BY THE PREMIER

VITAL 48 HOURS

By the Prime Minister's Correspondent

The Prime Minister will make a statement in the House of Commons this evening on the state of affairs in Germany. The facts relating to the surrender of Germany will be reported. The Prime Minister will also report on the state of affairs in the Channel Islands.

Even should Great Britain, the United States and Russia accept the terms of the German surrender, it is believed that the German people will be faced with a difficult task. The German people will be faced with a difficult task.

MR. TRUMAN AT HIS OFFICE

From Our Own Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Sunday.
Although the President customarily leaves his office at 12 noon, Mr. Truman, after attending church this morning, went to his office at 12 noon.

LAVAL TALKS OF SUICIDE

"ONLY THING LEFT"

From Our Own Correspondent

LAVAL, Deat. former Vichy Minister of Labour and Commerce, the Propaganda Minister of the French Republic, is reported to be contemplating suicide.

KIRSTEN'S INFLUENCE Freedom in Germany

The next event in his war-time history was his appearance in Finland, where he was given the post of a Finnish passport. This occurred during the Nazi domination in Finland, when he was reported to have been in contact with Himmler.

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HISTORIC PICTURE OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE TWO DICTATORS AT VENICE IN JUNE, 1941.

Mussolini was stated yesterday to have been shot by Italian patriots, and two British war correspondents were reported to have seen his body in Milan.

BRITISH 3 MILES PAST THE ELBE

From CHRISTOPHER BUCKLEY,
Daily Telegraph Special Correspondent

BEYOND THE ELBE, Sunday.

In brilliant moonlight British forces crossed the Elbe at two o'clock this morning at Lauenburg and to the west of the town. Opposition was extremely light.

MUNICH FALLS AFTER 20-MILE U.S. ADVANCE

From HORTON WILLIAMS,
Daily Telegraph Special Correspondent

SHAEFF, Midnight, Sunday.

Munich was captured late this afternoon after a 20-mile advance by the United States Seventh Army. According to a front-line report received here, the city fell to troops of the 12th Infantry and 12th Armoured Divisions.

NO PERMISSION TO SURRENDER

The local troops, while disapproving of this action, explained that they were not to surrender without permission from their superiors. The German military command had issued orders to the effect that no German soldier was to surrender without permission from his superiors.

EMDEN PUSH BY CANADIANS

BRIDGEHEAD GROWS
With the CANADIAN FORCES, Sunday

Canadian troops, who yesterday captured the town of Emden, are pushing ahead from the bridgehead. The town of Emden, a town 14 miles south-east of Emden, was captured by Canadian troops.

BAVARIANS IN REVOLT

PHOENIX HUNTING
From Our Own Correspondent

ZURICH, Sunday.

According to information received here, the Swiss authorities are known as gold leaders of the movement. The Swiss authorities are known as gold leaders of the movement.

CIVIL DEFENCE WINDING UP

"APPOINTED DAY"
Plans for the winding-up of the civil defence organization in the United Kingdom are being put into effect on a date to be announced by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

4 Years Ago To-day

Mr. Churchill announced that of 60,000 troops sent to Greece, only 10,000 have been successfully evacuated.

STRAITS' HEAVY SNOW

The Straits of Dover yesterday had its heaviest fall of snow in April for 48 years. Snow fell in the Straits of Dover yesterday.

GERMAN H.Q. IN BERLIN'S BEING STORMED

RUSSIANS FIGHTING NEAR REICHSTAG

Russian troops, using flame-bombers and supported by the H.Q. of the German High Command in Berlin last night, according to a broadcast on the German-controlled Danish radio.

OTHER FASCIST CHIEFS ALSO SHOT

Two British war correspondents who entered Milan ahead of the Fifth Army yesterday saw the bodies of Mussolini and 17 of his henchmen being publicly exhibited in a square in the city, it was officially announced in an Allied H.Q. statement last night.

MOB TEERS AT BODIES IN MILAN SQUARE

Mussolini and the other Fascist leaders were reported earlier by partisan-controlled radios to have been executed by Italian patriots after a brief trial by a people's tribunal.

MILAN, VENICE TAKEN: PIAVE REACHED

From JOHN WALLIS,
Daily Telegraph Special Correspondent

With EIGHTH ARMY, Sunday.

MILAN, the industrial capital of Italy, and VENICE, have been entered by Allied troops, and have been officially announced to-night.

RUSSIANS IN MECKLENBURG

From Our Own Correspondent

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OVERWHELMING VICTORY

KING TO ITALY C-IN-C
The King has sent the following message to the Italian Commander-in-Chief, General Badoglio, on the occasion of the Italian surrender.

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