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Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Moderate to fresh northeast winds shifting to east, fair and cool.

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Much Violence In Battle Today

Berlin Is Heavily Hit By Royal Air Force In Biggest Attack of War

British Bombers Stage Three Hour Raid and Drop Hail Of High Explosive and Incendiary Missiles—Only Part of General Raid

Strings of British bombers, flying at low altitude, made the most spectacular and heaviest raid of the war on Berlin during the night and, centering their attack on the north side of the Reich capital with hail of incendiary and high explosive bombs, started several fires and caused considerable damage with their salvos in widespread metropolitan areas. Bombs fell within minutes walk of the Reichstag. At least two civilians and some soldiers were killed and twenty injured, a Berlin announcement said, and it was expected the number of casualties would turn out to be considerably greater. The three hours raid on Berlin people huddled in shelters. A warehouse near the diplomatic quarter and a police station were among the buildings hit and a number of homes were wrecked, according to the Berlin announcement. Elsewhere deep in Germany and in German-occupied France there were devastating bombings on military objectives.

The British pilots made long, low dives despite a furious barrage of anti-aircraft fire. Fires started in the centre of the German capital and especially the northern section. Blazes lit up the morning skies long after the clear signals had been given. A check-up showed one railway station in Tegel suburb to be damaged and a warehouse in the centre of the city and a railroad yard set afire. The attack on Berlin was part of a general raid on Germany in which the Royal Air Force bombers in waves also struck at the Ruhr Valley. Thus is marked a further intensification of the aerial warfare with Britain in the night.

The British Air Ministry announced but few raids by Nazi planes over the British Isles during the night, the attack being directed principally against London. Damage and casualties were described as "slight" although some persons were killed and injured. Early today was exceptionally quiet as far as bombing of London was concerned although indiscriminate bombing was resumed at 4:58 p.m. A hospital, church hall and warehouse were among the buildings hit.

HEAVIEST RAID YET

Today's attack turned out to be the heaviest thus far on London. Huge waves of German bombers, attacking in groups of more than a score each, swept against London late in the day and the dull boom of bombs reverberated over the city. The city over the Canadian Press office in the heart of London was rocked with anti-aircraft bursts as nine of the raiders roared high over the centre of the capital. It was the first attack in sixteen hours and continued into the night.

Buildings shook with the thud of bombs and the crash of defensive fire. The waves of attackers broke up into formations of from five to more than twenty.

The all clear signal sounded at 6:30 p.m. after an hour and forty-two minutes.

Spectators saw four planes come down in one of the many battles which developed. Germans in that area were, apparently, after oil tanks but anti-aircraft guns threw up a steady barrage that gave them trouble.

As the raid continued a blanket of smoke rolled up from the East. In the distance big columns of smoke were visible.

One formation of German planes,

Fire Destroys Interior Mill

PRINCE GEORGE, Sept. 7.—The Red Mountain Lumber Co.'s sawmill at Penney, east of here, was destroyed by fire. The mill had a capacity of 50,000 feet daily.

NAZILAND OBJECTIVE

Second Division Told By General Odum That It Will Not Rest Until Fight Carried to Germany

SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND, Sept. 7: (CP)—Major General Victor Odum, in an order-of-the-day, declared that the Canadian Second Division was "at last concentrated and now comes under my command."

It was the first official statement that the movement of the second Division from Canada was now complete.

Odum told his men: "We will not rest until we defend our homes on German soil."

flying above the balloon barrage, was seen to drop fifteen bombs. A moment later three Spitfires dived into them.

Yesterday vast Nazi air fleets pounded Great Britain with renewed violence. The Germans lost 45 planes during the day and the British nineteen, ten Royal Air Force pilots being saved. During the day a factory was hit as well as a railway station. Homes were smashed on the outskirts of London but no airports were seriously damaged. Hundreds of planes battled violently off the southeast coast. One high explosive bomb dropped within fifty yards of a London cinema house last night as crowds were making their exit.

Despite persistent raids, an independent observer, after a survey, stated last night that the important west coast port of Liverpool had been only slightly damaged.

GERMANS LOSE MOST

A British announcement today said that 1688 German aircraft had been shot down by the Royal Air Force during the period between June 17 and September 6, the number including 688 of the heavy type of bombers. In the same period the loss of German fliers had been more than 4,000. These figures, it was stated, were out of all proportion to the British losses. During the past week alone Germany had lost 800 pilots as compared with 57 British.

