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Rumania Is Fifth To Join Axis

Sections Of Turkey Under Martial Law

Midlands Target of Nazi Raiders



Teams assist civilians in salvaging belongings from the ruins of a Midlands city after German raiders spent their fury on the area. Heavy rain and fire and intense activity by RAF fighter-planes is reported to have checked the damaging raids on the highly industrial British Midlands.

Nazi Demand Believed To Be Cause

Areas Surrounding Strategic Dardanelles Placed in Charge of Corps General Because of "General Political Situation".

Ankara, Nov. 23.—(AP)—Sections of Turkey surrounding the strategic Dardanelles, which straddle the land route from Europe to the Near East and Africa, were under martial law today because of "the general political situation."

The Turkish government ordered a corps general to take charge of this district last night, only a short time after German Ambassador Franz von Papen returned from Germany presumably with a virtual ultimatum that Turkey affiliate with the axis "new European order."

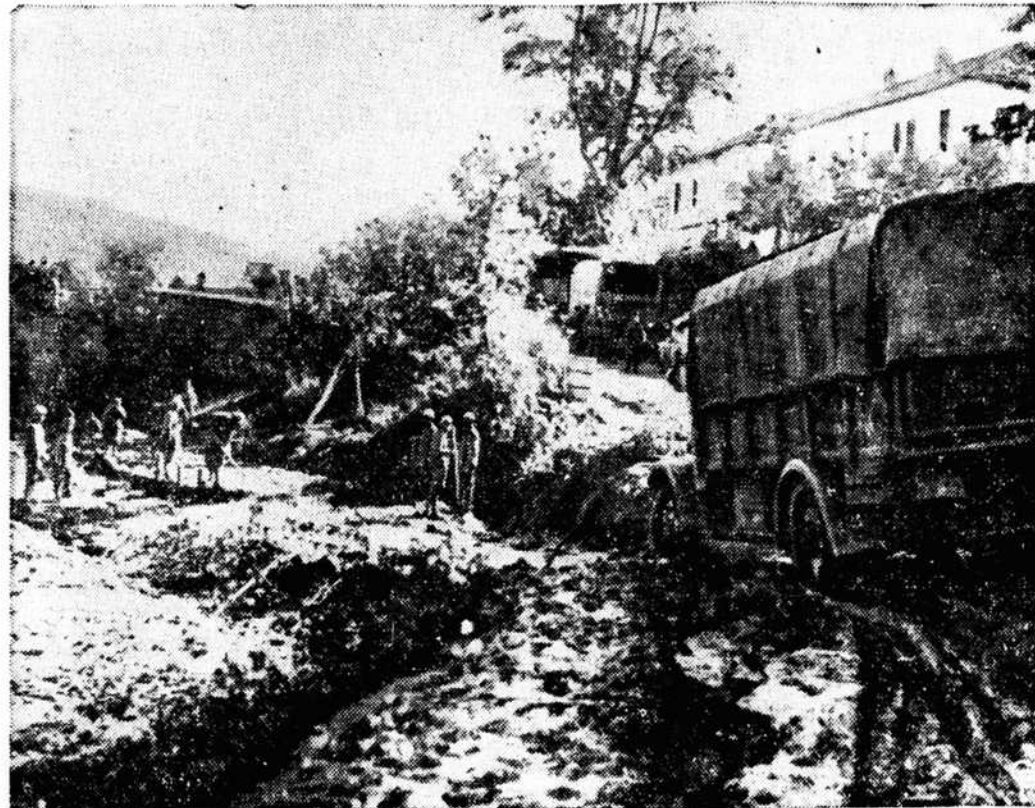
A government announcement said the prime ministry and council of ministers as a result of its deliberations November 8 have deemed it necessary to proclaim martial law x x x for one month.

Observers expressed belief that von Papen might be carrying a mere ultimatum proposal that Turkey, a friend of Great Britain, agree to stand aside in the event Bulgarian and German troops move to help Italy down Greece, another British friend.

Asked by Istanbul newspaper men if "normal relations" between Germany and Turkey would continue the ambassador replied: "I have no declaration of any kind to make."

The Istanbul press reiterated statements that Turkey while not looking for a fight would fight if it seemed necessary.

Greek Mud Impedes the Italian Invader



Italian army trucks are shown ploughing through the thick mud which seriously impeded progress of the invasion of Greece and greatly aided the valiant Greeks in routing their would-be conquerors. The Greeks claim to have taken much army equipment left behind when the Italians began their hasty retreat over roads which were deep in mud.

Bulgaria, Slovakia May Be Next

Rumania's Joining of "New Order" Extends Hitler's Sphere of Influence to Within 250 Miles of Dardanelles.

(By The Associated Press.) Rumania followed Hungary's lead today and joined the Berlin-Rome-Tokyo military, political and economic alliance. Bulgaria and the Nazi-dominated state of Slovakia are expected to come in next week.

Rumania's willingness to join Adolf Hitler's "new order" of things in Europe extended the Nazi sphere of territory less than 250 miles from the Dardanelles, key to the Near East.

