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EE NAVAL KILLED

Seriously Injured Explosion Off Gaspe | BEC. Oct. 11 (P)— Three rs of the Royal Canadian have been killed and 10 seriously injured in an exin the engine room of a craft off the coast o No further details of the re known at present, but derstood that the injured ere taken to hospital at

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British Nearing Tiddim KANDY, Ceylon, Oct. 11 (P)-Japanese reconnaissance ele ments left more than 60 dead when they withdrew from an unsuccessful attack near Goppe Bazaar at the eastern end of one

ALLIED FORCES

MAKE HEADWA

Japanese Attack on

Mayu Pass Fails—

nounced yesterday. To the north Allied patrols were reported within four hundred yards of the Japanese west-

of the main passes across the

Mayu Range, headquarters an

Harmony at Moscow-

Poland Is Invited To Conference

Stalin Emphasizes Link Between Russia and Allies

MOSCOW, Oct. 11 (CP)-The talks between Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin continue in Moscow today under harmonious conditions. Twice during a banquet yesterday the Russian leader rose to emphasize the links between In London, the Polish government announced today that Prime Minister Mikolajczyk has been invited to join the conferences between the

British and Russian heads. The invitation to Mikolajczyk indicated that Prime Minister Churchill had gained his first objective in an effort to end the long standing Polish-Soviet dispute and mend a potentially dangerous rift in Allied relations.

It is probably that Mikolajczyk, head of the Polish government in London, and Foreign Minister Romer will leave shortly for Moscow. The Polish Prime Minister, it is learned, will seek acceptance of his government's plan for a coalition administration until such tion can be held.

The coalition plans call for which is the backbone of Soviet-sponsored National Liberation Committee.

In one talk, Stalin praised the military might gathered by Great Britain and the United States without which Russia would have been unable to accomplish what she had. He said that Canada has given much assistance to the Soviet

d. OFF JAPAN

PEARL HARBOR, Oct. 11 -American carrier-based planes h Sarande in British hands, in the Pacific have struck at tarappears little possibility gets within two hundred miles of the Germans on Corfu last Japan. Their targets were on the to total a regiment Ryukyu Islands. Fifty-eight Jap- suiters. be able to escape to the anese vessels were destroyed or damaged in the assault and 14 ay's report said that pat- enemy planes were shot out of Half Million Nazis was active in Greece but the air. Seventy-five others were

forces of the Adriatic had Tokyo claims the assault was LONDON, Oct. 11 (P)—Six Al th moved beyond captured carried out by 400 American lied armies have captured at planes. Twenty-six of these, least 563,928 prisoners since the as reported today that the Tokyo adds, were shot down. invasion of France on June 6. were evacuating all of There has been no confirmation The first Canadian Army capof this from Allied quarters.

WAR NEWS

ne Principal Target

NDON—The German communications centre of Colare was the chief target of a force of Mosquito bombers during the night. Other objectives in Western Germany also were attacked by the night-raiding R.A.F. planes. All the British planes returned to their bases.

Sarande Captured

ROME—British forces fighting in Albania have captured the port of Sarande (Port Edda) and have isolated the German garrison on the Island of Corfu. Patrolling activities continue in Greece.

Within Range of Bologna

ROME—Heavy Fifth Army guns have been wheeled within range of the German communications centre and supply depot of Bologna in Northern Italy. Allied progress in the area, however, is slower at the moment because of the strong German positions and rain and mud. The Eighth Army forces along the Adriatic are also stalled. Rain has bogged them down along the banks of the Fiumicno River.

What Goes on at Aachen

LONDON-Just what is taking place this morning in and around Aachen - the German border city surrounded by American First Army forces-is not quite clear. The Berlin radio went on the air this morning with the declaration that the German garrison in the city would ignore the American ultimatum for surrender. London observers believed this the probable German course. However, from London comes word that dispatch from the area tell of white flags being unfurled over many of the encircled city's buildings. This appears to be a direct contradiction of Berlin's account. An Allied report from Paris, just made, says the Americans have opened a new attack against the city from the south.