LADY BORDEN PASSES AWAY

Widow Of Canada's Wartime Prime Minister Is Dead At Ottawa

OTTAWA, Sept. 7: (CP)—Lady Laura Borden, widow of Canada's wartime Prime Minister, Sir Robert Borden, died today. She was seventy-eight years of age.

ROOSEVELT DICTATOR

Wendell Willkie Comments On Manner Of Roosevelt's Deal With Great Britain

RUSHFORD, Indiana, Sept. 7:—Speaking here yesterday, Wendell Willkie, Republican candidate for President of the United States, described President Franklin D. Roosevelt's deal with Great Britain for the exchange of American destroyers for defence sites on British Western Hemisphere possessions as "the most dictatorial act of any president" in the history of the United States. He held that there should have been congressional approval. Mr. Willkie pointed out that he was not discussing "the advantage or disadvantage" of the case.

Wait Ten Years

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7:—Asked yesterday for particulars of negotiations with Great Britain in regard to the exchange of destroyers for defence sites in the Western Hemisphere, President Franklin D. Roosevelt yesterday referred to the State Department policy of not making public details of diplomatic negotiations until ten years after they had taken place.

Michael Is Applauded

People of Rumania Hail Their New Puppet King in Succession to Admitted Carol

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Sept. 7: (CP)—There were sweeping demonstrations in Bucharest and elsewhere in Rumania yesterday applauding the accession to the throne of Prince Michael following the abdication of his father, King Carol, now a broken and weeping man, who surrendered in favor of his eighteen-year-old son to the demands of Rumania's new military dictatorship. There were open demands for the head of Carol and indeed reports that he had been assassinated. However, he was believed to have left the capital to join Madame Magda Lupescu in exile.

Michael was proclaimed King although he is only a figurehead under General Ion Antonescu. His Mother, Princess Helene, has arrived in Bucharest.

At Berne today it was announced that the Swiss government had given Carol permission to reside temporarily in Switzerland.

General Antonescu said today that Rumania must adjust herself to the policies of Germany and Italy and make no move against Hungary, Bulgaria or Russia. The cession of Rumanian territory to Hungary and Russia was now a thing of the past.

Return of Dobruja to Bulgaria is already said to have been agreed upon.

SCHOOLING FOR AIR RAIDS

MANCHESTER, (Sept. 7: (CP)—Instruction in air-raid precautions and first aid, suitable for the general public, is to be given shortly in schools and other institutions in England.

THE KING INSPECTS ANTI-AIRCRAFT POSTS



His Majesty King George makes a close scrutiny of anti-aircraft shells during his visit to anti-aircraft posts in Kent recently. These shells are largely responsible for the driving off of German attacking planes.

PROPOSING UNION—STRONG, FLEXIBLE—FOR DEMOCRACY

Movement Headed By Former American Foreign Writer Gaining Support in U.S. Public Opinion

My ROSS MUNRO
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NEW YORK, Sept. 7: (CP)—As closer relations develop between the United States and the Empire, a proposal for a Federal Union of the British democracies and the United States is receiving considerable attention in this country in the wake of a strenuous campaign being carried on by the "Union now" movement, headed by Clarence K. Streit, former American foreign correspondent.

From its New York headquarters, the movement has extended its organization to half a dozen large American cities and is establishing organizers in scores of other urban centres.

Known formally as Federal Union, Incorporated, it was founded here 16 months ago but the French collapse and Britain's peril led to an intensification of activity in the past few months. The movement's most spectacular publicity effort has been publication of two full-page advertisements in leading American daily newspapers outlining in detail the case for a federal union of the remaining democracies.

Its New York office is growing weekly and officials of the movement claim the campaign is finding a response in American public opinion.

A declaration of inter-dependence, modelled broadly on the American constitution, has been drafted as the constitution for the "Union of the Free"—the name of the proposed federal governmental set-up.

An inter-continental congress is suggested on the basis of this Federal Union, with each democracy entitled to one representative and one more additional representative for each 5,000,000 people.

For Common Welfare
The Union plan, as summarized by the movement, is:

1.—Federal Unionists propose a strong but flexible union—like the American union of 48 states—to be founded by more experienced surviving democracies—to include the captive and suppressed democracies as soon as they are rescued and eventually all other nations as they

Bulletins

DOBRUJA YIELDED
SOFIA—The Bulgarian government announced today a formal agreement had been signed with Bulgaria for the return to Bulgaria of southern Dobruja. The agreement returns to Bulgaria 7,726 square kilometres of territory and 375,000 population.

