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sleeve is a funny bone.

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MAXIMS  
OF A  
MERE MAN

Plain living and high thinking  
generally go together.

## MOSCOW BELIEVES EVENTS TAKING FAVORABLE TURN

### Counter-attacks Are Under Way At Leningrad

Red Army and People's  
Battalions under orders  
to save city or die.

(By Henry C. Cassidy, Associated Press Staff Writer)  
MOSCOW, Sept. 6—(Saturday)—(AP)—The Red army and people's battalions are counter-attacking through a storm of artillery fire before Leningrad under Marshal Klementi Voroshilov's orders to save the city or die, Russian dispatches said today.

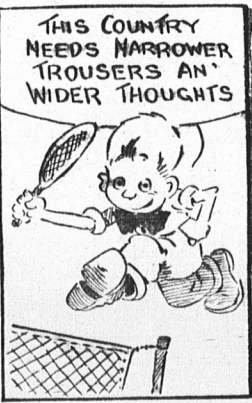
The early Saturday communique said fighting raged along the entire front. War dispatches reported pitched battles on the approaches of Leningrad, Kiev and Odessa, and claimed gradual destruction of a large German force which crossed to the east bank of the lower Dnieper river.

The Russians were reported in Red army dispatches to have thrown back the invaders almost a mile in the battle for Leningrad, retaking villages by charging through murderous artillery barrages.

Red army tanks, planes and artillery were described as hammering to pieces the large German force which became stranded and isolated August 26 when it finally forced a crossing on the lower Dnieper where Marshal Semeon Budenny has established a line on the east bank to defend the rest of the Ukraine. This battle was said to be continuing after the crushing of two German battalions.

Re-capture Villages  
Marshal Klementi Voroshilov's forces, strengthened by Red troops evacuated to the west after the fall of Tallinn in Estonia, claimed

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TORONTO, Sept. 5—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:  
Vancouver 48 67  
Edmonton 55 —  
Regina 50 70  
Winnipeg 52 56  
Toronto 64 84  
Ottawa 69 83  
Montreal 65 87

Synopsis: Light to moderate showers have occurred in Ontario and it has been unusually warm in Alberta and eastern districts. It has been cool with showers in Manitoba and light scattered showers have occurred in Alberta and northern Saskatchewan.

BOSTON, Sept. 5—(AP)—Forecast:—Mainly occasional showers and somewhat warmer Saturday; Sunday fair continued moderate temperature in south, showers and cooler in north; fresh westerly winds Saturday. Vermont and New Hampshire—Fair in south, mostly cloudy with occasional showers north; slightly cooler in north portion Saturday; Sunday showers and cooler; fresh westerly winds Saturday.

High tide this morning at 11:05 and tonight at 11:45.  
Sun sets this evening at 6:19 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:28.

New moon Sept. 21, 12:38 p.m. Summer tide 18 minutes later than Charlotte town.

BORDEN - CAPE TORMENTINE SERVICE (Standard Time)  
Leave Borden 6:30 A.M. 9:35 A.M. 1:00 P.M. 4:45 P.M. 7:30 P.M.  
Leave Cape Tormentine 8:00 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 3:15 P.M. 6:30 P.M. 8:40 P.M.

LEAVES BORDEN SERVICE  
Leave Borden 9:00 A.M. 12:00 noon. 4:45 P.M. 7:00 P.M.  
Leave Cape Tormentine 10:05 A.M. 2:30 P.M. 5:50 P.M. 8:10 P.M.

WOOD ISLANDS FERRY  
Leaves Wood Islands 7:00 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 3:00 P.M.  
Leaves Caribou 9:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M. 5:00 P.M.

### U. S. Warships In grim hunt For U - Boat

Orders From White  
House To "Eliminate"  
Marauder If  
Found.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5—(AP)—American warships grimly hunted today the submarine that attacked the U. S. S. Greer, with orders, straight from the White House, to "eliminate" the under-sea marauder if it is found.

President Roosevelt himself made this announcement, with the capitals of the world impatiently and excitedly awaited whatever the diplomatic aftermath of the incident might be.

