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RUSSIANS CLAIM BIG TANK VICTORY IN POLAND

NAZIS LOSE 161 PLANES IN TEN DAYS

Declare Germans Thrown Back On Wide Front Line

Italians plan Aid to Nazis; Japs may join

ROME, June 26—(AP)—An expeditionary force to fight against Russia was announced by the Fascist government today as the Fascist press, joining in the war of nerves, hinted that Japan, the third Axis partner, soon may join the war to anticipate any move of the United States.

Writing in Giornale D'Italia, Admiral Gino Duclot said Japan might occupy the rest of Sakhalin Island, now shared with Russia, and the Soviet base of Petropavlovsk on Kamchatka Peninsula.

Japan's move, he said, would be to prevent the United States from occupying Soviet bases from which air attack could be directed against the Japanese islands. He expressed opinion that Japan would be obliged to "re-examine her defensive problem" in view of "possible American war initiatives."

Italy's decision to send troops to fight by the side of the Germans was made public in a communication which said Mussolini piloted his own airplane to an undisclosed city in the Po Valley of northern Italy to inspect the first motor-division of the expeditionary force.

Accused Testifies In Murder Trial

11 others give evidence as case nears conclusion

Jury Returns Verdict In Child's Death

Frederick Phillips testified in the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon that he was unaware that Peter Trainor had been killed until he was charged with the murder in the Police Court the next morning. He took the stand in his own defence. Phillips is charged jointly with Earl Lund of murdering a 76-year-old Charlottetown storekeeper in his store last January 30.

The accused claimed that himself and Earl Lund just happened to go to the Trainor Store. They were looking for something to drink and seeing a light in the store shortly after midnight, decided to get some ginger ale or two per cent beer. Earlier in the night they had been drinking moonshine.

He also told the jury that before they reached the store they saw the lights go off and a man wearing an overcoat and hat, came out and go up the street. They did not recognize him as he was a stranger, he added.

Twelve witnesses gave evidence at yesterday's session of the Court. They were Constable Stems Webster, Harold Hennessey, (re-called), Constable George Gregory, Constable Gordon Poole, Allison MacDonald and Sgt. Watson Higgins, who concluded the evidence for the Crown; witnesses called for the defence were, Stanford Biggar, Charles O'Brien, Phillip Gallant, Mrs. Mary Ann Gormley, Benjamin Gauthier and the accused Phillips. The latter was still on the stand undergoing cross-examination when the Court adjourned late yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Justice A. C. Saunders presided. Hon. Thane A. Campbell.

Self-sacrifice Urged by Pope Pius in talk

(By Richard G. Massock)
(Associated Press Staff Writer)
VATICAN CITY, June 26—(AP)—Self-sacrifice was urged by Pope Pius XII in a broadcast to the United States today to combat a "current of paganism" and "the natural enemy within" which he said are "breaking down the self-respect and decency of peoples."

The Pontiff is to deliver a radio speech to the world Sunday in which, usually reliable sources said, will define the Catholic Church's position toward Soviet Russia in connection with the war.

The Pontiff deems the war situation, now that it has extended to the seat of atheistic Communism, so important, unofficial informants declared, that it requires a special message.

He spoke for 15 minutes in English today from his private library, addressing the closing session of the National Eucharistic Congress at St. Paul, Minn.

Paganism, he said, is "sweeping over the peoples." The church has been "persecuted by the members of a Christian culture is being 'undetermined'."

Issuing his call for self-sacrifice, he declared it was "hard to say how far-reaching the suffering will be."

He said a "current of black paganism" is "carrying along in its onward rush newspapers and motion pictures" and that "the young men and women of self-sacrifice will escape the flood."

"You live in a country where the

British bomb Reich targets For 16th night

Continued Pounding By R. A. F. Seen Hitting Hard Blow At German Morale.

(By Louis Hunter, Canadian Press Staff Writer)
LONDON, June 26—(CP Cable)—The Royal Air Force now master of the daylight sky over northern France, tonight plunged into its 16th successive night of blasting German targets without sign of slackening in the thunderous tempo.

During the day the R.A.F. carried the fight anew to enemy-occupied territory in a powerful offensive sweep during which nine Nazi fighters were destroyed. Three British planes did not return.

In the 10 days ended June 25, the Air Ministry announced the destruction of 161 German aircraft against a British loss of 66, while in the last six days the Germans lost 108, the R. A. F. 19 planes, 16 pilots.

