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Axis Is Having Invasion Jitters

DRIVING ON IN TUNISIA

Nazi Forces Being Chased by British and Americans on Three Fronts

Sardinia Raided

Largest Force of Flying Fortresses Ever Participated in Operation

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, April 1—The British Eighth Army has driven on through Gabes towards the United States forces in the El Guetar sector.

A town some nine miles beyond Gabes has been captured by the British, this being in the direction of Sfax, seventy miles distant, which may be Marshal Erwin Rommel's point of evacuation from North Africa.

Sfax is already under air and naval bombardment by the Allies. British naval units are also shelling the retreating Germans beyond Gabes.

Fiercer fighting has broken out in northern Tunisia where the British First Army is reported to be making good progress.

As British and American troops squeeze tighter the vise upon Axis divisions in Tunisia, it was disclosed today that the largest single force of United States flying fortresses ever massed blasted shipping and air fields of southern Sardinia to which Marshal Erwin Rommel looks for aid. Nearly 100 flying fortresses struck yesterday at the Sardinian port of Cagliari and its three airdromes, hitting five merchant ships and twenty-one smaller craft, also spreading fire across industrial targets and damaging or destroying seventy-one enemy aircraft on the ground or in the air. Every raider returned safely.

BANK OF "PEOPLE"

G. G. McGeer Expresses His Views in Parliament at Ottawa.

OTTAWA, April 1—G. G. McGeer, M. P. for Vancouver-Burrard, advocated in the House of Commons yesterday that the Bank of Canada should be a "peoples" and not "banker's bank."

Minister of Finance J. L. Isley made it clear that Mr. McGeer was expressing views on his own before and not for the government of Canada. The government was not in agreement with Mr. McGeer although it appreciated his refraining from criticizing the government during the war.

NEW TYPE OF GLASS

A new type of glass has been developed for use in airplane cabins to render airmen immune to dangerous ultra-violet rays.

Disarmament Of Axis Is Essential

OTTAWA, April 1—Speaking before a joint session of Senate and House of Commons today, Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden of Great Britain declared that total disarmament of Germany, Italy and Japan would be essential to permanent peace. The League of Nations had suffered, he said, through lack of authority and power of enforcement. The United Nations would have to maintain sufficient power to maintain authority after this war.

Canada Gets Meat Ration

OTTAWA, April 1 (C)—Hon. J. L. Isley, minister of finance, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that it will be necessary to introduce meat rationing "at an early date." Mr. Isley said that a meat ration of two pounds weekly is proposed for Canadians early in May. This restriction will be half a pound less meat per person than average per capita consumption in the past two years. Meatless days would be made effective in all public eating places. Methods of applying the rationing program to meat, which will thus join sugar, butter, tea and coffee in the list of rationed foods in Canada, are now being worked out by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. Mr. Isley, in announcing the meat rationing, said the reason was the program of exporting meat products as part of Canada's contribution to the war program of the United Nations. The minister also said that during the past nine months spasmodic distribution shortages of meat have occurred in several parts of Canada.

Lady Beveridge Now Heard From

LONDON, April 1 (C)—Lady Beveridge, wife of Sir William Beveridge, British economist, said in an interview on International Women's day that women must become more vote conscious and more political minded if they wished to play a bigger part in shaping the post-war world.

ISLAND LEADER

Henry White, One of Prominent Massett Fishing Boat Owners, Passes Away

Henry White, one of the leading men of the Queen Charlotte Islands village of Massett, passed away on Tuesday evening in the Queen Charlotte City Hospital after a week's illness, according to word reaching the city. Owner of the seineboat and packer Haida Girl, the late Mr. White was well known in Prince Rupert as well as elsewhere along the coast. He had long been one of the chief seiners for fishing concerns such as Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd., the Nootka Packing Co. and the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Co. The funeral is taking place at Massett today.

Henry White was sixty-five years of age and was born at Massett, living in the village all his life, the span of which saw many changes in the way of life. It was not long before his birth that Christianity had been brought to his people and deceased himself was active in the work of the Church of England. His community activities also included the presidency of the Massett Brass Band.

Besides his widow, who was the daughter of the late Charles Edenshaw, deceased is survived by four sons—Jeffery, Rufus, Willis and George White—and four daughters—Mrs. Cecil (Beatrice) Brown, Mrs. Oliver (Dorothy) Adams, Miss Lavinia White and Miss Pearl White. Another daughter—Mrs. Effie York—was drowned a few years ago.