REORGANIZE GOVERNMENT
VICHY—Designed, it is believed, to bring France under even more complete German overlordship and possibly presaging a move of the capital back to Paris, a drastic reorganization of the French cabinet is announced. Former Premier Pierre Laval becomes the actual head of the government with Marshal Henri Philippe Petain remaining only in a titular capacity. General Maxime Weygand will be sent to Africa in a move to prevent further French colonies from going over to the side of Great Britain in the war.

SIZE OF CONTINGENT
OTTAWA—Minister of National Defence for Naval Affairs Angus Macdonald revealed yesterday that the contingent of Canadian troops moved this week to England numbered 11,500 men with 33 nursing sisters and fourteen naval cadets.

HAROLD LECKIE DIES
VANCOUVER — Harold S. Leckie, president of John Leckie Co., died yesterday at the age of 44 years after a brief illness. He was the grandson of the late John Leckie, founder of the company, and the son of the late W. H. Leckie.

TO STUDY HIGHWAY
OTTAWA—The Alaska Highway through British Columbia will be studied by the joint United States-Canada defence board, it is announced.

FIXED PRICE REMOVED
OTTAWA—The wartime price control board has rescinded fixed prices on wheat and bread. It is stated, however, that there is no need for an increased bread price and, if it should be increased, the board may take action.

RAIDS ON GERMANY
LONDON—The Royal Air Force smashed today at a power station, oil installations and railway yards in an early morning raid on Berlin, the Air Ministry announced. Bombers also raided Germany's advance striking bases in neighborhood of Dunkerque and Calais and long range coastal gun emplacements. Two British planes were lost.

LEADERS INTERNED
VICHY — General Maurice Gamelin, former Allied commander-in-chief, and former Premier Daladier and Reynaud have been placed under "administrative internment" in connection with France's war blame trials.

BLOCKADE LIFTED
LONDON—Headquarters of the DeGaulle government for Free France announce that the British blockade has been lifted from all French colonies declaring for a Free French Empire.

FINNISH PRESIDENT DIES
BERLIN—DNB, German News Agency, reports that President Kallio of Finland is dead. The dispatch to this effect came from Finland.

JAPAN'S WARNING
TOKYO — The Japanese press warned Great Britain and the United States today that co-operation by them in the Far East would be "most unwelcome" to Japan.

CHINESE IN INDO-CHINA

French Forces, However, Repulse Them—Situation Following Agreement With Japan

VICHY, France, Sept. 7: (CP)—An official dispatch today from Hanoi claimed that Chinese troops had crossed the Indo-China frontier on September 5 and were repulsed by French colonial troops after a sharp engagement. French losses were one dead and one wounded. Measures had been taken "to face any eventuality," the dispatch said.

The crossing of the Chinese troops into French Indo-China followed the agreement between the French colonial government of the latter country and Japan whereby Japanese forces are to be allowed passage through the country to China.

It is stated here that the agreement provides the Japanese troops must not leave the railway right-of-way while passing through Indo-China.

Japanese demands for air bases in French Indo-China are said to have been rejected.

MANAGER FOR CITY

Hon. A. Wells Gray Promises to Introduce Measure in Legislature if Possible this Fall

At a meeting of representatives of the Prince Rupert Senior and Junior Chambers of Commerce, the Prince Rupert Ratepayers' Association and the Prince Rupert Trades and Labor Council with Hon. A. Wells Gray, minister of municipalities, last night in the council chamber of the city hall, the whole municipal set-up was discussed and it was decided, so far as the meeting had power, that it would be satisfactory in connection with the proposed city manager plan that a clause be inserted giving the commissioner the right of appeal to the Lieutenant Governor in Council as the final authority.

Mr. Wells Gray said the provincial government was anxious to have the city take over its own administration but wanted it to set out right so as to avoid some of the mistakes of the past. He had had almost a lifetime of experience in municipal work and he knew how difficult it was to draw up a scheme of administration that would meet every situation.

W. M. Watts, president of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, presided. Captain J. T. Harvey, past president, stated the case for the committee that had drawn up a tentative plan, the one that had been published twice in newspapers under which the city council would choose a city manager who would be the city executive, handling all the detail of administration.

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CHILI HONORS BRITISH
SANTIAGO—Five officers of H.M.S. Exeter and Ajax, which took part in the Battle of the Plate against the German pocket battleship Graf Spee, have been awarded the Chilean Order of Merit, it is announced.

NAVAL CHANGES

OTTAWA—Commander W. B. Creery, who was in command of H. M. C. S. Fraser when she was sunk off the coast of France, has been appointed commander-in-chief of auxiliary vessels from Halifax naval base. Engineer Commander G. R. Steyens is named naval superintendent at Esquimalt.