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Axis Are In Full Flight In Africa

NAPLES IS HIT AGAIN

Messina is Also Blasted by Heavy Allied Bombers

CAIRO, April 9 (CP)—A communique yesterday disclosed that ed Italian port of Naples and the Allied bombers blasted the batter- Sicillian ferry terminus at Messina on Tuesday night.

SWEEPING TUNISIA

British and American Armies Are Driving Axis Forces Into Retreat

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS in NORTH AFRICA, April 9 (CP)—The British and American armies in Tunisia continue their drive against the retreating Axis forces.

The British First Army gained four or five miles by surprise attack in the Medjez-el-Bab bulge area and is still pushing on following the uniting of the Second United States Army Corps and the British Eighth Army in the relentless purusit of the enemy in the south, it was announced yesterday.

The British Rirst Army's advance in the northern sector carried its vanguards to within less than twenty-seven air miles of Tunis, Nazi-held capital of the French protectorate.

Camera Theft Case Is Heard

Port Edward Man is Given Six Months Suspended Sentence

August M. Vanderberghe pleaded guilty in city police court yesterday before Stipendiary Magistrate W. D. Vance to theft of a camera from the Dufferin Paving Co. at Shames where he was employed. He was given a suspended sentence of six months with $15.70 court costs, and the camera was returned to its owner. Vanderberghe is now employed at Port Edward. W. O. Fulton defended the case.

HONORED BY ROTARIANS

Service Club Pays Tribute To Memory of Senior Member, John Dybhavn.

Tribute to the memory of the ranking senior member, John Dybhavn, on the occasion of his death was paid by the Prince Rupert Rotary Club at yesterday's luncheon. After hearing an impressive eulogy by Col. J. W. Nicholls, the club passed a resolution of condolence to the widow and family and then adjourned without further proceedings so that the members might attend the funeral.

Col. Nicholls declared that, from the standpoint of business integrity the late Mr. Dybhavn was one of the finest men he had ever met. He was active in all institutions and organizations having as their principles the advancement of community and business life on ethical lines. His passing was a serious loss to the community in general and in particular to the Rotary Club the highest ideals of which he had so well personified and in which he had been a valuable and hard-working member.

FROM STEREOTYPE

The word cliche, meaning a hackneyed form of expression, is derived from the moulds used in stereotyp printing.

HUGE BOMBERS DOWN 80 NAZI PLANES NEAR TUNIS

A pall of oily, black smoke, CENTRE, marksthe "bag" of U.S. army air force, bomber wing, wing, which just raided installations and fuel dumps at the Axis airport at El Auina, near Tunis. The huge bombers which carried out the raid have re-formed into formation and are winging their way home. In addition, reconnaissance revealed, at least 80 Nazi planes caught napping were destroyed.

SERVING OF PRISONERS

Summary Tells of Valuable Work Red Cross is Doing

The latest information regarding the food parcel acknowledgement cards received from British prisoners of war in Europe states that 18,377 parcels have been received between February 5 and March 10, 1943. Each of these cards was placed in a food parcel packed by our Society in Canada and returned by the prisoner who received the parcel.

All letters for prisoners in the Far East should be very brief and either typed or printed in block letters. Information as to the manner of addressing these letters may be obtained at all Post Offices.

The government also announces that more than 200,000 letters, some of them from Canada, have recently been distributed to nationals of the United Nations interned in Japanese and Japanese occupied territories and that a further 150,000 letters are now being sorted in Japan and are to be delivered to the prisoners shortly.

One thousand capture parcels are being prepared in Canada to be shipped to our overseas office for use in emergency. Twenty-four capture parcels were sent to Canadian prisoners from the London office during January 1943.

The Japanese government has announced that there is now postal communication with Thailand, Malaya, the Philippines, Java and Borneo, but that the only communication with the East Indies is by cable from Tokyo in the Japanese language. Unofficial press dispatches have announced that a very large number of letters have been dispatched from prisoners of war in Japanese hands and are expected to arrive in Great Britain shortly. This report is being investigated and an announcement will probably be forthcoming soon.

The inquiry bureau has recently been concentrating its efforts on seeing that a personal quarterly parcel is sent to every Canadian prisoner by his next-of-kin or his acting next-of-kin. It has been found that there are some prisoners whose next-of-kin have never received or applied for the necessary labels and that some next-of-kin, who have received labels have not sent forward their parcels. This is often due to confusion but it is possible that it may be due to lack of knowledge thus the local Red Cross can offer the necessary help.

SPIT-AND-POLISH BACK

LONDON, April 9 (CP)—Spit-and-polish is coming back to the British Army. The War Office has cancelled previous instructions which cut out button-shining, boot-polishing and the blancoing of equipment as "smart appearance is important to a man's mind."

