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Yanks May Now Be On Luzon Again

British Advance-

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Allied Armies Still Moving Toward Juncture from North

STRASBOURG THREATENED PARIS, Jan. 6 (CP) - The German winter offenthreatened Strasbourg three directions today as American troops Germans' first surprise attack struck across Luxembourg and on the western point of the Belgian wedge and threw Allied troops back as much as 1000 yards at points. The second German drive burst through American Seventh Army lines for fifteen miles in five days southeast of Bitche in Northern Alsace.

brown into the Belgian bulge unter-attack by Field Marshal ll Allied armies on the north ide of the salient, is continuing ts gains. A dispatch from the ront late yesterday said the British had made a 1500-yard hrough heavy minefields south f Marche. Other British units ttacked the Germans on the utskirts of newly captured Bure nd Wavreille, south of Rocheort at the western end of the

The Berlin radio said that the ermans broke through the Al 25-mile front and had "cleared old German Reich area be ween the Saar and the Rhine of Seventh Army troops.

A front dispatch said Amerian Third Army troops on the outh side of the bulge have repulsed 17 separate Nazi counterattacks in a 24 hour period ending at 6 a.m. Friday

With slow, steady gains on a nile front on the north side the salient, the American Army has whittled down ne German escape gap between and Grandmeniel to scarcely 12 miles.

BODY OF

Prince Rupert halibut Kyrielle sailed early this rning for Clifford Cove, Ariszable Island, where its crew grapple for the body of Ed-Kristiansen, 69, Prince Ruert fisherman who apparently fell overboard while the Kyrielle was anchored in the sheltered Kristiansen is believed have suffered a heart seizure which resulted in him falling verboard when he went on deck a cup of water while the up was anchored for the night a sheltered cove 110 miles

DOUG KERR IN BIG AIR FIGHT

Flying Officer Doug Kerr of Smithers and Prince Rupert, taking part in a big air battle over Germany last night, had machine damaged by machine gun and cannon fire but got his plane back safely to base. Flying Officer Kerr was formerly a member of the local Post Office staff. His Wife is at Smithers. In last night's big air battle 33 British, including nine Canadian, planes failed to return.



SEARCHING FOR SNIPERS IN GIELENKIRCHEN, GERMANY-Three Allied infantrymen advance on a house suspected of being a snipers' nest during the mop-up operations in Geilenkirchen, Germany. The town was taken in a brilliant joint action by the British Second Army and the U.S. Ninth.

WAR NEWS

Seventh Army Taking Brunt

PARIS-The American Seventh Army is bearing the brunt of a new German counter-offensive in Lower Alsace. In 24 hours of violent fighting, the Seventh Army has dulled the edge of a German spearhead jabbing towards the Saverne Gap, a vital supply life-line for all Allied forces in northeastern France. In the last five days, the resurgent Nazis have plunged 15 miles into the Vosges Mountains but the German drive has been stopped and turned back near the Maginot Line city of Haguenau. In Belgium, British and American forces, now under the command of Field Marshal Sir Bernard Montgomery, are hammering at the northern flank of the German bulge along a twenty-one mile front. Today's communique says the Allied attack from the north is continuing in face of still and determined opposition. On the south flank, heavy enemy pressure by tanks and infantry persisted. Allied patrols were active yesterday along the Maas River in Holland where the Canadian First Army last was reported in operation.

Hanover and Berlin Targets

LONDON-A great force of American bombers has returned to the attack on Germany by daylight today. The Reich was battered during the night by more than fivethousand tons of British and Canadian bombs. The German cities of Hanover and Berlin were the main targets of the British and Canadian overnight raiders.

Canadians Take Town

ROME - Canadian forces pushing northward through Italy's eastern Po Valley have taken the town of Sant Alberto. The town is located eight miles north of Ravenna on the Adriatic sector. Elsewhere in Italy, sharp fighting has been resumed south of the big rail and industrial city of Bologna after a protracted spell of comparatively quiet. The Germans have attacked the foremost tip of a Fifth Army spearhead pointed at Bologna with artillery and mortar fire.

