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PUSH ON ROCKET COAST IS LAUNCHED

Yanks Fight Across Historic Battlefields

Newsman Thinks Nazis Near End



MONTREAL, Aug. 29 — (CP) — Louis V. Hunter, Canadian Press War Correspondent, returned to Canada today convinced that the end of the war against Germany is near.

Hunter, first invasion correspondent to return to Canada after four years in Britain, Africa, Sicily, Italy and Normandy, declared that "the last decisive battle was the one fought by Canadian, British and Polish troops in the low rolling Normandy country."

"I am convinced that was the end of the war right there," he said.

"The day the pivot of the German position in France and once the German strength has been crushed and I think if the enemy can make much of a stand even in defence of his own soil."

ALLIED SUPREMACY QUARTERS, Aug. 29 (CP)

The United States 3rd army in a swift 25-mile dash across battlefields of the First Great War today captured Belleau Wood, Chateau Thierry and Soissons, rolling northward along the historic Ardennes invasion route within 55 miles of the Belgian border.

Meanwhile British, Canadian and American forces (labeled forward from the lower Seine in the first direct stab at France's northwest channel coast, home of the robot bomb bases.

The American forces under Lt. Gen. Patton encountered only minor resistance and Associated Press Correspondent Edward D. Ball reported from the front that the Germans were "in headlong flight" toward Belgium and their homeland.

As the Allies neared Belgium Patriots in that occupied country not only rallied to arms from the independence front, but also the bodied Patriots were ordered to join the resistance army, to steal arms from the Germans and to prepare for an all-out battle for liberation.

Election Comment

EDMONTON, Aug. 29 — (CP) — John Bracken, leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, said today in comment on yesterday's New Brunswick general election that the Liberals were to be congratulated on holding one province for their party.

He said the decisive rejection of the C. C. F. in still another province indicated "a desire on the part of the Canadian people to avoid a too-rapidly changing leadership."

Mr. Bracken said his party was "taking the necessary steps to be ready for a snap Dominion general election, should the government decide to call one."

Expect Increase In Food Export To U. K.

OTTAWA, Aug. 29 — (CP) — Canadian wheat, cheese, butter, evaporated milk, fruit, eggs and similar food products sent to the United Kingdom in the first week of the month totalled more than \$500,000 and are the total to nearly \$1,000,000, a survey by The Canadian Press showed today.

Exports of bacon and allied products are also showing a steady amount. Shipments from 1940 to Dec. 31, 1943 had a value of \$406,486.00, with this year's worth \$512,423.00. Records in bacon shipments probably will be made in 1944.

Reds Capture Big Romanian Sea Port

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Battle For Southern France Nears An End

ROME, Aug. 29 — (AP) — The battle for Southern France and destruction of the German Army neared completion tonight as uncounted thousands of Nazis trudged back to Allied prison camps and disorganized enemy remnants fled up the Rhone Valley, scattering their equipment behind them.

The greater part of the army to which Adolf Hitler entrusted the defence of Southern France against Allied invasion has been wiped out in a fortnight's whirlwind campaign.

Whatever battered remnants managed to slip through the Allied nose and escaped to the north will have to be equipped and reorganized completely before they will again be of any real use to Hitler's hard-pressed forces.

American troops slashed at the fleeing enemy north of Montellimar in the Rhone Valley, 100 miles north of Marseilles.

French troops, fanning out across

War Situation Last Night

By Kirke L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst

Caught within the expanding jaws of a vast new Allied vise, broken and disorganized Nazi armies between the Seine and the Belgian border in France are threatened by the same fate that befell thousands of their comrades in Normandy. They are menaced on the flank, front and rear by converging British, American and Canadian forces that already have blasted German hopes of standing again behind the Marne, the Aisne, or even the Somme.

From Rouen to Paris the looping Seine was punctured deeply and vividly by the Allies even before Paris fell. There are indications in the unflinching British and American Sea bridgeheads on a 30-mile front between Mantes and Vernon that a left flank power drive is impending, aimed at Gisors and Beauvais, to match British-Canadian assaults on Rouen farther down the river.

