Italians Cite Mud as Alibi

Greek Navy, Air Force in Fight Aiding Defense; West Europe Quiet

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raids yesterday, a communique said, but the casualties were light. The toll of victims in the first day's raid on the city reached 100 dead and 250 injured, however.

(By The Associated Press)

In their account, the Italians said their mile-and-a-quarter-a-day advance through rain and mud had reached beyond the Kalamas river, five miles from the border. The fascist land operations were paced by aid raids on the port of Patras, the Lepanto naval base, barracks in western Greece and highway junctions in the Kalamas valley.

At Patras the Italians reported loaded troop transports were hit, but failed to identify the troops. Salonika reports said the British had landed troops on undisclosed Greek islands.

The Greeks, counting heavily on British aid, were reported to have told their neighbor on the east, Turkey, that her help would not be needed. Authoritative quarters in Ankara added to this the statement that Turkey would enter the war only "in case of a Bulgarian attack on Greece or if Turkey's national interests are endangered."

Lone-Wolf Raiders Reach London Area

In Europe's other war theatre, murky skies and fog curtailed the German air siege of Britain, although some lone-wolf raiders roared through the night to drop bombs on London for the 55th night.

The RAF, driving home its own air offensive, reported tons of explosive and fire bombs dropped Wednesday night and early yesterday on the German invasion ports and on Germany's westernmost naval base at Emden.

In the far east, where the oldest current war is in progress, Japanese troops abandoned Kwangsi province and sailed for undisclosed ports. The Japanese said their withdrawel was voluntary; the Chinese said they pulled out because the Kwangsi campaign cost the invaders 74,000 men through death, injury, or illness.

Boards to Receive Master List Soon

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31—(AP)—Copies of the "master list" of draft lottery numbers were rushed to state selective service boards tonight as national headquarters strove to meet the army's timetable calling for induction, between November 1 and December 1, of the first 30,000 men to be given a year's military training.

Initial requisitions for trainees already have been sent to state governors by army corps area commanders. However, the 6175 local draft boards cannot begin selection of the men until they have the master lists. Questionnaires asking date for determining an individual's eligibility and fitness for service must be sent to draft registrants in the order in which their numbers were drawn in the national lottery.

Officials at draft headquarters said distribution of the lists to state organizations would be completed tonight except for the states nearest here which will be supplied tomorrow. Copies sent west of the Mississippi and to southern gulf states were airmailed.

Franklin, Junior, Not Certain how Ethel Will Vote

NEW YORK, Oct. 31—(AP)—Franklin D. Roosevelt, jr., said today he did not know how his wife, the former Ethel DuPont, would vote in Tuesday's election.

"I don't discuss politics with my wife and she does not discuss politics with her family," he said on arrival at LaGuardia field after a tour of 10 states. "Naturally being a DuPont she's kind of in the middle."

Roosevelt's trip took him to Pennsylvania, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, California, Oregon, Washington, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois.

"I am confident from what I observed," he said, "that the president will be reelected overwhelmingly."

Asked if those states were "safe for the president," he replied, "Yes, I would say so definitely."

Dr. Bruner Says Base Of Democracy Is Sound System of Education

EUGENE, Oct. 31—(AP)—Democracy rests on the base of a sound educational system, Dr. Herbert Bruner of Columbia university, New York, told Lane and Douglas county school teachers today.

Movie Actors to Speak For Different Parties

PORTLAND, Oct. 31—(AP)—A couple of movie actors will talk from opposite sides of the political fence in the windup of the presidential campaign in Oregon. Ralph Morgan will speak for Willkie and McNary here Friday. Melvyn Douglas for Roosevelt and Wallace Sunday.

Officer Decorated

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31—(AP)—Lieut. Col. Harold N. Gilbert will receive the distinguished service medal for his administration of the army's largest peacetime recruiting campaign in history, war department officials disclosed today.

Baby Costs His Parents $10,000 a Week

Frank Nichols, jr., not four months old and going to town on the bath table here, costs his parents 10,000 a week, but they say "He's worth every dime of it." It was because of the baby that the parents, known best as the team of Velez and Yolanda, turned down a dance offer for that sum. In their Hollywood residence they get a workout in their parents' roles.—AP Telemat.

