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GERMANS IN BREAK-THROUGH ON MOSCOW FRONT

U.S. - Japanese Talks Near Decisive Point

Little indication whether Conference will result in limited agreement or breakdown.

By J. F. Sanderson
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WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 —(CP)— Negotiations between the United States and Japan for a far east settlement are rapidly reaching a decisive point, either toward a limited agreement or a breakdown, it was indicated tonight.

Secretary of state Cordell Hull, who is conducting the negotiations for the United States, said today he was in no position to make predictions about their success or failure and that he would not know whether a basis of agreement had been reached until after his next conference with Saburo Kurusu, Japan's special envoy, and Admiral Kichisaburo Nonura, the Japanese ambassador.

His statement lent strength to reports that the United States had made certain representations to Japan which have been referred to Tokyo for a final decision.

Meanwhile, all sources report it has been impossible to bridge the wide gap between the respective views of the United States and Japan on an all-embracing pact touching the Chinese war, Japan's adherence to the axis pact with Germany and Italy, economic restrictions against Japan and Japan's renunciation of aggressive intentions in East Asia.

According to all reports, attention is being focused at the moment on the possibility of negotiating a limited agreement limited both in scope and in the time factor. Its purpose would be to ease tension in the Pacific and prevent a general war from breaking out in that area while further negotiations are attempted—a sort of international cooling-off period.

There have been reports that a limited pact embracing four main points was being attempted but that no basis of agreement had been reached so far.

The four points are:—

1. Japan to withdraw her troops from French Indo-China, minimizing the immediate danger of a thrust toward Thailand, the Netherlands East Indies or the Burma Road, China's backdoor supply route.

2. Japan to renounce further aggression in East Asia, either toward the south or north toward Russian Siberia.

3. The United States to unfreeze a certain percentage of Japanese funds and lift partially the trade restrictions now in operation against Japan.

4. Japan to gain limited access to raw materials in East Asia, particularly in the Netherlands Indies.

TOKYO, Nov. 25—(AP)—So-called Anglo-Saxon economic and sea domination and the importance of renewed anti-comintern pact in Japan's self-assigned task of establishing an Asiatic new order were emphasized in Japan today.

Lt.-Gen. Teiichi Suzuki, president of the Planning Board, declared at a rally sponsored by the Imperial Rule Assistance Association that British and United States policy had tended to increase world inequality and that "we must struggle against it at any cost."

quake would e "terrific" o submarines

NEW YORK, Nov. 25—(AP)—Rev. Joseph J. Lynch, Fordham University seismologist, said tonight that if today's earthquake originated somewhere in the Atlantic Ocean—as estimated by many authorities—its effect on any submarines near its centre would have been "terrific."

Asked how serious such an undersea shock would be for submarines, he replied:—

"Well, I wouldn't want to be in one."

"The concussion you'd get in the near neighborhood of an undersea quake would come as a sharp impact even to an ocean liner," he added. "It would strike as a hammer blow and wreck passengers to their knees."

Placing the probable epicentre of the quake at a point 2,700 miles from New York "and possibly between the Azores and Lisbon," he said that such a major undersea disturbance might cause a "water-wave."

The last severe undersea disturbance, he said, was in 1929 when the cliffs of Cabot Strait in Newfoundland dropped 20 feet for a distance of 300 miles.

He said there was no connection between an earthquake and a tidal wave, although some quake-caused "water-waves" resemble the former.

At Weston, Mass., Rev. Daniel Linehan, Weston College seismologist, expressed belief the amplitude of any wave originating from today's 'quake would be spent before reaching the North American coast.

Says criticism Of Windsors in U. S. limited

NASSAU, The Bahamas, Nov. 25—(CP Cable)—A government House spokesman, questioned tonight about complaints voiced in the House of Commons at Westminster over the recent visit of the Duke and Duchess of Windsor to the United States, said that unfavorable comment in the American press was dominated by four writers.

A private survey, he said, showed that more than 80 per cent of the articles and reports published were favorable.

Unfriendly writers had emphasized the quantity of the Ducal luggage but actually it belonged to the entire party and the amount was greatly exaggerated.

The spokesman said also that the Duchess did not go shopping except at the Piccadilly Arcade in New York which is run by the Red Cross.

