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Nazi Drive on Moscow



With Hitler reported throwing all possible strength against Moscow in a desperate and bloody effort to capture the Soviet capital before winter sets in, Russian spokesmen admitted the Nazis had driven tank wedges into the Red lines at many points. This map shows the main drives being made by the Germans. (Central Press)

Despite Tremendous Losses On East Front

Nazis Still Advancing

Strike Threatens Tank Production

AFL-CIO Dispute Involved

Jurisdictional Dispute Halts Production at Plants Making Parts for Tanks and Combat Vehicles; Drydock Workers Strike.

(By The Associated Press.) Stoppage of the Army's tank production was said by War department officials today to be threatened by a CIO-AFL jurisdictional dispute involving the Spicer Manufacturing Company at Toledo, Ohio, and its subsidiary, the Hillsdale, Mich., Steel Products Company.

The Spicer company makes 70 per cent of the transmissions for all the Army's tanks and also for most of the half-tractor and "jeep" combat vehicles.

Officials at Washington said the trouble started at Hillsdale with a jurisdictional dispute between rival AFL and CIO automobile workers. The AFL union won a national labor relations board bargaining election but rowing continued and the plant was closed temporarily this week by request of local officials.

The matter reached a climax when CIO United Automobile Workers, who have a contract with Spicer, decreed that they would not handle parts from the Hillsdale concern, where the AFL is the authorized bargaining agency.

Spicer officials reported to the War department that unless the CIO boycott were discontinued the company would have to halt work on transmissions on the "half-tracks" and "jeeps" and that materials were on hand for only about a week's further manufacture of parts for tanks.

In Brooklyn, N. Y., 500 employees of Robins drydocks walked out at noon today to protest, union leaders said, the employment of two non-union workers at the shipyards, which is busy repairing both American and British ships. Company officials refused to comment on the walkout, staged by local 39 of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America (CIO).

Bertie Negro Is Executed

Raleigh, Oct. 10.—(AP)—George Peele, 20-year-old crippled Negro, today became the first resident of Bertie county to be executed in Central prison since the State took over the task of inflicting capital punishment on March 18, 1910.

Peele was convicted and sentenced to death for the slaying of E. W. Gray, 78-year-old Windsor store clerk who surprised the Negro while he was allegedly robbing an office safe.

Gray, who had been waiting on a customer, was said to have walked in unexpectedly on Peele, who was in the act of rifling the safe. The Negro then allegedly picked up a rifle lying nearby and beat the old man to death.

Witnesses said the 165-pound, five-foot nine inch Negro maintained the same expression he held during the trial. His last words, as attendants strapped him in the death seat, were "I'm innocent."

Washington, Oct. 10.—(AP)—A program with an immediate objective of rehabilitation of some 200,000 men rejected in the draft because of physical or mental deficiencies was announced today by President Roosevelt.

He told a press conference a question of building a stronger race of

40,000 Civilians Aid Coast Defense Test



Exact location of this "filter board" in New York City is a military secret. Operators are shown moving markers about the huge map as watchers telephone in reports of "enemy" planes. Defenses against air attack are being tested along the Atlantic coast from North Carolina to Massachusetts, with 40,000 civilians manning observation posts. Army pursuit planes, bombers, anti-aircraft artillery and other military units are participating.

(Air raid "spotters" in Vance county tonight will cooperate in similar tests, warning of the movement of "enemy" planes moving in from the coast. Vance county is the most western point which the planes will reach tonight.)

Huge Forces Are Thrown Into Drive

Soviet Dispatches Admit Invasion Armies Continue to Gain; Atmosphere in Moscow, However, is More Confident.

(By The Associated Press.) Soviet front line dispatches admitted today that Adolf Hitler's invasion armies were still advancing "over mountains of German corpses" in the Bryansk sector of the nine-day old battle for Moscow, smashing through by sheer weight of numbers at several points.

Red Star, the Russian army newspaper, said the Germans were throwing immense forces into the new push after being routed earlier in the Bryansk sector, 220 miles southwest of Moscow.

As an example, Red Star said two Nazi tank divisions and two motorized infantry divisions were hurled against a single Red army unit of undisclosed size, and that three German infantry divisions led by 100 tanks attacked another Soviet unit during a one-day battle.

Other Soviet dispatches, however, asserted that despite the renewed fury of the German onslaught, Hitler's vast encirclement plan before Moscow had collapsed and that at least some of the trapped Red armies had battled their way out of the Nazi net.

