

Local Temperature

Maximum 51
Minimum 39

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Tomorrow's Tides

High 4:20 a.m. 18.1 feet
17:29 p.m. 16.2 feet
Low 11:15 a.m. 5.9 feet
23:14 p.m. 9.5 feet

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War vs

THE AIR RAID ON JAPAN

WASHINGTON—There is no official word from Washington as yet in regard to the raid by United States bombing planes on Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe and Nagoya, principal cities of Japan, Saturday afternoon, although further details were given out by Tokyo and Chungking, the Chinese capital, also referred to it. Japan glosses the raids over with the statement that there was little damage and no casualties. Suggesting that the raiders came from the northeast, Domei News Agency warns the Japanese people to be ready for further such attacks. As for Tokyo, the Japanese command says that the bombs were dropped not in the metropolitan area but in the suburbs. It is in the suburbs where the great industries and the typically flimsy Japanese dwellings are. At first Tokyo claimed that nine attacking planes were brought down but now says there was only one.

THE BATTLE OF BURMA

NEW DELHI—British and Chinese defenders of Burma are still fighting a rearguard action against the Japanese invaders, although the Chinese, having joined the British in the Irrawaddy, recaptured a town. A Calcutta report that the British are withdrawing from Burma and leaving the defence to the Chinese is officially denied.

GERMANY GETS FRENCH FLEET

MOSCOW—A Tass News Agency dispatch to Moscow from Geneva says that twenty-nine French warships, including three battleships, an aircraft carrier, nine flotilla leaders and ten destroyers, have been turned over to Germany and that all the armed forces of Vichy are to be under Nazi control.

RUSSIANS STILL WINNING

MOSCOW—Soviet forces on the northern front have captured a centre of resistance the fall of which constitutes a major defeat for the Finns, Tass News Agency said at Moscow Saturday. At the same time the Soviet Army newspaper Red Star said Russian units were hammering the Germans on the central front and have forced Nazi commanders to throw artillery reserves into battle to replace infantry in desperate counter-attacks which have been repulsed.

LAVAL HAS FULL REIN

Control, France Now Both Externally and Internally—First Cabinet Meeting

VICHY, April 20.—The new premier, Pierre Laval, has called the first meeting of his ministers for today. It was announced by Marshal Henri Philippe Petain, in a broadcast last night, that Laval would direct both foreign and domestic policy of Vichy France, having assumed the cabinet portfolios of both foreign affairs and interior. Admiral Jean Darlan is retiring from active participation in the government.

All but one minor cabinet member are labelled as "attached to Laval." The exception is a minor without portfolio who is "attached to Petain." Laval has denied a report from Lisbon to Tokyo that the French government was to be moved from Vichy to Paris.

A new commander has been named for the French fleet at Dakar with jurisdiction over merchant as well as naval forces.

ARE BACK IN STATES

American Chief of Staff Promises Co-operation In Attack On Germany

WASHINGTON, April 20.—General George C. Marshall, United States chief of staff, and Harry Hopkins, lease-lend administrator, returned yesterday from their trip to England, accompanied by four important British staff officers. Visiting North Ireland, where United States Expeditionary forces are established. General Mitchell said that British and American forces were being joined for a drive to victory. American planes would soon be co-operating with British in the assault upon German and German-controlled territory of western Europe. The United States would also be joining in British commando raids. He said that American troops might expect action within the next few months.

LEAFS ARE WINNERS

Defeated Detroit Red Wings Saturday Night in Dramatic Final Game for Stanley Cup

TORONTO, April 20 (Canadian Press)—The Stanley Cup series came to a dramatic finish at Toronto Maple Leaf Gardens before a record-smashing crowd of 16,218 fans Saturday night when Toronto defeated Detroit Red Wings three games to one to capture the world's professional hockey championship for the first time since 1932.

The Maple Leafs had an uphill fight in the last game as they had in the series, having had the first goal scored against them before starting themselves. In the series they lost the first games and then came back to take the last four straight.

Howe scored for Detroit and Rehrner, two, and Langell one for Toronto.

