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NAZI SECRET WEAPON FALLS AT ANZIO

U. S. Fighters, Bombers Battle Way Across Germany

Flying "Wids" To Instruct Wireless Air Gunners



Seven potential signals officers—the first in the R.C.A.F. Women's Divisions—have just finished a wireless course at Winnipeg in which each girl logged 12 hours flying time in addition to gruelling ground course. Like any other pioneers, they encountered long hours of hard work—acquiring a rich fund of signals knowledge to fit them for their new jobs—instructing wireless operator air gunners who will carry the message to Germany. Decked out in flying togs and shouldering their own parachutes, six of the girls are shown swinging jauntily across Stevenson Field, Winnipeg, after their last training jump. From left to right, they are: Nell Ross, Vancouver; Mary Gordon, Toronto; Louise Leclair, North Rustico, P.E.I.; Betty Dowler, Truro, N.S., seventh member of the class at Anzac, Laurier, Rosthern, Sask. (R.C.A.F. Photo).

- ### COMING EVENTS
- "Dance — Seven Mile Bay April 10, 4-11
 - "Takes Sours Tuesday, Flying Forties, 4-8-21
 - "Loading hogs at Bradalbane every Tuesday, Alex MacDonald, 4-10-11
 - "Come to bingo and dance at Lot 86 hall, Monday April 10, Lunch served, 4-10-11
 - "Dance, Millview Hall, Friday, April 14th, Women's Institute, 4-10-11
 - "Unloading car Victory seed 8:15 Monday and Tuesday, Signed McGuigan & Boyle, 4-10-21
 - "Garden Seeds. All the latest and best varieties. Send for free 1944 Catalogue. Arthur Vesey, York, 1-17-11
 - "Card Party and Dance, Tracadie Hall, Easter Monday, April 10th, 4-8-21
 - "Taking live hogs for Davis & Fraser every Friday till 11:30. Arthur Haslam, 3-9-Thu-Mon-Fri, 4-8-21
 - "North Milton Telephone Meeting Wednesday, April 12th, Fred Hoper, Secretary, 4-10-11
 - "Some eleven inch hand wringer rolls, still on hand, Home & Co., 4-8-21
 - "Receiving hogs at Crapaud for Davis and Fraser Tuesday morning until 11 o'clock, R. N. Dawson, 4-8-21
 - "Booking orders for Clover Seed and Barb Wire, W. I. Bow, 4-6-21
 - "Not loading hogs at Albany Tuesday, April 11th but Friday April 14th, usual hours, George MacKay, 4-10-21
 - "Loading hogs for Davis & Fraser, Murray River, Tuesday April 11th, Fodilla Wednesday 12th, John J. Beck, 4-10-11
 - "Loading hogs at Summerside and Kensington Tuesday April 11, usual hours, Signed, Oliver Campbell, 4-10-11
 - "Loading hogs Hunter River Thursday April 13th all day with Lemuel Craswell in charge, Livestock Marketing Board, 4-10-21
 - "Lemuel Craswell, Hunter River, unloading car Oats Monday, April 10th, followed by car Barley, Bring back, 4-10-21
 - "It is hoped that a week's relaxation in shipping will materially clear up the present congestion of hogs at packing plants. Livestock Marketing Board, 4-8-21
 - "Mount Herbert Club will not be loading hogs until Tuesday, April 11th, due to excess hogs going to packing plant. Livestock Marketing Board, 4-10-11
 - "Loading hogs for Davis & Fraser every Thursday afternoon April 10th, until further notice, G. C. Green, 4-7-11

War Situation Last Night

By Kirk L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst

A Russian-Allied siege ring is virtually complete about Hitler's inner fortress and fortresses possible early collapse of the Balkan segment of the Axis defensive arc.

The junction was effected in southeastern Rumania when Allied heavy bombers based in Italy started blasting such Nazi supply hubs as Bucharest and Ploesti at indicated specific Russian request. There were intimations from both London and Naples that Allied air power is to play an increasingly important role in the Balkans as the Russian advance into Rumania develops.

It is the first staff implementation of the strategic design for three-front war on Germany laid at Tehran. It makes the Allied air bombardment of Hungarian and Rumanian targets the most significant development of last week in the European war theatre.

There were repeat Allied bombings from Italy of Bulgarian targets also during the week. Since Bulgaria is not at war with Russia, however, they fall into a different category through they serve to illustrate the fact that Bulgaria rather than doubly war-stricken Rumania, now under the heel of the Nazi boot, is the weakest link in Hitler's Balkan military hegemony.

