

Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Fresh to strong easterly winds, shifting to southeast, unsettled and cool with rain.

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Nazis and Reds Face Each Other

Balkan Situation, In Which Russia Is Now Taking Part, International Stage Centre

Air War Between Britain and Germany Continues With Increased Ferocity—Further Incidents Keep Far East in Turmoil

Exchanging of air attacks between Great Britain and Germany with even greater intensity, mounting tension in the Balkans as a result of the continuing German push into Rumania which is apparently stirring Russia into counter military action, fresh incidents and activity in the Far East and renewed action in the North Atlantic sphere between Great Britain and Italy feature international news today. The Balkan situation still occupies the limelight for the air war between Britain and Germany, the Nazis are continuing in their fourth straight attack on England tonight and a week-end in which their attacks on London, Liverpool and other parts of the country became more than ever. Meanwhile, the Royal Air Force is carrying its offensive into the Reich and German-controlled European territory with important military objectives as the target. Berlin had alarms again last night. The war is losing none of its intensity but, indeed, the tension is increasing.

Actually the position of Russia in the face of the apparent invasion of Germany and Italy to further into southeastern Europe appears to be still somewhat obscure. There is reason to believe, however, that a large scale move on the part of the Soviet to combat this activity is forthcoming. It is reported that Russia already moved ten divisions of troops into Rumania.

In The Balkans Germany's tightening of its military control on Rumania in what appears to be the start of an Axis move ultimately designed against the British in southeast Europe, Russia reported to have sent an ultimatum to Rumania following border incidents. Soviet forces were reported moving in powerful columns along the Moldavian border. Meanwhile strong Turkish and Rumanian forces are massing in the area to resist any attempt at invasion by the Germans or Italians.

The Balkan situation continues increasingly critical. Naval and military attaches of the British legation at Bucharest left the Rumanian capital for Moscow, leaving only Sir Reginald Leeper, the minister, and a skeleton staff of about twenty who are expected to leave this week. Ankara Turkish authorities expressed confidence that Russia would not stand idly by and permit a change in the status of the Dardanelles.

Unconfirmed reports at Skopje, Yugoslavia from across the Albanian frontier say that several thousands of German troops have moved at the Albanian port of Durrës. The supposition is that they are to be used in the Axis campaign in the Balkans. The Union of Soviet Republics has added four gunboats to its southern flotilla.

Gibraltar Attacked

ALGECIRAS, Spain, Oct. 16: (CP)—High flying planes raided Gibraltar today in what some thought the heaviest attack since Vichy French airmen bombed the rock September 24-25. Anti-aircraft guns roared so frequently that observers believed defences had been newly strengthened.

Deal Between Japs And Reds

LONDON, Oct. 16: (CP)—A far-eastern non-aggression pact between Russia and Japan may be signed shortly, it is reported. Reports say that Japan will be given a free hand in China and Russia a special sphere of influence along the North China border.

MOVE FROM HONG KONG

Britons to be Taken to Australia in View of Crisis

HONG KONG, Oct. 16:—Arrangements have been made for a steamer to take British evacuees from Hong Kong to Australia in view of the tense situation in the Orient.

Fire Destroys Railway Depot

Building at Yates, 165 Miles West of Edmonton, Burns

EDMONTON, Oct. 16: (CP)—The railway depot at Yates, 165 miles west of Edmonton, was destroyed by fire yesterday. The section foreman, who occupied the building, lost his effects.

EVEN MORE FRIENDLY

Closer Co-operation Than Ever Between Great Britain and United States Seen

NEW YORK, Oct. 16:—Lord Lothian, British ambassador to the United States, is aboard a trans-Atlantic clipper flying boat on his way from New York to confer with the home government at London. Lord Lothian had planned leaving the United States last week but his departure was delayed on account of the critical state of affairs in the Far East. The fact that he is now making the trip is considered an admission of a diminution of the crisis.

Joseph P. Kennedy, United States ambassador to London, is expected back in Washington next week to report to his government. There is no confirmation of reports that Kennedy is resigning his ambassadorial post. Closer Anglo-American co-operation than ever is foreseen as a result of the consultations of Lothian and Kennedy with their respective governments.

Crack Liners Are Going To Orient

Washington And Manhattan To Cross Pacific For Evacuees

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 16:—The two crack 25,000-ton liners Washington and Manhattan are being sent to the Orient to evacuate Americans who have been advised to return home on account of the crisis in the Far East. Each carry 2500 passengers. There are an estimated 17,000 Americans in the Orient.

From San Francisco the Matson liners Monterey and Mariposa will be sent.

STRUCK BY TORPEDO

British Steamer Trebista Sends Out Distress Call

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—MacKay Radio last night picked up a distress message from a ship giving call letters of the British steamer Trebista saying she had been hit by a torpedo 600 miles off the Irish coast.