INSTITUTE FOR CO-OP COMMENCES

Large and Enthusiastic Crowd at Opening Gathering

A good-sized and appreciative audience was present last evening for the opening of the three-day Co-operative Institute being sponsored in this city by the Department of Extension of the University of British Columbia. The other sessions of this institute are to be held in the Eagles' Hall tonight and tomorrow night.

Last night's meeting, an interesting and instructive session, was opened by introductory remarks by the chairman, Rev. C. D. Clarke, educational secretary of the Prince Rupert Fishermen's Co-operative Association. He welcomed the Institute on the behalf of his organization, particularly welcoming the two speakers for the evening, A. J. Wirick of the University and L. H. C. Phillips of the Co-operative Wholesale of British Columbia. Stressing the part the universities had played in the advancement of co-operative education throughout Canada, Mr. Clarke showed that this had been especially true among the fishermen of both coasts. In Prince Rupert, the fishermen had a practical example of the benefits to be derived from their own co-operative organizations and could improve their future still further by carrying this movement to all parts of their industry.

A. J. Wirick of the Extension Department explained very briefly the purpose of this Institute. For several years the Dominion Department of Fisheries has made a grant to the Extension Department to carry on co-operative educational work amongst the fishermen of Canada. In this work, the university at all times attempted to bring to the people what they themselves ask for.

The principal speaker for the evening was Mr. L. H. C. Phillips who dealt in some detail with the general philosophy behind the co-operative movement and followed this by a sketch of the co-operative movement in British Columbia—past, present and future. People everywhere these days freely admitted that something was wrong with the world and that a change would have to come. Few however, were prepared to do anything concrete about it. To Mr. Phillips there seemed in this attitude a very grave danger that, if people did not consciously plan for the future they might fall prey to some form of fascism after the war was over. Offering the co-operative movement as a planned economy for a future society, he first elaborated on how the system of capitalism had been built up. In this connection he gave an interesting analogy on the development of foreign trade and of joint stock companies in response to the need for capital to finance foreign trade. The accomplishments of capitalism were admitted but the fact that as a system it was based on profits rather than on service remained inescapable. Opposed to this, the co-operative movement offered a system that was based on production for service or use, rather than for profit. In a co-operative, all profits are distributed equitably, according to the amount of use a member made of his organization. Co-operation was democratic. Its principles ensure this. The main ones were: one member—one vote, limited interest on capital, open membership.

The speaker further went on to show that the co-operative movement was no small or young movement. It was almost a century since the first co-operative was organized in England. Today there were co-operatives from twenty-seven different countries represented on the International Co-operative Trading Alliance. In Canada, there were active co-operatives in

Rotterdam Is R.A.F. Target

Enemy Installations, at Nazi-Occupied Dutch Port Hit in Attack Last Night

LONDON, April 1—Rotterdam in Holland was bombed by the Royal Air Force last night, enemy installations there being hit.

NEW GUINEA AIR ATTACK

Japanese Base at Babo is Principal Target Since Yesterday

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, April 1—The principal Allied attack since yesterday was on Babo, Japanese base on Dutch New Guinea Island, 1190 miles from Port Moresby and 850 miles from Port Darwin. Much damage was done to installations there. Other points on Dutch New Guinea were also attacked.

Victoria In Puck Final

CALGARY, April 1—Victoria Army won 4 to 2 last night over Calgary to win the inter-provincial series. Now Victoria meets Winnipeg Royal Canadian Air Force here in the western Allan cup senior hockey finals.

all the provinces. British Columbia was actually behind the other provinces in co-operative development but was fast developing. He referred to the fact that the Prince Rupert co-operative is one of the largest and most successful co-operatives. For the year 1942 it led all other co-operative stores in the province in its business turn-over which amounted to \$500,000. Other large co-operative stores were operated in Surrey, Kelowna, Soledad, Armstrong and Revelstoke. Smaller ones were springing up all over the province.

Other Movements

In conclusion, Mr. Phillips pointed out that the co-operative movement freely admitted that there were other democratic movements equally qualified to bring about change in society and urged all co-operators to work with these to the fullest extent possible. He particularly mentioned trade unions, as a people's movement, and urged that the fullest co-operation should exist between all trade unions and co-operators. Trade unionists could go the whole way in bettering their conditions by owning and operating their own businesses as consumers. The co-operative movement was already organized. "It's bridgeheads were established." All it needed was reinforcements.

Discussion followed, as well as two motion pictures. One of these, entitled "Here is Tomorrow," depicted the growth and development of co-operatives in the United States. The second "Inside Fighting Russia" gave an interesting portrayal of present-day Russia.

