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MacARTHUR GOES ASHORE ON LEYTE



A HISTORIC MOMENT is recorded in American history as Gen. Douglas MacArthur (left) and his chief of staff, Lt. Gen. Bernard Sutherland, wade ashore from landing craft on to a beach on Leyte Island. Japanese resistance has "practically ceased" on the island. (International)

Pitts and McLean Resign Jobs With State Prison

Grange Head Asks Higher Income For Farms After War

Richmond, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Harry Campbell, of Greensboro, president of the State Grange, today called for a postwar agriculture program which will raise the farmer's individual income to a level of that of the individual non-agricultural worker, and more representation of agriculture in the framing of the national economic structure.

Delivering his annual report to the convention of the State Grange, which held its first session here today, Campbell said that in returning to peace after the war, agriculture should be given bonafide representation on any agency clothed with authority to make trade agreements, and the right of Congress to revoke any proposed agreement should be recognized.

Broughton Leaves Appointments Of New Men to Cherry

Richmond, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Penal Director Oscar Pitts and Warden Ralph McLean, of Central Prison, have resigned, effective December 31, to operate the Asheville livestock market, Governor Broughton announced today.

Broughton said that since the effective date will be a few days prior to the expiration of his term of office, he would leave to his successors the matter of filling the vacancies, or to make appropriate recommendations to the State Highway & Public Works Commission, which has supervision of the penal system.

Broughton said that with regret that he accepted the resignation of Pitts and McLean, he recognized the sound personal and business reasons for this action, and expressed to both men my heartfelt good wishes for success in their new enterprise.

Cologne As War Center Being Razed

London, Nov. 1.—(AP)—More than 300 Lancasters and Hellcats struck the industrial section of Cologne last night for a fourth time. Mosquitoes had struck the arsenal on the Rhine with a low-level attack on the railway yards.

The RAF raids wound up a record month for American and British air forces—more than 600,000 flights by bombers and fighters. Approximately 400 planes were lost.

Cologne caught nearly 10,000 tons of bombs in four days, and eight raids in 72 hours.

The Allied air forces plan to knock Cologne out of the battle for the northern sector of the Siegfried line.

Hitler has been using Cologne both as an arsenal—it has more than thirty priority factories—and as one of his main traffic centers for supplying the western front, the RAF said today. "Troops and arms could be assembled conveniently in Cologne and there sent forward to any part of the front, which was being threatened."

During 29 nights the RAF and 20 days the eighth air force were over Germany, Cologne was bombed 18 times, lending weight to a terse statement.

"The aim of the strategic offensive is to make Cologne more of a liability than an asset."

American heavy bombers from the eighth air force in Britain and the fifteenth air force in Italy attacked targets in Germany on all but six days of October.

Cotton Sags After Start

New York, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened five to 25 cents a bale higher. Noon values were 52 cents a bale higher to five cents lower. December 21.60, March 21.71, May 21.72.

	Close	Open
December	21.61	21.63
March	21.69	21.70
May	21.70	21.72
July	21.50	21.53
October	20.72	20.77

JAPS BATTLE INTO KWEILIN STATION

Chungking, Nov. 1.—(AP)—The Japanese have battled into the north railway station of Kweilin, key defense center for southwest China, the Chinese high command announced tonight.

Heavy fighting was in progress in the eastern suburb of the capital, the Chinese admit, as three enemy columns continued their drive on the city.

(The Tokyo radio said Kweilin was wired on all sides as the Japanese were tightening the encirclement.)

TOKYO AND YOKOHAMA BOMBED

Sea Lane to Antwerp Almost Clear

Allies Land Force Upon Walcheren

Germans Concede Allied Menace To Defense Systems

London, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Allied amphibious forces have landed on the south shore of Walcheren Island and are assaulting the last Nazi gun positions blocking the sea lane to Antwerp, the Berlin radio declared today.

The Germans said the sea-borne strike was aimed at Flushing, on the lower tip of Walcheren, even as conditions to the west tonight across the narrow gateway from conquered South Beveland Island through a small enemy line.

