MAXIMS OF A MERE MAN

The good-will of the governed will be starved, if not fed by the good deeds of the governors.

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN

The People's Paper — Read by Everybody

Covers Prince Edward Island Like the Dew

MAXIMS OF A MERE MAN

Cut the wings of your hens and hopes, lest they lead you a weary dance after them.

Charlottetown Guardian, Two Cents. Evening Guardian, Founded 1891

CHARLOTTETOWN, CANADA, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1943

12 PAGES

Subscription Delivered, $6.00 Mail, $4.00; other Provinces & U.S.A. $5.00.

ALLIES CAPTURE TEN TOWNS IN ITALY

Every Citizen Strongly Urged To Buy Victory Bonds

Nazi Retreat Sets Trap For Finish Of Germany

By John M. Hightower
Associated Press Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 — (AP) — German armies falling back in Russia and Italy toward an innner fortress of Europe actually are setting the trap for the final destruction of their own homeland.

The more they retreat to shorten their lines and strengthen their positions for ground fighting the more they lay open Germany's cities and industrial resources to attack from the air.

This is one of the most important points to keep in mind about the European war today.

According to the old standards of warfare, the German is shrinking his fronts, shortening his supply lines and generally strengthening his grip on his vital central position. This central position includes all that vast area from western France to the heart of conquered Poland and from Northern Italy and the Central Balkans to the North Sea which the Reich generals know they must hold to win even a chance to avoid complete defeat.

In so far as ground action alone is concerned it is conceded by some Allied leaders that once Germany has drawn her armies into that fortress she can offer powerful defence and may be able to muster occasional offensive strength.

These leaders confidently expect, therefore, that when the Germans have consolidated their final ground positions they will come forward with peace proposals on the argument that since the Allies can not hope to win without enormous cost they should agree to an armistice on terms short of unconditional surrender.

However, with Allied air power in the ascendancy and German aerial defences steadily weakening it is an open question whether the Germans ever will be able to stop and consolidate their ground lines for a war of position.

Even if they do succeed, they will not be able to stop Allied bombers from striking across their ground defences at the supporting industrial elements without which their military fronts eventually must disintegrate.

Labor Minister Invites Premiers To Conference

OTTAWA, Oct. 26 — (CP) — Labor Minister Mitchell announced tonight that he had invited the Premiers of the provinces to send representatives to a Dominion-Provincial conference to be held here November 8th.

Draft copies of the government's new proposed labor program, covering wage control and labor relations, will be placed before delegates to the conference.

It was understood the provinces have been provided with copies of majority and minority reports on the labor inquiry conducted several months ago by the National War Labor Board

Madrid Says Nazis Quitting Crimea

MADRID, Oct. 26 — (AP) —The newspaper ABC said today that the Germans already are withdrawing from the Crimea.

Spanish Press correspondents in Berlin also quoted spokesmen there as saying that not only the Dnieped bend around Krivoi Rog but also the front northward to Orsha should be considered in danger.

