

Americans Told Leave Nippon

Tokyo Pessimistic; Moscow Sees Peril; Axis Shows Power

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Such steel land ships were in action, but their numbers had been far diminished by heavy losses on both sides and the course of the struggle thus changed; the British reverted mainly to ancient practice—the rifle, the bayonet, the blockade—and appeared to be slowly cutting their way forward generally.

In the Russian campaign, meanwhile, soviet sources asserted that the southern red army holding the Caucasus approaches was continuing a major counter-offensive which already had driven the Germans back as much as 60 miles in some sectors above and to the west of Rostov on the Don river.

Russian counter-action on the northern flank likewise was claimed to have resulted in the recapture of part of the town of Tikhvin, east of Leningrad, and to have regained strategic river positions near Leningrad itself.

Moreover, the soviet command in its communique for Wednesday morning admitted that fighting had reached Stalingrad, 60 miles east of the Tula sector and about 120 miles southeast of the capital. This represented a deep German penetration below Moscow to the east and although it brought the nazis no nearer to the capital itself it plainly was a grave setback for the Russians and apparently represented an attempt at distant encirclement.

The soviet government acknowledged that the Russian armies had lost 7,122,000 men in killed, wounded or missing since the start of the invasion, but put German casualties at 6,000,000.

Moscow put Russian losses in material at 7,900 tanks, 6,400 planes, 12,900 guns; but against this claimed that the nazis had lost more than 15,000 tanks, 13,000 planes and 9,000 guns.

In Libya the battle was settling down to one principally of endurance.

On his right wing—that beating forward in the bloody battle area around Regezh just below Tobruk on the Mediterranean—Sir Alan Cunningham was sending up heavy reinforcements of infantrymen, depending upon his superior communications to break the axis forces under the German General Erwin Rommel.

While Berlin claimed that Rommel also was bringing up reserves, Cairo reported there was no sign that he was getting new support of consequence.

The British position thus appeared the more favorable, in view of the fleet's command of the Mediterranean, but the quick and decisive victory that had been so eagerly sought in London did not seem in sight.

Both sides showed the strongest disinclination to make sweeping claims. The British command said in effect that there had not been time as yet to determine who had been more seriously hurt in the loss of mechanized equipment. The German press took the line: "The Libyan battle is no picnic."

While Sir Alan's columns of the right were inching forward toward Tobruk both from the east and south, his extreme left still appeared to be sweeping unopposed, along a line far to the south, toward the Gulf of Sirte and during the day announced the capture of the town of Agila above the oasis of Gialo.

This thrust, which had carried more than 200 miles from its starting point about Giarabub near the Egyptian frontier, seemed restrained only by the problems of supply and British informants said that if those problems could be adequately reached the sea and thus cut off northern Libya and block exit to the west.

In the west these were the day's principal developments:

1. The British, answering a German claim that an attempt by British patrols to land on the French coast had been thrown back with heavy losses, announced that a small detachment in fact had raided the German-held coast of French Normandy Sunday night and returned intact.

This disclosure of new activity, presumably by Britain's commando troops, was coincident with a denunciation of Britain's war policy makers by Admiral of the Fleet Sir Roger Keyes, a World War hero who was recently relieved as head of the Commandos.

Sir Roger declared that these policy makers, overriding even Prime Minister Churchill, had blocked what could have been a major offensive effort by the Commandos a year ago and had in fact frustrated him "in every worthwhile offensive action" which he had sought to make.

"Until the staff system is thoroughly overhauled," he added, "we shall always be too late in everything we undertake."

2. The Germans, signing up several new satellites to the anti-comintern pact, made on the occasion a demonstration against Moscow, London and Washington, but so far as was learned nothing of consequence was otherwise accomplished.

View of Bauxite Mines in Dutch Guiana



Here is a bauxite mine on the Surinam river at Paramaribo, Dutch Guiana. It was announced in Washington, DC, that a force of US troops has arrived in Dutch Guiana to protect the bauxite mines.

Dutch Guiana Welcomes US

FDR Sends Sympathy In Death of Chile President Cerda

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8½ years that he had had to go to such a length.

Mr. Roosevelt did not go into the context of the article but he said that it had caused the United States government to apologize to the Chilean government for what he called a disgusting lie.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—(AP)—Two United States military officials Tuesday protested Finnish army operations as an offensive threat to the delivery of lend-lease supplies to Russia via Murmansk.