Greece Pins Hopes on "Metaxas Line"

Despite heavy rains Italy pushed a two-pronged drive today toward Janina (1) but Greece put her hopes on her mountains and the "Metaxas line" of forts (shaded area) along the Albania, Jugoslavia and Bulgaria frontiers. Invaders said they reached the Kalamas river and bombed Metsovo. Arrows show the most favorable invasion routes: around Lake Ventrok to Florina; Koritsa to Kastoria, and through mountain passes and by coast to Janina. Only the principal mountains of northwest Greece are shown here. More Italian bombers found targets at Lepato, naval base, and other towns in the Patras area (2). Islands where British troops have landed are kept a military secret.—AP Telemat.

Mattress Factory Strike Under Way

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 31—(AP)—A strike of union workers closed six mattress factories and mattress divisions of Portland furniture plants today.

Company spokesmen said the controversy involved union demands for higher wages.

Plants involved were the Superbilt Manufacturing company, A. J. Poulin company, American Bedding company, Monte's Manufacturing company, the Pettit Feather & Bedding company and the Kimpton Western Mattress company.

Union officials said similar situations existed at Seattle and Tacoma.

Auto Tires Slashed

GRANTS PASS, Oct. 31—(AP)—Halloween vandals jumped the gun last night, slashing tires of three automobiles.

Call Board

ELSINORE

Today — "The Ramparts We Watch" made by the March of Time. "I'm Nobody's Sweetheart Now" with Helen Parrish and Dennis O'Keefe.

Saturday — Deanna Durbin in "Spring Parade." Ralph Bellamy in "Meet the Wildcat."

CAPITOL

Today—Boris Karloff in "The Ape." "Behind the Mask" with Boris Karloff.

Saturday — Ann Sothern in "Dulcy" with Ion Hunter. "That Gang of Mine" with the Dead End Kids.

STATE

Today — "Ghost Breakers" with Bob Hope and Paulette Goddard. "Safari" with Madeliene Carroll and Douglas Fairbanks, jr.

Saturday midnite show — "Andy Hardy Meets a Debutante," starring Mickey Rooney, Judy Garland and Lewis Stone.

GRAND

Today—John Barrymore, Mary Beth Hughes, Gregory Ratoff in "The Great Profile."

Saturday — Shirley Temple, Jack Oakie in "The Young People." Jean Rogers, Robert Sterling in "Yesterday's Heroes."

HOLLYWOOD

Today—William Boyd as Hopalong Cassidy in "The Showdown." Boris Karloff in "The Man With Nine Lives."

LIBERTY

Today—Roger Pryor, Muriel Evans in "Missing Girls." Conrad Veidt, Valerie Hobson in "U-Boat 29."

Bandit Relieves Theatre Of $125; Manager Walks

PORTLAND, Oct. 31—(AP)—Herbert B. Sobottka, manager of the Paramount theatre here, told police a well-dressed bandit entered his private office and robbed him of $125 today.

The robber forced Sobottka to walk out of the building and accompany him for several blocks.

Labor Requested To Assist Greece

ATHENS, Oct. 31—(AP)—Aristides Demetratos, under-secretary of labor and general secretary of the Greek national labor confederation, appealed by radio tonight to workers throughout the world to aid Greece in her defense against the Italian invaders.

He suggested that workers in neutral countries boycott Italian products and demand that their governments ban exports of raw materials and munitions to Italy.

He appealed to the workers of Italy to demand an end of the conflict, to those of Albania to rise against their Italian conquerers, and to those of other Balkan countries to help Greece's fight.

Los Angeles Men Hurt In Plunge off Bridge

ROSEBURG, Oct. 31—(AP)—W. V. McKee and W. D. Hendrix, both Los Angeles, suffered painful but apparently not serious injuries today as their automobile plunged 30 feet from the approach of a highway bridge over the South Umpqua river. They were brought to a hospital here.

