

# EUROPE IS INVADED

## The Daily News

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Tonight's Dim-out

(Half an hour after sunset to half an hour before sunrise).  
10:43 p.m. to 4:49 a.m.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

### Local Temperature

Maximum 53  
Minimum 52

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT  
PROVINCIAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
130  
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

### Beginning of End For Hitler Seen in Sicily By President Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 10 (CP)—President Franklin D. Roosevelt considers the Allied invasion of Sicily as virtually "the beginning of the end of Adolf Hitler's Europe," the White House said today, following announcement of the War Department that Canadian, British and American forces had invaded Sicily.  
The President expressed his reaction to the invasion at a dinner last night for General Henri Giraud. He predicted confidently the liberation of France, referring to it in a manner suggesting the possibility that military operations designed to drive the enemy from French soil will develop eventually from Britain as well as Sicily.

### RAIDING OF RUHR

Gelsenkirchen Principal Target Of British Bombers Last Night  
LONDON, July 10 (CP)—The Royal Air Force made a heavy attack on the central Ruhr last night, it was announced today, and swarms of Allied fighters and bombers followed this up today with daylight assaults on European targets.  
Heavy bombers of the Canadian bomber group took part in the Ruhr attack last night and three of the ten missing aircraft were Canadian.  
The main target was identified as Gelsenkirchen.

### TWO DAYS MEATLESS

Restaurant Proprietors of Central Interior Fall in Line  
Restaurant operators at Terrace, Smithers, Burns Lake, Vanderhoof and Prince George have all adopted the Prince Rupert restaurant plan of meatless days on Tuesdays and Fridays, it is reported by Jack Scott, local meat rations officer, who returned to the city yesterday from a trip through the interior on official business.  
Mr. Scott conducted meat cutting demonstrations at the various places he visited and also interviewed slaughterers.

### Commercial Exam Results

The following students were successful in passing examinations for commercial diplomas at St. Joseph's Academy:  
Stenographic Course I—Jean Smith, Alice Barbe, Yvette Turcotte, Lillian Carlson, Nancy Owens, Myra Watson, Kathleen Stangeby, Joan Miller and Lorraine Gillis.  
Stenographic Course II—Cleo Bryant and Marion Bell.  
Bookkeeping—Mrs. Rose McRae, Elizabeth McGuinness and Merle Shovar.  
Medal for typing was awarded to Miss Nancy Owens.

### WAR SAVINGS ARE FALLING

Sales of War Savings Certificates in British Columbia and the Yukon during the month of May totalled \$409,032 from 859-868 applications as compared with results of \$449,080 from 67,812 individuals in April.  
May sales amounted to 7.44% of the \$5,500,208 Canadian total, as compared with 7.29% of \$6,160,148 in the previous month.  
Sales of War Savings Stamps in British Columbia in May totalled \$87,872.50, an increase of \$8,691.50 over April sales.  
Following are details of certificate sales in March, April and May in the Northern British Columbia area:

	March	April	May
Burns Lake	364	515	220
Fort St. James	128	80	72
Fraser Lake	172	268	100
Gitcombe	360	272	216
Hazelton	344	336	176
McBride	392	152	68
Pinchi	484	236	106
Premier	488	320	900
Prince George	1924	1556	1312
Prince George District	1136	628	236
Prince Rupert	7072	4340	3872
Prince Rupert District	968	884	328
Quesnel	944	432	312
Shelley	8	100	12
Sinclair Mills	148	136	120
Smithers	1748	600	660
Telegraph Creek	8	52	
Terrace	496	160	92
Vanderhoof	364	240	212
Wells	528	620	496
Williams Lake	844	780	176
Willow River	108	116	84

# Canadian, British, American Forces Land on Sicily, Great Combat Now Going On There

### DEATH OF OFFICIAL

E. P. Mallory, Executive of Canadian National Railways, Passes Away  
MONTREAL, July 10 — E. P. Mallory, executive assistant to the chairman and president, Canadian National Railways, died here last night following a brief illness after a heart attack.

Edwin Peters Mallory was born at St. Andrews, N.B., October 31, 1878. He began his railway career in 1896. He served in the Boer War and later railroaded in South Africa until 1908. On his return to Canada he joined the Canadian Northern Railway serving in the operating and construction departments.  
Following the amalgamation leading to the present Canadian National Railways, Mr. Mallory developed the system of operating control statistics which continues in effect, and in 1923 he was appointed director, bureau of statistics. In 1934 he was appointed assistant to the president, and became executive assistant to the president in 1936.  
Mr. Mallory served in important positions under three presidents, the late Sir Henry Thornton, S. J. Hungerford and R. C. Vaughan.

### Carrying Out Plan

ALGIERS, July 10 (CP) — A broadcast from Algiers radio at 6 p.m. (9 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time) today reiterated that everything is going according to plan in Sicily.

