

JAP THREAT TO CHINA ENDED

Siege of Henan Is Broken; Nip By-passers Are All Hurlled Back

Eds Near Entrance of Baltic

EDMONTON, July 7 (CP)—The Germans are reported by Berlin to be within 10 miles of the Baltic gateway of Wilno. The Russians themselves need important advances along the central front now being 350 miles north from captured Kowel in southern Poland.

Unconfirmed German reports said there was fighting in the streets of Wilno. It was said that Germans in a big railway centre in the northern neck of Poland were threatened with some kind of debacle they had in the White Russian city of Minsk.

MORNING OF S. GOODS

Minister of Natural Resources investigation will be made of complaint from Dawson Creek.

My Watchman Dies Thursday

Death occurred in the Prince Rupert General Hospital of Charles Holden. He was employed as a watchman for the United States.

Donations To Pioneers' Home

- Malikin Co. Ltd. \$25.00
- Johnson 5.00
- Homehouse 5.00
- Baths 5.02
- Butchers 5.00
- Go. Ferguson 5.00
- Warehouse 5.00
- Martinson 5.00
- Mrs. P. Wingham 5.00
- Hotel (Blackburn) 20.00
- Shops 5.00
- Nickerson 10.00
- Mortimer 50.00
- Evitt 100.00
- Grocer 5.00
- Hardy 5.00
- Friend 25.00
- Jewelry 5.00
- Butchers 15.00
- Electric 5.00
- Bar 5.00
- Co-op Staff 11.50
- Everidge 5.00
- Grocery 5.00
- Locke 5.00
- Anderson 25.00
- Beatty Shop 5.00
- Weatherby 10.00
- Child 5.00
- Shoremen's Assn. 25.00
- Beauty Shop 5.00
- Market 5.00
- Thompson 5.00
- National Cafe 5.00
- Cafe 10.00
- Anderson 5.00
- Empire Cafe 5.00

CHUNGKING, July 7 (CP)—The Chinese have made a smashing come-back in Hunan Province, breaking the siege of Hengyang and driving back a distance of 25 miles the main body of Japanese troops which bi-passed the vital railway junction, a Chinese spokesman said today. The comeback has eliminated the Japanese threat to cup China in two.

ATTORNEY GENERAL SPEAKS—Prospects For Lasting Peace Never Greater Says Maitland

"Prospects for a lasting peace after this war are far, far better than they were after the last war," declared Attorney General R. L. Maitland in speaking before the Prince Rupert Rotary Club at luncheon on Thursday. He based this opinion on the conviction that the Allied nations would stand solidly together after the fighting was over in international understanding and co-operation to insure that that peace was maintained and supported by the machinery and power to enforce it.

New Island Is Occupied By Americans

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NEW GUINEA, July 7 (CP)—United States forces have occupied Manim Island off American-invaded Noemfoor Island. The occupation, taking place on July 5 without opposition, provides a flank position for the one remaining Japanese-held airdrome on Noemfoor, the present objective of American forces on that island. Two east Noemfoor airdromes are now in United States hands.

LOOKING FOR BRIGHT SIDE

Seek Happiness and one Will Find It, Gyro Club is Told. The benefit to be derived from looking for the brighter side of life even on the grimmest of days was stressed by Lieut. Sam Bohlem of Orrville, Ohio, in a happy luncheon talk before the Prince Rupert Gyro Club on Wednesday. "If you just stop to think it over, you will find there was something nice and some fun even in what you might have thought your roughest and toughest day," he said.

9 Dead, 32 Hurt In Shell Blast

ST. BRUNO, Que., July 7 (CP)—The premature explosion of a three-lunch mortar shell at an army camp here Thursday resulted in the deaths of nine members of the Canadian Active Army. Four officers were wounded, one dangerously. Six of the 32 other ranks were dangerously wounded. The cause of the explosion is not immediately known.

Vancouver Gun Fight Kills Two

VANCOUVER, July 7 (CP)—Mrs. Jack Preston and Mrs. Laura Ruson were killed and Jack Preston was critically wounded in a street gunfight in Vancouver today. The police arrested Alex Ruson. Preston is not expected to live.

Carnival Queen Standings

Olive Huculak	51,000
Betty Greig	47,000
Eleanor Storseth	45,000

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Local Tides		
Saturday, July 8		
High	2:20	22.1 feet
	15:24	19.9 feet
Low	9:04	0.9 feet
	21:14	6.0 feet

Allied Forces Reported Within Caen



CASSINO—THE GHOST TOWN OF ITALY—The embattled town of Cassino, for which Nazi and Allied armies fought for months, is a ghost city. This view, at the entrance to Cassino from Route 6, shows that plainly. Structures are so destroyed they are not identifiable. The broken walls are a mute testimony to the four-month siege it withstood.

Germans Are Strongly Entrenched Still, One Staff Officer States

Reports Appear to Differ Somewhat—Patrol Said to Have Reached Dock Area Without Meeting any Nazis

LONDON, July 7 (CP)—An allied patrol which pierced German defences west of Caen reached the dock area without finding any Germans, it was reported today. Because of heavy bombing, it was believed the Germans might merely be holding parts of the town as strong points. A British broadcasting company front line reporter said that the Americans have captured and pushed beyond La Haye du Puits. An Allied communiqué said that the enemy's supply system was again the principal target for Allied air forces.

At Carpiquet where the Canadians hold the town and port of the airport there has been no fighting in 48 hours. Following a switch of Nazi generals, new and heavier blows are expected to be made by the enemy on the Normandy front. Last night it was reported that the battle between Germans and Americans was still swinging back and forward before besieged Le Haye du Puits while bitter combat of British and Canadians with the Germans outside of strategic Caen continued without let-up.