The daylight sweep came after attacks Wednesday night on targets in western Germany that included the important port of Bremen and the naval base of Kiel, to which the R. A. F. flew in the face of one of the worst storms its pilots have ever encountered.

Many squadrons of aircraft on their customary daylight cross-channel flight travelled miles into northern France. They met only slight opposition and saw only a few formations of Nazi fighters, most of whom kept their distance.

More and heavier bombs are being dropped by Britain's newest bomber aircraft, it was learned, on vital areas of Hitler's war machine. Its efforts to increase in strength almost daily, the R.A.F. now is

Finns told Must fight Russia again

HELINSINKI, June 26—(AP)—Finns heard their president broadcast tonight that they must fight Russia again.

Again, as on Nov. 30, 1939, the call to resist Russia came as Russian planes bombed Finnish cities—this time concentrating on Turku, the seaport particularly hard hit in the last war's bombings.

Russia has announced the bombing of our country and for the creed of our fathers," declared President Risto Rytli.

He made no mention of a declaration of war.

Vice-Regal Party Arrives in Halifax

HALIFAX, June 26—(CP)—The Duke of Athlone and Princess Alice slept aboard their private railway car here tonight after arriving from Debert, N. S., where they inspected one of the Dominion's biggest military bases.

A spokesman said they would return to Ottawa Monday after a tour of the maritimes but said their program during the three-day period here was undecided.

The vice-regal couple arrived about 7 p. m., A.D.T. and did not leave their car.

Sham "Blitz" Gives Toronto A surprise

TORONTO, June 26—(CP)—The city of Toronto today was swiftly and completely taken over by a heavily-powered military force striking from the north in a large-scale military manoeuvre designed as a protective occupation to forestall a "quelling coup."

The manoeuvre was executed with lightning speed behind a completely effective censorship. The Toronto headquarters of Military District No. 2 was one of the first strategic points taken over by the invaders, and apparently the first when newly-detailed guards outside his office demanded that he produce his registration card on his arrival.

The Provincial Parliament buildings and the private office of Premier Mitchell Hepburn were also quickly occupied after the striking force had reached the Toronto airport. The city was held by several hundred armored columns 60 miles from the

News Briefs

BERNE, June 26—(AP)—Dispatches from Hungary tonight said Budapest had an air-raid alarm at 4 p. m. and that Russian planes dropped bombs in northeast Hungary. The newspaper Neuer Zurcher of Zurich carried a Budapest dispatch saying Hungary probably now would join in the war against Russia.

(There was no Russian comment on these reports.)

LONDON, June 26—(CP)—Quoted news agency tonight quoted reports that the Germans had occupied five of the Russian provinces in a dispatch from Budapest, quoting Hungarian war correspondents.

VICHY, June 26—(AP)—The Germans have made no great forward movement against Soviet Russia within the past 24 hours except for the drive in the vicinity of Vilna, Lithuania, according to information reaching military circles here tonight.

VICHY, June 26—(AP)—The French acknowledged tonight that British forces in Syria have driven about 50 miles north of Damascus and Nebek and roughly halfway to the important railroad and desert bus route junction of Homs.

NEW YORK, June 26—(AP)—The National Broadcasting Company's Ankara correspondent reported tonight that the French Under Secretary of State had arrived in Turkey to negotiate for evacuation of 20,000 Vichy French troops from Syria to Turkey.

NEW YORK, June 26—(AP)—The Rumanian government has left Bucharest following Soviet air attacks on that capital, NBC reported tonight from Ankara.

LONDON, June 27—(Friday)—(CP)—London had a brief air-raid alarm early today and heavy gunfire was heard before and during the alert. No planes overhead or damage to the capital was reported.

LONDON, June 26—(CP)—Reuters news agency carried a roundabout report tonight declaring the Germans had captured Riga, former capital of Latvia, one of the three Baltic states absorbed by Soviet Russia a year ago.

The Reuters dispatch was based on a Stockholm report reaching Vichy.

Declare Germans Thrown Back On Wide Front Line

Soviets announced Rumanian Oil Fields and Port heavily bombed; Try new technique against Panzer Divisions.

MOSCOW, June 27—(Friday)—(AP)—Soviet troops again repulsed German efforts to force the Prut River on the southern end of the long battle front in eastern Europe and successfully engaged German tank units filtering through Red defences "in the direction of Minsk." White Russian capital, the Soviet information bureau announced today.