The question universally asked was whether the occurrence would draw the United States into active participation in the war. Although comprehensive officials here generally inclined to the view that the incident was not of sufficient magnitude to have that result.

What happened was this:—The Greer a destroyer built in 1918, was carrying mail to Iceland. Shortly after dawn yesterday a submarine, the identity of the destroyer was plainly indicated by a

The Greer counter-attacked with depth bombs. At the President's press conference he revealed that more than one attack had been made on the Greer. All occurred at night. The identity of the destroyer was plainly indicated by a

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### Huge U. S. rail Strike looms

CHICAGO, Sept. 5—(AP)—The path toward settlement of a multi-million dollar wage dispute threatening a strike on the major U. S. railroads, veered directly toward the White House today.

Under the Railway Labor Act President Roosevelt held within his power the dispute, and remaining step to prevent an actual strike—appointment of an emergency fact-finding board to investigate the controversy.

Negotiations between leaders of 125 Class 1 railroads and 19 labor organizations representing approximately 1,250,000 employees collapsed Aug. 5. Efforts of the National Railway Mediation Board to settle the dispute by mediation were abandoned today the board announced. Its chairman, David J. Lewis, also said the board would agree to arbitration which would be legally binding upon them.

### Frenchman dies Of assassin's bullet

VICHY, France, Sept. 5—(AP)—Marcel Gilton, a recruiting agent, died today of an assassin's bullet in a Paris hospital today. He had been selected with Red support to the French Chamber of Deputies in a growing series of acts of terrorism which it was feared might approach civil strife.

He was the third fatality by stealthy violence since Aug. 21, when a Frenchman was shot and wounded. His assailant was not identified, save that it was known to have been a man of about 25.

The Germans held to their previously announced policy. Gilton's murder will be a strictly French affair.

### Wholesale price Index highest For 11 years

OTTAWA, Sept. 5—(CP)—The present standing of the index of wholesale prices is at a higher level than at any time in the last 11 years, the Bureau of Statistics said today.

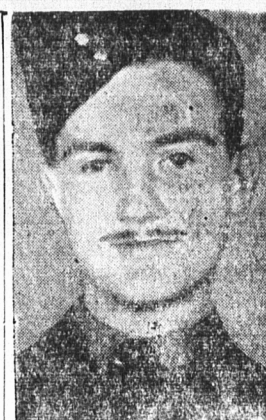
The influences characteristic of a war period are now making themselves felt in raising commodity prices, the Bureau said. "The index of wholesale prices based on 1937 prices was 91.8 in the week of August 22 against 82.7 in the same week of 1940.

"Animal products, during the last 12 months have shown an increase of nearly 20 points in the index, while considerable gains have also been shown in textiles and crop products.

"The index of the cost of living on the basis of 1936-39 rose from 105.6 on July 1 last to 111.9 on the same date of 1941. The index for foodstuffs advanced from 105.3 to 116.6, whereas clothing was 115.1 in July against 109.1 in the same month last year."

The Bureau said the gain in productive activity had resulted in a marked increase in persons employed, with the general employment index for the first six months of 1941 at 149.8 compared with 115.2 for the same period in 1940.

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CANADIAN WINS D.F.C.

Pilot Officer James P. Ery of Toronto is one of five Canadian airmen who have been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for their part in daring daylight attacks on German warships taking shelter in French harbors. An observer, Ery has been reported missing. He was a member of the R.C.A.F. attached to an R.A.P. squadron.

### Local Gyro Wins trophy

PICTOU, N. S., Sept. 5—(CP)—W. T. Blair of Kentville, N. S., today was elected Governor of the Maritime Gyro district at the annual convention. Other officers:—Lieut. Governor—Gaius Avar, Moncton, N. B.

Secretary—John Mosher, Kentville. Immediate Past Governor—Alister Macdonald, Sydney.

The new governor presented trophies as follows: Man-of-war trophy, Sydney Club; Smit trophy, Charlottetown Club; Attendance trophy, Halifax; Gyro trophy, Sydney, and Bulletin Contest trophy, Halifax.

