

Naples Is Captured By Fifth Army

Next Objective Is To Free Rome, Vatican and Pope, Roosevelt States

Advance on Historic Capital City Will Continue But Efforts Will Be Made to Prevent Its Destruction

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Oct. 1 (CP) — Anglo-American Fifth Army today captured Naples, Italy's third greatest city, and threw the Nazis back on the defences of Rome, 120 air miles north. A special communique from Allied headquarters indicated that the Germans were engaged in a full scale withdrawal from Naples region under slashing attack by Allied warplanes.

Bulletins

PRIORITIES ON COAL
OTTAWA—The Department of Munitions and Supply announced Thursday night that, to assure the most equitable distribution of available coal supplies, dealers must now give to consumers who have less than one-quarter of their annual fuel requirements on hand priority on deliveries up to that one-quarter. The regulations apply only to consumers who use less than fifty tons of coal yearly.

CORVETTE IS SUNK
LONDON—The Admiralty announced the loss of the corvette H.M.S. Polyanthus. The sinking occurred in the Atlantic, it is believed.

FISHING IS SUPERFINE

Local Anglers Have Great Sport With Rainbow at Babine—Also Bag Moose

Evidently there never was trout fishing just as fine as that which was enjoyed by a party consisting of Dr. R. G. Large, Flight Lieutenant (Dr.) Alfred Large and W. J. Scott which returned home last night from Babine Lake. This morning they were proudly exhibiting great rainbows running as high as four-and-a-half pounds in weight caught at Fifteen-Mile Creek where the pools were abounding with just such fish. The trout were caught with Silver Doctor flies and the sport in landing them was unsurpassed.

The party also met up with a bull moose and, after the smoke of a fusillade had cleared, the animal lay dead in the swamp, supposedly having had a broken blood vessel.

Want to Obviate Coal Mine Tie-up

VANCOUVER, Oct. 1 — The Vancouver Labor Council is asking all local unions of the Canadian Congress of Labor and American Federation of Labor to meet in Vancouver October 10 to discuss plans to obviate the coal miners' strike called for October 15 in demand for a \$2 per day increase in wages.

Baseball Scores

National League
Brooklyn 3, Cincinnati 2.
Boston 4, Chicago 5.
New York 0, St. Louis 1.
American League
Chicago 8, New York 3.
Detroit 6, Philadelphia 0.
St. Louis at Boston and Cleveland at Washington postponed.

Earlier Allied troops, sweeping wide around Mount Vesuvius, captured the key road hub of Avellino, 30 miles due east of Naples, and seized Torreannunziata, nine miles south of Naples. A German broadcast today attempted to alibi Nazi burning and pillaging of Naples as a work of "communist looters" but refugee-searching Allied lines had told eye-witness stories of Naples transformed into a scene of horror by Nazi dynamite crews and machine gun squads which ruthlessly shot down women and children.

Meanwhile it was reported at Washington that the Allies will recognize the government of Marshal Badoglio and King Victor Emmanuel and launch a campaign to rally the Italian people against the Nazi-fostered Fascist republic of Benito Mussolini.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt said today that the objective of Allied forces in Italy is to free Rome, the Vatican and the Pope while avoiding all possible destruction.

The President, reporting the fall of Naples, said the advance toward Rome will continue and every effort is being made by the Allies to prevent damage to Rome and the Vatican. They are doing everything possible to prevent active fighting leading to destruction in Rome, the President said.

Income Was Much Lower

Receipts at the customs port of Prince Rupert in September, totalling \$39,642.90, were the lowest of any month so far this year.

September receipts constitute an offset from the year's high of \$107,308.64 set in August.

Total customs receipts so far this year are \$561,664.10. Last year's September receipts were \$60,016.90, and the total for the first nine months was \$418,586.41.