Local Man Is Named Proxy

J. S. Wilson To Represent Stewart At Dominion Legion Convention

STEWART, April 20.—At the regular meeting of the Stewart Branch, Canadian Legion, it was decided to ask John S. Wilson of Prince Rupert to act as proxy for the Stewart Branch at the forthcoming Dominion convention of the Legion to be held at Winnipeg in May.

Canadian National Exposition Is Off

Great Toronto Fair Will Be Suspended For War—Buildings and Grounds Turned Over

TORONTO, April 20.—The Canadian National Exposition is to be suspended this year and for the duration of the war. Grounds and buildings are to be turned over for use entirely in war services.

Air Raids Worry Japan

JAP FLIERS CAPTURED IN PHILIPPINES



These two Japanese fliers were shot down and captured during an air raid on Manila during the early days of the war in the Philippines. This photo, released in Washington, is one of the first to reach the U. S. from the islands since the Japs struck their treacherous blow in the Pacific.

Britain Gets More Canucks

LONDON, April 20.—The bulk of new Canadian Army reinforcements, whose safe arrival in Britain was announced during the week-end, settled down today in holding unit quarters before joining regular units. The Trans-Atlantic jaunt was described as very quiet and "just another boat ride." It was entirely without incident. The troops are mostly reinforcements for the armored division but also for all other army branches included artillery, infantry, medical and service corps.

HOSTAGES ARE SHOT

VICHY, April 20. (C)—German occupation authorities at Rouen have ordered the execution of thirty French hostages for the bombing of a German troop train in which a large number of Nazi soldiers were killed, it was announced today. Eighty more hostages will be shot if those guilty of attacking the train are not turned over for punishment by April 23. In addition, one thousand "communists, Jews and sympathizers were ordered deported in eastern Europe. From now on German authorities have instructed that a number of French civilians will be soldiers on all troop trains to assure the safety of the latter.

TIME OUT FOR VOTE

Canadian National Employees To Be Allowed Two Hours On Plebiscite Day

MONTREAL, April 20.—In order to allow all employees of the Canadian National Railways on day shifts opportunity to record their votes on the occasion of the plebiscite, Monday, April 27, instructions have been issued by R. C. Vaughan, president of the National Railways system, for the closing of general offices and shops two hours in advance of the regular closing time on that date. This will require the closing of offices and shops at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. Vaughan's instructions also provide that other employees shall be allowed two hours for voting, excepting such employees as are actually engaged in the running of trains operating during that period. No deduction for the extra time allowed for voting will be made from the wages of the employees concerned.

Ottawa Fliers Winners Again

OTTAWA, April 20.—Ottawa Fliers won the second game of the Allan Cup hockey final series from Port Arthur Bear Cats by a score of 8 to 7 Saturday night.

BULLETINS

NEW AUSTRALIAN MINISTER AT CANBERRA — Prime Minister John Curtin announces the appointment of Sir Owen Dixon as Australian minister to the United States, succeeding Richard G. Casey who has become minister of state for the Middle East.

MORE PRISONERS ARRIVE AT AN EAST COAST CANADIAN PORT — Hundreds of more Nazi prisoners have arrived here for internment in Canada. They include members of submarine crews and also of merchant raiders as well as a few fliers. They had a rough trip. Some were found to have made tools during the voyage with the intention of attempting escape.

GERMANS ESCAPE TORONTO — Two German prisoners have escaped from an internment camp east of here. A few days ago two others escaped and one is still at large.

NORTH POLE AIR ROUTE WASHINGTON — A new direct air route from the United States to Russia by way of the North Pole is to be established.

MINISTER RESIGNS BUENOS AIRES — The French minister to Argentine resigned following the taking over of the government at Vichy by Pierre Laval. The Argentinian government has been asked to approve the appointment of a successor.

ANOTHER NORMANDIE FIRE NEW YORK — Fire broke out again Saturday evening in the wreck of the former French luxury liner Normandie in New York Harbor. The fire occurred in one of the after holds and was caused by a short circuit or acetylene cutting torch. It raged for several hours before being brought under control. Two fireboats were among the fire fighting equipment used. Damage was actually not great.

CURACAO SHELLED NEW YORK — A German submarine is reported to have shelled Curacao, American oil island in the West Indies, but was forced by shore guns to submerge and beat a retreat before it had done any damage.