Canadians Push Ahead

LONDON-The fighting in the Lowlands continues with the Canadians pushing ahead from their beachhead south of the Schelde estuary. This bridgehead has been strengthened as well as Canadian positions along the Leopold Canal. German counter-attacks have slackened off but mortaring of Canadian positions continues.

Russia and her western allies. Reinforcements Satisfactory

OTTAWA - C.C.F. party leader M. J. Coldwell quotes Major-General Guy Simonds as saying that Canadian reinforcements being sent overseas are satisfactory. The C.C.F. leader went to London in September for the conference of British Commonwealth Labor and Socialist parties and later visited Canadian forces in France and Belgium. He returned to Ottawa on Monday.

Cluj Captured

MOSCOW-Moscow today claimed the capture of Cluj, capital of Transylvania, in the course of the great drive into the Balkans.

3 Million Tons Ships Built in Canada for War

OTTAWA, Oct. 11 (P)—Cana dian shipyards have constructed between 3,000,000 and 3,500,000 deadweight tons of merchant time as a Polish general elec- | shipping since the war began, of which 2,500,000 tons remain under Canadian ownership, the an administration made up of Canadian Shipping Board refive Pelish political parties in- ported. Ships built since the war cluding the Communist party and still operated by Canadians number 137, including 10,000 freighters and 3,600 ton tankers.

Threat of New Violence at the Week-end

VANCOUVER, Oct. 11 (P) -Threat of renewed zoot suit violence was aroused when twenty merchant seamen, guests at a Vancouver college football game, combed the bleachers for longcoated youths. A pitched battle started on the gridiron but was quelled by the interference of college officials and a Royar Canadian Air Force officer.

Sunday night police officers patrolled the downtown theatre district where merchant seamen had gathered in search of zoot

Are Taken Prisoner

tured 72,392.

In Italy—

ARE HELD UP BY WEATHER

Combination of Circumstances Makes Headway Difficult

ROME, Oct. 11 (P)—Rain, mud and stiff German resistance have virtually halted the Allied advance toward the Po River.

The Allied Fifth Army's heavy artillery is keeping the Bologna-Rimini highway under systematic fire.

The Mediterranean air force is giving support to mired ground forces in Italy in addition to attacking Adriatic shipping and bombing air fields in the Athens area of Greece.

Bulletins

SYDNEY PAPERS TIED UP SYDNEY—Sydney newspapers have been tied up by labor trouble. Mechanics and writing staff have refused to work.

BALTIMORE GOES AHEAD BALTIMORE — Ace Pitcher Charles Embree of the Baltimore Orioles tossed a four-hit shutout at Louisville last night while his mates pounded three Louisville hurlers for 13 safeties and a 10 to 0 victory to put the Red Birds out in front in the Little World Series three games to two.

The Pacific Ocean has an Savoy Hotel area of 63.8 million square Dr. J. M. S. Loubser

BOCHUM IS HEAVY HIT

Canadians Take Part In Latest Raid on Reich, Losing Three Heavies

Daily Rems

LONDON, Oct. 11 ()-British heavies, reverting to former tactics of naming their bombing targets, dumped thousands of tons of incendiaries and tons of high explosives on Bochum. Crews said they left fires visible for miles through layers o

cloud and fog. Three Canadian heavies were lost in the Bochum raid. Among the Canadian squad-

participating were Lion, Moose, Ghost, Thunderbird, Goose and Bison.

Ralston's Warning-

Lies Ahead

Defence Minister Warns Against Over-Optimism

fence Minister J. L. Ralston told cut the Nieuwanilschemolen-Brussels that there will be much forces were behind some 5,000 war is won. He declined to say when he thinks the war will end.

ing of the Canadian Army. This would involve taking men from positions between Antwerp and one branch of the service and the sea, thus opening the great placing them in another where the need is more imperative.

