

The bombing of North Strand, Dublin 1941

When World War II began in September 1939, Ireland did not take sides and was, for the most part, spared the horrors of war. Despite Ireland's neutrality, the North Strand in Dublin was bombed by a German airplanes on Saturday 31st May 1941. Many people died and many more people were injured.

Below you will find newspapers reports from 1941 on the bombing of the North Strand in Dublin. Look through the newspaper reports to find out exactly what happened. Use the zoom tool to enlarge the

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SUNDAY INDEPENDENT





WENTY-FIVE

MORE BODIES RECOVERED LAST NIGHT

TWENTY-FIVE PEOPLE KILLED, 88 INJURED, 20 HOUSES COMPLETELY DEMOLISHED, AND DAMAGED—THIS, SO FAR AS IS KNOWN UP TO THE PRESENT, WAS THE TOLL OF YESTERDAY MORNING'S BOMB HAVOC IN DUBLIN.

A.R.P. Demolition Squads, continuing their search in the ruins of many houses, recovered three more bodies in the North Strand area late last night. They told a "Sunday Independent" representative that they could see the bodies of two other people in the same ruins. The search for victims continues.

e same ruins. The search for victims continues. Of the injured, six seriously hurt and many less riously hurt and many less riously hurt are detained in hospital. Others who celved minor injuries were treated and discharged.

According to a semi-official statement in Dublin yesterday, four bombs were dropped in this Dublin area between 1.28 and 2.5 yesterday morning—one at the Phoenix Park, two at Summerhill, and one at Newsomen Bridge.

The First Bomb

Lucky Escape One of the most miraculous estapes was at the Dog Rond in the Pioenix Park, where Mr. Joseph McNally, who works at the pumpin,

Two Family Tragedies

Tragic Scenes

Medical Groups' Fine Work

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GERMAN: PROTEST MADE TO BERLIN



"HE death-roll from the bombs dropped by aircraft in Dublin early on Saturday morning is now 30, with 90 injured. A bomb was dropped near Arklow early yesterday, it is officially announced. No lives were lost but there was some damage to property

Investigations showed that the bombs were of Investigations showed that the bombs were of German origin, said an official statement issued yesterday, and the Chargé d'Affaires in Berlin is being directed to protest to the German Government in the strongest terms against the violation of Irish territory and to claim compensation. The Chargé d'Affaires also is being directed to ask for definite assurances that the strictest intentions will be given to appear to the contract of the contrac strictest instructions will be given to prevent the flight of German aircraft over our territory and

In a second official message, the Government expressed the sympathy of the whole nation with those bereaved or who have suffered injury or loss, and tribute was paid to the "splendid services" of the many organisations engaged in rescue work.

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an an one number yesterday.

A joint appeal for funds to aid the distressed was issued on Saturday by Mr. Justice Maguire, Chairman of the Red Cross, and Sir John Lumsden, Commissioner of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. Generous donations already have been received, Mr. Justice Maguire announced yesterday.

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Cost of cigarette production and of gifts have increased substantially since outbreak of war. None of these advances were added to the selling prices of cigarettes, nor were gifts withdrawn, but with the recent heavy increase in Tobacco duty it became no longer possible to continue to issue coupons COMPLETELY FREE as formerly.

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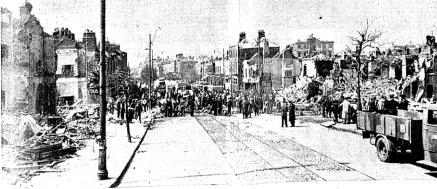
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STORY OF REARGUARD FIGHTING

Germans Say Battle of Crete Ended

THE STORY OF THE FIERCE REARGUARD FIGHTING IN THE HILLS OF CRETE, SAYS THE PRESS ASSOCIATION. THE REARGUARD, IT WAS STATED, HAD TAKEN UP FRESH POSITIONS IN THE HILLS WHERE THERE WAS BETTER COVER FROM DIVE-BOMBERS.

