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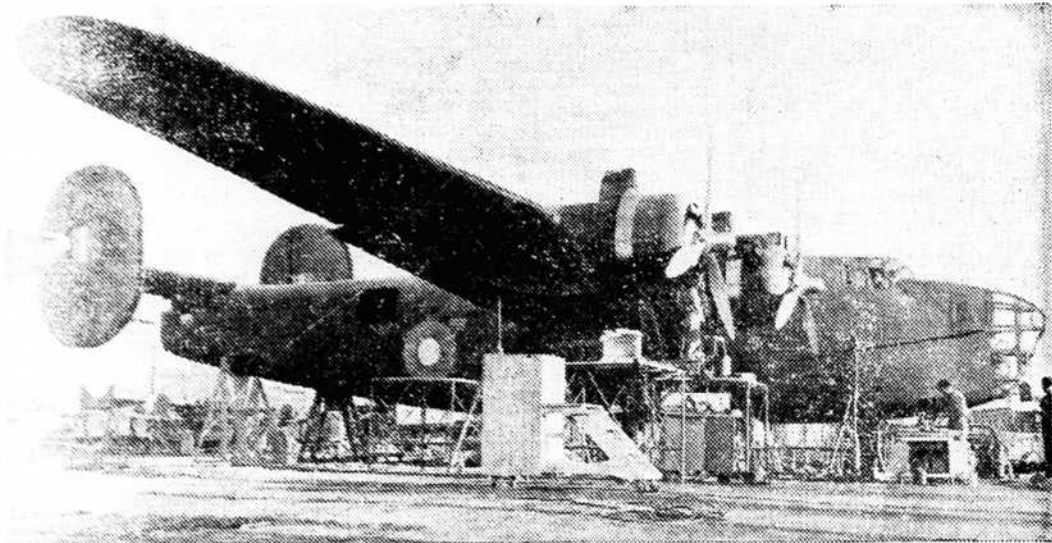
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## GREEKS CAPTURE 5,000 ITALIANS IN NORTH

## Roosevelt Leaves For Cruise In Caribbean Area

## Huge Gap In Line Is Left By Italians

### Giant U. S. Bomber Tested for the British



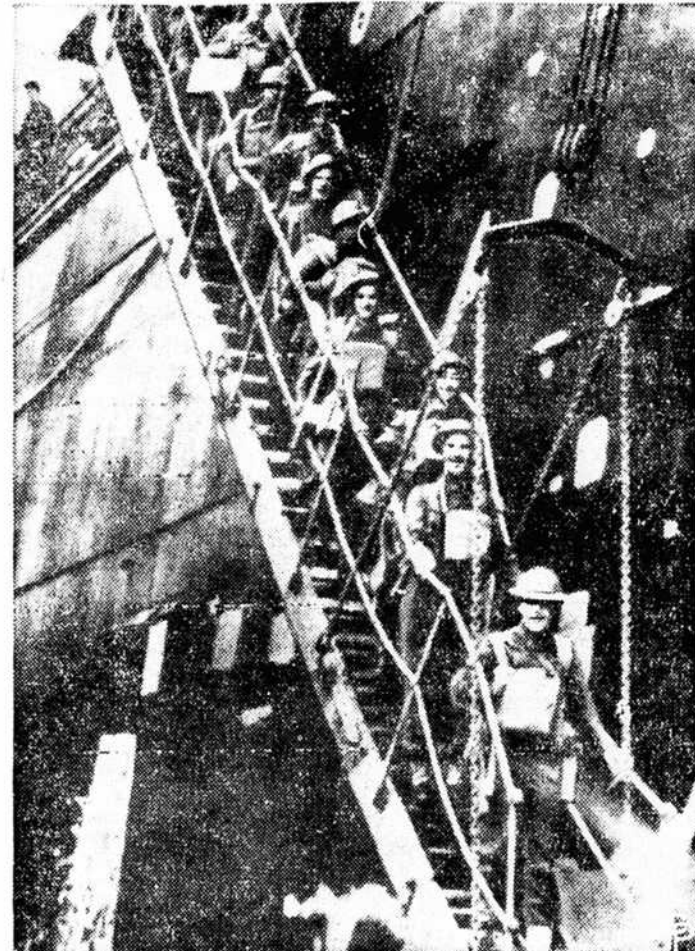
Coming from a test flight, at San Diego, Cal., is one of the 26 long range four-motored Consolidated B-24 bombers, recently released to the British air force. The 20-ton craft has a cruising range of 6,000 miles, and a top speed of more than 300 miles an hour. The plane already bears the British markings. (Central Press)

