

BRITISH ADVANCE IN IRAQ

CAIRO-In Iraq British positions are being consolidated north of the Euphrates River on the way to Bagdad. The British are continuing to push on from the west and are now but 35 miles from Bagdad on which there was a damaging air raid vesterday. A considerable number of Iraqui prisoners have been A garrison with considerable stores and equipment was reported seized today by the British.

INTENSIVE BRITISH ATTACK

CAIRO-The Royal Air Force launched its most intensive attack against the Axis forces in Libya today, aiming at German transportation columns and troop concentrations. Tobruk is still being held and heavy losses have been inflicted on the enemy around Salum.

THIRD DAY OF INVASION

LONDON-German troops, pouring from the sky on the third day of the mass aerial invasion of Crete, have wrested two footholds from the defenders of the Greek island, it was announced today. Prime Minister Winston Churchill informed the House of Commons that Nazi parachutists had taken the town of Heraclean (also known as Candia) but British troops still hold the airport there. The Middle East command in Cairo announced that the town of Malemi was also in Nazi hands. Both reports, however, called the German gains only isolated successes in fierce warfare and said that attempts by the Germans to put forces ashore from the sea had been frustrated. The latest German parachutists are from a second line of offense on the Greek mainland. It was stated that fighting could be expected to continue with increased severity.

CANADIAN TANKER SUNK

OTTAWA-Thirty persons including a number of Canadians, are believed to have been lost aboard the big 11,200-ton Canadian oil tanker Canadolite, belonging to the Imperial Oil Co., it was announced today. Later it was reported that forty persons from the tanker had been captured by the Germans. Officials said London reports indicated she was sunk off the west coast of Africa. Another Canadian ship is reported to have been torpedoed and sunk, 42 on board being saved and landed at French Guiana for internment. Seven, being over age, are reported to have been released.

BATTLE OF ETHIOPIA

CAIRO-Capture of five thousand more Italian troops with forty-two guns and nineteen tanks in southern Ethiopia, it was announced today. Two more Italian divisions face the alternative of surrender or destruction.

GERMANY FEELING IT

BERLIN - Propaganda Minister Goebbels admits that such German cities as Kiel, Hamburg and Bremen are feeling ing the weight of the British air attacks. There is little to distinguish these cities from actual front lines, Goebbels says.

NO BRITISH APPEAL

LONDON-Lord Privy Seal Clement Atlec declared yesterday that there was no intention to act on a suggestion of a British bishop that Germany should be asked to join with Great Britain in calling a truce on night bombing.

CONTINUE SYRIAN RAIDS

CAIRO-The Royal Air Force continues its raids on such Syrian airdromes as Beirut and Damascus where the Germans are still landing on the way to Iraq.

NO AIR ATTACKS

LONDON-All Great Britain was free last night from enemy air attack owing to misty weather.

ITALIAN SUBMARINE LOST ROME- The loss of an Italian submarine is officially

NAZI INFILTRATION

LONDON-The Germans are continuing to infiltrate into French Morocco and Tangier, across from Gibraltar, it is learned.

Vigorous Assault Made By British Bombing Planes Last Night-Other Points Also

admitted.

bomber which attacked Heligoland chmidt in Scotland on May 10 afyesterday left the German island ter a hot pursuit by a Royal Air stronghold shrouded in a "swirl of Force fighter, Air Scoretary Sir dust and smoke lit here and there Archibald Sinclair told the House by flames," the Air Ministry news of Commons today. This state- British Launch Largest Effort So service said today. The British ment contained a possible explanplanes dropped their bombs from ation for bullet holes found in the a height as low as forty or fifty tail of Hess' wrecked plane.

strong Royal Air Force raid on an industrial centre fifty miles inside the Duke. occupied France, no details of this and six fighters were lost while Rupert Loses five Germans were shot down.

Halibut Sales

Summary American— 38 000 pounds, 10c; and ac.

American Harmony, 30,000, and Pearl, 8,000. Cold Storage, 10c and 8c.

Canadian Annabelle, 5,500, Cold Storage, 10.1c and 7.5c.