Berlin likely is more worried about Bulgaria than Rumania, and with good reason. Sustained Allied air attacks on Nazi communications in Rumania could make Bulgarian railroads virtually necessary for Nazi use to bolster her Black Sea flank. German use of the roads unimpeded by the Bulgarian authorities would create a Russian-Bulgarian crisis.

That, too, with Russian forces in Rumania moving down toward the Black Sea.

There seems little hope of more than unorganized guerrilla resistance to the Nazis in Rumania, for the present at least. The Nazi zone that took over a wavering Rumanian war ally was apparently complete. German military developments in the country and its close proximity to the Reich itself made that possible.

Similarly swift complete Nazi occupation of Bulgaria would be less easy. It is more remote from Germany—and more disaffected due to the Russian leanings of its people. The Bulgarian army is intact, having contributed nothing to the ill-starred Nazi war effort against Russia.

Jap Invaders of India Are Reported Halted

NEW DELHI, April 9 — (AP)—Japanese forces stalling into the outskirts of Kohima, 30 miles inside India and 60 miles north of the big Allied base of Imphal, have been repulsed, southeast Asia command announced today, but the plain of Imphal is virtually under siege as the invaders seek to establish themselves, before next month's monsoon puts a stop to most military operations.

Reliable sources said that while fighting is going on steadily, the Allies are firmly holding the edges of the plain and the roads that converge like wheel spokes on the Imphal hub. There is a strong British garrison at Imphal, supplied by R.A.F. transport planes for a siege which may last several weeks.

BACK IN CIVIES

CAPE TOWN — (CP) — More than 70,000 South African soldiers have been returned to civil life through the agency of the military dispersal organization. Forty thousand are whites.

CHINESE BLOOD BANK

China's first blood bank has been established on the Yunnan front where it will be used as a model for other blood banks.

Officer Dies While Running Up Stairs

KINGSTON, Ont., April 9 — (CP) — Col. Robert Stethem, former director of Canadian Military Services and Kingston alderman, died suddenly of a heart attack Saturday in Kingston fire station.

Col. Stethem collapsed while running up the stairs to the firemen's sleeping quarters to inquire about failure to answer an alarm. It was determined later that the alarm system had failed.

Born in Kingston, Col. Stethem spent his adult life in the permanent army until two years ago when he retired because of poor health. He served in Canada at Saint John, N. B., Toronto and Kingston, and served overseas in the First Great War, later being posted to the staff of the Royal Military College here.

Surviving are his widow, the former Vera Carson; a son, Lt.-Col. Robert Walter Stethem, serving in the Middle East; his stepmother, Mrs. Walter Stethem; two sisters, Mrs. Eric Kipper and Mrs. Peter Stethem; and a brother, Major John Stethem, overseas.

Awarded Air Force Cross

MONTREAL, April 9 — (CP) — Two RCAF officers whose home is in the United States have been awarded the Air Force Cross for meritorious service with the R.A.F. transport command here, it was announced tonight.

They are Sqdn.-Ldr. De Pret-Roose, 34, of Wheatley Road, Westbury, N. Y., and Flt.-Lt. B. K. (Buddy) Broadsky, 29, of Sturgis, S. D.

"Both Officers," said the announcement, "have been engaged in delivery of bombers from North America to R.A.F. Squadrons overseas, and have also taken part in numbers of special long-range flying missions."

At present Sqdn.-Ldr. De Pret-Roose is chief flying instructor in the R.A.F. South Atlantic transport wing at Nassau, Bahamas, and Flt.-Lt. Broadsky is on the staff of the R.A.F. Trans-ocean training establishment at North Bay, Ont.

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Up To 1,750 Allied Planes In Big Assault

Berlin Reports Great Air Battles Develop During Raid.

By W. W. HERCHER
Associated Press Staff Writer

LONDON, April 9 — (AP) — Powerful fleets of United States heavy bombers and fighters swept their way clear across Germany today in one of their deepest European penetrations of the war to shatter airplane plants in East Prussia and Poland within 300 miles of the Russian-German fighting front.

The Great Eastern assault force was made up of between 1,500 and 1,750 American aircraft—500 to 750 heavy bombers and approximately 1,000 fighters.

