HITLER LIES AGAIN of Chancellor Adolf Hitler in his speech at M. blow by German U-boats against British shipping, claims being that an entire convoy of 125,000 tons had b including a British auxiliary cruiser. .. "The claim is as far oved from the truth as German claims usually are," it was ared. Britain will meet the threatened new U-boat menace

HELP NOT WANTED

effective secret weapons.

ATHENS-The Greek government is reported to have reed an offer from Great Britain to land troops on Greek ritory. Greece does not desire the landing of British troops and unless there is an actual invasion of Greece.

BREST HEAVILY HIT

LONDON-Aerial action was light during yesterday in the tle of Britain. There were neither casualties nor damage. English Channel was like a mill pond last night and skies cloudless but few raiders came over. The Royal Air Force It a heavy blow at Brest last night. It was of Coventry-like portions. A 10,000-ton German warship of the Admiral Hipclass was attacked.

ARMISTICE EXTENDED

TOKYO-Thailand and French Indo-China agreed to a -day extension of the armistice which recently ended the between the two countries. This removes at least temearily one of the points of tension in the Far East. Reprentatives of Thai and Indo China will meet again but their k is believed hopeless. Demands of Thai and Japan are callexorbitant.

ADDIS ABABA BOMBED

ADEN-British bombers, setting out for the first time from Red Sea fortress port of Aden, made a 900-mile flight as far Addis Ababa where they delivered an effective bombing atck on Italian airdromes and military stores, doing much dam-Troop and supply columns were also bombed and machinenned. All the British planes returned safely. It is 425 miles tween Aden and Addis Ababa.

MIGHT SWING TO DEGAULLE

MADRID-All the forces of French North Africa may ing over to General Charles DeGaulle, the Free French leader, British forces drive across the border to Tunisia, it is said General Maxime Weygand has no great desire to collabte with Germany and Italy, it is said.

BLOCKADE EFFECTIVE

LONDON-The economic blockade of Germany is just as fective today as it was before the fall of France. Germany s pretty well used up the oil, cotton, copper, rubber and nickel applies of occupied countries.

GREEKS STAYING IN WAR

ATHENS-Since the war in Albania started Greece has ocked out seven Italian divisions of 105,000 men. The Greeks not stop fighting until Italian are out of Albania; it is said

HEAVY AIR LOSSES

LONDON-Italy has lost 1000 planes planes or half of her t line air strength since entering war, Sir Archibald Sinclair, ecretary for Air, said today. In January the Germans lost 90 ive bombers.

LOSSES IN SEA WAR

LONDON-Four British ships and one neutral, tonnage etalling 37,600, were sunk by enemy action during the week end-February 16. The Germans, in their usually extravagant aims, had said nineteen ships were sunk during the period.

FEST COAST KEEN FOR A.R.P. FITNESS IN ALL BRANCHES OF ACTIVITY

Cities Well Organized, Air Wardens Picked, Men and Women on Alert for Possible Menace By HERBERT L. JONES

Canadian Press Staff Writer

VANCOUVER, February 25: (CP)—British Cobia's key cities—declared vulnerable to possible air ck in this war—are preparing to meet any menace cluding 1.500 women who would? minister, announced. For restaurfrom the skies. Already a formidable organization of act as stretcher bearers and ambue than 5,000 civilian protection workers stands pre- ance drivers in any emergency. ed here—as in other B.C. cities—to go into action at

Canada's Pacific gateway. Alberni Reservation in event of an the process of formation, but orfirst sign of hostile warplane the spreading City of Van- emergency. er to Burnaby, New Westminand tiny settlements of the British Columbia's ARP steps no air raid shelters—although 4

even in law so far as it con- air attack. what to do about it.

hough far removed from the ructive scenes of far, other

Steps Taken Promptly

er Valley, their job would be to were taken soon after the outbreak city buildings have been surveyed ect more than 400,000 civilians of war. They came quickly on the as possibilities. fire and bomb, gas and shell. heels of a declaration by the Min- Financial difficulties still remain Picked for the job, these ARP ister of National Defence that cer- too. The cities and municipalities orkers have been trained in first tain cities—including the principal cannot pay for ARP organization anti-gas, fire auxiliary work seaports of Vancouver, Victoria and without having their charters am-Prince Rupert—were vulnerable to ended to make it legal. Efforts are

the Defence of Canada regu" A provincial ARP committee was effected at the next session of ns. They have learned where formed under Major S. F. M. the legislature. how saboteurs might strike Moodie with \$5,000 granted by the Canada's ARP leaders have ex-Dominion government. From this pressed the belief that any possible nucleus sprang civilian protection air attacks here would be of the | committees in the various cities. | ihit-and-run variety. There would |

