

"Working Together" Keynotes First War Labor Day



This picture was taken at the meeting in Washington of Donald M. Nelson, chairman of the War Production Board, and a labor committee headed by Philip Murray, president of the CIO and William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, during which labor made a bid for a place on the War Production Board.

SOLONS PREDICTS DEMOCRATIC WIN

Guffey Forecasts Increase In Congress After Coming Elections

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Senator Guffey of Pennsylvania, chairman of the Democratic Senate Campaign Committee, predicted today that the Democrats would increase their Senate majority in the forthcoming elections because "the people have convincingly endorsed the Roosevelt war policies."

He made his forecast at the beginning of a week in which primary and conventions in 11 states will bring the nominee-picking season in this year near a close.

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA — Moderate showers, scattered showers and drizzle showers mostly in south portion.

Labor Day, 1942, Will See America Going All-Out For War Output

Begins To Take On New Meaning To Nation's Working Men

(By The Associated Press) Labor Day—1942 style—began to take on a new meaning yesterday.

Instead of the traditional three-day weekend of touring, traffic fatalities and rest from toil, the American workman rolled up his sleeves and took his usual place on the production lines, turning out vitally needed war materials and ships in which to transport them.

In steel mills, plane and tank factories, munitions plants and ship yards it was "just another workday."

Parades, sports and excursions of the usual pre-Labor Day program were replaced by work yesterday, work through today and more work tomorrow.

Fullerton Fulino, Illinois director of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, said no formal observance of the holiday had been scheduled by any organized labor group in the Chicago area.

In some of the nation's ship yards, brief celebrations attending the launchings or laying of the keels for 150 warships will interrupt production only a few minutes.

Some of the smaller industrial cities planned parades by youths and anti-defense workers to terminate during the noon hour at the sites of factories working on war orders.

The address of President Roosevelt to be broadcast to the nation and to the world by shortwave will have a sobering influence.

He is expected to discuss government plans to check inflation. Advance indications are that the program contemplates the limiting of wages, salaries and farm prices.

In Detroit, workers protested a holiday shutdown which they said had been ordered at the Chrysler Corporation and Ford Motor company plants.

A Chrysler spokesman said, however, that the time would be used to full advantage by "any department which is behind schedule or has had trouble getting into full production."

While tire and gasoline rationing in many sections has reduced the amount of motor traffic, the railroads reported weekend travel was 50 to 75 per cent heavier than a year ago.

Head Of Local Shipyard Calls On Workers To Do Everything To Win War

The following is a message concerning Labor Day from Mr. Homer L. Ferguson, chairman of the board of directors of the North Carolina Shipbuilding Company, to all employees:

On a day which heretofore has been observed as a holiday and devoted to appropriate celebration, we are obliged to continue at work because of the critical times. We should not, however, be day, of the freedom which and of the inseparable interests of labor, management and the public, which it is essential for all of us to understand and recognize if we are to win the war.

Our country must get the ships we are building as soon as possible in this time of crisis. Keep fit physically and work every day we can!

SENATE TO VOTE ON SPENDING TAX

Solons Expect To Be Ready For Ballot When Session Opens Tuesday

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Chairman George (D-Ga.) of the Senate Finance committee pledged "very serious consideration" for the Treasury's spending tax proposal today while Senator Danaher (R-Conn.) pressed his retail sales stamp plan as a method of raising billions in revenue now and avoiding a slump after the war.

George reported that the committee might be ready to vote on the spending tax plan when it reconvenes Tuesday "since we're about even discussing many points." If through the tax is rejected, George said, a sales tax will be "one of the most prominent means of raising new revenue that will come before the committee."

While avoiding a commitment either for or against the spending tax, George agreed with Secretary Morgenthau that its administration would not be complex. With proper rates and deductions, he said, it could be made into "a just and effective tax."

City Prepared For War-Time Celebration; Shipyards Continue Work

For the first time since 1918, Wilmington enters into the celebration of Labor Day under a wartime atmosphere.

