

YANKS DRIVE NAZIS FROM MOUNTAIN PEAKS

Eden's Hopes Exceeded At Moscow Meet

Friendly Atmosphere At Conference Noted In Report to Commons

London, Nov. 11—(AP)—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, making a report on the Moscow conference to the House of Commons, declared today the meeting had "exceeded my hopes" and had "brought a new warmth and new confidence into all our dealings with our Soviet and American friends."

The dapper foreign secretary, wearing a red Armistice Day poppy on his buttonhole, received loud applause from the Commons and the speaker with a description of the results achieved at the three-power parley.

"The actual achievements of the conference seem to me to be solid enough," he appraised, "but it was the friendly atmosphere of mutual interest and mutual confidence in which all these conferences which, to me, will always make the Moscow conference memorable."

He said a large measure of credit for success of the meetings must go to Foreign Commissar Molotov for his handling of the long and complicated agenda and added that Secretary Hull must have felt the results justified "his very gallant venture in making this long flight" to the United States.

Of measures which were taken to shorten the war, Eden declared "the results of our discussion under this head can only be made public as they develop at the common enemy. I have confidence that the development will be found generally satisfactory by the members of all parts of the house."

No Faked Evidence In Murder Trial, Chief Justice Says

Nassau, Nov. 11—(AP)—Chief Justice Sir Oscar Bedford Daly told a Bahamas Supreme Court jury trying Alfred de Marigny for the murder of Sir Harry Oakes, today that he is convinced there has been no faking of evidence in the sensational case.

Exhorting jurors to give the accused the benefit of any reasonable doubt, he asserted in ringing tones:

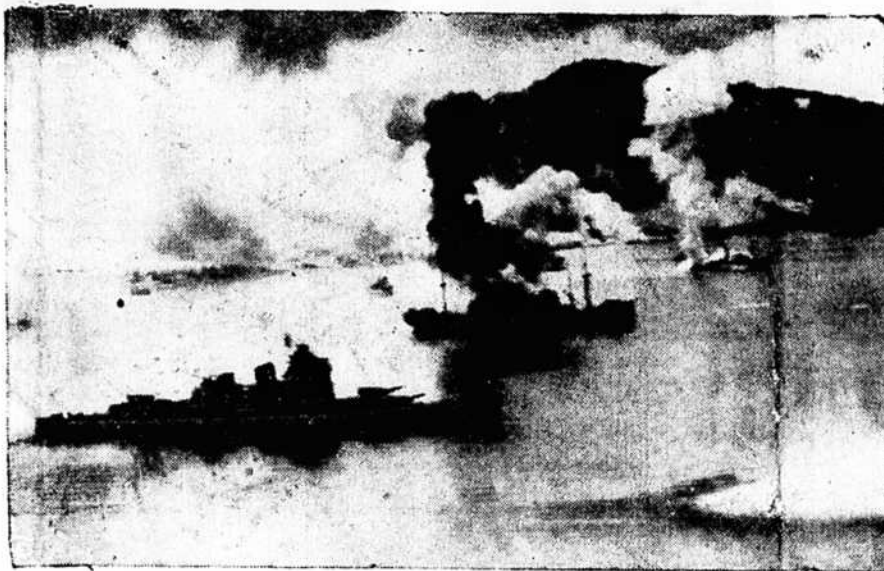
"I say as presiding judge that to my mind there is no evidence whatever to justify allegations made during the trial or to justify any charge of fabricating or falsifying evidence."

Defense Counsel Godfrey Higgins suggested in his final argument yesterday that the fingerprint on which the prosecution bases its case against de Marigny was not obtained from a bedsheet where Chief Justice Sir Oscar said he found it.

The chief justice's charge came after 20 days of testimony and one day of final arguments.

Only hours remained before the supreme moment of the long trial when the jury retired to bring in one of the only two possible verdicts under British law—freedom or death. There can be no compromise.