A great tank battle is being fought in former Poland and "continued throughout the day with a manifest advantage for our troops," the communice said.

Much of this action is in the German effort to drive toward Luck, 50 miles east of the Bug River boundary.

Soviet troops holding the Prut River boundary between Rumania and Soviet Bessarabia were said to have frustrated repeated German attempts to ford that river, particularly in the Cernauti area.

Minsk, the White Russian capital and apparent goal of one German drive, is 160 miles east of the easternmost tip of German East Prussia. It was in this direction that Soviet troops were said to be fighting Nazi tanks that crashed through advanced Red positions.

The Russian manoeuvres of throwing great masses of men around these advance Nazi mechanized forces was aimed at cutting them off from the supporting infantry and erasing them.

At one point counter-attacking Red troops said to have crossed the Prut River to raid enemy positions and capture prisoners and guns.

The Russians accused the Germans of landing paratroopers dressed in Red army uniforms, but said "thanks to the vigilance of our troops this imposition of the perfidious enemy was exposed in time and diversionist groups were annihilated or captured."

Says Hitler Demands token Aid in war

MADRID, June 26—(AP)—Hitler has demanded from each country forming a part of the "new Europe" to fight against Communism, but what part Spain will take in this connection has not yet been announced.

Here three lines of this dispatch were deleted by the Spanish censor. It was the first indication that Hitler had made such demands upon countries dominated by Germany.

8,000 R.C.A.F. Ground Crew For Overseas

ST. THOMAS, Ont., June 26—(CP)—Hon. C. G. Power, Minister of National Defence for Air, said today that approximately 8,000 ground crewmen of the Royal Canadian Air Force would be sent overseas as part of a plan to man 25 new squadrons of the Royal Air Force with all-Canadian ground and air crews.

Later, during an inspection of the technical training school here, he told 5,000 R.C.A.F. ground crewmen mustered on the parade ground that in the near future "a very large number" of them would be able to proceed overseas.

Two Airmen Are charged With murder

OTTAWA, June 26—(CP)—Ontario Provincial Police announced tonight that two members of the Royal Canadian Air Force, Edward Paquette of Ottawa and Germain Doucet of Montreal, had been arrested and charged with the murder of Charles G. Walton of Ottawa.

The two accused will be arraigned in Carleton County Court, tomorrow.

Walton, 52-year-old Ottawa businessman, disappeared the early morning hours of May 5 and on May 19 his body was recovered from the Ottawa River.

The two airmen charged with the murder were stationed at the R.C.A.F. station at Uplands. Late in the day Crown attorney Raoul Mercier asked for an adjournment of the inquest into Walton's death and said police had uncovered new evidence.

The inquest was adjourned for half an hour. Then it was announced that the new developments in the case would be handled by police and the coroner's jury re-assembled to give its verdict that Walton had come to his death by drowning at the hands of two persons unknown.

Testimony given the coroner's jury was to the effect that Walton, when last seen in the early morning hours of May 5, had been in the company of two airmen.

Give Soviets Three Months Against Nazis

WASHINGTON, June 26—(AP)—Some highly placed American authorities expressed the opinion here today that Germany is virtually sure to triumph in her invasion of Russia.

Despite conflicting claims from abroad, the view was expressed that the Russians are almost certain to be overwhelmed within three months. As for the immediate prospect, the Red army's chances of escaping quick disaster are believed to hinge on the validity of Berlin's claims that the Russian air force already has been dealt crippling blows.

If the Red army has been deprived of aerial eyes, its prospects of being able to withdraw to escape envelopment were rated as slight.

LOCOMOTIVE CARS DERAILED

ANTIGONISH, N.S., June 26—(CP)—Traffic was held up several hours today when the locomotive and four cars of a westbound freight train, No. 628, were derailed at a switch at nearby Bayfield Road station at six a.m. The road was cleared late in the afternoon by an auxiliary from Stellarton.

Coming Events

Rate for Notices in this column 3 cents per word.

*Come to Milton Tea Thursday, July 3rd. L-744-6-25-27.

*Red Cross Cake Sale at Rogers Hardware this Saturday, June 28th. L-791-6-26-31.

*Westmoreland School Ice Cream Social and Dance June 30th. L-869-6-27-30.

*Dance and Ice Cream Festival in Gowan Brae School Thursday, July 3rd. L-875-6-27-11.

*See "Whittlin" presented by Dundas Players at St. Peter's Bay, Monday, June 30th. L-787-6-27-11.