### THEFT IS BOLD ONE

Large Sum Taken From Office Of Knox Hotel on Thursday Evening  
Mystery surrounds the disappearance of a large sum of money, the exact amount not yet known but estimated to be as high as \$2,000, from a locked safe in the office of the Knox Hotel, First Avenue West, on Thursday night. Between 9:15 and 10 p.m. the money disappeared.  
The money belonged to Mrs. Martin LaBelle, proprietor of the hotel, who had been the last person to open the safe before the disappearance of the money. Mrs. LaBelle opened the safe at 9:15 and closed and locked it again before leaving the office.  
The money was taken from the safe in the 45 minutes between 9:15 and 10 o'clock. When Mrs. LaBelle returned to the office at that time she noticed the door of the safe slightly ajar. Investigation revealed the money gone. Violence had not figured in the entry into the safe, for it was undamaged. The lobby of the hotel was thought to have been vacant during Mrs. LaBelle's absence.  
Police were called in about 10:30 but no clue was discovered at the time. They are continuing their investigation.

### EVERYTHING GOING ACCORDING TO PLAN, SAYS LATEST ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING NEWLY STARTED ALLIED CAMPAIGN

### May Be Only Beginning Of Much Bigger Events

### POSSIBILITY OF ACTION IN BALKANS THIS WEEK-END HINTED — ALSO TALK OF CO-ORDINATED MOVE FROM BRITAIN TO FRANCE

Supported by naval and air power, Canadian, British and United States forces, under command of General Dwight Eisenhower, started landing in Sicily at 3 o'clock this morning and are now locked in fierce battle with the Axis defenders. The landing was preceded by heavy air attack. Naval forces landed the troops. First to go ashore were engineers to clear mines and defence positions. Infantry, breaking through barbed wire and pillboxes, followed. Parachutists were also said to have landed on Sicilian air fields but this is not confirmed. The landings were made on the southeast end of the island, according to early and unofficial reports.

For a week or more Sicily had been under intensive air assault which had resulted in many of her airfields being in ruins.  
An early announcement said that the operations on Sicily were proceeding according to plan and the Allied forces were already consolidating positions. The Morocco radio said the landings had been successful and beachheads were being consolidated.  
Allied headquarters in North Africa announced that Allied forces had stormed the rocky shores of Sicily today (Saturday) to open the second European front.

The landing forces had to overcome many obstacles including passing mine fields at sea, landing in barges under heavy artillery fire, penetrating barbed wire entanglements and passing through mine fields. An announcement today said that the landing forces were pushing inland towards the main Sicilian defences against still Axis resistance indicates that all these preliminary difficulties had been surmounted successfully.  
Heavy Axis reinforcements were reported today to be streaming across the narrow Messina Strait from southern Italy to combat the invasion. Axis forces already on Sicily were numbered at 300,000 with heavy equipment and defences.

A United States communique issued at Cairo today disclosed how American bombers, striking in waves yesterday, smashed "the nerve centre of Axis Sicilian defence forces" at Taormina. The bulletin declared that the target area in Taormina on the east coast of Sicily was reduced to rubble and left in smoke and flame.  
While Canadian troops were among the Allied landing force it was officially announced by the Department of Naval Affairs in Ottawa that no Canadian war vessels had taken part in connection with the landing operation. Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King at Ottawa described the landings in Sicily as a new phase of war. Canadians would feel a sense of pride that troops from this Dominion were in the forefront of the new assault. The Prime Minister warned that no easy victory or immediate successes should be expected but rather fierce fighting and a long struggle.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King, in his statement at Ottawa, said that armed forces of Canada are "in the forefront of the attack which has as its ultimate objective the unconditional surrender of Italy and Germany."  
"The soldiers of Canada have gone into battle exceptionally well trained, superbly equipped, keen and full of spirit, ready for offensive warfare," said the Prime Minister.

LONDON ANNOUNCEMENT  
The first London announcement that Canadian, British and American troops had invaded Sicily

### Climax In Russ War

MOSCOW, July 10 — Fierce fighting continues as the Nazis still strive vainly to accomplish a major breakthrough against the Russian lines. There is no confirmation of a German claim that a crossing of the Donets River has been accomplished and that the Nazis have advanced 36 miles toward Belgorod. There may be a climax in the fighting today. The latest Russian estimates place 40,000 with 2036 tanks destroyed and 904 aircraft downed.

### Gillis Couture Suffers Injury

Suffers Compound Fracture of Leg at Local Dry Dock

Gillis Couture, 62, a shipwright at the local dry dock and well known pioneer of the city, suffered a compound fracture of the right leg at 8:15 this morning when struck by a heavy timber which had been knocked over by a steel plate.  
First aid was given immediately by the yard First Aid attendant, after which Mr. Couture was taken to hospital by ambulance.  
His condition is reported to be favorable.

