

SOUTH ATLANTIC NAVAL BATTLE

LONDON-A naval battle 700 miles north of Montevideo between an unidentified German vessel and the British auxiliary cruiser Carnavon Castle, a converted passenger liner of 20,063 tons, has resulted in slight damage to the British vessel with several of the crew injured, it is announced. Shots were exchanged at a distance seven to ten miles. Full details of the battle are not yet available.

ITALIANS ABANDON SOUTH ALBANIA

ATHENS-Victorious Greek troops smashed into Santa Caranta and Argirocastro, important Italian base cities in Albania, during the night as Premier Benito Mussolini's vanquished forces fled in panic and complete disorder to the north. The Italians are, apparently, abandoning all of southern Albania and that as quickly as possible. The capture of Santa Caranta and Argirocastra constitutes the greatest Greek victory since the taking of Koritza on November 22. .. The blue and white flag of Greece flew from the city halls of both cities today. As the Fascist forces took to headlong flight, they endeavoured to fire both towns yesterday but, coming in from the outskirts, the Greeks advanced so rapidly that they were unable to remove or destroy all their equipment.

MUSSOLINI REMOVES WAR CHIEF

ROME-Premier Benito Mussolini has removed Marshal Pietro Badoglio as chief of general staff of the Italian Army, replacing him with General Ugo Cavaliaro. Dissatisfaction of Il Duce with Badoglio's direction of the campaign in Greece and Albania, which has developed into a fiasco, is believed to be the cause of the change. Badoglio has long been regarded as Italy's most prominent soldier. He directed the Ethiopian campaign and became known as the "Duke of Addis Ababa." He has had a prominent part in the directing of the war against Greece.

HISTORIC BOMBING TARGETS

LONDON-Terrific anti-aircraft fire today drove back wave after wave of Nazi raiding planes in an attack upon the important south coast naval base town of Portsmouth. Unsavorable weather during the night curtailed the attack upon London and elsewhere in Great Britain since yesterday. There were two alerts in London before midnight but nothing of consequence developed. It has been disclosed that Windsor Castle, Greenwich Observatory and Holyrood Castle in Edinburgh have been the targets of recent Nazi air attacks. Three bombs dropped in the grounds of Windsor-one on the goli course, one near the tennis court and one on the bowling green. At Greenwich a high explosive bomb damaged the priceless revolving globe and the famous timepiece. Bones of ancient kings and queens of Scotland wre disinterred at Holyrood. The remains of Mary, Queen of Scots, are among those which have reposed there.

PASSING OF IS HEADING GEO. ALLEN

vido Monday, Being Given Per-

mission to Make Repairs

TODAY'S WEATHER

Prince Rupert-overcast, south-

barometer, 29.65; temperature, 43;

sea rough.

meter, 29.95.

NEW YORK COPPER

Canadian Hudson Bay Head Dies In Victoria

VICTORIA, December 6. (Cana-KC, Winnipeg, president of the nadian Press)—The British armed having combined to frustrate it. in hospital here today.

PRESIDENT UNDER WA

At Sea Again Today Following His Visit to British Island Colony of Jamaica

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Dec. 6 .- taking up the chase. Concluding his visit to this British island colony, President Franklin D. Roosevelt left today aboard U.S.S. Tuscaloosa in continuation of his tour of Caribbean defences. His next point of visit was not disclos- east wind, fourteen miles per hour;

Except to visit the site on Port- visibility, twenty miles; light chop. land Bight the use of which United! Triple Island-raining, south-States has obtained from Great Bri- east wind, twenty miles per hour; tain for the establishment of an air visibility, ten miles; sea rough. and naval base, President Roosevelt; Langara Island-raining, southdid not go ashore in Jamaica. He east wind, twelve miles per hour; inspected the large fleet anchorage barometer, 29.36; temperature, 42; visibility, twelve miles; light swell. and the ground for an air base.

Mr. Roosevelt entertained Sir Ar- Dead Tree Point-raining, souththur Richards, Governor of Jam- east wind, 27 miles per hour; baraica, and Mrs. Richards and family ometer, 29.47; temperature, 46; vis- No Details of Marine Disaster Off aboard the Tuscaloosa at luncheon. libility, five miles; sea rough. The United States consul to Jam-

aica was also present. The President got an actual sight ometer, 29.94; temperature, 44; vissix hundred German prisoners war enroute to Canada.

TIME STILL MARCHES ON wind, ten miles per hour; baro-meter, 30.21; temperature, 47.

Damaging of Greenwich Observa- wind, seven miles per hour; bar- Swedish Navy is being reinforced at tory by Bombing Has Not Put ometer, 30.20; temperature, 44. Famous Ball Out of Commission

LONDON, December 6 (Canadian Press)—Although the Greenwich disclosed today.

