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Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert—Strong easterly winds and moderately gales, unsettled and mild with rain.

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Tomorrow's Tides

Table with tide times: High 4:24 a.m. 19.9 ft., 16:26 a.m. 18.2 ft., Low 10:39 a.m. 6.7 ft., 22:41 p.m. 6.0 ft.

Speed Urged On Aid Bill War News

Flying For Britain

Being the Diary of the Last 15 Days in the Life of a Royal Air Force Ace

FIRST DAY

LONDON, January 31: (CP)—First day (September 2, 1940)—First day at our new station. Leapt from our virgin couches at 0650. This shook me a bit. Was still slightly doped when at 15,000 feet we sighted a large lump of blitz. Solid block of 20 Dornier 215's with a large fighter escort. Attacked enmasse, then dived away as fighters came down. Joined Butch again after a frantic tail-watching break-away, and started after the bombers again.

COMMENTS ON HITLER

"Just Another Pep Talk" — "Travesty of Facts and Tissue of Falsehoods."

LONDON, January 31—"Just another pep talk" is the way British papers described Chancellor Adolf Hitler's speech yesterday. "A travesty of facts and a tissue of falsehoods," said one newspaper, pointing to misrepresentation of facts both past and present.

The British answer to Chancellor Adolf Hitler's speech of Thursday is that free peoples will fight to the end until Germany is forced to throw out the Nazi control. This was conveyed in a British Broadcasting Corporation statement today. The American press attaches little importance to the latest Hitler speech.

ARE STILL RESISTING

Iron Guards Continue Fight Against Antonescu—Congestion of Prisoners

BUDAPEST, Jan. 31—Isolated bands of Iron Guards are still resisting the Nazi regime in Rumania. Three thousand rebels against the government of Premier Ion Antonescu have been arrested in Bucharest alone.

Jails are congested and even the schools are now being used to house prisoners.

Many mayors of Roumanian cities and towns who were dismissed in the purge have been reinstated.

FAR EAST WAR OVER

Nevertheless Some Fighting Continues as Thai and Indo-China Talk

SAIGON, Jan. 31—Except for a few minor clashes participants in which are believed not to know that an Armistice has been called, the border war between Thailand and French Indo-China was over while negotiations for peace proceeded. The peace conference was being conducted on a Japanese warship and other Japanese warships were standing nearby.

AMERICANS IN SERVICE

United States Fliers Are Now On Guard for Great Britain

LONDON, January 31—The squadron of American volunteer fliers in England has completed its training and is now on active service engaged in guarding of Britain.

SHELTER DEATH

SHEFFIELD, England, January 31 (CP)—Two women who took a bucket brazier into an unventilated Anderson shelter in Sheffield died of the fumes.

MENACE IS REAL, SAYS COL. KNOX

United States Secretary of Navy Makes Strong Plea for Support of "Lend-Lease" Bill

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31: (CP)—Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox testified today before the Senate foreign relations committee in the hearing on the "Lend-Lease" aid to Britain bill that the United States government had information that Germany was watching long range weather forecasts for a period of expected good weather in which to launch an invasion of Great Britain. Knox renewed his forecast of a very grave crisis within sixty or ninety days in the course of his testimony which included statement that it was "wild fancy" to talk as Col. Charles A. Lindbergh had done of a negotiated peace in Europe. Lindbergh, Knox asserted, was not competent to speak on the subject of military strategy. He said that Germany and Great Britain alike were seeking desperately for a plane that would be master of the skies.

Col. Knox, in urging full and immediate support to Great Britain, said that United States needed time to prepare to meet a strong aggressive Germany if it was to prevent the war from being "transferred to America." If Great Britain were defeated, he declared, Germany would most certainly endeavour to take over bases on this side and move its forces across the Atlantic as soon as she gained sufficient strength. Negotiated peace could only result in stalemate. As long as the Nazi system continued, United States would have to have a tremendous army and navy to ensure her continued existence.

While Col. Knox was giving his testimony before the Senate foreign relations committee, the bill was sent at the other end of the Capitol to the House of Representatives floor for a momentous debate starting Monday. After a brief hearing, the House rules committee gave the bill legislative right-of-way under procedure calling for three days of general debate and permitting unlimited offering of amendments.

