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Prince Rupert—Moderate to fresh south winds, shifting to southwest. Cloudy and cool with showers.

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Tomorrow's Tides

High	10:16 a.m.	15.3 ft.
	22:14 p.m.	18.5 ft.
Low	3:55 a.m.	6.6 ft.
	15:30 p.m.	9.4 ft.

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Many Nazis Are Being Shot Down

Two Officers and One N.C.O. Lose Lives In Aliford Bay Tragedy

Plane Crashed Late Saturday When Practising Dive Bombing—Three Occupants Met Instant Death—Bodies in Prince Rupert Today

Bodies of Flight Lieutenant Allan Simpson of Vancouver, Flying Officer Robert Halpenny of Edmonton and Leading Aircraftsman Robert Richardson of Vancouver, killed Saturday evening at Aliford Bay when a Royal Canadian Air Force plane in which they were practising dive bombing crashed into the sea, were brought to Prince Rupert early this morning. Their plane nose dived into sixty feet of water. The exact cause of the tragedy has not yet been announced by the Department of National Defence. Simpson, Halpenny and Richardson had been stationed at the Aliford Bay base for some time and had made some flights into Prince Rupert. An official investigation is being instituted. Bodies of Simpson and Rchardson are being sent this afternoon on the Prince George to Vancouver and that of Halpenny will leave tonight by train for Edmonton.

Flight Lieutenant Simpson is survived by his widow who was residing at Skidegate and who was flown into Prince Rupert yesterday afternoon. She proceeds south with the body from here.

Flying Officer Halpenny also has a widow who has been in Vancouver but is leaving there for Edmonton to meet the remains.

Leading Aircraftsman Richardson was single.

According to spectators, the fuselage of the plane sank after the crash and is expected to be raised. Fire followed the crash, the wings breaking off. The impact was at tremendous speed and the three victims were, no doubt, instantly killed.

PROTEST IS SENT

Great Britain Sends Message to Rumania Through Minister at London

LONDON, July 29:—Great Britain is protesting through the minister here to Roumania at repeated anti-British actions including seizure of British oil wells and Danube River barges.

NAVY DAY OBSERVED

Great Expansion of Russian Navy is Planned This Year, According To Moscow Report

MOSCOW, July 29:—Russia celebrated Navy Day Sunday with reviews at various Russian ports on the Baltic and Black Seas as well as at Vladivostock on the Pacific Ocean and in Latvia. Plans for a large expansion of the Soviet fleet were announced—168 new war vessels of various classes this year following 113 new ships in 1939. Four times as many submarines will be built this year as last.

Lack Of Planes Caused Defeat

NEW YORK, July 29:—The former Air Minister of France has arrived in New York from Portugal. The capitulation of France to Germany, he says, was largely due to lack of planes.

Vice-President Of Railway Is Visitor Here

R. C. Vaughan, vice-president in charge of purchases and stores, Canadian National Railways, arrived in the city on last night's train from the East in the course of a western inspection tour and sails this afternoon on the Prince Rupert for Vancouver.

Parson Pilot Grand Bomber

Clergyman Turned Air-Fighter In Service Over Desert Lands

SOMEWHERE IN THE WESTERN DESERT, July 29: (CP) — With a roar, the lean bomber came to rest on this British desert airport improvised on the red-brown stony flats and a broad-shouldered, mild-faced man climbed out of the cockpit.

"That's 'the Friar' back from his Sunday service," said a young airman. In a faintly-tired voice reminiscent of a country parson, the returning pilot pronounced the flight perfect but doubted whether the pictures he had taken on the reconnaissance were good because of the ground mist.

Brother officers gave him the nickname because he really is a parson. He learned flying while at university and, after ordination, became chaplain to the Bishop of Nyassaland. He joined the Royal Air Force at the outbreak of war and his first job at Cairo wasn't much of an introduction to it. He performed the marriage of his wing leader.

In the first big bombing raid on Libya after Italy entered the war, he flew in the centre of the leading wing but the commander complained his machine constantly kept bobbing up and down.

