

EMERGENCY STATE ASKED FOR CUBA; HONDURAS ASTIR

Havana, Dec. 6.—(AP)—President Fulgencio Batista today asked congress to declare a state of emergency and grant the cabinet extraordinary powers to rule by decree for 45 days.

Tegucigalpa, Honduras, Dec. 6.—(AP)—President General Tiburcio Carías Andino told the chamber of deputies today that he has documentary proof that nazi and fascist agents had attempted to establish in America governments "manageable by them, to fight against the United States."

Carías said he would do all possible in support of democracy and President Roosevelt, whom he described as the "defender of weak countries."

Carías said that in Honduras, enemies of the government had conspired with nazi agents to provoke disorders. He added that the plotting also extended to the other Central American nations which are Guatemala, El Salvador, Nicaragua and Costa Rica.

RED CROSS SENDS SOVIET MEDICINE

Washington, Dec. 6.—(AP)—The Red Cross said today it was purchasing \$5,000,000 of medical supplies for shipment to Russia as a gift from the American people.

LOGGER IN FIGHT HELD FOR MURDER

Eugene, Dec. 6.—(AP)—A second-degree murder charge confronted 53-year-old Henry Delmo Steel, Loran logger, today.

He was in the Lane county jail under \$5,000 bail, charged with the death of William S. Overholser, 47, Cottage Grove service station operator.

Overholser died Thursday night of what Dr. Joseph Beeman of the state crime detection laboratory said were effects of blows about the head and face.

Cottage Grove Police Chief Myron Perry said Steel told him he struck Overholser with his fists in an argument at the service station over 50 cents involved in a battery sale.

COAST MACHINIST UNION BACKS F.R.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 6.—(AP)—Pacific coast AFL machinists and affiliated unions today approved the administration's policy of supplying aid to all peoples resisting Hitler.

A resolution sent to President Roosevelt also approved the defense program.

Next year's convention was voted to California with California unions to designate the city later.

The convention will conclude Sunday.

U. S. exported about 44 percent of its cotton, and 37 percent of its tobacco crop before the current war in Europe.

UPPER HAND HELD BY BRITISH NOW ON LIBYA FRONT

By the Associated Press

Cairo, Egypt, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Axis war prisoners are being rounded up in Libya faster than they can be counted and now exceed 7,500, the British declared today as their forces continued efforts to whittle down German and Italian mechanized formations in a welter of minor actions.

British sources said the full initiative apparently lies now with the Imperial armies in north Africa but acknowledged that operations still were restricted to strong patrols and that there has been no new major tank fighting.

However, a resumption of large-scale fighting was expected in British quarters as the weather improves. The British were reported in a better position for it than in the earlier stages of the battle.

The British claim a total of 223 axis planes have been destroyed since the Libyan offensive started Nov. 18, including at least 54 Ju-87's—Germany's favorite dive-bomber. Unofficial estimates prior to the offensive put axis air strength in Libya at 1000 planes, including 200 German.

Why the axis has fought in eastern Libya rather than withdrawing westward to make the British extend their communications lines has become clear now, British sources said, by discovery that the Germans and Italians had larger quantities of supplies near the battle area than originally had been supposed—presumably for an eventual axis thrust into Egypt.

Chief among the British gains reported was the recovery "of what little ground remained in enemy hands at Ed Duda," southeast of Tobruk, after three heavy axis attacks had failed to seize that position.

British communiques emphasized scattered clashes, which, they said, took heavy toll of axis manpower, machines and air strength.

DYNAMITE ABLAZE SCARES ALASKANS

Sitka, Alaska, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Alaska natives fled from their village near here today when a dynamite laden barge, owned by the Siems-Helmers Contracting company, caught fire in the channel. The barge burned for an hour and then sank.

There were 25 cases of dynamite aboard, company employees said.

No one was injured.

TEAR GAS THROWN ARGENTINE VOTE

Buenos Aires, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Authorities today ordered troops and police tear gas squads to be ready for emergency duty in tomorrow's elections following outbreaks of violence and widespread charges of a fraud plot.

With the campaign at fever heat, police last night broke up two radical party rallies in the towns of Quilmes and Alberti, where disturbances resulted from uncompromising remarks about Acting President Ramon S. Castillo.

Police hurled tear gas bombs at Quilmes to evacuate a hall.

YOUTH, 15, SLAIN BY AUTO OWNER

Hood River, Ore., Dec. 6.—(AP)—Dwain Hodge, 15, Yakima, died of a shotgun wound in the chest early today and Sheriff John Sheldrake awaited the arrival of the youth's parents before a coroner's jury acted.

Sheldrake said Frank Teach reported firing the shot after finding the youth taking the wheel of his car at Parkdale.



Beanie

Long fringe bobs are OK if they're part of a pert beanie cap like this of green cotton crochet.

Teach told the sheriff he believed the boy was reaching for a gun, although no weapon was found on the body.

NAVY EASES ITS ENLISTMENT RULE

Washington, Dec. 6.—(AP)—The navy relaxed its physical standards for recruits today in an effort to increase enlistments. Under a new policy men with

certain minor ailments heretofore considered a bar to enlistment will be accepted and, when necessary, the defects will be corrected.

Defects which no longer will disqualify a prospective recruit include varicocele, hydrocele, hernia (provided the applicant has an intelligence quotient of 75 or better), nasal deformity and seasonal hay fever (provided it is not complicated).

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