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Invasion Attempt In September

BOTH SIDES IN CLAIMS OF VICTORY

Reds Said to Be Swinging Into Offensive as Blitzkrieg Develops Into Old-Fashioned Siege

LONDON, July 29.—Claims and counter-claims come again today from the Russo-German war. Hitler's headquarters on the eastern front claim further successes there but only in general terms, referring to fierce fighting in the central and southern sectors. The Russians claim to be holding firm and counter-attacking successfully. There was another attempted mass air raid of one hundred German planes on Moscow last night but it was a failure. Only a few machines got through to drop bombs and no military objectives were hit.

The Russians claim to have captured an island of importance designated as "K" at the mouth of the Danube River. Russia says that four German divisions of 60,000 men have been destroyed and a fifth partially wiped out. Germany says that three Russian divisions have been wiped out. With both sides making highly favorable claims of successes for themselves, the Russo-German war entered its thirty-eighth day today. The Russian High Command repeated that the Nazi advance had been definitely halted while the Germans claimed that it was proceeding according to plan. Either side asserted that heavy casualties had been inflicted on the other with great loss of fighting equipment. A Berlin statement declared that Leningrad was doomed and that there had been notable successes in the Ukraine and Bessarabia. Masses of Russian troops faced extermination on the way to Leningrad. A large number of Russians had been taken prisoners of war together with much equipment. Inflicting of heavy losses on the Germans, particularly west of Moscow and Kiev, was claimed by the Russian high command at Moscow. Positions of the battle from the far north to the Ukraine were substantially unchanged although fierce fighting was raging. A heavy German assault had been thrown back.

Reds On Offensive

Germany's blitzkrieg has broken down into an old-fashioned siege along the whole western front, the Russians declared yesterday, adding that the Red Army and air fleet was gradually swinging into the offensive. A Soviet Bureau of Information communique reported fighting overnight in Nevel Smolensk and Zhitomir regions where Nazi advances had been held up for days but said nothing of importance had occurred in other sectors. The words of the communique in reported "fighting actions by our troops throughout the night in the directions of Nevel and Smolensk in the central region and Zhitomir in the Ukraine." Smolensk, it is said by some, may prove Hitler's Waterloo. It is 230 miles from Moscow of which it is called the gateway. It may prove to be the turning point in the war. German forces are said to be cracking in the Ukraine. The German High Command asserted yesterday that all Russian attempts to prevent destruction of trapped Red Army forces in the Smolensk area had failed and that the battle was drawing to a "successful conclusion." A D.N.B. report Sunday night declared that German forces had moved to within 43 miles of Leningrad and that devastating air blows had been dealt to Moscow.

GIVING AID TO RUSSIA

All Possible Immediate Assistance Will Be Provided By United States, Says Hopkins

LONDON, July 29.—Harry Hopkins, director of the United States "lease-lend" program, visiting London, pledged all possible aid to Russia in her struggle against Nazi Germany.

JUDGE IS GUEST AT LUNCHEON

Mr. Clark Discusses Pests and Other Matters With Local Horticulturists

Yesterday afternoon the judge of the flower show, G. E. W. Clark of Abbotsford was the guest of the Prince Rupert Horticultural Society at an impromptu luncheon in the Commodore Cafe, about twenty members being present. President H. T. Lock presided and with him were the other officers of the society and most of the members of the executive. After dinner there was a round table discussion on prevention of insect pests. Mr. Clark strongly urged the dusting of the whole garden with copper-lime two or three times in the season. Instead of an arsenal of lead for caterpillars he would advise Derris or some other pyrethrum compound. In dealing with the slug pest Mr. Clark said there was no one way of cleaning up the gardens. One important thing was to clean up the debris surrounding the garden such as burning up the grass by the use of the burner. Then the use of meta later in the spring and summer was useful. Mr. Clark said he preferred dusting to spraying and being generally more effective and easier. It should be done early in the morning or late in the evening. For peonies that did not bloom, Mr. Clark suggested giving the plants a mulch of liquid fertilizer at this time of year. The condition of the plant this year was what decided next year's bloom. Mr. Clark left last evening to look over the orchards at Terrace and will return here later in the week.

Alaska Couple Wedded Monday

Mrs. Eunice Smith and Emil Helberg of Petersburg United

A quiet wedding took place last evening at the Presbyterian Manse on Fourth Avenue East, in the presence of a few friends of the contracting parties, between Mrs. Eunice M. Smith and Emil O. Helberg, both of Petersburg, Alaska, with Rev. A. Ferguson MacSwiney officiating. After a short holiday in the city, the happy couple will return to their home in Petersburg.