Detective E. W. Morris, an officer be no sustained raids such as the ort centres_Victoria, Prince skilled in the science branch of the Nazis have launched on London. ert, Nanaimo and Port Alberni Vancouver Police department. was In any event, British Columbia ve set up similar organiza-|chosen to head the Greater Van- means to be prepared and despite At Alberni even Indian men couver organization, embracing 11 the difficulties, ARP preparations d women have enrolled for first surrounding municipalities and the province The province's civilian protection France I largest ARP area in the province. The province's civilian protection Ernest Lapointe said there could suokuo of Japan is preparing to anti-gas and home-nursing Citizens of long-standing in each heads hope soon to have an or- be no peace or international ing. They would act to pro- district were "approached" to act ganization second to none in dealings without honesty, justice own people on the as wardens Each warden divided Canada.

* Prime Minister Winston *

+ Churchill has told Japan that +

* diation in the war with the *

& German government, it was &

* Prime Minister Churchill saw *

the Japanese ambassador to 3

& Great Britain. Great Britain &

and United States have frank- *

+ ly warned Japan to keep *

* hands off Singapore and the *

One Of Heaviest Air Raids Of War

Delivered By R. A. F. On

German-Occupied Base

heaviest air raids of the whole

war took place last night when

Royal Air Force planes pounded

"Coventry" fashion the French

port of Brest which is being used

by the Nazis as an embarkation

point for submarines and possible

invasion base. The British planes

approached in all directions and

dropped heavy sticks of bombs.

A ten thousand ton German

There was vigorous anti-aircraft

defence but the British eluded this

It was the second straight night

British planes crossed the Straits

further heavy attacks. They flew

in perfect formation and no less

than sixty machines were counted.

Weather Forecast

General Synopsis - Coastal

West Coast of Vancouver Island

-Moderate southeast winds with

scattered showers, becoming quite

cloudy with little change in tem-

Prince Rupert and Queen Char-

lotte Islands-Light to moderate

ers or rain or sleet, becoming a

ties and set up a small ARP or-

ganization within his own area.

Other workers were enrolled-in-

Survey For Shelters

There are no blackout preperations

and no air raid sirens. There are

being made to have this change

Other ARP groups are now in

little warmer.

southeast winds, cloudy with show-,

weather has been cloudy with

as well as the searchlight rays.

warship of the Admiral Hipper

The attack lasted two hours.

class was bombed.

first raid of the war.

* Neitherlands East Indies.

Yesterday *

Anthony Eden.



1:40 a.m. 20.8 ft. 13:40 p.m. 21.4 ft. 7:46 a.m. 4.8 tu. 20:06 p.m. 29 ft.

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PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1941.

Mediation By Japan EMPIRE; MOVES VIEWED Rejected

Bulletins

SAILS FROM SHANGHAI

liner President Coolidge sailed to-

day from Shanghai, having on

board 1000 or more Americans

leaving the Orient for home in

VICHY SHAKE-UP

French cabinet is announced to-

day by Chief of State Marshal

Henri Phillippe Petain. Admiral

Jean Darlan, now the virtual ex-

ecutive head of the government,

continues as vice-premier and

successor to the chief of state,

eign affairs, interior and navy.

The name of Pierre Laval is not

mentioned. There are fifteen sec-

retaries of state with five form-

ing a cabinet. Petain will follow

tion with Germany.

policy of economic collabora-

FINAL VOTE BELAYED

ministration has agreed to exten-

sion of the debate on the "lease-

lend" aid to Britain bill. The fin-

Senate is becoming bitter and

caustic, not unlike that which

preceded the entry of the United

States into the first Great War in

1917. Senator Robert Lafollette of

Wisconsin, son of the famous old-

AUSTRALIA WANTS WILLKIE

vite Wendell Willkie of the Uni-

TIGHTENING RATIONS

taurants, Lord Woolton, food

and maximum fine of \$1000 is

COLLAPSED IN FIGHT

of the fighters in a ring here

last night. Len Anderson. 22, St.

to a heart attack in the seventh

round of fight with Lou

ALFONSO GETTING BETTER

of Spain, whose life was despair-

ed of, is resting more easily and

Thomas of Indianapolis.

CHICAGO—Death claimed one

provided.

messages.

ted States to visit Australia.

bill heard yesterday.

