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British Drive Deep Into Libya

Three Men Shot In Mine Clash

Hopes Fade For Strike Settlement

Walkout Spreads Rapidly as Commercial Miners Join in Sympathy Strikes; Lewis Refuses to Budge from Demands.

Washington, Nov. 29.—(AP)—Three men were shot and wounded today in Fayette county, in a clash between coal miners and government agents.

It was a regular work day in Pennsylvania, where a coal miners' strike is in its second week, but a holiday mood pervaded the mine states.

The strike, called by the United Mine Workers to enforce a demand for a union shop, was still rapidly spreading to commercial coal pits.

Earlier in the week two men were shot and wounded at a mine near Gass, W. Va.

Chances for a settlement of the four-day old strike seemed to end.

Ark Sinking Is Avenged

London, Nov. 29.—(AP)—The admiralty announced today that the German submarine which it was "practically certain" was the one involved in the sinking of the British aircraft carrier Ark Royal had been destroyed in the Mediterranean.

The announcement credited the British corvette Marigold with destroying the submarine with depth charges and gunfire two days after the Ark Royal was torpedoed a week ago.

Parker Pulls No Punches In Raleigh Vice Meeting

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In The Sir Walter Hotel. By BOB THOMPSON. Raleigh, Nov. 29.—North Carolina judges and law enforcement officers, whose counties lie in the vicinity of military camps, have less than six weeks to clear themselves of the charge of being "either unwilling or unable" to clean up prostitution in their localities.

U. S. CRUISER CAPTURES AXIS MASQUERADER



A boarding party from the U. S. cruiser Omaha approaches the disguised German merchant ship, Odenwald, which was halted in equatorial Atlantic waters by the warship. The Odenwald was masquerading under the Stars and Stripes as the Williams of Philadelphia, as the lettering on the stern shows. Note the flag. The ship was taken by a prize crew to Puerto Rico after an attempt to sabotage her failed. (This is an official U. S. navy photograph.)

Vichy Shifts African Command

Weygand Quits Vichy

Reports of His Resignation are Not Denied; Paris Paper Demands African Move.

Vichy, Nov. 29.—(AP)—General Maxime Weygand left Vichy for "somewhere in southern France" today amid unconfirmed reports that he had resigned as Marshal Petain's proconsul and military commander in north Africa.

His departure after three days of conferences with his chief confidant with a demand voiced through the German-controlled Paris newspaper Noveaux Temps, for immediate de-

Heavy Rains Would End Restrictions

Atlanta, Nov. 29.—(AP)—Heavy rain before Christmas would end OPM restrictions against ornamental lighting and permit further postponement of a 30 per cent cut on industrial electricity in seven southeastern states.

U. S. Warning Sent Vichy

Washington, Nov. 29.—(AP)—The United States put Vichy on notice today that this government was compelled to make a complete re-study of relations with France, because of the renewed signs that the French regime was moving toward closer collaboration with Germany.

The notice carried a frank warning, informed sources said, which intimated that severance of diplomatic relations was a possibility. Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles stated the case to Gaston Henry-Haye, the French ambassador, during a conference yesterday.

Jun Heads French Army

Vichy, Nov. 29.—(AP)—The resignation of General Maxime Weygand as commander in chief of the French North African forces, and General Henri Juin, released from a German prison camp, was named commander in chief of the untested French North African forces, where strategic Dakar is situated.

Under present regulations, the OPM forbids outdoor and commercial Christmas lighting. The use of small bulbs on indoor trees, however, is permitted.

SOVIET FORCES RESIST GERMAN PUSH IN NORTH

Especially Heavy Fighting Under Way at Volokolamsk, Kalinin and Tula; Russians Admit Withdrawal From Kerch in Crimea.

(By The Associated Press) The Russians today were reported resisting a new German offensive against Moscow, with especially heavy fighting under way at Volokolamsk, 65 miles west and slightly north of Moscow, at Kalinin, 95 miles north-west of the capital, and at Tula, 100 miles south.

The Germans also were pressing against Rostov, on the Don river at the doorway to the Caucasus.

In the Crimea campaign, a Soviet war bulletin acknowledged that Red troops had abandoned Kerch "for strategic reasons" but declared that more than 20,000 Germans had been annihilated in storming the city.

Hull's high command last week-end reported the fall of Kerch, stepping stone to Russia's great Caucasus oil fields.

On the central front, the Red armies were reported to have

crushed a new German attack on Tula, key munitions center 100 miles south of Moscow in which the Nazi used 30,000 troops and 80 tanks.

Soviet correspondents declared that the Germans had been driven from two villages about three miles from Tula yesterday and suffered heavy losses.

