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GERMANS FLEE DNIEPER POCKET

RUSSIANS KNOCK TWO MILE GAP IN HITLERITE LINE

120,000 Reds Charge Nazi Positions Northwest of Chernigov to Break Stand

London, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Berlin indicated today that the Germans were evacuating Dnepropetrovsk, industrial and military stronghold on the Dnieper bend, and acknowledged that a "grand scale" Russian assault some 100 miles north of Kiev had knocked a two and a half mile wide gap in the Nazi line. Eight divisions—an estimated 120,000 men—and hundreds of tanks charged the German positions northwest of Chernigov along the upper Dnieper, and broke through in "extraordinarily violent hand-to-hand fighting," the Berlin radio reported.

Violent fighting still is going on, though after several hours the Germans, bolstered by reserves rushed into the struggle, were able to "intercept the Soviet attack," the broadcast said.

The Nazi account of the new Soviet offensive followed a Berlin dispatch relayed through Stockholm hinting that the Germans were pulling out of the whole vast pocket formed by the big bend of the lower Dnieper, to avoid encirclement.

The dispatch quoted German authorities that the situation northwest of Dnepropetrovsk "may without exaggeration be described as particularly grave and is likely soon to force the Germans to withdraw still farther to the west to avoid encirclement."

Military quarters regarded the Nazi concession of the Soviet pinch near Dnepropetrovsk as "tacit admission that the city was getting too hot to hold and the retreat may have begun already."

For the second straight day the Germans poured out a spate of gloom-laden reports on the situation in Russia, where the Dnieper river defense line was collapsing.

ROADS TO CRATER CLOSED BY SNOW

All of the roads in Crater Lake National park, except the west and south entrances, a part of through highway No. 62, have been closed by snow and barriers have been put up for the winter season according to E. P. Leavitt, park superintendent. The road from park headquarters to the rim of the lake is also blocked by snow. Mr. Leavitt states, and the park headquarters road at Annie Springs has been closed except for through traffic on highway 62. Traffic over this road may continue as long as it is open, but it is expected that this road also will be closed by snow within a few days.

Wallace Praises California C.I.O.

Fresno, Cal., Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Labor today was congratulated on its wartime record in a message from Vice President Henry A. Wallace, read at the opening session of the California CIO council's four-day convention.

SIDE GLANCES

Patty McLeod joyfully anticipating tomorrow when she will be out of measles quarantine.

Frank Perl putting together a broken chair with speed and dispatch.

Darrell Huson stunned at the rapid and subtle manner in which county courthouse employees passed around the word when he received a long-awaited shipment of rare and coveted "nose tissues."

Australian Newsmen Disregard Jap Raids



Australian newspaper correspondents pound out their news stories despite Jap air raids overhead. Here they are reporting the Allied capture of Lae, New Guinea.

Moscow Conferees Making Rapid Progress Is Belief

Moscow, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—American, Russian and British foreign ministers were understood to be making rapid progress today in their discussions under the chairmanship of Soviet Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov.

The three-power conference of Molotov, Secretary of State Cordell Hull and Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden was believed to be moving so swiftly that the first topic under consideration might be disposed of today and the second introduced.

The dispatch contained no hint of the nature of the topics referred to. Pre-conference speculation had dwelt on the likelihood of the second front being the primary subject of the meeting.

MORGENTHAU ON WAR FRONT SEES TRAIL OF TERROR

With Fifth Army, Italy, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Secretary of Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., today completed a visit to the Italian fighting front, where he exposed himself to enemy fire and saw first hand the trail of terror and destruction of the retreating Germans. Morgenthau said his two-day tour made him believe the "people back in America should get down on their knees and thank God such things weren't happening there."

He revealed that a fourth war loan drive in the United States is being planned, saying his tour had given him new enthusiasm to put it over "in the aggressive spirit of Clark's Fifth Army."

CHINESE ENTRY VOTED BY HOUSE

Washington, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—The house today passed an administration bill to repeal America's 60-year-old Chinese exclusion acts.

The bill was sent to the senate after a voice vote. If it receives expected senate and presidential approval, it will permit the annual immigration of 105 people of Chinese descent into the U. S. under the same quota restrictions which apply to other nations.

RAILROAD OCTOPUS SEEKS NEW FIELDS, WALLACE ASSERTS

Dallas, Tex., Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Vice-President Henry A. Wallace last night accused Wall street-inspired "plunderers," whom he said already have a stranglehold on the nation's railroad empire, of planning an attempt to seize control of new forms of transportation.