COMING EVENTS

—o—

**Talkies—Orapaud Thursday. 10-26-3i.

**Talkies—Canoe Cove Friday. 10-26-3i.

**Talkies—Malpeque Wednesday. 10-23-3i.

**Masquerade dance Tracadie Hall, Friday, 29th. Prizes 10-27-2i.

**York Wednesday. Victory Loan meeting. Sound Movies. 8 p.m. 10-26-2i.

**Masquerade Dance St. Peters Bay, Friday 29th. Good prizes 10 27 2i

**Concert and box social Covehead Hall, Thursday, Oct. 28, at 8.15 P. M. 10 27 2i

**Kingston, November 10th. Bazaar, box social, entertainment. Admission fifteen cents. 10-27-11-9-2i.

**Unloading car Barley, bulk, Thursday and Friday morning. Bring bags. Court & Son Bedford. 10-27-3i.

**Alexandra Women's Institute Pantry Sale, More & McLeod's, Saturday, October 30th. 10-27-30.

**Booking orders for bulk wheat. Car will arrive November 1st. D. M. McKinnon, Murray River. 10 27 2i

**Women's Institute dance in Wiltshire Hall on Thursday, Oct. 28th. 10 27 2i

**Bean Supper and Entertainment, Morell, Wednesday, October 27th, 6.30 P. M. 10-26-2i.

**Souris Thursday—Free Sound Movies. 2 shows, St. Mary's Hall. Victory Loan Meeting also. 10-26-3i

**Masquerade Dance, Vernon River Hall, Wednesday, October 27th. Prizes. 10-26-2i.

**Kingston Women's Pantry Sale Holman's Store, Saturday, Oct 30th for War Purpose. 10 27 1i

**Reserve Saturday Nov. 27th Notre Dame Alumnae Rummage Sale. 10 27 1i

**Wanted to buy live and dressed chickens and fowl. Paying top market prices. Island Cold Storage Co., Ltd. 8-26-tf

**Meat Loaf and Scallop served in Crapaud Hall, Saturday, Oct. 30 from 5 to 9 in aid of St. John's W. A. 10-27-29-2i

**Chicken Supper, Bingo, Dance, St. Mark's Hall, Lot 7, Wednesday, October 27th. Supper begins at 6 P. M. 10-21-4i.

**Come to Masquerade dance in Bonshaw Hall Oct. 29th. Judging starting at 9.30. Prizes and lunches. 10 27 1i

**Reserve Thursday, October 28th for the Variety Supper in Murray River Hall. Proceeds in aid of the United Church. 10 27 1i

**Treat of the season Hot Chicken Dinner, vegetables and old fashion plum pudding served in New Glasgow Hall Wednesday evening Nov. 3. Everybody come. 10 27 1i

Fingerprint Evidence In Murder Trial

NASSAU, Bahamas, Oct. 26 — (AP) — A detective who played a leading role in the investigation of Sir Harry Oakes' slaying told today of learning only after Alfred de Marigny was arrested that a fingerprint of the accused son-in-law was found in the death room.

"Strange," wrote Chief Justice Sir Oscar Bedford Daly in the records of the Bahamas Supreme Court after Capt. E. W. Melchen said he travelled for 26 hours in the company of a colleague, Capt. James O. Barker, without being told about the fingerprint — the main evidence with which the Crown seeks to convict De Marigny of murder.

The fact came out during cross-examination of Melchen who had testified that there were burned hairs on the defendant's arms after the slaying, that De Marigny could not produce the shirt he told of wearing on the fatal night and that he admitted hatred for his father-in-law.

Barker will take the witness stand tomorrow to give the jury the full story of the print for the first time, but the defence already has been sniping at the evidence, and counsel W. E. A. Callender opened up against Melchen today with the question as to when the witness first learned of the impression of De Marigny's little right finger which Barker will testify was found on a figured bedscreen.

N. B. And N. S. Loan Totals

HALIFAX, Oct. 26 — (CP) — Fifth Victory Loan subscriptions in Nova Scotia tonight totalled $17,741,600, Provincial Headquarters announced. This is 48.6 per cent of the province's $36,500,000 quota.

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Oct. 26 — (CP) — New Brunswick's total in the Victory Loan campaign stood at $11,903,850 tonight. The objective is $24,500,000. Subscriptions today amounted to $1,057,000.

The first Canadian Army Casualty Retraining Centre, where soldiers disabled by accident or illness are restored to health to rejoin their units, has been opened in Oakville, Ontario.

Island Total Now Stands At $1,151,250

The total in the Fifth Victory Loan in this Province continues to move upward but there is still a long way to go before the goal is reached. Last night subscriptions in the first eight days of the 18-day campaign stood at $1,151,250. The objective is $3,000,000.

Officials were confident the goal would be reached but they urged everyone to invest every possible dollar in the loan.

