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BRITISH SEEK DECISIVE FIGHT IN AFRICA

President Roosevelt Awaits Reply From Lewis

CIO Policy Board Meets Tomorrow

Disorders Continue at Struck Captive Coal Mines; Carnegie-Illinois Steel Shuts Down Five More Blast Furnaces.

Washington, Nov. 21.—(AP)—President Roosevelt indicated today that no federal action might be expected in the captive coal mine dispute before he receives a reply tomorrow from John L. Lewis stating the position of the United Mine Workers policy committee on the Chief Executive's latest appeal for a settlement.

Mr. Roosevelt had asked for further maintenance of the status quo on the issue of a "closed shop," as it is known.

New York, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation, chief operating subsidiary of United States Steel Corporation, today announced the shut-down of five additional blast furnaces for lack of coal supply.

There are in addition to the six furnaces already closed down by the captive coal strike.

While Lewis gave a clear indication that the appeal would be rejected by the United Mine Workers, Mr. Roosevelt said he did not think there would be any developments in the coal situation until tomorrow.

Ten men, three of them saying they were pickets, were shot and wounded in a new clash between pickets and non-striking miners in Fayette county, Pa., center of the captive mine industry in that state.

Three men were wounded there yesterday.

At a press conference, Mr. Roosevelt said he expected to hear from Lewis and his policy committee tomorrow and that was what he had in mind.

"Have you decided what to do on labor legislation?" a reporter inquired.

There is no news on that, the Chief Executive responded.

The new Pennsylvania disorders came after 50 or 75 ex-borders of United Mine Workers pickets had driven from nearby Washington county to the vicinity of the H. C. Frick Company's Edenboro mines.

After a brief battle of shots could be heard.

Jap Diet Session Ends

Tokyo, Nov. 21.—(AP)—The special session of the diet formally ended today when Premier Tojo read a brief imperial rescript asking the members for their cooperation.

Premier Tojo received later by Emperor Hirohito for a report on the general state of affairs and to answer inquiries from the throne.

Premier Tojo during the session demanded an end to the British-American economic blockade as the price of peace in the Pacific.

Defense Road Bill Signed

Washington, Nov. 21.—(AP)—President Roosevelt disclosed today that he had signed a bill providing funds for construction of defense highways but that he had objected to the inclusion of money for roads not urgently needed for defense.

Mr. Roosevelt told a press conference that he had discussed the matter in letters to the chairmen of the Senate and House roads committees.

The only reason he signed the measure, Mr. Roosevelt told reporters, was to get the money for defense roads. He said the bill offered a place where a saving might have been made during this time of emergency but that this was not done and millions of dollars were put in the bill for non-defense road construction.

'Reds' Capture 'Blues' in Carolina Maneuvers



Tired out after chasing the "enemy" for eight hours, four privates (top), attached to "Red" army in the Carolina army maneuvers, rest in a truck at Monroe, N. C. Left to right: Forrest Blackburn of Terre Haute, Ind., W. A. Van Patton of Winston, S. D., Harold Stidman of New York, and George A. Hughes of Canton, Ohio. Bottom: "Prisoners of war" from the "Blue" at my pass through the streets of Monroe after their capture by the "Reds."

Far Eastern Status Is Same

Price Limit Bill Favored

Baruch Says Nation Will Soon Be 'In a Situation Acutely Dangerous.'

Washington, Nov. 21.—(AP)—The man who directed this country's World War production and the House sides committee today said unless Congress acts immediately to control prices, the nation will be "in a situation acutely dangerous."

Bernard M. Baruch, World War head of the war industries board, who saw the inflationary impact of wartime spending at first hand, renewed his advocacy of "over-all" price control legislation rather than the "selective" type recommended by the administration.

The rules committee, making an unusual exception to its usual custom of hearing only members of Congress, asked Baruch to appear in person. The committee is considering a request by Chairman Stagall, Democrat, Alabama, of the House banking committee, for legislative right-of-way for a bill to establish the limited, "selective" type of price control together with a request by Representative Gore, Democrat, Tennessee, that his "over-all" control measure be made in order as a substitute.

"Due to the depth of my conviction that we should protect our people against inflation, a characteristic of all wars," Baruch said, "I believe protection should be established not here and there, but everywhere. To me that means the over-all bill."

NAZIS CAPTURE MOLOTOV'S SON

New York, Nov. 21.—(AP)—The German radio reported today that a Russian soldier identified by competent quarters as the son of Russian Foreign Commissar Molotov had been taken prisoner on the eastern front.

