

ALLIES GAIN RAPIDLY



A German machine gun crew, captured by members of an infantry regiment of the Fifth division during fighting in Metz, march to the rear with their belongings. (AP wirephoto from Signal Corps radiophoto).

Eisenhower Says Allied Pressure on Germans Will Increase Steadily

By James M. Long
SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Paris, Nov. 21-(AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme commander of the allied forces in western Europe, declared today that there had been some reason to believe Germany might have cried quits after the battle of France, but that Adolf Hitler and his gestapo had managed to maintain their pistol-in-the-back control of the reich and that the war had become a fight to the death for the German people.



By Charles A. Sroog

Congressman Sol Bloom, when congress reconvened, proposed a constitutional amendment to change the requirement for ratification of treaties from a two-thirds vote of the senate to a simple majority of both houses of congress.

The subject came up in the late campaign, the republican platform standing by the present text of the constitution on the making of treaties: by the president, "by and with the advice and consent of the senate... provided that two-thirds of the senators present concur."

The controversy between the executive, represented by the department of state, and the senate, jealous of its constitutional prerogative in foreign affairs, is very old. President Washington had quite a time getting approval of the Jay treaty with Great Britain. It took the help of Col. William J. Bryan (well-remembered as a presidential candidate but not as colonel of a Nebraska regiment in the Spanish war) for President McKinley to get the senate to ratify the treaty with Spain to end the war of 1898.

Perhaps the strongest foe of senatorial authority in treaty-making was John Hay, whom McKinley appointed

Log Accident Report Upset

State industrial accident Commissioner T. Morris Dunne Tuesday branded as false a statement attributed to Roland P. Blake, Washington, DC, senior safety engineer for the US department of labor, that Oregon had 60,000 logging accidents in 1943.

The statement was reported to have been made in Portland. Dunne said Oregon actually had only 4300 logging accidents with 56,000 accidents in all Oregon industries reported to the commission.

Nimitz Raises Jap Plane Toll in U. S. Manila Raid

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, Nov. 21-(AP)—American carrier based planes destroyed 126 Japanese aircraft Saturday in attacks on Manila, said a communique today from Adm. Chester Nimitz's headquarters. The revised figures were issued on the basis of new reports from Vice Adm. J. S. McCain's task force.

Earlier figures had set the Japanese losses at 118 planes.

Weather

Maximum temperature Tuesday 56 degrees, minimum 31 degrees, trace of rain, river -3 ft. 3 in. Partly cloudy Wednesday and Thursday. Little temperature change.

Nazi Air Arm Gets Beating

Largest Aerial Escort of War Protects Heavies

LONDON, Nov. 21-(AP)—Seventy-four Nazi planes were destroyed in the air and six more wrecked on the ground today as the largest aerial escort in history, more than 1100 American fighters, fought a series of savage sky battles to protect a fleet of 1250 Fortresses and Liberators which hit three vital German oil refineries with 4000 tons of bombs.

Forty US heavy bombers and 17 fighters were missing from the attack, although a communique said some of them may have landed in friendly territory.

The American armada flew through temperatures as low as 43 degrees below zero in order to pound the refineries at Hamburg and Harburg and the large Leuna synthetic oil plant at Merseburg. The Eighth and Ninth air forces marshalled history's greatest escort of Thunderbolts, Mustangs and Lightnings from bases in both Britain and France to cover the assault on the trio of zealously-guarded Nazi targets and the Luftwaffe came up in strength to resist the attack.

Nazi Come Up
The US communique said the Germans sent up more than 250 interceptors, but the tremendous escort engaged the Nazis so thoroughly that only one bomber formation was actually attacked. In this conflict a bomber gunner shot down one enemy plane.

Unless everyone all the way through the nation—those at the front and those at home—keeps on the job everlastingly and with mounting intensity, we are only postponing the day of victory," he asserted.

For this last great effort, he said, he wanted, and was confident that he would get, more men and—most of all—more supplies.

OPA Prepares To Halt Rising Cost of Living

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21-(AP)—The OPA tonight rushed a brake adjustment on the nation's price-control machinery—a tightening-up intended to halt a slight upturn in living costs.

The projected new control, aimed at holding down textile and clothing prices, was regarded by some observers as a fresh indication that the government probably will delay any basic change in the "little steel" wage formula until Germany is defeated. Stricter price control in the meantime is a "must" program to keep costs of essential commodities to wage levels.

The measure, it was understood, is designed to increase output of low-cost clothing by plugging loopholes that have caused manufacturers and converters to turn to production of higher priced garments. Overfinishing fabrics to command a better price is one practice that may be eliminated, OPA officials said.

Oregon Bond Sales at 5.7 Per Cent of Quota

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 21-(AP)—Sixth war loan campaign headquarters announced here tonight that Oregon bond sales to date totaled \$6,120,709, or 5.7 per cent of the state's \$107,000,000 quota.