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

omorrow's Tides

7:59 a.m. 18.3 ft. 20:12 p.m. 16.0 ft. 14:03 p.m. 9.0 ft.

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Greeks Sweeping Ahead

BLOWS BY OUR SIDE

Last Forty-eight Hours of Aerial War Has Been More Costly For Enemy Than For Britain

NAZIS RETURN TONIGHT LONDON. Dec. 6: (CP)-After inactivity through daylight hours, the German air force swooped back on England with darkness tonight. Planes are reported over a southwest town, the industrial Midlands and Wales. An official statement discloses that German bombers, sweeping over in waves, killed a number of persons and inflicted heavy damage to private property in the south coast naval base of Portsmouth in a concentrated three nour assault. A large number were left home-

LONDON, Dec. 6 .- Far heavier blows have been delivered by Great Britain against Germany in the air war during the past forty-eight a Co-perative Commonwealth Fedhours than Germany has been able to score upon Britain.

A concentrated attack which was attempted last night by the Nazis on the naval base city of Portsmouth is believed to have been in the nature of reprisal for smashing blows delivered by the Royal Air Force on Turin, Italy, and Dusseldorf, Germany. It was suggested in Berlin that it was but the start of a campaign to reduce British President of Great West Life and Carnarvon Castle Due at Monte- naval bases and that further attacks on Portsmouth might be anticipated. As it was last night's attack resulted in little damage and few casualties, effective British un Press)—George William Allan MONTEVIDEO, December 6: (Ca- anti-aircraft fire and bad weather

Great West Life Assurance Co. and merchant cruiser Carnarvon Cas- The raid on Dusseldorf Wedneschairman of the Canadian com- tle, damaged in battle with a Ger- day night lasted from 6 p.m. until mittee of the Hudson Bay Co., died man raider, is expected to reach 6 a.m. and was continuous through-Montevideo Monday, apparently out that time. Tons of bombs were seeking repairs. It is learned that dropped and many fires were left the Uruguayan government has behind, extensive damage to the granted permission for her entry, important German centre being Informed sources place the scene evident.

> of the battle one thousand miles In addition to explosives, leaflets northeast of Montevideo. Naval were dropped on Turin and pictures sources believe the ship broke off showing actual damage which was the engagement when the German done to Taranto naval base on the raider outdistanced her and said recent raid there by the British that the fact that the Carnarvon Navy air arm when a large part of Castle was putting into port indi- the Italian fleet was entirely put cated that another warship has out of commission.

Last night, on the whole, aerial warfare was at a low ebb owing to the unfavorable weather.

Nevertheless, British planes crossed the Channel to drop bombs on military objectives in Holland and France, two of the planes failing to

There was another duel of big guns across the Channel yesterday.

Australian Coast—Six Lose

Bull Harbor-light rain, southeast wind, 21 miles per hour; bar-CANBERRA, Australia, Decemof war operations by seeing a Bri- ibility, six miles; moderate swell. ber 6 (Canadian Press)--Thirteen tish steamer which had on board Alert Bay—southwest wind, 21 survivors of an unidentified ship of miles per hour; barometer, 30.03; were rescued from the wreckage temperature, 44; visibility, 15 miles; of their vsesel on the Australian coast last night. The sunken ves-Estevan-overcast, south south- sel was not identified but it was east wind, twelve miles per hour; reported that six members of the barometer, 30.09; temperature, 46. crew were lost. No details were Victoria - overcast, southeast given,

> ONE NEUTRAL NAVY Vancouver - overcast, easterly STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6: (CP)-The rapid speed — October launchings

Prince George- clear, southerly including three mine-sweepers.

wind, ten miles per hour; baro-LIKE FATHER-LIKE SON MELBOURNE, Dec. 6: (CP)-First father and son to have their NEW YORK, Dec. 6:- Copper "wings" in the Royal Air Force are cent air raid, the famous time was unchanged on the New York Flight-Lieutenant R. U. Hoddinott were 1/8c lower to 1/8c higher on ball continues to function, it was metal market yesterday with and his son, Pilot Officer W. J. the Chicago market yesterday with March closing at 10.95c per pound. Hoddinott.

Object of Most Intensified Raid Yet By Royal Air Force

LONDON, Dec. 6: (CP)-The air raid of the Royal Air Force on last of Mrs. Jessie Emily Orch-Dusseldorf railway yards and factories Wednesday night was the longest and most intensive ye carried out on a single objective by the British. It lasted from m until 6 a.m. and tons of bombs were dropped.