He said also that according to his latest figures, reinforcements and recruiting are satisfactory and have been working out ac-

cording to plan. Colonel Ralston today visitea Canadian First Army Headquarters in Belgium, and later went on to Brugge (Bruges) which Canadians liberated month. In that medieval town, the defence minister paid official courtesy visit to the burgomaster, who previously had sent a message to Prime Minister King, thanking him on behalf of the townspeople for the liberation of the town by Canadian troops.

BIG BOMB JOB

LONDON, Oct. 11 (P)—During its brief span of life, the Canadian Bomber Group has dropped more than 75,000 tons of bombs on enemy targets. This has been the American Seventh Army is announced in London by R.C.A. eight miles from Belfort on the F. officials. The immense ton- road to the southern Rhineland. nage was dropped by Canadian pilots in the 21 months ending September. This figure does not include the tonnage dropped by operating with the Royal Air Dunkerque, last Channel port Force prior to the formation of the bomber group.

Donations To Salvation Army

Mrs. Walter Longwill Ben's News Stand Gordon's Hardware Ltd. DeJong's Grocery 7th Ave. Meat Market Sav-Mor Grocery Johnson's Grocery Midway Grocery By-town Machine Works Ward Electric Co. F. E. Hunt Ltd. Thos. McMeekin & Son Ltd. Mitchell & Currie

Nazis Cut Off—

Trapped by Canadians

Americans Pounding Aachen Into Submission—Czechs at Dunkerque

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Oct. 11-American dive bomb ers began the destruction of the besieged German city of Aachen today after the time limit for the Allied surrender demand expired. Outright devastation in the manner visited by the Germans on other European cities in the blitzkrieg days seemed to be the fate of the stubborn city whose defenders seem determined to hold out in the hope that a German column advancing on the city may relieve them. A correspondent said that this morning he had flown over the city and seen hundreds of white flags on roof tops, but that later in the day they had disappeared.

LONDON, Oct. 11 (P) - The escape of up to 15,000 Germans in islands of the Schelde River estuary is threatened to be cut BRUSSELS, Oct. 11 () - Warn- off by First Canadian Army's ing against over-optimism. De- amphibious forces which have Canadian war correspondents in Birevliet Railway. The landing hard fighting ahead before the Germans on the south bank of Commander "Ted" Simmons the Schelde River who had been of H.M.C.S. "Beacon Hill." attacking Canadian positions Colonel Ralston said there along Leopold Canal. The pri- the corvette H.M.C.S. Chambly, may have to be some remuster- mary purpose of this operation the forerunner of all Canadian was to clear the enemy from Belgian port to Allied shipping.

East of the Schelde pocket and 15 miles north of Antwerp other Canadian units have cut a causeway by which the Germans on Walcheren and Beveland islands hight have escaped.

The British Second Army has beaten off a sharp German counter-attack west of Arnhem. The German commander at Aachen having made no reply to the ultimatum of the commander of the American First Army that the Nazi garrison surrender unconditionally within 24 hours, American air and ground forces have proceeded to "ruthlessly reduce it to submission. The American Army has closed pincers around Aachen and built up pressure on a 25 mile front from six to 10 miles within Germany for a breakthrough into

enemy's retreat corridor having been reduced to one mile. The American Third Army in salesman in his native Victoria bride of six weeks. the Nancy-Metz sector snapped in peacetime. His first comthe German bulge back into straight lines and attacked on tish Columbian, Commander J.

the industrial Rhineland, the

a 20-mile front. On the southern Allied flank eight miles from Belfort on the

The German TransOcean News Agency said British troops the First Canadian Army besieging Dunkerque have been Canadian bomber formations replaced by Czech formations. still in German hands, is now only a heap of rubble.

ALASKA ROAD \$ 5.00 BEING GIVEN 10.00 TO CANADA

5.00 Clarence Werthan, secretary of the active service forces and de- roundly regretted for he has 10.00 Rocky Mountain Tourists Inc., pendents of deceased members made many friends here both 5.00 an affiliate of the American of such forces apply immediately within the naval service and in 5.00 Automobile Association, said to- for gratuities provided for under the community generally. Under 10.00 day that he had been advised in legislation passed at the last ses his leadership, there has been 10.00 Washington that the U.S. Army sion of Commons. 25.00 plans to cease maintaining the 10.00 Alaska Highway after October 5.00 15 and turn it over to the Cana- wood, is a raw material for plas- Commander Cree's successor is .25 dian government.