Bulletins

JAPAN HAS JITTERS

NEW YORK—Japan has had a fresh attack of bomb jitters as the Tokyo radio for the second time in twenty-four hours warned the Japanese people that a new American bombing assault might come at any time "either from China continent, the Aleutians or from aircraft carriers."

EDEN WELL SATISFIED

LONDON—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, discussing recent conferences in Washington, told the House of Commons today that he had invited Secretary of State Cordell Hull to visit London and said he was satisfied that there is complete agreement between Great Britain and the United States on future policy toward France. Cheers greeted Captain Eden's statement that in his visit to Ottawa he had found "Canada's war effort truly amazing."

RUHR RAIDED AGAIN

LONDON—The Royal Air Force again raided industrial objectives of the Reich in the Ruhr valley with bombing attacks last night. Twenty-one bombers, four Canadian, are missing.

BATTLE OF RUSSIA

MOSCOW—Both sides are bringing up heavy reinforcements in the Russo-German war and there are indications that the Nazis may undertake a large scale spring offensive. Meanwhile land fighting operations continue light on account of the spring thaw. All German attacks have been thrust back and the Red Army has made some further local gains.

NAZI ENVOYS CHANGED

BERLIN—German diplomatic representatives to Spain and the Vatican are to be changed, according to reports. A shake-up may extend right into the foreign office.

Alberta Town Having Flood

Three or Four Blocks of Red Deer are Covered and No Subsiding Yet

RED DEER, Alberta, April 9 — This town is still threatened by floods. Three or four city blocks are covered with flood waters which have not yet started to recede.

WINNIPEG IN FINAL

Rangers Win Western Junior Hockey Championship From Saskatchewan

SASKATOON, April 9 (CP)—Winnipeg Rangers won the western junior hockey championship by defeating Saskatoon three to two.

Winnipeg will now meet Oshawa Generals or Montreal Canadiens in the Dominion finals.

Sentence Withheld, Must Pay Damages

Assault Case Involving Ship's Officer and Vancouver Fireman Concluded

James Victor O'Connor, Vancouver fireman, pleaded guilty in police court yesterday before Stipendiary Magistrate W. D. Vance, to assault causing grievous bodily harm to Percival Hughes-Hallett, assistant purser of the steamer Prince George. He was given a suspended sentence of six months with an undertaking that he would pay considerable damages. W. O. Fulton defended the case and T. W. Brown prosecuted.

OIL PRODUCTION FISH

According to Dr. Cecil von Bonde, South African director of fisheries, South African fishing banks contain greater quantities of oil producing fish than do the banks of Newfoundland.

SUNNY (?) LONDON

LONDON, April 9 (CP) —February was the suuniest month in London for nearly 41 years. The capital had 78 hours of sunshine, one more than the previous high figure.

MUST PAY SOME TAX

Complete 1942 Forgiveness Urged by Hon. R. B. Hanson—Not Practicable, Says Ilsley

OTTAWA, April 9 — Hon.R .B. Hanson, Conservative Progressive member for York-Sudbury, New Brunswick, and former Leader of the Opposition urged in Parliament yesterday the complete forgiveness of all unpaid 1942 income taxes instead of the fifty percent forgiveness.

Hon. J. L. Ilsley, minister of finance, said that, to do so. would throw out all the estimates.

COMMUNITY GARDENING

New Plan Suggested at Horticultural Society Meeting

A. O. Olsen, "the friendly gardener" spoke at some length at a general meeting of the Prince Rupert Horticultural Society last night and proposed that a system of community gardening was an important part of the war effort. Such an effort here was quite possible and should interest several hundred residents. Mr. Olsen stated that the military would be glad to co-operate as much as possible and he advocated organization at an early date. Possible sites were discussed along with various other considerations.

H. T. Lock, the chairman, was of the opinion that for this year individual effort should be encouraged owing to lack of time to organize any group method.

It was suggested that Mr.Olsen's radio talks and other articles dealing with gardening and the propdsed community effort should be publicized as much as possible. Mrs. J. B. Gibson moved and Mrs. C. J. Norrington seconded a motion that the newspapers be approached with a view to having this done.

Mrs. R. L. McIntosh moved and S. A. Cheeseman seconded a motion that the president and Mr. Olsen should arrange for another meeting when they considered sufficient interest had been aroused to assure a larger turnout.

Mr. Cheeseman mentioned the subject of gardening as it might apply to school children. Some effort to encourage children's gardens is anticipated. Mr. Olsen mentioned the co-operative system of Norway which took into consideration this subject.

Present at the meeting were, H. T. Lock, chairman, Mrs. Gillett, Mrs. Dean Gibson, Mrs. R. L. McIntosh, Mrs. Norrington, Mrs. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Lynam, Mr. S. A. Cheeseman, S. Massey, P. C. Miller, Mr. Olsen and Secretary C. G. Ham. The meeting was held at the Court House A. R. P. shelter.