On landing he explained that he took his hands off the controls once or twice—"I was a bit excited at my first raid and was just clapping my hands and shouting to myself 'Grand show. Splendid show' as our bombs hit the targets."

London Has Heard Nothing Of Peace

Official Notice Lacking in Reported Overtures of Hitler Through Holland and Sweden

LONDON, July 29: — Official quarters here know nothing of new peace overtures from Germany reported to have been instituted through Sweden and Holland.

T. N. Youngs of the local ore sampling plant returned to the city on the Prince Rupert Saturday after spending a week at Stewart.

BIG EARS ARE HELP

Corporal Cook Gets Military Medal For Fine Work in Firing Line

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LONDON, July 29: (CP)—Lance-Corporal Ben Booker is a big lanky fellow whose soldier pals "kid" him about his protruding ears. But Ben's ears played an important part in earning the Military Medal.

"Book," as he is known around the cookhouse, won his distinction when the B.E.F. was easing out of Boulogne. It was busy enough for "Book" to try and look after feeding of his company of the Welsh Guards. But all kinds of stragglers poured in and "Book" and his army cooks under him arranged to make sure no one left the temporary quarters with an empty stomach.

That in itself was quite a task, considering the enemy was within firing range of the camp and was proving very annoying to the cooks attempting to concentrate on feeding hungry and wearing troops of their own army.

Able to stand only so much, "Book" and his kitchen crew became annoyed and finally grabbed rifles and joined in with the fighters every time the enemy approached too close. Then they went back to their "kitchen."

But there was no peace and every time "Book's" ears heard "Jerry's" fire drawing closer he gave orders for his little crew to abandon the scullery and get back into the firing line. Under "Book's" orders they did it a number of times until the order finally came to withdraw.

Even then, explained a war office communique announcing award of the Military Medal, "Book" managed to evacuate "a large number of wounded by driving them back in his supply lorries."

At s ea, too, "Book," has had experiece so that, when he and his refugees arrived at the harbor to find all ships on the opposite shore, "he at once got hold of one of the few motor boats working and ferried the wounded safely over to the ships. He himself returned to continue his cooking duties while the company held the harbor approaches. . . ."

ARE TOLD BY HITLER

Balkan Nations Get Their Orders From Der Fuehrer in Regard to Future Actions

SALSBURG, July 29:—Chancellor Adolf Hitler Sunday received the President, Prime Minister and Minister of Interior of Slovakia in a half-hour conference. The conference, it was officially stated, had been in "a spirit of friendship and cordial understanding." The meeting with the Slovakian President followed similar conferences during the week-end with the Prime Ministers and foreign ministers of Roumania, Bulgaria and Hungary at which, it is reported, arrangements were made for the partition of Roumania, Hitler giving his orders as to the future of southeast Europe, with the countries affected left to work out details.

Soviet-Afghanistan Trade Treaty Now

Pact Between Soviet Republic and Indian Principality is Reported

MOSCOW, July 29: — A new Soviet-Afghanistan trade agreement is reported.

BUSY WEEK ON GROUNDS

Various Activities Keep Staff Engaged—Soap Box Derby Coming Up

The directors on all of the Gyro supervised playgrounds have had another very busy week with picnics taking the lead in popularity among the many special events.

There were twenty-five in the Seal Cove group who had a picnic at Grassy Bay on Wednesday last. On Friday 50 boys and girls from McClymont Park packed lunches and hiked out to the same spot where they spent all afternoon and the early part of the evening.

Westview children took part in a doll contest on Wednesday afternoon and on Thursday evening this same group had a weiner roast at the playground. A total of almost 70 boys and girls took part in these two events.

At Acropolis Hill on Monday night there was a marshmallow roast with 50 children attending. On Thursday afternoon a doll contest was held.

