

INDEPENDENCE NOW : CONGRESS DEMAND

WITHDRAWAL OF BRITISH POWER URGED

WORKING COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

NON-VIOLENT STRUGGLE IF APPEAL TO GOVT. FAILS

NO ROOM LEFT FOR NEGOTIATION

THE WITHDRAWAL OF BRITISH POWER FROM INDIA IS URGED IN A RESOLUTION ISSUED BY THE CONGRESS WORKING COMMITTEE YESTERDAY.

It says that the Congress wishes to take no hasty step and will like to avoid as far as possible any course of action that may embarrass the United Nations. It pleads for the acceptance of the proposal by the Government, but if the appeal fails the Congress will reluctantly be compelled to utilize all its non-violent strength for the vindication of its



**"MASS MOVEMENT
ON WIDEST
SCALE"**

—GANDHI

WARDHANA, July 14.

PRESIDENT EXPLAINS

UNANIMOUS CONGRESS
DECISION

India's Obligations To Her Defence

WARDHANA, July 14. Emphasizing that the resolution of the Congress Working Committee was a unanimous one, Sardar Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, in an interview to the Associated Press, stated that the Congress had two main problems to tackle, one relating to the achievement of political independence and the other to meet the present situation.

He said that events had reached such a stage that it had become impossible for the Congress to wait and watch passively. For nine days the Committee discussed the resolution on all its aspects to see what should be done and in what form to meet the present situation. He considered the defence of India as of paramount importance and only India's independence would enable her to pay her part effectively in the defence of the country. It was his position to wait for the final achievement of India's independence, but India's obligations to her defence could not wait. This point had been made clear in the resolution.

He said that there should be no room for any misunderstanding, and hoped that the British Government and the Allied Nations would accept

FURTHER RUSSIAN WITHDRAWAL

GERMAN BREAKTHROUGH IN VORONEZH AREA

THREE-PRONGED DRIVE TOWARDS STALINGRAD

NAZI GAIN SOUTH-WEST OF RZHEV

MOSCOW, July 14.

Three German armies are preparing to strike from three directions at Stalingrad and to split the stretch between the Don and Volga rivers. The Fourth Tank Army is still partly leaving its way across the Don at Voronezh, motorized divisions are attacking at Buzovna and a third large German force is now advancing beyond Lischensk. From Voronezh on the east side of the Don lies very fertile country which grows 350 miles south-east to the tank manufacturing town of Stalingrad.

THREE ALLIED SHIPS SUNK

Torpedoed In Gulf Of
St. Lawrence

OTTAWA, July 14.

Mr. A. MacDowall, Canadian Navy Minister, disclosed today that three United Nations' ships were torpedoed and sunk in the Gulf of St. Lawrence about a week ago.

Four members of the crews of the ships were killed and four are missing. Mr. MacDowall said. Ninety-five were rescued.—Reuter

great number of tanks, and were engaged heavily upon the Germans. In one engagement and intensive anti-aircraft resistance was forced to withdraw and leave the defence area exposed to them. In the course of the fighting our losses ran about 1,000 killed and wounded and 1,000 missing a great part of whom formed genuine stragglers arriving in the enemy rear. Eighty tanks and 20 guns were lost. During the same period in fighting south-west of Stalingrad the Germans lost more than 12,000 officers and men in killed action, more than 200 tanks and 10 guns and 20 aircraft.

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