Marion's Bond Purchasers Get Checkbooks Out Early

Marion county bond purchasers are getting out their checkbooks early in the Sixth War Loan campaign, accounting for more than \$268,000 in the first two days. Other subscriptions promised and in sight at headquarters Tuesday put Chairman Douglas Yeater in an optimistic mood with a prediction that the county's quota would be met even earlier in this drive than in previous campaigns. "We've hardly had a chance to get our committees organized and in working togs," declared Chairman Yeater, "but already we have more than five per cent of the county's quota actually on the books and many thousands more actually sold but not yet reported through official channels. Judging from early enthusiasm shown, this part of Oregon will do its part in an even more emphatic manner than usually." Headquarters yesterday took on

This Fellow Must Have Been College Professor Once

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 21-(AP)—A man just off a cross-country bus plucked at the sleeve of a Kansas Citian, asked him:

"Can you tell me where I'll find Woodward avenue?"

The Kansas Citian was unable to recall such a street.

The visitor protested, "Why, it's the main street—cuts right across the city; anybody here ought to know where it is."

The Kansas Citian suggested the visitor might be confused as to his whereabouts.

"I know where I am," he retorted impatiently, "I'm in Detroit."

"Well," the Kansas Citian replied, "I'm in Kansas City."

Con Captured; Police on Trail Of Second One

Cornelius Price Long, younger of a pair of state penitentiary convicts who escaped here Armistice day after injuring C. J. Plonsky, prison guard, was captured Tuesday afternoon in the McKenzie river country between Vida and Leaburg, state police announced.

Long was taken on a rifle near a cabin from which two rifles had been stolen Monday night, furnishing the clue which led to the capture. Long had one of the rifles when apprehended and authorities assume his partner, Martin Caswell Broom, 62, has the other.

Broom went up a canyon near the point where Long was captured. Officers were following closely and making an effort to surround the fugitive and prevent his escape from the area.

Officers reported Long was taken before he had a chance to use the weapon.

Germans Take Sombre View Of Allied Push

LONDON, Nov. 21-(AP)—The German people got their military reporters today a sombre account of German armies yielding ground before an allied offensive "which has not yet reached its peak."

Abandonment of their Eschweiler salient in the Aachen sector, trapping of a German garrison in Metz, the American Seventh army's drive to Sarrebourg, the spectacular French breakthrough to the Rhine—all were broadcast by Berlin, sometimes in pessimistic terms.

Most of the German accounts emphasized the danger to the Reich represented by the Belfort break-through. The situation along the Rhine was usually described cautiously as still "too fluid" for conclusions on its ultimate importance, but Martin Hellensleben, German news agency correspondent, said flatly it "might well place the Germans in a precarious situation."

Double B-29's Says Knudsen

SEATTLE, Nov. 21-(AP)—The Boeing Aircraft company, which announced today it was converting its huge "Plant 2," here from Flying Fortresses to B-29 production, was called on tonight by Lt. Gen. William S. Knudsen, chief of the air technical service command, to double B-29 production in three months.

At the same time, at a late press conference, General Knudsen urged Seattle and its surrounding area to provide the Boeing company with an increase of 3000 net personnel to do the job.

"President Roosevelt is absolutely right that out-migration of war plant employes is costing lives of some of our boys in Europe and the Pacific," the general asserted.

Roosevelt Gives Cabinet Ranking, Donald Nelson

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21-(AP)—President Roosevelt has given cabinet rank to the far-traveling Donald M. Nelson.

Nips Hang Tightly To Limon

Americans Inch Ahead Against Stubborn Enemy

By C. Yates McDaniel
GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Philippines, Nov. 22-(AP)—American troops slowly and painfully loosened the Japanese hold on northern approaches to the Ormoc valley today despite miserable weather and an apparent Japanese decision to sacrifice an entire division if necessary to hold present positions near the village of Limon.

Japs Repulsed
Weary units of the 24th infantry division—which has borne the brunt of the entire Leyte battle—yesterday repulsed bloodily the third determined enemy attack on the road block which the Americans now hold across the Ormoc highway south of the enemy stronghold at Limon.

Meanwhile, the Japanese in Limon clung stubbornly to their positions, which General MacArthur noted included elaborate trench systems and heavy fortifications; and the daily communique asserted that General Yamashita had apparently decided to commit the famous First Japanese division to hold the town.

Division Involved
When Limon was first cut off from the main Japanese forces to the south, Americans estimated that a regiment of the First Japanese division held the town. However, infiltration and at least one tank-aided attack during the first hours of the road block may have permitted the reinforcement of this group. The communique indicated that the entire enemy division was involved.

The communique said fresh troops of the 32nd division were maintaining steady frontal pressure against Limon, reducing the enemy works piecemeal when necessary.

Captain Church Dies in Action

Capt. Edward J. Church of Salem, a 1941 graduate of Willamette university, was killed in action in the Italian theatre on October 24, his brother, E. J. Church, was notified this week.

32 Injured In Explosions

DENISON, Tex., Nov. 21-(AP)—At least 32 persons were burned, 14 critically, in twin explosions which occurred here late today following a collision between a butane gas tank truck and an automobile.