VICTORIA GOES UP

Defeats Winnipeg Royal Canadian Air Force Two Games to One

WINNIPEG, April 8 (CP)—Victoria Army defeated Winnipeg Royal Canadian Air Force four to three to lead the western senior hockey finals in the Allan Cup play-offs two games to one.

OLD SAN MARINO

Situated in the Apennines in the heart of Italy, San Marino, with area 38 square miles and population of 34,545, claims to be the oldest state in Europe. It was founded in the fourth century.

PUEBLO CLIFF-DWELLERS

Cliff-dwellers, formerly believed to be a vanished race on the American continent, are now recognized as early Pueblo Indians.

Many Prisoners Being Taken as Beaten Men Of Rommel Fall Back

Line of Retreat is From Abandoned Mahares to Sea at Sfax—Enemy Being Given Merciless Aerial Pounding

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, April 9 (CP)—Axis forces are abandoning Mahares, only 22 miles south of the vital harbor of Sfax, and railway town of Mezzouna in continuing withdrawal under Allied blows on a broad front between the central Tunisian mountains and the sea, it was disclosed today. Armored vanguards of the British Eighthy Army are pursuing Marshal Erwin Rommel's beaten men who are fleeing north from Mahares and northeast from Mezzouna, 52 miles from Sfax, under hammering of the Allied air force.

A communique announced that the Eighth Army had taken 9,500 prisoners since the initial attack on Wadeil Akarit positions Tuesday and military quarters said that 1,300 more were captured by Americans in a mop-up of the El Guetar sector.

PRICES AND WAGES PEG

Drastic Action Against Inflation Taken by United States President

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 9 (CP) — President Franklin D. Roosevelt virtually froze all prices and drastically tightened the barriers against wage increases in a sweeping order against inflation in the United States.

To back up wage controls President Roosevelt authorized the manpower commissioner, Paul McNutt, to forbid anyone to take a new job at higher pay unless the change would aid the war program. The War Labor Board has been given a general order to refuse all further wage or salary increases.

President Roosevelt asked Congress to enact tax and savings legislation to hold in check purchasing power.

A ceiling has been ordered placed on the prices of all commodities affecting the cost of living.

LABOR TO BE PROBED

Inquiry Into Wages and Relations To be Held in Canada, it Is Announced

OTTAWA, April 8 (CP)—Plans for an immediate public inquiry into "matters affecting labor relations and wage conditions in Canada" were announced yesterday by the National War Labor Board. The aim of the inquiry will be to formulate a report "with constructive recommendations for co-ordinated program on labor relations and wage matters."

"The situation prevailing in Canada today in respect to labor matters generally and having particular regard to the existing war emergency makes it appear necessary and advisable that an inquiry of this kind should be instituted at once," said the Board.

Preliminary public sessions will be held in Ottawa April 15 and 16 to make a general canvass of methods and program for the insuiry.

WAR ECLIPSES TRAMPS

LONDON, April 9 (CP)—Britain's tramp population has virtually vanished since the war began. For the first time in Poor Law history the number of transients has fallen below the 1,000 mark.

CONTEST ON LOAN

Trophy Being Put up for Community Having Best Idea To Stir Up Local Interest

OTTAWA, April 9—The National War Finance Committee announces that presentation of a trophy will be made to the community which evolves and executes the best idea stirring up and reflecting local interset in the forthcoming campaign in support of the Fourth Victory Loan.

The competition will be open to all communities from villages to the largest cities and the nature of the contest is such that all communities will have an equal chance to win.

Separate awards will also be made to in groups classified by population.

Detroit Wins Stanley Cup

BOSTON, April 8 (CP)—Detroit Red Wings won the Stanley Cup by defeating Boston Bruins two to nothing last night, winning the final series with four straight victories.

New Enlistments In Prince Rupert

Two More Join Up for Veterans' Home Guard and One for Active Army

William John Peterson and William Jones, both of Winnipeg, left here on this morning's train for Vancouver to enlist in the Veterans' Home Guard. Peterson is forty-nine years of age and a machine shop keeper. Jones is forty-three years old and a miner. Last night Clifford Stirling Silliker, 19-year old laborer from Port Arthur, left for Vancouver to enlist in the Canadian active army.

CANUCK FORESTER'S DEED

ABERDEEN, April 9 (CP) — Pte. Gerald St. Jean of Fort Cologne, Que., 21-year old member of the Canadian Forestry Corps, jumped fully clothed into the River Don here and saved a two-year-old girl from drowning.

Back To Land Order Issued

VANCOUVER, April 9—Farmers who have been working on British Columbia war industries are being ordered to return to their farm jobs. The movement will be gradual so as not to disrupt the industrial work unduly.