*Darlington dance and festival Friday, June 27th Proceeds for War Work. L-615-6-19-27-21.

*Reserve July 9th, Cape Traverse Church of Scotland Ladies Aid Ice Cream Social L-828-6-27-11.

*Greenville Institute Festival and Dance, July 1st. P. J. Martin's Hunter River. Proceeds war work. II vet Wednesday. L-822-6-27-21.

*Wanted to buy bolognae cattle Phone or write for price. Signed Island Cold Storage Co., Ltd. L-242-5-21-21.

*Dance in Lorne Valley Hall, for School, July 1st. Webster's Orchestra. L-900-6-27-11.

*Monthly meeting Canadian Legion Auxiliary, City Building, June 27th, 7:30 p.m. L-815-6-26-21.

*Wanted to buy quantity veal calves. All grades. Signed Island Cold Storage. L-635-6-20-11.

*Come to dance in French River Hall, Friday evening, June 27. L-770-6-25-27-21.

*Dance, Entertainment in St. Mary's School, Friday night, June 27th. Free lunch. Good music. L-707-6-2-27.

*St. Andrew's Dramatic Club will present "Nearly Hanged" at Town Hall, Georgetown, July 1st at 8:30 P. M. L-823-6-27-21.

*Ball game, social and dance on Summersville School grounds Monday evening, June 30th. L-824-6-27-11.

*Red Cross Cake Sale at Rogers Hardware this Saturday, June 28th from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M. L-791-6-26-31.

*Avonlea Lodge, Cavendish Beach open for season. Special dinners for golfers. Bring your friends. L-902-6-27-21.

*See "Oh Promise Me" tonight, at Tron Baptist Church Hall, under auspices of the B. Y. P. U. L-150-6-27-11.

*Notice—Stanley Bridge Variety Concert at North Rustico Hall, Monday, June 30th. If not fine the following night. Admission 30c and 15c. Tax included. L-868-6-26-21.

*Farmers attention! Livestock Feed Warehouse, 60 Fitzroy St., will be open each week day 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday night until 8:30 Daylight Saving. L-906-6-27-21.

*Poultrymen, Commencing first of July our poultry killing p will be open for business. Cull and market your non layers. Write particulars or phone 77. Livestock Feed Agency. L-906-6-27-21.

*Culled poultry should be fattened for table use. They are worth more. Will buy outright on credit basis on delivery, or when dressed at highest market value. Livestock Feed Agency. L-906-6-27-21.

Debert Soldiers In Unexpected Exercises

Orders to move come after midnight; Destination is Mulgrave.

DEBERT CAMP, N. S., June 27—(Friday)—(CP)—From this great military encampment a mass of troops moved out early today in an exercise designed to sharpen their mobility and test their ability to move under emergency conditions without advance warning.

Amid secrecy so thick that none but a handful of high-ranking officers knew what was up, the soldiers were gathered together after midnight and sent on their way in a long mechanized procession. Their destination was Mulgrave, about 100 miles away on the western shore of the Strait of Canso.

More than 200 vehicles made up the column, officers said. The number of men involved was not announced.

The troops were due to reach Mulgrave about the middle of the afternoon. They were driving through a heavy rainfall when the movement started.

The exercises will last two days. Officers here described the manoeuvres as "practice reinforcing exercises, part of the defensive scheme." The idea was to demonstrate how the Canadians can move under emergency conditions. The element of surprise was emphasized throughout.

Will Wait Two Weeks Before Bacon Action

OTTAWA, June 26—(CP)—Before taking more drastic action the Bacon Board will wait for two weeks to see how the public reacts to the appeal to Canadians to eat less pork so that shipments of bacon and ham to Great Britain may be increased an official of the Board said today.

"If we find it necessary to take over all ham and bacon in Canada to meet Britain's requests we will not hesitate to do this," the official said, "but we are anxious to try out the voluntary method first."

One complaint that has come to the Board is that Canadian stock exporters help provide United States dollars for munition purchases in that country, officials state.

Says Turkish Ship sunk by Italian torpedo

ANKARA, June 26—(CP)—The Turkish steamship Refah, sunk in the Mediterranean with a loss of 160 lives out of 180 passengers and crew members, was reliably reported today to have been sent down by an Italian submarine.

The 2,500-ton vessel carried Turkish naval personnel en route to Britain.

Some of the 20 survivors were reported to have landed in Palestine, others at the British Mediterranean island of Cyprus.