The Allies landed on Walcheren after an artillery barrage from the south shore of the Scheldt estuary, only recently cleared of the Germans, the Berlin broadcast said. It gave no hint of the progress of the assault, and there was no Allied confirmation of such a landing.

Adding South Beveland Island and the area around it, however, in the same broadcast.

Three-quarters of Walcheren had been flooded by Allied bomb-bombing of its site, with sea water sweeping over some of the German batteries controlling the estuary approach to Allied-held Antwerp.

Eight miles northeast of Flushing, the Canadians had almost completely negotiated the 1,100-yard-long strip of causeway from Beveland to Walcheren, late yesterday, and the Canadians apparently still were 25 yards short of actually hitting onto Walcheren, blocked by a huge bomb crater and nesting concentrated artillery, mortar and machine gun fire.

Below the Maas river, Allied columns in pursuit of German equipment over the open beach a screen of stubborn rearguard action. All field dispatches indicated the Germans had generally succeeded in escaping an Allied trap.

U. S. TROOPS POUR ASHORE IN PHILIPPINES



THIS IS HOW THE BEACH at Leyte, in the Central Philippines, looked on Oct. 19 when the landing forces began pouring ashore through the surf from lines of landing craft. With this dramatic scene behind the invasion of the Philippines, which has seen the swift occupation of most of Leyte and the final island of Samar. The Japs have been driven into the wild hills of Leyte. (International Graphic)

U. S. Raid Is Reported By Tokyo Radio

Some Hints Given Of Fires Started By Bomb Explosions

(By The Association Press)

An "enemy raid" on the Tokyo-Yokohama section, the first in more than two years, was reported today, without confirmation, by Tokyo radio.

A stream of vague broadcasts, heard by Federal Communications Commission monitors, included evidence that factory workers "lost their calmness" after large fires possible had been started.

One Tokyo announcer issued fire precaution instructions, which included the warning that "Japanese homes are the target."

The Tokyo radio reported that "several enemy four-motored bombers" roared over the Japanese capital at 1 p. m. today, Japanese time.

An air raid alarm was sounded, and the air defense central headquarters issued instructions concerning an "enemy raid."

The broadcast first reported that enemy planes suddenly rained part of the Kamata region, an important industrial area on the southeastern side of Tokyo.

The use of the term "four-motored bombers" indicated the planes were B-29 Superforts. Although these giant planes have hit the Japanese home islands six times before, they had not previously reached Tokyo.

The capital was raided last on April 14, 1942, by carrier-launched bombers under Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle.

FCC monitors said reception was poor, and a complete check could not be obtained. A series of broadcasts followed the first reports of the enemy flight, and Japanese correspondents inside claimed the planes had been sent on a "Russell-type bombing raid" to cover the alleged "American debacle off Formosa and the Philippines before the election."

One later broadcast quoted reports that some of the factory workers lost their calmness. One of the announcers said in one follows instructions he will be able to put out the fire easily. This indicated, however, had been calmed, although none of the broadcast reports that bombs were dropped.

The announcer also warned the Japanese people that "there is no an ever stronger possibility of sudden death raids," adding "from now on, no matter what happens, one must devote strenuous efforts toward air defense."

Soviet Armor Is Pouring Into Breach In Nazi Hungary Line

Moscow, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Russian motorized infantry is clearing scattered enemy detachments from three sides of Keskemet, while other Red army troops are battling fiercely in the streets of the city, 41 miles southeast of Budapest, late front dispatches said today.

Soviet tanks, artillery and infantry are pouring into a 60-mile-wide breach in the enemy's defenses between the Danube and the Tisza rivers, dispatches added.

The Army newspaper Red Star disclosed that the new offensive aimed at Budapest got under way at least three days ago, and occurred in a narrow zone where the enemy concentrated an army of twenty odd tanks and 200 tanks.