On Eastern Front

MOSCOW-Soviet announcements say that the German drive to relieve the trapped garrison in Budapest has made only small penetrations of Red Army lines. Northwest of the Hungarian capital, the Nazis threw 300 tanks against the Russian lines, but Moscow says the enemy penerations were cut off and destroyed. Inside Budapest, Russian shock troops have smashed into the city's race track which the Germans had been using as a small-plane landing field. The entire eastern front may be stirring into action. Marshal Tito has disclosed that his YugoSlav Partisan forces have crossed the border into Austria to threaten Nazi positions between Klagenfort and Graz. Berlin broadcasts say that Soviet forces are being grouped at the Vistula bridgehead near Baranov, 120 miles below Warsaw. Berlin thinks this may be the preparation for an all-out Russian drive through Poland.

ater there on the night of Janu- New Air Blows On Japan

WASHINGTON - American superfortress bombers have stepped up their attempts to knock out war production centres in the Japanese home islands. A War Department communique says China-based superfortresses hit industrial targets on Kyushu in a daylight assault today. Details regarding the striking force, specific targets, and damage have not yet been announced. Meanwhile, the Japanese radio has told of a new raid on Tokyo by a force of between seventy and eighty superfortresses. The enemy broadcast declared the raiders attacked the western part of the Japanese capital this morning.

Japanese Retake Town

CHUNGKING-The Japanese have retaken the Burma Road border town of Wanting which the Chinese claimed to have recaptured on Wednesday. The Chinese claimed that the town was clear and that enemy remnants were fleeing southward. Before the Japanese invasion of Burma, Wanting was the site of a Chinese customs station.

VACCINE SUCCESSFUL is being experimented within have been completed by the competition. the Argentine against foot- World's Evangelical Alliance for and-mouth disease in cattle, par- the 99th observance through the liament has ben informed. First world of the universal week of Maximum liament has ben informed. First prayer which begins the first Minimum results of the vaccine, a crystal Sunday of each year. The 1945 Rainfall

WEEK OF PRAYER

violet dye, were termed success- observance will be from January ending at 11 o'clock Friday night of the test are awaited with in-7 to January 14 inclusive.

University Term Being Speeded Up

MONTREAL, Jan. 6 (P) War veterans entering college will be able to make swifter, progress under a new three-year term plan announced by McGill University in Montreal. Under the scheme, students ready to enter the university may begin their first year now and by taking additional spring and summer courses they will be ready to advance to the second year by

Expanding Industry-

Paper Good

MONTREAL, Jan. 6-Pulp and paper, normally Canada's greatest manufacturing industry, is still a comparatively young industry, and its possibilities for new development are almost limitless, stated Paul Kellogg, print Association, in an address | port the child is about \$338 Association of Montreal.

Research in the industry, said Mr. Kellogg, is just starting, and every day products made on paper base or new uses for paper itself are being developed.

Present products of the in- is what it cost in 1943." dustry, he stated, are every-day essentials and are widely diversified. These products are low in cost that, whereas pulp products constantly are replacing other materials for various uses, there is little danger pulp or paper being displaced by substitutes. This gives the industry a high probability performance.

From the national standpoint. pulp and paper are important, as the industry helps provide employment for a great many workers and contributes in major way to the activity of other important industries. Its bulkness means that transportation is a big cost item, and the industry pays \$60 millions a year for transportation. The industry also is a major user of power, one of the biggest buyers of heavy machinery, provides winter employment for farmers as well as using many workers in the mills.

A problem is in possible future competition with subsidized mills of other countries. Kellogg suggested it may be neccessary for Canada, to maintain its true position in the world markets, to attempt to make some agreement with other pulp and paper manufacturing and exporting countries to pre-LONDON (P)—A British vaccine | LONDON, (P)— Arrangements | vent ruinous and uneconomic

Local Temperature

totalled .83 inches.

APPLICATION FOR HEARING

Vancouver Street Railwaymen's Union Sends Message to National War Labor Board Chairman-Strike Still Threatens

OTTAWA, Jan. 6 (P)-Mr. Justice Archibald, chairman of the National War Labor Board, was yesterday considering a telegram from Charles Stewart, chairman of the advisory board of west eoast locals of the Street Railwaymen's Union, making forma tion for a re-hearing of s wage application.

ction was threatened if failed to change an decision refusing in-

would confer later Friday on Stewart's telegram.

Strike Threat Still Stands

VANCOUVER, Jan. 6 (P-R. K. Gervin publicity chairman of the Street Rai'waymen's Union of the American Federation of Labor, said members who attended meetings in Vancouver MITCHELL TO yesterday voted unanimously to MITCHELL TO co-operate with the Union advisory board regarding the situ- BE PRESIDENT ation which may see 2700 em- BE PRESIDENT ployees of the British Columbia Electric Railway in Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster walk out Tuesday.