U.S.-JAPAN WILL FIGHT

Sir Victor Sassoon Believes Germany Will Push Nippon Into War

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 31.—Arriving here yesterday from Hong Kong, Sir Victor Sassoon predicted that United States and Japan would be at war within a year. Germany would push Japan into war with the United States, Sir Victor said, in the effort to divert American support from England so that Germany would have better chances in an invasion of Britain.

Racket In Insurance

EDMONTON, Jan. 31: (CP)—Edmonton police announced today that theft and false pretences charges have been laid against sixteen Edmonton insurance adjusters and garages. The crown alleges that padding of insurance bills was carried out by some of the defendants while others stole various automobile accessories by listing them on insurance bills.

Air Raid Horn Heard in Montreal



Montreal citizens were warned last week-end that the time has come for them "to prepare an air raid shelter" in every home. Assistant Director Charles Barnes of the Montreal Police Department and organizer of the "C.P.C." Civilian Protection Committee and William Fair on a roof of a building test a diaphone horn, twenty-five of which spaced a mile and three-quarters apart on roofs that have been selected, would adequately cover the metropolis. These horns can be heard over an area of four square miles, but to overcome normal sounds within offices, stores, factories, homes and public conveyances, etc., sites half that distance apart have been chosen as a result of many tests. These horns being operated by compressed air, a reserve supply is available to offset danger of power failure.

Bulletins

OONA RIVER MAN DIES

Victim of pneumonia which developed from a severe cold, Dalmar Anderson, 68-year-old fisherman, died at Oona River, Porcher Island, at 2 o'clock Thursday morning and his body was brought in last night by Harold Jensen. Mr. Anderson was a native of Sweden but had been in Canada for many years, having been for a considerable time a resident of Oona River. As far as can be learned, there are no relatives in this country.

RIBBENTROP IS WORRIED

Would Like to See Petain and Laval Get Together More Quickly

BERLIN, Jan. 31.—A spokesman for Joachim von Ribbentrop said today that the German foreign minister was "astonished and concerned" over the failure of Premier Marshal Henri Philippe Petain and Pierre Laval to get together more quickly in France.

Berlin appears to agree with a campaign which has been launched by the Paris press attacking the Vichy government for failure to cooperate with Germany.

Signs are not lacking of a collapse altogether in the co-operation of France and Germany.

Jack Nichol Is Dead In South

Only Son of Former Newspaper Owner and Lieutenant Governor

VICTORIA, January 31.—John More Nichol, only son of the late W. C. Nichol, one time owner of the Vancouver Province, and Lieutenant-governor, died here yesterday at the age of 43 after a lengthy illness.

Olof Hanson, M.P. for Skeena, arrived in the city from Smithers on last night's train and will sail on the Venture tonight for Vancouver, calling at Bella Bella, Namu and other coastal points on the way south. On his return north, he expects to be accompanied by Mrs. Hanson who has been spending some time in Vancouver.

CASUALTIES VERY HEAVY

More Than Seven Thousand Italians Killed or Wounded by Greeks During Last Few Days

ATHENS, Jan. 31.—More than seven thousand Italian soldiers have been killed or wounded during the last few days in the course of the failure of the Fascist counter-offensive against the Greeks in the war in Albania.

Greek forces, pushing north of Klisura, are reported to have found heaps of Italian dead and many wounded in abandoned Fascist positions. A Greek spokesman said that four Italian counter-attacks had been repulsed in two days. Later reports from the Albanian front said that the charges were so disastrous that Italian commanders had to call off the offensive action to reorganize their forces.

The Italians are reported to be withdrawing from Tepelini, one of the important points on the way to Valona. This withdrawal of Italian troops from the key point in the Greek drive in Valona was reported by military circles at Belgrade but there was no immediate confirmation.

FISHING IS IMPROVING

Industry is Getting Out of Red, Declares Hon. J. E. Michaud

OTTAWA, Jan. 31.—The Canadian fishing industry is getting out of the registry, Hon. J.E. Michaud, minister of fisheries, says. Things are getting better for the men in the industry which provides a living for half a million people.