### Second U. S. Tanker arrives At Vladivostok

NEW YORK, Sept. 5—(AP)—The The Water Associated Oil Company announced today that its tanker, the *U.S.S. Greer*, had arrived at the Soviet port of Vladivostok with a cargo of aviation gasoline.

This was the second United States tanker to have reached Vladivostok since the government determined to send gasoline to Russia. The tanker *K. P. Sinclair* was disclosed yesterday to have arrived at the same port with 95,000 barrels of fuel.

### Interpreting The War News

(By Edward E. Bomar)  
(Associated Press Staff Writer)  
President Roosevelt's disclosure of successive daylight attacks on the well-marked United States destroyer Greer seems to permit but three likely explanations, all ominous in varying degrees.

The cautious theory that the incident resulted from mistaken identity and was not intended to challenge the United States to a "shooting war" is weakened by the information the President released.

On the assumption that the torpedoes were fired by a German U-boat or Italian submarine, there remain these two questions: Did Berlin or another Axis capital order the attacks? Or did the submarine commander make his on his own responsibility?

The circumstances tempt, of course, the instant conclusion that there was nothing accidental about the affair, however much Hitler may or may not want to avoid inclining the United States into a full-fledged war in the Battle of the Atlantic last now.

Visibility was good, the President reported, giving the marauder every opportunity to identify himself.

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### No Coal Shipments Until Slowdown Over

Prices and Trade Board makes ruling in  
Cape Breton situation.

### Is confident Drilling for oil Will commence

OTTAWA, Sept. 5—(CP)—Coal administrator J. McG. Stewart of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board said tonight no further shipments of coal will be made from the Maritime Provinces until full production is restored in the Cape Breton pits where miners have been employing a "slowdown" technique.

"Any tonnages still available for priority industries such as coke and gas plants will not be immediately disturbed," Mr. Stewart said, "but industry generally will have to obtain supplies of coal from other available sources."

A price and trade board spokesman estimated that normal shipments from Nova Scotia to central Canada total about 2,500,000 tons a year, virtually all of it bituminous coal for industrial uses.

This official said there has been a considerable increase in the industrial demand for coal in the Maritimes.

Quebec, which normally imported some bituminous coal from the Maritime Provinces, would be able to satisfy its needs from United States shipments via the Great Lakes water route, he said.

### British planes Aided Greer Repel U-Boat

(By Drew Middleton, Associated Press Staff Writer)  
REYKJAVIK, Iceland, Sept. 5—(AP)—British aircraft aided the United States destroyer Greer in repelling an attack by a German submarine, men aboard the destroyer said on their arrival here today.

They said the Greer's depth charges may well have sunk the undersea vessel. The men's report was the first specific indication the attacker was German.

(The above cable contained no amplification of the statement that the attack was by Germans, Drew Middleton, a veteran of both the battle of France and the battle of Britain, filed his dispatch only a few hours after arriving in Iceland and from London following President Roosevelt's filing of a ban against foreign correspondents on the island. Middleton was not aboard the Greer, apparently obtaining his information through interviews. The dispatch was passed by the combination British-American censorship in Iceland and by the British censors in London.)

The Greer's officers and crew expressed conviction that they had at least damaged the submarine, for their instruments indicated that they were directly over her when they dropped their bombs.

The destroyer, they added, was in very deep water at the time, and thus the submarine may have been sunk without trace.

British aircraft in the vicinity co-operated in reconnaissance.

### Film to shock British people

LONDON, Sept. 5—(CP)—A motion picture film captured from the Germans, and showing the Nazi offensive against Russia, is being distributed in Britain and the government hopes it will give the public a shock.

Called "War in the East," the film is shown as a record of "the Nazis' most thoroughly total war to date."

The Ministry of Information has decided that the public ought to see the picture to be jerked out of its complacency which has been worrying British leaders.

The film, a sequel to the German documentary film "Victory in the West," shows monstrous tanks advancing through Russian ruins laid waste by the Soviet scorched earth policy. Death is shown in all forms. Ear-splitting screams of dive bombers punctuate the scenes.