(In London Tuesday Alexander Shaan, Labor, referred to "bitter comment" in the United States over the visit of the Windsors "more especially with regard to the ostentatious display of jewelery and finery at a period when people of this country are strictly rationed.")

Coming Events

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Lt.-Col. Drew Urges Labor Conference

Declares Democracy Faces Grave Threat On Two Fronts.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Nov. 25 —(CP)—A conference between federal and provincial governments, representatives of employers and labor, was urged by Lt.-Col. George A. Drew, Ontario Conservative leader, "to seek some working system which will assure fair treatment for the workers and at the same time assure our maximum war production."

In a speech prepared for delivery before a banquet of the combined service clubs of the Niagara district Col. Drew declared democracy was threatened with defeat on two fronts, "The armed threat to democracy was never greater than at this hour. But there is another threat which may be quite as serious, the threat on the home front."

He said: "An intolerable situation exists today. One reason we have been able to maintain the value of the Canadian dollar so that it is possible for us to buy vitally necessary war supplies from the United States is that this country happens to possess some of the most important gold mines in the world.

"Eight of the most important of these mines are closed or nearly closed by strikes which have nothing whatever to do with the wages, hours of work, or working conditions of the men in the mines."

Saying those responsible for the dispute were doing "a good job for Hitler," Col. Drew added opinions may differ on the direct responsibility. "Labor has been told that it has a right to organize. Labor has been told that it has a right to organize in any union it chooses. The labor in these mines has been permitted by the Dominion government to join a union belonging to the C. I. O. The workers in these mines have been permitted to send large sums of money to the United States for organizing purposes.

Gas rationing May not come Until Spring

OTTAWA, Nov. 25—(CP)—Just how soon gasoline rationing will be put into effect in Canada remains to be determined and announced officially but indications from a good source today were that rationing might not come until well on in the winter or perhaps early spring.

One source said March might be viewed as a probable month for inauguration of this control measure.

Sailor drowned Off Georgetown

ARICHAT, N.S., Nov. 25—(CP)—Knocked overboard when struck by a swinging boom on the schooner Centenary a few hours after it left Georgetown, P.E.I., Albert Poirier, a native of West Arichat, N.S., drowned despite efforts of other crew members to rescue him, it was learned when the vessel docked here this week. His body was not recovered.

The victim was employed as deck hand on the craft commanded by Capt. Edmond Torgeron.

Immediately after the mishap, a dory was lowered from the schooner and a search made for Poirier but he had disappeared. After cruising over the spot for some time, efforts to locate the body had to be abandoned.

Maritime Beef Breeders meet

AMHERST, N. S., Nov. 25—(CP)—The Maritime Beef Committee, with sub-committees from the three provinces, met here today and adopted recommendations to be placed before the directors of the Maritime Stock Breeders' Association at a meeting tomorrow.

Representatives of the provincial sub-committees conferred on various beef-raising methods carried out in the different provinces. From these three groups a committee consisting of C. E. Boulden, Truro, N. S.; S. C. Wright, Prince Edward Island, and Stanley Wood of New Brunswick was named to draw up a breeders' handbook.

The book will be submitted to the breeders before a Maritime fat stock show and sale to be held in Moncton early next March. With the approval of the breeders, the book will be distributed to farmers.

C. F. Bailey, chairman of the beef committee, said the Moncton show and sale would be held before the Easter season to allow beef of red and blue ribbon class to be sold for the Easter trade.

Bread ceiling Is discussed

OTTAWA, Nov. 25—(CP)—The bread price ceiling was discussed today when representatives of the national council of the baking industry conferred with Wartime Prices and Trade Board officials. Among those consulted by the bakers was Hon. Gordon Taggart, foods administrator.

Prices of bread like those of other Canadian requirements come under "ceiling" provisions on Dec. 1. Higher prices will not be permitted than those at which goods were sold during the Sept. 15-Oct. 11 basic period.

Plan Legislation To curb strikes

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 —(AP)—Legislation to stop defence strikes in the United States by invoking compulsory arbitration enforced by stiff penalties took shape in the House of Representatives today.

Acting chairman Robert Ramspeck of the house labor committee said he hoped to have such a measure ready by Friday and disclosed that it sprang from a conference between President Roosevelt and 11 house members at the White House last night.

