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ALLIED ADVANCE MAY SPLIT AXIS ARMIES, BLOCK ESCAPE

INTER-CITY LINES SHOW BIG PROFIT, SAYS F. C. C.

American Telephone Must Show Cause Why Large Reductions Should Not Be Made; Hearing Dec. 16

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The Federal Communications Commission today ordered the American Telephone & Telegraph Company to show cause why its long-distance telephone rates and other charges should not be substantially reduced.

Hearing on December 16. A. T. & T. was ordered to answer the commission's order by December 1 and to appear at a hearing on December 16.

Rates Reduced Last Year. James Lawrence Fly, F. C. C. chairman, said: "The government must make every effort to keep down the bill for the war to help the consumer keep down his expenses. Every action that reduces either avenue of expense contributes to the prevention of inflation."

Long-distance telephone charges were reduced by approximately \$14,000,000 last year after the F. C. C. had issued a similar investigation order, the agreement to cut tolls being reached then without a formal public hearing.

Woman of 61 Leaps to Save Friend, Aged 84

MONTVILLE, N. J., Nov. 21.—(AP)—A 61-year-old companion to Mrs. Marie Trimble, 84, jumped from a second floor window early today and rescued the elderly woman from a fire that destroyed the home.

Wires Cut, Nazis Fine Dutch \$500,000

LONDON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—The Germans have imposed a \$500,000 fine on The Netherlands town of Bloemendaal after the cutting of several cables belonging to Nazi occupation forces, Aneta reported today.

Navajos Too Busy to Vote. GALLUP, N. M., Nov. 20.—(AP)—Indian Commissioner John Collier supervised an election of a council chairman, but 1,200 Navajos didn't get to vote. They were too busy working at the new Bellemont Ordnance plant at New Flagstaff, Ariz., to take time out for tribal politics.

Lehman Is Hinted For World-Wide Food Czar

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—(AP)—The New York Times reported today that President Roosevelt was expected to name retiring Gov. Herbert H. Lehman of New York to a world-wide post as administrator of feeding, clothing and rehabilitating countries friendly to or occupied by the United Nations.

To Help Revive Industry. "He would be responsible, it was said, not only for feeding, clothing and sheltering the starving millions of Europe, Asia and Africa, but would also have charge of the efforts to get these countries back on their feet industrially and agriculturally at the end of the war."

Japanese May Take Jobs, Says W.R.A. Director

SALT LAKE CITY, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Japanese residents of relocation centers in the United States are asked to take jobs "where they can do the most effective work."

Russ Torpedo Ship Carrying Red Prisoners

VICHY (from French broadcasts), Nov. 21.—(AP)—A Soviet submarine torpedoed a cargo ship transporting 1,000 Soviet prisoners in the Baltic today and about 200 of the prisoners were killed, dispatches from Stockholm said today.

Some work approved at Coulee Dam. Page 3. Nash foremen to keep jobs. Page 7.

VOLUNTEER LEGIONS TO FIGHT ALLIES, SAYS LAVAL

French Chief Urges Nation to Aid Axis Because of 'Insults France Has Had to Suffer' in North Africa

By Associated Press. VICHY (from French broadcasts), Nov. 21.—Pierre Laval advocated an alliance with Germany as Europe's sole hope for peace in a broadcast to the people of Nazi-occupied France last night and declared new volunteer legions would be raised to answer "the fresh insults which France has had to suffer" from the Allied campaign in North Africa.

Allies Are Accused. Laval accused the United States and Britain of "tearing away bit by bit at the French Empire because of their losses in the Pacific; and said he was certain of a German victory."

The dark little collaborator's talk of volunteer legions—such as the detachments which have fought alongside the Germans on the Russian front—suggested that Laval was not prepared at this time to trust the nation into a formal state of war against the Allies. He did not mention the existing French army regiments or the Toulon-based fleet.

Petrillo Bigger Than Nation? Solon to See

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Senator Clark, Democrat, Idaho, outlined a new effort today to bring the latest recorded music to the "juke boxes" and radio stations through a "showdown" with James C. Petrillo.

Clark announced he would call the president of the American Federation of Musicians before an interstate commerce committee soon "and see if this labor leader is bigger than the federal government."

Committee Chairman Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, appointed Clark to head a subcommittee to conduct an investigation into Petrillo's activities after a personal attempt to bring about an adjustment of differences between Petrillo and broadcasting stations over the "displacement of live musicians."

Clark said he would begin hearings about December 7 and would probably invite Petrillo as the first witness.

SIGNS FOR OWN DEATH



IN LAKE CHARLES, LA., YESTERDAY—"I, Annie Beatrice Henry, fired the shot that killed J. P. Calloway," said the 26-year-old thrice-convicted slayer of the Houston, Tex., salesman, in a signed confession. Horace Finnors Burks, her companion, also is under sentence of death.—A. P. wirephoto.

LAKE CHARLES, La., Nov. 21.—(AP)—With only eight days to live before facing the electric chair here, Mrs. Annie Beatrice Henry, yesterday signed a confession that she fired the shot which on St. Valentine's Day of 1940 killed J. P. Calloway, as he knelt praying in a frozen rice field near Lake Charles.

Two Allied Generals Swim to Shore After Jap Bombs Sink Boat

By MURLIN SPENCER. Associated Press Foreign Staff. WITH ALLIED FORCES NEAR BUNA, NEW GUINEA, Nov. 19.—(Delayed)—The officer at Headquarters who writes the communiques used a half dozen words Wednesday to tell how Japanese bombers sank two Allied trawlers off the Buna coastal area, but he didn't mention that two Allied generals were aboard the trawlers and had to swim to shore.