American 3rd army columns have duplicated their Britany breakthrough to fan out north, northeast and east from Paris in a mushrooming attack that holds a triple threat for the enemy. The Americans have stormed across the Marne, and Oureq and even the Aisne at a pace that reveals critical weakness on that flank.

In the huge Allied envelopment drive upon the Nazi robot bomb launching bases in the Pas De Calais area, another American column was forming at Le Bourget, the great French airfield on the northeastern outskirts of Paris. The foe was being forced to fight on a dozen fronts simultaneously while Allied planes poured a ceaseless fire on his columns and communications.

The German plight north and northeast of Paris was growing more desperate by the hour, but that was not all the way the day brought for him. On the eastern and southeastern faces of the American bulge beyond the Upper Seine the threat of direct invasion of Germany itself was increasingly apparent. Nazi broadcasts said Châlons on the road to Verdun, Metz and the Saar Valley had been reached by Americans. South of that another American column pushing due east from Troyes and moving toward the Roul and Nancy. And still farther south advance elements from the ever-deepening and widening Riviera invasion area were poised somewhere on the headquarters of the Rhone in a position to sweep around against the Belfort gap entry to the Rhine Valley.

The deployment of German defence forces is almost beyond military comprehension unless it has been based upon Nazi high command orders to guard the robot bomb launching installations even at the sacrifice of every other consideration.

Interesting Addresses At C. W. L. Convention

Three-Day Sessions Opened Last Night Musical Program Included.

Many Paralysis Cases In The U. S.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 — (AP) — Infantile paralysis cases in the United States, already at the highest level since the epidemic of 1916, continued to mount, and the U. S. public health service says "the peak is not yet in sight."

Latest available health service figures show a total of 6,258 cases through Aug. 19, compared with 4,038 for the period last year and 17,375 through the end of August, 1943.

Members of the Catholic Women's League and all those attending the opening meeting of the C.W.L. L. annual diocesan convention, which was held last night at the Knights of Columbus Hall, were privileged to enjoy a program consisting of inspiring and educational addresses, combined with a select musical program, the opening number being "O Canada."

The Girl Guides provided a Guard of Honor which escorted the visitors and the delegates to their seats.

Mrs. W. J. P. MacMillan, president of the Charlottetown sub-division and convention hostess presided and extended a gracious welcome to the delegates at the unavoidable absence of Mayor J. E. Blanchard civic greetings and a grave McMahon by Miss Priscilla Walker. This was followed by a group of lovely songs by Miss Bernice Murray with Miss Marion Dougan as accompanist. Miss Dougan is in charge of the musical program for convention and during the evening rendered several piano solos most effectively.

Of special interest was the report of the work accomplished through the C.W.L. in the province. This was given by the diocesan executive secretary, Mrs. J. Austin Murphy, Emerald.

Robot Bomb Raids Resume

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Agree To Plan For New League Of Nations

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 — (CP) — Rumania joined with the United Kingdom in "general agreement" with the American plan for a new League of Nations complete with assembly, council and an international court of justice. It was disclosed today in the first public announcement from the week-old Dumbarton Oaks conference.

While details are yet to be filled in, the plan follows closely President Roosevelt's draft of June 15 with provision for a council of the main powers and some small nations, an assembly of all "peace-loving nations," a world court machinery for peaceful settlement of disputes and use of force to maintain security.

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Acting Major General D.C. Spry, St. John, Que., recently promoted to that rank Overseas. (CANADIAN ARMY PHOTO).

Says Canadian Youth Is Not "Decrepit"

OTTAWA, Aug. 29 — (CP) — Hope that the national council on physical fitness will disabuse the public mind of the idea that 40 per cent of Canada's youth was unfit was expressed by Surgeon General McCallum, medical director of the Royal Canadian Navy, in addressing the council at its second meeting, which opened here today.

Capt. McCallum said little had been done in the past to define the term "fit for military service" as compared with "healthy." A man might be an excellent health insurance risk yet for one defect or another be unsuitable for service in the armed forces.

In 1941 relatively few naval medical officers were trained in the examination of recruits, and even though the rejection rate was 10 per cent of those examined it had not been found necessary to board out an unusually large number of men.

"The race is not decrepit, and the physical fitness program is as well as preventive medicine," said Capt. McCallum.