LOCAL
DRY DOCK SHIP YARD REQUIRES MEN

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FILM TRIBUTE TO UNIFORMED GIRLS



Girls like these three are part of the huge cast of service women at training centres, operational stations and headquarters who took part in "Proudly She Marches", latest National Film Board picture in the Canada Carries On Series. Left to right, Wren Mary Joan MacDonald, Vancouver, B.C.; Corporal Dorsey McCoy, C.W.A.C., Kingston, Ontario, and Airwoman Jeanne Atkinson, Toronto, Ont.

GENERALS CHANGED

Potts Going From East Coast to Toronto and Ganong From Here to Atlantic.

OTTAWA, Oct. 1—Important changes in high Canadian Army commands are announced. Major General Arthur Potts, general officer commanding, Sixth Division, assumes command of Military District No. 2 with headquarters in Toronto. Major General Hardy Nelson Ganong, commanding officer of the Eighth Division in British Columbia, takes over the reorganized Sixth Division on the Atlantic coast.

Bought Liquor From Soldier

"I don't know why you fellows always use that soldier racket," complained Magistrate Vance this morning when James Ryan, a native, after pleading guilty to a drunk charge said that he had bought liquor from a soldier. "Surely soldiers cannot have as much liquor as you fellows claim you buy from them."

As is usual in such cases, the accused did not know the name of the soldier who sold him the stuff. He paid \$18 for a 26 ounce bottle of rye whiskey.

He was fined \$30 with an option of spending 14 days in jail. Ellis Ladds, whom police picked up Wednesday night asleep on the street, was fined \$25 or seven days on a charge of drunkenness.

Aldo Peirolo, a young man, was fined \$50 or one month in jail for giving liquor to David West, a native, and West was fined \$25 or seven days for being publicly drunk.

FIREPROOF LIFEBOATS

LONDON, Oct. 1—Experiments designed to produce fire-resisting wooden lifeboats for merchant ships are being conducted by Britain's shipping authorities.

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Out of seventeen calls received by the Fire Department during the first nine months of the year is 99. Last year at the same date 88 calls were answered. Eight calls were answered in September last year.

Local Tides
Saturday, October 2

High	2:45	20.1 feet
	14:49	21.1 feet
Low	8:51	5.2 feet
	21:19	3.9 feet

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Canadian Destroyer Is Lost

Only One Survivor as Canadian Navy Loses Its Thirteenth Vessel

Prime Minister's Nephew and Namesake is One of 146 Men Who Lost Lives—New and More Deadly Torpedo is Being Used

OTTAWA, Oct. 1 (CP)—Loss of the Canadian destroyer St. Croix with 146 men was announced Friday by Minister of the Navy Angus Macdonald. She was torpedoed September 22 while on convoy duty in the Atlantic and only one of her complement, Stoker W. A. Fisher of Black Diamond, Alberta, escaped.

The St. Croix was one of seven United States destroyers turned over to the Canadian Navy after the fifty-destroyer exchange for naval bases between Great Britain and the United States. It is the thirteenth Canadian naval vessel lost in this war.

The St. Croix was under command of Lieutenant Commander Andrew H. Dobson, aged 42, of Halifax.

The toll of 146 missing was the Navy's largest single loss in men.

Among those missing was Lieut. William Lyon Mackenzie King, nephew and namesake of Prime Minister King.

Fifteen British Columbia men were among the missing but none were from the Prince Rupert area. The Navy gave no details of the engagement in which the St. Croix was lost but it was proof of Prime Minister Churchill's recent warning that German submarines are back in the Atlantic preying on transoceanic convoys. The vessel is said to have been virtually blown to pieces while endeavouring rescue floating survivors from merchant ships.

Might Have Been Serious

Lack of Evidence Stopped Further Prosecution in Police Court Case

John Matheson appeared in city police court yesterday morning on a charge of public drunkenness, and was fined \$50 or one month by Magistrate Vance.

An allegation of a serious nature concerning Matheson was brought to the attention of the magistrate which, owing to lack of corroboration, could not be entered as a charge. However, the magistrate warned Matheson that he was lucky no corroboration was available, otherwise a charge which might carry a penalty of as high as ten years imprisonment would surely have been laid against him.