The Italians, driven out of Koritza, Albania, retreated toward a second defense line 30 miles inside Albania. As Berlin leaders entertained General Ion Antonescu, Rumania's dictator, Bulgarian deputies openly voiced demands for territory from Greece and Yugoslavia.

Premier Bela Tuka of Slovakia is coming to Berlin to sign for his country tomorrow as the sixth member of the axis military alliance, it was learned tonight.

Turkey, apparently in anticipation of a Nazi thrust through Bulgaria, ordered martial law in areas near the Dardanelles and instituted gasoline rationing.

Greek spokesmen said at least 72,000 Italians fled westward after giving up their base of Koritza and abandoning stores of supplies and quantities of armament.

Captured Italian equipment, the Greeks said, included 80 small and heavy guns, 55 anti-tank guns, 20 tanks, more than 1,500 motorcycles and bicycles, 250 automobiles, in 25 days of war.

Antonescu, in signing the pact with Germany, said the axis powers already have victory over Britain in their hands and said Rumania inwardly had joined the axis long ago. "An effective tool for the reorganization of Europe and the world has been created by the three-power pact," Antonescu declared.

Officers Probe Killing Of Dam Worker

Andrews, N. C., Nov. 23.—(AP)—Officers sought today to determine whether there was any connection between a shot gun slaying here Thursday night and an outbreak of violence earlier in the week among workers employed on the \$6,500,000 Nantahala dam project.

James Workman, a welder on the project, was shot at his home two miles from here. Two men are being held in custody pending further investigation and officers are hunting a third who Workman's widow said did the shooting.

Work was halted on the project Tuesday after a series of fistfights among natives of this area and workmen imported from the east.

Greeks Test New Defense

Forces Smash Beyond Koritza to Engage Italians on Second Line of Defense.

Athens, Nov. 23.—(AP)—Victory-cheered Greeks cavalry and highland regiments, claiming the rout of six fascist divisions of at least 72,000 men, smashed beyond captured Koritza today for a quick test of Italy's second Albanian line of defense.

The high command told a nation in holiday mood that its army had left "not a single Italian soldier in Greek territory" and was driving Italian lines of resistance deeper into Albania from north of Koritza to the sea.

The Greeks reported taking prisoners by the hundreds and said uncounted military stores were seized—guns and equipment dumped by the fleeing Italians in such quantity that it clogged the mountain roads.

High Point Power Battle Is Renewed

State Supreme Court Will Hear Oral Arguments in Prolonged and Bitter Controversy Over Proposed Project.

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. By HENRY AVERILL.

Nov. 23.—The prolonged High Point power battle resumed in Supreme court today.

The case prediction can be made by the coming chapter in the fact. That much of the argument, after which the case will pass into the "bosom of the law" to await preparation of an opinion, may not terminate the battle when the Duke Power company, which has been successful so far in construction by the state, is faced with a giant power project on the Yadkin river.

The perennial and everlasting controversy over utility governmental operation of power.

The points involved in the case, which involve modification of a previous injunction, by the Supreme court, would permit the construction of a power project toward its long-sought objectives.

The point won by the power company when a lower court injunction was affirmed.

That the plant and system, if approved, would be under and subject to the provisions of the Federal Public Utility Regulatory Commission terms and conditions of license; and that the City of High Point had no authority under the laws of this state to construct a power plant and system which would be subject to such federal control and regulation.

That the undertaking came within the Revenue Bond act of 1936 and that the City had not obtained the necessary approval of convenience and necessity required by that act.

The city had been restrained from erecting a power plant on the grounds that it did not have the right to acquire by condemnation the lands of another governmental unit (the county, from which the site and several high-voltage lines were to be taken).

The City of High Point and the County of Yadkin agreed to purchase price for these public lands and the two, in cooperation, would build the plant.

This modification was opposed by the intervening Yadkin county and the city and county won a

Vultee Strike Negotiation Begun Anew

Downey, Cal., Nov. 23.—(AP)—Independently of a War department negotiator accused by the union of "holding up the settlement" of a strike at Vultee Aircraft's big plant, management and labor representatives arranged a new conference today.

Walter Smethurst of Detroit, a national director of the CIO United Automobile Workers, issued a statement last night from the eleven-man negotiating committee which declared:

"We believe that in the interest of national defense we are obliged to inform the public that it is a representative of the government who is holding up the settlement of this dispute."

Major Sidney Simpson of the War department flew here last Sunday to institute hearings between the two factions over salary matters. With him was N. Arnold Tolles, representing Labor Coordinator Sidney Hillman of the National defense advisory council. Tolles returned to Washington later in the week.

British Down 8 Fighters

Seven Italian Planes and One German Plane Shot Down Over Straits of Dover.

London, Nov. 23.—(AP)—A squadron of British fighters today shot down seven Italian fighters and one German fighter in the Strait of Dover without loss to themselves, it was stated authoritatively today as axis raiders made two daylight raids on London.