MOSCOW, Oct. 11 (CP) — The Russians have begun the job of cutting to pieces an estimated 150,-000 German troops caught in Lithuania and Latvia. Soviet forces have reached Baltic beaches 15 miles above the besieged city of Memel and capture of the important port, now surrounded, is believed immin-

KEEN OFFICER IS PROMOTED

Interesting Career of Lieut. Commander "Ted" Simmons

ships of the Newfoundland Es-

Recently he sailed out again-

this time as Acting Commander

E. T. Simmons, D.S.O., D.S.C.,

captain of the spanking new

frigate "Beacon Hill" and senior

officer of an all-Canadian strik-

ing force. His promotion to the

"brass hat" rank was announced

a few days ago by Naval Service

The story of those interesting

42 months is not only the re-

markable personal story of

"the keenest V. R. in the service"

-but the development of the

evolution of the R.C.N. from a

purely convoy-escort Navy to

out and engage the enemy."

hard-hitting assault force which

Simmons, a blond, rangy boy

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Forms Now Available

At all Service Offices

cation forms for war service gra-

tuities are now available at all

naval, military and air force

units and establishments in Can-

here announced today.

In Country

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Headquarters.

Memel is surrounded by Russians who reached the Baltic Sea north and south of the city. A NEWFOUNDLAND PORT, the Berlin radio announced late Oct. 11—Three and a half years today. Berlin said that the Rusago Lieut. "Ted" Simmons R.C. sian offensive is in full swing N.V.R., of Victoria, sailed out of and a general attack on East this port as first lieutenant of Prussia has opened. The Germans also broadcast that two great new Russian attacks north of Russia were under way. CP Correspondent—

ent. The Red troops are also

shelling the East Prussian com-

munications centre of Tilsit, just

18 miles to the south. Mean-

time, Soviet forces have thrust

to within seven miles of the

The East Prussian port of

port city of Riga.

Says Canada Like Heaven

Louis Hunter Gives Opinion After Being Overseas

QUEBEC, Oct. 11 (CP)-The peace and quiet of Canada is like heaven compared to the battlefronts of Europe. This is the opinion of Canadian Press War Correspondent Louis

V. Hunter. The Canadian reporter's statement-made in Quebec City yesterday—is backed up by plenty of experience. He accompanied Canadian troops on the battlefronts of Europe all during the present war until his recent return to Canada.

One Convicted Killer Gets 15 Years—New Trial for Another

VICTORIA, Oct. 11 (P) The "Ted" Simmons—called by many Appeal Court of British Columbia yesterday reduced to man slaughter a conviction for mur-Canadian Navy as a whole, for der against Alberta Barilla of his personal career parallels the Vancouver. He will serve fifteen years in penitentiary. Barilla was sentenced to hang when convicted of the murder of Weican range far asea in obedience to the traditional order to "Seek lington Wallace in Vancouver.

The Court of Appeals ordered a new trial for Robert Logan of 29 when he went on active who had been sentenced to hang service had been a furniture when convicted of killing his

manding officer was also a Bri- Is Retired-

D. Prentice, D.S.O., R.C.N., of Retired

Local Naval Officer In Charge Leaving Service

Commander Charles M. Cree, OTTAWA, Oct. 11 (P)-Appli- R.C.N., who has been naval officer in charge at Prince Rupert for the past 13 months, is being retired and will be leaving here ada and at all district and sub- on October 19 for Vancouver district offices of the Depart- whence he expects to proceed ment of Pensions, headquarters east. Mrs. Cree left for Vancou-

ver yesterday. Headquarters urged that hon- | The departure of Commander 5.00 DENVER, Colo., Oct. 11 () orably discharged members of Cree from Prince Rupert will be a great building up of the local

naval establishment. Official announcement of Woodflour, a finely ground

not yet available.