It was broken up into four powerful forces, and while one of the units was flying approximately 1,600 miles round-trip from British bases to smash at plants at Marienburg (Posen) in Poland, other formations were flying only slightly less distances to blast Poznan (Posen) in Poland, in Pomerania and Warnemunde on the Baltic.

Berlin broadcasts said great air battles developed as the American fliers challenged Hitler's most heavily defended air routes for the second consecutive day and claimed 24 bombers shot down. But first crew members to return said enemy air opposition was not as severe as Saturday when American bombers and fighters shot down 14 German planes over Brunswick and other German targets and suffered the loss of 34 bombers and 24 fighters.

Important Target

Poznan is the home of one of the largest Messerschmitt fighter plane factories in Eastern Europe and its great freight yards serve German troops now locked with Soviet forces in the Kovel (Kovel) front a little more than 300 miles away in East Central Poland.

Marienburg, East Prussian town 250 miles northeast of Berlin, is 300 air miles west of the Kovel fighting front and is the site of a large aircraft engine plant factory in Warnemunde near Mecklenburg Bay 10 miles northeast of Rostock.

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10 Down in Sweden

The Swedish Radio said 10 American heavy bombers were forced down in Sweden today, at Malmoe, Rinkby and Kalmar.

R. A. P. Mosquitoes maintained the latest phase in the Allied aerial assault Saturday night by lashing the Baltic coast with targets to northwestern Germany.

United States headquarters said photographs made on Saturday's raid showed "considerable damage" to Me-10 fighter component factories at Brunswick and to the nearby Wilkewerk engineering works.

From all Saturday's operations which included an attack on the Belgian rail center at Hasselt and sweeps by fighters against airbases in the Frankfurt area, 34 United States bombers and 24 fighters were missing, an army communiqué said.

Vancouver Naval Rating Sentenced

LIVERPOOL, N. S., April 9 — (CP) — A 17-year-old Canadian Navy rating was convicted Saturday of beating an 82-year-old woman during a burglary at her home and sentenced to five years in penitentiary.

Magistrate R.V. Read found Opan guilty of breaking and entering by night and causing grievous bodily harm to Mrs. Medora Jones, aged resident of nearby Milton.

A week previously Mrs. Jones had reported she was beaten with a belt and tied to her bed by an intruder who ransacked her home.

Archbishop Pays A Warm Tribute To Parishioners

Replies Feelingly To Farewell Address At St. Dunstan's Basilica Last Evening.

Heartfelt appreciation of the spiritual leadership given by His Excellency the Most Rev. J.A. O'Sullivan, Archbishop-elect of Kingston, during the past thirteen years as Bishop of Charlottetown, was expressed in an address presented to His Excellency at service last evening in St. Dunstan's Basilica on behalf of all the parishioners.

To the large congregation, which filled the spacious Basilica to capacity, His Excellency replied in words of deep thankfulness and appreciation. "I thank you from the bottom of my heart," he said, "I may say that in all my years here, you never found me a stranger among you. You have been a loyal people and a good people. I feel that I shall never find again such cooperation as I have had here; and of course, without cooperation, the Bishop can do absolutely nothing. What has been accomplished here in my thirteen years has been done by you."

His Excellency referred to the great work accomplished in the past years, and said "I had your cooperation and that is why, with God's blessing, their work was so successful. When I learned that you better I realized what an enormous amount of self-sacrifice has been put into this church by people who have not been possessed with over-much wealth, but who have been blessed with a marvellous inheritance of faith."

His Excellency recalled the reorganization of the Holy Name Society here twelve years ago, and the splendid work which the organization has accomplished. There were many men before him tonight, he said, who had never missed a Holy Communion since the society was reorganized. He was confident that the work would go on with still greater success in the future.

"In the ordinary course of nature," His Excellency said, "I have spent the best of my life already. I was almost six years in Toronto, and thirteen years here. Another twelve years and I shall have passed the three-score and ten years mark." He also referred touchingly to his early years, and gave thanks for his early Christian upbringing.

Blessing his episcopal prayer book, His Excellency asked the prayers of the congregation on (Continued on page 7, Col. 3)

Red Army Troops Cross Into Czechoslovakia

Siege Of Odessa Begins; Iasi In Rumania Half-Encircled.

LONDON, April 9 — (AP) — Russian troops crossed into the Rumanian rail centre of Iasi today in an avalanche of power which swept over 200 more villages, and began the siege of Odessa by bursting into the freight yards some 200 miles on the north and racing around the Black Sea port on the southwest coast of the Crimean peninsula. The last German escape railway, Moscow announced tonight.