To-day's German communique claims that the battle for Crete is ended.

The Germans say that their troops yesterday occupied the last British base, Alpine troops having overcome the final resistance by taking a further 3,000 prisoners.

Cairo, Monday.-Large num-brought into port at night in bers of British and Imperial warships. hers of British and Imperial One New Zealander described to the Press Association the scenes leading up to the evacuation of Crete.

at a Middle East maintand tion of Crete.

"The sky was whirring with a mass of 'planes bombing and machine-gunning all the time," he said.

The troops made a long, wary 30-mile march over the white mountains of Crete to the points of embarkation. men were

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The mean periods of rain, snow, and haif. This made it very difficult for transport and the marching men, who for days and nights had been subjected to the ilercest attack yet made by German special troops. Among the men were a great number from wounded.

Cut off from all communication with their units, many of the wounded had received only primary field treatment. They had no opportunity of reaching a cressing station.

Still the wounded struggled on, climbing, walking, running.

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A Lion and Lamb as Pets



Young Columbia film player, Evelyn Keyes, includes a lion cub a lamb amongst her many pets.

MOUNTING DEATH OF BOMB VICTIMS

With the finding of another body in the ruins of 157 North Strand this morning, and portion of a body at Newcomen Bridge, the death roll in the Dublin bomb explosions is now known to be 32. Of these, ten are still unidentified, and it is believed that about eight bodies have still be to be recovered.

morning.

The missing are Patrick McLoughlin and his son, aged 2, who had come from Summerhill after the bombing there to stay after the bombing there to stay at 157 North Strand; the Doyle family of four, of 161 North Strand, and Miss Kathleen Coyle, 162 North Strand.

Two of the bodies recovered last night were identified as those of Mr. and Mrs. John Foran, 152 North Strand.

The hospitals report that in most instances the injured people are progressing favourably.

Demolition Squads at Work

The demolition squads operat-ing on the North Strand to-day turned their attention to taking down dangerous buildings. With The restrain at the fraction of the last war in the Royal Horse Artillery in the Hor

Dictators Again Meet At Brenner

Rome, Mon.—Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini met at the Brenner Pass and discussed the political situation for some

the political situation for some hours, says the Italian News Agency.

"The talks took place in a cordial spirit of friendship and ender in amplete agreement," adds the agency Count Clano, Italian Foreign Minister, and Herr von Ribbentrop, his German opposite number, were present.

FLAT TRAGEDY One of Dolly Sisters Found Dead

Hollywood, Monday.—Jenny Dolly, one of the famous Dolly Sisters, was found dead in her flat here yesterday.

yesterday.

The police stated that a noose made of cloth was around her neck and the pyjama-elad body was hanging from a bar over the window. She had been dead, they said, about two hours when dis-

covered.

A friend who called received no answer to a knock on the door and summore the house manager, who may be a compared the house manager, who is the room.

Jenny Dolly's age is given as 45.

A police officer stated that Jenny Dolly left no notes behind her. Her aunt, Mrs. Freda Baker, who discovered the body, declared, he stated, that Miss Dolly's health had been poor since a motor accident in England.

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ell-Known Irish Racing Personality Dead

6 and Martin, Greenroyd, wording died carly this ening after a brief illness.

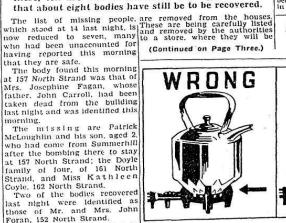
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Are you helping to conserve the nation's fuel? To-day it is the duty of every citizen to keep a constant check on wastage. Remember—what you waste now you may want later. Never allow Gas flames to flarz up around cooking utensils, it is sheer waste of fuel and money! For maximum efficiency and economy, flames should extend only to the bottom rim of pots and kettles . . . never beyond. Another way to oconomise is to use a steamer; it will cook several dishes on one gas ring at the one time, thus saving fuel and expense.