JAP WARSHIPS AFIRE AFTER U.S. RAID ON RABAU



FLYING DIRECTLY into heavy anti-aircraft fire from the Jap ships shown assembled in Rabaul harbor, a bomber of the U.S. Fifth Air Force made this dramatic aerial picture of several of the bombed enemy ships, with smoke obscuring the bombed waterfront. The ship in the foreground, a 10,000 ton cruiser, was damaged in a subsequent attack. U.S. Signal Corps Radiophoto.

British Aid To America Exceeds Billion Dollars

War Effort Spurred By Celebration

25th Anniversary of Armistice Speeds Up Job of Present War

(By The Associated Press)

Formal celebrations of Armistice Day were abandoned for grimmer tasks at home and abroad today as the anniversary of the end of the World War was dimmed by the urgent need of getting on with the job of winning a far greater struggle.

For American fighting men it was a day of steady slugging at the enemy. For Americans at home it was "big government request, a day of uninterrupted industrial production."

King George VI of Britain sounded the keynote for the United Nations when he declared it was extra effort that counted.

Apparently fearful the down-trodden peoples of occupied Europe would seize the day for new outbreaks of sabotage, the Germans were reported to have tightened policing of all subjugated areas.

The Algiers radio urged workers in France to strike from the historic hour of 11 a. m. until noon in the factories where they are forced to turn out war goods for their conquerors.

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Reverse Lend-Lease Assistance Includes Materials, Foodstuff

Washington, Nov. 11—(AP)—The British announced today that they have furnished more than \$1,000,000,000 worth of reverse lend-lease assistance to the United States and said the scope of their aid is now being broadened to include raw materials and bulk foodstuffs from both the United Kingdom and the colonies.

Their greatest assistance, for which specific figures were given only to last June 30, have been supplying base facilities, barracks, hospitals and the like for American air and land forces based in the British Isles.

Up to that time the total of mutual aid, as British lend-lease activities are called, amounted to \$871,000,000 to the United States and \$716,000,000 to Russia.

These figures, were contained in a British "white paper" released here and in London at the time of its presentation to Parliament. This is the first detailed report Britain's assistance to other United Nations.

Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir John Anderson, on presenting the report to the House of Commons, stated that Britain is "now furnishing huge supplies without payment and indeed without calculation" to the Allies, and expressed belief that "the vast extent of mutual aid which we are furnishing is not understood in this country, far less abroad."

The British report does not include reverse lend-lease supplied by Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and India, which have separate assistance agreements with the United States.

Air Forces Hit German Rail Routes

RAF and Planes From Mediterranean Attack France and Austria

London, Nov. 11—(AP)—Powerful Allied air forces in Britain and the Mediterranean theatre struck with their combined weight at Germany's vulnerable rail routes funneling into northern Italy through both the Brenner Pass from Austria and the Mount Cenis tunnel from France.

The RAF's heavy formations of four-engined raiders last night struck a concentrated blow at Modane, France, at the northern end of the Mount Cenis Alpine tunnel.

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Fresh Gains Are Made In Red Drive

Berlin Says Russian Heavy Offensives Open on Whole Front

London, Nov. 11—(AP)—Russian forces slogging through the wet snows of the western Ukraine toward Poland and Rumania were "pushing forward with far superior forces," the German communique said today.

Berlin broadcasts pictured the whole Russian front from the invested Crimea to the frozen fields around Novol abtze with heavy Soviet offensives.

A violent tank battle was reported near the White Russian rail center of Gomel where Berlin said the Russians attacked masses of tanks and planes in "with numerous rifle divisions, an attempt to break a narrow sector of the front along the Sozh river, tributary of the Dnieper. The Germans said they destroyed 217 tanks."

The fresh Russian gains presumably carried the Ukrainian armies closer than 40 miles from the rail center of Zhitomir, as reported at midnight by Moscow. At that time, the Russians were 42 miles, directly west of Kiev and lunging swiftly forward on a 70-mile front.

The German communique acknowledged the Russians had made a "local dent" in a fresh attack northeast of the Crimean port of Kerch and told of attacks around Perekop on the narrow land bridge lying the Crimea to the mainland.