L. W. Shaw of Charlottetown said the physical education program would get under way in Prince Edward Island when director was chosen. Interest had been created and was "developing rapidly."

M. H. Brewer of Fredericton, representative of New Brunswick, said his province had been aroused there, and he was hopeful that the matter would be taken up.

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Magr. McLellan

An eloquent address was then given by Rt. Rev. Msgr. G. J. McLellan, diocesan chaplain. He congratulated the C. W. L. on the splendid work done the past year and for the past 22 years — an outstanding record of achievement. He said the world is passing through a grave crisis, and the post-war period will bring new duties. The

DELICIOUS "SALADA" TEA & COFFEE

As a little treat now go a long way, satisfaction depends upon quality of flavour.

British Generals Urge Great Speed

By ROGER D. GREENE Associated Press War Correspondent

WITH THE BRITISH TROOPS EAST OF THE SEINE, August 29 — (AP) — A British General issued a special order of the day today saying that the drive to wipe out the German flying bomb bases in Northern France was about to start and "for the first time in this war we are fighting directly to free our homes, our wives and our children from German attacks."

"Every yard we advance reduces the area from which he can launch his secret weapons," the General said in the message to his troops. "I realize that with this goal in front of us there is no need to urge you men onwards."

"Let us drive forward relentlessly—taking as our motto 'One more kilometre and one less bomb.'"

The drive eastward across the Seine to destroy the stronghold for Hitler's most fearsome weapon got off to a whirlwind start. Hundreds of British tanks, driving through a pelting rainstorm, crashed through flimsy German defences for many miles.

By midday, within four hours after they set out, tank spearheads flashed back the word: "It's a picnic."

Other columns fanning out from the Seine bridgehead on the Verdon sector reported equally rapid progress despite muddy roads. At forward headquarters, however, I heard British commanders call for more and more speed.

"Where is everybody?" the general asked. "There? They were there a half hour ago. Tell them to get on!"

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During this fourth day, they reported destruction of 90 locomotives and 310 railway cars on lines ranging from Brussels to Lyon in southeastern France.

Mystery Blast Felt In England

LONDON, Aug. 29 — (CP) — A mysterious explosion—the heaviest felt in Britain since the war started—shook the whole southeastern coast of England just before midnight.

For several seconds the earth seemed to tremble as in an earthquake.

The shock appeared to come from a seaward direction and possibly was the result of the Germans blowing a large munitions dump in Northern France.

Toronto Firm Fined \$500

TORONTO, August 29 — (CP) — A Toronto drug supply firm, Ingram and Bell, Ltd., today was fined \$500 and costs on a charge of failing to affix to a shipment of Methonal a label describing it as poison.

The fine was imposed after a Royal Canadian Mounted Police Officer said that part of the shipment had been removed from a ship at Saint John, N. B., and that 14 persons died from drinking it and that several others were taken to hospital.

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Outlines So. Africa's Role In Far East

CAPE TOWN, Aug. 29 — (CP) — Prime Minister Smuts, addressing a supplies conference here today, outlined the part which South Africa would play after the surrender of Germany and during the post-war activities.

The Union, he said, would be called on in still greater measure to supply the needs of the coal South Africa was one of the biggest coal exporters in the world.

Auxiliary Fire Services In Convention

The second day's session of the Auxiliary Fire Services Convention (branch of Civilian Defence Committee) opened here yesterday morning at 9.30 at the Beach Grove Army Training Centre. The program opened with an illustrated talk on fire and fire-fighting equipment by Mr. T. A. Campbell, mechanical superintendent.

The address by Mr. C. A. Bever, Provincial Fire Marshal and chairman of Fire Services, dealt with the role of the C. D. C. in present and post-war activities. In the course of his address, Mr. Bever read a copy of the submission which had been presented to the Provincial Government with the object of retaining all C. D. C. equipment after the war.

Summary of Submission

The preamble of the submission stated that the war had caused the people of the Province to realize the value of their constantly dwindling lumber resources and the need for available fire-fighting equipment to protect them in the event of a fire.

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THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL DAY FOR LOAFING!



High tide this morning at 7:05 and tonight at 9:17. Sun sets this evening at 7:43 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:18. Full moon September 2nd. P. M. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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