Reinforcing previous United States requests to the Finns to stop fighting Russia, Secretary of War Stimson and Major General James H. Burns, deputy lend lease administrator, hinted broadly that continued cooperation by Finland with Russia's Nazi invaders might produce some counter move by this country.

Their statements followed Finland's signing of a new anti-comintern pact with Germany, thereby apparently diminishing if not ending entirely any chance that she would fade out of the Russo-German conflict.

Two or three check-moves were considered possible. One would be to recall Minister H. F. Arthur Schoenfeldt from Helsinki.

Another might be to revoke formally an estimated \$15,000,000 of credits remaining in Finland's export-import bank account out of a total of \$30,000,000 originally extended. Nothing has been paid out on these credits since President Roosevelt froze the assets of all European nations last June.

The statements by Stimson and Burns were issued through the war department's public relations office. Brigadier General Alexander D. Surles said that requests had been made to the secretary for an explanation of the Finnish military situation.

Control Board Okehs Dallas Paving Bid

The state board of control Tuesday approved the bid of the Dallas Machine Works, covering the purchase of three paving plants to be used by the state highway commission in carrying out its new program of repairing and maintaining certain streets in Oregon towns and cities damaged by heavy log hauling operations.

The highway commission recently set aside \$250,000 for this purpose.

State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock told the board that three bids were received but one of them failed to comply with the specifications. State Treasurer Leslie M. Scott asked if the paving contractors had any objection to the state going into the paving business. Baldock replied that the contractors withdrew their objections when they found that the work proposed by the state was not in line with their operations.

The bid of the Dallas concern was \$37,500.

Portland Fire Losses Mount

PORTLAND, Nov. 25.—(AP)—Portland's fire damage this year totals more than \$900,000 and Fire Marshal Fred W. Roberts said Monday night that the city would have its greatest loss in a decade.

Sunday's Arden Farms company fire added \$200,000 to the total. Last year's losses were only \$450,561.

King Postpones Visit

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—(AP)—King George II of Greece has postponed until January his projected visit to this country, originally planned for late this month. Nicholas G. Lely, Greek consul general in New York, said Tuesday. No reason for the change in plans was given.

Salem School Board Approves Alteration of Buildings

Four bids for the 1941-42 wood supply for Salem public schools were referred by the board of directors Tuesday night to the supplies committee, which has power to act. Low bid was submitted by Roy G. Lively of \$3.50 per cord on 300 cords of second growth fir.

Other business of the board was headed by approval of alterations at Parrish, Highland and Leslie schools. Heat is to be provided in the Parrish shops by used radiators which the district has, replacing wood stoves. One end of the shop building is to be extended.

Contract for repairing the ceiling of the Leslie junior high school auditorium was canceled, and the work is to be done by the district. Alterations at Highland school for a hot lunch project were approved, as was the installation of built-ins in an art room at Parrish.

Resignation of Isabel Bartlett, Highland sixth grade teacher, was accepted. Edmund Attebury, who has been a permanent substitute, is to be given a contract, and Mrs. Doreen Shogren is to be continued on a permanent substitute basis for the remainder of the year.

Sunday use of the senior high school auditorium was granted. Willamette university for a program February 1 and the national preaching mission for one Sunday in February.

The directors favored joining in a request to the state highway department for a survey as to possibilities of rerouting trucks which now use Capitol street directly in front of Parrish junior high school.

A contract was authorized with the Clackamas non-high school board for one student at the senior high school.

No action was taken on a request from the Salem Teachers' council for pay deductions to pay premiums on group insurance which is being considered.

Hard Quake Hits Lisbon

Tumbler Most Violent Since 1755; Reports Indicate None Hurt

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rushed from their homes as a few chimneys toppled and some telephone lines were disrupted. Fire brigades promptly put out small fires.

The same alarm was caused in Madeira and the Azores, but advances from those islands shortly before midnight said no serious damage resulted.

Amorim Ferreira, director of the Lisbon observatory, said the violence of the tremors broke his seismograph.

FUNCHAL, Madeira, Nov. 25.—(AP)—An earthquake shook this Atlantic island for 2½ minutes Tuesday. The population was frightened but there were no casualties and only minor damage was done.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—(AP)—The Rev. Joseph J. Lynch, Fordham university seismologist, said Tuesday night that if Tuesday's earthquake originated somewhere in the Atlantic ocean—as estimated by many authorities—its effect on any submarines near its center would have been "terrific."

Asked how serious such an undersea shock would be for submarines, he replied:

"Well, I wouldn't want to be on one."