Front dispatches said the Hungarian 23rd infantry division was virtually destroyed, a commander killed and the deputy commander and most of the staff captured in Soviet armor and a wave of burning German tanks into Red hands. Inside the city the enemy resisted stubbornly, Russian tanks in support of infantry beat off German armor counter attacks.

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Three Die With Burning South Boston Warehouse

South Boston, Va., Nov. 1.—(AP)—At least three persons lost their lives and three others suffered burns today in a fire which destroyed the Virginia-Carolina Tobacco Warehouse here.

The remains of two unidentified victims were found in the smoldering ashes this morning, while a Negro died of burns several hours after the early morning fire.

Search was under way for other possible victims, although the diving embers were still too hot for a thorough investigation, the mayor said.

The fire was believed to have been caused by the explosion of an oil stove in the warehouse's waiting room about 3:20 a. m. Some private automobiles, as well as seven or eight cars, were lost in the blaze, it was reported.

An estimated 100,000 pounds of tobacco in the building was lost.

Germans Ousted From Po Valley Italy Positions

Rome, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Eighty army forces have captured their disorganized armor, the Roman press said, and have cleared the Germans from Mellida, on the stream's west bank, Allied headquarters announced today.

German troops facing the army on the central sector south of Bologna were thrown into a series of heavy counter attacks yesterday in an effort to wipe out several Allied outposts. American forces, sometimes fighting hand-to-hand, aided their attack.

Americans Preparing For Decision in Philippines

General MacArthur's Headquarters, Philippines, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Doughboys of the 24th division smashed another Japanese guerrilla concentration and advanced to within five miles of the strategic coastal village of Carigara today, another American column on the coast breached itself for a possible climatic battle of Japanese counter attacks.

Retreating enemy forces blew up a bridge at the end of a town in the path of the advance and further advance appeared to be halted temporarily.

Two miles eastward the doughboys broke the back of another Japanese delaying concentration. A correspondent reported the Japanese raised the road with heavy and light artillery, mortars and machine guns, exacting a "considerable toll."

The Japanese withdrew only after Americans had hammered the roadside for hours. The second American column, the first cavalry division, was poised at a coastal town five miles from Carigara. The Japanese must stop both legs of the American advance or lose their last strategic base northeast of Leyte's

Germans Reveal Evacuation From Big Greek Port

Rome, Nov. 1.—(AP)—The German high command announced today its forces have evacuated Salonika, principal Balkan seaport and second city of Greece.

Allied headquarters disclosed earlier that British patrols had reached the city.

The Germans said, Salonika was evacuated in the course of our disengagement moves in the Balkans, unopposed by the enemy.

Salonika lies less than fifty miles from the border of Yugoslavia and Bulgaria. It was used as a base by Allied troops in the last war.

Stocks Firm Around Noon

New York, Nov. 1.—(AP)—Stock market prices today showed a tendency to harden on the moderately improved volume after a slow opening.

Higher were Southern Railway, Bethlehem Steel, Chrysler and General Electric.

ROMANIAN CABINET QUILTS ITS OFFICE

London, Nov. 1.—(AP)—The Rome radio reported today that the Romanian cabinet has resigned.

The broadcast gave no details, but said King Mihai had accepted the resignations. Earlier, the Moscow radio made a detailed report of demonstrations in Bucharest. The broadcast said the demonstrators demanded replacement of the government by a "national democratic front" regime.

Explosion Rocks Paris Suburb On De Gaulle Visit

Paris, Nov. 1.—(AP)—An explosion rocked a Paris suburb today fifteen minutes after General Charles De Gaulle had made one in a series of All Saints Day speeches there.

While it might have been an attempt against De Gaulle's life, French officials expressed the view it was sabotage, and was only coincidental with the speech.

The explosion, followed by other blasts heard for two hours, set off air raid sirens. The cause of the blast, the result of a bomb from an enemy plane, but the United States air force declared there had been no enemy planes in the Paris region.

WEATHER
FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Partly cloudy and slightly warmer tonight; Thursday partly cloudy and moderately warm.