It was understood here that all the belligerent powers had been notified before the vessel sailed three days ago.

Previous reports from survivors had not identified the attacking submarine's nationality.

ROTARIANS MEET

ST. ANDREWS, N. B., June 26—(CP)—Rotarians from Canada, Newfoundland and the United States registered this afternoon and tonight for the fourth annual conference of rotary district 192 embracing the Maritime provinces, Newfoundland and northern Maine.

Officials estimated at least 350 Rotarians and members of their families would be here tomorrow for the opening session of the two-day conference.

British Military Mission speeding Towards Moscow

LONDON, June 26—(AP)—Great Britain was reported tonight to have sent a military mission speeding to Moscow via the Middle East and at the same time planning to ask the Soviet Union to pledge itself not to conclude a separate peace with Germany before the end of the war in Russia, once before in the spring of 1918.

The military mission, understood to represent the army, navy and air force, was reported en route in with the Soviet high command to discuss details of British help in beating Germany.

United States Ambassador John G. Winant has been gathering here with both British and Russian officials, presumably on the question of American aid for the Soviet Union.

Russia was known to want, for one thing, an even harder bombing of the German western front by British planes, and undertaking involving United States aid indirectly because the flow of American planes here permits Britain to take greater risks in the air attacks.

In connection with the reports that Russia would be asked to sign

City to sell Wharf; Health Board meets

At a special meeting of the City Council held last night a motion was approved that the Queen's Wharf, situated at the bottom of Lower Queen Street be sold by auction on Monday next, with the City placing a reserve bid on the property. The motion was passed unanimously and came about after the Finance Committee had held several meetings relative to the matter.

Following is the text of the motion which was moved by Councillor Chandler and seconded by Councillor Laithorne, and passed unanimously:

"RESOLVED: That the Finance Committee's action of advertising for sale by auction the Queen's Wharf, be confirmed."

His Worship Mayor Holman told the meeting that he was in receipt of an invitation from the Directors of the Northumberland Ferries Ltd. to attend the official opening of the new ferry service between Wood Islands and Carleton Place on Saturday.

In addition His Worship also told the Council that he had also received an invitation from Hon. T.

Eucharistic Congress ends

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 26—(AP)—The ninth national eucharistic congress ended late today with thousands in the church centre at the Minnesota fairgrounds receiving the personal representation of Pope Pius XII in the benediction of the blessed sacrament.

A weather break that came an hour before the last spectacle of the four-day congress began—the two-mile procession of the blessed sacrament—was reliably reported to have been sent down by a heat wave such as exhausted many at Wednesday's pontifical mass for children.

Skies that clouded up in the late morning let loose a deluge of rain about 1 p. m. that knocked temperatures in the sun at the fairgrounds from about 100 down to 75 degrees. Thousands standing in open areas along the procession line were drenched.

Officials of the Roman Catholic Church said 80,000 made the two-mile march from Como Park to the great altar in the Basilica at the fairgrounds despite the rain.

British need for Ships said great

MONTRÉAL, June 26—(CP)—Sir Arthur Salter, head of the British shipping mission in the United States, said in an interview today, "there never has been any period in the war when our need for ships was greater than it is now."

"It is, indeed, desperately urgent," he continued, "the total shipping sunk in February, March and April is much more than our ability to replace it."



TORONTO, June 26—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	46	72
Victoria	53	69
Edmonton	49	—
Regina	47	87
Winnipeg	70	83
Toronto	58	92
Ottawa	53	93
Montreal	58	88

Synopsis: The weather has been fair and decidedly warm over the greater part of Ontario and thunder showers in extreme northwest portion. It has been fair and warm in Manitoba and Saskatchewan and comparatively cool in Alberta with light showers in northern sections.

BOSTON, June 26—(AP)—Forecast for northern New England: Fair in north, mostly cloudy with occasional showers in east and north portions; warmer in east portion Friday; Saturday showers, cooler in north portion.

High tide this afternoon at 12:04 and tomorrow morning at 1:25.

Sun sets this evening at 7:57 and rises tomorrow morning at 4:15.

First quarter moon, July 2, 12:24 a.m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

CAR FERRY SAILINGS

Leaves Borden 9:30 A.M. 1:00 P.M. 4:45 P.M.
Leaves Tormentine 11:00 A.M. 3:15 P.M. 6:20 P.M. daily except Sunday.

SUNDAY SERVICE

June 15th to Sept. 28th Inclusive
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.