

Situation In Middle East Serious

WAR NEWS

Battle Of

WASHINGON—The war of diversion and harassment in the Pacific has been reduced by frustrated invasions. Two pinprick shelling of the Canadian and United States Pacific coast and word of expansion of the Japanese foothold in the Aleutians. Washington announced that the enemy was establishing himself on Kiska in the Aleutians, 585 miles from Dutch Harbor, and about half that distance east of Attu where enemy lodgement was reported June 12. A Washington communiqué said that a small force of ships in Kiska Harbor had been attacked by army bombers which hit one cruiser and sank a transport. An enemy submarine, using a deck gun, tried to hit the Canadian government radio station at Estevan Point on Vancouver Island Saturday night. The firing lasted about half an hour but none of the shells scored. Almost exactly 24 hours later a quarter of an hour of shelling by an unidentified craft disturbed the night for residents at the northwestern tip of Oregon between Seaside and Astoria on the Columbia River where six to nine shells fell near a summer resort but caused no damage. United States and Canadian naval units are searching for the undersea marauder.

Southampton Bombed

LONDON—High explosive bombs were dropped by the Luftwaffe on Southampton last night. There was some damage as well as casualties. Four of the enemy planes were brought down. The raid on Southampton followed two successive nights of heavy raids on the German naval base of Emden and other points in northwestern Germany as well as in Holland and the French-occupied coast. There was a battle in the Straits of Dover last night between light naval vessels.

Planning Invasion Of Europe

LONDON—Definite assurance was given by Sir Stafford Cripps, Lord Privy Seal, that an invasion of Europe would be undertaken by the United Nations. "We will strike and march through to Berlin," Sir Stafford said. Where or when it would start, however, was not indicated. For the first time British newspapers were allowed to disclose that there were United States troops in Britain. "They are in camps all over the country," the newspapers announced. It was also said that Adolf Hitler was getting ready for the United Nations' invasion by reinforcing the defences of both the Reich and of occupied countries.

Situation In China

CHUNGKING—The position in China with battles raging in a number of provinces is confused. Only 48 miles of the Nanchang-Kanchow railway still remains in control of Chiang Kai-Shek's forces.

Mines Off Atlantic Coast

WASHINGTON—The United States Navy disclosed that enemy submarines have sown mines off the Atlantic Coast. As a result at least one American ship has been sunk and another damaged. Ship explosions which occurred off the Virginia coast and were believed at first to have been caused by torpedoes were later ascertained to be the result of mines. In the Caribbean a small United States merchant ship and a Nicaraguan freighter have been sunk.

STAMFORD IS AGENT

Former Agent of Marine Department Here Takes Charge At Victoria

OTTAWA, June 22 (Canadian Press)—The War Office disclosed Stamford as marine agent of the Department of Transport at Victoria succeeding the late Col. A. W. R. Wilby was announced Saturday.

Mr. Stamford has been superintendent of lights at Victoria since 1939 and before that was superintendent of lights and acting marine agent at Prince Rupert.

McNAUGHTON SUGGESTED

MONTREAL—A dispatch to the Montreal Gazette suggests that President Roosevelt of the United States favors a proposal of the British War Office that Lieut-General A. G. L. McNaughton of Canada head the Allied invasion of Europe.

BULLETINS

CONFERENCES PROCEEDING

WASHINGTON—Vital conferences between Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Franklin D. Roosevelt were described today by the White House as progressing night and day "in a very satisfactory way" and it was disclosed that the two United Nations leaders expected to issue a joint statement later.

KING TO WASHINGTON

OTTAWA—Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King is expected to make a trip to Washington to meet Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

BREAK WITH AXIS

SANTIAGO—An early break of diplomatic relations between Chile and the Axis powers is expected. In Buenos Aires it is stated that Argentina does not expect immunity from unrestricted Axis submarine warfare.

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Estevan Wireless Station, Vancouver Island, Target Of Jap Submarine Shells

OTTAWA, June 22 (CP)—Hon. J. L. Ralston, minister of national defence, announced late that the Dominion government radio telegraph station at Estevan Point, West Coast of Vancouver Island, 170 miles north of Victoria, was shelled by a submarine, supposedly Japanese, at 10:35 p.m. Pacific time Saturday. The shells fell in front of and beyond the station and no damage resulted other than breaking of windows in the station, the announcement said.

