

German Armored Units Dent American Lines in Savage Counterattack

Weather
Forecast: Intermittent light rain tonight and Tuesday; not so cold tonight.
Temp. Highest yesterday 69
Lowest this morning 39

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FOOTHOLD GAINED IN YANKEE - HELD VOSSENACK TOWN

SINGAPORE RAID HINTS LANDING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

B-29's Make 3700-Mile Round Trip Mission to Bomb Big Jap Naval Base

By United Press
A major blow in preparation for an allied amphibious landing in southeast Asia was believed today to have been delivered by a B-29 Superfortress raid on the big Japanese naval base at Singapore yesterday while American invasion forces stormed against the last enemy stronghold on Leyte.

Vital Points Hit

The huge bombers scored direct hits on a control house in the largest dock area in Singapore, bombed other vital points, and hit a ship in drydock.

Planes Over Tokyo

The Tokyo radio said one or more American planes made reconnaissance flights over the Tokyo area.

RUSSIAN TANKS ENTER BUDAPEST

London, Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—Russian tanks were reported fighting inside Budapest today and Romanian broadcasts said red army troops had reached a point 12½ miles north of the capital in a flanking drive to the east.

The Soviet communiqué, it listed the closest approach to the Hungarian capital at Andrassy, four and a half miles to the south, where the Soviets established a 10-mile siege front between the Danube river and the Budapest-Szolnok railroad.

The clandestine radio Atlantic reported that Russian tanks broke into the city itself after Soviet troops occupied the northern suburb of Ujpest, a big railway freighter center.

Bucharest radio also reported the capture of Ujpest and quoted the Hungarian radio that Soviet forces, in a sweep around the eastern side of Budapest, had reached a point 12½ miles to the north.

SIDE GLANCES

By TRIBUNE REPORTERS
J. A. "Mac" McDougall and his Copco pals having difficulties deciding who was paying for the morning coffee.

Stalin Urges Armed Force To Liquidate Aggressors And Insure Lasting Peace

London, Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—Premier Josef Stalin said today that to insure long-term peace the United Nations should create an organization backed with sufficient armed force to act without delay to liquidate any future aggression.

VET INFORMATION CENTER OPENS IN CITY HALL ROOM

The Selective Service System, Veterans Information Center has been established in the selective service offices in the city hall. Every serviceman discharged from the armed forces is required to register immediately upon his return with the selective service and receive his new classification card.

The selective service under the law is responsible for the return of these men into their former jobs or secure a new job for them. If they are physically handicapped, to direct them to the proper agency for further benefits, or should they wish to take advantage of some of the benefits offered under the so-called "G. I. Bill" the selective service will place them in touch with the proper agency to secure these benefits.

In Jackson county, an agency has been organized and is known by the name of Committee for Aides to Veterans and is comprised of the following governmental agencies and community organizations: Selective Service, U. S. Employment Service, Department of Agriculture County War Board, the Red Cross, the Office of Defense Transportation, the Railroad Retirement Board, Civil Service, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, and Purple Heart.

BRITISH MINISTER IS ASSASSINATED

Cairo, Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—Lord Moyne, British resident minister in the middle east, was assassinated today by two men who fired on him in his automobile near his home in a Cairo residential district.

Moyne, former British colonial secretary, died of his wounds soon after he was taken to a hospital.

Moyne's military chauffeur also was killed by the shots fired by two men dressed in civilian clothes who waylaid the car.

Dewey Talks at 8 p. m. Over Four Major Radio Networks

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey took it easy today, his vigorous campaign for the presidency over except for a nationwide broadcast from 8 to 8:15 p. m. (EWT) over four major networks to urge Americans to exercise the rare wartime privilege of casting a ballot, regardless of the candidate of their choice.

U. S. REPUBLICANS PLAN RED SCARE CLAIMS IZVESTIA

Faked Attempt On Life of Dewey Hinted As Talked to Up Candidate's Vote

By M. S. Handler
United Press War Correspondent Moscow, Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—The Soviet government organ IZVESTIA said yesterday that rumors allegedly were circulating in "United States press circles" that the Republicans might be planning to announce a faked attempt on the life of Gov. Thomas E. Dewey and attribute it to the communists in a last-minute effort to win the election.

Nazi Defeat Seen Near
"Now the final mission is to complete the defeat of Germany, together with our allies finish off the fascist beast in his own lair, and hoist the flag of victory over Berlin," Stalin said.

Says F. R. Certain
The newspaper said President Roosevelt's re-election was "certain" and denounced Dewey and his supporters as "reactionaries" and "defeatists."

Exports Quoted
The prediction of Mr. Roosevelt's re-election, IZVESTIA said, was based on statistical reports drawn up by well-known American experts.

After her defeat Germany will of course be disarmed, militarily and economically. But it is already known that Germany is preparing for another war. It will take about 20 to 30 years for Germany to recover from defeat.