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BOMBS WERE OF GERMAN ORIGIN

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THE Irish Government have protested to Germany against the dropping of bombs in Dublin areas early on Saturday, and have demanded compensation and reparation.

The recovery of four more bodies vesterday at the North Strand and the death of one of the injured in hospital, have brought the number of dead in this district to 30, while 31 persons are missing.

The Government Information Bureau have issued the following statement:—"The Government regrets to announce that, as a result of the bombs dropped in Dublin during the early hours of Saturday morning, at least 27 persons lost their lives, and about 30 received injuries. Considerable damage to property was caused.

"A further bomb was dropped near Arklow early this (Sunday) morning. No lives were lost, but there was some damage to property.

Assurances Sought

"Investigations having shown that the bombs dropped were of German origin, the Charge d'Affaires in Berlin is being directed to protest in the strongest terms to the German Government against the violation of Irish territory, and to claim compensation and reparation for the loss of life, the injuries suffered and the

"He is being further directed to ask for definite assurances that the strictest instructions will be given to prevent the flight of German over Irish territory and territorial

500 People Homeless

Eighty-seven people were injured as a result of the explosions and upwards of 500 others are homeless.

Throughout Saturday and yesterday A.R.P. services, with unremitting labour, searched the debris for the bodies of further victims, while Red Cross and Ambulance services were busy finding accommodation for and rendering assistance to the homeless.

SYMPATHY OF NATION





Dublin Tenements Collapse

3 KILLED, 14 INJURED

This Elephant Laughs At Locks!

A BISON who beat the barral by gening four rom padiock and but was in turn beatten by the blast—this was an incident at the Dublin East of the part of

15,000 British Leave Crete

Fighting Ends In Iraq

GERMANS ACTIVE

GERMANS CLAIM 10,000 PRISONERS

ABOUT 15,000 British troops have been evacuated from Crete to Egypt, it was announced in London last night. The defenders' losses were "very severe," it was added.

The Official German News Agency stated that The Official German News Agency stated that only a few of the defenders could be picked up by warships, owing to air attacks. German Radio, quoted by the Associated Press, spoke of "another Dunkirk," and in a statement attributed to well-informed Berlin quarters the explusion of the British from Crete was described as one of Britain's "greatest defeats" of the war. About 10,000 British and Greeks are prisoners, the Germans said.

Press Association War Special.)



Says 1,000 'Planes

Aided Invasion

£6,250,000 Fire Havoc In U.S.

(Reuter Cablegram.)

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BOMB DAMAGE NEAR ARKLOW

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The bomb which full in a
field near Arkhow at 17 a.m.
yesterday broke windows in
about 26 houses within 160
about 25 houses within 160
for a big crater in the
field.

Planes, which searchlights falled to locate,
passed over Dout Langitaire
early yesterday.

CATTLE DISEASE

ADMIRAL RAEDER'S ORDER OF THE DAY



Questions

Dublin on Saturday 31st May, 1941?
Q2. Apart from the North Strand, what other parts of Dublin were hit by bombs on Saturday 31 st May, 1941?
Q3. Between what times on were the bombs dropped on Dublin?
Q4. What happened to the buildings after they were hit by bombs? Why was this necessary?
Q5. How many people were left homeless after the bombings?
Q6. It was very difficult for planes to navigate in 1941. The German government told the Irish government that the pilot made a mistake and bombed the wrong city. Look at this map https://tinyurl.com/ycf8tpxz of the UK & Ireland. What British city do you think was the intended target for the German bomber?
Q7. Click the link https://tinyurl.com/lr5mkl8 to find out more about the blitz in London during World War II. Describe what it was like for Londoners at the time. How did they protect themselves from the German bombers?
Q8. Imagine that you live near the North Strand in Dublin 1941. Write a diary entry describing what happened on the night of 31 st May 1941. What did you see, hear or smell? Did you help
with the rescue of survivors of the bombing? Did you know any of the victims?