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Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert—Fresh north to northeast with cloudy and colder with sleet.

Tomorrow's Tides

High 7:17 a.m. 19.4 ft. 20:26 p.m. 16.1 ft. Low 0:40 a.m. 7.7 ft. 13:54 p.m. 6.3 ft.

Chamberlain Tells Of War Effort

REICH IS INSULTED

Says That Poles Are Happier Than Ever Under German Rule

BERLIN, Jan. 31: (CP)—Informed sources say that Diego von Bergen, German ambassador to the Holy See, has called attention of the Papal Secretary of State to "prejudiced broadcasts insulting to the Reich" on Polish conditions including persecution of Polish Catholics.

LOOK FOR VIOLENCE

Britain And France To Get What They Asked For, Says Hitler—London and Paris See "Nothing New"

BERLIN, Jan. 31: (CP)—A new phase of violence in the war is predicted by Nazis on the strength of Chancellor Adolf Hitler's declaration yesterday in his speech that "England and France will get the fight they have asked for."

ORDERS ARE GIVEN OUT

East Took Large Portion Of Contracts For Anti-Sub Craft

OTTAWA, Jan. 31: (CP)—Orders totalling \$15,596,495 have been placed during the past week by the war purchasing board, it is announced, of this \$13,200,000 being for the building of anti-submarine craft of the whale catcher type.

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FINNISH SHARPSHOOTERS INFLICT HEAVY TOLL ON RED INVADERS



PASSING OF MR. MARLER

Former Canadian Minister Minister To United States and Japan Dies After Long Illness

MONTREAL, Jan. 31: (CP)—Sir Herbert Meredith Marler, former Canadian minister to the United States and Japan, died today in hospital here after having been a patient since June. He was sixty-three years of age.

Had Close Call From Speed Boat

Vancouver Brothers Nearly Lost Lives When Craft Took Fire Outside Harbor

VANCOUVER, Jan. 31: (CP)—Capt. Fred H. Clark and his brother, Herman Clark, had a narrow escape yesterday when a new speedboat which they were trying out caught fire just outside First Narrows. The ywere rescued by a passing boat.

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War News

NO SETTLEMENT REACHED

TOKYO—It was announced last night that the Japanese-Russian commission seeking to mark permanently the battle-scarred boundary between Manchoukuo and Outer Mongolia had disbanded without reaching an agreement. There have been many clashes in this area between Russians and Japanese and, without failure to reach a settlement, it is to be supposed they will be resumed in the spring.

18,000 POLES SLAIN

PARIS—The Polish government in exile announces that Germans have put to death 18,000 Poles of all classes since the Nazi occupation of Poland.

FLEW NEAR DENMARK

COPENHAGEN — A German plane flew within three miles of Copenhagen today and was fired upon by Danish anti-aircraft guns, making off towards Sweden. It was a fine clear day and there could be no mistaking locality.

CASUALTIES SO FAR

LONDON—So far in the fighting of this war only five men of the British Army have been killed. Casualties of the other services—navy and air force—have been much heavier, making a total of 750 including one nurse.

A. J. MacDonald, president of the Burrard Shipbuilding Co. and well known Vancouver contractor, was a business visitor in the city for a couple of days last week.

Land Planes For Finland

BERGEN, Norway, Jan. 31: (CP)—Two hundred American-made airplanes for the Finnish air force were landed here from United States steamships yesterday and started immediately by rail for Finland.

SANK OFF ORKNEYS

Sixteen Members of Crew of British Ship Giralda Lose Their Lives

LONDON, Jan. 31: (CP)—Sixteen members of the crew of the British ship Giralda, 2178 tons, which sank off the Orkney Islands last night, were drowned when a lifeboat capsized.

Artillery Busy In Saar River

Considerable Activity With Guns In This Area Of Western Front

PARIS, Jan. 31: (CP)—There was marked artillery activity north of the Saar River on the western front yesterday. German pressure was renewed against Allied lines west of the Saar River. The Germans attempted two raids, both being repulsed.

Great Britain Is Hard Hit By Continued Cold

LONDON, Jan. 31: (CP)—Shortage of fuel and food supplies faced many parts of Great Britain today as the most severe cold wave in fifty years continued. Transportation to a large extent is still paralyzed.

Chopped Body Out Of Ice

Remains of Alfred Burien Recovered From Yukon River

DAWSON, Jan. 31: (CP)—The body of Alfred Burien, who lost his life when a wood-laden tractor went through the ice on Stewart River near Mayo, was chopped out of the ice yesterday. Burien came from New Westminster.

The body of W. G. Scott, who was killed in an accident at the Surf Inlet mine, is expected to arrive here tonight. The fatality occurred a few days ago and details are lacking.

PULP MILL STILL LIVE

Buckley and Besner Here Today Looking for Site—Possibility of Anyox Suggested

"The pulp mill project is just as alive as ever," said F. L. Buckley today on arriving from Vancouver with Olier Besner. "Both the sites we had at Prince Rupert, have been taken away from us. It is looking for another that has brought us here."

Mr. Buckley stated that a site had been offered at Anyox where there is a power plant and other equipment and buildings that could be put to use.

Mr. Buckley and Mr. Besner will be here for the next few days.

UPRISINGS IN SOVIET

Discontent Over Finnish Campaign Accentuated by Hunger and Privation

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 31: (CP)—Russian prisoners taken by the Finns tell of widespread militia and civilian uprisings in the Soviet Republic. These are being crushed bloodily by the Red authorities. Army officers and other who oppose the government are summarily put to death. Despite this, there is much protest within the Soviet over Stalin's campaign against Finland.