Two Bodies Recovered From Willamette River

PORTLAND, Oct. 31—(AP)—Harbor patrolmen recovered the bodies of Ernest L. Gilbert, 80, and Katusiti Kirimoto, 53, from the Willamette river today. Gilbert had been missing from his home for two days. Kirimoto, an oiler on the Japanese freighter Tatsukami Maru, fell from the Crown Mills dock earlier in the week.

HOME OWNED
HOLLYWOOD 15
TODAY & SATURDAY 2 FEATURES
Wm. Boyd in "The Showdown"
Boris Karloff in "The Man with Nine Lives"
Also News, Popeye Cartoon and Chapter 3 of "Flash Gordon"

Bainbridge Colby Praises Willkie

St. LOUIS, Oct. 31—(AP)—Bainbridge Colby, secretary of state under President Woodrow Wilson, declared here tonight that Wendell L. Willkie is the "man of the hour" who has risen from the ranks of the American people to lead this nation safely through a crisis.

"I think, in common with my fellow Americans throughout the country, that this present grave crisis confronting us has again produced its man," Colby said in an address prepared for delivery before the St. Louis democratic Willkie club.

"That man is Wendell L. Willkie; not the self-styled indispensable man, but one from the vast reserves of conscience and ability, which the free institutions of America so richly nurture."

Blanton and Olney Go To California Terms

Two men serving terms in the Oregon state penitentiary yesterday started for California where they are wanted for parole violations.

The men are Marvel Blanton and Chester Olney.

Commutations of sentence were issued recently in both the Blanton and Olney cases so they might be returned to California.

Junior Class at U of O Jumps 20 per Cent, Year

EUGENE, Oct. 31—(AP)—The university of Oregon's junior class enrollment jumped 20 per cent this year over last, Assistant Registrar Clifford Constance said today. Total enrollment is up 3 per cent.

Injuries Prove Fatal

EUGENE, Oct. 31—(AP)—Allen O'Hearn, 29, died today of injuries suffered two weeks ago in a fall from a roof at Cottage Grove.

New STATE
Bob Hope
Paulette Goddard
"Ghost Breakers"
2ND HIT
"Safari"
Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.
Madeleine Carroll

Kneeing by Early Now Under Probe

Negro Policeman Reports He Was Kicked; FDR Aide Denies It

NEW YORK, Oct. 31—(AP)—The office of District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey today entered the investigation of the "kneeing" of a police officer by Presidential Secretary Stephen Early.

Acting District Attorney Milton Schilback, in the absence of Dewey who was on a speaking tour in the west, said Police Commissioner Lewis Valentine had been asked to forward the police department's report on the incident.

An officer, James Sloan, 42, a negro, was injured last Monday night at Pennsylvania station a short time before President Roosevelt's private train left for Washington.

A "police aided" card, signed by Sloan and filed at the West 30th street station, reported the officer had received his injuries with kicks by on Stephen Early." The card named two other officers as witnesses.

The incident was mentioned by Rep. Bruce Barton of New York, republican candidate for US senator, during a speaking tour in Harlem tonight.

After saying that he and Heavyweight Boxing Champion Joe Louis would make a tour of Harlem together tomorrow night, Barton said in one talk in a church:

"If Mr. Early needs more knee exercise, I hope he will meet up with us tomorrow night. I haven't seen him around here anywhere, have you?"

Louis, who was on the platform, urged the election of republican presidential nominee Wendell L. Willkie, saying there was "no future on relief and the WPA."

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31—(AP)—Stephen Early, secretary to President Roosevelt, issued a statement tonight apologizing to a New York negro police officer and the police commissioner there "for having had any part" in what he described as a "regrettable" altercation Monday night.

The presidential secretary prefaced his apology with the assertion that "I do not believe that I did anything wrong in this incident."

Early encountered a police detail in a lower level of the Pennsylvania station in New York while attempting to gain permission for a group of White House employes and newspapermen to board the special presidential train bound from New York to Washington.

The next day James Sloan, a 42-year-old negro patrolman, reported that he had been kicked in the abdomen. Early said in his statement that he did not "attack or kick any officer."

Chamberlain off To US Is Report

LONDON, Oct. 31.—(AP)—Former Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain was understood tonight to have left England because of the state of his health and to be on the way to California.