The raiders renewed their attacks after an intense overnight hammering of two west Midlands manufacturing cities, in which a record number of planes appeared over that "workshop" area of Britain.

Churches, hospitals, convents and many dwellings and other buildings were riddled, British reports said, and piles of debris littered the two

Willkie To Run In '44?

Stewart Says Present Signs Indicate Second Attempt of Willkie For Presidency.

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

Washington, Nov. 23.—That Wendell L. Willkie already is getting into the 1944 presidential race is increasingly the opinion of political observers in Washington.

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Leahy Goes To France

Stalemate In Strike

Government Intervention Appears Only Hope of Ending Aluminum Strike.

New Kensington, Pa., Nov. 23.—(AP)—Government intervention today appeared to be the only hope of settling a CIO union strike over one man, which left idle the 7,500 employees of the Aluminum Company of America plant here.

Officials of the company and two locals of the aluminum workers union were deadlocked on the strike's sole announced demand—that the firm discharge a sheet mill worker who they said threatened a union official when he asked the worker to pay up about \$12 in back dues.

The company, feeling that the demand was "not justified," declined to take any action and issued no further statement.

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Three Ships Torpedoed

New York, Nov. 23.—(AP)—Radio messages picked up by Mackay radio said today that two British ships and a Swedish freighter had been torpedoed about 400 miles off the Irish coast in an area known to be infested with German submarines.

They were the Blaires, 3,300 tons; the Tymeric, 5,288 tons; and the 5,135-ton Swedish Anten.

The Anten radioed she had taken the Tymeric survivors aboard and was still afloat despite damage. The Tymeric apparently went down quickly.

Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Mostly cloudy, probably occasional rain in the mountains tonight and Sunday, cooler in east portion.

Antiquities Preservers Meet Dec. 5

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. By HENRY AVERILL.

Raleigh, Nov. 23.—Former State Senator John H. Folger of Mount Airy, who headed the recent successful drive to insure North Carolina's convention support for President Roosevelt, will desert the field of current politics long enough to address the North Carolina Society for Preservation of Antiquities here December 5.

He will talk on "Judge Richmond Pearson and Richmond Hill."

The meeting will be the society's second annual convention. Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt of Chapel Hill is president and Mrs. C. A. Gohney of Raleigh is secretary.

At morning sessions, December 5, there will be a meeting of the board of directors and the regular business session at which officers will report and new ones be chosen.

In the afternoon, in addition to Senator Folger, numerous other speakers will be heard.

Dr. Adelaide L. Price of Winston-Salem will talk on the Adam Spach rock house restoration. Professor Robert Wauchope of the University of North Carolina will tell of the archaeological work in North Carolina.

The North Carolina Historical Commission, which discusses activities and plans of the National Park Service for care of historic sites.

T. W. Morse, head of the State

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Chinese Student Sees Bible And Confucius In Agreement

Chapel Hill, Nov. 23.—"Even the Chinese who are Christians venerate their ancestors," says Hsien Wan Chen, a Chinese student at the University of North Carolina, who expects to get his Ph. D. degree in philosophy by Christmas.

Chen says that the Chinese find there is no conflict between Christianity and ancestor worship. A student of both the Bible and Confucius, Chen says they have several points of agreement, particularly regarding morals.

In China where family ties are sacred, parental obedience and respect are much greater than in America. Retrothals made by parents during the fancy of their children have become almost non-existent, but it still is considered immoral for young girls to smoke, dance or go to the movies.

The chief pastime in China still is philosophic reverie. "The Chinaman likes to dream of what should be, the American to act on what is," Chen says. He finds that the American has adapted himself better to the world. Chen likes the practicality of the American civilization.

The advantage he finds in the older civilization is that it is based more on terms of friendship than of achievement. Chen says, "a Chinaman looks for the inner qualities of a man; the American judges only by the manifestations of these qualities in terms of accomplishments and puts too much emphasis on material things."

The war in China disrupted Chen's family. It forced them to move from Nanking to Chung King and now

Bullitt Will Be Replaced

Rear Admiral Leahy, Retired, Now Governor of Puerto Rico, Named to Post.

Hyde Park, Nov. 23.—(AP)—President Roosevelt announced today through a secretary that he would appoint Rear Admiral William D. Leahy, retired, now governor of Puerto Rico and former chief of naval operations, ambassador to France to succeed William C. Bullitt.

The secretary, William D. Hassett, said it has not been determined when Leahy's nomination would be submitted to the Senate.

Hassett told reporters: "You know what the President thinks of him as a counselor on defense and as a man of superb all-around ability. As you know, the President depended heavily on him as chief of naval operations."

Leahy will succeed Bullitt, who submitted his resignation on November 7. Hassett said he did not know whether the resignation had been accepted formally but that it is "safe to assume it will be."

Mr. Roosevelt had offered the French post to General John J. Pershing, but the World War American Expeditionary Force commander declined it on advice of his physicians. There was no indication of who might succeed Leahy as governor of Puerto Rico nor was any word forthcoming as to Bullitt's future.

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