City police arrested Matheson late Wednesday afternoon after they had received a complaint of his conduct in a cafe on Second Avenue.

Salvation Army Fund

Already acknowledged	\$2538.65
G. P. Tinker Co. Ltd.	\$10.00
H. G. Helgeson Ltd	\$15.00
Ald N. E. Arnold	\$10.00
Total to date:	\$2573.65

Hazelton Route to Alaska Again Brought to Fore

Plan of Burns Lake Man Endorsed "Mystery" As to Why Project Has Been Side-Track

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The Smithers District Chamber of Commerce endorsed the report as follows:

"It is a mystery of the people of Northern British Columbia, the people in the Panhandle of Alaska as well as to the people of Alaska as to why, in all reports that have been submitted, this route has been more or less set aside, when it is a well known fact that there is less snowfall, less rock work, less swamp land and fewer engineering problems along its length than along any other projected route.

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"The present Alaska Highway in itself does not affect or help the Interior of Northern British Columbia but the eight hundred miles of highway from Vancouver to Hazelton directly affects all residents along the way. With the highway from Hazelton to Prince Rupert, which will be completed within the year, combined with a highway from Hazelton to Alaska, a great and very real need of the province will be fulfilled. Incidentally the people living between Prince George and Prince Rupert and who comprise the bulk of the people living in Northern Central British Columbia will be encouraged to remain and will have a real incentive toward the future development.

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"The Hazelton route would be of immense tactical advantage both to the United States and Canada. With its possibilities no other projected or proposed route can stand comparison. The grades are easy throughout, there is practically no rock work nor are there any engineering problems of moment and the ground is firm and suitable for rail or highway.

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TAX SALE IS HELD

With twenty-four pieces of property up for auction, the annual city tax sale took place yesterday in the city hall. Seven of the twenty-four properties for sale were bought by individuals and the rest were bought by the city as is required by law.

Following is a list of the properties bought and the names of the purchasers:

- Lots 11 and 12, blk 2, section 1, Martin C. LaBelle.
- Lots 12, blk 43, section 5, T. W. Brown.
- Lot 3, blk 43, section 5, Louis Ross.
- Lots 44 and 45, blk 1 section 2, Nora E. Arnold.
- Lot 2, blk 24, section 7, Nora Mostad.

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Go Slavs Be Active

Communications Centre (Gorezia is Destroyed by Artillery Fire)

OTTAWA, Oct. 1—A dispatch of German war correspondents, relayed through the press, said Friday that the eastern Italian communists centre of Gorezia had been virtually destroyed by a prolonged fire by Yugoslav partisans. The centre of Slav irregulars, supported by Italians, attacked on September 22 but the arrival of reinforcements enabled the German troops to withstand the assault after days of heavy fighting.

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OTTAWA, Oct. 1—Chancellor Hitler is reported to have made a special trip from Berlin to the eastern front, ordering his generals to hold the Dnieper at any cost.

RAILWAYMEN'S GOOD WORK

Walton Regrets Being Unable to Attend Employees' Meeting

OTTAWA, Oct. 1—N. B. Walton, executive vice president, Canadian National Railways, addressed a special message to the members of the System Co-operative Movement, a motive force in the equipment section of the railway, at their seventeenth annual meeting here.

Mr. Walton's constituents attend these meetings at the moment he is absent from Montreal, accompanying the president on an inspection of the eastern lines and properties. Expressing regret for his inability to attend the meetings, Mr. Walton said: "I trust an interesting and instructive discussion will be had and I should like to express to those present my appreciation of the excellent work that has been made by the railwaymen throughout the year. It is to be hoped that, without this good work on their part, it would not have been possible to meet our wartime requirements."

As an example of conditions brought about by war, A. H. Williams, general supervisor of apprentice training, reported that while 332 apprentices were sent into the National System during 1943, 338 youths in training left the railway employ to become members of the armed forces. Another result of war conditions is that apprentices now received at the early age of 16 years. During the war period 1,246 apprentices joined and 23 have paid the supreme sacrifice.