Air Secretary Gives British House and Williams. Some Information As To Strange

LONDON, May 22: (CP)—British Hest bailed out of his Messer-

feet. An anti-aircraft battery was were dropped on dock) and in the have asked for when picked up, Royal Air Force has unloosed its attacked the Suda Bay airport. never met Hess before he was con- most intensive effort of the des- | Dive bombers had rained bombs family not also buying Victory fronted with the Nazi as a war ert war so far against German on the island in support of the ef-bonds. Was attacked and there was a had been reports that Hess knew upons in Libra In the island in support of the ef-

Rifle Title

MONTREAL, May 22: (CP) -Calgary Rifle Club was crowned champion at the close of the tenth annual Dominion Marksmarksmen shot 494 out of a pos- we brought here by plane Tuesday fresh south winds, cloudy and mild buying and supporting of the loan. City saved a total of \$25,539.75 dur- for many years. The widow is now sible five hundred.

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Germans Take Island Towns-

Prime Minister Churchill Tells House of Desperate And Grim Battle of Crete

BRITISH PLANES WITHDRAWN LONDON, May 22: (CP)—British fighter planes on Crete were withdrawn today after the German attack started because of "pronounced disadvantage under which our fighters were operating," it was authoritatively disclosed today. A statement, warning against considering the invasion of Crete analagous to what Britain might expect, said "to do otherwise would have been a waste of air forces involved." The statement said that the defence operation at Crete must be regarded as one in which British naval and land forces are primarily employed.

LONDON, May 22.—A full review of the situation in and influence in putting over this Crete was given to the House of Commons this afternoon important aspect of the effort. J. by the Prime Minister Winston Churchill who admitted J. Little, chairman of the Prince the capture by the Nazis of the important towns of Can-Rupert city unit, presided. dia and Malemi although the airdrome at Candia was Little described the set-up of the

MUCH SEAL

Other Propects at Air Base in Addition to Sub-Station Which Power Company Will Build

A new sub-station to serve the Seal Cove base of the Royal Canadian Air Force is to be erected at a cost of \$39,000, the contract having been awarded to the Northern British Columbia Power Co. The original source of power will be the Northern British Cloumbia Power Co. itself. The sub-station will be the distributing unit-for the electrical energy of the air station.

Further important contracts are about to be let in connection with the air base at Seal Cove, including a garage, recreation room and two store buildings. There will also be a concrete slab apron containing 6500 square yards of material as well as 500 lineal feet of twentyfoot road. Eight hundred feet of two-inch water pipe and 1200 feet four-inch vitrified four-inch sewer pipe is also to be laid. Tenderers on the work include W. C. Arnett Co. Ltd., E. J. Ryan Conualties upon them. tracting Co., Marwell Construction UPON HESS Co., Northern Construction Co. and McKinty; L. G. Scott and Trerise

making a sea landing. Vast legen- people of the necessity and import-LONDON, May 22: (CP)—Rudolf ATTACK IS UNLEASHED

ty hours eight German planes | Royal Air Force pilots, although have been destroyed and an outnumbered twenty to one, were tending a meeting of the provinammunition and gasoline dump putting up a valiant fight.

effect a landing.

Weather Forecast

exploded. As flight after flight of British | those of the British were comparbombers showered missiles day atively light. Confidence of the after day, Royal Air Force fight- ability to hold Crete was expressed ers skimmed desert roads, send- despite the growing intensity of the ing thousands of incendiary bul- enemy attack. lets into Axis vehicles.