## President Is To Be Gone For 2 Weeks

Only an Emergency Will Call Chief Back from Recreational and Inspectional Cruise; Sees Leahy as Envoy to France.

Washington, Dec. 2.—(AP)—The White House announced that President Roosevelt would leave Washington today on a two-week destination of which was not announced, but which was expected to take him to Miami, Florida, and from there on a defense inspection and recreational cruise into the Caribbean Sea.

### Britain Keeps Her Word



Britain lives up to her promise of all possible aid to Greece in her fight against invading Italians, and here we see the first contingent of fully armed British soldiers disembarking at a Greek port. Swift British aid of men, equipment and planes is said to have greatly aided the Greek rout of the Italians. (C. P. Radiophoto)

General Retreat, Including Fresh Divisions Just Arrived at Front, Results; Victory Hailed as Very Important.

Athens, Greece, Dec. 2.—(AP)—Capture of 5,000 Italians, the largest mass of prisoners yet taken by the Greek army, was announced today from the northern front.

Their surrender, dispatches said, was the signal for a general retreat of other Italian forces in the area, leaving a huge gap in the Italian center.

Fresh Italian troops rushed to bolster sagging defense lines earlier had been reported being smashed back by the regiments they came to reinforce, and the Greeks claimed "important" new advances all along the Albanian battle front.

Mention of the exact place where the front was reported smashed was forbidden by military authorities. They permitted mention merely that it was in the north.

One front line report said the victory, without exaggeration, is of exceptional importance, for the enemy line in this sector has been destroyed, and all danger eliminated for us.

Dispatches from the front and statements by a Greek spokesman pictured the fighting line at the start of the sixth week of war as swinging like a door toward the Adriatic from a hinge on the Albanian coast just north of the Greek frontier to Lake Ocrida on the Yugoslav frontier.

Stiffest Italian resistance was reported near that hinge around Argirocastro.

In the central sector, the Greek high command announced the capture of "points of special importance for the development of operations" around Premet, eighteen miles north of the Greek frontier.

## Scramble Already Begun For Top Jobs In House

### Probe U. S. Entry



Fred B. A. Finkeldey

Immigration authorities, the FBI and naval authorities are investigating illegal entry into the United States of Fred Bernhard Adolph Finkeldey, wealthy, sabre-scathed German engineer, held in San Francisco. It is charged he walked across the border about five miles east of Calexico on the Mexican border.

## Germans Will Restore Order For Rumania

On the Hungarian-Rumanian Frontier, Dec. 2.—(AP)—Four fresh German divisions were moving through Hungary enroute to Rumania today as reports trickling across the border told of increasing anarchy throughout that country.

Unconfirmed reports from Bucharest said the additional German troops would attempt to restore order there and in other large Rumanian cities, where iron guard elements have taken bloody revenge on officials of the ousted regime of former King Carol II.

Four divisions mean approximately 60,000 men. German strength in Rumania had previously been estimated as high as 500,000.

A parade in Bucharest of a German motorized division was interpreted in Hungary as a warning that German leaders are prepared to restore order in strife-ridden Rumania unless the Rumanians do it themselves.

King Mihai brought up the rear of the parade. He had been reported in border reports last week to have fled Bucharest as a result of iron guard disorders in the Rumanian capital.