The word of his departure from England came through a trustworthy source from Birmingham. How he was traveling was not disclosed, and there was nothing to suggest how soon he might arrive in the United States except a rumor that he and his wife had been at sea for about 10 days.

Friends in Birmingham, the industrial town where he was born and lived in the stiff punctilio suggested by the famous umbrella with which his personality has been associated in the public mind, declined to say what route he had taken or where he would land.

They understood he sought sunshine on doctors' orders.

Frances Perkins Unhurt in Crash

WOOLWICH, Me., Oct. 31—(AP)—Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins was shaken up but uninjured when her automobile and another collided head-on here today.

The secretary, accompanied by two other women and her chauffeur, all of whom were unhurt, was enroute to her summer home at Newcastle. The party continued the journey.

Occupants of the other automobile also escaped injured.

SALEM'S NEWEST THEATRE
LIBERTY
TODAY AND SATURDAY
The inside revelations of the "port of missing girls," by the author who dared to tell.
MISSING GIRLS
Martin MOONEY
Roger PRYOR
MURIEL EVANS
Plus 2nd Hit
U-BOAT 29
PLUS CHAP. 3
"Drums of Fu Manchu"
10c
Cartoon NEWS
15c

New Coast Guard Patrol Plane

The coast guard's newest and biggest flying boat, an unarmed counterpart of the navy's latest PBY Patrol Bombers (consolidated), wings over San Diego bay in one of a series of shakedown test flights. With a range estimated at some 4000 miles, it will be used primarily for rescue work but can be adapted to armed patrol work. —AP Telemat.

Neutrality Force Being Augmented

KEY WEST, Fla., Oct. 31—(AP)—Three more destroyers were hastily loaded with stores and ammunition today and sped southward from Key West, base for the United States neutrality patrol.

Five of the fleet war craft left Tuesday. Three of the 11 seaplanes which winged away at the same time returned today.

(The Miami Herald said it had "learned unofficially that the concentration of United States seapower now under way is near St. Lucia."

(It is about 25 miles south of Martinique, French-owned island.)

Arming for Peace Wallace Declares

NEW YORK, Oct. 31—(AP)—Democratic vice-presidential nominee Henry A. Wallace tonight described as "desperate" Wendell L. Willkie's charge that if President Roosevelt were re-elected, the country, on the basis of his "past performances and promises," might expect war by next April.

The charge, Wallace told an American labor party rally at Madison Square Garden, was "another last minute scheme to snare votes by a party so desperate that it will stoop to anything to stave off defeat."

"We are arming for peace," Wallace said in departing from a prepared text. "We are arming to be so strong that we will not be threatened. That is the purpose for which millions of young Americans have registered."

Legislators' Pay Increase Backed By Head of State

"The present wage of $8 per day for legislators, limited to a 40-day session is inadequate and unjust," was the comment of Gov. Charles A. Sprague yesterday when asked as to his attitude on the proposed constitutional amendment fixing the pay at $8 per day for a 50-day session.

"The present rate was fixed when the constitution was drawn up in 1857. The proposed revision is a belated recognition that a change should be made by way of fair treatment to men and women who serve the state in the legislature," was the further comment of the governor.

Last Day The Great Profile with John Barrymore "GIRL IN 813"
Tomorrow
Shirley TEMPLE
in her LATEST AND HAPPIEST HIT
The Young People
JACK OAKIE and CHARLOTTE GREENWOOD
Plus "Yesterday's Heroes" with
JEAN ROGERS - ROBERT STERLING
TED NORTH - KATHARINE ALDRIDGE

Democracy Dead Is Laval Belief

By ROY P. PORTER

PARIS, Oct. 24.—(Delayed—via Berlin)—(AP)—Pierre Laval says he believes democracy is dead all over the world.

The vice-premier of France told me this in a broad review of the international system just before he initiated the conferences with Adolf Hitler which intrigued the world this week.

He gave me the definite impression that he earnestly desires the defeat of England. And all authorized sources here now agree that Laval's subsequent conference with the German fuehrer had more to do with a continuation of the present war than an effort to stop it.

I saw Laval behind his littered desk in the Hotel Matignon.