In adjourning the meeting, Mr. Clarke urged all those present to come again on Thursday and Friday for the remaining sessions of this Institute. He announced that Mr. Phillips would speak on Co-operative Merchandising at the afternoon session on Thursday and in the evening there would be addresses by Mr. Wirick on Credit Unions and by J. Deane, manager of the local co-operative on Co-operative Marketing of Fish. Moving pictures would also be shown. On Friday evening, David Smeaton, manager of the Alberta Co-operative Wholesale, and also possibly, Mr. McCaig, president of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Wholesale, would be the speaker.

DRIVE IS NOW OVER

British Columbia Raised \$901,000 in Recent Red Cross Campaign

VANCOUVER, April 1—The Red Cross campaign came to an official close last night with British Columbia having raised \$901,000, well over the objective of \$800,000. Vancouver subscribed \$398,000, Victoria \$115,000 and New Westminster \$37,000. Further subscriptions are expected.

Giving To Red Cross

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| Lodge Valhalla No. 67 | \$ 25.00 |
| S.P. of A. | |
| Rayner Skeena Camp Bingo | |
| * Game | 65.10 |
| Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ford | 5.00 |
| D. B. McDougall | 5.00 |
| * Anonymous | 15.00 |
| * V. Feeney, Skeena B.C. | 5.00 |
| * Mr. P. P. Ferguson | 5.00 |
| * Terminal Club | 60.00 |
| * Mr. and Mrs. C. Wallace | 5.00 |
| * Mr. W. Stefluk | 5.00 |
| * E. Doolan | |
| Prince Rupert Chinese Association canvass | 344.50 |
| * Sunrise Co. Ltd. | 50.00 |
| * Tom Lee and Son | 20.00 |
| * Ling Tailor Co. | 15.00 |
| * Lew Shong Din | 10.00 |
| * Alex W. Mah | 10.00 |
| * Star Store | 10.00 |
| * Chinese Free Masons | 10.00 |
| * Wong Shen | 5.00 |
| * Tung Hoy | 5.00 |
| * West End Chop Suey | 5.00 |
| * Chee Kong Tong Koy Luk | 5.00 |
| * Wong Kow Low | 5.00 |
| * Happy Wong | 5.00 |
| * George M. Hay | 5.00 |
| * Lu Y. Fee | 5.00 |
| * Kwong Sang Hing | 5.00 |
| * King Tai | 5.00 |
| * Mah Lin | 5.00 |
| * Earl Mah | 5.00 |
| * Employees Tomlinson Const. Co., Kwinitsa | 175.30 |
| * Harold J. Hanna | 5.00 |
| * G. C. S. Johnston | 5.00 |
| * Alec Kozio | 5.00 |
| * W. Walsh | 5.00 |
| * W. McInnis | 5.00 |
| * E. McInnis | 5.00 |
| * W. Skowonski | 5.00 |
| * W. Grodzki | 5.00 |
| * William McNair | 5.00 |
| * M. Faryna | 5.00 |
| * Charles Reeve | 5.00 |
| * John Northcote | 5.00 |
| * Mr. and Mrs. Louis D. Barrett | 10.00 |
| * M. Zarenba | 10.00 |
| * J. A. Findlay | 10.00 |
| * R. J. Barr, Oceanic | 10.00 |
| * Miss Agnes Johnson Drayton, North Dakota | 5.00 |
| * C. C. Mills | 10.00 |
| * Anonymous | 5.00 |
| * Anonymous | 5.00 |
| * Hartley Bay Indian Village | 15.00 |
| * Osland, B.C. | 32.00 |
| * Barney Kristmanson, Osland, B.C. | 5.00 |
| * C. Olafson, Osland, B.C. | 5.00 |
| * Kris Einarson, Osland, B.C. | 5.00 |
| * National Union of Machinists, Local No. 1 | 50.00 |
| * Frank Dobb | 25.00 |
| * Brown and Harvey | 25.00 |
| * Dr. L. W. Kergin | 30.00 |
| * Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kristmanson, Osland, B.C. | 5.00 |
| * Walter Johnson, Osland, B.C. | 5.00 |
| * Associated Fish Packers' Union | 25.00 |
| * Dr. C. H. Hankinson | 50.00 |
| * N. Krook | 5.00 |
| * George Fritz | 5.00 |
| * Women of the Moose | 25.00 |
| * Sam L. Kinley, Alyanah | 7.50 |
| * Jens Larsen, Alice Arm | 5.00 |
| * Walter S. Cooper, Greenville | 15.00 |
| * Olof Anderson, Shirley, B.C. | 5.00 |
| * Alf Jacobson, Shirley, B.C. | 5.00 |
| * Sunday Concert Sponsored by Canadian Ukrainian Ass'n and Fed. of Russian Can. and assisted by Varden Singers | 74.25 |
| * Kristmanson, Osland | 5.00 |