Ian Mackenzie Is In Vancouver

Minister of Pensions and National Health Visiting Military Hospitals

VANCOUVER, October 16: (CP)—Hon. Ian Mackenzie, minister of pensions and national health, arrived in Vancouver yesterday in the course of an inspection tour of military hospitals.

TODAY'S STOCKS

- Vancouver: Big Missouri, .04 1/2. Bralorne, 9.90 (bid). Cariboo Quartz, 2.20. Dentonia, .00 1/2 (ask). Fairview, .01 (ask). Gold Belt, .21. Hedley Mascot, .43. Minto, .01. Noble Five, .00 1/4. Pacific Nickel, .07. Pend Orielle, 1.63. Pioneer, 2.15. Premier, .95. Privateer, .51 (bid). Reeves McDonald, .20. Reno, .13. Relief Arlington, .02 1/2. Salmon Gold, .02. Sheep Creek, .93 (bid). Cariboo Hudson, .02 1/2 (ask). Oils: A. P. Con., .10. Calmont, .20. C. & E., 1.50 (bid). Home, 1.90. Pacalta, .06 1/2 (ask). Royal Canadian, .09 1/2 (ask). Okalta, .85 (ask). Mercury, .05 (ask). Prairie Royalties, .08. Toronto: Aldermac, .15. Beattie, .90. Central Pat., 1.90. Cons. Smelters, 38 3/4. East Malartic, 3.30. Fernland, .03 (ask). Francoeur, 37 1/2. Gods Lake, .34. Hardrock, .87. Int. Nickel, 36 1/2. Kerr Addison, 2.97. Little Long Lac, 2.12. McLeod Cockshutt, 2.45. Madsen Red Lake, 1.05. Moneta, .56. Noranda, 56 (bid). Pickle Crow, 2.90. Preston East Dome, 2.05. San Antonio, 2.27. Sherritt Gordon, .78. Uchi, .37 (bid). Bouscadillac, .02. Mosher, .08. Oklend, .06 1/2. Smelters Gold, .00 1/4. Dominion Bridge, 28.00.

Bulletins

EDEN IN EUROPE LONDON—War Secretary Anthony Eden has arrived in Europe, it is announced. He will visit Lieut. General Sir Archibald Wavell, general officer commanding in the Middle East.

COMMANDS DIVISION OTTAWA—Appointment of Brigadier E. W. Sansom of Ottawa as officer commanding the third division, assigned to defence of the Atlantic area, is announced by Hon. J. L. Ralston, minister of national defence.

GOVERNOR TO NEW YORK QUEBEC—It is announced that the Governor General and Princess Alice will spend the week-end of October 19-21 at Hyde Park as the guests of President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

OFFENSIVE RENEWED TOKYO—A fierce Japanese offensive against the Chinese east of Hankau has been renewed, Japanese military quarters say. Leaving four thousand dead, the Chinese, it is said, are in full retreat. Intensification of the Japanese attack upon China is reported as the time for the reopening of the Burma road tomorrow approaches.

ARMS PLANT FIRE CAMDEN, New Jersey—Mysterious fire last night swept the plant of the Camden Forge Co. which is engaged in carrying out government contracts for ordnance and naval supplies.

LOSE THEIR SON DUNCAN—Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Calvert are advised of the death of their son, Lieut. F. J. Calvert, in action in England.

BIG WAR INDUSTRY OTTAWA—Announcement is made of another large war industrial plant for southern Ontario. It will cost \$5,500,000 and will specialize in manufacture of alloy steel.

FRISCO RIOT SAN FRANCISCO—Five men are in hospital and others were injured as a result of a riot near the dock where the liner President Taft is loading.

DRAFTEES REGISTERING WASHINGTON—It is estimated that 16,500,000 Americans will register for the draft today. Dr. Clarence A. Dykstra, president of the University of Wisconsin, has been appointed head of the national draft board, his nomination by President Franklin D. Roosevelt having been approved yesterday by Congress.

HITTING AT ITALIANS CAIRO—The Royal Air Force claims having struck a number of Italian ships in air raids on Libya and other Italian bases along the North African coast.

BALKAN CONFUSION LONDON—The Balkan situation is still confusing with attention centering on what Russia may decide to do in the face of the tightening grip of Germany on Roumania and the threat to Turkey and Greece.

REOPENING BURMA ROAD HONG KONG—Hundreds of trucks are poised on the Burma road laden with supplies for China awaiting the reopening of the road by the British government. Expectation is that with the opening of the road tomorrow the Japanese will institute bombing operations against it from new bases in French Indo-China. The Tokyo government has warned Great Britain against reopening the Hong Kong-Chungking Railway to Chinese traffic.

FIERCER ATTACKS

Nazis Are Increasing Fury Of Their Assaults Against England

LONDON, Oct. 16: (CP)—A government communique said that London and an unidentified Midlands town bore the brunt of last night's Nazi air attack which was one of the fiercest yet but the casualties and damage from which was not as great as might have been expected considering the intensity. It was estimated that sixty-eight districts in and around the capital were bombed during the night. There was also bombing in Scotland and Wales.