One general watched the bombers swooping in for their attack and called for a rifle. He blazed away until he was forced to leave the sinking craft. The other also took the attack with fine disdain and remained at a commanding post.

Names Are Military Secret. Both officers had to swim nearly a half mile to shore with the men and both refused any help, insisting that others needed it more. Their names are still a military secret.

Firemen Surprise Coffee Roasters

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Nov. 21.—(AP)—Seven fire companies responded to an alarm at an apartment house last night. Smoke was pouring from windows and many residents were making ready to leave when firemen found Charles Errice roasting green coffee in the kitchen of his apartment. Errice was surprised as the firemen.

NEW GUINEA JAPS FIGHT HARD, BUT U. S. GAINS

Americans Now One Mile From Buna, Where Nipponese Apparently Will Battle Until Annihilated

By DEAN SCHEDLER, Associated Press Foreign Staff. SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA, Nov. 21.—Japanese forces trapped in a narrow coastal strip in the Buna-Gona district of New Guinea were reported fighting back desperately today as American and Australian ground troops moved in relentlessly to drive them into the sea or force their capitulation.

Zeros Attack Troops. Japanese fighter planes entered the fighting near Buna yesterday and seven Zeros strafed Allied troops already under attack from light artillery and mortars.

Battle of Extermination. The main body of the Japanese forces, however, has been driven into a triangular area bound by a six-mile coastal strip between Buna and Gona and irregular lines running inland from these hamlets to Soputa.

U. S. General Almost Shot Down in Egypt

CAIRO, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Brig. Gen. Patrick Timberlake, chief of the United States Army Air Forces Bomber Command in the Middle East, narrowly missed being shot down by Axis fighters when he was returning from one of the longest bombing flights of the war, it was disclosed today.

More than 70 bullet and cannon-shell holes were counted in the plane in which he was a passenger. Part of its rudder was destroyed and made temporarily useless and an engine went dead but was restarted.

Two crew members were wounded but the general escaped unhurt.

Bundles for Britain Head Returns to U.S.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Mrs. Robert W. Bingham, president of Bundles for Britain, left for the United States today after an extensive tour of England. She inspected numerous hospitals and other institutions receiving aid from Bundles for Britain and made a survey of their needs in order to guide the future policy of her organization.

Mrs. Bingham is the widow of the American ambassador to Great Britain and publisher of The Louisville Courier-Journal and The Louisville Times.

FORTRESSES POUND FOE IN 30-MI. SNARE

American and British troops, scoring a five-mile advance in one direction, pitched into the Germans on the outer defenses of Bizerte and Tunis today while United States Flying Fortresses rained deadly punishment on the enemy hemmed in along a 30-mile-wide coastal strip.

A Nazi broadcast, quoting Allied sources in Spanish Morocco, said Allied forces had reached the area of Hammamet, about 40 miles southeast of Tunis, on the Gulf of Gabes.

This, it confirmed, would mean that the Allies had now forced the Axis into a small corner of the Northeast Tunisian coast and cut off the route of retreat to Italian Tripolitania. In that case, the two main Axis forces in Tunisia and Libya would be split.

Reuters, British news agency, said British forces had captured their first Axis prisoners within Tunisia and that in one class British parachute troops also had destroyed six enemy armored cars.

Field dispatches said the battle was growing more bitter hour by hour, with Allied troops storming Nazi fortifications only 30 miles from both cities in the French North Africa colony.

Advantages Ours—Axis. Italian headquarters asserted the battle was developing "on the Tunisian-Algerian border"—about 50 miles west of the scene described by Allied dispatches and declared that operations "have gone to the advantage of the Axis."

Six Army Air Men Die in Plane Crash

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Nov. 21.—(AP)—The Army today announced that two officers and a crew of four were killed in the crash yesterday of a light Army bomber taking off from Morrison Field, headquarters of the Army Air Transport Command's Caribbean wing.

The dead were listed as: First Lieut. James C. Cunningham of Fort Worth, Tex., the pilot; Second Lieut. Elbert M. Garton of Turtle Creek, Pa.; Staff Sgt. E. A. Herbst, Sgt. F. H. Brady of Hanover, Pa.; Corp. James Beeson of Bakfield, Cal.; and Staff Sgt. Frederick B. Sutor of St. Albans, Long Island, a passenger.

1,000 Seized After Rumania Oil Fires

LONDON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Reuters said the Stockholm newspaper Aftonbladet reported today that Ploesti, capital of Rumania and that more than 1,000 persons, among them many technicians, had been arrested.

OTHER WAR NEWS IN BRIEF

AERIAL—The Royal Air Force hauled another cargo of high-explosives across the Alps last night, dumping them on Turin, Italian armaments city, in what was described as the heaviest air blow to Italy to date; three bombers were lost; two Axis supply ships and an escort vessel were torpedoed by British planes off the Dutch coast. Page 2.

RUSSIA—The Russians were reported showing fresh strength in give-and-take battle with the Germans; Moscow said Red troops captured a strongly fortified height near Nalchik in the Caucasus while the Stalingrad defenders beat back small enemy groups. Page 2.

CHINA—American bombers attacked a Japanese army base at Lungling, on the Burma Road, starting large fires and inflicting other heavy damage. Page 2.