He declared that he was staking the future of France on collaboration with Germany, and that France's future depended upon the friends she made at the present time.

The almost unopposed victories of the totalitarian powers in the last year convinced him, he went on, that democracy is lost in all countries.

Submarine's Crew Saves Galley Boy

LONDON, Oct. 31—(AP)—The German crew of an Italian submarine which torpedoed the Canadian freighter St. Malo rescued the ship's galley-boy, gave him a gulp of rum and sent him aboard one of the St. Malo's lifeboats, it was disclosed tonight.

Twenty eight men were lost with the St. Malo, a former French ship. Sixteen, including Galleyboy Joseph Hazel of Windsor, Ont., have reached a United Kingdom port.

Hazel said he was thrown into the sea during the attack, and swam until exhausted. As he despaired of life, the submarine broke the surface beside him and German seamen tossed him a line.

Refreshed by the rum, Hazel then was put in the lifeboat with a gift of cigarettes. The submarine crew shouted "good luck" and moved off to shell the St. Malo with a deck gun to make sure she sank.

Over 75 Injured As Trains Crash

Telescope Over Street in Philadelphia but No One Gravely Hurt

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 31—(AP)—Between 75 and 100 persons were injured late today when a crowded commuters' electric train rammed into the rear of a Bethlehem, Pa., express on a bridge which carries the Reading Railroad tracks over Broad street in busy North Philadelphia.

The trains, witnesses said, telescoped with a thundering crash that tossed passengers from their seats. None was believed to have been hurt critically, however.

Rescue workers — policemen, firemen, railroad employes and physicians from 10 hospitals — pulled a dozen persons from the wreckage unconscious. Others stumbled onto the tracks and were taken to hospitals after hastily-administered first aid.

The scene of the wreck lies high above the street and it was necessary for rescue workers to carry the victims down a steep flight of 40 steps to ambulances waiting below. The crash occurred at the peak of home-bound suburbanite and inter-city traffic.

Witnesses said the six car electric train crashed into the rear of the steam-drawn express—a few minutes after both had left the Reading terminal at Market street in the heart of the city.

Cause of the collision was not immediately determined.

Whales Neglect To Play Encore

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 31—(AP)—Only the rain disturbed the surfaces of the Columbia and Willamette rivers today where the fins and rails of Willie and Winnie, the fresh-water whales, splashed water yesterday.

Although hundreds of river-bank spectators watched the two marine visitors cavort nobody saw them today in either river.

The animals, variously identified as killer whales and cozy blackfish and variously measured at 15 to 30 feet overall, apparently swam into the Columbia after smelt and then wandered upstream until they got into the Willamette.

Charges Heard Against 11 for FHA Violations

PORTLAND, Oct. 31—(AP)—Federal Judge James A. Fee today began hearing the charges against 11 men accused of attempting to negotiate excessive loans for FHA home improvements.

CAPITOL
LAST TIMES TODAY
Boris KARLOFF THE APE
COMPANION HORROR HIT
Jack Holt - Boris Karloff
"BEHIND THE MASK"
STARTING SATURDAY
THE BOISTEROUS STAGE HIT
Dulcy
ANN SOTHERN
and ION HUNTER - ROLAND YOUNG
— COMPANION HIT —
THE "DEAD END KIDS"
"THAT GANG OF MINE"
There's Action and Thrills With a Punch!

WARNER'S ELSINORE SALEM'S LEADING THEATRE
LAST TIMES TODAY
"THE RAMPARTS WE WATCH"
See Hitler's "Baptism of Fire"
—PLUS—
DENNIS O'KEEFE - CONSTANCE MOORE
"I'M NOBODY'S SWEETHEART NOW"
STARTS SATURDAY
with Dancing, Romancing
Live! Laugh! Love!
Deanna DURBIN
Spring Parade
A Henry Koster Production with
Robert CUMMINGS Mischa AUER
Henry Stephenson Anne Gwynne
Allyn Joslyn Franklin Pangborn
BUTCH and BUDDY
—COMPANION FEATURE—
Ralph Bellamy and Margaret Lindsay in
"MEET THE WILDCAT"
SEE IT IF YOU DARE . . . IT'S A CHILLER-DILLER!