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CANADA AND U.S. ARE ONE GREAT AREA FOR PRODUCTION IN CRISIS

Boundary Lines Almost Gone in Co-Operation Developed Through Year by Various Boards—Co-Operate in Production of War Supplies.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18: (CP)—Nineteen-forty-one saw the 49th parallel of latitude, which for more than a century has been a shining example to the world of the practical benefits of a good neighbor policy, disappear in many respects as a boundary line between Canada and the United States. By a series of inter-related actions,

Of Taxes In

General taxation col- *

Member of Victoria Executive

Speaker at Local Canadian

Legion Meeting.

An interesting speaker at the

Pacific Coast. Events have shown

City Are Up :

co-operation and collaboration between the two nations in produc- + + + + + + + + + tion of war supplies was advanced + to the point where boundary lines . Collections American continent north of Mexico was regarded almost as one vast production area. This trend + toward a continental viewpoint is * expected to be accelerated as a result of the United States becoming an open belligerent in the war + and all the machinery necessary + lections at Prince Ru- + for it has been in operation for * pert — at 89 percent — *

The mutual confidence which are the highest for any has developed between Canada * year since 1930, it was * and the United States over a announced at the city period or years has facilitated the creation and successful operation hall this morning. The of a series of permanent, as well * percentage in 1930 was * as temporary, joint commissions + 89.5 and in 1931 it was + for handling problems of common + 87.7 percent.

There are four main bi-national boards, each concerned with joint wartime production plans, the common defence of the two nations, conservation and distribution of raw materials and, finally, economic collaboration, both in wartime and peace. In addition to these boards, there are various direct administrative liaison agencies in Washington and Ottawa.

Hyde Park Pact

A. far as the United States is concerned, this meshing of war effort by the two countries has been of tremendous value. Under regular monthly meeting of the the terms of the Hyde Park agree- Canadian Legion last night was ment, signed by Prime Minister Jack Neary of Victoria. Mr. Neary Mackenzie King and President who has been on the executive of Roosevelt April 20, 1941, the Uni- the Britannia Branch of the Leted States placed millions of dol- gion in Victoria for years discusslars worth of war orders in Cana- ed various phases of Canadian da, taking advantage of produc- Legion activities. He reminded his tion facilities already in operation listeners how for years the Bittin the United States and which ish Columbia Legion had emphacould not have been duplicated in sized the danger of Japanese conthe United States except at great trol of certain industries on the loss of time and energy.

In addition to that, the United that they were right in their de-States has gained access to Cana- mands for close scrutiny of such da's vast natural resources on a enterprises. A hearty vote of priority basis that assures a con- thanks was accorded Mr. Neary. tinuity of supply and inexhaustible reserves which do not have to be place in the clubrooms with vicetransported across an ocean. president W. J. Rance in the chair.

achievements of the Permanent preciation for courtesies extended uary 15 to consider the situation Joint Board on Defence, was the by the branch was one from Col- arising out of the war between construction, by the Canadian onel Cy Peck, V.C., who wrote at government, of a string of air length in acknowledgement of the fields from Edmonton north to kindness of the branch in having Alaska. The immediate object of him as its guest on the occasion these fields carved out of rock of Remembrance Day. Colonel and forest of the northern wilder- Peck spoke specially of the honor Representatives yesterday passness was to provide the United he felt in having been asked to States with the means of rushing command the Memorial parade on aircraft, particularly short-range that day. fighters, to Alaska and the Aleut- The need for more veterans for the Veterans' Guard was stressed ian Island bases.

This defence board was set up in a letter from local recruiting by the Prime Minister and the office but there are very few of President when they conferred at the members eligible. Ogdensburg, N. Y., in August, The entertainment committee 1940, to "consider in the broad has completed arrangements for sense the defence of the north supplying some extra comforts for half of the Western Hemisphere," all units in this area as well as not only the land portions of the those men who went overseas from two nations but the approaches by Prince Rupert. It was also agreed to hold a modified form of Christ-

By April, 1941, the board had mas tree this next Sunday afterland and sea. completed "strategic plans for the noon for children of members of military and naval defence of the branch and Women's Auxil-Canada and the United States" jary. The children did without which were submitted to the two the usual picnic this year and the the basis of the strengthening of Queen's Canadian Fund for Air all available pork and dairy to basis of the strengthening of Queen's Canadian Fund for Air all available pork and dairy to basis of the strengthening of Queen's Canadian Fund for Air all available pork and dairy to basis of the strengthening of Queen's Canadian Fund for Air all available pork and dairy to basis of the strengthening of Queen's Canadian Fund for Air all available pork and dairy to basis of the strengthening of Queen's Canadian Fund for Air all available pork and dairy to basis of the strengthening of Queen's Canadian Fund for Air all available pork and dairy to basis of the strengthening of Queen's Canadian Fund for Air and States and States are all available pork are all available pork and States are all available pork are all av the east coast and west coast de- Raid victims but it was felt that fences that has been accomplished they were entitled to a Christmas tree even if on a limited scale. since then.