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### E. I. sinking Fund bonds sold

MONTREAL, Sept. 5—(CP)—An issue of \$2,500,000 Province of Prince Edward Island 12-year four per cent sinking fund bonds was today marketed to a syndicate composed of the Bank of Montreal, Royal Securities and Cochran Murray and Company limited at a price of 98.51. The bonds mature March 15, 1954, and will carry a sinking fund rate of three per cent per annum.

### Island Nurses For duty in South Africa

OTTAWA, Sept. 5—(CP)—Eighty nurses recruited through various districts and representative every province will make up a group of the 300 requested less than a month ago by the South African Government for military nursing service in that dominion.

The nurses, who will proceed to the destination before the end of the year for a minimum of a year's service, include: Fern Townsend, St. John's; Edith Cavell Lewis, Saint John's; Estelle McChesney, Saint John's; Marion McAtee, Saint John's; Marion O'Neill, Saint John's; Wilmora Clifton, King's County; Eleanor Ball, Newcastle; Doris Brown, Saint John's; Doris L. Chapman; Helen Beatrice Thompson, Colbrook; Annie Brewster, North Devon.

Other nurses include: Margaret Blanche Macdonald, Colbrook; Nora Agnes McNeill, Glace Bay; Florence E. Smith, Springhill; Annie Maureen Smith, Sydney; Margaret Gordon, Acadiaville; Digsy County; Agnes O'Brien, Westville.

Prince Edward Island: Dorothy Butler, Charlottetown; B. Butler Murray River.

### 7 Axis ships Blasted in Mediterranean

LONDON, Sept. 5—(CP)—Seven Axis ships, including two warships and a big Italian liner which may have been carrying troops to North Africa, have been sunk or damaged in a series of British successes in the Mediterranean, the Admiralty announced today.

The liner was torpedoed "and almost certainly sunk," the Admiralty said.

One of the damaged vessels was reported to be a 10,000-ton cruiser. Communications issued here and in Cairo reported these other actions:—

Loaded southbound tanker torpedoed and sunk from Axis convoy off Sicily.

Supply ship of about 8,000 tons torpedoed and sunk by submarine in the central Mediterranean.

Axis destroyer torpedoed and destroyed by planes of the Royal Air Force middle east command outside of Tripoli harbor on the night of Sept. 3-4.

A 10,000-ton Axis cruiser hit by torpedoes and seriously damaged in attack on "an enemy naval force"—presumably Italian—near the Straits of Messina between Sicily and the toe of Italy.

The 4,971-ton Italian supply ship *Antonia* torpedoed and seriously damaged in the convoy action off Sicily.

A large merchant ship hit by torpedo-carrying planes in the Tripoli attack.

### Viipuri in Ruins after Soviet retreat

(By Paul Sjoebloom)  
(Associated Press Staff Writer)  
VIIPURI, Sept. 5—(CP)—The Russian retreat left Viipuri a shattered city.

Foreign correspondents touring Viipuri at the invitation of the Finnish high command found the city almost completely ruined or demolished.

The streets are lined with the skeletons of houses through which the only moving things I saw were a few Finnish soldiers, a speeding army truck, a lone rickshaw, and a lone rickshaw driver. The city was a mass of rubble. The railway tracks were either carried away or twisted out of shape.

All bridges were demolished. The Finnish officers claimed that the Soviet garrison with sudden encirclement prevented the Russians from blasting the entire city as utterly as the railroad square.

### German planes Raid Britain

LONDON, Sept. 5—(CP)—Several German planes attacking eastern Scotland today inflicted a small number of casualties and some damage, and one of the bombers crashed, killing its crew of four, the Air Ministry announced tonight.

A report from one linkage said a Nazi bomber machine-gunned the town of Inverness, Scotland, but that none was injured.

In the only British offensive action the Ministry said two German bombers were attacked off the coast of the Shetland Islands. Clouds of smoke were seen to rise from one of the ships.

A factory at La Pallice, France, also was bombed.

### REFUGEE JAILED

LONDON—(CP)—Erwin Holzer, said to be a refugee from Nazi oppression, pleaded guilty to stealing a car at £15 (\$17.50) and was sentenced to six weeks in prison.