The atmosphere in Moscow itself, contrasting with yesterday's official acknowledgment of a grave emergency, was distinctly more confident.

The Soviet command was reported to have opened the floodgates of Russia's mighty manpower reserve, throwing masses of fresh troops into the bitter conflict.

The Germans declared that the gigantic armies of Russia could be virtually disregarded as a menace to

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Russia Still In The War

Washington, Oct. 10.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, answering a press conference query, declared today he had no report at all which would indicate that Russia had reached the point in her resistance to Germany where she might have to accept an armistice.

Asked whether he had any knowledge of how a letter in which he promised Premier Josef Stalin all possible American assistance had reached Berlin, Mr. Roosevelt said he had a hunch but did not elaborate.

To an inquiry whether the matter was one of interest to the government, he replied in the affirmative but said it was not a matter of surprise.

British Planes Bomb German Supply Ships

London, Oct. 10.—(AP)—The British fleet arm, operating off Norway, has smashed heavily at Germany's supply route to her forces on the north Russian front, the admiralty announced today, saying that four supply ships were hit and one of them abandoned by its crew.

The admiralty called this sweep "further successful action" by the British "against the enemy's supplies and sea communications with his troops on the north Russian front."

(The fleet air arm carried the attack to German objectives on land also, destroying electric power pylons on Grand island, the admiralty said,

Southeastern Asia In Anti-Axis Front

President Roosevelt's Special Economic Representative Tours Area, Declares Supply of Materials to Axis Will Stop.

Manila, Oct. 10.—(AP)—Henry F. Grady, President Roosevelt's special economic representative, said today he had received assurances during a comprehensive tour of southeastern Asia that the axis would be shut off completely from the world's largest storehouse of war materials.

He led a press conference that officials of the Philippines, China, Malaya, the Netherlands East Indies, India, Burma and Ceylon had pledged their efforts for increased production and expedited deliveries to the United States and Britain of several strategic materials.

Grady also reported:

1. The United States probably will increase supplies of industrial machinery and war equipment to southeastern Asia while guaranteeing the absorption of any increase in production that may result.

2. China within a few weeks will have an "effective" air force composed entirely of American planes.

3. Throughout eastern Asia, excluding Thailand, there is no indication of appeasement toward Japan.

4. Japan will be unable to put the Burma Road out of commission with-

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News Service Not Denied To Radio

Washington, Oct. 10.—(AP)—Edwin M. Williams, vice president of United Press Association, told the communications commission today that the United Press never had refused to supply news to a radio station because of the objections of a newspaper client.

He made the assertion after being questioned about several instances in which testimony showed newspapers receiving United Press service had objected to the service being supplied to a radio station in the same territory.

"We have had objections occasionally, and I would say very infrequently," Williams said. "It certainly has not been general. In no case has the objection of a newspaper prevented a radio station from getting the service."

Williams was questioned during commission hearings which are being conducted to determine future policy toward applications of newspapers for broadcasting licenses.

PANAMA'S STATUS REMAINS THE SAME

Washington, Oct. 10.—(AP)—President Roosevelt declared today that diplomatic relations with Panama would remain absolutely unchanged as a result of the change of presidents in the Central American republic.

He told a press conference that he had talked about the Panamanian shift with the State department last night and that apparently it was made in accordance with the Panamanian constitution so that no question of re-recognition was involved.

RECESS IS TAKEN IN TOBACCO TRIAL

Lexington, Oct. 10.—(AP)—Trial of the nation's three largest tobacco companies and 20 of their executives was recessed today until next Thursday as both sides completed their introduction of evidence in the 16-week case.

The length of the recess declared by Federal Judge H. Church Ford made it appear almost certain, attorneys said, that the case would not reach the jury until the week after next.

Judge Ford said he would set no time limit on the attorneys' arguments to the jury.

74th EXECUTION MADE AS REPRISAL

Paris, Oct. 10.—(AP)—German authorities announced today that the 74th person had been shot as reprisal for attacks against the German occupying forces.

The announcement said Gaston Pinot was shot today. He was condemned to death last Tuesday for illegal possession of firearms.

It was said also that 15 militant communists had been interned at Amiens on orders of the prefect of Somme department. This raised to 45 the number of communists sent to concentration camps in that department in the last several days.

