Churchill In States

BRITISH PRIME MINISTER ARRIVES FOR CON FERENCE WITH PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

MACKENZIF & & VVITED OTTAWA, Dec. 23. 32 liam Lyon Mackenzie King W dent Franklin D. Roosevelt vitation to go to Washington sit there of Prime Minister Churchill of 6 a, for a war conference. Premier King san ne hoped Prime Minister Churchill would con to Canada during his stay on the continent. It is assumed that an invitation has already been extended Mr. Churchill to come to Canada.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 23: (CP)-Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain, arrived in the United States yesterday, the White House announced, to "discuss with the president all questions relevant to concerted war effort." The prime minister's trip had been kept a closely guarded secret until his arrival was announced by Stephen Early, the White House secretary.

Details of the trip were not disclosed. Mr. Churchill arrived at an airport near Washington where he was met by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Soon after he was at the White House and it was then that the announcement of his arrival was made. At least part of Mr. Chur- cow sector. chill's trip is believed to have been made by warship.

The primary purpose of the conference between Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt was "the defeat of Hitlerism throughout the world," it was stated. Grand strategy of the Allies will be mapped out and discussions preliminary to later conferences between the United States and representatives of Russia, China the Nether- Germans are endeavouring to lands and British Dominions. The setting up of a Su- form a new defensive line. preme Allied Council and the formal alliance of all Axis foes are aims. Mr. Churchill and President Roosevelt FOUGIT TO will, it is said, discuss the question of a supreme command for the Allies and a joint ministry of supply.

The first formal meeting of the British prime minister and the United States president took place at Washington today. It was stated in authoritative quarters that there would be a seven-point program of discussions Americans and Filipinos Giving including the following:

Obtaining of full Russian co-operation in the war in the Pacific.

Insuring against the falling of the French fleet and North African bases into Axis control.

Prevention of the choking off of Mediterranean waters to the Allies.

Obtaining of control of North Africa. Consolidation of British gains in Libya.

E-Call

Helping of Russia to prepare against a new German drive in the spring.

The British prime minister is accompanied by Lord Beaverbrook, the minister of supply, technical staff and representatives of various war departments including

the three services-navy, army and air force. In addition to Beaverbrook there arrived with Mr. Churchill Sir Dudley Pound, commander-in-chief of the British fleet; Air Marshal Sir Charles F. A. Portal and many friends as "Shorty", and a General Sir John Dill, former chief of Imperial general resident of Prince George since staff and now governor of Bombay. They were to meet American military men of equal rank.

The New York Times paid tribute to Prime Minister Churchill by saying he was "not only a great man pital. He had also been engaged reported this morning to be on thirty-one survivors of the tankbut a good man."

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PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1941.

RED DRIVE MOVING ON

Miles Per Day, Recapturing Town After Town

MOSCOW, Dec. 23:-The Russian counter-offensive against the Germans continues to roll on westward at the rate of eight to twelve miles per day in the Mos-

Town after town is being reoccupied by the Red Army, being found littered by Nazi war equipment and piles of German dead. War industries in many of these towns will be restored, some to full production, it is said.

There are indications that the

STANDSTILL

Good Account of Themselves -Evacuee Centre Bombed.

MANILA, Dec. 23: (P)-In the Philippines an army bulletin today indicated that American and Filipino defenders had fought to a standstill the vanguard of powerful sea-borne Japanese forces which landed at Santo Tomas, 125 miles north of Manila.

Heavy casualties resulted this afternoon when three Japanese planes bombed a centre reserved for persons evacuated from Manila and other towns.

Oscar Hoff, familiarly known to railway construction days, having operated a poolroom on George Street for a time, died at the first in the ice business.

WAR FLASHES

The Hong Kong garrison is still holding out. The Canadians have suffered heavy casualties. Their commander, Brigadier J. K. Lawson, has been killed.

Fierce land fighting is going on in the Philippines both on Luzon and Mindanao as the Japanese strive to establish a foothold with invasion forces which were landed yesterday.

The situation at Singapore is quieter. Air blows have been exchanged over Malaya. On the Malayan front there is no change in the situation.

A Japanese force has landed on Wake Island. United States navy said enemy units of unspecified strength landed this morning on the tiny mid-Pacific Island where marines have beaten off 1epeated onslaughts by enemy aircraft and naval units.

British forces in the Libyan campaign have plunged to the Gulf of Certe and are moving on Bengasi, the capital of Cirenaica.

On the Russo - German front the Red Army is moving ahead at the rate of eight to twelve miles per day. The advance continues on all fronts.

today says the reduced level of shipping losses in the Battle of the Atlantic is being maintained and at the same time those of the enemy are being increased.