Compu'sory Non-Interest Bearing officiating. Bond Purchase Not Favored

OTTAWA, Dec. 6: (CP)— The House of Commons yesterday, by a division of 145 to 19, voted down eration proposal making compulsory the purchase of non-interest bearing bonds.

The House sat until after midnight last night.

TODAY'S STOCKS (Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver Big Missouri, .05.

B: aloine 10.30. Caribon Quartz. 2.20. Dentonio, .001/2A Fairview. .0058 Hedler Mascot, .55. Minto, .01. Noble Five, .001/4. Pend Oreille, 1.80. P'oneer, 2.05. Premier, .85. Privateer. .53. Reeves Macdonald, .17. Reno, .12. Relief Arlington, .021/2. Salmon Gold, .021/4. Sheep Creek. .85. Cariboo Hudson, .021/2A.

A. P. Con., .09. Calmont, .23. C. & E., 1.40. Home, 2.40. Pacalta, .05. Royal Canadian, .091/2A. Okalta, .70. Mercury, .041/4. Prairie Royalties, .07.

Toronto

Aldermac, .15. Beattie, 1.15. Central Pat., 1.95. Cons. Smelters, 38.003/4. East Malartic, 2.85. Fernland, .02. Francoeur, .44. Gods Lake, .40. Hardrock, 1.02. Int. Nickel, 34.001/2. Kerr Addison, 3.50. Little Long Lac, 2.10. McLeod Cockshutt, 2.30. Madsen Red Lake, .64. McKenzie Red Lake, 1.21. Moneta, .53. Noranda, 56.001/4. Pickle Crow, 2.95. Preston East Dome, 3.20. San Antonio, 2.55. Sherritt Gordon, .80. Uchi, .30. Bouscadillac, .03. Mosher, .061/2. Oklend, .08. Smelters Gold, .001/2. Dominion Bridge, 25.001/8.

POUND STERLING

NEW YORK, Dec. 6:- The British pound sterling was trading at \$4.0334 on the New York foreign exchange yesterday.

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, Dec. 6:-Wheat prices

MRS ORCHARD DIES Many old friends in the city will learn with regret of the death in Vancouver on Sunday ard, wife of Wallace C. Orchard, who was for many years general agent for the Canadian Pacific Railway in Prince Rupert, having left here nine years ago. Mrs. Orchard had suffered number of strokes but was able Mrs. Orchard, who was 73 years of age, is survived by a son, Fred, and a daughter, Mrs. Edward Mayon. The funeral took place in Vancouver Wednesday afterneon with Rev. Roy Mainwaring

CAPT. KINNEY DIES VICTORIA-Capt. Charles P. Kinney, retired veteran master mariner of this coast, passed away here yesterday.

DEATH PENALTY BERLIN-According to information received here, Premier Ion Antonescu has decreed the death penalty for those instigating or leading rebellions in Rumania. There is no appeal and execution must be carried out within ten hours of the imposition of sentence.

ENORMOUS CONTRACTS WASHINGTON- Contracts for 320 majo combat ships are now being carried out in the United Stat s. The total value of \$3 .-802,000. Ships are coming off the ways at the rate of one every twelve days. A total of 162,000 are employed in the shippards. Construction time has been speeded up to 35 months for cruisers and 24 months for destroyers.

ROME UNDER FIRE? ROME-Reuters said that the Rome radio went off the air at 6:40 p.m. Silence of radio is a familiar precaution against air raids in Italy.

GREEK SHIP DISABLED NEW YORK- A Greek vessel has sent out "S.O.S." messages from 400 miles west of the British Isles, saying she is disabled in a storm with 29 on board.

TO HELP BRITAIN WASHINGTON-United States. in making a \$100,000,000 loan to tinct understanding that Argentina will extend a \$160,000,000 credit to Great Britain for purchase of foodstuffs. Thus the making of a direct loan by United States to Great Britain will be obviated and it will not be necessary to amend the Johnson Act. Sir Frederick Phillips, Under Secretary of the British Treasury, arrived here today to meet the United States government and explain Britain's financial status and her war needs.

DETONIA PROTESTED

VICHY-The United States embassy is reported to have protested against the German defention of the former embassy receptionist-Mrs. Elizabeth Deegan-on what are described unofficially as charges that she aided British officers to escape from unoccupied France.

GERMAN PEACE BID BUDAPEST-A German peace proposal for the ending of the war between Greece and Italy is reported to have been delivered through Turkish authorities to Premier John Metaxas of Greece at Salonika.

Southern Dominion Arranges Closer Ties With Free France Possessions

AUCKLAND, N.Z., Dec. 6: (CP)-The decision of the French possessions of Noumea and Tahiti to rally reaching the Yugo-Slav border toto the cause of General de Gaulle and Free France has resulted in occupied the important interior closer ties with British possessions Albanian town of Argirocastro toin the Pacific.

