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Tomorrow's Tides

(Standard Time)
High 11:39 a.m. 21.2 feet
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18:01 p.m. 4.8 feet

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BRILLIANT BRITISH VICTORY

BELOVED SHOWMAN IS DEAD

George M. Cohan, Figure of Entertainment World, Is Dead

NEW YORK, Nov. 5 (AP)—George M. Cohan, one of the most beloved figures in the American show business, died early today at the age of sixty-four after a long illness.

Cohan, once aptly described as a dramatic practitioner, was dancer, actor, dramatist, producer, manager, composer and lyricist, motion picture and talkie star in a career that extended over more than 40 years. Also he was something of a poet and always a baseball fan.

Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, quoting Victor Hugo's dictum that melodrama was for the crowd, tragedy for women and comedy for the thinker, once said that Cohan's genial satire and fun-provoking lines and antics had helped men and women to become thinkers in the modern American theatre.

Cohan's efforts ran the gamut from being a boy prodigy violinist at the age of 5 to recognition in his mellow years as America's greatest stage interpreter of contemporary life. "There aren't many people who really know the man," one commentator wrote. "He knows more than 5,000 in- dividuals."

In New York he was "the man who owns Broadway." To the theatregoers of a generation ago in other cities he was the embodiment of his "Yankee Doodle Boy" song in "Little Johnny Jones." To his countrymen generally he was the composer of the world war song "Over There."

All told he wrote some forty plays, collaborated in the framing of thirty more, turned out more than 100 songs, close to 200 vaudeville sketches and about a score of poems.

Rhode Islander Cohan was born in Providence, R.I. to the popping of firecrackers and the waving of flags on July 4, 1878. His parents were troupers of old school variety shows, Jerry Cohan and Helen Costigan. A daughter, Jessie, was also born to them and the family later became noted for its "act" as The Four Cohans.

But before that stage was reached the son had blossomed out as a child violinist, billed as "Master George." He quit this within a few years to become a child actor, having his first regular lines at the age of 9 in a play about Daniel Boone. Two years later he toured in the title role of "Peck's Bad Boy," a comedy based upon the humorous writings of a former governor of Wisconsin.

His sister and parents meanwhile travelled with various road companies but the family came to rest in 1890 and for ten years played back and forth across the country in variety theatres from Tony Pastor's in New York to the old Orpheum in San Francisco (Continued on Page Five)

Bulletins

CALLING MORE CANUCKS
OTTAWA—Between now and the end of the year 34,000 more young Canadians will be called to the colors.

CURBING BREAD DELIVERIES
OTTAWA—After November 30 there will be no further deliveries by bakeries which sell less than \$175 of bread a week.

PRINCETON STRIKE ENDS
PRINCETON — Princeton coal miners, who have been on a strike, are returning to work pending the taking of a new ballot.

SHIPS AT GIBRALTAR
LONDON—A large number of British warships are reported concentrated near Gibraltar.

Burns Lake Is Going Strong

The interior town of Burns Lake, having gone twenty percent over quota, has now won its second Victory Loan pennant. Subscriptions there have now reached \$31,750, exceeding the original objective by \$6,750.

LOAN IS GROWING

Total for Prince Rupert is Now More Than \$100,000 Over Original Objective

Victory Loan subscriptions in Prince Rupert yesterday totalled \$62,800 including \$500 in special names and \$12,800 in general canvass. The cumulative total to date is \$648,950 or more than \$100,000 over the original objective of \$530,000.

The following further subscriptions have been authorized for acknowledgment:

Ling Gam	\$ 100
Mrs. Jean Rivett	100
T. G. Jones	100
Eric R. Love	50
Dr. G. W. J. Fiddes	250
Gerard McDonald	50
A. E. Norton	100
Mrs. May Little	100
Mrs. Annette Woods	500
Alex Sinclair	100
Angelo Astoria	50
Anton Iverson	200
Samuel Hourie	50
Denis Garon	100
Deep Sea Fishermen's Union	500

Big Fire In Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Nov. 5 (AP)—A three-alarm fire early today caused damage of \$100,000 in the destruction of the Granville Island plant of Overseas Wood Products Limited and badly damaged the Tye Machinery Co. plant.

BLOW THEM AWAY

Insects on the Polynesian Islands habitually take shelter from the wind.