Army Needs 40 Armored Divisions

With the Army in the Field, Nov. 21.—(AP)—The Army needs at least 40 armored and motorized divisions if we are going to participate in attacks overseas, a congressional committee serving in the Carolina maneuvers said today.

Colonel Charles L. Eads, U. S. representative from Pennsylvania and a member of the House military affairs committee, made the statement in an interview as orders went out today to the first Army.

It was the sixth—and scheduled to be the last—day of a field exercise, putting the fourth Army corps against the first Army. There will be another training battle next week.

"Eighteen months ago I proposed that we create ten armored divisions like the first and second in these maneuvers," said Colonel Eads, temporarily on the staff of Major General Charles L. Scott, commander of the first armored division. "Now we have four, with a fifth to be formed and a sixth contemplated. We ought to have forty mechanized divisions if we are going to participate in attacks overseas."

"By June, we'll be producing 1,000 tanks, more than enough to equip two divisions a month."

MAISKY DECLARES DRIVE HAS FAILED

London, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Ivan Maisky, Russian ambassador to London, said today that Hitler's blitzkrieg in the east has completely failed.

In an address at a luncheon of the Anglo-Soviet public relations committee, the ambassador said that "in the spirit of close and friendly collaboration, Britain and the USSR, together with their allies and supported by the growing revolt of the peoples of Nazi Europe and with friendly assistance from across the Atlantic will, within the end, win a common victory over a common enemy."

Comment Is Refused

President Roosevelt, at Press Conference, Rejects Question as Leading.

Washington, Nov. 21.—(AP)—President Roosevelt said today there had been no developments in the current Japanese-American conversations looking toward a truce and understanding in Far Eastern problems and he brushed aside a press conference question whether he had any reason to be optimistic about the talks.

That inquiry, he said, was of the type "have you stopped beating your wife?"

To a question as to whether he was considering breaking off diplomatic relations with the Vichy government of France, the President said he had heard nothing of that.

Likewise, he asserted, he had no reports on the showing which was being made by American equipment used by the British in their new campaign in Libya.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Fair and colder tonight, Saturday partly cloudy, continued rather cool.

Extended weather forecast for the period from 7:30 p. m. November 21 to 7:30 p. m. November 26—South Atlantic states: Temperatures falling to below normal first of period; rising slightly middle of period and cooling tendency toward end of period in Carolinas and Georgia; Florida generally above normal, cooling tendency Saturday. Little or no precipitation except scattered showers in portions of Florida and southern Georgia.

'Bloody Fighting' On Russian Front Marks Nazi Drive

Red Army Reports Beating Off Violent New Offensive, With German Losses Described as 'Tremendous Sacrifices.'

(By The Associated Press.) The Soviet radio reported today that "bloody fighting is now in progress" in three sectors along Moscow's 200-mile defense zone and that the Red armies had beaten off a violent new offensive launched by the Germans Tuesday night.

The fighting is reported to be the heaviest in large forces of troops in the zone since the breakthrough to the town of Kalinin, 85 miles northwest of Moscow.

"Our air units supported by anti-aircraft attacked near K, destroyed two villages, ambushed the headquarters of a large enemy unit, wiped out 150 soldiers, and destroyed many tanks, trucks, motorcycles and guns," the Soviet account continues.

German losses in men and machines were described as "tremendous sacrifices" with the Nazis hurrying tens of thousands of troops into the flaming battle line in an attempt to break through Russian defenses.

In the Volokolensk sector alone, 65 miles northwest of Moscow, the Germans were said to have sent eight divisions—about 120,000 men—in one move but the Russians declared that Red army troops "launched a violent counter-attack which the Germans could not withstand and they retired westward, evacuating many villages."

Russian front line dispatches said that the Germans were also striking with force from the Tula sector, 100 miles south of Moscow, and that bloody fighting to dampen the enemy's advance and to continue to strike Moscow.

A bulletin from Adolf Hitler's field headquarters gave the word that this was a new all-out assault to take Moscow—a renewed appeal from Soviet radio—merely noting that "further progress" had been made by axis armies on the central front and in the Donets river basin in the Ukraine.

EUROPEANS WARNED AGAINST AMERICA

Berlin, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Calling Americans "effeminate, barbarians" and President Roosevelt a "poor fool," Dr. Robert Ley, head of the German labor front, told 15,000 laborers from 15 European countries today that unless Europe "finds herself" she will be crushed by America.

Speaking vigorously from the platform of Berlin's Sportsplatz, Ley told the laborers on his audience that they were the messengers of the new Europe and assured them that "Moscow will fall in one way or another."

HITLER ATTENDS RITES FOR UDETS

Berlin, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler attended the state funeral service for Colonel General Ernst Udet today at Berlin's air ministry.