Was Only Jap Ship In Canada

Freighter Florida Maru Had Only Partial Cargo When She Sailed Saturday Night

VANCOUVER, July 28: (CP)—The Japanese freighter Florida Maru, which was permitted to sail Saturday night with an uncompleted cargo of hemlock logs, was believed to be the only Japanese ship in Canadian waters when Japanese assets in Canada were frozen last Thursday.

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ACTION AT DRY DOCK IS SOUGHT

Early Arrival of Newly Appointed Manager For Plant Urged

Dry Dock administration at Prince Rupert came in for considerable criticism at last night's meeting of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce and the desire was expressed in emphatic terms that there should be more efficiency and expedition in the handling of shipbuilding and other work at the yard. The president, secretary and S. E. Parker, were instructed to send a message to R. C. Vaughan, new president of the Canadian National Railways. The message was drafted and forwarded as follows: "The Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce in general meeting last night resolved to respectfully urge the proposed arrival in Prince Rupert as reported in the press of G. A. McMillan as active manager of the dock and yard be expedited so that he will reach here as quickly as possible in order to cope with the emergency created by the placing in dry dock of the American Army transport Kivchak, there being none here who can authoritatively negotiate with the United States Army representatives now in Prince Rupert for the purpose of arranging repairs to the vessel." "W. P. Armour, who brought the matter up, was sharply critical over the lack of co-operation from the local dry dock in the matter of securing work for the yard. This had been illustrated in the case of the salvaged ship, the Kivchak, in which there had been great difficulty in obtaining a figure for repair. There was a dry dock here that was unsurpassed anywhere and which was capable of handling much more work than at present. There seemed to be no one here with authority to do anything. The whole situation seemed strange to G. W. Nickerson. When important business was on hand, it seemed that the manager might be expected to be here. S. E. Parker agreed decidedly that this would appear to be the place where the resident manager should be.

Both William Garlick and Jack Deane, heading a local syndicate which is backing B. W. Hardcastle in a new theatre project for Prince Rupert and for which application has now been made to Ottawa for a permit, are emphatic in their support of a locally owned and operated theatre as Mr. Hardcastle says he plans. "It is our desire," said Mr. Garlick, to operate the new theatre for and in the interests of the people of Prince Rupert as a whole, retaining here the revenue derived from the theatre so that it may be utilized for the welfare of the city for reinvestment purposes as occasions arise."

Mr. Deane's contention is that, inasmuch as Prince Rupert people support the theatre, it is only fair and just that the earnings should remain in Prince Rupert. Mr. Hardcastle denies rumors to the effect that an independent theatre could not obtain pictures from distributors. He states that he is in possession of letters from various managers representing standard film producers assuring him of from twenty to thirty Class A features per year each. He challenges any one to go on record stating that he had actually heard any responsible official of a theatre or film organization threaten to use influence to prevent an independent Prince Rupert theatre from obtaining film product.

Former Mayor Of Seattle Is Dead

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BOMBS FOR LONDON NOW

Nazi Air Force Resuming Attacks On British Capital Although Not On Large Scale

LONDON, July 29: (CP)—German planes droned for two hours over London early yesterday, dropping bombs for the first time in almost two months. Some damage was caused and a number of casualties among raid-lax residents. Unfavorable weather for a second successive night restricted British operations although one small bomber force attacked Dunkerque docks.

THEATRE PROJECT

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JAPANESE CONTINUE ACTIVITY

Occupation of French Indo-China Goes On—Netherlands East Indies and Nippon Now at Dagger Point

LONDON—A Reuters dispatch from Bangkok today said that Japan had demanded that Thailand join Japan's new order in East Asia in return for Laos and Cambodia which are part of Indo-China.

LONDON, July 29: (CP)—It was officially announced last night that Japan will occupy two points on the coast of French Indo-China and several points in the interior by agreement with the Vichy government. The inland concessions are in Annam, coastal region running most of the length of the French colony, and in Cochinchina at the southernmost tip of the peninsula across the Gulf of Siam from Malaya. Japanese troops, it was disclosed, also will have the use of Indo-China roads and possibly railroads to move to new bases. Japanese troops began disembarking in southern Indo-China yesterday in accordance with a new Japanese-French agreement, Reuters reported in a dispatch from Hanoi.

In Tokyo the Foreign Office-controlled Japan Times and Advertiser yesterday described the United States as "hostile" and a leader in a grim economic battle against Japan. The Japanese press generally employed sharper terms in attacking Washington's economic measures. Informed circles, however, said that the action of the Netherlands East Indies in freezing Japanese assets, following the United States lead, might produce even more far-reaching consequences than the American program. Later it was announced that Japan had frozen assets of the Netherlands and the Netherlands East Indies.