WASHINGTON, D.C.-The ad-

retaining the portfolios of for-

VICHY-A new shake-up in the

view of the tense situation.

SHANGHAI—The United States.

British Observer Reviews Campaigns in Kenya, Libya, Eritrea and Sudan and Effect on General Situation

* Great Britain rejects any me- * Written for the Canadian Press by MAJ.-GEN. SIR CHARLES GWYNN * to their sweethearts. The *

LONDON, February 25: (CP)—While one by one the * marking of "x's" and "o's" as * * announced today. This was * coast fortresses of Italian Libya have fallen before ad- * forbidden. * referring to the mediation of * Vancing Imperial Army of the Nile, British troops may * might be used as signals by * grave Harbor on Buena Vista Bay, * fer made in communication * soon bring about the fall of Italy's East African Empire. * spies. * from the Japanese govern- * Let us look at the situation around the western and south- * * ment to Foreign Secretary * ern sides—the Ethiopia-Sudan and the Ethiopia-Kenya

> ly the limits of the high ground, BRITONS generally marked by a continuous BRITONS escarpment. Because of the blockade, ports are no longer of importance as bases except insofar as stores have been accumulated at

borders. The frontier follows close-

A certain amount of food supplies may be brought in and blockade runners may have landed small consignments of war stores at ports on the Somaliland coast of which Mogadishu is the most important port. At these ports, however, Italian ships have to lie off. Goods are landed by lighter, often with interruptions by weather. All ports are subject to bombing attacks

from Kenya and Aden. Italian East Africa thus is dependent on accumulated reserves of warlike stores including petrol. these reserves, petrol is especially at other points. important. Food supplies produced in the country would normally suffice for the modest needs of the Italian soldiers but, with the increasing unrest, it is probably becoming difficult to get nativegrown food.

Strength of Forces

Actual strength of the Italian BORIS IS force in East Africa is difficult to BORIS estimate. There are several metropolitan and blackshirt divisions. and, in addition, large numbers of native troops of varying military value from trained units down to tribal levies. A considerable num- King Of Bulgaria Says His Counber of Ethiopians have also been enlisted and trained. Italian laof raiding on Brest and the forty- al vote is not now expected until the middle of next week instead borers and colonists are also potential fighting men and there are a of the end of this and a filibuster large number of these. of Dover again today to deliver is quite possible. Debate in the

on the offensive from their East erless to resist a German military African Empire. They are now re- occupation. He made admission of treating on all fronts. Their main the inability of his country today offensive concentrations were at to leaders of political parties op-Diredawa on the Jibouti-Addis posed to the pro-Nazi government. er Senator Lafollette, who led the Ababa railway. This force was prim- These political represntatives had filibuster against war in 1917, arily intended for an attack on Ji- pleaded with Boris not to give in bouti if it joined the Free to the Nazis. was one of the opponents of the French forces. It was ultimately used for the capture of British moving against political opponents. Somaliland. The other main force Leaders of the Agrarian party have was concentrated in Eritrea. De- been interned as being a "danger signed for the invasion of the Su- to public order." CANBERRA— The Australian government has decided to in- |dan, it captured Kassala at an early stage and then stopped. Kassala George Rendell, is understood to be making preparations to leave DEATH FOR later was retaken by the British.

Italians Dug In As British forces in the Sudan were weak at the time, delaying and LONDON- After two weeks harassing actions were possible Whether the Italians realized they of Bulgaria, it will not be long his own district, appointed depu- from today it will be illegal to had insufficient supplies for a far- before they do, it is believed. serve meat. fish and eggs at the same time to customers in resreaching invasion of the Sudan or whether they wished to synchron- FDFN NOW ise their action with Graziani's FDFN NOW ant operators violating the de- jarmed attack on Egypt is doubtful.

cree two years' imprisonment At any rate, they sat down and dug themselves into a defensive position near Kassala. When the Sudanese British forces became stronger they were intensively har- will Be at Ankara Tomorrow To- military information to England ried. With the defeat of Graziani in Libya, any possibility of effective operations on the Sudan vanished and Kassala was abandoned as an Paul, collapsed and succumbed

expensive encumbrance. ..ROME_Former King Alfonse value.

BOX LUNCHES FOR TOMMIES

members of his family are more LONDON, Feb. 25: (CP)-An exhopeful. He was able yesterday periment is being made in "packet" to eat solid food and to read meals at railway stations for memling long distances.

TO VISIT MOSCOW

TOKYO-Foreign Minister Matpay a visit to Moscow in connection with Japanese-Soviet negotations. .

