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Hitler Much Alarmed Over Russia

Cutting Off Axis—

ALLIES ARE MOVING ON IN AFRICA

Striking Across Tunisia Towards Tripoli—Enemy Being Knocked From Air

LONDON, Dec. 1 (CP)—Allied columns, striking across Tunisia under skies being rapidly cleared of enemy air force, are steadily lengthening two wedges aimed at separating Axis force in Tunis and Bizerte and cutting them off from their last land route to Tripoli, it was announced today at Allied headquarters in North Africa.

One British and American force was reported stabbing close to the coast, only a few miles short of the goal of severing the last highway communication left to the enemy garrisons at Bizerte and Tunis.

Another force of Americans and Free Frenchmen is plunging toward the coast farther south in a race to seize the Tunis-Tripoli road skirting the Mediterranean shore in east central Tunisia. Allied air strength is mounting hourly, it is reported authoritatively.

From Cairo Allied air blows against Sicily and Bizerte were announced with land action on the Libyan battlefront confined to British patrol activity in the neighborhood of El Agheila.

Allied forces, supported by a rising tide of aerial blows at the enemy on both sides of the Mediterranean, have stormed forward to within less than twelve miles of Tunis in the drive which had all but isolated that city and Bizerte, the main Axis-held strong point in Tunisia. Headquarters communique yesterday disclosed that fighting was now in progress east of Djedeida, twelve miles northwest of the Tunis-Bizerte railroad, indicating that the Allies were driving a wedge straight toward the coast to separate the Axis strongholds.

Today's reports said that Bizerte was already under bombardment and that more British parachute troops had landed to capture an air field not far from Tunis.

BATTLE OF NEW GUINEA

Australian Ground Troops Closing On Gona-Buna Area—Fierce Fighting Going On

SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA, Dec. 1 (CP) — Australian ground troops have captured a beach area about 900 yards west of Gona and have pushed on toward Sananada, it is disclosed. The attack was launched after all day air attacks over the Buna-Gona area had softened Japanese positions and it is believed to have cut off a pocket at Gona holding several hundred Japanese.

Fierce fighting continues with the Japanese position becoming more and more critical.

Eight more Japanese zeros have been shot down since yesterday with the Allies losing two planes.

ARTIST'S BREAKDOWN

LONDON, Dec. 1 (CP) — C. R. W. Nevison, A.R.A., whose latest picture "Battlefields of Britain" was recently accepted by Prime Minister Churchill for the nation, has had a breakdown with paralysis and eye affliction and "may never paint again." He was at Dieppe.

JAILERS MADE BREAK

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 1 (CP)—Jailers had to "break a prisoner out the city lockup recently. He was due to get out but the key wouldn't work so they used a sledge-hammer.

MINISTER IS ELECTED

LaFleche Wins Federal Seat—Independent in Charlevoix—C.C.F. In Winnipeg

OTTAWA, Dec. 1 (CP) — Frederic Dorion was elected in Charlevoix-Saguenay federal by-election yesterday. Running as an independent he defeated Mrs. Pierre Casgrain and three others running as Independent Liberals.

Rev. Stanley Knowles, Co-operative Commonwealth Federation, was elected in Winnipeg North centre by-election which was necessitated by the death of the late J. S. Woodworth, C.C.F. leader.

Major General L. R. LaFleche, war services minister, was elected in the by-election in Montreal-Outremont riding, defeating Jean Drapeau, candidate of the draftees.

PLAN FOR SECURITY

Great Britain Considers Program Of Social Welfare From Cradle To Grave

LONDON, Dec. 1 (CP)—In the most sweeping plan of government-sponsored social security legislation ever put forward in any country, Sir William Beveridge's planning commission proposed today that British establish a new ministry of social security and virtually double the present expenditure of $1,300,000,000 annually on unemployment, health insurance and pensions.

The broad program covers public welfare literally from the cradle to the grave, providing among other things public assistance grants for births, deaths, marriages and funerals.

MEN'S FIVE PIN BOWLS

SavMors Still on Top But Shake-up Among Runners-up

SavMors still hold the lead over the rest of the Men's Five Pin Bowling League by five games as a result of last night's play but there is a big shake-up in the runner-up teams. Burns and Monarchs, formerly tied in second place, are still tied but for fourth place Chinese Youth Association and Air Force, tied last week for third spot, now stand second and third respectively.

Air Force edged out the SavMors two to one last night. This was the first major defeat suffered by the SavMors. Chinese Youth took a triple from Burns while Stone's also scored a clean sweep over Monarchs. All Stars hit Ordnance for the full count. Painters shaded Watts and Nickerson squad two to one and Signals were awarded three games by Boom Defence which team didn't show up.

Chuck Lacroix of the Air Force shot high three games of 676 and high single of 278.

THEY CAN'T RESIGN

LONDON, Dec. 1 (CP)—Word comes from Nazi-run Norway that Quisling, alarmed by recent disaffections in his ranks, has banned all resignations.