Reichsmarschal Hermann Wilhelm Goering colonized the noted aviator whose death Monday was announced as having occurred while a new weapon was being tested.

Murray Slated To Keep Post

Detroit, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Delegates to the CIO's annual convention set the stage today for the reelection of President Philip Murray.

The CIO's big three—John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers, the United Automobile Workers of America, and the Steel Workers Organizing Committee—and a host of smaller unions appeared to be pledged to Murray, who also is vice president of the mine workers.

Forces Now Ten Miles From Tobruk

Britain's Armored Legions Advance 80 Miles in 36 Hours to Positions Near Long-Besieged Tobruk; Nazis Evade Main Clash.

(By The Associated Press.) Britain's armored legions, already within ten miles of long-besieged Tobruk after an 80-mile advance in 36 hours, today were reported seeking out the "spinal column" of axis strength in north Africa for a showdown battle of tanks, planes, and men.

The main battle has not yet been joined, a British spokesman said tersely.

"All we have is news of movements and a certain amount of fighting but nothing on a large scale yet."

Cairo military headquarters said armored British spearheads were knitting into axis siege lines around Tobruk while other columns bypassed the stronghold on the south.

It was indicated that at least part of the axis forces, which have ringed Tobruk for more than six months, constantly shelling and bombing the tiny British garrison, were now caught between fires.

Unofficial reports in Cairo said General Sir Alan Cunningham's advance forces may already have established contact with the defenders of Tobruk.

At Bath, England, Admiral Sir Dudley Pound told an audience that "just before I came to this meeting I was told it was expected Tobruk would be relieved almost immediately."

In Berlin, a German military spokesman described the British push as a "real power drive," while Italian front line correspondents declared that the British were "surprised and disconcerted by the ready and immediate reaction of our units."

The RAF reported 21 axis planes destroyed in yesterday's operations, with nine British planes missing.

Military observers said General Erwin Rommel's German corps was the chief opposition in the struggle on the Libyan desert sands and that the British were maneuvering to engage the

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Maneuvers Take Recess

Charleston, S. C., Nov. 21.—(AP)—After more than five full days and nights of "hard fighting" the first general headquarters-directed maneuvers in the Carolinas war games ended the first phase at 8:30 a. m. today.

An order from the maneuver director, stationed at Monroe, N. C., put an end to a practice battle that had kept most of the 300,000 soldiers participating in the maneuvers on the jump since daybreak last Sunday.

Paintings Recovered

Somerville, N. J., Nov. 21.—(AP)—Two oil paintings and a water color were stolen from the Doris Duke Crownwell estate, Captain Daniel J. Dunn of the New Jersey state police said today, by an unemployed laborer who sought to collect \$50,000 from the wealthy tobacco heiress.

The paintings, valued by Dunn at \$8,000, were recovered last night in an abandoned church at Carteret to which troopers were led by a suspect, who, Dunn said, admitted stealing them and writing two notes offering to return them in exchange for \$50,000.

Up From the Ranks



Maj. Gen. A. E. Nye The British Army High Command shakeup resulted in the appointment of Maj. Gen. Archibald E. Nye as vice-chief of the Imperial General Staff. Gen. Nye started his army career as a private.

Knox Sees New Warship As Symbol

Newport News, Va., Nov. 21.—(AP)—Secretary of Navy Frank Knox, speaking at the launching of the 35,000-ton battleship Indiana here today, declared the great steel vessel was a symbol of the nation's will to survive in a world at war.

"We know on which side of this fight our hopes and interests lie," he said. "And we have proclaimed our resolve that our side shall win this struggle which shakes the world."

Knox asserted that the rise of fascism had destroyed the dream of a world at peace, and that the new Indiana had arisen like a phoenix from the ashes of that dream.

BILLS ARE MAILED FOR AUTO USE TAX

Washington, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Tentative Treasury plans for collection of the new \$5 a year federal automobile use tax called today for the mailing of bills to an estimated 35,000,000 automobile owners by a commercial publishing concern.

The concern would compile the list of automobile owners from state registration lists and mail out bills payable either at internal revenue offices or postoffices.

British Boats Are Victors

London, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Two engagements between British motor torpedo boats and German torpedo boats, in one of which two light British craft fought six German boats at close range for half an hour and sank one of them, were reported today by the admiralty.

The final score, the admiralty said, was one German boat certainly sunk by the British, another sunk by pursuing aircraft after the engagement early Thursday morning, and two more German torpedo boats probably sunk late Wednesday night during the first brush off the east coast.

No casualties were suffered by the British, the admiralty said, but minor damage was sustained by two vessels.