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Tomorrow's Tides

High	1:19 a.m.	21.8 ft.
	13:14 p.m.	24.1 ft.
Low	7:15 a.m.	5.1 ft.
	19:51 p.m.	0.5 ft.

Weather Forecast
 Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Light to moderate southeast winds, and mild with intermittent rains this afternoon and evening.

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Situation In Pacific Still Tense

Arrive in Orient— CANADIANS LANDED AT HONG KONG

From All Parts Of Dominion, Led By Brigadier Lawson, Take Up Stations

HONG KONG, Nov. 17.—A large transport of Canadian troops in convoy has arrived here after an uneventful voyage across the Pacific Ocean, not a single enemy ship being sighted during the entire long journey. They are taking up stations with British regulars and volunteers and Indian troops in the greatly increased defences and fortifications of this important port. They were accorded a great reception by overjoyed British and Chinese residents after news of their landing had been circulated. They marched through the streets to barracks, led by two bands, after they had been welcomed by Sir Mark Young, governor of Hong Kong.

The Canadian forces, under Brigadier J. K. Lawson, consists of volunteers mostly from Manitoba and Quebec and a number of veterans from the First Great War are in their ranks. Brigadier Lawson has already seen duty in England in the present war and bears scars of injuries sustained in a bombing raid.

In Ottawa Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King, commenting on the arrival of the troops in Hong Kong, said that it was an indication of Canada's readiness to take a stand "in defence against aggression, actual or threatened, in any part of the world as was part of the defence of any country still enjoying freedom."

The Canadian Corps in England received news of the landing at Hong Kong with much interest.

War News

RUSSO-GERMAN WAR
 LONDON—At the same time as she claimed today that her forces had captured Kerch, eastern Crimean stepping stone to the oil-rich Caucasus, Germany announced that Alfred Rosenberg, ideological leader of the Nazis, had been appointed by Chancellor Adolf Hitler as governor of eastern occupied regions. The seizure of Kerch, if true, leaves the Germans separated from a side entrance into the Caucasus by only a narrow strait and more than ever the area looms as the next theatre of major action. The Russians report that counter-attacks have forced the Nazis back in the zones of Kalinin and Tikhvin.

RAID BENGASI AND DERNA
 CAIRO—The Royal Air Force staged effective raids yesterday on Bengasi and Derna, Italian strongholds in Libya.

DIRECTION OF LABOR ASKS HART TO RESIGN

Further Compulsion Will Be Necessary For One Hundred Percent War Effort, Says Bevin

LONDON, Nov. 17.—Rt. Hon. Arthur Bevin, in a speech yesterday, said that greater compulsion and direction than ever before of British labor would be required to obtain a one hundred percent war effort. He said that age reservations would have to be removed.

He expected, Bevin said, to see at least a million married women working in factories and offices, releasing men for other work. Women must assume a status of equality with men.

"Before long not a man or woman in Britain will not be doing the job for which he or she is best fitted," declared Bevin.

TODAY'S STOCKS

Vancouver	
Grandview	17
Bralorne	10.60
Cariboo Quartz	2.10
Hedley Mascot	.45
Pend Oreille	1.65
Pioneer	2.05
Premier	.70
Privateer	.47
Reno	.12
Sheep Creek	.87
Oils	
Calmont	1.16
C. & E.	1.21
Home	2.45
Royal Canadian	.04 1/2
Toronto	
Beattie	1.02
Central Patricia	1.42
Consolidated Smelters	38.25
Hardrock	.68
Kerr Addison	4.20
Little Long Lac	1.60
McLeod Cockshutt	2.13
Madsen Red Lake	.57
McKenzie Red Lake	1.07
Moneta	.28
Pickle Crow	2.65
Preston East Dome	3.10
San Antonio	2.12 1/2
Sherritt Gordon	.91

LOOK FOR INVASION

Kwangsi And Yuan Provinces Preparing To Resist Japs

CHUNGKING, Nov. 17.—Kwangsi and Yuan provinces of China are preparing for an invasion by blowing up bridges and roads as well as providing pillboxes and other fortifications. Yunan borders on Burma and might be entered in any Japanese attempt on the Burma road.

Anti-Strike Legislation Considered

WASHINGTON, D.C., Nov. 17.—A group of United States House of Representatives members are drafting a program of anti-strike legislation.

A thirty-day cooling off period would be required before any strike is commenced, strike ballot would be taken secretly, sympathy and boycott strikes would be banned and mass picketing prohibited.

The strike situation in the coal and other industries continues critical.

Weather Forecast
 General synopsis—A disturbance is approaching the Queen Charlotte Islands from the west. Moderate rains have occurred on the southern portion of the coast.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Light rains, partly cloudy and mild with scattered showers south of Quatsino Sound.

IMPORTANT STATEMENT

Is Made by Premier in Japanese Parliament in Emergent Session.

CHIANG CALLS SHOWDOWN
 CHUNGKING, Nov. 17.—General Chiang Kai-Shek declared today that "the vital moment" had arrived for a reckoning with Japan while Foreign Minister Quo Tai-Chi hinted at the formation of a four-power alliance in opposition to the Axis in the Orient.