Urging that they be stripped of their power by congress, Wallace said the "financial manipulators" have adopted a policy of "the public be damned" and now are strengthening monopolistic controls of the railroads through illegal private rate-making practices which they seek to extend to other transportation fields.

Wallace addressed civic and labor groups. The vice-president described the early financial dealings involving railroads as one of the blackest pages of American history and charged that the consequences from the manipulations linger on.

"How these plunderers could have escaped the consequences of their evil acts is incomprehensible," Wallace said. "They or their successors rule the railroad empire today as they did in the heyday of their financial manipulations. They are even strengthening their grip."

GRIPSHOLM SAILS FRIDAY WITH 1,203

Mormugao, Portuguese India, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Portuguese port officials indicated today that the Swedish exchange liner Gripsholm will leave Friday with 1,203 Americans and 300 Canadians and Latin-Americans released from Japanese internment camps in the Far East.

The Japanese steamer Teia Maru, which brought the Allied prisoners to this port, is scheduled to leave for Japan late today with an equal number of Japanese who had been interned in the United States since Pearl Harbor.

Every effort was being made to load 2,400 tons of Red Cross supplies aboard the Teia Maru in time for the scheduled sailing, to provide some relief for the thousands of Allied prisoners of war and civilian internees still held by the Japanese.

NEGRO APPOINTED
 Sacramento, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Gov. Earl Warren today appointed Walter Gordon, negro attorney of Berkeley and assistant football coach at the University of California, as a member of the state board of prison terms and paroles.

Nazis Lynch Downed U. S. Airmen

U. S. COOPERATION IN PEACE MACHINE FAVORED 20 TO 2

Johnson and LaFollette Only Opponents in Senate Foreign Relations Group.

Washington, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—The Senate Foreign Relations committee, by a thumping 20 to 2 majority, today approved a resolution which would put the senate on record as favoring United States participation in postwar international machinery to maintain peace.

Only committeemen to vote against the resolution were Sens. Hiram Johnson, R., Cal., veteran isolationist who was a leader in the fight against the League of Nations after the last war, and Robert M. LaFollette, Prog., Wis. Neither Johnson nor LaFollette was present, but both voted by proxy.

Sen. Robert R. Reynolds, D., N. C., was the only one of the 23 members of the committee who did not vote.

Plan Early Action
 Committee Chairman Tom Connally, D., Tex., said the group proposed that the senate take up the resolution next Monday.

"The practical unanimity of the committee is prophetic that the senate will act with similar unity," he predicted.

The resolution approved by the committee follows: "Resolved, that the war against all our enemies be waged until complete victory is achieved."

"That the United States cooperate with its comrades in arms in securing a just and honorable peace."

"That the United States, acting through its constitutional processes, join with free and sovereign nations in the establishment and maintenance of international authority with power to prevent aggression and to preserve the peace of the world."

SOLDIERS GO TO KLAMATH FIELDS

Klamath Falls, Ore., Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—One thousand soldiers are to help farmers in the Klamath basin save their potato and onion crops, G. A. Henderson, county agent, said today.

A cold, damp spell enveloped the basin in northern California and southern Oregon causing the emergency harvest which with the aid of the army is expected to be completed in about two weeks.

Farmers will pay the government prevailing wages for the army labor.

Rickenbacker Views of Russia Undergo Change in Recent Visit

Chicago, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker asserted in a prepared speech last night that Communism in Russia "is not what I was led to believe it was from Communist enthusiasts in America and England."

He said he returned from a recent trip to Russia "with a great admiration for both the people and the armies of Russia."

BROWN RESIGNS PRICE CONTROL ADMINISTRATION

President Announces Acceptance; Chester Bowles Expected to Be Successor.

Washington, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Prentice M. Brown resigned today as administrator of the Office of Price Administration.

Brown submitted his resignation to President Roosevelt in a letter dated Tuesday, and the president accepted it today.

Within the next few days Mr. Roosevelt is expected to nominate Chester Bowles, general manager of OPA, as Brown's successor.

In his six-page letter of resignation, Brown said he thought that price control was now well defined and that the main task from now on was largely "administrative."

Two Major Problems
 However, he informed the president that the OPA still faced two major problems: 1. The hotly-contested question of continuing food subsidies. 2. Renewal of price control when the present law expires next year.

GILBERT ISLANDS AGAIN ATTACKED BY U. S. BOMBERS

A new American bombing attack on the Gilbert Islands was reported today by Tokyo radio, which has predicted an all-out United States attempt to clean up the Japanese Pacific outpost system.