Results of doll contests:

Acropolis Hill

Smallest Doll, Margaret Sutherland.
Largest Doll, Hjordis Sorenson.
Prettiest Doll, Lois Thompson.
Funniest Doll, Elspeth MacKenzie.
Best Dressed Doll, Donna Gurvich.

Westview

Smallest Doll, Pat Moore.
Largest Doll, Helen Hibbard.
Prettiest Doll, Lois Nickerson.
Funniest Doll, Rose Marie Hartwig.
Best Dressed Doll, Alice Killas.

Soap Box Derby

Thursday August 15 is the date that has been set for the second running of the Gyro playgrounds annual soap box derby.

Once more the city police and the city engineer have offered to co-operate with the playground staff in policing the route of the race and barricading the intersections so as to avoid the possibility of accidents.

The route followed will be the same as that used last year. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the race will start at Sixth Avenue and Taylor Street, thence down Sixth to McBride Street and east on McBride to finish just below Ninth Avenue.

Entry is open to any boy or girl under seventeen years of age and the following rules must be adhered to.

All entries must be home-made, four-wheeled vehicles and their total length must not exceed eight feet. Height of wheels (diameter) must not be more than sixteen inches. One or both of the back wheels must be suitably braked. Length of either axle must not exceed three feet. All entries are subject to the approval of the course steward.

The driver of each car will be allowed the aid of one starter at the beginning of the race only. Once started, he must push or pull his car to the top of each succeeding hill.

Entries may be made with the director of any of the playgrounds and the prize list will be published later.

This Wednesday afternoon there will be a doll contest in the playground headquarters. Entry is open to the children on any of the four grounds and the dolls will be judged in the following classes: largest doll, smallest doll, best dressed doll, prettiest doll and the most original doll.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Rufus White, who allegedly attempted to break into the city lock-up last week to liberate a friend of his who was incercerated there, was committed for trial by Magistrate McClymont on Saturday.

Fifteen German Ships Are Destroyed Today In Great Battle Over Southern Port

Heaviest Toll of Enemy for Any Battle Since War Began is Taken Today—Devastating Raids Continue to Be Made by R.A.F. Into Enemy Country

MAY HAVE BEEN 23 DOWNED

LONDON, July 29: (CP)—Early unofficial reports placed at twenty-three the number of German planes shot down in today's battle off the southeast coast of England. Officially it was indicated that the total would probably run higher than fifteen which an official statement gave out based on "reports so far received."

LONDON, July 29.—British anti-aircraft guns and Royal Air Force fighter planes today took their heaviest toll from any single German air raid so far in the war when no less than fifteen enemy machines were bagged. It was a daring and reckless attack by the Nazis on an unidentified southeast port. Fifty or sixty Nazi dive bombers took part, planes in groups of a dozen or so zooming down and dropping hundreds of bombs. Damage was very slight and there were no casualties. Anti-aircraft guns proved highly accurate and their firing was the most intensive yet. There were spectacular dogfights high in the skies. One Royal Air Force plane is missing.

Nine more German planes are officially announced to have been shot down Sunday in attacks on British shipping and in flying over southwest England and Wales while the British lost two. Two enemy planes were brought down by Royal Air Force fighters during the morning while seven were downed during the afternoon when seventy planes took part in a fierce battle in the clouds which ranged over the English Channel and the south coast. In addition to planes brought down others were so badly damaged that they limped off flying only a few feet above the water as the enemy sped away towards home. The Germans for the first time used single seater bombing fighters.

Air operations over land as far as the enemy was concerned yesterday were small and restricted owing to the unfavorable weather.

For the same reason Sunday was also a quiet day as far as Royal Air Force raids on Germany were concerned. War Secretary Anthony Eden just missed seeing the battle between the British and German planes.

Shortly before it occurred he had made an inspection of coastal defences and saw Spitfire and Hurricanes on patrol.

Royal Air Force fighters clashed with German bombers over the southeast coast of England Saturday and two of the enemy were shot down. More raiders crossed to the coast two hours after the first attack was broken up but they too were driven back across the channel. In a third raid, four German raiders made a hit and run attack on a southeastern English town, each dropping a single bomb without serious damage.