"The concussion you'd get in the near neighborhood of an undersea quake would come as a sharp impact even to an ocean liner," he added. "It would strike as a hammer blow and knock passengers to their knees."

Placing the probable epicenter of the quake at a point 2700 miles from New York "and possibly between the Azores and Lisbon," he said that such a major undersea disturbance might cause a "water-wave."

Plan Orient Service

SEATTLE, Nov. 25.—(AP)—The Yukon Southern Air Lines plans to start landplane service to the Orient by way of the Arctic circle "just as soon as we get planes and permission," George William Grant McConachie of Edmonton, company president, said Tuesday.

Basin Official Reports Work

Kipp Asserts Project Will Have Funds for Oregon Construction

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ing as one of the 34 representatives from Oregon. Sixteen states were represented at what he declared was one of the association's largest sessions.

Sen. Douglas McKay of Salem was elected as the first and to date the only far western director of the Mississippi Valley association at that organization's meeting in St. Louis, Kipp reported. The association which, he declared, voted almost unanimously in opposition to the much-talked St. Lawrence project suggested that congress study all other rivers and harbors projects individually. Kipp is a member of the association's natural resources and projects committee.

The Oregon commission's secretary is also a member of the projects committee of the Rivers and Harbors congress which met in special session November 13-14 in Miami.

In both St. Louis and Miami meetings much consideration was given to flood control projects," he said here Wednesday night, reporting that several new projects were offered to his committee at the Miami session.

The North Santiam dam has been authorized in the omnibus flood control bill which has been passed by congress and signed recently by the president, he pointed out in discussing the status of the valley project, and while money has not yet been appropriated and allocated to it, there is every likelihood, he believes, that it is to be next on the list of the valley dams.

In addition, the rivers and harbors bill reported on favorably by the house committee contains authorization for the \$3,500,000 large lock at Oregon City and the Umatilla dam and improvement of the Snake river at Lewiston, Idaho, he said.

The state supreme court, by a 4 to 2 decision, Tuesday affirmed Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker, Multnomah county, in a suit brought by Mrs. Matilda Allen Voyt, Roseburg, to recover damages from the Bekins Moving and Storage company, for the loss of some priceless sterling silver.

The lower court awarded a judgment of \$4134.50 in favor of the plaintiff.

Listed among the articles lost were a snuff box presented to an ancestor by George Washington and a pearl brooch presented to the plaintiff's grandmother by Princess Eugenie of France when the grandmother was presented to court.

Mrs. Voyt alleged that she stored the silver in a vault at the Bekins company and it was stolen. The company contended that its liability was restricted to \$250 by a warehouse receipt. She sued for \$7940.

The opinion was written by Justice James T. Brand with Justices John L. Rand and George Rossman dissenting.

FDR Approves WPA Project

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25.—(AP)—The president has approved three Oregon WPA projects, Senator McNary has advised Tuesday. They were: Portland, \$280,854 for sewer system improvement; Independence, \$56,390 to improve the sanitary system, and LaGrande, \$18,907 for an emergency airport.

Final Rites Set For Gen. White

Full Military Escort Planned at Funeral; Pallbearers Named

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as adjutant general of Oregon for many years.

Honorary pallbearers from the 41st division will include Brig. Gen. Jesse C. Drain, Brig. Gen. Marshall G. Randol, Col. Herbert G. Lauterbach, Col. Cecil C. Bagley, Lt. Col. John T. Murray, Lt. Col. Charles Fertig, Lt. Col. Charles W. Hendrickson and Col. Clarence A. Orndorff.

Other honorary pallbearers include Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt, Maj. Gen. Kenyon A. Joyce, Gov. Charles A. Sprague, Maj. Gen. Charles H. Martin, Brig. Gen. Thomas E. Rilea, Mayor Earl Riley of Portland, Secretary of State Earl Snell, State Treasurer Leslie M. Scott, P. L. Jackson, publisher of the Oregon Journal, Palmer Hoyt, publisher of the Oregonian, Marshall N. Dana, Maj. Gen. Walter F. Story, Lt. Col. Walter J. DeLong, Brig. Gen. R. S. Egan, Col. Ralph P. Cowgill, Donald J. Sterling, managing editor, Portland Journal, former Portland Mayor Joseph K. Carson, Jr., Merle R. Chessman, Astoria publisher, Dr. Paul I. Carter, Aaron M. Frank, Sen. F. M. Francisovich, Claude Ingalls, Corvallis publisher, Louis Lachmund, C. B. McCullough, T. O. Russell, Dr. John C. Evans, Justice John L. Rand, Federal Judge James A. Fee, Philip H. Parrish, Col. H. C. Lauterbach, R. G. Callvert, Paul Wallace, Maj. William R. Logus, Col. W. D. Jackson, Col. Harry C. Brumbaugh, Lee Patterson, Lt. Col. George L. Dutton, Sen. Rufus Holman, Sen. Charles L. McNary, Maj. George Sandy.