London newspaper trucks, twisting through debris-clogged streets, at dawn, carried newspapers whose headlines said: "London bombing fiercest yet." The Daily Sketch office was hit but publication was not interfered with.

Some bombs fell in London during yesterday's attacks while other daylight raiders appeared in the vicinity of Liverpool. The city has been under almost complete attack for twenty-four hours during which time 19 enemy planes have been brought down with loss of fifteen British machines, nine pilots being saved.

After seven alarms between dawn and dusk yesterday London had its thirty-ninth consecutive night of Nazi air raiding last night. High explosive and incendiary as well as time bombs were dropped in many districts.

Many persons are feared to have been killed and wounded during last night's air raiding on London when a school house being used as an air raid shelter was hit squarely by a bomb and levelled. It was a clear moonlight night and the enemy planes shuttled back and forth almost continuously. An apartment house was blasted to pieces and the largest time bomb yet to be dropped on the city lies unexploded near a widely known building.

CRITICIZES STATEMENT

People Will Find It Difficult To Forgive Hanson's "Betrayal"

OTTAWA, Oct. 16: (CP)—The people of Canada and the hard pressed people of Great Britain "will find it difficult to understand and impossible to forgive" statements of Hon. R. B. Hanson, Conservative leader, betraying Empire military secrets regarding aviation training, said Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King in a prepared statement in regard to Hanson's Charlottetown speech.

Appeal To Workers To Increase Their Production Effort

LONDON, Oct. 16:—Ernest Bevin, minister of labor, urges munitions and war supply workers to make a tremendous and supreme effort to increase their production.

ening the Hong Kong-Chungking Railway to Chinese traffic.

RUSSIA "FRIENDLY" WASHINGTON, D.C.—President Franklin D. Roosevelt, by decree yesterday authorized the requisition by government of \$7,000,000 of machine tools for shipment to Soviet Russia which has been designated a "friendly power." Under the same heading of a "friendly power" China has requested delivery of fighting planes which were to have been shipped to Siam but which were stopped when there was reason to believe that they might fall into German hands.

Russian and German Forces Concentrate At Mouth of Danube

Axis Military Sway Over Rumania is Increasing—Soviet And Islam Getting Together?

BUCHAREST, Rumania, October 16: (CP)—Shipments of knocked down seaplanes and submarines were reported enroute from Rumania to Germany today for a Black Sea naval "training base." This indication of the Axis' growing military sway over Rumania came as large concentrations of German and Russian troops faced each other across the Danube River near the Rumanian port of Galati.

YORK WAS IN ACTION

Warship Known Here Sank Italian Destroyer—More Details of Ajax Exploit

LONDON, Oct. 16: (CP)—Further details of the naval engagement of Sunday morning at 2:30 off Sicily indicate that H.M.S. Ajax, almost single handed, dispersed a squadron of eight Italian warships including one cruiser and seven destroyers. The Ajax sank two of the destroyers, badly damaged a third and the other five vessels turned tail and fled in the shelter of a smoke screen. H.M.S. York came up and sent the disabled destroyer to the bottom with a torpedo.

The Admiralty announces officially that no British warships were sunk. The Ajax sustained only superficial damage and nothing of a nature to put her out of action in any way.

H.M.S. York is well known in Prince Rupert, having visited here two years ago.

ADMITS DAMAGE

Invasion Base Hard Hit by British—Kiel and Hamburg Last Night

BERLIN, Oct. 16: (CP)—Berlin, in an official statement, admits that terrific damage has been done by the Royal Air Force of Great Britain to LeHavre and other English Channel invasion bases. Last night the Royal Air Force heavily attacked Boulogne. Flashes could be seen along the French shore from the British coast. Air raids screamed in Berlin at 12:45 midnight last night, indicating the approach of British bombers.

During the night the Royal Air Force dropped tons of heavy-calibre bombs on Kiel and Hamburg naval bases, the British Air Ministry in London announced. Some objectives elsewhere were not reached on account of bad weather but some other important targets in the Reich, Nazi-occupied territory and Channel bases felt the sting of the Royal Air Force.

Stock Market Shows Strength

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—The stock market showed considerable strength in late trading yesterday and issues were up for the day. The industrial average, closing at 131.48, was up .75; rails, 28.64, up .07, and utilities, 21.92, up .40.

Fifty Thousand Trained Pilots In United States Now

WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 16:—The United States has 50,000 trained airplane pilots now which is twice the number in Germany.

Spain And Chili Resume Relations

Diplomatic Interchanges Between Madrid and Santiago Again

SANTIAGO, Oct. 16:—Spain and Chile have reestablished diplomatic relations which were suspended some months ago.

Kin Of Peiping Embassy Staff Told To Leave

PEIPING, Oct. 16:—United States naval officials have ordered the evacuation of wives and children of embassy staff at Peiping, numbering about forty in all.



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