Union officials said the strike threat still stands until a satisfactory reply is received from the National War Labor Board vote would have to be taken to linee for the presidency in 1945.

ernment was in error in interp- | secretary-treasurership in sucreting a wire from him as can- cession to Arthur Brooksbank celling the strike threat.

IS COSTLY TO MUNICIPALITY

Cost to the city for maintaining an illegitimate child in cases where parenthood has not been established or where the parent general manager of the News- are unable or unwilling to sup- nominated. before the Purchasing Agent's year, according to figures worked out by City Clerk H. D. Thain. Basis of the figure is the cost day evening.

of such cases in 1943. pending on legal and other costs and Olof Hanson, M.P.,

Under the Protection of Chilren Act. which places the welfare of the child paramount, the municipality of which the parents were residents is responsible for maintaining the child should the parents be successful in negating their responsibility. Mr. Thain rels that the am-

phasis placed by the Act on protecting the child is wise. "However, we do our best to keep the youngster from becom-

ing a public charge by taking every means, including legal action, to make the parents assume responsibility for it." For some reason unknown to

Mr. Thain, the cost of maintaining children of Protestant parents in 1943 was 92 cents a day while the cost for Catholic children was 90 cents a day. Cost of maintenance for the year was \$338 for the former and \$331 for the latter. Since the city must assume

responsibility for the support of such children until they are 18 years of age, the 18 year cost on the 1943 basis would be \$6,096 for a Protestant child and \$5958 for a Catholic youngster. Average cost would be \$6027.

SWAMP RICE EXPERIMENT LAGOS, Nigeria (P) - Experiments in swamp rice cultivation now being carried out in Ijebu Province are said to be going well. Four important 45 swampy regions in the Province 40 have been selected for the ex-Rainfall for the 24-hour period periments, and the final results terest by local farmers.

Another New Landing On Philippine Islands

Allied Forces Digging In On Marinduque Closer to Luzon

PEARL HARBOR, Jan. 6 (CP) - Allied invasion forces in the Philippines are digging in today on the newly invaded Island of Marinduque, Just twenty miles south of Luzon Island and one hundred miles from Manila.

MacArthur's communique says the Allied forces seized Marinduque Island without opposition from the enemy. Control of that island gives the Allies direct contact with the southern coast of Luzon.

The Tokyo radio said today that Japanese planes had spotted an Allied convoy including one hundred and twenty landing barges west of Luzon Island.

Tokyo radio said today that "the Americans may have landed on Luzon Island." The statement was recorded in London after Tokyo had reported the big American armada including 120 landing craft off Luzon which is the main island of the Philippines. Tokyo said that another strong convoy was sighted west of Panay Island and a third was moving south of the neighboring island of Negros.

General Spry

Is "Mentioned"

OTTAWA, Jan. 6 (P) - Major

General Dan Spry, Halifax, divi-

and men of the Canadian Army

YELLOWKNIFE FIRE

Extensive damage was done

when fire last night destroy-

ed the Hudson Bay Co. store

and warehouse here.

YELLOWKNIFE, N. W. T. -

sional commander in northwest E. T. Applewhaite Nominated Europe, was among 478 officers As Secretary of Chamber of honored with mentions in dis-Commerce to Succeed patches for gallant and distin-Arthur Brooksbank

guished service in an announce-G. C. Mitchell, vice-president ment Thursday from Departof the Prince Rupert Chamber ment of National Defence headof Commerce, is the sole nomquarters. No Prince Rupert names are included in the list. remove the strike threat or not. W. F. Stone is nominated for Charles stewart, acvisory the vice presidency while E. T. council chairman, said the gov- Applewhaite is proposed for the who is retiring after many year

of efficient service. CHILD SUPPORT | tive council of the Chamber G. R. S. Blackaby, C. A. Berner, J. E. Boddie, H. A. Breen, Theo Collart, Arnold Flaten, G. A. Hunter, W. O. Fulton, Pete Lakie,

J. Little, Alex Mackenzie, D. C. McRae, C. C. Mills, S. E. Parker, Frank Skinner, W. M. Watts and R. M. Winslow are

The annual meeting of the

T. D. Pattullo, M.L.A., con-"It may even run higher, de- tinues as honorary president Chamber.

Bulletins

COACH LINES TIED UP VICTORIA-All routes operated by Vancouver Island Coach Lines Limited are idle as 63 drivers have begun strike in protest against refusal of the Regional War Labor Board to give them requested wage increases.