NO BREAK IN ITALY

Ridiculous to Suggest That His Ally is Cracking Up, Declared Chancellor Hitler

BERLIN, Jan. 31.—Chancellor Adolf Hitler, in his speech yesterday, ridiculed reports that Italy was cracking up. All hopes of revolt in Italy were futile. Germany and Italy would march ahead side by side.

HEAVY RAIDS RESUMED

LONDON—Nazi bombers, coming up the Thames estuary in large formations and then breaking up into various sections, today staged the most intensive and widespread series of daylight air raids London and other parts of England have experienced in months. There were far flung "lone wolf" raids. Several persons were killed and a number of buildings demolished. Many incendiaries were dropped but these were quickly doused. Three persons are known to have been killed and at least four injured today in an afternoon raid on London which followed two earlier bombless alarms. There were no alerts overnight.

JAPAN VS. CHINA

SHANGHAI—Violent fighting is reported to have broken out again between Japanese invaders and Chinese defenders in the southern part of Honan Province.

ITALIANS QUIT TEPELINI

ATHENS—Tepelini, important town on the way to Valona, has been abandoned by the Italians to the Greeks in the war in Albania. The Italians are now falling back on Valona. The Greeks brought down four Italian planes in air fighting over the battle front in Albania yesterday. The Italian attempted to use tanks in the Albanian fighting but they bogged down. The Fascists have lost heavily again in prisoners and equipment.

EIGHT MILLION BRITONS

LONDON—Great Britain, it is estimated, may have eight million men under arms by September. The Italians attempted to use tanks.

DRIVING ON ALL FRONTS

CAIRO—British forces continue their drive across northern Libya towards Bengasi following the capture of Derna. Somewhere between Derna and Bengasi the Italians are expected to make a stand. A number of Italian counter-attacks in Eritrea have been repulsed by the British, the Fascists suffering heavy casualties. In Ethiopia, the British are approaching the important town of Moyale. In Italian Somaliland the British campaign continues satisfactorily.

ARMISTICE SIGNED

SAIGON—An armistice was signed today in the war between Thailand and French Indo-China. Terms negotiated by Japan, were not immediately disclosed. The armistice ends months of intermittent border fighting. Japanese military mediators were looking on during the signing by the representatives of Thailand and French Indo-China and a Japanese naval force was standing by.

Enemy Sub Off Coast Of Canada

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—The possibility of an enemy submarine operating off the east coast of Canada is seen. A suspicious undersea craft is reported to have been sighted far from St. John's, Newfoundland, in the vicinity of the Grand Banks.

King Receives Harry Hopkins

President Roosevelt's Personal Envoy Luncheon with His Majesty

LONDON, Jan. 31.—King George gave an audience yesterday to Harry Hopkins, personal envoy to President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Hopkins had luncheon with His Majesty and the Queen.

GERMAN IS SHOT DOWN

At Least One Nazi Raider Destroyed By British Yesterday, It Is Known

LONDON, Jan. 31.—One German air raider is known to have been shot down during the course of daylight raids by the Nazis yesterday. The raids on England yesterday were the heaviest in several weeks but they were of scattered nature with only a few machines participating. Balloons in barrage at Dover were singled out for attack and a number were dropped. There was no air raiding activity in any part of England last night.

TELLS OF DUNKERQUE

Noted Correspondence Says Hitler Lost His Chance to Get to England

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—Robert G. Nixon, noted war correspondent, at a dinner in his honor last night, said that, if the British army had not succeeded in the evacuation of Dunkerque, which he covered, there might have been no England today. Hitler could have been in London in ten days after the collapse of France, declared Nixon. "Now, however," Nixon said "I don't believe she could get there in ten years." "Their morale is high," said Nixon of the British people. "As usual, they do every job they undertake in a thorough manner."

FORD IS ADAMANT

Automobile Magnate Would Give His Plants to Government Rather Than Bow to C.I.O.

DETROIT, Jan. 31.—Henry Ford, automobile manufacturer magnate, yesterday authorized the statement that, rather than agree to the Congress on Industrial Organization demand for a closed shop, he would turn his plants over to the federal government for a rental of \$1 per year so that they might be used for national defence purposes.

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