## Another Big Powder Plant Is Blasted

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 2.—(AP)—An explosion of sufficient intensity to shake much of Tacoma damaged much of the Columbia Powder Company plant at Frederickson early today. Under Sheriff Clyde Knowles said four men were believed to have been in the building. Company officials denied immediate comment.

It could not be determined immediately whether the company was engaged on national defense contracts.

It was the second powder blast in the Tacoma area in a week. Last Thursday a black powder plant blew up at DuPont works south of Tacoma. It was reported to be an accident. No one was injured, but windows were cracked within a fourteen-mile radius.

## Coast Guard Ends Search For Three Drowned In River

Washington, N. C., Dec. 2.—(AP)—The Coast Guard has abandoned search for the bodies of three hunters believed to have drowned on Wednesday night in the Pamlico river near here. The body of a fourth member of the party, Vance Horner, Washington machinist, was recovered Friday. Those missing are Jack Lee, Washington, and Charles E. Cutler and Mack L. Woodard, both farmers of near Batm.

## Yugoslavia Soon To Join Axis Ring After Conference

Budapest, Hungary, Dec. 2.—(AP)—Authoritative diplomatic circles here said today that a secret week-end conference between Adolf Hitler and Foreign Minister Aleksander Sincar-Markovic in Berlin had prepared the way for Yugoslavia to join the tri-partite treaty.

The meeting was said to have ironed out details for Yugoslavia to follow Hungary, Rumania and Slovakia, who have already been added to the German-Italian-Japanese ten-year military and economic accord.

### Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair, slightly colder in east portion tonight; Tuesday partly cloudy; colder in extreme west portion Tuesday afternoon or night.

## Anti-Aircraft Center At Wilmington Is Ordered

## Lewis' Goal For Labor Is Third Party

## Resigned Head of CIO Has Not Gone Into Oblivion by Retirement From That Office; May Build Around Non-Partisan Group

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Central Press Columnist

Washington, Dec. 2.—John L. Lewis' present objective is well known to be the creation of a third political party of national proportions. He suggested the idea some time before our last presidential election, but didn't get around to an attempt to realize them. Probably he hit on the notion too late—hadn't a sufficient interval to get an organization going before November 5. Now he has four years ahead of him, within which to develop his plan.

When John promised to quit as C. I. O. head, if Franklin D. Roosevelt were re-elected, some of his pretty faithful followers figured that he'd climbed overly far out on the limb. Today's indications are that he'd calculated very thoughtfully. If Wendell Willkie had won, his limb would have been all right. If it cracked under him, he'd be in a position to land in his third party hanging basket. It isn't altogether certain that he isn't glad it did crack, he's fixed to proceed with the scheme he had in mind all along.

Presumably Lewis' policy will be to build his prospective new party around the framework of Labor's Non-Partisan League. His surrender of his C. I. O. nominal leadership didn't amount to much. It didn't

## To Cost \$9,000,000 and Provide for 20,000 Men, With Complete Base Planned; To Be Ready for Use About March 15.

Washington, Dec. 2.—(AP)—The War Department announced today that it had authorized construction of a \$9,000,000 anti-aircraft firing center in the vicinity of Wilmington, N. C.

Officials said that the construction to be erected on leased land would provide housing and facilities for six white and two Negro regiments of the Coast Artillery. These units will be semi-mobile anti-aircraft regiments.

An announcement said that only land sufficient in area for the contingent proper would be leased. Firing will be over water on the adjacent coast line, it was explained, and the procurement of land for a firing range was not, therefore, necessary.

The department said the approximate construction cost would be \$9,000,000, but that contracts had not yet been awarded for this work. The announcement said it was contemplated that the firing center would be ready for occupancy about March 15, 1941.