CASUALTIES LOWER ALLIED SUPREME HEAD-QUARTERS - Allied casualties have been far below those suffered by the Germans and have not been particularly high compared with the scale of action since the opening of the Nazi offensive, Supreme headquarters reported today.

COLD ON PRAIRIES

WINNIPEG - The temperature has dropped to 45 below zero in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, and 35 below in Minnedosa, Manitoba. In Alberta temperatures are around zero.

RUBBER IS SCARCER OTTAWA-Allan H. Williamson, rubber controller, says the shortage of civilian tires will become even more acute.

OVERSEAS MAIL LOST OTTAWA - Mail for the United Kingdom mailed between December 15 and 26 was lost when a TransCanada Air Lines transAtlantic plane was lost last wek.

QUESTION IS THORNY ONE

Polish Government Issue to Be One of Problems For Big Three Conference

LONDON. Jan. 6 (P)-Russia's action in formal recognition of the Lublin government of Poland makes a clean break with the Polish government in London which still is recognized by Great Britain and the United States, thus bringing to a head one of the thorniest questions facing the impending Big Three conference.

The broadcast announcement of Russia's action came within four days of a joint announcement by Great Britain and the United States that they stand by the Polish government.

In Washington yesterday the United States reiterated recognition of the Polish government in London.

Greek Civil War Ending

Fighting Entirely Over at Piraeus-Only Odd Sniping in

ATHENS, Jan. 6 (P) A BBC correspondent reports that organized fighting has ceased in the Greek port of Piraeus. The correspondent said that British forces in northern Athens, the last part of the Greek capital held by left-wing E.L.A.S. troops, are encountering only an occasional sniper.

AN ERA OF FLOODS

The reign of Emperor Ken Lung of China-from 1735 to 1798—was marked by 16 major

WILL NOT LET JAPS RETURN TO B.C. WHILE WAR IS ON

Favors Permanent Redistribution, Deportations At War's End

OTTAWA, Jan. 6-Regardless of the policy being Chamber will be held next Mon-I followed in the United States, there is small likelihood of Japanese being returned to the west coast of Canada before the war's termination. In the United States, the order for the evacuation of some 120,000 involved," Mr. Thain said. "That honorary vice-president of the Japanese from California, Oregon and Washington

to interior locations was recently

was set forth by the govern- racial antagonism. the United States.

Japanese from the coastal areas not adopt it at this time. until after the war, when arrangements are to be made to deport all Japanese whose record of loyalty is not satisfactory, the others being distributed across Canada so as to prevent a recurrence of the concentration that existed in the Vancouver and Fraser Valley area before the war. The weak point in this policy

appears to be the obvious difficulty of dictating in peacetime where people admitted to the country are to make their homes. Even those who are in favor of the general principle of the program, express some doubt as to whether the government will be able to provide an effective check against the location of Japanese where they please in Canada, once they have been declared legal residents of the country.

can wait until after the war for settlement.

Criticize United

States Move

revoked, and in some quarters has been revoked in the sense there was a disposition to be- that Japanese of established lieve that a similar course would loyalty will be permitted to rebe followed in British Colum- turn to the coastal regions has brought considerable criticism However, the Canadian pro- from those on the west coast gram toward evacuated Japanese who fear new outbreaks of

ment some time ago and it is | Certainly any move in Canada probable that this will be main- to shift the Japanese back to tained, whether or not it con- the coast during wartime would flicts with the new policy of cause widespread hostility, and public feeling is so strongly The Canadian program, as dis- against such a change that the closed in Ottawa, is to keep all government most certainly would

B.C.'s representative in the King Cabinet has often expressed himself as being opposed to having Japanese in British Columbia now or after the war, and similar sentiments are held by others in public life.

Apart from political opposition, organizations such as the Canadian Legion have come out vigorously against the return of the Japanese to the coast. Fishermen and other labor groups have also opposed it.

The question appears to be tolerated in British Columbia whether the Japanese will be whether some of them are to be permitted to return to British Columbia while the war con-

With the conflict rising in intensity on the Pacific, there

seems to be no justification for However, that is an issue that the relaxation of controls such as the United States has authorized, and British Columbians who have studied the subject believe that a mistake has been Announcement that the evacu- made that will certainly not ation order in the United States be duplicated in Canada,