Maneuvers Bring Shift In Command

Camden, S. C., Oct. 10.—(AP)—The First Army came to the concluding phase of its first week of maneuvers in the Carolinas today with a new commanding officer for one division—the fourth—and with the prospect of undergoing more strenuous training next week.

Major General Clifford R. Powell, New Jersey political leader and veteran of the World War, who had

Panama Reconsiders Order

Guns Ready For Ships

Washington, Oct. 10.—(AP)—Merchantmen plying the Atlantic danger zones can be armed just as soon as Congress gives the word, administration leaders disclosed today, because the Navy has sufficiently overcome the serious shortage of proper weapons which existed earlier this year.

"There will be enough guns for the ships in the Atlantic as soon as the necessary revision of the neutrality act is accomplished," an informed administration source said.

Although the Navy is known to have a great many guns in reserve

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N. C. Pilots To Organize

Charlotte, Oct. 10.—(AP)—Organization of the 800 pilots of North Carolina into a uniformed, Army-trained civilian air defense service was in its preliminary phases today, after aviation leaders had been given the green light by national and state defense authorities.

The first step in forming the North Carolina wing of civilian air defense guard service was taken here yesterday when U. S. McGinnis of Winston-Salem, president of the Carolina Aero club, conferred with Frank E. Dawson of Charlotte, secretary and treasurer.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA
Shows this afternoon followed by clearing and colder; fair and colder tonight; Saturday fair and continued cool.

Extended weather forecast for the period from 7:30 p. m., October 10, to 7:30 p. m., October 14: South Atlantic states—temperatures below normal in the Carolinas and Georgia at beginning, rising thereafter to near or above normal in Florida; very little or no rain.

Gayda Says U. S. Backed Panama Coup

Rome, Oct. 10.—(AP)—The authoritative fascist editor, Virginia Gayda, today accused the United States of responsibility for yesterday's coup d'etat in Panama.

Writing in his newspaper Il Giornale d'Italia, he said the coup was intended to set up a new regime submissive to Washington orders and "intrigues."

(The Berlin radio broadcast the comment that "it was recalled in the Wilhelmstrasse that exactly 40 years had elapsed since Theodore Roosevelt, by bringing about the separation of Panama from Colombia, obtained for the United States control over the Isthmus of Panama.")

Ichang Falls To Chinese

Important City Had Been Westernmost Outpost of Japan's Invasion of China.

Chungking, Saturday, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Chinese military headquarters announced tonight that the Chinese armies driving eastward along the Yangtze river had captured Ichang, important port which has been the westernmost outpost of Japan's invasion.

The announcement, shortly after midnight, let loose a wild celebration in this wartime capital, with thousands of fire crackers shattering the night calm. Newsboys ran through the streets with extra copies.

Chinese leaders declared that the Ichang victory (not yet conceded by the Japanese) was China's greatest since the battle of Taierchang in southern Shantung province in 1938, when the Japanese drive was halted with heavy losses.

Ichang, 800 miles from the sea and most important Yangtze river port between Hankow and the great gorge of the river which led to Chungking, has been in Japanese

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Vessels May Be Armed

New President Issues Statement Pledging Collaboration in Continental Defense.

Panama, Oct. 10.—(AP)—A coup d'etat government pledged to collaboration in continental defense is reconsidering an order made Monday by ousted President Arnulfo Arias which barred the arming of merchant ships flying Panama's flag.

A cabinet member said today that some decision on the question— which affects many United States owned vessels shifted to Panama registry because of the neutrality act to carry war supplies to Britain— might be announced today.

Ricardo Adolfo de la Guardia, the new president sworn in late yesterday as the republic's third chief executive in one eventful day after disclosure that Arias had flown to Cuba, issued a statement declaring his government "will be inspired by the most absolute sentiment of collaboration in defense of the continent, maintaining always national dignity and the greatest respect for contractual obligations with the government of the United States."

(Informed Washington sources

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Harriman Says Russia Receiving Aid

London, Oct. 10.—(AP)—W. Averell Harriman, chief of the American delegation for aid to Russia, said at a press conference today that United States aid was being given to strengthen the Iranian railway to carry American-British supplies to the Red army.

The railway runs from the head of the Persian gulf through Iran to Bandar Shah on the Caspian sea.

"We are not giving lip service to an ideal," said Harriman. "We Americans are giving practical service to Russia."

Harriman asserted that "no judgment is that the Soviet leaders will lead their people to fight to the last."