

Today's War Summary

(By Canadian Press)

Still Smashing at Japanese Armada

Giant four-motored bombers, still whirling anew at the Japanese invasion armada in the Malacca Strait, today sank another big transport, as well as straddling a cruiser with bombs, it was announced today. This is Japan's greatest naval disaster of the war. The Japanese have, apparently, been thus boosted to at least thirty ships. The Japanese ships sunk or damaged in the battle. The Japanese have, apparently, been thus boosted to at least thirty ships. The Japanese ships sunk or damaged in the battle. The Japanese have, apparently, been thus boosted to at least thirty ships.

Russian Armies Surging Forward

Russia's armies, pressing their great winter counter-offensive, were reported surging forward unchecked today on the threshold of a 250-mile German defence line west of Moscow. Soviet dispatches reported the recapture of seventy-nine more towns and indicated that retreating Nazis were falling back upon a double-row defence system one mile and a half in depth extending from Velikie Luki to Vyasma to Bryansk.

Axis Counter-Offensive Halts

For the second straight day the British said at Cairo today that there was no change in the Libyan situation, indicating that, at least temporarily, the Axis counter-offensive had come to a stop. British aircraft were reported to be administering heavy pounding to Axis communications.

JAPANESE DISCUSSED

Some Interior Members Want Them, Some Do Not—Guthrie Says Coalition "Good Omelette."

VICTORIA, Jan. 28.—M. M. Connelly, Liberal member for Omameca, speaking in the budget debate in the legislature yesterday, urged the use of Japanese from the coast on road building in the interior.

Frank Putnam (Nelson-Creston), R. H. Carson (Kamloops), C. S. Leary (Kaslo-Slocan) and T. A. Love (Grand Forks-Greenwood) expressed some objection against sending Japanese to the interior, fearing that they might want to become permanent residents.

E. T. Kenney, Skeena, said: "Let the Japs work on the roads and the white men take care of the farms."

Also speaking in the budget debate yesterday were E. D. Braden (Peace River), Sam Guthrie (Cowichan-Newcastle) and Colin Campbell (Comox).

Mr. Guthrie, who is a C.C.F., said the coalition was "a good omelette made out of two bad eggs."

LIMITING OF SUGAR

Bowls To Be Removed From Tables In Canada's Eating Establishments

The Wartime Prices and Trade Board ruled that hotels, restaurants and other catering establishments must remove all sugar bowls from the tables and "serve sugar only in reasonable quantities when asked for by their clients." The ruling did not say what was considered a reasonable amount.

Trainees in Air Force Are to Be Given More Pay

OTTAWA, January 28.—An increased scale of pay for Royal Canadian Air Force trainees is announced.

FAR EAST SECURITY

British Government Criticized But Confidence Held in Churchill

LONDON, January 28 (Canadian Press)—The British government was accused today in the House of Commons of unfulfilled promises of security in the war area but almost in the same breath Prime Minister Winston Churchill's critics assured him of the vote of confidence he demands. The vote will probably come tomorrow. Clement R. Atlee, Laborite and Lord Privy Seal, has moved the vote of confidence.

OUTPUT OF GOLD DOWN

Deputy Minister of Mines Tells Legislature Committee of Metal Situation.

VICTORIA, Jan. 28.—Dr. J. F. Walker, deputy minister of mines, told the mining committee of the legislature that gold production in British Columbia had declined and because of scarcity of equipment might drop fifty percent as attention was turned to base metals needed in the war industries. He said that copper and manganese was becoming scarce in this war as it had in the last.