Tonight's train, due to arrive air and dropped depth charges. of last week in Prince George Hos- from the East at 11 o'clock, was

Brigadier Lawson and Colonel Hennessy Killed at Hong Kong; Canadian Casualties Are Heavy

ATTACK ON SIXTH SHIP

Another American Tanker Target for Japanese Submarine Off California Coast.

SINKING TODAY SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23: (P) -The United States Navy confirmed today that an enemy ship had rired on the tanker Larry Doheny, six miles off Estero Bay. The Larry Doheny reached port another tanker Montebello, was sunk. There were reports from Estero Bay, unconfirmed by the navy, that lifeboats bearing survivors were being landed on the coast. Sounds of gunfire and shattering explosions were heard at Estero Bay and Morro Bay on the coast off San Luis Obispo before dawn. Flashes from guns could be seen on shore. In San Francisco, navy and army spokesmen said at first that they had had reports of a series of heavy explosions off shore on the Pacific coast today.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22: The sixth American vessel to be attacked off the California coast by Japanese submarines, the tanker H. M. Storrie, was the target for a torpedo yesterday north of San-A statement at London ta Barbara two miles off the coast. The torpedo missed its mark and the Storrie zig-zagged away in a smoke screen. The en-counter could be seen by shore watchers who believed at first that the tanker had been hit. United States planes took to the

Meanwhile Capt. Farrow and er Emidio which was attacked and crippled off Cape Mendocino, north of San Francisco, on Saturday were landed yesterday at Eureka. Two big planes dropped depth charges soon after the attack on the Emidio and there was some reason to believe, members of the crew felt, that they might have taken effect.

TODAY'S STOCKS

Vancouver

Grandview

Bralorne

Cariboo Quartz	1.68
Hedley Mascot	34
Pend Oreille	
Pioneer	2.00
Premier	
Privateer	45
Reno	13
Sheep Creek	
Oils	
Calmont	17
Home	2.35
C. & E.,	1.10
Royal Canadian	,03 1/2
Toronto	
Beattie	95
Central Pat.	1.32
Cons. Smelters	37.50
Hardrock	46
Kerr Addison	4.00
Little Long Lac	1.25
McLeod Cockshutt	1.61
Madsen Red Lake	481
McKenzie Red Lake	94
Moneta	27

invaders from seventy-five more at Edmonton, is spending the position at the end of the year. Ge

Pickle Crow

San Antonio

Sherritt Gordon

Preston East Dome

British Garrison Still Holding Out at Besieged Fortress But Their Situation Is Officially Announced to Be Critical.

JAPANESE THROWN BACK HONG KONG, Dec. 23: (CP)—The Japanese attackers, who thrust into central British positions at

early this morning by a determined counter-attack.

Killed



BRIGADIER LAWSON

HONG KONG many families of those areas men serving at Hong Kong. Tokyo claims that 713 P

Signal Corps in "Hot

a serious position. They are: Corp. Donald Alfred Penny, killed by shellfire. Vancouver.

Signalman John Taylor Douglas, Vancouver.

tle, Terrace.

war started in September, 1939. William Little of Terrace, joined up here in August, 1940.

Prince Rupert only in August of this year.

WARSHIPS DAMAGED

Scharnhorst and Gneisenau Again that the situation is critical." Said To Have Been Hit At Brest

LONDON, Dec. 23: As a result of last week's raid by the Royal Air Force on Brest, the German Salvation Army battleships Scharnhorst and Gnei- Salvation Army senau have again been bady damaged, it is said.

Jack Douglas, who has been D. that British submarines have Two well known and popular portant military developments marching Soviet armies were re- Hazen Hankinson, who is at- manager of the Prince George Ho- H. manent location for the future.

Mount Ameron, were overwhelmed and thrown back

OTTAWA, Dec. 23:-The Department of National Defence announced today that Canadian forces engaged in the defence of Hong Kong had suffered heavy casualcies. Brigadier J. K. Lawson, Royal Canadian Rifles, Quebec, commander of the Canadian contingent there, and Col. Patrick Hennessy, D.S.O., M.C., Royal Canadian

Army Service Corps, senior administrative officer, have been killed. Last night Coi. J. L. Ralston, minister of national defence, announced that, not only was the British garrison holding off the attack of the Japanese but one Canadian regiment had attacked the enemy from the rear. How this was achieved was not disclos-

For the most part the defence garrison, estimated to number 20,000, is operating on the western part of the island although a local success was reported on the south end. There is fierce fighting all along the line.