War News

THREAT TO MALAYA

Great Britain acknowledged that a withdrawal south of the Krian River on the southern border of Kedah in Malaya had increased the threat to Penang, strategic Malayan city on the land loute which the Japanese must take to reach Singapore.

RUSSIANS FORGING AHEAD

The Red Army has advanced forty miles in twenty-four hours while pursuing the Ninth German Army west of recaptured Kalinin and today the Nazis are withdrawing from Mohaisk, another important city which they had occupied. Mohaisk is fifty miles west of Moscow. The enemy are also in full retreat west of Leningrad now and communications have been re-established between Moscow and Leningrad. To the south Kharkov is back in the battle zone. The Russians have recaptured hundreds of villages and the Germans are back where they were months ago. The enemy, in their flight, are abandoning huge stocks of fighting equipment including tanks and motors. Only a feeble rearguard action is now being fought by the Germans. Berlin radio speaks o' "unimaginable power" of Russian resistance.

FULL RETREAT IN LIBYA

Axis forces are in full retreat everywhere in the Libyan campaign. All their lines have been broken. The British are now 150 miles inside the Libyan border. Between Tobruk and Gazala forty guns were found yesterday. The enemy tank ferces have been deced. British bombing planes are effectively attacking coastal

Bulletins

TAX CONFERENCE OTTAWA - A conference between the federal government and representatives of the provinces in regard to taking over the income tax opened here today with Finance Minister J. L. Ilsley presiding. Five provincial premiers, including Hon. John JAPANESE Hart of British Columbia, are in

attendance.

TURKEY FOR CHRISTMAS OTTAWA-Arrangements have been completed through the Red Cross whereby there will be Christmas turkey for Canadian prisoners in Germany and for German prisoners in Canada.

TYING UP JAP BOATS NEW WESTMINSTER - More than one thousand Japanese fishing boats from all narts of the coast are being tied up under guard at a central point for the duration of the war.

ON MANCHOUKUAN BORDER

The meeting of the Legion took One of the most practical Among the many letters of ap- lics are called to meet here Jan- vincial police. ada may also be invited.

> REGISTER ALL MEN WASHINGTON-The House of tion of all American men between 18 and 35 for military or non-combatant selective service.

WOMEN AS POLICEMEN OTTAWA-Speaking here yesterday, Hon. J. G. Gardiner, * * * * * * * * * * * minister of agriculture, called +

to run up prices in contraven-

tion of the price ceiling law.

1942 WHEAT ACREAGE yesterday, Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Admiralty announces the loss + and Japanese are also believed to minister of agriculture, advised farmers to keep the 1942 wheat + sel was a 5000-ton light crui- + acreage to the same level as last | ser with complement of 500 \$ year. Great Britain would take & officers and men. She was * in the market for all cattle that could be supplied.

SUPREME COMMAND

Discussions Under Way for Establishment Top Authority for Allies.

LONDON, Dec. 18: (P) - Discussions are under way for the establishment of a supreme Allied war authority to direct high strategy against the Axis, the authoritative Press Association said tonight, and some quarters here believe Washington will be the headquarters.

All Nationals and These Naturalized Since September, 1922.

Registration of Japanese na- casualties are reported. tionals and all Japanese natural- The entire Philippine army MOSCOW-The Red Army is ized since September, 1922, is now being taken over by the United reported to be manoeuvering in proceeding at provincial police States army of the Far East in Siberia near the Thailand bor- headquarters here, starting with the course of an amalgamation of quite a rush this morning. The all defence forces with a view to PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE under Defence of Canada Regula- sible co-ordination. RIO DE JANEIRO - Foreign tions with the Royal Canadian The war in the Far East appears ministers of all American repub- Mounted Police assisting the pro- to be settling down momentarily

> Japanese born in Canada and the United States and those naturalized in either country prior to September, 1922 are not required CUBA FOILS to register.

AUSSIES' TEA TESTS BRISBANE, Dec. 18: (P) Tests

are being made in tea growing in Queensland with 100 trees but Aim Was to Set Up Naval Signal-"little hope is being held out for success because of the long period of selectivity needed to fit the type to the climate."

on all women of Canada to be + H.M.S. Dunedin

* LONDON, Dec. 18: - The * of H.M.S. Dunedin. The ves- be involved.