A victory bond sale at Summerside last night was a great success and preliminary applications were received for bonds totalling $145,400, it was learned. The sales, when completed will bring the total for Prince County to $740,700. The quota for the County is $1,150,000.

By districts the official totals (with quotas in brackets) were: Summerside, $348,450 ($550,000); Prince County outside Summerside, $243,850 ($600,000); Charlottetown, $366,000 ($975,000); Queen's County outside Charlottetown, $109,500 ($475,000); King's County, $83,450 ($400,000).

OTTAWA, Oct. 26 — (CP) —National Headquarters estimated tonight that Canada's Fifth Victory Loan should roll "substantially" over the $500,000,000 mark when today's figures become available on overnight wires — with the cumulative total going to $550,000,000 or better if the current daily average is maintained.

Today's headquarters announced that Monday's subscriptions amounted to $10,135,000 to bring the grand total to $487,279,200. Those figures compared with a one-day total of $55,800,350 and a cumulative total of $436,345,250 at the same stage of the fourth drive.

It has been estimated a daily average of $66,666,000 will be required to meet the loan's $1,200,000,000 objective within the 18-day campaign, now running through its second week.

Officials said that, while the grand total was running ahead of the Fourth Loan on telegraphic figures, official statistics coming through the recording system showed that, at the seventh day of the canvass, general sales and payroll subscriptions totalled "something like" 28 per cent of the $525,000,000 objective for that division in a little more than 38 per cent of campaign time.

"This was taken by loan officials to indicate that unremitting hard work is necessary throughout the rest of the loan period," tonight's statement said.

Headquarters said that in a see-saw race, Shawinigan Falls, Que., once more leads Brantford, Ont., in the general canvass and payroll savings race, by 83.8 per cent to 84.3. Lethbridge, Alta., is third, with 67, among cities still aiming at the 100 mark.

Centres with more than 50 per cent of their general canvass objective include Sherbrooke, Que., 65.3; Summerside, P.E.I., 60; Quebec, 59.6; Hull, Que., 58.6; Cape Breton, N.S., 68; Valleyfield, Que., 57.4; St. Hyacinthe, Que., 56.2; Owen Sound, Ont., 53.2; and Three Rivers, Que., 53.1 per cent.

Yugoslav Partisans In New Successes

LONDON, Oct. 26—(AP)—Yugoslav partisan fighters have driven the Germans from the last Nazi-held centre of heavy industry in Bosnia, central Yugoslavia, capturing the steel city of Varesmavdan after a 12-hour battle, a Yugoslav national liberation army communique announced today.

Stockholm reports, meanwhile, said that Vienna had been bombed on Sunday, and declared the bombers came from Foggia in Italy in the first American raid from new bases there to hit Austria and Hungary. Yugoslav patriots assisted the raid by sabotaging Axis communication lines to Austria and southern Germany, these reports added.

The Stockholm newspaper Demokraten said there was chaos in Vienna as bombs fell in the unexpected raid from the south The Germans had told the pople that the bomb-shattered Foggia airfield would not be ready for use by Allied planes for another week.

Would Boost Tax On U. S. Liquor

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26—(AP)—The House of Representatives ways and means committee voted today to boost the tax on liquor in the United States from $6 a gallon to $10, but rejected all proposals for any increases in tobacco or gasoline levies.

Committee members estimated that under the increased liquor tax the total levy on a drink of 100 proof liquor, estimating 80 drinks to the gallon would approximate 12.5 cents. The tax would be smaller on lower-proof liquors.

Bracken Appeals For Fair Deal For Agriculture

Progressive Conservative Leader Outlines Broad Programme For Improvement And Development

Following is the summary of an address of nation-wide importance delivered yesterday by Hon. John Bracken, leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, at Lethbridge, Alberta:

Our objectives for agriculture are three in number:

1st—Equality for farmers in the Canadian economy;

2nd—The maximum contribution of agriculture to the welfare of the Canadian people;

3rd—The conservation, as well as the development, of our greatest heritage,—the storehouse of wealth in the upper foot of the nation's soil.