And Kisses In Navy Letters

OTTAWA, Feb. 25:-Sailors + + have been warned to go easy + · in what they say in writing

Decisive Advances Made in Italian Somaliland and Eritrea-Brava is Taken

CAIRO, Feb. 25: (CP) - British forces were reported today to have, pers. captured Brava in a sweep up the: The search planes will bring the Italian Somaliland coast more than half way from Chisimaio to Mogadiscio, the colony's oldest and chief Royal Canadian Air Force maport. Brava marked a gain of 160, miles beyond Chiscaio and put the British forces within 150 miles of machine from St. John's. Tribute Mogadiscio. The British forces are to Dr. Banting was paid in Paralso moving beyond the Juba River! liament yesterday by Prime Min-

In addition to Italian Samililand, substantial gains have been made in Eritrea with capture of many prisoners and war material.

In a drive towards Asmara, the capital of Eritrea, 400 more prisoners were taken yesterday.

try Is Without Power To Resist Nazi Occupation

SOFIA. Feb. 25:-King Boris of . Until recently the Italians were Bulgaria says his country is pow-

Meanwhile the government

The British minister to Bulgaria, the country this week. Dutch and

already commenced the invasion

gether With General Sir John

ISTANBUL, Feb. 25: (CP)-For-ters. The smaller detachments which eign Secretary Anthony Eden and frontier of the Sudan and Kenya perial general staff, arrived late . were never a serious threat al- today by plane at Adana in souththough they had some nuisance ern Turkey and will reach Ankara tomorrow for talks with Turkish of-. ficials in regard to the war situation in the Balkans.

ZOO LOSES MONEY

LONDON, Feb. 25: (CP)-London + in French Indo-China was + bers of the fighting forces travel- |Zoo was run at a loss of \$89,000 + strengthened today when a * last year and Prof. Julian Huxley + 10,000-ton liner arrived from + has appealed for contributions to & Dakara, French West Africa, & meet the emergency.

RUSSIA AND SWITZERLAND

MOSCOW-Russia and Switz- | + sisted of airplanes. erland have signed a new trade agreement.

PRICE: 5 CENTS.

Scientists Received Such Speedy Recognition as Did Canadian

BRINGING BODIES OUT OTTAWA, Feb. 25. - Three marks of affection has been planes are on their way to the markings wild, snow country near Mus-* 80 miles northwest of St. John's Newfoundland, where a military plane crashed last Friday morning, killing Dr. Frederick G. Banting, eminent Canadian medical man and scientist, and two companions. Dr. Banting was on his way to England on a mission which was described as being of "national and scientific import-

> The only person aboard the plane who was saved was the pilot, Capt. Joseph Creighton Mackey of Kansas City, who is being cared for meantime by two trap-

bodies back to Canada.

Two of the rescue planes are chines from Montreal. The other is a Newfoundland government ister William Lyon Mackenzie King, Leader of the Opposition R. B. Hanson and the leaders of the C.C.F. and New Demacracy groups. Dr. Herbert A. Bruce, one of the Toronto members, also paid tribute, referring to his association with Sir Frederick at University of Toronto.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25: (CP)-Killed in an airplane crash in Newfoundland, Sir Frederick Grant Banting, M.C., K.B.E., F.R.C.S., medical research worker, surgeon and painter, was known throughout the world for his discovery of the insulin treatment for diabetes in collaboration with Dr. J. R. MacLeod and Dr. Charles H. Best of the University of Toronto. Lives of thousands of persons were saved by the treatment they developed. (Dr. Banting visited Prince Rupert several years ago.) Dr. Banting, credited with being

the leader in experiments that resulted in development of the insulin treatment, received honors from many lands, including the Nobel Prize for medicine, awarded jointly with Dr. MacLeod in 1923, the year after the discovery. Knighthood was bestowed on Dr. Banting in the King's birthday honors published June 4, 1934.

If the German forces have not NORWEGIANS

Will Be Executed For Transmitting Military Information To England

OSLO, Feb. 25:-Ten Norwegians have been sentenced to death by the Nazis on espionage charges. They are allleged to have sent by radio. All German soldiers on leave in Norway have been ordered to report back to their headquar-

French Position . Made Stronger

* SAIGON, Feb. 25: (CP) - * * The French military position * * with naval, army and air force * + officers. The number was not + * disclosed. Unconfirmed reports * * said that the ship's cargo con-

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

OTTAWA — External affairs were discussed in Parliament

and respect of plighted word.