Following the plebiscite in Tato be about until last Friday hiti, Moorea and Paumoto Archi-Considerable war material is also when she was seized with the pelago which resulted in an overfinal one. Besides the widower, whelming vote in favor of General as they swept into the former de Gaulle-5564 votes to 18 for the Vichy government—the New Zealand government on behalf of other governments of the British Commonwealth made contact with the new administration.

This was done through a highly placed government officer. He visited Tahiti, where he found the new Governor, M. Edmond Mansard, in office, assisted by members of the late Governor's Privy Council, who had been largely responsible for the Italian U-Boat decision to support the Free French

appeared to be firmly in control of Destroyer, Said the situation and to have the sup- Destroyer, Said port of the great bulk of the population. Their co-operation with the New Zealand representative was most cordial.

ania, shall maintain contact with ean waters. the territory. Prime Minister Fraser of New Zealand, stressed that French Oceania was not in any way merely a British protectorate AIR TRAVEL under the supervision of New Zealand. French Oceania was being administered under the authority of General de Gaulle. Mr. Fraser said. through his appointee, and was freely and of its own desire, co-op- More People Handled by TransCanerating with the British Commonwealth in the present struggle.

Efforts are being made in New Zealand to increase trade with ping companies are making contact with exporters and importers in the French possession.

stantial nickel ore output will prob- the peak vacation month of 1940 ably go to the Nnited States.

day-Another Sitting Before Spring-Election Expected

dian Press)—The British Columbia Colyer, vice-president. Legislature is proroguing today The new Toronto-Windsor service after the Lieutenant Governor, has proved to be one of the best Hon. E. W. Hamber, gives assent to patronized services in the T.C.A. sixty or more bills.

the 28-day session was the Teach- Colyer. ers' Pension Act, replacing the 1929 act and giving all retired _ teachers pensions of not less than New District Of \$50 monthly.

Another bill gives municipalities Police At Ocean \$250,000 in the fiscal year ending Police At Ocean March 31, 1924, and annually thereafter not less than \$450,000 to be Falls Is Opened distributed on an equitable basis.

Although there is no official indication, some believe that another session will be held following the Dominion - provincial conference at Ottawa in January with the trict with headquarters at Ocean possibility of a provincial election late in spring.

BULGARIAN BORDER CLOSED

mania to Hungary.

PRICE: 5 CENTS

Greeks Take 1000 Prisoners at Argirocastro and Considerable War Material

BITOLJ, Yugo Slavia, December 6 (Canadian Press) — Dispatches 'day said that Greek troops had day after heavy fighting, taking more than one thousand prisoners. reported captured by the Greeks ·Italian base which was to have been one of the important points of departure on the Fascist invasion of Greece which has now turned into a complete counterinvasion.

Earlier it was announced in Athens that the important Albanian coast port of Porto Edda (Santa Caranta) had been occupied.

The Governor and his advisers Has Sunk Greek

ROME, December 6-Italian naval authorities claim that an Ital-It is intended that New Zealand, ian submarine has sunk a Greek as closest neighbor of French Oce- destroyer in eastern Med teliran-

IS GROWING

ada in October Than September

WINNIPEG, Dec. 6.-Figures for Neumes (New Caledonia) and ship- October released by Trans-Canada Air Lines today show 6059 passengers flew with the national air service that month as against 5736 in The bulk of New Caledonia's sub- September on increase of 323. Only made a better showing.

Air mail continued the steady increase that began last July. The October load was 94,164 pounds, an all-time record, more than four tons over September and showing a PROROGUE steady increase since mid-year. Air express fell from 12,776 to 10,249 express fell from 12,776 to 10,249 pounds. The decrease was attributable to one point—Ottawa.

Argentina, does so on the dis- Session At Victoria Concludes To- The passenger figures presented show actual passengers carried and not tickets sold as heretofore.

No sign of a seasonal falling off in passenger traffic was evidenced VICTORIA, December 6 (Cana- in the statistics released by D. B.

system although it was established Among measures passed during only a few months ago, said Mr.

Announcement is made of the establishment of a new pelice dis-Falls and with Corp. L. A. N. Potterton of Ocean Falls in charge. The Ocean Falls district, coming under Prince Rupert division, take, in the coast from Butedale to Smith's Inlet including Bella Coola and the SOFIA - Bulgaria has closed police boat P.M.L. 7. Corp Potterher frontier to Rumanian refugees | ton is well known in Prince Rupert. -and, possibly, any move south- having been a member of the old ward by the Germany army. city force here in the early days Refugees are fleeing out of Ru- and also having been for a considerable time stationed at Stewart.