Col. Ralston gave no other details of the attack beyond the fact that information was received here from the commander-in-chief of west coast defences, Lieut.-General Kenneth Stuart. United States naval authorities have suggested a dim-out along the Oregon, Washington and Alaska coasts.

The shelling of Estevan is the first direct attack of the war on Canadian soil. In addition to there being no damage, there were no casualties. Thirty-three persons reside in Estevan.

Two or more enemy craft took part in the Estevan shelling, it was announced today by Col. Ralston.

MEETS AT SMITHERS

SMITHERS, June 22—The post-war rehabilitation council under the chairmanship of Hon. H. G. T. Perry arrived Thursday afternoon and put in a busy day at Smithers following his arrival.

The Board had been at Terrace the day before, coming up to Hazelton on the night train and driving over from Hazelton to Smithers by car.

Thursday afternoon the Board met about 25 of the people of Smithers and the Bulkley Valley and listened to the ideas put forth by the people of this district as to methods of giving employment to returning soldiers and to men that would be released from wartime industries.

Those speaking before the Commission were J. W. Turner, Frank Dockrill, C. Gibson, Oswald Hoskins, L. H. Kenney, A. C. Fowler, Harvey Davies and Chas. Killer.

The subjects covered by the speakers included land settlement, mining, public works, tourist business housing program, hydroelectric, reforestation and also some local problems.

The council appeared to be quite impressed with all the data provided them on the many subjects. They also expressed their amazement at the natural resources and the opportunities apparent in this part of the province which some of the members were seeing for the first time.

In the evening a banquet was given the visitors at the Bulkley Hotel and more than 50 persons were in attendance. Each of the members of the Commission made an excellent address at this gathering and all expressed their pleasure at being able to visit this district and all were loud in their opinions of the big developments in store for this part of the province after the war.

Mark Connolly, M. L. A., came down from the Omineca district and met the council here to accompany them through his riding.

Departure was made from Smithers Friday morning and Vanderhoof was to be the next stop on their itinerary.

VANCOUVER MILL FIRE

VANCOUVER—The main mill building of the Sterling Lumber Co. in the east end was destroyed in a spectacular fire last night. Thousands of feet of piled lumber was also destroyed.

CRASH OFF DIGBY IS.

Two Men From Local R. C. A. F. Station Lose Their Lives

Squadron Leader L. H. Brooks, commanding officer, Royal Canadian Air Force station, Prince Rupert, announces that an aircraft with Flight Sergeant E. Phillips and Flight Sergeant H. Baum as crew crashed into the sea Saturday morning off Digby Island and has not been recovered. The plane was carrying out routine operations with another aircraft at the time and no reason for the crash has been ascertained.

The crash was noticed by several vessels in the vicinity but the plane disappeared almost as soon as it struck the water.

Flight Sergeant H. E. Phillips' parents reside at Auburn, New York, N.Y., and those of Flight Sergeant H. Baum in Outremont, Quebec. Both young men were popular with their fellow airmen and had numerous friends in Prince Rupert.

SUCCEEDED IN MUSIC

Toronto Conservatory Results for Prince Rupert Announced

The following is a list of successful candidates in piano examinations held recently by the Toronto Conservatory of Music in Prince Rupert. The names are arranged in order of merit:

PIANO

(Associateship (A.T.C.M.) Piano Pass—Helen M. Green teacher).

GRADE X

First Class Honors—Allen J. Dubau.

Honors—Bernice Eastwood.

GRADE VI

Honors—Monica Holtby.

GRADE V

Pass—Enid Young.

GRADE IV

Pass—Sonja Sorensen, Marie Malchaff.

GRADE III

Honors—Lorna Howe.

Pass—Eric Moore.

GRADE II

Honors—Dorothy Becker.

ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY

PIANO—Grade VIII

Honors—Sheila McRae

GRADE VII

First Class Honors—Gwendolyn McRae.

GRADE VI

First Class Honors—Mary Adcock.

Honors—Elsie E. Boland.

GRADE V

Honors—Lydia Watt.

Pass—Delray Hankinson.

GRADE IV

First Class Honors—George Gillis; Allan Forman.