NORSE IN SCOTLAND

EDINBURGH, Dec. 1 (CP) — At Drumtochty Castle on the fringe of the Scottish Highlands, King Haakon of Norway recently opened a school for about 60 Norwegian children.

Mrs. J. E. Gibson and son, Sonny, and John McLean and daughter, Muriel, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon from Vancouver to attend the funeral tomorrow of the late Mrs. Harry Menzie.

JUMPING INTO SPACE

Next step is terra firma, Capt. H. A. Fauquier, Ottawa, brother of famed R.C.A.F. ace, Johnny Fauquier, steps out into space from a transport plane.

ROBBER IN DWELLINGS

Nocturnal Visitors Get Cash From Homes of J. L. McEwen and A. Deildal

Two thefts of cash from dwellings in Prince Rupert took place Saturday night. One was from a bedroom in the residence of J. L. McEwen, 201 Sixth Avenue East, $45 benig taken by a noctural intruder. The other was from the home of A. E. Deildal in the Waldron Apartments, about $10 being taken from a handbag.

In the Deildal case, the intruder, described as being young, tall and slim, was seen by Mrs. Deildal who had occasion to go to the kitchen at 2:30 in the morning after having arrived only that night from a trip to Winnipeg. The intruder was crouched beside a table, escaping through a door on being seen. Evidently, he had been to the dining room before that and taken the money.

The McEwen house was entered by cutting the glass out of a bedroom window.

In neither case were the losses discovered until the following day. There are understood to have been other similar cases.

TAKES OVER WHITE PASS

General C. R. Gray Here Yesterday Enroute From Washington, D.C., to Skagway

General C. R. Gray was here yesterday on his way from Washington, D.C., to Skagway where he will assume control of the White Pass and Yukon Railway which has been taken over by the United States Department of War for the duration of the war. Only the railway is being taken over by the United States government, the operation of Yukon River boats remaining in the hands of the owning company.

WELL-PATCHER TIRE

WHITE STATION, Tenn., Dec. 1 —The customer wanted S. A. Burkhart to put six new patches on his inner tube. The tube already had 79 patches on it.

BRAZIL IN TOTAL WAR

Will Co-ordinate Output for Conflict Against Axis

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RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 1 (CP) - Evidence of Brazil's desire to organize all production and economic facilities for co-operation with the United Nations in waging total war against the Axis is seen here in the appointment of Joao Alberto Lins de Barres as the nation's first economic co-ordinator.

Mr. de Barres, who is known to Canadians as Brazil's first minister to the Dominion, has direct control over all production, industrial equipment, labor, raw materials, prices and profits.

Not only does Mr. de Barres direct all of Brazil's internal economy but he co-ordinates the nation's production to meet the needs of the United Nations through direct contact with the United States co-ordinator for inter-American affairs, who maintains an office in Rio de Janeiro where a considerable organization has already been developed.

Bank Holiday

To meet the problem of currency hoarding which developed after the government decreed a state of belligerency, the ministry of finance decreed a week's bank holiday and announced its intention of recalling the entire present currency and its substitution by a new note issue.

The change in currency was expected to force all hoarders to declare their holdings. The hoarding problem was indicated by a one-third increase in the nation's currency issue, accompanied by a corresponding increase in bank deposits.

Another recent decree—providing the death sentence for treason and espionage—marked an extraordinary departure from Brazilian penal practice. The law was made retroactive to last January when Brazil broke off diplomatic relations with the Axis. However spies apprehended up to the time the decree was issued will not be shot but will be liable to 30 years imprisonment.

POLICING PENNY SHOWS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 1 (CP)—For moral protection of children police have inaugurated regulation of the old-time penny arcades here.

FORCED TO CHLORINATE

Vancouver Given No Choice in Matter— Government Would Have Taken Over System

VANCOUVER, Dec. 1 (CP) — The Greater Vancouver Water Board accepted the edict that this city's water supply must be chlorinated after Dr. E. A. Cleveland, commissioner, read a letter from Hon. Ian Mackenzie, minister of pensions, saying that the government had prepared "legal measures which, if enacted, will involve immediately the taking over of control of the entire water system."

Capt. Mackenzie said the government could not consent to a Supreme Court reference on the question in view of considerable delay which might be involved.

The Water Board had hitherto ignored the order on the ground that it was unnecessary and beyond the government's power.

The order, when issued, was also sent to Prince Rupert, Victoria, Nanaimo, North Vancouver and New Westminster.

Capt. Mackenzie told the Water Board that the order was for the duration of the war only with the government bearing the cost.