Bomb Jap Mainland

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 7 (CP)—American superfortresses, in their second attack on the Japanese mainland tonight, bombed the naval base at Sasebo and the steel centre of Yawata on Kyushu Island.

READY FOR CARNIVAL

Final Arrangements Complete Scene Prepared on Seventh Street. Final Arrangements for the annual Civic Centre Carnival were completed at a well attended meeting of the Carnival Committee last night. As a result of construction work during the past week at Seventh Street, preparations are well advanced with most of the booths and stalls ready for decorating. On Sunday important last minute work will be carried out.

SCOFFS AT AIR FORCE

Normandy Prisoner Tells Tall Yarn About Luftwaffe's Aces. Written for the Canadian Press By SQN. LDR. ROBERT FRANCIS, R.C.A.F. AT A TACTICAL AIR FORCE FIGHTER STATION, July 7 (CP)—German prisoners taken on the first day of the Allied invasion of Normandy would not believe the size of the air force opposing them or the number of ships available to carry men and supplies across the English Channel, said P.O. R. W. Doidge, R.C.A.F. Typhoon pilot from LaSalle, Ont.

BATHING BEAUTIES

Entries close Saturday, 5 p.m. All entry forms for the Bathing Beauty Contest must be in the hands of the Carnival Secretary, G. Rorie, 317 Besner Building, before 5 p.m. Saturday.

Bulletins

BOMBING IS KEPT UP
LONDON—Fifteen hundred American bombers and fighters attacked airplane factories and oil refineries in central Germany Friday. The Nazis reported another force attacking Germany from the south. Italy-based bombers overnight hit the Vienna airdrome and oil and rail facilities in northern Italy.

CIRCUS TOLL SHOCKING
HARTFORD, Conn.—The death toll in a fire which destroyed the main top of the Ringling Bros. circus jumped to 159 today. Investigators pressed inquiries into the origin of the blaze and held five officials of the company on manslaughter charges. The injured were counted at 250, at least 25 of whom were in serious condition. Most of the victims were children. About 8,000 persons were in the tent when the fire broke out.

TROOP TRAIN WRECKED
JELICOE, Tennessee—At least nine persons were killed and some 200 were injured when a locomotive and the first five cars of a passenger train carrying more than 1,000 soldiers whirled off the tracks into a gorge Thursday night. Some unofficial estimates said that 25 were killed.

RELAXING BLACK-OUT
LONDON—Home Secretary Herbert Morrison said yesterday he was in favor personally of relaxing the black-out regulations before next Christmas but the air defence authorities would first have to be satisfied.

DR. LARGE PRESIDENT

Hon. R. L. Maitland Speaker at Annual Meeting of Local Party Last Night. Hon. R. L. Maitland, Attorney General, was the principal speaker last night at the annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Conservative Association. He gave an interesting talk on the present political situation—both federally and provincially. C. V. Evitt, vice-president, was in the chair. The former president, R. W. Cameron, left the city some time ago for Vancouver. Dr. R. G. Large is the new president.

HUNS STOP ALLIED PUSH

ROME, July 7 (CP)—Allied headquarters reported today that advances on Leghorn, Pisa and Florence have been brought almost to a halt by German counter-attacks, the first aggressive action by the Nazis in two months. Americans now hold two-thirds of Robignano, 10 miles from Leghorn.

William Stewart Is Afloat Again

VANCOUVER, July 7—The Dominion government hydrographic survey steamer William J. Stewart, which was beached in a sinking condition some weeks ago after striking Ripple Rock in Seymour Narrows, has been refloated.

FISHING IS IMPROVING

Skeena and Naas River Runs Good—Price Question Hanging Fire. Gill net sockeye salmon fishing in this district has been showing a modest but continuous improvement for the past week in this fisheries district due to an increase in the salmon run and an improvement in the weather on the grounds. Reports for the first three days this week on the Naas and Skeena showed daily averages of 35, 45 and 30 fish per boat for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. A high wind on Wednesday brought down the day's catch.

Last week boats on the Naas averaged 150 fish for the week with the high boat bringing in 330. Skeena River boats averaged 125 fish per boat, and the high boat brought in 417 fish.

In the Smiths Inlet and Rivers Inlet areas the salmon have just begun to run in volume. Reports so far this week show catches of 35 and 45 fish per day at the two places respectively where previously they were as low as 20.

Settlement of sockeye prices still hangs fire but fishermen are said to be delivering to canneries on the understanding that they will be bought at no less than last year's scale. However, in this regard, no forecasts are being hazarded by either the fisheries office or cannermen. Word from Vancouver indicates that cannery workers and operators have arrived at an agreement whereby the workers will be confined to a nine hour day and receive certain wage increases, some of which will amount to \$15 weekly.

JAP LOSSES ARE HIGHER

List for July 4 in Marianas Is Raised by Five Ships and Nine Planes. PEARL HARBOR, July 7 (CP)—Sinking of five more Japanese ships and destruction of nine more planes in the Bonin Islands during the July 4 foray by American task forces is announced, bringing to forty-one the total of enemy ships downed by carrier planes and raising Japanese plane losses to 835 since June 10 when the fleet moved into the Marianas.

Northern Man Listed Wounded

One northern British Columbia man, Sapper Murdoch Carl Samuel Campbell is listed in the latest Canadian Army casualty list released today. Serving with the Royal Canadian Engineers, he is listed as wounded, remaining on duty. His mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell, lives at Pouce Coupe, B.C.

NOT IN HOLLAND

Windmills were first used commonly in Germany.