Neither he nor any of the other conferees would say definitely whether the President had recommended or opposed such a far-reaching step but Ramspeck, in answer to a question, predicted that Mr. Roosevelt would sign it.

Bayonets Used To Reinforce Tanks In Desert

Trapped German Forces make fierce attempts to break out; Battle may continue for weeks.

(By Edward Kennedy, Associated Press Staff Writer)

CAIRO, Nov. 25—(AP)—A second and historic line—the Imperial British Infantry—was slowly beating forward tonight in the bloody Libyan quadrangle near Rezegh, over terrain littered with the iron wreckage of one of the war's greatest mechanized battles.

The first great clash of steel behind him and still not wholly evaluated—save that it was known that both sides had lost tanks heavily—Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham was pouring reinforcements of old-time foot soldiers into his right wing near the Mediterranean in the second phase of his campaign to overwhelm the scarred battalions of the Axis commander, Gen. Erwin Rommel.

WITH THE BRITISH 8TH ARMY IN LIBYA, Nov. 25—(AP)—German armored units, fighting like trapped lions, have taken the offensive at several points in the desert in the last 48 hours.

Perhaps it is their final struggle, but fighting may continue on these desert sands for days; possibly weeks.

Weakened by repeated British blows in the early days of the campaign, the Germans, nevertheless, are fighting ferociously

Tank action still was in progress, but at a greatly-declining tempo, and it appeared that the contest had become one to determine whether Rommel could keep his supply lines sufficiently open to survive.

(At sea, Axis supply problems were further complicated by the sinking of a two-ship southbound convoy in mid-Mediterranean by British surface warships, the Admiralty announced in London. The supply ships were said to have been of medium tonnage. Two escorting destroyers escaped.)

The Axis, driven out of the ports of Bardia and Gambut and apparently imprisoned along the sea by the Mediterranean fleet, was not able so far as could be learned to bring up reserves of consequence.

In most of the Rezegh sector, extending from just south of Tobruk eastward in a confused and ill-defined battle area, the British forces were operating in a series of arcs reaching out for the Axis positions like waves. Along the coast the thrust was direct.

There, the New Zealanders who had over-run Bardia and Gambut were driving forward almost directly west upon Tobruk to an eventual junction with other troops moving up just to the south of the city. Their advance, said the British command, was unhalted

Bayonet Reinforces Tank

Since Sunday, the bayonet has gradually been reinforcing the tank. It was first used in the frontier sector by an Indian brigade, part of the forces which neutralized Axis formations around Salum, and which was charged with the task of penetrating an enemy position and ousting its garrison.

While attention remained centred on Sir Alan's right the extraordinarily rapid thrust of his extreme left across the lower desert—a manoeuvre to cut off the whole of the northern Libyan hump—still was being extended.

Capture by Indian troops of Acuila, just above the previously-seized Italian-held oasis of G'alo, was officially announced in terms which suggested that the advance had since proceeded much farther. The spearhead of this column thus had been extended well beyond 200 miles from its starting point at G'arabub.

Informed military sources said the column's progress beyond the oasis depended altogether upon its own supply problems.

War—25 Years Ago Today

Nov. 26, 1916—Germans made naval raid on Lowestoft. Serbians as Allied troops advanced beyond Monastir, Macedonia. Allies at Athens demanded surrender of 10 mountain batteries by the Greek government.

Lapointe remains In critical condition

MONTREAL, Nov. 25 —(CP) — Justice Minister Lapointe remains in critical condition in hospital here tonight but he apparently had rested well in the past 24 hours.

Tonight's official statement from hospital authorities described his condition as follows:—

"Mr. Lapointe is conscious by intervals but is still in the same critical condition. No improvement."

That report follows a statement this morning that he was conscious after a "fairly good night"

The 65-year-old statesman rested well last night and today following a serious attack yesterday. This afternoon he talked briefly with Rev. P. M. Gaudreault, who administered the last rites of the Roman Catholic church to Mr. Lapointe last week, and said he was tired.

Mr. Lapointe's medical advisers consider him "unpredictable" because of the remarkable rallies he had made from the gravest of crises.

Coming out of a recent critical period he remarked brightly to those around him:—

"You're all alive?"

"Yes, of course we are," they replied.

"Good, so am I. We'll celebrate, give me some water."

