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# Eire Is Now Being Cut Off

## Travel Between Britain and Ireland Is Being Suspended; Important Military Reasons

**Allegation of Use as Espionage Base Leads to Drastic Action Being Taken.**

LONDON, March 13 (CP) — Travel between Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Eire was suspended at midnight Sunday for military reasons "of paramount importance" and it was widely reported in London that this restriction was only the first step decided upon by Great Britain and the United States in a move to completely isolate Eire, which United States charges has been a base for espionage activities. An order prohibiting all but the most vital travel to and from Ireland followed closely opon the refusal of Premier Eamonn de Valera of Eire to oust Axis diplomatic representatives from Eire.

The order will impose a hard economic blow at Ireland which has been profiting from wartime tourist travel. Many Irish people serving in the forces or working in British industries will be unable to visit their homes for the duration of the war.

The border, 300 miles long, between Northern Ireland and Eire may later be closed.

Gas, coal and wheat going to Eire may be given a low priority rating.

## WAR NEWS

### RUSSIANS AT BUG RIVER

Red Army has now reached the Bug River in its overwhelming sweep westward against the Nazis. Twenty enemy divisions are in full retreat and have lost 100,000 men in the last month. In the south the Soviet forces are but 25 miles from Rumanian border.

### BATTLE OF ITALY

Railway yards at Padus and Florence were heavily attacked over week-end by Allied planes based in Italy. Fort installations at Genoa were bombed and the Nazi naval base at Toulon, Mediterranean port. Thirty-six German planes were shot down in fighting over Italy and 14 Allied machines were lost. Land fighting in Italy continues quiet.

### HAMBURG MOSQUITO TARGET

United States and American bombers and fighters continued their attacks on objectives in Western Germany and France Saturday night. Hamburg was the principal objective of British mosquitoes Saturday night.

### POPE APPEALS FOR PEACE

Pope has made an appeal to belligerent nations Sunday to turn their thoughts of peace. He asked that Rome be not a battleground.

### RIGA BEING EVACUATED

According to reports reaching Stockholm, the Nazis have ordered the evacuation of all civilians from Riga, Latvia, as quickly as possible.

### MONTGOMERY OPTIMISTIC

General Bernard Montgomery declares that the enemy has been firmly stopped and that the Allies have a firm hold on the situation although the struggle will probably extend into the year.

FIRE HAS BLAZE—

## DAMAGES OFFICERS' MESS

**Old Building on Second Use as Officers' Mess Fired by Fire Saturday**

Prince Rupert's oldest building was saved from destruction Saturday afternoon when the fire department put out a smouldering blaze in the Rod and Gun Club building on Cow St., now used as a Officers' mess.

The blaze, which broke out about 1 o'clock, started from the action of a recently installed fireplace, and spread upward to the attic. Billows of smoke filled the building.

Using spray nozzles, fire-Chief H. T. Lock entered the upper floor of the building and attacking the blaze where it was mushrooming on the underside of the roof, succeeded in preventing it from breaking through. The firemen extinguished the source.

The interior of the building which is owned by the Department of Defence. It is covered by insurance.

SHIPYARD CONFERENCE—

## Post-War Proposals Endorsed

**Overhauling of Shipbuilding, Steel and Aircraft Industries Advocated**

VANCOUVER, March 13 (CP)—A post-war reconstruction and rehabilitation conference on Sunday approved a brief submitted by the Shipyard and General Workers' Federation stressing the necessity of maintaining the shipbuilding industry, developing a complementary steel industry and adapting the aircraft industry to civilian needs.

More than three hundred delegates representing over 150 British Columbia organizations are attending the conference which continued today.

## PITILESS STRUGGLE

**Admiral Doenitz Substitutes for Hitler at Memorial Day Ceremonies in Germany.**

LONDON, March 13 (CP)—Admiral Doenitz substituted for Chancellor Adolf Hitler at the microphone on Germany's Memorial Day ceremony Sunday, telling the Germans that "a pitiless struggle is being waged for existence or annihilation of the nation.

Hitler had spoken at all previous Heroes' Day ceremonies since the war began.