Tokyo's version said that six bombers made the assault and were driven off before they could inflict damage. No details of the attack were given and there was no official American announcement.

In new Guinea, several thousand Australian and Japanese troops were locked in a struggle near Finschhafen with the Aussies throwing back continued enemy attacks aimed at recapturing the Huon peninsula coastal base.

More than 200 enemy dead already had fallen before the veteran Australians on battlefields around Finschhafen, while to the north clashes were reported on the approaches to the Japanese base at Madang.

Fourteen Japanese planes were shot down by American bombers and fighters in a raid on Balalae airbase in the northern Solomons.

The sport of skate sailing is almost as ancient in the Scandinavian countries as skiing.

War Bulletins

London, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—A big fleet of British four-engine bombers rocked Leipzig, aircraft center and one of the most important railway junctions in Germany, with more than 1000 tons of explosives last night while a smaller force of Mosquitoes raided Berlin for the fifth time this month. Seventeen bombers were lost.

London, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Berlin dispatches published in neutral countries today reported anxiety and pessimism spreading through Germany as a result of the Soviet breakthrough on the Dnieper front, and rumors increased that Adolf Hitler has relinquished military control to his generals.

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8TH ARMY GAINS DOMINATION OVER ROAD TO ISERNIA

Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—The British Eighth army, thrusting forward two miles in the rugged mountains of central Italy, has captured two hamlets dominating the road to Isernia in a drive to outflank the new German defense line south of Rome, it was announced today.

The Fifth army pushed forward across the Volturno plain preparatory to a frontal assault on the new German line, which runs from Mondragone, on the west coast 90 miles below Rome, to Venafro, 27 miles northeast of Mondragone and 12 miles southwest of Isernia.

The official German News Agency DNB reported signs of Allied preparations for an imminent air-and-sea assault on Rome. Considerable air-borne troops concentrated behind the front "ready for the take-off" and increased shipping activity off the southwestern coast of Italy were cited by DNB.

COAL OPERATORS PROPOSE BOOST

Washington, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Appalachian coal operators today proposed to the War Labor board an alternative nation-wide coal wage agreement, calling for a 7½-hour basic work-day. The proposal, their spokesman said, would meet increased production demands and boost miners' wages an average of 88 cents a day.

The plan was offered at a WLB hearing on the United Mine Workers-Illinois operators proposed agreement, which would raise basic wages \$1.75 a day.

ALUMINA PLANT SAID APPROVED

Washington, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Rep. Homer D. Angell, R., Ore., said today he had been advised by the WPB that a plant to extract alumina from clay had been approved for the Pacific northwest area.

He said construction of the plant would depend on the usual manpower priorities, but under normal conditions it is believed it can be completed within a year after start of construction. Angell said he did not know where the proposed plant would be located.

DROUGHT PREDICTED

Sacramento, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—California drinkers are just beginning to feel the pinch of a liquor shortage in the opinion of A. A. Whitaker, associate state liquor control administrator.

EXCHANGED MEN REVEAL ATTACKS BY ANGRY MOBS

Prisoners Returning From Nazi Camps Say Hamburg Civilians in Ugly Temper.

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No Details

He offered no details of the reports on the lynching, but some others among the group of 17 Americans and 4,322 other allied prisoners exchanged here said they had similar second-hand information on the incident.

(The cabled information from Goteborg did not identify the Americans who were supposed to have been lynched by the Germans, but they presumably were members of the armed forces, possibly air corpsmen like Springer.)

Springer described how German soldiers who had seized him had to sneak him and other captured fliers through the streets of Luenenburg, near Hamburg, to escape crowds that called them "every kind of name," threw rocks at them and drenched them with scalding coffee.

He, like his fellows in the exchange, was wounded. But his report indicated that fact did not cool the rage of German civilians suffering under aerial bombing. Britons corroborated Springer's report of the mob scenes.

The allied soldiers left for the United Kingdom this morning aboard the British steamers Atlantis and Empress of Russia and the Swedish liner Drottningholm, completing the first German-allied exchange of the war.

JAP SLAYER ESCAPES

Carson City, Nev., Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—A Japanese serving a life term in the Nevada state prison for the murder of a fellow countryman in 1938 escaped from a farm labor gang late yesterday, Warden Richard Sheehy announced today.

No Nazis Today



Commemorating third anniversary of Battle of London, when Nazis swept city in air blitz, King George and Queen Elizabeth of Britain attend thanksgiving ceremonies.