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16 Nazi Planes Shot Down on First Day, Poland Reports

Germans invade Poland, cities bombed



EUROPEAN CRISIS SET OUT BRIEFLY

Berlin—Germans announce their land forces have made deep thrusts into Polish territory; say they control "Polish Air."

Warsaw—Government says 16 German bombers have been shot down, two German armorer trains seized; Warsaw experiences first air raid.

London—Britain delivers "final warning" to Germany to withdraw from Poland; prepares to recall ambassador; general mobilisation decreed; civilian evacuation from cities hastened.

Paris—France sets ultimatum concurrent with Britain's action; general mobilisation will put 8 mil. under arms.

Rome—Italy decides not to initiate military operations.

Washington—Roosevelt pledge to administration; keep U.S. out of war; asks European powers not to bomb civilians

Germany drives into Poland

With the German army declaring its columns were "deep in Polish territory" tonight, the German nation stood somewhat stunned and dazed at the sweep of events of the first day of undeclared war with Poland.

The people were grimly determined, however, that each man and woman would do his duty to achieve those objects which Hitler, in an impassioned reichstag speech, declared to be the purpose of the resort to arms.

Three Objectives Given

Those objectives were reunion of the Danzig with the reich, restitution of the Polish Corridor region to German, and a cessation of conditions along the German-Polish border, which Hitler earlier described as "Macedonian" or terroristic.

From the viewpoint of military tactics, Germany went beyond the Danzig Corridor during the first day of the undeclared war and announced the German army, which advanced on Poland from East Prussia this morning, were well under way toward their objects.

"Air Control" Claimed

The chief command's report on the first day's operation was especially enthusiastic in reference to the exploits of the air force. As the result of various air raids into Polish territory, including one at Warsaw, Germany was pronounced "in complete control of Polish air."

The official interpretation on the status of relations between Poland and Germany was that there is no state of war existing. The embassies of both nations are still functioning. In fact, Polish Ambassador Josef Lipski is understood to have been

INVENTOR HOLLOWBROOK VANISHES

Strange Lights and Unearthly Sounds Reported as Storm Rages

On a night that saw both a fearsome storm and the outbreak of war in Europe, prominent local inventor Edgar Hollowbrook has vanished from his mansion under bizarre circumstances that have left local authorities baffled.

Residents near Hollowbrook House reported seeing unusual lights and hearing what Mrs. Eleanor Thackeray described as "an unearthly scream" emanating from the property during last night's violent thunderstorm. The phenomena culminated in what multiple witnesses described as a blinding flash of light from the direction of the mansion's distinctive observatory tower at approximately 11:42 PM.

"The light was like nothing I've ever seen," Watchman Thomas Griffin,

who was making his rounds at the time. "It lit up the whole sky, bright as daylight, but with a strange bluish tint. Then everything went dark, and the screaming stopped."

Police Chief Harold Murphy, leading the investigation, reports finding the mansion in considerable disarray, with papers scattered throughout the study and several pieces of laboratory equipment apparently damaged by what appears to be an electrical surge during the storm. "At this time, we have found no signs of forced entry or foul play," Chief Murphy stated. "However, Mr. Hollowbrook is nowhere to be found on the premises."

Robert Hollowbrook, the inventor's brother, arrived from Boston this morning to assist with the investigation. "Edgar has been increasingly

reclusive these past months," he told our reporter. "His letters spoke of a breakthrough in his research, but he was uncharacteristically vague about the details."

The disappearance has captured the imagination of local residents, many of whom recall Hollowbrook's eccentric reputation and his known fascination with unexplained phenomena. However, Chief Murphy urges the community to avoid speculation and to report any information that might aid in the investigation.

Hollowbrook House has been cordoned off as police continue their search of the grounds. Anyone with information regarding Mr. Hollowbrook's whereabouts is urged to contact the Whispering Hollows Police Department immediately.