Buildings to be constructed include barracks, mess halls, day rooms, a service club, utility, administrative

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## Tar Heel Is Dead, Another Hurt In Car

Newport, Tenn., Dec. 2.—(AP)—Maurice Friedman, 51, of Greensboro, N. C., president of a laundry machine company there, was killed and a companion, W. P. Sineath, Greensboro, N. C., laundry operator, was seriously injured in an automobile accident yesterday four miles west of here on the Knoxville road.

Capt. Deputy Dallas Schultz said the men had employed an automobile driver to take them to Asheville, and that en route the car apparently got off the pavement and overturned in passing another vehicle.

The men were on their way by plane from Hot Springs, Ark., where they had spent several days, but weather conditions grounded the plane in Knoxville. Schultz said it was raining at the time of the accident, and the roads were slippery. He said the driver, whose name he did not disclose, was held on a technical charge of manslaughter, although "it seems to have been entirely accidental."

Sineath's condition was described at a hospital here today as critical. Friedman's body was taken to Greensboro.

## Southampton Again Hit By German Air Raiders

London, Dec. 2.—(AP)—Southampton, Britain's vital south coast port again was singled out by German air raiders last night as the "main objective" of their aerial onslaughts on England.

A government communique affirming a German report that Southampton, once the main port of call for trans-Atlantic liners, was the principal target of raiders for the second successive night, said "a number of fires were caused but they were all under control by daylight."

Earlier raiders had refused to permit identification of the town and dispatches called it a "south coast town." The British said then, however, that casualties were expected to be lighter than in the violent onslaught on Southampton Saturday night, when the port, 89 miles southwest of London, got its worst attack of the war.

British bombers, meanwhile, attacked objectives at Loriet and Brest, in France, and also in Norway and Denmark, the air ministry said.

London had a "too alert" night, the first all clear coming fairly early, and the second soon after midnight. The alert periods were marked by heavy anti-aircraft barrages.

### Beaten in Riot



Commander Wallace M. Dillon

Commander Wallace M. Dillon, naval attaché for air, in Mexico City, was severely wounded in a riot which occurred in front of the U. S. embassy upon arrival of the late General Juan Alvarez Almazan.

## Diversion Is Issue Again In Assembly

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, Dec. 2.—Now that opening of the General Assembly is only a month away, there is considerable speculation over identity of the legislators who are really going to make North Carolina's laws and plan its financial program for the next two years.

In theory, of course, each one of the 170 members has just one vote and is, therefore, on a plane of complete equality with every other; but it is a matter of common knowledge that, in practice, less than a score actually run the show and control actions of the Assembly.

Most potent of all the General Assembly, are the speaker of the House and the lieutenant governor, presiding officer in the Senate. They appoint the committees which do at least ninety per cent of the legislating. It needs no argument or diagram, therefore, to demonstrate the power of these two functionaries.

In the Senate, the presiding officer has already been chosen. He will be Lieutenant Governor Reg Harris, and it is he who will name all Senate committees. He's probably working on his slate pretty steadily right now, and should be able to name his committees very shortly after the Assembly convenes.

Four would-be Speaker candidates are Odus Mull of Cleveland, George Uzzell of Rowan, Jim Vogler of Rockingham, and Clarence Storie of Rockingham, and so one of this quartet will be the most powerful figure in the 1941 House, unless a dark horse should slip in at the last minute, so to speak.

Paradoxically enough, while one of these chaps now in the limelight will be the House "ace" the other three will go practically to the foot of the class after the caucus, unless the race is so close that one or more of them has to be "dealt with" by the eventually victorious candidate.

Bryant Stages "Comeback."

A defeated candidate for speaker usually gets little or no consideration from his successful rival, and his stature in the House shrinks accordingly. Two years ago, as an example, Victor Bryant, of Durham, got no real recognition from Libby Ward. He was saved from complete House oblivion only by the fact, which couldn't be escaped even by his worst enemies, that he knew more about the revenue bill and the State's financial program than any other member of the finance committee.

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TO BUY A GOLF CLUB FOR GRANDPA

BOY CHRISTMAS SEALS

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