Violent Russian attacks in force also were reported by Berlin north of the Dnieper bend from center of Krivoy Rog, northwest of Chernov above Kiev, and northwest of Smolensk. By German account, the Russians firmly held the initiative in all these engagements but the Nazis insisted they had repelled all the thrusts. The Germans said they were counterattacking successfully southwest of Kiev.

Plagued by rain, snow and fog of the approaching Russian winter, and reeling under the blows of the Russian forces, the Nazis were abandoning huge stores of food and war material in their flight, a Soviet communique declared. The bulletin said that the Russians, forming out on a 70-mile arc from Kiev, had overrun more than 60 towns—two of them district centers—and captured Kremenchuk, 40 miles northeast of Zhitomir and 48 miles southeast of Korosten, another rail center indispensable to German north-south communications.

The army thus was more than 12 miles due west of Kiev, in its possession since last Saturday. South of Kiev, Red army columns were beyond Vasilev, captured yesterday, and were less than 20 miles northeast of the rail city of Rybatskoye, Moscow declared.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA Fair, slightly colder in interior tonight with light to heavy frost

Army Troops Join Marines Fighting On Bougainville

Battle Tide Swings To American Forces; Japs Lose 60 Bombers

Southwest Pacific Allied Headquarters, Nov. 11—(AP)—Powerful reinforcements of regular U. S. Army troops, landed without loss from warship-guarded transports, fought today alongside the spearhead of Marines on Bougainville against badly decimated Japanese.

The tide of jungle battle—a welter of tanks, mortars and camouflaged men contending in the roughest type of terrain—swung definitely toward the invaders of the last big Solomon Island protecting the Nipponese fortress of Rabaul.

Our Bougainville operations were successful beyond our fondest expectations," said Rear Admiral Robert B. Carney after watching the soldiers swarm ashore and after seeing an enemy raiding air force lose 26 out of 60 dive bombers and fighters, without sinking one of the ships, in the convoy.

Bombing damaged one transport but Admiral Carney emphasized that "no boat was lost and all the ships got back to base."

This naval operation, in waters only 260 miles southeast of Japanese warships at Rabaul, afforded a striking contrast to Tokyo broadcasts that 36 Allied vessels, have been sunk recently, that it was Nippon's greatest triumph "since Pearl Harbor."

The army reinforcements landed Monday at Empress Augusta Bay, at that time, Japanese troops which went ashore the day before from 21 barges north of that beachhead to join with forces on the south in a pincer operation, had begun to infiltrate American lines.

The army units helped the Marines counterattack Monday. Two hundred and fifty Japs were estimated by Admiral Carney to have been slain in fighting Sunday and Monday.

Gov. Bricker To Enter Race For President

Washington, Nov. 11—(AP)—The 1944 presidential race had its first public entry today—the name of Governor John W. Bricker of Ohio for the Republican nomination—and political observers looked for the recent elections to encourage others to declare themselves.

Bricker's announcement in Chicago yesterday that he would enter Ohio's presidential primary May 9 was the first such declaration to come from a dozen possible candidates mentioned in both parties and the first from among the three most prominently discussed Republican possibilities. The other two Republicans are Wendell Willkie and Charles McNamara.

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Bag Pipe Drummer



MARINE Pvt. Joseph P. Scamille, Jr., of Newark, New Jersey, is in a class by himself. He is the drummer in the United States Marine Corps bag pipe band at Londonderry, Northern Ireland. U.S. Marine Corps photo. (International)

House Floor Tax Debates In Prospect

Washington, Nov. 11—(AP)—Prospects of lively House floor debates on wartime taxes were intensified today as the CIO and seven other organizations demanded drastic changes in the \$2,250,000,000 revenue bill framed by the Ways and Means Committee.

In a message to members of Congress, the organizations said the committee bill "does not tax adequately high personal income, the unparalleled corporate profits and large inheritances."

They urged the House to permit free debate and amendments when the tax measure is taken up, probably next Wednesday.

Specific proposals were made by CIO President Philip Murray and representatives of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, National Women's Trade Union League of America, League of Women Shoppers, National League of Women Shoppers, National Lawyers Guild and Consumers Union.