There will be no hurry on the part of Gov. Charles A. Sprague in appointing an adjutant general of Oregon to succeed Major General George A. White, who died at his Clackamas home last Sunday, he indicated Tuesday.

Lieut. Col. Elmer V. Wootton has been serving as acting adjutant general since Gen. White went to Fort Lewis, Wash., in command of the 41st division, national guard.

"There is no immediate need for a full-time adjutant general since there are no national guard troops in Oregon at the present time," Gov. Sprague declared.

Wootton also is state selective service director.

Persons close to Gov. Sprague predicted that either Wootton or Brig. Gen. Thomas E. Rilea would be appointed permanent adjutant general when the announcement is made. Rilea is now in command of the 41st division at Fort Lewis.

Joseph K. Carson Jr., Oregon commander of the American Legion, directed all Oregon Legion posts to drape department and post colors with the official badge of mourning for 30 days in honor of the general.

Idaho Swept By Montana High Winds

WALLACE, Idaho, Nov. 25.—(AP)—High wind which raged over western Montana Monday night spilled over into Idaho far enough to "black out" several communities in the Coeur d'Alenes and to rip out power lines to several of the district's mines.

Mullan and Duthie both were thrown into darkness when toppling trees broke power lines and Wallace and Burke were intermittently light and dark.

The Jack Waite, Star, Atlas, Polaris and Golconda mines were without power for a part of the evening.

HELENA, Mont., Nov. 25.—(AP)—Montana communities blacked out and isolated when Monday night's high winds ripped down power and communication lines, returned to normal Tuesday while a gradual cessation of "the big blow" was forecast.

Heaviest property damage appeared to have been in Corvallis, in the Bitter Root valley, where a frame business block burned to the ground at midnight while power lines were down.

The Montana highway department reported the Chinook (a warm wind) had cleared ice and snow from virtually all roads in the lower levels and had eaten into snow in mountain sections.

Normal airplane service was resumed over the state.

Late Sports

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—(AP)—Tony Musto, 204½, upset Chicago heavyweight who went nine rounds with Champion Joe Louis in St. Louis last spring, was held to a draw Tuesday night by Buddy Knox, 192½, Dayton, Ohio, in a blistering eight-rounder.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 25.—(AP)—Clarence Rowland formally stepped in as head of the Los Angeles baseball club Tuesday, but announcements on changes of playing and executive personnel must wait until the diamond veteran and Manager Arnold Stans attend the coming national baseball conventions.

War Analyst Sees Only Victory For British in Libya Drive; Says Navy Holds Power Balance

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
(Special to The Statesman)

Hints from Cairo that the crucial tank battle in Libya has slowed almost to a standstill would be bleak tidings for the British except for two circumstances.

One is the scarcity of German and Italian reinforcements due to the British navy's raids on axis supply lines in the Mediterranean. The other is the Cairo report that imperial infantry is being rushed into the fight south of Tobruk to settle the issue hand-to-hand with the foe.

Work Reserve Program Told

Post War Employment Cushion Planned by Agency in Salem

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to work especially with the Oregon Economic council, board of higher education, Association of Oregon Counties and League of Oregon Cities.

Similar groups are to be utilized in the cities, counties and other units, such as school, power and irrigation districts. It is expected in Salem the Ten-Year Plan commission organized several months ago will be called into increased activity.

The objectives of the program, which was established July 1, as stated by Bartlett, include the promotion of long-range planning so that programs of worthwhile work will be available when needed, on a priority basis of relative need and expediency.

The planning is to include preparation of plans and specifications and analysis of the financial aspects. A six-year program period is advocated as the most convenient and practicable. It would include annual projection and revision, with only a single year budgeted.

Strike Halt Plan Told

House Committee to Get FDR Approval; Price Control Row

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price-fixing bill reached the amendment stage in the house Tuesday night in a confusion which threatened, some members said, to send it back to the banking committee for sweeping revisions.

