

KENNEY ENVISIONS KNOCKOUT BLOW ON U.S. IN FUTURE WAR

Transpolar Air Attack Might Kill or Maim 25,000,000 in First Hour, Conference Told

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (AP)—Gen. George C. Kenney declared today that in a future war the United States would be the first target and envisioned a transpolar aerial assault by the enemy which might kill or maim 25,000,000 persons in the first 24 hours.

Band Leader Jordan Stabbed; Wife Arrested

PASADENA, Jan. 26 (AP)—Louis Jordan, 38-year-old Negro band leader, was reported "resting well" tonight at a local hospital following deep stab wounds suffered in an affray, possibly of domestic nature.

Dr. Rex R. Frizzell said Jordan, a juke-box favorite, suffered numerous cuts on his face, arms and chest.

Police arrested his wife, Mrs. Fieccie Ernestine Jordan, 37, and jailed her on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon, namely a pocket knife.

The Jordans were staying with friends here. Jordan and his orchestra are currently playing at a Hollywood night club.

Jerusalem Gang Kidnaps Banker

JERUSALEM, Jan. 26 (AP)—Four men and a woman, described by police as members of the Jewish underground, chloroformed and kidnaped a British businessman tonight and then disappeared with him into an ancient Moslem cemetery containing a maze of catacombs.

The dramatic abduction loosed rumors that other kidnappings had occurred throughout Palestine, all of which were denied by police. One report, which police said after investigation they were "unable now to confirm," told of the seizing of a British Army officer.

The businessman who was abducted was identified as H. I. Collins, 48, a former British army

"We are No. 1 priority on the list of objectives which the next Hitler will hand to his boss gunmen," Kenney said in an address to the twenty-first Women's Patriotic Conference on National Defense.

Kenney, commanding general of the Strategic Air command at Andrews field, Md., said the enemy above all would strive for a quick knockout.

"The attack will come over the shortest air routes from the European-Asiatic land mass, across the north polar basin," he said.

MASS DESTRUCTION

"It will be made by both piloted and pilotless aircraft, by radio-controlled missiles, by rockets — all loaded with atomic bombs, super explosives, super incendiaries, bacterial weapons or whatever means of mass destruction happens to be in vogue at the time. It may result in a casualty list of 25,000,000 men, women and children in the first 24 hours.

"If you need a yardstick to show you that I am not exaggerating this nightmare," he continued, "remember that four atomic bombs of the old Hiroshima-Nagasaki type, properly placed, would knock New York City out of commission."

PRICE OF INSECURITY

Kenney cited the fact that Poland lasted only 17 days against Hitler's armies, Holland four days, Belgium 18 days, Norway two weeks and Denmark a few hours. This was "the price of inadequate preparedness," he said.

"Formerly it took days and a terrific effort to kill a few thousand people," he continued. "Now one airplane in a single attack can wipe out a city and kill a hundred thousand people."

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