COUNTY AND CITY OFFICES CLOSING ON ELECTION DAY

Tomorrow, election day is a legal holiday, and the courthouse will be closed all day in accordance with state law. City hall offices and banks will also close.

KAISER BUILDING SWEEP BY BLAZE

Portland, Ore., Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—Fire destroyed the administration building of the sprawling Kaiser Oregon Shipbuilding corporation today, causing damage estimated at \$600,000, injuring seven persons and burning an undetermined number of vital master plans for ships under construction.

24 Die in California Airliner Crash



Twenty-one passengers and a crew of three perished in this wreckage of a Transcontinental & Western Airlines plane near Hanford, Cal. Midway between San Francisco and Burbank, the plane "seemed to disintegrate in the air," hurled wreckage over mile-wide area.

GOP HAS CHANCE TO GAIN CONTROL OF UPPER HOUSE

New York, Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—American voters tomorrow will elect 35 senators who can play major roles in determining the degree of United States participation in a world security organization.

Of major concern, also, particularly for Republicans, but of primarily domestic significance, will be the 31 state governorships at stake.

Popular interest focuses on the presidential and vice presidential races, but the treaty-making function of the upper house of congress endows the senatorial election with virtual equality as an event of historical importance.

Actually, 36 senators will be elected, but one will be for a term expiring next January—that of the late Sen. Frederick Van Nuys, D., Ind.

Mathematically possible, but politically doubtful, is the chance that the Republican party might gain formal control of the senate.

Barkeep's Victim Wanted By Police

Portland, Ore., Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—Frank J. "Nippy" Constantino, 28, slain by a bartender at a night club here Oct. 23, was wanted by San Francisco police, according to word received here today.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS OCTOBER TEMPERATURE UP

Old-timers who remarked last month that the October weather was the most beautiful in years were proven right by the monthly summary of the weather bureau at the airport.

The summary shows that the mean temperature for the month was 58.8, 5.2 degrees above the normal mean of 53.6, the average daily departure being 5.3 degrees warmer than ordinary.

In addition the summary shows that there were no killing frosts during the month, and only light scattered frosts in some districts. No frost or any nature was recorded at the airport station.

Another unusual feature of the month was two thunderstorms, one Oct. 10 and the second Oct. 12 whereas annual records show no thunderstorms for the month.

Poling Barred For Campaigning

Philadelphia, Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—Dr. Daniel A. Poling, president of the World's Christian Endeavor who announced in a radio speech Friday that he would support the re-election of President Roosevelt, yesterday was barred from the pulpit of a suburban church where he was scheduled to make a religious talk.

WHERE TO VOTE

Medford citizens who are uncertain as to what precinct they should vote in may consult the map in the window of the Medford Military Tailors, corner Main and Bartlett, or telephone the Mail Tribune. The map was prepared by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Wallace Predicts 100-Vote Majority

Washington, Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—Vice-President Henry A. Wallace predicted today that President Roosevelt would be elected to a fourth term tomorrow by a majority of more than 100 electoral votes, but added that he was "on the spot" with an earlier prediction that the president would attain a popular majority of 3,000,000 votes.

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Fierce Fighting Swirls Through Streets—Lifting Clouds Bring Air Support

Paris, Nov. 6.—(U.P.)—Crack German armored units dented the American 1st army lines with a savage counterattack in the Huertgen forest southeast of Aachen today, while allied troops to the north drove up to the Maas river and Holland Deep barriers on a 45-mile front pinning the last German rear guards in two shell-swept pockets on the water's edge.

The Germans threw fresh tank and infantry forces into the swaying forest battle below Aachen and won a precarious foothold in the American-held town of Vossenack, 2½ miles northwest of Schmidt.

Strike From East
A field dispatch from United Press War Correspondent Jack Frankish said the Germans, striking in from the east, overran the entire eastern half of Vossenack before they were halted by American armor and riflemen.

Fierce fighting swirled through the streets all morning, Frankish reported, with the Germans battling desperately but unsuccessfully to break into the western end of the town. The Americans held fast just east of a secondary road leading south-eastward to Schmidt and by mid-afternoon pushed the nazis back several hundred yards from the road junction.

Air Aid Comes
Low-hanging clouds lifted just after mid-day, permitting American fighter-bombers to join in the battle, hammering enemy concentrations of troops and armor gathering at Schmidt and near Bergstein, 2½ miles east of Vossenack.

The German counterattack apparently was aimed at cutting off American units that succeeded in fighting their way back to within less than a half-mile of Schmidt, overrunning the town of Kononerscheidt in their advance.

On the Holland front, American, British, Canadian and Polish troops seized virtually all the south bank of the Maas and the Holland Deep, climaxing a three-week struggle that cleared the sea approaches to Antwerp, broke the last German hold on Belgium and turned the Dutch salient into a solid front for the next phase of the drive on Germany.

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