Axis Front In North Africa Completely Shattered While Nazis Are On Run In Russia

HONG KONG IS HOLDING

Blow for Blow Being Exchanged There Between British Defenders and Enemy Japs

Battle of Malaya

apanese Continue Fierce Drive Towards Penang and Singapore-Philippines Raided

LONDON, Dec. 18:-British defenders of Hong Kong are still exchanging blow for blow with the enemy Japanese across the onemile distance between Kowloon and the port and island proper. The garrison is believed to still have a chance of holding out although it has been suggested that the position is untenable.

Sir Mark Young, governor of Hong Kong, today refused a second demand from the Japanese to surrender. Nevertheless, London military experts appear to be agreed that Hong Kong cannot hold out indefinitely if the Japanese are willing to spend the men and materials that will be necessary to take it. The Japanese have already suffered heavy casualties at Kowloon.

The Japanese are still fighting furiously in their drive down the Malay Peninsula to threaten first Penang and then Singapore.

British troops defending parts of northern Malaya withdrew to new positions during the night and are now reorganizing. Along the Muda River Japanese attacks HAWAIIAN were held back, the British holding positions there. At some points the enemy has suffered heavy casualties.

In Philippines

The Philippines continue quiet Provincial Police Taking Names of with no further serious land attacks by the Japanese.

The Japanese raided two American air fields on Luzon Island today but did little damage. No

registration is being carried out bringing about the greatest pos-

AXIS PLOT

ling Equipment for Benefit of Enemy.

HAVANA, Dec. 18:-A fifth col- + + + + + + + + + nalling equipment in Cuba for the withdrawal Is Torpedoed * already been made, it is announc- * ed by the government. The ar-* already been made, it is announcrested include one alleged member of the German Gestapo. Italians LONDON, Dec. 18: (9)-The *

BEN FRANKLIN'S SHEET

ette bought by Benjamin Franklin

STALIN DESCRIBES GERMANS AS RESEMBLING FORCES OF NAPOLEON IN BLOODY RETREAT FROM MOSCOW - BRITISH IN RELENT-LESS PURSUIT IN NORTH AFRICA.

A great and, perhaps, decisive turning point "marked Europe's war on two fronts today as Great Britain announced the Axis front in North Africa was completely shattered and Russia declared that Chancellor Adolf Hitler's invasion armies were fleeing in chaos.

President Joseph Stalin of Russia was quoted as describing the Germans as resembling the forces of Napoleon in their bloody retreat from Moscow in

Havas News Agency said a German withdrawal in the Ukraine had brought the industrial city of Kharkov back into the battle zone and on the central front Russian cavalrymen were reported to have chased German troops to within nineteen miles of Orel, 200 miles south of Moscow.

In the north around Leningrad the Finns reported the Red Army had shifted the weight of the offensive against them with Soviet troops attacking along the whole eastern sector of Lake Onega. This clearly indicated that Leningrad defence armies were now free from German pressure on the south and west.

AND IN LIBYA

Meanwhile the British Middle East Command in Cairo reports that the Axis front has been completely shattered in eastern Libya after five days of fierce combat and once proud armored forces of the Germans, with surviving Italians associated, are in full retreat before relentless British pursuit.

A communique said that the enemy's front has

everywhere been broken.

PORTUGAL SHAKE-UP

High Commanders of Navy, Army Government in Special Session to and Air Force Are All Relieved as Result of "Sneak."

cific fleet, who, with two other the new war in the Far East. top-ranking officers of the Hawaiian area, was relieved of command pending outcome of an investigation President Franklin D. Roosevelt has ordered of the Pearl Harbor sneak attack by the Japanese.

General Walter C. Short of command of the Hawaiian military Frederick L. Martin of command of the Hawaiian air forces. Lieut. General Delos C. Emmons replaces Short and General C. L. Tinker takes over air command.

* Admiralty announced today * + that Vichy authorities had + * taken the unusual step of * • withdrawing charges that a • * British submarine had sunk *

CONCERNED

Consider Occupation of Island of Timor.

LISBON, Dec. 18: - The Portuguese government is meeting in WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 18: special session to consider "seri-(P)—The United States entrust- ous events" concerning the Island ed the supreme command of the of Timor, north of Australia. No Pacific fleet today to Admiral details were given but it was sug-Chester W. Nimitz. He succeeds gested that relations between Admiral Husband E. Kimmel, Great Britain and Portugal would commander-in-chief of the Pa- have to be gone into in view of

The Netherlands government in London announced that Timor had been occupied by Allied troops as a measure or protection against the possibility of it being used as a possible base for Japanese submarines. Netherlands and Aus-The army relieved Lieutenant | tralian forces carried out the occupation.

Part of Timor has been held by department and Major General the Netherlands and part by Por-

Timor lies between Java and

The announcement of its occupation by the Netherlands government stressed the activities of Japanese submarines off Timor and said the occupation was to * safeguard it against Japanese ag-

Shopping