A vital blow was struck at the Japanese fleet yesterday when Director of Economic Affairs H. J. Van Mook informed the People's Council that an agreement of last year whereby Japan was to receive 1,800,000 tons of oil annually from the Dutch East Indies had been suspended and all monetary and commercial dealings with Japan had been placed on a special permit basis. This action is believed to have been taken in collaboration with Great Britain and United States who promised aid in event of attack upon the Netherlands East Indies.

The Japanese press continues its tirade against President Franklin D. Roosevelt for freezing Japanese assets in the United States. Berlin and Rome follow suit. Washington awaits further moves from Japan before taking further steps in the economic war against Japan.

It is reported that Japan is demanding that Thailand (Siam) join the "New Order" in the Orient, the aim, of course, being to obtain naval and air bases. The Thai cabinet has been called into emergency session. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek has offered air bases in China to Great Britain and the United States.

General Douglas MacArthur has been placed in command of the United States territorial army of 200,000 Filipinos in the Philippines. Military authorities in Tokyo have their heads together considering ways and means of taking over the international settlement at Shanghai. The international banks there may also be taken over.

Warning Sounded By Prime Minister; Army Poised To Repulse It

Churchill Rejects Demands for Appointment of War Production and Deplores Careless Criticism of British Industry

LONDON, July 29: (CP)—Prime Minister Winston Churchill warned Great Britain today of the possibility of a German invasion attempt in September. He rejected demands for the appointment of a minister of war production and spoke with regret of the severance of diplomatic relations with Nazi-associated Finland.

GUILTY OF COMBINING

Fines Totalling \$210,000 Imposed on Edmonton Tobacco Manufacturers, Wholesalers and Jobbers

EDMONTON, July 29: (CP)—Fines totalling \$210,000 were imposed on thirty-three of thirty-six Canadian tobacco manufacturers, wholesalers and jobbers yesterday when Mr. Justice S. J. Sheppard sentenced firms and individuals, which had been found guilty on Saturday by the Alberta Supreme court jury on combine charges. The fines ranged from \$25,000 for some manufacturing corporations to \$259 for two of the smaller Alberta jobbers. Appeals are being entered. Three individuals who were absent from the court will be sentenced Thursday.

STRIKE IN CAR PLANT

Union Men And Soldiers Clash At Hamilton

HAMILTON, July 29:—The National Steel Car Co. plant, engaged in important war work was tied up by strike commencing last night when 600 of 2700 employees laid down tools following a steel workers' union meeting at which union recognition was demanded. Two hundred and fifty soldiers from local training establishments, unarmed and without orders, marched to the plant and stormed picket lines with shouts of "What are you holding production up for? How would you like to work for \$1.30 a day?" Fist fights ensued and continued during the night, order being restored this morning.

Chief Forester Is Visitor Here

C. D. Orchard in Prince Rupert After Visit to Queen Charlotte Islands

C. D. Orchard, chief forester for British Columbia, is paying a visit to Prince Rupert in the course of an official northern tour. He arrived on the Camosun yesterday morning with District Forester R. C. St. Clair after having spent a week inspecting logging operations at the large camps on the Queen Charlotte Islands which are in full scale production of Sitka spruce for wartime purposes. They had crossed from Ocean Falls to the Islands on a Pacific Mills boat with P. S. Bonney, logging superintendent for the Pacific Mills. On the Islands the officials travelled with Ranger J. B. Scott aboard the departmental cruiser Lilian D. It was Mr. Orchard's first visit to the Islands in years. He was formerly district forester at Prince George.

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Bulletins

FAVOR CONSCRIPTION

The Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce last night approved the principle of a resolution passed last week by the Vancouver Board of Trade favoring conscription of wealth, man power and industry and will draft a resolution along this line to be forwarded to Ottawa. After considerable discussion, the local Chamber took the view that the Vancouver resolution urging mobilization of wealth, manpower and industry" was most acceptable and, on motion of D. G. Borland and Peter Lakie, it was decided that its principle be adopted and a similarly couched resolution be forwarded by the local chamber.

DUKE IN CANADA

OTTAWA—The Duke of Kent arrived today to begin on inspection tour of air training establishments and to see other phases of Canada's war effort.

OFFICER IS KILLED

NEW WESTMINSTER—Lieut. W. H. Willoughby, recruiting officer, was killed Monday night near Port Coquitlam when his car was side-swiped by a dairy truck.

MAY ENTER PORTS

SAN FRANCISCO—Japanese ships hovering off the Pacific Coast have been advised that they may enter port without fear of being denied clearances when they desire to leave.

PANIC IN TOKYO

TOKYO—There was a near panic on the Tokyo Stock Exchange yesterday. Collapse was stayed by government advanced funds.

DOCK CHIEF DIES

VICTORIA—Capt. O. L. Parker, superintendent of the naval dockyard at Esquimalt, died yesterday.