In this discussion I shall confine myself to the first of these objectives — Equality for Agriculture. I shall indicate various steps towards recovery of that position.

At the moment, after many years of unnecessary delay and procrastination by the Government, a measure of improvement has been promised in one section of agriculture. It is a tardy recognition to grain growers of inequities too long perpetuated; and in its application is creating still other inequities to producers of livestock and dairy products. Be that as it may, what agriculture needs is a recognition of its fundamental right to equity — not occasional hand-outs having the character of charity.

In what follows here I am thinking of agriculture in terms of post-war peace. Unless present attitudes toward that industry are radically changed, the future promises to bring only a repetition of the pre-war ups and downs and strains and stresss and injustices, so deeply etched on the minds of many farmers who went through the trying times of the thirties. These steps toward recovery for agriculture are meant to be a rational approach toward placing those engaged in that industry in a position of equity with other Canadians who make comparable contribution to our Canadian welfare.

(Continued on page 5, Col 1)

War Situation Last Night

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON (Associated Press War Analyst)

Nazidom's greatest crisis is taking shape in the Russian-German death grapple in the Dnieper Bend and south of it.

On its outcome, and on the Russian's ability to exploit twin breakthroughs that have shattered the Nazi right flank position from Kiev to the Crimea, may turn the whole trend of the struggle.

By contrast, the slow-paced Allied advance in Italy offers small prospect of early decisive developments. There remains no doubt, however, that Anglo-American troops slogging their way northward toward Rome —methodically, remorselessly and step by step—are aiding their Red Army comrades-in-arms as much as though they were fighting shoulder to shoulder with them in Russia.

They were pinning the bulk of the Nazi strategic reserves in a losing battle. The Nazi press now admits that lack of those troops to brace the east front has forced the German retreat to the Dnieper, and now a flight to the Bug line that could become a morale-crushing disaster.

In Italy the fight obviously is entering a new phase, the first phase of the actual battle of Rome. Allied military spokesmen figure that the Nazi retreat from the Volturno-Biferno line north of Naples is about completed. The enemy, by every sign, is preparing to stand again on a short line from the Mondragone Hills on the Tyrrhenian coast to Vasto on the Adriatic shore.

It is a well-bastioned front, described by Allied spokesmen as "nearly ideal for defensive purposes." It looks it on available topographical maps. There seems small hope of any sudden and decisive Allied breakthrough by frontal attack given enemy will to fight it out on that front.

The line also is the last short and well integrated natural defence front across the Italian Peninsula south of the Rome hub. A triple network of major highways and railroads, all stemming out of Rome, serve to reinforce its mountain and river bulwarks with quick communications.

But the Mondragone-Vasto line is vulnerable on both flanks as well as in the centre where a 10-mile lateral road connecting Venafro and Esernia is the strategic key. It can be turned by leap-frog amphibian operations at either end as were successive Nazi positions in Sicily as the Allies drove their way around the Mount Etna bastion.

Japs Driven From Air Bases

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Southwest Pacific, Oct. 27 — (Wednesday) — (AP) — Constant bombings by hundreds of Allied planes apparently have compelled the Japanese to cease using their most important air bases in the Northern Solomons.

(A spokesman at South Pacific headquarters of Admiral William F. Halsey said Tuesday the enemy's Bougainville fields of Kahili and Kara have not been used since Oct. 23 and that the Ballale Island field in the shortlands also is inoperative.)

BUY BONDS SPEED THE VICTORY

"SALADA" TEA

HON. JOHN BRACKEN

Army Program On Market Square This Afternoon

Citizens who visit Market Square at 2.30 p.m. today will see Canada's "Men in Khaki" in action under training conditions as the young soldiers stage the second of their training demonstrations as part of Army Week of the Fifth Victory Loan.