A man and a woman were killed by German bombs during raids Friday night.

GERMANY HARD HIT

The Royal Air Force was today continuing its devastating bombing raids on numerous important military objectives in Germany and German-occupied country including oil depots, airdromes, docks, naval bases, inflicting heavy damage that even the Nazis can no longer ignore.

Germany, without confirmation by the British authorities, claimed "staggering blows" by submarines and air bombers against British naval units and merchantmen, claiming that one British auxiliary cruiser and two destroyers had been sunk with other vessels damaged. The Germans also claimed that Swansea piers and Cornwall airports had been bombed and that five British planes had been shot down in the Channel. The British admit loss of a 1000-ton destroyer.

ATTENTION GOES EAST

England Believes That Blitzkrieg May Not Take Place in the Meantime—Keeping Alert, However

LONDON, July 29:— Although continuing on the alert as though it might come on any tomorrow, the feeling is growing in Great Britain that Adolf Hitler may defer the attempt at invasion of England at this time and instead turn his attention eastward, possibly to the oil fields and Iraq and Iran and beyond to South Africa. Precautions are being taken against such a possibility. Hitler's brisk activities in the Balkans at the present time suggest to some that there may be further thrusts in that direction.

WOULD AID REFUGEES

President Roosevelt Sets Up Machinery to Purchase and Distribute Supplies

WASHINGTON, July 29: (CP)—President Franklin D. Roosevelt Saturday set up machinery for the purchase and distribution of fifty million dollars worth of supplies for European refugees "who have been driven from their homes or otherwise rendered destitute by hostilities or invasion."

KEEP AWAY FROM CITY

LONDON, July 29.— Rt. Hon. Malcolm MacDonald, minister of health, warned people of London and other metropolitan areas against bringing their children home from the country for vacation during August which he said might be a time of danger. Because London had not yet been bombed was no reason to believe it would not be, MacDonald said. He referred to the much greater danger of being in the city than in in the country.

Halibut Sales

Canadian

Melville, 25,000, 12.4c and 7c, Royal.

British Credit In France Has Been Stopped

VICHY, July 29.— The government of France has ordered banks and other financial institutions to suspend payment of funds and granting of credits of any kind to British subjects. This is in reply to Britain's "freezing" of French assets.

Union steamer Catala, Capt. James Findlay, arrived in port at 9:30 last night from the south, sailing at 11:30 for Stewart and other northern points whence she will return here tomorrow southbound.

BRITISHERS ARE TAKEN

Nine Industrialists Held in Japan—Reuters Correspondent is Dead

SHANGHAI, July 29.—Nine prominent British business men in Japan were reported to have been arrested by Japanese authorities during raids on five Japanese cities. The reasons for the arrests were kept secret in Tokyo and were not disclosed. The nine were said to have been seized on Saturday; coincident with the disclosure here that Melville James Cox, a Reuters News Agency Correspondent, had been taken into custody for military reasons. Later Cox was fatally injured in a fall from a second storey window. Japanese authorities claiming it was a case of suicide.

Great Britain is preparing to send a formal protest to Japan over the incident when full details are learned. Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Japan, is to present the protest to the Japanese government.

MORE BEING CALLED OUT

Further Classes Being Summoned to Colors in Old Country, Indicating No Peace Intention

LONDON, July 29:—With thirty-four year-olds being called out now, Great Britain is expected within the next few weeks to call three more classes of men, totalling 900,000, to arms. It may not be long before men of from 37 to 40 are called. Thus Great Britain answers Hitler's appeal for peace.

BAR GOLD

LONDON, (CP)—The Montreal price of bar gold on the London market was unchanged today at $37.54 per fine ounce.

Southbound from Skagway to Vancouver, C.P.R. steamer Princess Alice, Capt. Robert Thompson, was in port from 4 to 7 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The vessel had on board 185 passengers, seven of whom disembarked here.