Price Fixing Law Approved

Measure Ratified by United States Senate and Awaits Presidential Signature

WASHINGTON D.C., January 28.—The United States Senate yesterday approved a price-fixing law which will affect the retail prices of many commodities. The measure, modified from that which had been proposed by the administration, awaits the signature of President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

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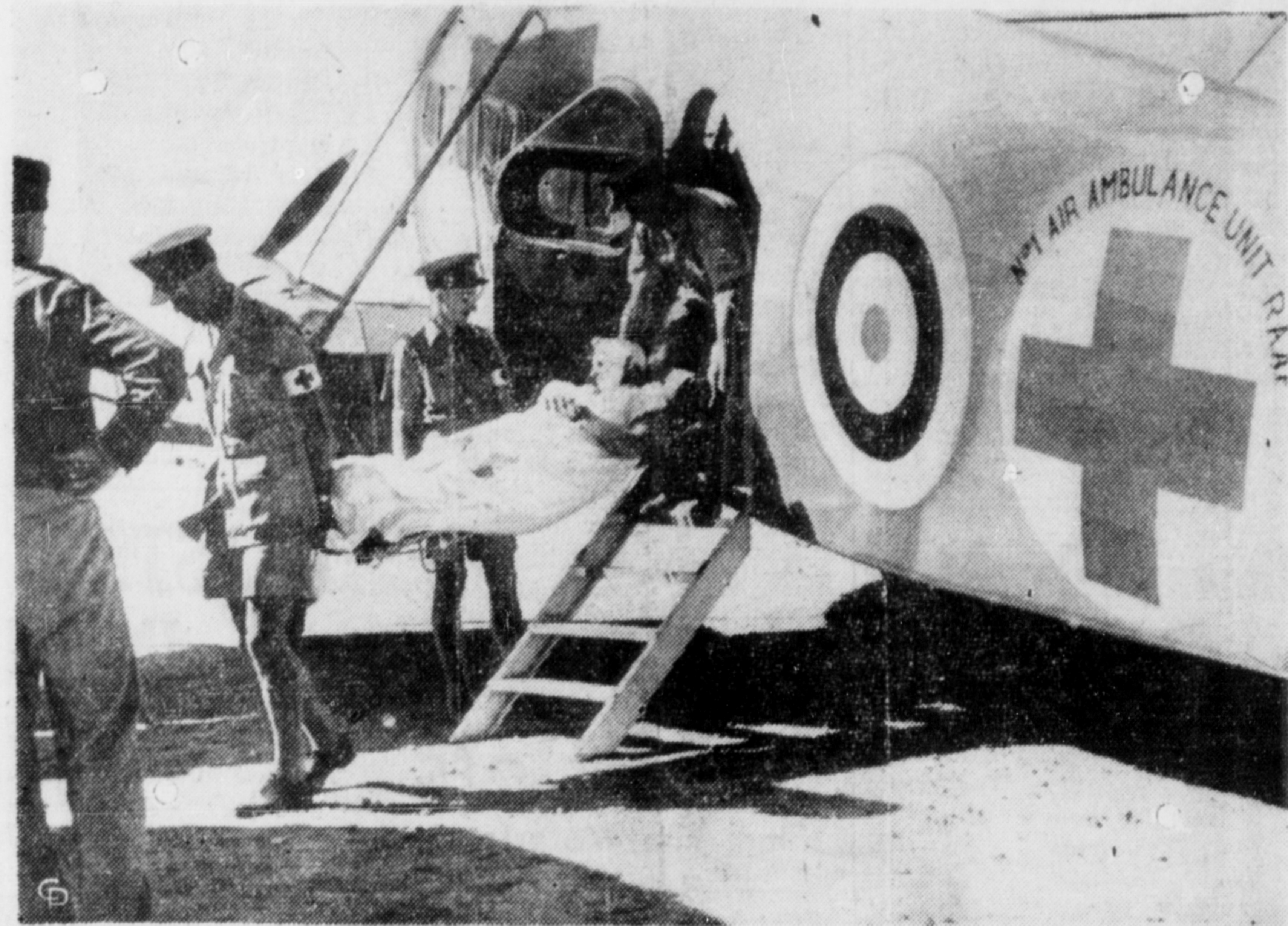
Tomorrow's Tides

High 11:35 a.m. 19.4 ft.
Low 5:31 a.m. 9.5 ft.
18:21 p.m. 4.5 ft.