The committee bill is more than 30 percent short of the \$10,500,000,000 additional revenue requested by the administration.

Two Ports Are Wrecked By Germans

Eighth Army Advances Through Snowstorms And Takes Rionero

Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Nov. 11—(AP)—Skilled American mountain fighters of the Fifth Army stormed up the heights and drove the enemy from two mountains, including Mount Rotondo northwest of Mignano where the main inland road to Rome passes through the heavily fortified line that Nazi soldiers have been ordered to hold until New Year's. Allied headquarters announced today.

The Americans smashed forward against German counter thrusts to the peak of Mount Rotondo overlooking the broad valley leading to Cassino.

Meanwhile, an air force statement disclosed that the Germans already were blasting and wrecking ships and port facilities at both the west and east coast ports of Leghorn and Pescara, either in preparation for evacuation of these places or in fear of their seizure by Allied amphibious forces.

Simultaneously the Eighth Army of General Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, fighting through snowstorms in the Apennines, advanced five miles and captured Rionero, ten miles northeast of Salerno and five miles south of Castel di Sangro on an important trans-penninsula highway.

The Germans had burned and destroyed Rionero.

Meeting only light resistance, the Eighth Army also swept up to the south bank of the Sangro River which empties into the Adriatic and captured most of the territory on the south side of that stream along which the Germans had formed the eastern end of their "winter defense line."

Casualties In Italy Listed

Washington, Nov. 11—(AP)—Secretary of War Stimson reported today that army casualties in Italy since the landings at Salerno September 9 total 8,556, with 1,295 killed, 1,564 wounded and 2,479 missing.

The losses of British forces in Italy during the same period have been somewhat greater.

Stimson said at a press conference, but the exact British figures were not available.

Money Rate Is Declared Not Enough

Social Security Not As Secure As Appears, In Babson's Opinion

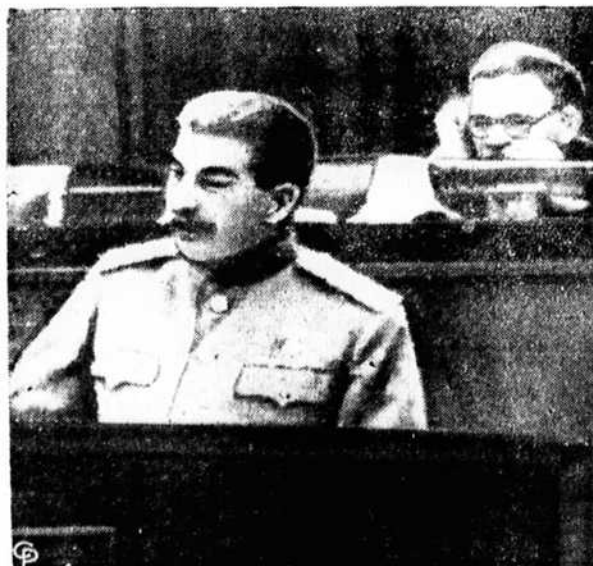
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New York, Nov. 11—First let me spend a good word for the trust companies and other banks which are taking care of trust funds. So far as the law permits they are doing a good job. Many more parents and grandparents should establish trust funds for those who are to follow. "Shrouds do not have pockets." To die without a will is a calamity. Leave your children something outright; but also be sure to put something in trust for them. Do it today.

Bonds May Become a Curiosity. People fail to realize how the market is being cleaned up of good bond issues. Outstanding bond issues are being redeemed or reduced rapidly and very few new issues are being put out. This accounts for the rapid increase in prices of preferred stocks, while common stocks are remaining stagnant. Trustees are being forced either to buy stocks or else government bonds for their beneficiaries. Certainly there is no sense of paying banks to invest in government bonds. A few wise trustees are hedging by buying investment trust securities, fire insurance stocks and

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STALIN SPEAKING AT CELEBRATION



WEARING A MARSHAL'S UNIFORM, Premier Josef Stalin addresses officials in Moscow during the celebration of the twenty-sixth anniversary of the Russian Revolution. Sitting behind the Soviet leader is President Mikhail S. Koshlov. (International Radiophoto)