The Denison Herald said flames engulfed victims more than half a block away, and that the second explosion, much greater than the first, rocked homes over a wide area and blew the warehouse of a grocery store, a block from the scene, to bits.

Fire scorched a number of homes in the vicinity and one residence burned to the ground.

Seattle Taxi Drivers Quit

SEATTLE, Nov. 21-(AP)—A sudden strike by more than 100 Seattle taxi drivers seriously restricted travel throughout the city tonight.

The striking drivers, who said they were protesting policies of their union officials, halted working cabs, ordered passengers to get out and walk and took car keys away from the drivers.

Police were called to one downtown corner to halt a fist fight when a cab carrying a load of servicemen was halted. No arrests were made.

Mobile Blood Bank Will Visit Dallas

DALLAS, Nov. 21—The mobile unit of the Red Cross blood donors service will visit Dallas Friday, November 24. Registrations are being made now with the Polk county chapter of the Red Cross.

Mrs. A. J. Cleveland, executive secretary, is in charge.

The capacity of the unit has been increased to 200 pints with the quota still 140. The mobile unit will be located at the Christian church promptly at 9 o'clock Friday morning. Every available donor is urged to register since the need for blood plasma has increased so much just recently.

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SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Paris, Nov. 21-(AP)—French and American troops of the Sixth army group battled into the city of Mulhouse and drove well beyond Sarrebourg to within 27 miles of the Rhine today in great encircling movements that threatened to pocket the entire German 19th army with its back to the river.

French First army armored forces speared into Mulhouse in a race northward from their footholds on the French side of the Rhine near the German-Swiss-French border to cut off the Germans. The French already had continued on to Colmar, 22 miles north of Mulhouse.

US Seventh army troops some 75 miles northward drove east through the Vosges, captured Sarrebourg and thrust six miles farther and took Bittelbronn, near the entrance to the Saverne gap that leads through the forested mountains to the Rhine plain. The 44th division, whose presence was disclosed only yesterday, led that push in action so fluid that front dispatches said a definite front could not be defined from moment to moment.

On the northern end of the great western front the allies still were advancing, but it was a savage slugging match.

The British Second army on the northern flank ground slowly ahead in the Geilenkirchen area and chopped deeper into the German-held sector west of the Maas river in Holland.

The American Ninth army surged within sight of the Roer river in an advance of two and one-half miles that enveloped nine towns in 24 hours, including Laurenberg, Engelsdorf, Ederen and Merzenhausen. They were a little over a mile from the Roer.

There were some signs of enemy withdrawal on the Ninth's southern front, but on its north flank resistance was ferocious. German counterattacks were repulsed in the Lindern area, and there was hard fighting near Langendorf as the Ninth knocked out seven German tanks during the day. Some showed less than 65 miles on their speedometers.

The American Third army merged its holdings inside Germany to a continuous 11-mile front running southeast from near Besh, solidifying its hold on some 25 square miles of enemy soil despite heavy artillery fire and masses of road blocks, mines and anti-tank ditches.

At Metz, Fort Queleu on the southwest surrendered with its garrison of 200 Nazis, but two island pockets and six other forts around that pierced fortress city of France continued to hold out.

Southeast of Metz the Third army registered gains up to three miles and was within 10 miles of the German border west of Saarbrücken despite stiffening enemy resistance. The 26th, 35th, and 80th infantry divisions were active in those advances.

Lieut. Col. John McNulty, district provost marshal, said a complaint by Huddle was being investigated. He added that any further comment would come from the public relations office of the second service command.

Huddle declared he recognized the army officer as Colonel Roosevelt from photographs he had seen. He added that he overheard a companion of the man he identified as Colonel Roosevelt tell military police that "a son of the president is involved."

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21-(AP)—President Roosevelt set in motion today machinery for the disposal of \$100,000,000 of surplus war properties under a three-member board headed by Robert A. Hurley, former Connecticut governor.

He set the nomination of Hurley and Lieut. Col. Edward Heller of San Francisco to the senate shortly after it recessed for the day but held up the expected nomination of Senator Guy M. Gillette (D-Iowa) until the end of the year.

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Nov. 21-(AP)—The war department permitted disclosure today of plans for a western training program for jet propulsion planes.

Bakersfield has been selected as headquarters of the segment of the Fourth army air force responsible for jet-propelled P50 air comet training.

that it was in keeping with the policy of rotating officers to give troops in training the benefit of working under commanders who have had combat experience.

Allen's assistant commander when he was with the First division was Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt, who was transferred earlier to France and died there.

Sgt. Troy W. Lockhart, who was killed in Holland on October 25, was a member of the 104th division. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lockhart, route one, box 146, Salem. When his death was reported in The Statesman of November 14 the location of the 104th had not been revealed so no mention could be made of his connection with it. He did not train with the division at Camp Adair but was transferred to it after the training period had been completed.

Allen was placed in command of the 104th at Camp Adair, Ore., in October, 1943. At the time there was considerable mystery about his shift and the only authoritative version of the reasons was