Parachute Troops of Allies Said To Have Come Down in Norway

Base Established in Mountains and Attacks Already Made on Factories—Enemy Preparing to Meet Thrust in Balkans

LONDON, April 1 (CP)—Signs of increasing Axis invasion jitters from the Balkan frontier to the Scandinavian Peninsula were high-lighted today by a round-about report that Allied parachute troops have established a base in the Norwegian mountains and have sallied out in raids on Nazi-controlled factories. The Norwegian government in London, commenting on the report, declared that "Quisling and the Germans appear genuinely alarmed" but said it could not give any confirmation. The story came in Stockholm dispatches saying that the Allied parachute base was somewhere in the Hardanger-Vidda mountain and lakes area, an ideal district for an airdrome, and that it was equipped with a meteorological station.

Meanwhile from southeast Europe comes the report today that German, Italian and Bulgarian armies are being mobilized rapidly for defence against an Allied invasion thrust in the Balkans.

B.B.C. DOES WAR WORK

Sergeant Tony Ainsley Interesting Speaker at Meeting of Gyro Club Yesterday

"The B.B.C. is proving a powerful force on the front line. It is regarded like the Bible because it gives the truth. It is doing a big job. It is improving and will keep improving."

So said Sergeant Tony Ainsley, program director and chief announcer of the local radio station CFPR, in speaking before the Prince Rupert Gyro Club yesterday on the subject of "Broadcasting in Britain." Sergeant Ainsley is well qualified to speak on this subject for, after having been wounded on active service overseas in the early days of the present war, he became attached to the British Broadcasting Corporation as director of programs for North America. Now, while still in uniform, he is attached to C.B.C.

The speaker's talk was one of the most informative the Gyros have heard in some time. It was interspersed with many interesting and some humorous incidents. Outstanding was his description of the bombing of Broadcasting House in London during the blitz. Sergeant Ainsley himself was at work there when the Luftwaffe dropped a time bomb in dead centre of the building, the bomb lodging, indeed in his own office in which he did not happen to be at the time.

The nonchalance and coolness of Britons under the full impact of war was described graphically. He reiterated what has often been said of how coolly they take war in their stride and carry on unperturbed. The British Broadcasting Corporation had seen great development and expansion during the war. It had improved more in the last three years than in the preceding fifteen. Once it had been an isolated and lackadaisical service, aloof from Europe and the rest of the world, a strictly public service with no commercial implications, serving out programs which the people had to take whether they liked them or not. Today it was enterprising and vigorous, broadcasting truthful propaganda in thirty-seven languages sixty hours a day to all parts of the world. Its staff, enlarged five times, numbered people of all nations and from

NEW RUSS OFFENSIVE

Red Army Advances to North and South While Holding Enemy in Centre

MOSCOW, April 1 (CP)—New Russian offensives are developing in the Leningrad and Caucasus areas as the Red Army continues to hold the German drive along the central front. Russian troops have captured the important German defence point of Anastasevskaya in the western Caucasus in a renewed drive to eject the enemy from his last major foothold at Novorossisk, Moscow announces. Anastasevskaya is thirty miles from Novorossisk.

Basic Steel Wage Rates

OTTAWA, April 1 (C)—The National War Labor Board rules that the basic pay rate in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, and Sydney, Nova Scotia, steel plants be fixed at fifty cents and hour with a minimum cost of living bonus of nine cents an hour payable to all employees. Thus the minimum earnings of steel workers in the two cities will be four cents higher than the fifty-five cent basic rate established in settlement terms of the January steel strike.

HIGH NAVIGATION

Lake Titicaca, 12,000 feet above sea level in Bolivia, is the highest navigable body of water in the world.

all parts of the world. The country village which was now its headquarters had been rightly called "Tower of Babel" for there could be found people from far and near, some most colorful and unique.

Sergeant Ainsley described how, when Broadcasting House was virtually demolished by the explosion of the 500-lb. time bomb, broadcasting had continued without a lost second. The news announcers and the other programs kept right on as the bomb exploded. It was a great example of imperturbability but it was the imperturbability of the British.

President W. J. Scott was in the chair over the luncheon and there was a good attendance of members with a guest in the person of G. M. Hemsworth of Vancouver.

Next week the Gyro Club will receive a visit from the international secretary-treasurer, Ed. Kagy of Cleveland, Ohio. There will be an executive luncheon on Wednesday at which all members will be expected to attend and in the evening a dinner dance will be held with the members themselves doing the catering, W. F. Stone being in general charge.