## Bulletins

**RED CROSS CAMPAIGN**

**TORONTO — Over $6,000,000 had been collected in the current Red Cross drive in Canada up to Saturday night. Vancouver had subscribed 74 per cent of its quota, and British Columbia had collected over $600,000.**

**AMENDING PC 9384**

**OTTAWA — Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced this morning that revisions will be made to wage control order PC. 9384. The revision will adjust the machinery of the order dealing with wage disputes.**

**VICTIMS OF BOMBING**

**LONDON—More than 1,000 people were killed or missing as result of bombings in the British Isles during last month. There were 1,700 injured. These figures are four times greater than in February a year ago.**

## Protest Made By Italians

**Mass Meeting Expresses Opposition to Victor Emmanuel and Badoglio.**

NAPLES, March 13—A mass meeting of Italian people, uninterferred with by the Allied authorities except that others than Italians were not permitted to attend, protested at Allied support of King Victor Emmanuel and General Pietro Badoglio as Premier.

MAJOR TRIQUET AND FAMILY

There is no prouder family in Canada right now than that of Major Paul Triquet, of Cabano, Que., who has been awarded the Victoria Cross, highest award for valor in the British Empire. His wife and two children are shown above, with Yolande, 8, on the left and Claude, 10, on the right. Mrs. Triquet, centre, is the former Alberte Chenier of Ottawa. The picture of Major Triquet was taken when he was a regimental sergeant-major with the Royal 22nd Regiment.

## APPEAL BY POPE PIUS

**Pontiff Pleads That Eternal City be not Made Battleground.**

ROME, March 13—"How can we believe any one would dare to turn Rome into a battleground?" asked Pope Pius yesterday in speaking on the fifth anniversary as his coronation as Pontiff. Such an act would be "militarily inglorious." It was a "grave hour" for Rome he declared.

Appealing to the belligerents to turn their thoughts to ways of peace, His Holiness appealed to responsible men on both sides that Rome be spared.

## PUSH ON IN BURMA

NEW DELHI, March 13 (CP)—A series of Allied successes in the Akyab sector of Burma, including the occupation of Buthedaung near the port of Akyab, has been announced by Lord Mountbatten, Southeast Asia commander. The British are also pushing beyond Buthidaung, driving the Japanese from their hill positions.

In northern Burma the Chinese and Americans are continuing their southward smash along the main road in the Hukwang Valley, threatening to cut the Japanese railway line.

## LOOSENING UP ON BEER

**OTTAWA, March 13 (CP)—Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced today that the Dominion government is lifting restrictions on the amount of beer released to the public by the various provincial liquor boards. From now on responsibility for the quantity of beer released is the sole responsibility of the provinces.**

## Inquest Is Held Today

Inquest into the death of Joseph Oswald, employee of the Rayner Construction Co., who died on a train while being brought in from Salvus on Friday night last following a collapse at the company's road camp is taking place this afternoon before Coroner M. M. Stephens. The jury consists of Stan Saville, Silas Lucas, F. R. Drinkall, Archie McNeill, Pat Mazzei and William Stoller.

## Bombing Germany

LONDON, March 13 (CP)—British mosquito bombers attacked Western Germany Sunday night and, on their return, Allied daylight formations roared in large numbers toward France. United States heavy bombers raided France yesterday without fighter escort.

## Patriots Nab Island Base

LONDON, March 13 (CP)—The port of Pucisce, on Brac Island off the Dalmatian coast has been captured by YugoSlav patriots. Bric Island lies ten miles from the port of Split, and has been used in the past as a submarine base.

## NURSES TO AIR LINES

**TransCanada Assigns Ten New Graduates to Posts.**

WINNIPEG, March 13. — Ten former nurses from various parts of Canada have completed their training and have been assigned to duty as trans-Canada air lines stewardesses. Graduates of the ninth T.C.A. school for stewardesses, they formed the first class trained by Betty Hemingson, supervisor. They are assigned as follows:

To Montreal: Ethel Boucher, Sherbrooke, Quebec, Graduate of Sherbrooke Hospital; Rita Myers, Kitchener, Ont., graduate of St. Mary's Hospital, Kitchener.