The Russians admitted they had been forced to evacuate a number of villages amid bloody fighting in the Volokolamsk sector, where the Germans were said to have thrown five infantry divisions (about 75,000 troops) into action.

Dispatches from Kurland, auxiliary Russian capital, said a German drive against Volkhov, rail junction 80 miles east of Leningrad, had been halted, and said Leningrad was still in full communication with the USSR interior. The Germans have claimed their siege armies virtually sealed Leningrad off from the rest of Russia.

CIO Resolution Approves Mediation

Jap Envoys See Hull

Washington, Nov. 29.—(AP)—Japanese envoys applied with new instructions from Tokyo yesterday to see Hull today with Secretary of State Hull in a renewed attempt to find a basis for peaceful settlement of Pacific problems.

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FDR Keeps At His Desk

Washington, Nov. 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt joined citizens of two-thirds of the states today in observing the third and last "early Thanksgiving" of the year.

Most of his cabinet members at the White House today delayed their Thanksgiving celebrations until next Thursday, the traditional date for the holiday. The entire country will revert to the 1st Thursday in the month after this year, the President having decided the wider spread between Thanksgiving and Christmas meant little or no increase in business for retail merchants who proposed the experiment.

The Chief Executive remained on the job to watch the coal strike developments. If the strike situation permits, he will go to the Warm Springs.

Declaration Says 'Mediation and Peaceful Solution of Our Industrial Disputes is of the Utmost Importance.'

Detroit, Nov. 29.—(AP)—A declaration that "in this grave crisis mediation and peaceful solution of our industrial disputes is of the utmost importance" was approved today by the annual convention of the Congress of Industrial Organizations.

Delegates, who chose "peaceful development" in the capital, came to the convention as well as the proceedings of their conference, adopted a resolution which urged the CIO and the affiliated unions were "firmly resolved to do all in their power" to cooperate with industry and government toward the goal of maximum defense production.

"The CIO will utilize the utmost degree of the mediation facilities of the government in the event that it is successful in the preservation of our national defense program."

"Labor appreciates more than any other group that in this grave crisis mediation and peaceful solution of our industrial disputes is of the utmost importance."

Babson Advises Purchase Of Defense Bonds, Stamps

By ROGER W. BABSON (Copyright, 1941, Publishers Financial Bureau, Inc.) New York, Nov. 29.—While listening to many recent conversations, I have come to believe that too many individuals are today decidedly talking out of order. There is a good deal of "gossip" going the rounds about unemployment, defense bonds, inflation, further devaluation of the dollar, the plight of the small business man, the size and servicing of the national debt, etc., which has no actual basis. Unconsciously, a good deal of harm may be done if such talk continues and particularly so if it is further falsely embellished in the retelling. I, therefore, should like to clear up a few misunderstandings about at least one of these matters.

Axis Forces Surprised By Attack

Churchill Tells Parliament That Positions of 'Marked Advantage' Have Been Won; Axis Capitals Scoff at British Claims.

(By The Associated Press) Britain's desert armies, 750,000 strong, were reported driving deep into Libya today after advancing more than 50 miles on a 110-mile front in a vast and secretly launched offensive aimed at knocking the axis out of north Africa.

Late today, informed quarters in London said the three-day old onslaught threatened to trap the German forces under General Erwin Rommel in a big scale battle now taking shape.

Two Nazi divisions—about 30,000 troops—were reported wedged in between siege-girt Tobruk, 90 miles west of the Egyptian frontier, and Bardia, 75 miles west of the border.

The RAF reported its planes had bombed "axis tanks and motor transports moving westward on the road from Salum"—evidently in retreat.

British warships were reported heavily shelling axis troop columns and supply lines and naval officers said there was no sign so far of any axis naval craft attempting to engage them in battle.

British dispatches said the attack, which started at dawn on Tuesday, set German and Italian troops back on their heels in a shrewd surprise.

In London, Prime Minister Winston Churchill told parliament that the long awaited big push had already won positions of "marked advantage" and that the decision might come "within a few hours" in a giant battle of mechanization.

"This is the first time we have met the German at least equally well armed," Churchill said, adding that

Maneuvers Near Climax

With the Army in the Field, Nov. 29.—(AP)—First Army troops, engaged because they took all the ground might a friendly enemy could throw against them, moved in for a showdown today in the first training battle of the Army maneuvers in the Carolinas.

The first and second armored divisions, the greatest shock power the Army has in the field, threw everything against the bigger First Army but couldn't crack the slower division advancing westward from the

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Rain, colder west and north central portions tonight; Friday colder fair in west, clearing in east preceded by rain in east portion.

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