Today's Baseball

SATURDAY'S SCORES American League Boston 5, New York 1. Chicago 0, Cleveland 1. Detroit 4, St. Louis 0. Washington 10, Philadelphia 6.

National League Philadelphia 2, Brooklyn 1. St. Louis 0, Pittsburgh 3. New York 8, Boston 5. Cincinnati at Chicago, postponed.

SUNDAY GAMES National League St. Louis 3, Pittsburgh 2. New York 5, Boston 2. Philadelphia 2, Brooklyn 6. Cincinnati 2, Chicago 1.

American League Boston 5, New York 2. Washington 1-5, Philadelphia 5-4. Detroit 1-1, St. Louis 2-0. Chicago at Cleveland, postponed.

Alex MacKenzie returned to the city on the Princess Adelaide Friday afternoon from a brief business trip to Vancouver. Comparing conditions here and in Vancouver, Mr. MacKenzie says that the people of Prince Rupert are in a fortunate position and have much to be thankful for. In certain ways there are quite a few inconveniences in Vancouver these days. The fuel situation is particularly acute.

United Nations Draw Up Counter-Offensive Plans Against Nippon

Battle of Burma Takes Somewhat More Favorable Turn For British and Chinese—All Out Attack Against Corregidor

With the Japanese still trying to figure out how they were bombed in their own island Saturday, the United Nations drew up plans today for an Australia-based offensive in the southwest Pacific and the struggle in Burma took on a more favorable but still indecisive turn for the British and Chinese and against the enemy. General Douglas MacArthur and his aides discussed offensive plans with Australia's Prime Minister, John Curtin, at Canberra as Japan showed jitters over the raids.

Two more air raid alarms were sounded yesterday in Japan but, evidently, with no real basis. By latest account the Japanese appeared fairly convinced that the raiders were United States medium bombers launched by aircraft carriers and landing on the mainland in Free China whence they flew on to Japan. Reuters said all the American machines returned safely. There are said to have been three United States aircraft carriers far off the coast. Further details of Saturday afternoon's air raids on Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagoya and Kobe were announced by Japanese headquarters in Tokyo today. One United States plane was forced down. Its crew was captured and is now undergoing examination at the hands of the Japanese authorities. The Tokyo radio is back on the air again after being off for several hours. A number of sport events in Tokyo have been cancelled for fear of air raids.

Meanwhile Chungking reported that Chinese troops, swooping down from the northeast, had recaptured the centre of Yenang-yang in the heart of the Burmese oil fields and, in two days of bitter fighting, released a British force of several thousand from Japanese encirclement. In a counter-offensive against Japanese positions in Burma, the Royal Air Force smashed at an air field at Bassan in the Irrawaddy Delta and machine-gunned motor launches in the Bassein River and small barges in Gwa Bay.

It is now disclosed for the first time that the Chinese are now operating alongside the British forces in the Irrawaddy River area. Up to today the British forces had been withdrawing in that section at the rate of five miles a day. The Japanese appeared today to be starting on an all out effort to batter the American fortress of Corregidor, at the entrance of Manila Bay, into helplessness. Heavy bombs and siege guns are being used. The FilAmerican defenders on Cebu and Panay islands are resisting strongly thousands of Japanese invading forces.

Forty Jap Planes Lost Allied airmen, racing through tropical rainstorms, are reported to have destroyed forty Japanese bombing and fighting planes on the ground in two raids on Rabaul, New Britain.

Last night the Royal Air Force continued the offensive with large forces and fighters and bombers crossing Dover Straits to occupied France to carry on the attack against enemy territory. The enemy gave but a feeble answer. A few German raiders came over the south and south-east coast. Some bombs were dropped on a southern town and three persons were killed and a few injured but damage was unimportant.

Saturday night the unfavorable weather had largely grounded the British planes but they were not without some action. FLOWERS IN Y.M.C.A. HUTS LONDON, April 20.— Fresh flowers on every table are being offered as a greeting to spring in many of the Y.M.C.A. huts serving the Canadian and other military forces in England. One centre has a system of having flowers all through the year.

No Deliveries Of Less Than Dollar

This Ruling Is Made by Wartime Prices and Trade Board

OTTAWA, April 20.—Delivery of parcels of less than \$1 is to be prohibited under a new ruling of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.