To Toronto: Marjory Hare, Jarvis, Ont., graduate of Toronto Hospital; Mary O'Neill, Hamilton, graduate of St. Mary's, Kitchener; Bernice Case, Toronto, graduate of Wellesley; Dorothy Mitchell, Bowmanville, Toronto Western.

To Winnipeg: Peggy Tyrill, Pouce Coupe, B.C. Graduate of St. Paul's Vancouver; Alice Clarke, Inchkeith, Sask., Regina General; Margaret Helen Smith, Deloraine, Man., Grace Hospital Winnipeg.

To Lethbridge goes Norma Evenson, Earl Grey, Sask., graduate of Regina Grey Nuns' Hospital.

### Local Temperature

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| Maximum | 42 |
| Minimum | 29 |

## Auction Sale Of City Lots

Seven pieces of city owned property were sold at public auction at the city hall last week. Made available to the public by a by-law authorizing their sale, transactions were completed in the following cases:

Lot 10, block 37, section 7, sold to Harry A. Sites for $1,410.

Lot 24, block 8, section 1, sold to Doris L. Quander for $850.

Lot 4, block 40, section 5, sold to George Oakey for $350.

Lot 12, and the east half of lot 11, block 16, section 5, sold to Louis Amadio for $2,175.

Lot 3, block 4, section 1, sold to Victor Menzies for $750.

Lot 6, block 22, section 1, sold to Sydney D. Johnston for $2000.

Lot 5, block 22, section 1, solt to C. Ytreberg for $2,075.

REDS SMASH ON—

## Closing On Black Sea

**Kherson and Nikoliev Appear to be Next in Line for Soviet Liberation.**

**LONDON, March 13. (C.P.)—Four big Russian armies slashed at the Proskurov-Gusyatin Railway, leading from the Ukraine into Rumania and Hungary, Sunday, fought to within twenty-two miles of Kherson, important Axis base up the lower Dnieper River, and captured two hundred and ten localities. One Russian force cut the railway at a point presumably about forty-five miles north of the Rumanian frontier. Another Soviet Army is advancing on Nikoliev, at the mouth of the Bug River, and is only 22 miles away.**

Odessa is the general objective of the gigantic Russian drive opened up in the south Ukraine. In many places the Russians are advancing at the rate of a mile an hour. The Germans are retreating in disorder, leaving small arms and equipment behind in their efforts to escape.

### Local Tides

**Tuesday, March 14**

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| High | 3:30 | 20.1 feet |
| | 16:05 | 18.1 feet |
| Low | 10:05 | 5.3 feet |
| | 22:10 | 6.3 feet |

## Red Cross Donations

Acknowledged $9610.51

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| Members Bethel, Prince Rupert | 40.00 |
| | 5.00 |
| Mrs. I. Martin | 5.00 |
| Mrs. Thos. King | 5.00 |
| | 5.00 |
| | 5.00 |
| Mrs. C. Aberdeen | 5.00 |
| Mrs. A. McIvor | 5.00 |
| | 5.00 |
| | 5.00 |
| Mrs. A. Nesbitt | 5.00 |
| Thompson | 5.00 |
| Curtin | 5.00 |
| M. Crosby | 10.00 |
| Store | 50.00 |
| Store Staff | 15.00 |
| Mrs. J. Eyolfson | 5.00 |
| Johnson | 5.00 |
| Mrs. J. Arney | 5.00 |
| Mrs. S. A. Newman | 5.00 |
| Mrs. J. L. Blain | 5.00 |
| Mrs. L. Styles | 5.00 |
| Mrs. J. Naylor | 5.00 |
| Mrs. T. A. McKeekin | 5.00 |
| Mrs. Barney Vick | 5.00 |
| V. Evitt | 5.00 |
| Boys' Organization | 5.20 |
| Hardware | 50.00 |
| & Currie | 50.00 |
| Parker Ltd. | 100.00 |
| Farmers | 25.00 |
| Benson | 5.00 |
| F. Parker | 10.00 |
| Ma's Phone | 10.00 |
| Ken's Brokerage | 15.00 |
| Century | 50.00 |
| | $10,105.71 |

# British Coal Strike Breaks Up

## Situation In Some Quarters, Including Wales, Is Obscure

LONDON, March 13 (CP)—The week-old strike of 100,000 British coal miners which cost Britain three hundred thousand tons of coal is slowly breaking up today with indications that a third of the men are now back at work. The situation as a whole is confused. The shutdown is still complete in some areas. The situation in the great South Wales coal fields is still critical.