Officers, instructors and men from the Basic Training Centre at Beach Grove will present a "three-ring" program, designed to let the bond-buying public see the troops doing the same type of training a recruit undergoes as he progresses from a civilian to a trained soldier.

The deadly bayonet, renowned for its morale-shattering effect, will be featured in the first part of the demonstration. Recruits and instructors will demonstrate modern methods of bayonet fighting including the charge, hip-firing of rifles and the lethal butt stroke. Reports from the front indicate the enemy is still in awe of the bayonet's cold steel, especially when handled by a well-trained fighting man. Lieut. Bruce Nickerson will be in charge of this part of the program.

The second part of the demonstration will consist of "P. T."—physical training—designed to make the recruit fighting fit and able to make his muscles do any job from rope climbing to agility exercises. Lieut. Henry Arnold will conduct the program.

A boxing show will round out the program, and the public will see some good scraps as the Beach Grove mitt-wielders have a go at each other. Boxing is an important part of the recruit's training, and the boys make up in determination what they may lack in skill and experience. The bouts will be directed by Lieut. Frank White.

Yesterday soldiers from Beach Grove staged a realistic capture of an "enemy" machine gun post. Rifles, Brens and Sten guns carried by the attackers cracked in Rochford Square and thunder-flash explosions rent the air as the troops advanced on the sand-bagged objective. After the post was captured, the men put on a demonstration of battle first aid using only the first field dressing carried by every soldier and parts of his own web equipment to dress the simulated wounds

A commentary on the sham battle was given by Lieut H.N.A. MacDonald, who commanded the detachment, and descriptions of the first aid they applied was given by the soldiers themselves over a public address system. The Training Centre Band played during the demonstration. J. Gordon Worth a First Great War veteran, gave the Army the use of his house for power connections.

On Thursday at the Market Square weapons used by the Army will be on exhibit, including rifles, bayonets, Bren and Sten guns, pistols and 2 and 3-inch mortars. Bren carriers will also be in the display and skilled instructors will explain the use of each weapon. The display will be in charge of Lieut. J.J MacDonald, D.C.M. The display will open to the public at 2.30 p.m.

Friday's demonstrations will be concerned with chemical warfare and will relate how a gas attack is combatted by soldiers who are fully equipped to meet and overcome this form of death

The troops and equipment appearing in all these demonstrations have been used by kind permission of Major A. S. Robertson, officer commanding No. 62 Basic Training Centre

Britain Gets First Synthetic Rubber

LONDON, Oct. 26 — (CP) —Britain has received the first of a promised supply of synthetic rubber from the United States and shipments are expected to be "maintained and increased", said Capt. George Morgan Garro - Jones, Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Supply, in reply to a question in the House of Commons

First Phase Of Campaign Ended

By E. KENNEDY
A. P. War Correspondent

ALGIERS, Oct. 26—(AP)—The Anglo-American 5th and British 8th Armies striking forward up to six miles have captured 10 more towns, allied headquarters announced today, winding up the first phase of the battle for Italy as the Germans withdrew into a new mountain defence line stronger than any they have held before.

The new line, running from Mondragone on the Tyrrhenian coast northeast of Venafro and then to Vasto on the Adriatic, apparently is where the Germans have decided to make their first "permanent" stand. The position has natural advantages of mountains extending right across the peninsula and running several ridges deep.

The Allied armies, having conquered all of southern Italy in a 54 day campaign, now are confronted by a much more difficult task. In having crossed the Volturno and Trigno Rivers, they might be said to have hurdled the moat of Hitler's fortress Europe, and they now stand before its first great wall.

The enemy's retirement to the shortest and best defensive line anywhere between Naples and Rome and reports that Field Marshal Erwin Rommel is bringing more troops into northern Italy were accepted as certain signs that the Germans are determined to hold Rome at least through the winter. It was even regarded as possible that the Nazis intend to launch a counter offensive.