In years past, the city has taken a recess from all daily labors to have one last fling at the beaches and other amusements and in some respects this custom will not change today.

The North Carolina Shipbuilding company will continue to produce the big Liberty freighters with no time off for the holiday but practically all other businesses in the city will close for the day.

A program of speaking and music has been arranged and will get underway at 10:15 o'clock this morning in front of the postoffice.

At 10:45 o'clock, an amplified broadcast of a radio program from Raleigh in which Governor J. Melville Broughton and State Labor Commissioner Forest H. Shuford will address the state, will be heard from loudspeakers erected near Front and Chestnut streets.

Preceding the talks by the state officials, Senator-Elect J. E. L. Wade will act as master-of-ceremonies for the local program.

Mayor Hargrove Bellamy, originally scheduled to take part in the exercises, will not be present, it was announced last night, but Addison Hewlett, chairman of the county board of commissioners will address the crowd.

Main speakers for the local program are B. F. Sutherland who will speak for industry and Rabbi Mordecai Thurman who will represent the Jewish community.

U.S. Leathernecks Annihilate Japs In Solomon Campaigns

(Editor's Note: Bernard Riley of Biwabik, Minn., electrician's mate second-class, U. S. N., was present "by coincidence" August 7 when United States Marines consolidated their hold on Tulagi and other islands in the Solomon offensive. Following is his story as related to veteran A. P. War Correspondent Clark Lee.)

side instead of fighting against us. First of all, I had better make it clear that these Marines shock troops are Raiders. Don't ever make the mistake of calling them Commandos or you're likely to be nursing a sore jaw. If you want to talk to them say "hey, Marine," or "hey, Raider," never say "hey, Commando." They don't like it.

These Raiders are picked for their size and toughness. All seem to be above six feet tall and as hard as nails. In training they get sprayed with animal blood in their face, to see if they can take it.

Alexandria Again Saved From Enemy STALINGRAD DEFENSE REPULSES NAZI DRIVE IN NORTHWEST AREA

Axis Forced Back West Of El Alamein By Hard Driving Allies

ROMMEL THREW ALL German Commander Exerted All Efforts To Crack Nile Defense

CAIRO, Sept. 6. — (AP) — Strong and continuing pressure of the British Eighth army had forced the Axis back west of the El Alamein mine fields today to their starting point, greatly weakened after a futile week-long effort to find a soft spot in a stovepipe-shaped alley leading into the British defenses.

There was no doubt in the mind either of officers or observers here that Marshal Erwin Rommel threw everything he had in this drive and that he has been unhorsed from a full-scale offensive that was meant to take him to the Nile.

In fact, a prisoner told the British that the German commander himself visited the front just before the jump off, distributed cigarettes and declared "next week we will be in Cairo, boys."

Threat Is Dissipated But the blows struck at his spearhead beginning last Wednesday were so severe that not even a mighty diversion attack by his air forces was able to turn the course of battle in his favor.

For the moment at least, Marshal Erwin Rommel's latest threat to Alexandria and the Nile valley was dissipated by the blows of tanks, land troops and the sky-ruling RAF and United States Air Forces which roamed the desert air in constant attacks on enemy concentrations and supply lines.

Striking at one source of enemy reinforcements, heavy U. S. bombers raided the shipping docks and

2 U. S. Bombers Missing After Raids On Germany

LONDON, Monday, Sept. 7.—(AP)—After nine straight sweeps without a loss, two American Flying Fortress bombers were officially reported missing early today following the greatest American aerial attack of the war on Nazi-occupied France.

Flying Fortress squadrons and fleets of Boston bombers smashed at Nazi airfields and airplane factory yesterday

while 400 Allied fighters not only escorted them but swept 50 miles in diversionary attacks. Only three fighters were officially reported missing.