GRADE III

First Class Honors—Joanne Langridge.

GRADE II

Honors—Elizabeth Astoria; Louise Amadio.

VIOLIN—Grade VII

Honors—Nancy Owens.

Baseball Scores

SATURDAY National League

St. Louis 4, Brooklyn 10. Cincinnati 7, Philadelphia 0. Chicago 1, New York 8. Pittsburgh 0, Boston 4.

American League

New York 0, Cleveland 1. Washington 6, Detroit 7. Philadelphia 3, St. Louis 5.

SUNDAY National League

Pittsburgh 4, Boston 0. (Second game postponed.) St. Louis 11-2, Brooklyn 0-5. Chicago 0-7, New York 5-2. Cincinnati 2-2, Philadelphia 3-1.

American League

Washington 1-3, Detroit 4-0. New York 2-4, Cleveland 3-0. Boston 5-7, Chicago 6-0. Philadelphia 4-4, St. Louis 2-3.

ARMY TAKES OVER AREA

LONDON, June 22 (Canadian Press)—The war Office disclosed yesterday that the Army is taking over a block of East Anglia thirty-six miles square with every civilian required to quit the district by July 20. The only explanation was that the whole area was needed for training.

A high military source only smiled when it was suggested it might be the take-off point for an invasion.

TOBRUK FALLS AND NOW EGYPT AND SUEZ FACE CRITICAL NAZI THREAT

Fierce Two-day Assault By Heavy Axis Forces Culminated In Surrender Sunday Morning—Garrison Of 25,000 And Supplies Are Lost

LONDON, June 22—It was officially confirmed in London last night that Tobruk in Libya had fallen to the Axis after two days of all-out attack. A terrific dive-bombing and artillery attack was followed by the moving up of tanks after which infantry marched in. The surrender took place at 7:00 a.m. Sunday. Germany claims to have captured 25,000 British troops, a large amount of equipment and supplies as well as freeing thousands of German and Italian prisoners of war. Neither London nor Cairo minimize the seriousness of the situation in this new direct threat upon Egypt and Suez.

Axis forces are also believed to have captured Bardia, important Libyan coast port seven-and-a-half miles from the Egyptian border. London admitted that the enemy had probably entered the city. This would leave the Axis in complete control of Libya except for some pockets of resistance.

A fierce siege by long range guns prefaced the final attack on Tobruk. Parachute troops were expected to be used by the enemy in the attempt to take the stronghold which was completely cut off but this did not develop.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

Women of Moose Have Impressive Ceremony At Stewart

STEWART, June 22—The installation of officers for Portland Canal Chapter Women of the Moose, took place in the Moose Home at Stewart on Tuesday evening. The hall was filled to capacity with members of the Chapter, members of the Portland Canal Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, and other guests. The international aspect of the Portland Canal Chapter was emphasized by the fact that the Senior Regent, the new presiding officer, is Mrs. F. Fisher of Hyder, Alaska, while other officers are from Stewart, British Columbia. Mrs. J. Johnson of Hyder, Alaska, was installing guide, the other installing officers being from Stewart.

The slate of newly installed officers is as follows:

Graduate Regent, Mrs. Hazel Tooth.

Senior Regent, Mrs. Veronica Fisher.

Junior Regent, Mrs. Catherine McLeod.

Chaplain, Mrs. Catherine Gibson.

Recorder, Mrs. Jessie Gale.

Treasurer, Mrs. Gladys M. Bennett.

Guide, Mrs. Ruby Svedberg.

Assistant Guide, Mrs. Elsie Kustas.

Sentinel, Mrs. Ann Geddes.

Argus, Mrs. Ollie Fisch.

Pianist, Mrs. Jean B. Stewart.

The installing officers were Mrs. Mary E. Newell, installing regent; Mrs. Mary Jack, installing chaplain; Mrs. Esther E. Johnson installing guide, and Mrs. Jemima Bennett, installing pianist.

The installing ceremony was most impressive and dignified and was carried out with a precision and smartness that bespoke the great interest taken by the members in their work.

Following the ceremony a social evening was enjoyed by all present.

Local Temperature

Maximum	65
Minimum	47

Tomorrow's Tides (Standard Time)

High	8:46 a.m.	16.2 feet

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