At a press conference, Chiang said "all signs seem to point to the direction of an ABCD alliance" among America, Britain, China and the Dutch East Indies.

TOKYO, Nov. 17.—An important statement from Premier Toji was received today by the Japanese parliament which is in emergency session. The future course of events between Japan and the United States may depend upon the outcome of a conference being held today at Washington between the special Japanese envoy Korusu and President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Cordell Hull.

Premier Toji today told the diet in its extraordinary session that Japan's terms for maintenance of peace in the Pacific included ending of United States-British blockade of Japan, halting of the enforcement of Japan, restoration of trade with Japan and hands off the Japanese campaign in China.

A spokesman close to the government says that, if Washington really wishes peace in the Orient, it should recognize Japan's determination to fulfil her aims in East Asia.

General Togo, foreign minister, admitted yesterday in a statement that, after four years of fighting, Japan was still far from completing conquest of China.

Togo indirectly charged the United States and Great Britain with prolonging Chinese resistance by persisting in sending supplies to the Chungking government. Nevertheless, Togo declared, the strength and spirit of Chungking had been greatly reduced during the last year.

Togo reaffirmed Japan's determination to set up in East Asia a new co-prosperity sphere in spite of the attitude of United States, Great Britain or Russia. He declared that Japan had acquired in occupied territory sufficient coal, iron and cotton to offset the supplies blockaded by United States and Great Britain. Japan had about reached the limit of conciliatory attitude. Encirclement was threatening the very existence of the empire and Japanese prestige was endangered.

Japan was also ready for any eventually in the north, Togo said, referring to the situation with Russia on the Manchukuoan frontier.

Admiral Shimada, naval minister, also gave the diet a lengthy report on the Japanese naval situation, expressing confidence that the Nipponese navy was in a position to meet any requirements which might arise.

The Japanese are rushing fresh troops into Indo-China leading best informed observers to believe that some major development either against China or Thailand will occur before the end of November.

C. M. Drage, who has been teller in the local branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, sailed Saturday night on the Prince Rupert for Vancouver, having been transferred to main office there. Malcolm Milne has arrived here from Kelowna to succeed Mr. Drage.

C. C. F. And Conscription

OTTAWA, Nov. 17.—The Co-operative Commonwealth Federation today reiterated its opposition to conscription of Canadian manpower for overseas service before "there had been effective conscription of finance and industry."

This stand was made known in a statement issued after a meeting of the national executive.

DISGUISED SHIP TAKEN

United States Navy Makes Capture Axis Vessel Flying American Flag

WASHINGTON, D.C., Nov. 17.—The United States Navy Department last night announced the capture of an Axis merchantman flying the American flag.

The vessel was taken by an American cruiser in Atlantic equatorial waters on November 6 at dawn and is being taken into a port with American court jurisdiction.

The ship had American flags painted on both sides of her hull and on deck. She showed Philadelphia as her home port.

The vessel was severely damaged by her own crew, the announcement said, in attempt at scuttling and it was added, repairs will be required before she is seaworthy again.

The American warship became suspicious at the appearance of the vessel and sent lifeboat crews to board her. Then explosions were heard in the evident attempt to scuttle. Salvage crews made temporary repairs.

AIR BLOWS EXCHANGED

Clearing Weather Facilitates Exchange Of Bombings Between England and Germany

LONDON, Nov. 17.—There were scattered raids by German bombers over widespread points on the English and Scottish coasts during the night with some damage and casualties, several persons being killed in a northeast town. One enemy plane was brought down in the northeast and two off the east coast.

Flying through thick weather, the Royal Air Force attacked Emden and other targets in northwest Germany as well as Boulogne docks, also sowing mines and strafing factories and concentrations in occupied France. Four British planes failed to return.

Weather clearing later facilitated the exchange of bombing blows.

Canadian-Born R.A.F. Survives Trying Ordeal

LONDON, Nov. 17.—News has been received officially of the safety of a Mediterranean port in North Africa of Flying Officer John White of Youngstown, Alta. He had been forced down in the Mediterranean while on operations with the Royal Air Force. After a long period of drifting he was forced to swim ashore and then came a tramp of sixty miles along a barren coastline before, tattered and torn, he finally reached safety.

MANPOWER RESERVOIR

China Ready to Supply Tens of Thousands of Men to Democracies.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese minister to London, says that China is ready to furnish tens of thousands of troops for the defence of Burma and Russia should they be required. With a standing army of five million men and reserves totalling twelve million, China is a "reservoir of manpower" upon which the democracies can draw, Koo says. Koo could not confirm a report to the effect but said it was not improbable that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek had already offered large forces of men to Russia. China, he said, was not forgetful of its obligation to Russia.

YOUNG GIRL IS STABBED

Brutal Slaying of 14-Year-Old Dorothy Hammond in West End of Edmonton Sunday

EDMONTON, Nov. 17.—Dorothy Hammond, 14-year-old girl, was found in a west end district yesterday brutally stabbed, dying soon after in hospital. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Hammond. She had been stabbed no less than fifteen times.