Are Organizing Salvage Sale

According to an announcement made by F. W. Tuffrey, commissioner of the B.C. Red Cross Division, the War Chest Committee, Vancouver, has agreed to act as a central selling agency for the approximate 200 Red Cross branch salvage committees in all parts of the province, charging only the cost of handling. Net proceeds will be remitted to the branch of origin. National salvage officials, when recently in Vancouver, stated that British Columbia stood third in the collection of salvage throughout Canada. "This is entirely due to the excellent work of the different branches of the Red Cross in B.C." Mr. Tuffrey said. "It is hoped that all the citizens of the province will continue their efforts, so that B.C. can maintain or improve its national standing in this important work."

Mrs. Rod McLeod left last night for a trip to Vancouver.

Fuehrer Sends Appeal To Invasion Force To Hold On at Any Cost

Rzhev Held Vital to Whole Nazi Campaign in Soviet—Bitter German Counter-attacks Fail to Stay Advancing Red Army

MOSCOW, Dec. 1 (CP)—Bitter counter-attacks by Axis troops trapped before Stalingrad and caught in the pincers movement of the Russians on the central front west of Moscow failed today to stem the relentless drive of the Red Army which claimed another 2,500 invaders had been killed in overnight fighting. Figures listed in a midday communique brought to 68,250 the toll of Axis dead in the Stalingrad area alone where some 66,000 were reported taken prisoners. The total dead on the central front has reached an announced total of 23,000.

Adolf Hitler's own appeal is reported to be spurring the Nazis, in their desperate but unsuccessful flight, to recapture railway lines south of Rzhev and southwest of Velikie on the central front.

Red Star said that Rzhev is so vital to the Germans' network of communications that Hitler has telegraphed the commander there emphasizing the threat to the city and warning that "loss of Rzhev is equal to the loss of half of Berlin."

The British Broadcasting Corporation said that the Russians and Germans are already locked in fierce fighting within Rzhev and a London Evening news dispatch from Stockholm said Russian shock troops were battling the Germans from house to house.

Bulletins

ONE SUBMARINE'S FEAT

PEARL HARBOR—One United States submarine has succeeded in sinking eight Japanese cargo ships and damaging four others. Some of the sinkings were so close to the shores of Japan that crowds on the beaches watched the proceedings.

SELECTIVE SERVICE

OTTAWA—The machinery of military compulsory service was transferred to the national selective service of which Arthur McNamara, deputy minister of labor, is in charge. Certificates will now be given to men unfit for military service or whose call-ups have been postponed. These must be presented henceforth when applying for jobs.

TO GET SEA TRAINING

OTTAWA — The principle of sea training for men in the Army is being adopted in Canada and will be effective first on the Atlantic coast.

ALASKA MAIL CENSORSHIP

WASHINGTON—There is to be an investigation concerning the censorship of mail between the United States and Alaska.

FOUR SUBS ESCAPE

LONDON—Four French submarines are reported to have escaped from Toulon. Two have arrived at Algiers and are under Allied control and one is on the way there. The fourth has been interned in Spain.

Officers For Junior Chamber Are Nominated

There being no other nominations for the office, Robert Parker is expected to be elected by acclamation as president of the Junior Section of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce at the annual dinner meeting to be held on Friday evening of this week. Similarly, L. M. Felsenthal will be elected vice-president, R. E. Mortimer, treasurer, and C. G. Ham, secretary.

Following are nominations to six places on the executive council: Ray Allen, Ted Smith, Lloyd Morris, C. F. McCarthy, C. W. Kellett, Sidney Elkins, Leonard Griffiths, Harry Brooks and Tommy Fraser.

CUSTOMS REVENUE

Customs and excise revenue at the port of Prince Rupert for the month of November this year totalled $51,141.47.

FATHER TIME FOR WAR

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1 (CP)—Hayden Tracy, 80-year-old engineer, "Father Time" they affectionately call him, has been recalled from a 20-year retirement to be advisory engineer on ship-building at Sausalito, near here.

Literature For Forces Will Be Gathered Here

To meet the growing demand for good books and magazines for the men in the armed forces they local branch of the Labor Youth Federation of Canada at a meeting of the membership on Sunday decided to launch a book-collection campaign in the city of Prince Rupert.

Spurred on by the success of similar campaigns in other cities throughout Canada and confident that the citizens of Prince Rupert will see in this drive a splendid opportunity to aid the men in uniform, the members decided to call on other groups to join in putting the campaign over the top and are asking the people to give generously from their bookshelves.

Three hundred books has been set as the club objective, all of which are to be turned in to local branches of national organizations authorized to receive and distribute them.

Local Moose Women Active

Prince Rupert Chapter, No. 211, Women of Moose, of which Mrs. W. H. Tolin is senior regent, has doubled its membership this year and continues to grow. The attention and interest of the members centres principally at present on war activities and useful work is being done in various ways.

Prince Rupert chapter had the distinction this year of being the first to be enrolled on the star recording list. This is somewhat of an accomplishment when it is taken into consideration that this is but one of 3000 chapters throughout Canada and the United States with total membership of 62,000.