Lieut. Col. George A. Drew, leader of the Ontario Progressive Conservative party, in a speech in Cobourg recently, condemned the practice of allowing soldiers overseas only a proxy vote. They should, he declared, be allowed a personal vote like any other Canadian citizen.

today, striking with powerful air and seaborne forces in the first major land blow aimed at Hitler's Europe, referred to a bulletin from Italian headquarters which said that Allied parachutists had spearheaded the assault and that fighting was in progress along southern and eastern coasts nearest Italy. The first unofficial reports, according to Reuters News Agency, said that operations were going "according to plan."

Announcement of the invasion was the first word that Canadian troops had been moved from Britain to the African theatre. London headquarters described the Canadian troops as the greatest assault force Canada has ever assembled and hinted that the assault on Sicily might be accompanied at any moment by co-ordinated moves elsewhere along the Mediterranean front. These quarters said that the invasion now in progress should not be regarded as only a landing nor even as "the" landing planned by the Allies, thus implying that ever greater events may be in the offing.

Dispatches from Ankara said there was strong possibility of action in the Balkans this week-end with the Germans feverishly reinforcing defences there as well as in the key islands of the Aegean Sea.

### BOUND TO GO AHEAD

Nothing Can Hold This District Back, Says Telegraph Official

"Nothing can hold this north country from continuing to go ahead after the war is over," declares R. I. Bradley, commercial representative of Canadian National Telegraphs, who is a business visitor in the city. The war has brought this part of the country into its own and, no matter what happens now, it cannot be held back. The country has been so much in the limelight that great interest has developed in it and, due to the publicity and attention it is receiving, many will want to come here after the war from all parts of Canada and the United States with a view to participating in the peacetime development of its resources. Services such as telegraphs which have been extended to meet wartime traffic will also be useful in the post-war era.

Mr. Bradley has been in the city for the past couple of days and will be leaving by this evening train on his return to his headquarters in Winnipeg.

### PRODUCING WAR METAL

Consolidated and Bralorne Active in Omineca District Mercury Fields

While steady production of the key war material is being maintained by the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co. at its Pine Lake operation thirty-two miles east of Fort St. James, miners at present has a considerable number of men engaged in exploration work on mercury properties at Silver Creek and Discovery Creek some two hundred miles to the north of the Manson Creek country, according to word brought to this city, the prospects are very favorable.  
The Bralorne company, formerly prominent in gold production in the Cariboo district, is now bringing in machinery for mercury operation in the Manson Creek country.

### Halibut Sales

Summary  
American — 239,000 pounds, 10¢ and 16¢ (new ceiling)  
Canadian — None.  
American  
June, 46,000, 17½ and 16, range.  
July, 40,000, 17½ and 16, range.  
Aug. 3, 32,000, 17½ and 16, range.  
Sept., 35,000, 17½ and 16, range.  
Oct. III, 26,000, 17½ and 16, range.  
Nov., 60,000, 17½ and 16, range.

### NAVY HITS KISKA ID.

Another Bombardment of Japanese in Aleutians

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 10 (CP)—Bombardment of Japanese positions on Kiska Island in the Aleutians by United States Navy guns was reported today by the Department of the Navy. Shells from big guns whistled into the Gertrude Cove area of the southeastern coast of the Aleutian Island during the early morning hours of Friday. Enemy shore batteries returned the fire caused no damage, the Navy said.  
It was the second such bombardment in three days.

### AIR TRAVEL INCREASES

TransCanada Passenger Traffic Is Up 80 Percent

MONCTON, N.B., July 10—Trans-Canada Air Lines carried 80 percent more passengers in the Maritimes the first five months of this year than in the corresponding period last year, stated W. J. Dalby, traffic manager, in Moncton on his way back to Winnipeg after a business trip to the East.

Discussing the matter of reservations, he said that emergency travellers frequently found it necessary to change their plans at the last minute which meant that seat space was available to regular travellers up to the maximum time limit before a trip took off. He urged those holding seat space who found they were unable to make the flight to release their reservation at the earliest possible moment to enable TransCanada to sell the space to other travellers.

Seventy percent of the traffic department was women, Mr. Dalby remarked, and they were doing a splendid job in handling passenger traffic. It had been found that they could be trained in a very short time to take on this responsible work.

### Business At Rotary Meet

The interest of the members of the Rotary Club was turned to business matters at the luncheon held in the Commodore Cafe on Thursday.  
The report of Treasurer Alex McRae was read and discussed and the subject of their future activities for the year considered.  
A telegram was reported sent to T. D. Pattullo M.L.A. requesting him to be guest speaker at the next luncheon meeting but, to that time, no reply had been received.