PRICE: FIVE CENTS

Million More People Now

R.A.F. FLYING AMBULANCE ASSISTS WOUNDED IN LIBYA



A wounded British soldier shown being carried out of a flying ambulance at a British base airfield in Libya. Latest reports from this embattled Axis stronghold indicate that Derna has fallen to the driving power of the Allies.

BOARDS ON WAR NEEDS

Joint Bodies to Deal With Munitions, Shipping and Raw Materials for War.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Three joint war production boards have been formed between United States and Great Britain—one on munitions, another on shipping and the third on raw materials. There will be offices in London and Washington. The boards will deal with China, Russia and the other united nations in regard to their needs.

Australian In War Cabinet

CANBERRA, Jan. 28.—Hon. Earl Paige, special British minister to London, will act as Australia's representative in the British war cabinet, it was announced today. Yesterday Prime Minister Winston Churchill had announced to parliament in London that an Australian representative was to be admitted to the war cabinet.

BRITAIN IS GRATEFUL

London Newspapers High in Praises of Assistance Which Is Being Given In War

LONDON, January 28.—London newspapers are loud in their praises today of the assistance Canada is giving Great Britain in the war. Particular reference is made to the gift of one billion dollars.

Four Canadians, Two Britishers, Crash Victims

WINNIPEG, January 28.—Four Royal Canadian Air Force men and three Royal Air Force men were victims of the crash of a big plane which occurred yesterday near McGregor, eighteen miles north of here.

BULLETINS

UNITED STATES AID WASHINGTON—United States is rushing all the aid she can to the South Pacific. This was indicated yesterday by President Franklin D. Roosevelt who said good progress was being made. There were now ten American expeditionary forces scattered around the world.

NORWEGIANS LANDED AT A CANADIAN ATLANTIC PORT—Twenty Norwegian seamen have been landed ten days after their ship was torpedoed. Their lifeboat was located by a Royal Canadian Air Force plane and two days later they were picked up. Another lifeboat with twenty on board has not yet been found.

RECRUITING HEAVY VANCOUVER—Enlistments so far in January have numbered over 900 and by the end of the month it is expected 1000 will have been reached.

CHURCHILL ABSOLVED

Sydney Newspaper Says Prime Minister's Aides Responsible For Blunders

SIDNEY, January 28.—The Sydney Mirror said yesterday that Prime Minister Winston Churchill, in spite of his acceptance of sole responsibility, was not to blame for all the blunders which had been made in the prosecution of the war. Some of his aides had been equally responsible, the newspaper declared.

HEAR FROM HONG KONG

Swiss Government Has Made Contact and Information Regarding British and Canadian Soldiers Expected Soon.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—The Swiss government has made contact with Hong Kong, it is announced. Soon it is hoped to obtain information in regard to British and Canadian soldiers who have not been heard from since Japan took over Hong Kong. All information available will be sent to relatives as soon as possible.

TWO MORE SINKINGS

Crews of American Tankers Are Landed at Delaware Port.

LEWES, Delaware, Jan. 28.—Sinking of two more American tankers—Pan Main and Francis E. Powell—by Axis submarines off the Atlantic coast of the United States was revealed with the landing of the crews here yesterday. They are the eighth and ninth vessels to be sunk in this manner.

Big Vessel Torpedoed; 350 Missing

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, Jan. 28.—Torpedoing of an Allied steamer was reported today by a ship captain who announced on arrival here that he had rescued seventy-one of the crew and passengers but indicated that more than 350 persons are missing.

BATTLE OF AUSTRALIA

Information Meagre As To What Is Going On In Islands North of Commonwealth

MELBOURNE, Jan. 28.—There is little news of the situation in the string of islands guarding the entrances to the north of Australia which have been attacked by the Japanese.

It was reported today that the Australian defenders of New Britain had taken up new positions but whether this meant an advance or a retreat was not made clear. Planes of the Royal Australian Air Force have been pounding the Japanese invasion force at Rabul, the evacuated capital of New Britain.