AXIS WANTS MORE SHIPS

Germany, Having Suffered Heavy Losses, Expected to Increase Its Demands

LONDON, Nov. 5 — Having lost an estimated six million tons of shipping since the war began, the Axis is expected to make further demands for ships from Vichy France in addition to the thirty-five former Allied merchant vessels totalling some 120,000 tons which are now being turned over. These vessels have been interned in French ports since the Fall of France in 1940.

RUSSIANS ARE FIRM

Not Only Holding Hun Invaders But Driving Them Out in Some Quarters

MOSCOW, Nov. 5—The Germans, with at least thirty thousand men and artillery and tank equipment, are continuing their assault upon Stalingrad on a reduced basis but have failed to gain a single yard. The Russians are also holding firm today in the Caucasus and on all other fronts. Heavy losses are still being inflicted upon the enemy.

Along the Black Sea, the Russians are increasing the pressure upon the enemy as well as northeast of Stalingrad and since yesterday the Germans have withdrawn from some positions in both areas.

In the Mordok area the enemy are being broken up.

Today's Dispatches

Today's dispatches said that the Russians have broken up all the latest Nazi efforts to expand the invasion salient in northern Stalingrad and in some places have forced the Germans to abandon several basic points. While bitter attacks and counter-attacks developed about the ruined city, Red troops were credited with local gains northwest of Stalingrad, on the Black Sea front and in the Mordok sector of the central Caucasus. A successful Soviet holding action was indicated before the Caucasian slopes and passes southwest of Naichik.

HONOR NAVY MEN

PRETORIA, Nov. 5 (AP)—Citizens turned out in large numbers here when Governor-General Sir Patrick Duncan, South Africa-born, entertained a Royal Navy contingent at Government House.

Marshal Rommel's Axis Army In Desert Largely Destroyed; Unrelenting Advance Kept Up

Proud Nazi Force Routed; Is Driven Back 70 Miles

Weakened by loss of thousands of men captured, killed, wounded or isolated in their desert strong points, the once proud Axis army was in full flight today across western Egypt in the hunt for a position to avert destruction. Only a rearward moving screen of anti-tank guns and tanks shielded the bulk of Marshal Rommel's African Corps from the pressing advance of the British Eighth Army while a comparatively impotent air force sought to parry combined blows of Allied air forces.

While nine thousand prisoners by count in nine hours streamed to the British rear, Allied aircraft kept hitting at the foe and the main coastal line of retreat was described as a graveyard of smoking twisted tanks, armored cars and trucks.

Axis communiques admit the withdrawing to new lines and Rome indicated the depth of the British drive when it told of fierce fighting between El Alamein and Fuka. Fuka is about seventy miles west of El Alamein.

CANADA IS OVER TOP

"All We Can Get" is New Objective Of Canada's Third Victory Loan

OTTAWA, Nov. 5 (CP)—The Third Victory Loan, by the close of business Wednesday, exceeded the minimum objective of \$750,000,000 by \$22,281,300. Wednesday's subscriptions of \$57,075,000 brought the cumulative total to date up to \$772,281,300.

Alberta was the sixth province to go over the top yesterday, others being Manitoba, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Quebec and Nova Scotia.

Loan headquarters said today that all provinces are now working for a new objective—"all we can get."

LIVING HAS GONE DOWN

Cost in Canada Slightly Lower Now Than Three Months Ago

OTTAWA, Nov. 5 (AP)—The cost-of-living index at October 1 was 117.8, a decrease of one-tenth point from the July 1 index. As a result the cost of living bonus paid employees in Canada will remain at the present level for the next three months.

MAKESHIFT BEARDS

LONDON, Nov. 5 (AP)—A shortage of false hair has resulted from war conditions according to British National Films make-up experts. Much of the hair was imported and now false beards will be makeshift affairs.

SECOND IN COMMAND OF ENEMY IS KILLED AND OTHER GENERALS SURRENDER—ITALIAN ARMISTICE PROPOSAL REFUSED—ENORMOUS CASUALTIES AND MATERIAL LOSSES.

