Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands - Fresh to strong northeast to east winds, part cloudy and colder with some rain

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A PROBLEM

Major Sea Disaster In Sinking Of Italian Liner; Some Believed Lost In Mediterranean Sea

TOULON, France, January 22: (CP)-A few crew members are still missing today with 539 survivors landed following a major sea disaster, not, however, associated with the war, in the destruction by fire at sea early Sunday of the Italian liner Orazio. The 11,669-ton ship, with 412 passengers and crew of 300 on board, was shattered by violent explosion after which she

took fire sixty miles from Barcel-BRITISH ona. The survivors took to lifeboats and some jumped into the sea without waiting. British and French TAKE OFF warships were among the vessels which picked them up, taking them to Marseilles, Toulon and other

Incident Off Japanese Coast

TOKIO, Jan. 22: (CP) - The Japanese government formally at the halting of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Asama Maru by a British cruiser off the Japanese coast and the taking off of twenty-one German seamen who were on their way home via Russia fro mthe United States where they had been employed controversy.

were technicians and skilled seamen and are regarded by the British as being of possible aid to Germany in actively prosecuting the war, thereby being legal prisoners of war. It is expected they will be taken to Hong Kong and interned.

In a message to the ship owners. Capt. Watanabe of the trans-Pacific liner says that the British naval officers halter his ship came aboard and, after making inquiries, removed the Germans. As a result of this action, officials of N.Y.K. said that it was probable that the company would refuse to carry any more Germans on its boats. This may affect over 500 German members of the crew of the scuttled German liner Columbus now at San Francisco awaiting transport to Vladivostok enroute home on Japanese ships.

Japan Does Not

Newspaper Says Another Proposal Will be Made to United States For Interim Agreement

TOKYO, Jan. 22.— Japan wishes to avoid a tariff war with United States following the expiry of the treaty between the two countries on January 26, newspaper Asahi says Another proposal for an interim agreement will be offered by Japan, the newspaper says.

Germans Storm Fuel Trains

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 22.—It is * reported here that Germans, + desperate for fuel with which + San Antonio, 2.33. to cook and keep warm, have + * stormed coal trains, carrying * off the fuel in baskets, wheel-+ barrows, perambulaters and + • other conveyances.

Interesting Case Arises as Result of HE NAMES NEUTRALS

protested to Great Britain today Churchill Tells Ones That Are in Particular Danger-Plans For Invasion of Lowlands Found

LNDON, Jan. 22,-Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, listed by name a number of on an American freighter. The European neutral nations which protest, delivered to the British faced danger of destruction unless embassy, is regarded as a rout- they united with the Allies against ine diplomatic move and is not the forces of aggression among expected in Japanese official which he unhesitatingly named quarters to develop into a major Russia as well as Germany. Plans for an invasion of Belgium and Hol-The Germans, it is suggested, land had been found in a captured Russian plane, Churchill declared.

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Coursesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver

Bralorne, 10.90. Cariboo Quartz, 2.45. Dentonia, .011/2. Fairview, .0138. Gold Belt, .21. Hedley Mascot, .55. Minto, .011/4. Noble Five, .011/2. Pacific Nickel, .12. Pend Orielle, 2.00. Pioneer, 2.15. Premier, 1.36. Privateer, .91. Reeves McDonald, .28. Reno, .48. Relief Arlington, .12. Salmon Gold, .021/4. Sheep Creek, 1.16. Cariboo Hudson, .031/2.

Big Missouri, .11.

A. P. Con., .18. C. & E., 2.10. Freehold, .021/4. Home, 2.83. Royal Can., .181/2. Okalta, 1.12. Mercury, .061/4. Prairie Royalties, .191/2.

Toronto

Aldermac, .33. Beattie, 1.12. Central Pat., 2.47. Cons. Smelters, 46.25. East Malartic, 3.95. Fernland, .04. Francoeur, .60. Gods Lake, .591/2. Hardrock, 1.28. Int. Nickel, .44. Kerr Addison, 2.51. Little Long Lac, 3.05. McLeod Cockshutt, 2.28. Madsen Red Lake, .51. Moneta, .88. Noranda, 77.50. Pickle Crow, 3.80. Preston East Dome, 2.19. Sherritt Gordon, 1.02. Stadacona, .09. Uchi, .82. Bouscadillac, .041/2. Mosher, .08.

Oklend, .13.

Dominion Bridge, 37.75.