Widespread hunger and privation not only in Moscow and Leningrad but many other cities and towns of the Soviet Republic are resulting in ever-increasing manifestations of discontent, reckless of what the consequence may be.

RETURN IS ESSENTIAL

Japan Must Get German Sailors Back, Ambassador Told—Meeting Again Today

TOKYO, Jan. 31: (CP)—The Japanese Foreign Office announces that Foreign Minister Arita told British Ambassador Sir Robert Craigie that return to Japan of twenty-one Germans seized by the British Navy from the liner Asama Maru was "essential." The two met again today.

Meantime from San Francisco it was reported today that members of the crew of the scuttled German passenger liner Columbus may endeavour to cross the Pacific Ocean on their way home to Germany aboard Japanese fishing boats from San Francisco, Seattle, Portland and other ports in spite of the threat of British battleships lying in wait to capture them. The two weeks' limit by which they must leave United States or submit to internment expires tomorrow.

A Japanese steamer, with 38 Germans on board, is now at Honolulu from San Francisco enroute to the Orient.

Japanese authorities do not admit that the action in resuming the blockade of the international settlement at Tientsin is in retaliation for the Asama Maru incident but say that it is due to activities of Chinese anti-Japanese elements in the concessions.

Today's Exchange

United States funds—Buying, spot, 10 percent premium; selling, spot, 11 percent premium. Sterling funds — Buying, spot, \$4.43; selling, spot, \$4.47.

"Prodigious Results" Are Being Obtained Commons Informed

More Than 1,250,000 Men Under Arms—Convoy System Having Fine Success—Aircraft Construction Multiplied Seven Times

LONDON, January 31: (CP)—Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain announced in a speech in Parliament today that a German U-boat was sunk yesterday when it attempted to attack a British convoy. It was the first submarine attack on a convoy for some time. Mr. Chamberlain said that the war effort had already achieved "prodigious results" with "upwards of one and a quarter million men under arms" and the navy protecting convoys "with such success that they were being increasingly used by neutrals." Aircraft construction was seven times that of 1935-36.

Mr. Chamberlain announced that the Admiralty, as a measure of co-ordination of efforts, would tomorrow become responsible for all British merchant shipbuilding and repairs.

Figures issued yesterday showed that 260 allied and neutral ships had been sunk in the war at sea so far as compared with 1028 in a corresponding period in 1917. The tonnage in the 1917 period was doubled that of so far in this war.

Bulletins

IN PLANE CRASH

CARCROSS—Pilot Brook Walter and four passengers escaped with a shaking up but the plane was demolished in a landing here yesterday from Skagway. The passengers were Constable and Mrs. C. H. Bennett and Mrs. John Garrett of Atlin and an unidentified man. (Mrs. Garrett had been visiting in Prince Rupert with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Garrett and left here Sunday morning aboard the Princess Norah aboard which Constable and Mrs. Bennett were passengers after a trip to Vancouver.)

E. J. HAUGHTON DIES

VICTORIA—Edward J. Haughton, formerly superintendent of Dominion Government Radiotelegraph Service until his retirement a year ago, died here yesterday after a lengthy illness. He was a pioneer of the Radiotelegraph Service, having come from the Dominion Government Telegraphs to be first operator on the coast in 1907. (Mr. Haughton was well known in Prince Rupert through frequent visits of inspection here.)

ROGERS DENIES

OTTAWA — Defence Minister Rogers in a statement today described as "totally untrue" the charge of Dr. Manion that many of those who enlisted in the Canadian active service force became ill due to lack of proper clothing and blankets.

Plans To Form Union Cabinet If Called Upon

OTTAWA, Jan. 31.—Conservative leader Manion announced today that if he is called upon to form the next Dominion government he intends to take in representatives of both the old parties and if practicable all the important parties in the House of Commons.

HURL BACK RUSSIANS

Finns Still Holding Their Own—Heavy Toll Is Taken By Air Fighting

HELSINGFORS, Jan. 31: (CP)—Further heavy attacks by the Russians on the Karelian Isthmus were thrown back by the Finnish defenders today. On this and other fronts the Russians are bringing up reinforcements.

A Finnish communique today reported renewed Russian assaults at several points northeast of Lake Ladoga with destruction of nine Russian tanks.

Five Russian planes are reported to have been brought down since yesterday.

Unofficial reports asserted the Finns had recaptured Pitkaranta, important city north of Lake Ladoga, twenty miles from the Soviet frontier.

Finnish sources claimed today that three hundred Soviet planes had been shot down since the war began with 800 fliers killed. Four hundred Finnish civilians have been killed by Russian air bombing and nine hundred wounded.

NOT WELL EQUIPPED

Dr. Manion Renews Charges Regarding Clothing of First Canadian Division

OTTAWA, Jan. 31: (CP)—Hon. Dr. R. J. Manion, Conservative leader, yesterday reiterated charges that Canadian troops lacked proper clothing when they left Canada recently for England and, consequently, became ill. This was particularly so of British Columbia men. Dr. Manion declined to disclose the officers from whom he had received his information.

The charges were denied by Hon. Norman Rogers, the minister of national defence.

BAR GOLD

LONDON, (CP)—The Montreal price of bar gold on the London market was unchanged today at \$35.54 per fine ounce.

City Commissioner and Mrs. W. J. Alder will sail Thursday night of next week for Victoria to resume residence following Mr. Alder's retirement. He held his final meeting as a city council this afternoon to clean up various matters of city business. Today is Mr. Alder's final day as commissioner.