Condition of R. Phillips, who bases. man Senior Small Bore Rifle suffered severe injuries including League after defeating the de- broken collar bone, pelvis, ribs and fending titleholders, Canadian punctured lung in a twenty-five nounced today. The Alberta General Hospital to be serious. He lotte Islands—Light to occalionally pointing out the importance of ton, Prince George and Mission last winter, was native foreman afternoon.

| Victory Loan-

CAMPAIGN IS UNDER

Importance Emphasized At Meeting Of Citizens Last Night-Line Of Action Revealed

The vital importance of a success being made of the forthcoming Victory Loan campaign in phasized last night at a meeting the enemy wherever he may be found without any distinction representative citizens in the tion between occupied and unoccupied territory." In additive council chamber. Promotion city council chamber. Promotion fit of citizens who have been invited to concentrate their talents

In opening the meeting, Mr. still being held. He described it as "a most strange, des- campaign organization starting perate and grim battle affecting from the minister of finance, Hon. the whole course of the campaign J. L. Ilsley, as national chairman. retary Henry L. Stimson assailed in the Mediterranean." The situa- For British Columbia Au tin W. tion appeared to be satisfactory Taylor of Vancouver was the proeverywhere except in the vicinity vincial chairman with Col. J. W. sacred tradition of foreign policy of Nalemi and Candia where the Nicholls as chairman for Prince -freedom of the seas." Last Germans had gained footholds. The Rupert division. The quota for night Navy Secretary Frank British lacked airdromes but not Prince Rupert, Mr. Little an- Knox asked Congress to scrap planes. The enemy lacked artillery nounced, was \$350,000. As there the neutrality act and adopt the and tanks. Neither side had means was \$2,800.000,000 more in current policy of freedom of the seas. ington." of retreat. Very large attempts by and savings accounts in Canada This would allow United States the enemy to follow up the landing today than there was in 1918 ships to again enter British of airborne troops with waterborne there appeared to be no reason ports. forces were being resisted by the why the loan should not be as naval forces, Mr. Churchill believed, easily taken up as had been the with success. One troop convoy Victory loans of the First Great had been broken up yesterday and War. Incidentally, the campaign weather has resulted in numeran even larger one of thirty ships for this loan way being run along ous large forest fires in Quebec, with naval escorts had been attack- much more economical lines than Ontario and also on the prairies. ed today. So far these attempts had any previous loan.

been dispersed with sinking of some T. N. Youngs, chairman of the near Parrot River, Saskatchewan, enemy ships. Today the Germans publicity committee, described is threatened with destruction. attempted to land tanks. 'I feel," some of the plans for publicizing said the Prime Minister "that the and propagandizing the campaign results cannot be other than sat- of which it was essential a success isfactory in view of the strength be made. It was to be confeeded Ralston, the minister of national of our naval forces in the Mediter- that it was but good business to defence, was speaking yesterday have one's money in government there was an explosion and the

The Germans had been success- bond; drawing three percent in- lights of the Chamber went out. ful with their airborne troops in stead of in the banks drawing only Lightning had struck a power occupying some positions but it had 11/2 percent. In the course of the line. Col. Ralston went on but been at tremendous cost to them. campaign there would be military later a recess was called. The British, New Zealanders, and civilian parades, patriotic dec-Greeks and Cretians, with the as- orating of stores and homes, naval sistance of artillery and machine and harbor boat parade, theatre guns, had engaged the parachute and radio programs and several troops and had inflicted heavy cas- stunts and contests. There would also be a torch service on Sunday Earlier reports from Cairo had afternoon. Balloons would be shot stated that the Germans were still down in flames and an 800 millanding airborne forces in consid- lion candlepower searchlight would erable numbers and had gained a be een in use. There would also foothold. Naval forces had, how- be displays of military equipment. ever, prevented the enemy from The whole idea was to induce

dary caves on the island were, it ance of investing in the future of was believed, serving the Nazi para- Canada. chutists by affording them shelter. W. M. Watts told of the function Last night's reports were that of the employees' committee of thousands of German parachute which he was chairman. An introops plummetting down out of ternal canvass of all places where the skies had failed to gain any key there was a payroll of thirty or points at that time, also that a flo- more was to be arranged. The imtilla of troop laden speed boats had portance of all individuals who been beaten back before they could possibly could subscribing was em-

phasized by Mr. Watts. Because a head of a household was subscrib-Three thousand enemy troops had ing was not to be considered as an excuse for other members of the