A widespread search for the killer has been instituted.

SAFE AT TEHERAN

Litvinoff, Steinhardt and Monkton Reach Capital Of Iran

TEREHRAN, Iran, Nov. 17.—Maxim Litvinoff, new Soviet ambassador to the United States; Lawrence Steinhardt, United States ambassador to Moscow, and Sir Walter Monkton, chief of the British information services at Cairo, whose plane landed at Baku on the Caspian Sea last week after having been missing for a couple of days, arrived here today.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Prince Rupert—Broken clouds, calm; barometer, 29.89 (steady); temperature, 35; sea, smooth.

Triple Island—Scattered clouds, southeast wind, six miles per hour; light chop.

Langara Island—Overcast, southeast wind, six miles per hour; barometer, 29.82; temperature, 40; light swell.

Dead Tree Point—Broken clouds, westerly wind, two miles per hour; barometer, 29.88; temperature, 45; light swell.

Bull Harbor—High scattered clouds, calm; barometer, 29.38; temperature, 34; light swell.

Alert Bay—High broken clouds, calm; barometer, 29.85; temperature, 38; sea, smooth.

Victoria—Cloudy, calm; barometer, 29.83; temperature, 43; sea, smooth.

Estevan—Cloudy, northeast wind, two miles per hour; barometer, 29.77; temperature, 43; light swell.

Vancouver—Cloudy, east southeast wind, two miles per hour; barometer, 29.89; temperature, 43; light ground fog.

Prince George—Cloudy, westerly wind, two miles per hour; barometer, 29.88.

C.P.R. steamer Princess Norah, Capt. William Palmer, is due in port at 4:30 this afternoon from Alaska and will sail at 5:30 for Vancouver.

Fighting Is Fierce— NO CHANGE IN RUSSO-NAZI WAR

Soviet Forces Holding Or Pushing Nazis Back Everywhere Except In Crimea

KERCH CAPTURED
 BERLIN, Nov. 17.—The German High Command today claimed capture from the Russians of the important Black Sea port of Kerch which has been under siege for some days.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—There is little vital change in the situation of the Russo-German war with see-saw battles all the way from Murmansk to the Caucasus. All along the front from north to south heavy fighting continues with the Germans stalled everywhere except in the Crimea. Even the Germans admit the success of the Russian counter-attacks particularly in the Moscow sector at Kalinin and Tula. In the Crimea the Russians are resisting stubbornly although the situation there is still admitted to be serious with the Nazis concentrating on Kerch and Sebastopol, heavily bombing the latter.

A late report said a new German assault in Crimea was being hurled back. Many counter-attacks being launched effectively by the Russians in the Moscow and Leningrad areas are part of a well prepared plan to wrest the offensive away from the invaders. The Red Army is assuming the initiative more and more.

Russian winter is becoming more and more a factor in the war. Weather is becoming more wintry along the Russo-German fighting front. Nazi soldiers have been found frozen to death and German tanks frozen into the ground. First snow of the season has fallen in the Crimea and is proving an advantage to defenders of Sebastopol and Kerch. It is 5 above in Crimea with heavy snowfall.

In spite of strong reinforcements they have been bringing up against Moscow, the Germans admit their forces have been thrown back by strong Russian counter-attacks on the Moscow front.

In Moscow it is believed that the axis have given up the idea of taking Leningrad until next spring.

German and Italian forces are being forced back south of Stalino after a twenty-mile retreat.

The Soviet claims a smashing success in the far north with the destruction of twenty Nazi transports, some of which were annihilated from point blank range.

United States made pursuit planes are now being used to good effect by the Russians on the central front. These machines have won hearty approval of the Russians.

WEYGAND IN VICHY

Closer Collaboration Of France With Germany Is Coming Up Again

VICHY, Nov. 17.—Marshal Maxime Weygand, commander-in-chief of French forces in Africa, has arrived here for consultation with Chief of State Henri Philippe Petain.

Prior to Weygand's arrival, Petain received Otto Abetz, German governor of occupied France who came from Paris.

The question of closer collaboration of France with Germany is coming up again. Use of the French fleet for convoy duty in the Mediterranean is to be considered.

SUBMARINE WAS SUNK

U-Boat Which Disposed Of Ark Royal Believed Victim Of Depth Charges

LONDON, Nov. 17.—According to reports received by the Admiralty from other British war vessels which were in the vicinity, it is believed almost certain that the Axis submarine which launched the torpedo which sank the aircraft carrier Ark Royal last week was itself sunk. Depth charges were sent down after the Ark Royal was attacked and there is evidence that they succeeded in finding their mark.

Portland River In Heavy Flood

Scores Of Square Miles Of Land Inundated As Willamette Hits New Mark

PORTLAND, Oregon, Nov. 17.—Excessively heavy rains have flooded scores of square miles of land in the Willamette River valley. At Eugene the river rose fourteen feet in twenty-four hours and is now two feet above maximum high water.