As general debate drew to a close, both democrats and republicans forecast freely that the house would reject a proposed "over-all" control plan as a substitute for the committee bill but many expressed doubt that the latter could pass in the form desired by the administration.

Republican leaders predicted emphatically that their colleagues would be solidly against granting authority eagerly sought by the administration to license dealers who sell regulated commodities and to engage in large-scale buying and selling of any commodity for the purpose of stabilizing prices.

Under administration urging, the banking committee reversed itself on both provisions and agreed, by strictly party votes, to offer amendments to restore them to the bill.

County Sites Survey Told

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east of the Willamette river; site level to gently roll; about 10 per cent would require some drainage; soil generally loam; rail track through tract; water lines near and power lines to site; approximately 200 acres in crops; 100 in pasture, 100 in timber.

Site B, 23 acres—Located immediately beyond Southern Pacific underpass; generally level, subsoil clay; rail track along west boundary; water and power service; all in pasture.

Site C, 12 acres—A triangular tract about 150 yards north of the city limits; about five acres in the west part level and about six feet above railway grade, rest 10 to 15 feet below railway grade; subsoil generally loam; water and power available; house located on level portion, rest in pasture and woodland.

Site D, 25 acres—On the south city limits with about two-thirds outside the city; level with gravel subsoil; rail track forms the west boundary; water and power lines near; house and farm buildings on the site; about 20 acres in crops.

Site E, five acres—in the northwest part of the city industrial area, with 500 feet of frontage on the river; generally level with gravel soil; partly covered with trees and underbrush along the river; border near the river railroad forms part of the east boundary and a spur extends onto the south side of the tract; served by water and power utilities; gravel plant now in operation on the site, but plant and buildings available for sale or lease with the property; owners would consider constructing other buildings for lease.

Site F, 65 acres—Adjacent to West Salem in Polk county; approach to rail and highway bridges crossing Willamette river; gently rolling and sloped toward river, being occasionally subject to overflow in event of high water; loam over gravel subsoil; water and power accessible; about 10 acres in orchard, balance pasture and woodland.

Site G, 35 acres—in Polk county inside West Salem city limits; generally level; gravel subsoil; railway 100 yards to south; served by water and power; most in crops, about 10 per cent wooded.

Site H, 55 acres—in Polk county on West Salem city limits along Willamette river; approximately five acres on higher level of the highway and railway tracks; balance along river at lower level subject to occasional overflow; water and power accessible; gravel plant; served by 2000 volt power line with 50,000 volt line nearby; on east part are greenhouses, hop vines, residence and number of farm buildings; about two-thirds of the area in crops.

Railroad Wage Parley Snags

Fact Finding Board Takes Jurisdiction When Meeting Fails

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organized brotherhoods of welders, cutters and helpers, said he was dissatisfied with a settlement of their demands for autonomous unions within the AFL. He sought a new conference with Sidney Hillman, OPM labor chief.

Hillman last week said the AFL would grant the welders a "universal transfer" card, good in any AFL jurisdiction, but Payne insisted the welders want "complete autonomy."

The welders have struck several times over the issue in west coast shipyards, and a group of them quit their jobs Monday at the Riggs-Distler Pipe company, Morgantown, W. Va. A spokesman said it was in protest against "racketeering" which might require them to belong to 17 different AFL unions in order to work.

The three-man arbitration board in the Capital coal mine dispute gathered in New York for the opening of its proceedings today.

Dr. John R. Steelman, director of the federal conciliation service; John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, and Benjamin Fairless, president of the United States Steel corporation, seek to iron out the issue which brought about a week's strike in the Captive pits owned by the steel firms.

PORTLAND, Nov. 25.—(AP)—Northwest farm and livestock leaders, in telegrams to President Roosevelt Tuesday, said continued operation of railroads was vital, but that they should not be taken over by the government.

Fifteen farm group representatives, urging settlement of the threatened strike by railroad brotherhoods and non-operating unions, advised against government operation in view of the disastrous results from emergency taking of railroad operation by the government in 1918.

Rites Held for Eldridge Man

ELDRIDGE—Funeral services for William M. Keene, 85, were held Monday in Salem at W. T. Rigdon chapel.

Reverend W. Williams officiated. Concluding services were in Mt. Crest Abbey mausoleum.

Mr. Keene was an old-time resident of this place. A daughter, Mrs. Mickel Filsinger also lives here.

Two brothers also survive. They are George Keene of Portland, and Joe Keene of Nevada City, Calif.

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