Two Canadian regiments known to be at Hong Kong are the Royal Canadian Rifles of Quebec and the Winnipeg Grenadiers. The Quebec regiment, commanded by Lieut. Col. W. J. Holmes, consists largely of men from Quebec City and the eastern townships and many families of those areas have

Tokyo claims that 713 British prisoners, mostly Canadians and Three Former Members of Local Indians, have been taken at Hong

Official Announcement

Fighting day and night on the hills and streets of Hong Kong, Three former members of the Canadian army forces have suf-Ninth Fortress Signals of Prince fered heavy casualties, Col. Ral-Rupert, are on service in be- ston officially announced today. sieged Hong Kong where the Brigadier Lawson was believed to . British forces are admittedly in have lost his life and Col. Hennessy, the senior staff officer, was

The minister, in his statement, said: "A situation report from Hong Kong up to 6 p.m. yester-Signalman John Samuel Lit- day, received through the British Admiralty, indicates that the force Penny and Douglas came to generally has suffered heavy cas-Prince Rupert with the original ualties. The only particulars given Signal group the day before the of the casualties was the regrettable news that the Canadian Little, son of Mr. and Mrs. commander, Brigadier J. K. Lawson, is believed to have been killed and the senior staff officer, Penny, Douglas and Little left | Col. P. Hennessy, was killed by shellfire. The enemy has succeeded in landing fresh forces and has been attacking our positions continuously. Two Canadian counterattacks had not succeeded in making progress. They had, however, killed a number of the enemy although at some cost to ourselves. It would appear that the garrison is stubbornly holding out in three main positions. The report states

It was disclosed last night that the men from the Winnipeg Grenadiers and Quebec Royal Rifles were under Brigadier Lawson.

Christmas Fund

Elio	\$5.00
S. Wallace	5.00
rs. Beveridge	2,50
eorge Hill	2.00
lward Lipsett, food.	
Burns Co., meat.	
lbert & McCaffery, coal	

Where Will Next Move Be?

APPEAL TO CO-ORDINATE Suffering Reverses CHURCHILL PRODUCTION

Premier to Intervene in Kirkland Lake Dispute.

KIRKLAND LAKE, Ont., Dec. 23. - William Simpson, president of the United Mine Workers, has asked Prime Minister Winston Churchill, now in Washington, to intervene in the Kirkland Lake mine dispute as a result of which there has been a five weeks' strike. Mr. Churchill is asked to use his influence with the Canadian government and the mine operators to bring about a settlement.

UNCLE SAM'S FIGS Fig growing in the U.S. is confined to California, Texas and Arizona.

More Axis Iransports Sent Down

* Mediterranean.

Together In One All Out War Effort

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 23: -President Franklin D. Roosevelt yesterday gave full approval to a plan for complete co-ordination of production of the United States and Canada in "one all out war effort." Under the plan all legal and administrative barriers would be removed. Resources would be pooled to speed

up production. Hon. Clarence D. Howe, Canadian minister of munitions and supply, announced in Ottawa today that Canada and the United States were entering upon a joint war production program under which the resources of the two nations would be pooled to bring about a maximum output of war materials and supplies.

Local Officers

Crocker Is Major and Fitzgerald Becomes Captain in Searchlight Battery.

• destroyed six more Axis trans- • officers of the Second Searchlight were imminent. Captain W. H. Crocker has re-• • cil Fitzgerald becomes a captain, mobile troops had reached the the Nazi retreat.

Mine Workers' Union Asks British United States And Canada To Get On Two Fronts, New Thrust Anticipated

Things Still Going Badly For New Commander-in-Chief of Reich—Another Blitzkrieg May Be Coming.

MARCHING TOWARDS SPAIN

BERNE, Dec. 23: (CP)—German troops were reported authoritatively tonight to be moving through western occupied France to the Spanish frontier.

the British Isles appeared the most to Bengasi on which British preslikely targets of attack as Berlin sure was steadily increasing. and Rome both hinted that im- On the Russian front counter-

Sharp new reverses jarred Chancellar Adolf Hitler's invasion armies on two fronts-Russia and North Africa -today as the world speculated on a sudden beserk thrust by the fuehrer in an attempt to retrieve his tattered military fortunes. European observers predicted Hitler in his new rule as supreme German warlord would soon try to open a new front in | coastal plain of the Gulf of Cirte, regions less hostile to blitzkrieg south of Bengasi, Sin an apparent Are Promoted than winter-frozen Russia. Tur- manoeuvre to cut off main Axis key and the Middle East, Spain, armies fleeing southward from Gibraltar and French Africa and Derna and westward from Mekili

destroyed six more Axis trains to the battery here have won promotion.

On the North Africa front Cairo villages and fierce Russian gueril- Christmas holidays with his par- He will visit in Vancouver for a Ed Captain W. II. Cloudys with his partie of the win visit in vancouver for a Ed elived his majority and Lieut. Ce- headquarters said that British la bands were said to be blocking ents, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Hankin- time before deciding on his per- B.