Czech statements also indicated that the Russians had fought their way over the Czechoslovakian border in the direction of the Tatar Pass leading to the Hungarian plain.

Broadcasts from both London and Moscow were urging the Czechs to aid the advancing Russians, and Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's 1st army by increasing sabotage and active resistance.

Germany's high command communiqué said another Russian army was attacking on "a broad front" at the Sivas and Perekop bridgeheads of the Crimean peninsula where more than 100,000 German and Rumanian troops have been bottled up for months except for what aid German ships and planes could bring.

Compressing the Skala trap north of the middle Dniester River, the Russians said their troops killed 2,400 more Germans during the day and captured 200. That boosted a six-day total to 18,900 Nazi dead on the basis of Moscow announcements.

This is the area where the remnants of 16 German divisions have been encircled for two weeks.

Expect Statement On Alternate Ferry Service

TORONTO, April 9 — (CP) — Years of persecution by the Nazis ended yesterday for a group of some 250 weary refugees who arrived in Toronto and Montreal after a Portuguese steamship सेवा Finto.

OTTAWA, April 9 — (CP) — Defence headquarters warned tonight that wartime powers to prevent further influx of civilians into the war jammed city of Halifax may have to be put into effect unless Canadians generally heed appeals against moving to that city.

Expect Statement On Alternate Ferry Service

The Guardian received the following message last night from Col. J.L. Easton, minister of defence and member of the House of Commons for Prince:

"Am pleased to advise an informed that minister transport expects to issue announcement tomorrow morning concerning departmental activities in connection with consideration of alternate transportation facilities between Prince Edward Island and mainland, J.L. Easton."

Remote-Control Tanks Charge Allied Lines

Weapon Is Unmanned And Is Controlled By Mother Tank.

NAPLES, April 9 — (AP) — The Germans have flung their vaunted "new secret weapon" — lumbering remote-controlled "Goliath" tanks — against the Allied beachhead at Anzio south of Rome but have achieved no success. Allied headquarters announced today.

The beachhead reverberated to a thundering artillery duel, the Nazis inflicting some damage on vital Anzio harbor and Allied gunners setting an ammunition dump afire 2 1/2 miles west of Civitavecchia. It was not announced how much damage was done to Anzio harbor. Handicapped by bad weather, Allied air force nevertheless continued to make German communications lines.

Light naval forces shelled the enemy held town of Bar on the Dalmatian coast. Friday night and captured another enemy stronghold farther north along the coast.

Up and down the stalemate Italian front numerous patrol clashes occurred and headquarters announced that casualties were inflicted on the enemy in these actions and prisoners taken.

The Germans renewed attempt to use their remote-controlled tanks, known also as the "Minehund" or mine tank, proved about as ineffective as previously. They were spotted moving against Allied lines in the Civitavecchia area and Allied gunners destroyed three and damaged a fourth before they could do any harm.

The Minehund, about five feet long, two feet high and two feet wide, is unmanned and runs on a light steel tread. It is powered by a two cylinder gasoline motor. The "mother" tank to the rear controls their movements. Allied army officers still are speculating on whether the Goliath is operated by radio cable. They first appeared on this front a month ago.

Isley Faced With Budget After Holiday

OTTAWA, April 9 — (CP) — Finance Minister Isley's big job of the year—preparation of the budget—awaits him on his return from his health-seeking vacation in California.

When he gets back the experts of the finance department will have it well advanced but to Mr. Isley, as usual, will fall the task of piloting the budget proposals through the cabinet. It may reach the Commons in late April or early May.

The budget is not expected to bring any relief from taxation. On the other hand, there is good reason to believe there will be no increases in income tax. If the tax experts find they can pick up a few extra dollars in some other field they will do so.

THE POLITICAL PLUM ALWAYS SEEMS RIPE ENOUGH TO PICK!

High tide this afternoon at 12:56 and tonight at 1. Sun sets this evening at 7:38 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:26. Last quarter moon April 16, 1:56 a.m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

DAILY AIR SERVICE
Charlottetown — Summerside — Moncton

Leave Charlottetown 7:35 a. m. 12:00 noon, 4:30 p. m.
Arrive Charlottetown 1:10 p. m. 5:45 p. m. 7:05 p. m.

SUNDAY SERVICE
Leave Charlottetown 12 noon.
Arrive Charlottetown 5:45 p. m.