> Impressive Support Col. J. W. Nicholls told of at-

cial executive of the campaign in German losses were severe while Vancouver. He had been impressed on that committee. Leaders of both industry and labor were entering wholeheartedly into the campaign. Women and religious bodies were also taking an active The Royal Air Force was continu- part. He had also been favorably ing its attack on Greek mainland impressed with the economical lines along which the campaign was being conducted. Col Nicholls emphasized the importance of pro-Prince Rupert and Queen Char- contact from one to another in ticton, Port Alice, Nanaimo, Lyt- River for whom deceased, who died

Threatens to Carry War WAY HERE Into French Territory

Foreign Secretary Eden

this Necessary—Tanker Bound for North Africa is Intercepted LONDON, May 22: (CP) - Great Britain warned Prince Rupert as well a every- Vichy today that, if France pursues her "declared policy where else in Canada was em- of collaboration with Germany, British forces will strike

ASSAIL NEUTRALITY ACT

the United States netrality act

today as "a violation of our most

CANADIAN FOREST FIRES

A large quantity of cut lumber

HOUSE IN DARKNESS

OTTAWA-While Col. J.

OPPOSE CONSCRIPTION

oppose the suggestion of the An-

drews government that a policy

of conscription be adopted. Pre-

mier Eamonn de VaVlera of Eire

has been asked to go on record

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver

against conscription.

Big Mi souri, .04.

Cariboo Quartz, 2.26.

Hedley Mascot, .52.

Pacific Nickel, .04.

Pend Oreille, 1.25.

Premier, .91 (bid).

Sheep Creek, .80.

A. P. Con., .05.

Calmont, $.14\frac{1}{2}$.

C. & E., 1.08.

Pacalta, .021/2.

Mercury, .03.

Royal Canadian, .07.

Prairie Royalties, .05.

Okalta, 50 (ask).

Home, 1.60.

Reeves McDonald, .12.

Relief Arlington, .011/2.

Noble Five, .001/2 (ask).

Bralorne, 9.85.

Dentonia, .003/4.

Fairview, $.00\frac{1}{2}$.

Gold Belt, .22.

Minto, .011/4.

Pioneer, 2.05.

Privateer, .49.

Reno, .11.

TORONTO-Continued dry, hot

WASHINGTON, D.C.-War Sec-

Latest Actions of Collaboration With Germany May Make

plans were revealed for the bene- vising the House of Commons of possible war action against any part of the French Empire, Foreign Minister Anthony Eden said the Vichy government had embarked on a course which must place the resources and ter-

ritories of France increasingly at the disposal of Germany."

At the same time it was learned officially that British naval patrols have intercepted the French tanker Sheherzade bound for North Africa with oil cargo from a United States port. The ship had been granted a British navicert some time ago but "action of the last day or so by the Vichy government particularly in Syria, had a very sharpening effect. not only in London but in Wash-

Thirty Million Dollar Bomber Establishmment To Be Established In Ontario

OTTAWA, May 22: (CP)-The go ahead signal has been given the National Steel Corporation of Montreal to start a tooling up plant at Malton, Ontario, for new bomber production while negotiations are moving towards completion of a contract probably running to some \$30,000,000, it was learned

BELFAST— Ulster Nationalists GAS TAX

New Federal Impost Claimed To Be Undue Hardship On Farmers And Fishermen

OTTAWA. May 22:-Members representing all political colors joined in the House of Commons yesterday in opposing the three percent gasoline tax on farmers and fishermen upon whom it was declared a hardship would be worked.

Hon. J. L. Illey promised a statement today on the matter of reconsideration but made no undertaking. He asked the members to consider the gravity of the hour. R. B. Hanson, Leader of the Opposition, was among those who spoke against making the tax effective on farmers and fishermen. Three amendments were ruled out of order.

Cassiar Cannery Provided Tablet

Memorial Erected At Gitlakdamiks For George Adams Who Was Foreman For Years

GITLAKDAMIKS, May 22:--Unveiling took place here last week of a memorial tablet in the Anglican Church to George Adams. The tablet was furnished by the Cas-

WAR SAVERS

of the best means was by personal | War savet; in Kimberley, Pen-siar Packing Co of the Skeena