## Plant Work Is Under Way

The city engineer has been authorized to permit a water connection to be made between an army water main and the Fishermen's Co-operative packing plant being erected in waterfront block A off Section Two. Cost of the work will be around $800.

Construction work on the $50,000 plant is well under way and is under the charge of George Hills.

## Goebbels Had Narrow Escape

STOCKHOLM, March 13 (CP)—It has been disclosed that Nazi Propaganda Chief Joseph Goebbels had a narrow escape on February 16 when a block-buster struck an hotel in Berlin where a party was being held. Goebbels got to an air raid shelter in time but other guests, including some high officials, were killed. The room in which the party was being held was hit.

## More Favorable Weather in Italy

NAPLES, March 13—A change for the better in the weather in Italy may lead to fighting on a larger scale although so far there is only patrol activity. The principal action continues to be in the air.

SOUTH PACIFIC—

## WEWAK IS HEAVY HIT

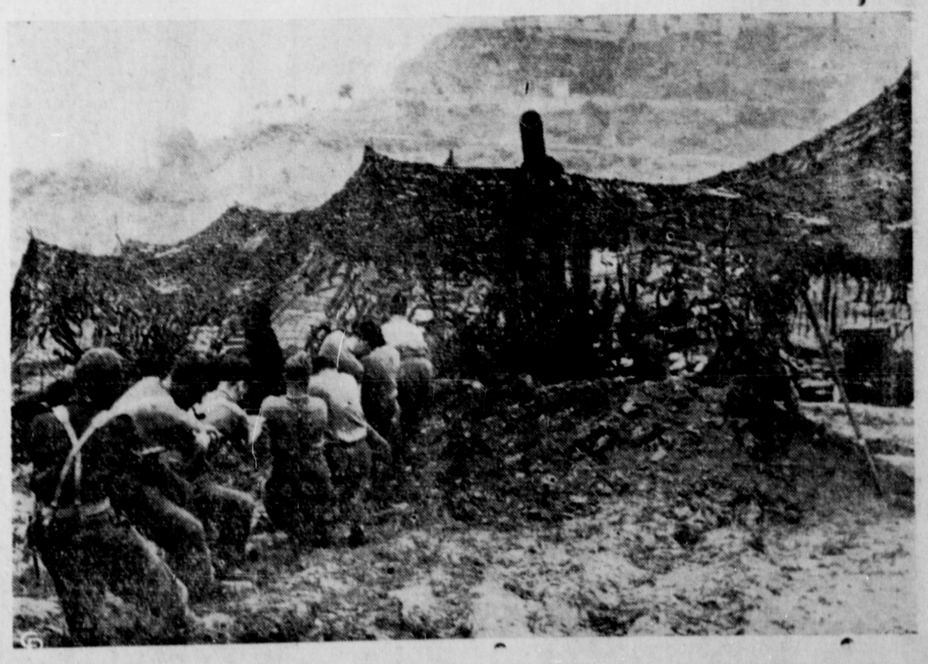
**Twenty-Six Japanese Planes Brought Down—Troop Barges Sunk at New Britain.**

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, March 13 (CP)—American bombers and fighters destroyed twenty-six Japanese planes and probably shot down another six in a heavy assault Saturday on Wewak, Japanese base in northwestern New Guinea, headquarters announced today.

Australian pilots sank two Japanese troop-laden barges near Talasea, New Britain.

Rabaul was also subjected to another heavy bombing but again no Japanese planes came up to resist.

Allied planes dropped 160 tons of bombs on Wewak and 91 tons on Rabaul.



CANUCK OFFERS A HAND TO BRITISH TOMMIES—Teamwork pays dividends. A Canadian soldier (end of line), aids an English gun crew to pull a 5.5 gun into position as fierce fighting rages on the Eighth army front north of Ortona, Italy. Careful camouflage indicates precautions taken against sudden attack by Luftwaffe.