LONDON, Nov. 5 — The British Army has scored a brilliant victory in the North African Desert. One of the greatest Allied advances, for the Axis it has been one of the worst defeats of the Second World War. Eighty per cent of Adolf Hitler's air strength in the area has been destroyed and more than half of his tank and gun strength has been lost. The enemy is estimated to have had nine thousand men taken prisoner and has suffered large casualties including the second in command to Marshal Erwin Rommel killed. At least one and probably other German and Italian generals have been captured.

Six hundred enemy planes have been destroyed, fifty thousand tons of shipping has been sunk and fifty thousand tons damaged. Two hundred and fifty of their tanks have been destroyed or captured and 280 pieces of field artillery. Ammunition dumps and supply bases have been wiped out from the air.

The Italians are reported to have asked for an armistice so they may bury their dead but the Allied forces, not to be led into any trick, are pushing forward through the shattered Axis lines. The broken enemy army is in full and disorderly retreat, straggling westward in rout.

Ankara reports that German wounded are passing through Bulgaria at the rate of two thousand per day.

Hitler is said to be endeavoring to rush reinforcements from Russia through Greece to the North Africa front.

A British communique indicates that the offensive of the Army of the Nile has gone into high gear along the whole front. It declares that, in addition to the swift advance in the north on the coastal El Alamein sector, the British have hurled back the Germans and the Italians at the southern flank of the desert battle zone, capturing strong points of Deir El Angar, Munassibi and Himeimat.

Enemy in Full Retreat

In London one British source declared that "the enemy seems to be in full retreat" and it appeared Lieut. General Bernard L. Montgomery had brought into action the greatest striking force of armored and air power yet engaged in the fight in North Africa. There seemed to be little doubt that Rommel's army was largely destroyed.

Today it was indicated that the Eighth Army, continuing to push the enemy steadily westward on the north, was meeting a measure of resistance in the south although the entire army was moving ahead.

Allied airmen, on a wide spread offensive, were having little opposition. Air blows in continuous bombing attacks are telling equally to the land offensive. Yesterday thirteen more German planes were brought down while fourteen Allied planes were missing in the Mediterranean theatre. Enemy shipping was again heavily hit. Canadian fliers in bombers, fighters and torpedo planes are out with British and American.

King George sent a message yesterday to General Montgomery, acknowledging the heavy blow that the Eighth Army had dealt to the enemy and offering con-

Smuts Suggests Turning Point

LONDON, Nov. 5 (AP)—Field Marshal Jan Smuts, South African Prime Minister, declared in London today that the developing rout of Adolf Hitler's African forces might provide "the turning point in this war."

MINISTERS ARE NAMED

Important Diplomatic Appointments Are Announced at Ottawa

OTTAWA, Nov. 5—Four important Canadian diplomatic appointments—ministers to Russia, China and Chili and a high commissioner to Australia—were announced last night by Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King.

L. D. Wilgress, deputy minister of trade and commerce, is named minister to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Lieut. General Victor W. Odlum, former commander of the Second Division in Britain and more recently High Commissioner to Australia, is appointed minister to China.

Warwick Chipman, Montreal barrister, is the minister to Chili. Mr. Justice T. C. Davis of Saskatchewan becomes Canadian High Commissioner to Australia.

Miss Juanita Falconer, R.N., of New Westminster, who has been visiting here for the past few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Falconer, Summit Apartments, will leave on tomorrow morning's train for Fort McMurray, Alberta, to pay a visit with her brother, Selkirk Falconer, prior to joining the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps in which she has enlisted.

gratulations on the brilliant victory.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, who is visiting Britain, sent a message of congratulations to the King.

American Arrive
Meanwhile the safe landing in Alexandria of an expeditionary force of seven thousand American soldiers, the contingent including also airmen and nurses, is announced. A number of American troops have also been landed in Palestine, it is now disclosed.

RED ARMY MOPPING UP AFTER NAZIS EVACUATE



This photograph from the Russian battlefield was made in the village of "N" as Red Army men rushed in to mop-up remnants of the German garrison which tried unsuccessfully to hold the town in face of fierce Red attack. Infantrymen with bayoneted rifles charge against the enemy. At the LOWER RIGHT is the two-man crew of one of the anti-tank rifles in action.

3rd VICTORY LOAN

COMING EVENTS

Thursday, 6:10—CFPR—H. T. Lock.
Friday, 6:15—CFPR—J. J. Little.
Saturday, 6:15—CFPR—W. R. McAfee.

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