Over Brest and Boulogne, Planes Return Safely

LONDON, January 28.—The Royal Air Force was over Brest and Boulogne with its bombers last night. All returned safely.

Substantial Increase In Population Shown; Membership Reduced

Number of People in Dominion Is Placed at 11,419,896, Compared With 10,376,786 Ten Years Ago.

OTTAWA, Jan. 28: (CP)—Canada's population at June 2, 1941, was 11,419,896 as compared with 10,376,786 in 1931 and redistribution on the basis of 1941 figures will reduce the House of Commons membership by seven members, Hon. J. A. McKinnon, minister of trade and commerce, announced today. Saskatchewan, which now has twenty-one seats in the House of Commons, will be reduced to seventeen and Manitoba, with 17, will be reduced to fourteen.

EVEN MORE SHIPS LOST

Batavia Says Eleven Warships, Seventeen Transports and 13 Planes Destroyed in Straits of Macassar.

BATAVIA, Jan. 28.—Eleven Japanese warships and nineteen transports have so far been sunk or damaged and thirteen planes were destroyed since yesterday by American and Netherlands sea and air forces in the Straits of Macassar between the islands of Celebes and Borneo. Thousands of troops must have been drowned in the sinking of the transports. A large Japanese battleship was sunk on the first day of the attack last Friday, it is revealed.

RESISTANCE IN RUSSIA

Germans Putting Up More Fight, Especially in Crimea.

MOSCOW, Jan. 28.—In the Crimea and elsewhere there appears to be increased resistance by the Nazis against the oncoming Russians. They are endeavouring to consolidate their positions in a new defence line. Everywhere along the 1200-mile front, the Russians continue, however, to drive strongly.

NEARER TO SINGAPORE

Battle of Malay Peninsula Now Only Fifty Miles Away From Stronghold.

SINGAPORE, Jan. 28.—The battle of Malay Peninsula has now reached a point on the west coast fifty-eight miles north of the stronghold, it is learned. On the east coast the distance is eighty-five miles north of Singapore. The nearest point is in the centre where the British have made another withdrawal.

The Japanese are receiving constant reinforcements. Royal Air Force planes have been active and successful. Japanese planes went up to fight the British and lost twelve ships as a result.

BELGIUM'S MINERALS

Among the minerals mined in Belgium are coal lead manganese, zinc and iron.

MONSTER OF DEEP

Queer Creature, Washed Ashore On Orkney's, Has Head Like Cow and Hairy Body

KIRKWALL, Orkney Islands, January 28.—A sea monster about twenty-six feet long, having a head like a cow and a hairy body, has been washed ashore on the Orkney Islands. It has been sent to the London Museum for identification.

LIBERAL OPPOSED

Ross W. Gray Thinks Government Should Have Demanded Legislation Instead of Presenting Plebiscite.

OTTAWA, Jan. 28.—Ross W. Gray, former chief Liberal whip and member for West Lambton, disagreed with the Mackenzie King government yesterday on the proposal to present a plebiscite whereby the government would seek release from its commitment against the conscription of manpower for overseas service. The government should have brought in an act providing for revision of the conscription policy and asked that parliament pass it. This could still be done.

Wilfrid Lacroix, Quebec-Montmorency, another Liberal member, was opposed to the plebiscite but on altogether different grounds to Mr. Gray. Lacroix believed that Canada was already doing her full share and that there should be no conscription.

DE VALERA INDIGNANT

Protests Strongly Against Landing of American Forces in North Ireland.

DUBLIN, Jan. 28.—Premier Eamonn de Valera protested strongly yesterday at the landing of United States forces in Northern Ireland. Ireland had no feeling of hostility against United States and had no desire for conflict.

In Belfast, Prime Minister John Andrews of North Ireland, said De Valera had no right to protest, declaring that his refusal to grant bases had cost thousands of lives in the Battle of the Atlantic.

SCOTS—WHAT'S THIS?

The Romans introduced the bagpipe into the British Isles.