The Fortress assaults today were twin attacks. Three squadrons of the big four-motored bombers attacked the Airframe factory at Meaulte, near Albert, for the

Chinese Gather Speed In Chekiang Campaign; Foe Hit Hard At Kinhua

CHUNGKING, Sept. 6.—(AP)—The Chinese drive northward through coastal Chekiang province has gathered momentum and the Japanese are being hit hard in the vicinity of the provincial capital, Kinhua, which the enemy is trying desperately to hold, the Chinese high command reported today.

Chinese forces made their most rapid advance about 35 miles east of the capital where forced marches brought them to the outskirts of the city of Tungyang. The city, a Chinese communique said, is now being attacked.

The Japanese have called in reinforcements to hold Kinhua, and Lanchi, 10 miles to the north.

The Chinese attacks, the high command reported, "are continuing and increasing in vigor." Kinhua is an air base within bombing range of Japan.

The communique also reported Chinese forces stormed and occupied Hotichen, in southwestern Shansi province, on Aug. 28. Heavy casualties, it was stated, were inflicted on the Japanese.

FDR ENVOY SHOWS MUCH CONFIDENCE

Willkie Says 'Boche Is Stopped In Desert, For Time'

SOMEWHERE IN THE WESTERN EGYPTIAN DESERT, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Wendell Willkie, after a tour of the desert front, expressed the conviction today that the German threat to Egypt has been ceased.

Willkie returned from the fighting zones, where twice enemy fliers dropped bombs near him, with his confidence in the effectiveness of Egyptian defenses increased.

"My impression is that what has happened here today and the preceding two or three days is significant," the 1940 Republican candidate for President and now President Roosevelt's representative on a mission to the Middle East, Russia and the Orient, told correspondents.

"The Boche has been stopped on this front."

"But I don't say he has been eliminated," he added.

Willkie went through two air raids in the course of his desert tour. One took place as he slept at the secret headquarters of Lieut. Gen. Bernard Montgomery, British commander of the Eighth Army. The second occurred while he was in the front area in the morning.

As important as that 140 years ago at Aboukir (village northeast of Alexandria) in which Admiral Nelson destroyed the French navy and bottled up Napoleon in Egypt, he declared. If the forward march of the Germans had not been stopped all Egypt would have been in danger. I think successes so far achieved were due to the generalship of Gen. Montgomery in cooperation with the RAF and the American Air Force."

Willkie said he has talked with many American soldiers at the front—including tank crews operating with British formations. Some

FORCE GERMANS AWAY

Enemy Loses Number Of Russian Villages With Heavy Casualties

SOVIET TROOPS HOLD

Battle Around Volga City Grows Fierce But Attacks Repelled

MOSCOW, Monday, Sept. 7.—(AP)—A reinforced Red army rolled back German lines northwest of Stalingrad and continued to hold firm southwest of the beleaguered Volga river city, but made "a fighting retreat to new positions" around the Black Sea port of Novorossisk, the Soviet midnight communique said today.

The high command announced that German forces had been driven from a number of villages northwest of Stalingrad in a series of counterattacks, inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy.

This was the third day that the Germans had failed to gain in the great battle which Berlin described as a "Red Verdun."

The Soviet high command said fighting around Stalingrad had grown even more fierce, with the Germans launching "ceaseless attacks" with tanks, planes and infantry.

But the communique said: "Soviet troops are holding their positions and repelling enemy attacks."

Major Battle Raging Another major battle was raging around Novorossisk, major Russian naval base on the Black Sea. The Russians acknowledged So-

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NAZIS ANNOUNCE RED CITY TAKEN

Germans Broadcast News Of Capture Of Novorossisk On Black Sea

BERLIN (From German Broadcast), Sept. 6.—(AP)—The German high command tonight announced the capture of the Russian Black Sea naval base of Novorossisk and German military sources simultaneously claimed the Russians were throwing reserves into the fight to hold Stalingrad against "relentlessly advancing German troops."

Nazi sources described Novorossisk as the last naval harbor of importance left to the Russian Black Sea fleet after the fall of Sevastopol. The high command said booty from the capture was not yet ascertained.

The Berlin radio quoted the German Transocean News Agency as saying it had learned the Soviet Military Command was throwing

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