No picnic Nazi Press admits

BERLIN, Nov. 25—(AP)—Gen. Erwin Rommel, Germany's Libyan commander, has hurled his reserve troops against the British forces in a desperate struggle amid shattered tanks and desert dead, German war dispatches said tonight.

"The Libyan battle is no picnic," the German press admitted in restrained tones. Propaganda Minister Goebbels' newspaper, Der Angriff, said "the time has not arrived yet for a conclusive evaluation of the situation."

The high command dismissed the land operations with a single sentence: "Embittered fighting continues in all front sectors."

(The German reserve contrasted with Italy's boast that a second British armored brigade, the 22nd, had been wiped out in the Bir El Gobi zone southeast of besieged Tobruk, and that a large part of the British armored forces had been caught in pockets and were being liquidated.

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Enters Hospital

Labor Minister Norman A. McLarty entered hospital yesterday suffering from a cold, a dispatch from Ottawa said last night. There was no mention of the minister's condition.

Violent 'quake Is recorded

(Canadian Press)

A violent earthquake, which some seismologists said was the greatest ever recorded on their instruments, occurred Tuesday in an easterly direction from New York.

Its epicentre was not determined, but Dr Frederick Pough of the American Museum of Natural History said it might possibly have been in the vicinity of Iceland.

In Lisbon, Portugal, where the quake was felt and slight damage was done, Amorim Ferreira, director of the city observatory, said it was "undoubtedly the most violent" recorded since the disastrous quake of 1755, which took 50,000 lives in Lisbon.

The Lisbon seismograph was broken by the shock and the epicentre could not be estimated.

In London, an official of the West Bromwich observatory said "in all my experience I have never seen anything to approach" the shock recorded there at 1:08 p.m. A.S.T. The tremors threw the instrument's levers out of their sockets.

The Dominion observatory at Ottawa described the quake as "very severe" and placed the epicentre some 2,800 miles east of Ottawa. The registration of the quake on the observatory's instruments continued for more than two hours.

U. S. Consulate Urges Americans To quit Japan

TOKYO, Nov. 26—(Wednesday)—(AP)—The United States Consulate today again urged all Americans to leave Japan promptly.

Similar advice was reported given to Americans in China.

It was disclosed that departure of the Japanese steamship Tatuta Maru, scheduled to go to Los Angeles and Balbao, C. Z., this month probably would be delayed until Dec. 2, enabling more Americans to leave aboard her.

The Tatuta Maru only recently returned from a trip on which American-born Japanese were taken to the United States and nearly 1,000 Japanese returned home from San Francisco.

Reach Main Road To Capital; Are Fifty Miles Away

News from front indicates Nazis seek to cut off Moscow; Soviet Forces in counter drive to south.

KUIBYSHEV, Russia, Nov. 26—(Wednesday) —(AP) —The Germans have broken through to the main highway leading to Moscow from Klin, 50 miles north of the capital, front line dispatches said today.

News of the break-through at the northern end of the defence are about Moscow followed an official announcement there that the Germans had smashed to the region of Stalingorsk, 60 miles east of Tula and about 120 miles southeast of Moscow, in the south.

The Nazi gains in the Klin sector were said to have been accomplished after a two-day battle into which the Germans threw two tanks and one motorized infantry divisions.

KUIBYSHEV, Russia, Nov. 25 —(AP)— The Red army holding the Northern Caucasus approaches has launched a counter-offensive which already has driven the Germans back more than 60 miles in some sectors north and west of Rostov, Soviet military dispatches reported tonight.

This major drive, which was said to be continuing, appeared to be endangering the rear of the southern German forces that had broken into Rostov itself.

British tanks, supplementing Red army tanks, surprised two Nazi infantry companies and a mine-throwing unit in one unidentified sector, scattering the Germans, said reports to the army newspaper Red Star.

A reporter in the field said the Germans were concentrated at the edge of a forest when light tanks were flung into the fight.

"The Germans didn't have time to take covering precautions," the eye-witness said. "They had to run."

Senior Lieut. P. Vooshin told Red Star the British tanks were solid and strong and that their small guns were capable of piercing even the large German tanks.

In the southern theatre of battle the situation was pictured as follows:—

The Germans have driven a wedge into the front at Rostov but the Soviet troops are continuing to advance in several other sectors of this front. The German striking power is believed to be three divisions strong.