SOVIET DEAD TESTIFY TO FINLAND'S GRIM COURAGE



The twisted bodies of these slain Russian troops graphically tell the story of Finland's grim resistance to the Soviet invader. This picture was made on the Karelian Isthmus front. Lying where they fell, cut down by Finnish fire and the bitter winter weather that has proved the brave little nation's stoutest ally to date, the Red Army soldiers are part of the thousands annihilated in vain attempts to smash through the Mannerheim line of defences. Neutral estimates place Russian casualues as high as 33,000 on all fronts in Finland.

DUKE OF WINDSOR HOME LONDON-The Duke of Windsor is home on leave from his military duties as a majorgeneral with the British Army in & Soviet foreign commissar, who 4; France. It is his second visit home since the abdication. The Duchess is not accompanying him.

RELAXING REGULATIONS LONDON-Regulations in regard to blackouts are being relaxed. Lighting systems are being installed in trains and limited use of automobile headlights during fog is to be permitted.

SWITZERLAND CAUTIOUS BASLE-Precautions are being taken by Switzerland against the possibility of a German thrust through the country. Some towns are being evacuated.

LEAVES RESTORED AMSTERDAM-Leaves of the Netherlands army, cancelled last week because of the fear German invasion, are being restored this Wednesday.

PLANES OVER NETHERLANDS THE HAGUE - Unidentified warplanes flew at great height over the Netherlands today, flying in easterly direction. Dutch anti-aircraft guns and pursuit planes went into action.

FURTHER CLASHES CANTON-Further clashes between Japanese and Chinese forces in this region and elsewhere have occurred. Near Nanning there have been 600 Japanese casualties, it is reported.

ASSAULT

Germans Try But Fail To Pierce Maginot Line-Increase Activity -Nazi Plane Down

of a German assault on the Magin- Vancouver. Scattered showers have Irene Drybrough, 19, in Port ot Line is reported. All along the occurred on the coast while over | Moody. Western Front from Luxembourg to the interior it is moderately cold. the Rhine River there was increased | West Coast of Vancouver Island activity. A German pursuit plane - Fresh east winds, part cloudy was brought down, a French com- and somewhat colder with scattermunique says.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 22.-Ac- + reaching to reports reaching + + here, Maxim Litvinoff, former + + recently fell into disfavor as + "being friendly with western + * powers and too dangerous to * + Russia," has been liquidated.

Announcement in Regard to War Orders to be Made at Ottawa This Week

OTTAWA, Jan. 22.- Parliamen opens on Thursday and, soon after the House will hear a detailed account of Canada's war effort. The main story will be told by Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King in the course of debate in reply to the speech from the Throne. Many details will be brought out, it is expected, in answer to questions.

Before the session opens, it is expected announcement will be made of letting of important war orders including contracts for anti-submarine craft and airplanes.

Western Front Is Quiet Today

PARIS, Jan. 22: (CP) - Both French and German communiques indicate little if any action. "Nothing to report," said

French communique issued today at Paris over which city several Chiang Kai-Shek, charging that secret treaty. German planes flew during the

"No particular events," says a seeks an explanation. German war bulletin.

Weather Forecast

General Synopsis-The pressure is adnormally high in the far PARIS, Jan. 22.—Complete faliure north but appears low west of after shooting and wounding News Service correspondent, is ed showers.

SHOTS FIRED AT DRY DOCK On two successive nights during the latter part of last week military guards and provincial police have fired after prowlers in the local dry dock yards. The prowler or prowlers evidently made their way into the yards through the fence and were espied first by the military guards for whom they refused to halt. After escape from the yards, the pursuit continued up the hillside towards Ambrose Avenue by which time the police had joined in the chase. After further search, the intruders escaped. As far as known, the bullets failed to reach their mark. (Approved by censor).

FOUR YEARS FOR BROWDER NEW YORK- Earl Browder, American communist leader, was convicted on two charges of passport fraud and sentenced to four years' imprisonment with fine of

CHINA BITTERLY COLD SHANGHAI-A bitter cold wave is sweeping over North China. In one town alone five hundred persons are dead.

HONORABLE COMPROMISE BOMBAY - An "honorable i compromise" over the question of Indian self-government is proposed by Mahatma Gandhi, Nationalist leader, who is to confer with Lord Linlithgow, the ViceRoy of India, early in February.