The 8th Army, whose Trigno River crossing was disclosed today to have been made at the Adriatic coast, scored its most recent advances far inland. Advancing six miles west from Vinchiaturo they captured Bojano, on the main inland highway toward the key communications centre of Isernia, and five other towns. The Canadian 1st Division, part of the 8th Army, has been reported operating in the general area of Vinchiaturo.

The conquest of southern Italy has given the Allies advantages much more important than the mere possession of the soil of one third of the peninsula.

It has meant the outflanking of the Germans in the Balkans; it has given the Allies new air bases from which to strike at the eastern sections of Germany; it has driven the dwindling German air force back to bases in the Rome area and thus has made Mediterranean shipping more secure from enemy air attacks;

It has provided new naval bases in Naples, Taranto and Bari; it has enabled the Allies to seal the mouth of the Adriatic sea and make inroads on the German coastal shipping along both coasts of the Adriatic.

Moscow Reports Nazis In Disordered Retreat

By Judson Q'Quinn
Associated Press Staff Writer

LONDON Oct. 26 — (AP) — Soviet forces captured a railway station only 2 1-2 miles from strategic Krivoi Rog today as the Germans — retreating in disorder before the blows of three Russian armies — sought to extract themselves from the closing Dnieper bend trap, Moscow announced.

The midnight Russian communique reported that Soviet units took Karnovatka, 2 1-2 miles northwest of Krivoi Rog, industrial, iron ore and rail centre deep into the Dnieper River bend which the Germans said the Red Army is storming.

The Germans made no effort to conceal the gravity of the plight of their armies in southern Russia. The German high command acknowledged penetrations in the Melitopol sector after fierce battles, and said only that "some" were sealed off, thus implying that others were not.

The Germans announced, a day after the Russians told of its fall, the evacuation of Dnepropetrovsk and they said the Russians were bringing up fresh forces for the assault on Krivoi Rog.

Although the Russians reported only reconnaissance and artillery action on sectors other than those in the south, Berlin said that the Red Army had launched an attack "on a broad front" west of Krichev in White Russia, a front about which Moscow has been relatively silent lately — perhaps in preparation for an announcement of a big break through.

Big Liberator Still Missing

ANCIENNE LORETTE, Que., Oct. 26 — (CP) — An indication that an aircraft may have attempted a landing in the same St. Maurice River Valley area where signals are still being picked up by searching aircraft was seen tonight in the report from one pilot he had spotted a parachute flare in the woods in that vicinity.

Parachute flares can be used at night by planes attempting a forced landing or sometimes for purposes of correcting a course. The flare drops slowly by parachute, lighting up the whole area. There is a possibility, however, the flare may have been dropped by either a training plane for purposes of course checking or by another searching craft from another station.

Savings On Deposit In Chartered Banks

OTAWA, Oct. 26—(CP)—Savings on deposit in Canada's chartered banks at Sept. 30 last amounted to $1,998,904,500 against $1,915,732,000 at Aug. 31 and $1,748,248,000 at Sept. 30, 1942, the chartered bank statement for September showed today.

Call loans in Canada amounted to $34,088,000 at Sept. 30 as against $36,233,000 at Aug. 31 and $26,516,000 at Sept. 30, 1942

Boston, Oct. 26 — (CP) — Maine forecast: Continued cool Wednesday and Wednesday evening with rain in south portion, strong winds on the coast of south portion and fresh winds inland.

High tide this morning at 10.3) and tonight at 10.49.

Sun sets this evening at 5.57 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.32.

New moon Oct. 29, 9.59 p.m.

Summerside tide 18 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.

P. E. I.-N.S. Ferry Service Daily including Sundays.
Leave Wood Islands—10.00 a.m 2.15 p.m.
Leaves Caribou 12.15 p.m. 6.15

BINDING