It was by all accounts on a wide front, for German losses were pictured as enormous, and it was synchronized with Russian counter-action at the northern wing of the front as well.

MOSCOW, Nov. 26—(Wednesday—(AP)—Fierce fighting in the region of Stalinogorsk, 60 miles east of Tula and about 120 miles southeast of Moscow was reported today by the Soviet information bureau in a broadcast communique.

This is the most easterly penetration of the German invaders yet reported on the central front. (It represents an apparent attempt to encircle the Russian capital at a distance.)

Nazi bombers Active over West England

LONDON, Nov. 26—(Wednesday) —(CP)—German bombers flew over a wide area of western England last night and early today.

In one southwestern town five persons were reported killed and several were injured when bombs demolished three houses, but no concentrated attacks were reported.

The only other incident reported was the death of one man in the west of England when a bomb wrecked a house.

Bomber lost Over Atlantic; Three missing

OTTAWA, Nov. 25 —(CP) —Disappearance of a bomber over the Atlantic with three members of the Royal Air Force ferry command aboard—the loss became known in Montreal today—apparently occurred sometime around the end of September.

Missing with the plane, it was learned at Montreal, are FO. Harold Wilson Oldham of Woodstock, N.B., Sgt. W. R. Lance of Hamilton and radio operator Cyril Harvey Small of Ormstown, Que.

A check of Royal Canadian Air Force casualty lists disclosed no trace of radio operator Small's name but the other two were listed Oct. 2 as "missing after flying operations."

(Canadian Press)

TORONTO, Nov. 24—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

	23B	12B
Dawson	42	51
Victoria	22	40
Edmonton	23	32
Regina	24	36
Winnipeg	28	40
Toronto	20	38
Ottawa	22	40
Montreal	29	42
Boston		

Synopsis: The weather has been fair and mild in the western provinces and has become a little milder in Ontario.

High tide this afternoon at 5.09 and tomorrow morning at 4.57.

Sun sets this afternoon at 4.23 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.13.

Full moon Dec. 3, 4.51 p.m

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

BORDEN—CAPE TORMENTINE SERVICE
(DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY)

Leave Borden 9.25 A.M., 1.00 P.M. 4.45 P.M.
Leave Cape Tormentine 11.00 A.M. 3.20 P.M., 6.20 P.M.

Sunday service leave Borden 9.00 A.M., and 4.45 P.M.; leave Cape Tormentine 10.05 A.M., and 5.50 P.M.

WOOD ISLANDS FERRY
(DAILY, INCLUDING SUNDAYS)

Leaves Wood Island 6.30 A. M. 10.00 A. M. and 1.30 P. M.
Leaves Caribou 8.15 A.M. 11.45 noon and 3.15 P. M.

Commandos In Raid On Nazi-held Coast

Former Commander of Shock Troops charges war policy Officials with blocking a real punch by the especially trained men.

LONDON, Nov. 25—(CP)—Britain disclosed today that a small shock patrol raided the German-held coast of French Normandy Sunday night and returned home intact, as a First Great War naval hero bitterly accused war policy officials of over-riding even Prime Minister Churchill to block a real "electrifying" punch by the Commando shock troops a year ago.

At that time, said Admiral of the Fleet Sir Roger Keyes, the Commandos under his command "were ready and eager to act."

They might have "electrified the world and altered the whole course of the war," declared Sir Roger, an ardent advocate of hard-punching offensive action and a sharp critic of the Government's Norwegian campaign earlier in the war.

Announcement of the Sunday night raid was made by the ministry of information as the result of a German communique claim that a British attempt to land on the French channel coast had been thrown back by coastal defences with "heavy losses." Later a German spokesman said only 40 to 50 raiders were involved.

A Small Patrol

The British announcement said the German communique referred, probably, to "a small British patrol which was landed on the night of Nov. 23 on the coast of Normandy. This patrol returned complete. The only casualty sustained was one man struck in the arm by a machine-gun bullet."

Two days before the raid, it was recalled tonight, the British Broadcasting Corporation, in one of its periodic invasion warnings to the occupied countries, asked "all French women and children" to be prepared for an allied disembarkation on the European continent which may come one

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