DIPLOMATIC RUPTURE ROME-A diplomatic rupture between China and Italy is forethe government was ratified by Italy even before it was formed,

SHOT GIRL AND SELF NEW WESTMINSTER-Edward Fuchs, 32, died from what police said were self-inflicted gunshot wounds. The police said that Fuchs turned the gun on himself

LAWYER IS DEAD

VANCOUVER-Charles William Craig, 68, prominent Vancouver lawyer, died last night. He rep-

Provincial Police Are Searching Ocean Falls District For Cruiser

RANGER, WIFE AND EN- RUSSIANS GINEER ARE ON BOARD

BELLA COOLA, Jan. 22: (CP)— Provincial police launches are searching Dean and Burke Channels for the forestry boat Alpine Fir which has been missing for five days on o trip from Ocean Falls. The launch carried Ranger Phillips, his wife and Mike Christiansen, engineer.

DESTROYER

British Suffer Losses Over Week-End In War At Sea-H. M. S. Grenville Sunk

LONDON, Jan. 22: (CP)-Four British ships, including a destroyer, and three neutral vessels were included in a heavy weekend toll in the war at sea. The destroyer was the flotilla leader Grenville, a fine up-to-date vessel of 1485 tons and with speed of thirty-six knots, which was the victim on Saturday of either a mine or torpedo.. Eight of the crew are known to be dead, seventy-three others are missing and may be dead while 118 are reported to have been saved. The commander went down with his ship.

Twenty-nine persons are believed to have been lost with the six merchant vessels.

In addition to the Grenville, the other victims of the war at sea

British tanker Caroni, 8707 tons, sank after unexplained explosion, crew saved.

British steamship Protesilaus, 9557 tons, sank after hitting mine, crew saved. This vessel is well known on the Pacific Coast.

British steamship Feryhill, 1086 tons, mined, twelve of crew believed lost. Esthonian steamship Nautic,

1050 tons.

Swedish steamship Flandria, Danish steamship Telkla, 1469.

In addition, the 1569-ton Norwegian vessel Maurita is presumed to be lost.

Secret Pact Of Britain-Japan

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.-It was seen over the Italian recognition reported by an American news- the south. Commissioner Parsons is of the Japanese puppet govern- paper correspondent that Great Bri- making a tour on official inspection ment of China. Generalissimo tain and Japan had concluded

> resented the Workmen's Compensation Board in 1924 in a Privy Council case.

> > REFUSE EXPLANATION

WASHINGTON, D. C .- Japanese police at Tokyo have refused to announce charges on which James Young, International being detained, United States Ambassador to Japan Joseph C. Grew advises Secretary of State Cordell Hull. Young was taken into custody following a trip to spot, 11 percent premium. China. No indication is given as to when he may be released.

REPULSED

Attacks Staged On Soviet Air And Naval Bases

Retaliation

Strong Red Attacks Thrown Back Air Raids In Finland Continue

HELSINGFORS, Jan. 22: (CP)-Strong Russian attacks were flung back both on the Karelian Isthmus and north of Lake Ladoga at the week-end, a Finnish communique reports. The Russians suffered heavy losses.

In the fighting on land, the Russians are still meeting with reverses on all fronts at the hands of the stubborn Finns. treating Reds have finally taken a stand fifty miles from their frontier in the Arctic area.

Thousand Russian bombs are estimated to have been dropped at the week-end on twenty-seven Finnish towns but only one person was killed and four injured. There. was considerable property damage however. Eleven Russian planes are believed to have been brought

The Finns retaliated on Sunday for heavy bombing raids by the Russians over their cities by attacking Russian air bases across the Baltic Sea in Esthonia, The Finns also dropped bombs on the Russian naval base at Kronstadt. Overhanging clouds today lessened air raid activities.

Now the freezing of the Gulf of Finland from Esthonian to Finnish shores confronts Finland with the possibility of an overice attack from Russian bases in Esthonia. Foreign observers speculate on the chances of success of such a thrust but the Finns said they were well prepared to meet it. Some sections of the coast are already barricaded with barbed

Russian planes were ranging over southern Finland Saturday, heavily bombing Abo and other

Police Head And Civil Protection Organizer Here

Commissioner T. W. S. Parsons, head of the British Columbia Police from Victoria, and Major S. F. M. Moodie, organizer of the Civil Protection League for British Columbia, arrived in the city on the Venture Saturday afternoon from a duties and is also interesting himself in air raid protection service which is the particular mission of Major Moodie. Preliminary organization has already commenced here and will now be perfected.

Accompanied by Inspector C. G. Barber, Commissioner Parsons will leave on tonight's train for Smithers and other interior points enroute back to Victoria.

I oday's Exchange

United States funds- Buying, spot, 10 percent premium; selling,

Sterling funds - Buying, spot, \$4.43; selling, spot, \$4.47.