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## ALLIED TUNISIAN OFFENSIVE IS IN FULL SWING

### Heavy Aerial Attack On Berlin

Nearly 900 Tons Of Explosives Showered On German Capital.

### Anti-tank Gun Deadly

WASHINGTON, March 28 (AP)—A deadly new anti-tank gun disclosed by the United States War Department makes a lone foot soldier "master of any tank which may attack him," the Army's Chief of Ordnance declared Saturday night.

Dubbed the "bazoo" by soldiers, the new weapon was not described mechanically by either the War Department or the Ordnance Department in its announcement Saturday night.

It is a portable, light, anti-tank gun, the Ordnance chief, nor did either disclose the type of projectile it fires. However, the War Department called the weapon "revolutionary in design" and said its projectile will penetrate armor, drive through brick and rock walls, scatter bridge girders and "perform other seeming miracles."

Campbell said the new weapon "carried in the hands of a soldier, can destroy any enemy tank on the battlefield today. This weapon has been successfully used by our forces in Africa to destroy fortifications and tanks. It is so simple and yet so powerful that any foot soldier using it can stand his ground with the certain knowledge that he is the master of any tank which may attack him."

### Bomber Force Crosses Channel

LONDON, March 28 (Monday)—(CP)—A force of heavy bombers in such numbers that their roar could be heard for an hour across the English Channel during the night, apparently following up the devastating raids which Saturday night found the R. A. F. dumping two-ton and four-ton bombs on Berlin.

German and Nazi-controlled French stations promptly went off the air last night as the planes were heard crossing the Channel in a south-easterly direction.

### Destroy Twelve Jap Planes

NEW DELHI, March 28 (CP)—British fighter planes guarding Allied advanced positions toward the enemy-held peninsula port of Akay, broke up a Japanese assault by air on Cox's Bazaar Saturday with the destruction of 12 attacking planes, a communique said today.

The Japanese sent waves of planes against Allied installations in the Burmese port on the Bengal coast. Fighters shot down 10 of the bombers and damaged many more, while anti-aircraft fire from gun, anti-aircraft and on a steamship in the Nat River brought down the other two.

### Composer Dies

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif., March 28 (AP)—Sergei V. Rachmaninoff, 68, Russian pianist, conductor and composer, died early today of his home here.

### Coming Events

Reserve April 10th for Trinity Girl Guides Rummage Sale, 1-29-11.  
Free 8-und Movies, Kinkora, Monday, Borden Tuesday, 3-26-21.  
Garden Seeds. All the latest and best varieties. Send for free 1943 catalogue. Arthur Vasey, 1-18-M-21.  
Just arrived, five hundred bags No. 10 Inspected Hammer Seed. Oats \$2.00 for 100 lb. bags of car. Dillon & Spillert, 3-27-31.  
Reserve Wednesday evening, April 7th for the Fish and Game Commission at Prince of Wales Hall, 8-30-11.  
Loading hogs for Davis & Fraser, Murray Harbour March 31st, Murray River and Belle River April 1st. Podhla April 8th. John J. Beck, 3-29-11.  
Buying Pigs at Fredericton, Monday, Tuesday 11 A. M. Charlottetown Market Square, 2 P. M. York Station, 4 P. M. Mount Stewart, 7 P. M. Pownall, Wednesday 10 A. M. New Glasgow, Thursday 10 A. M. Lunenburg, Friday 11 A. M. Summerside, Friday 12 A. M. for good pigs over 16 lbs. each. Will also buy junks. Knud Jorgenson.

### Employees Vote For Strike

MONTREAL, March 28 (CP)—Tramways Company employees who are members of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees voted tonight to go on strike and union officials said later that the vote meant strike action was retroactive to 8 p.m. this evening.

Paul Marquette, Canadian Congress of Labor general director for Quebec, told reporters after the standing vote was taken at a mass meeting of union members working tonight, would be ordered to lay off work after completing their runs for the night. Those not working would be considered on strike from 8 p.m.

The vote arose from a decision of the company to hold a jurisdictional referendum on the edict. A referendum of two unions was to be the bargaining agent for the workers. Marquette said the Congress of Labor Union had 3,000 members—a majority of the workers—and therefore no referendum was necessary.

In Ottawa tonight Labor Minister Mitchell announced he had telegraphed E. Blair, Tramways vice-president, that in view of the "serious nature" of the situation he was establishing a commission on behalf of conciliation. Blair gestured that the company postpone its decision as to tomorrow's referendum.

(Mr. Mitchell said Mr. Blair had notified him that the tramways having granted the negotiating committee permission to hold the ballot, felt it could not withdraw permission, and a strike therefore appeared inevitable unless the groups concerned accepted the Minister's warning that such action would be illegal.)

At the same time, Mr. Mitchell said he had telegraphed A. R. Mosher, president of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees, warning him that a strike would be illegal and urging them to take steps to prevent such action.)

As tonight's meeting got underway in west-end Ottawa, Market Street, the union members learned that he had been talking by long-distance telephone to Mr. Mosher in Ottawa. He told them that Labor Minister Mitchell's warning to Mr. Mosher that strike action would be illegal and then asked for their reaction in a standing vote on whether they wished to strike.

The majority of the men rose to their feet in response to the vote. Union officials estimated that 2,000 employees attended the meeting and said that others would be in later when their shifts ended and street cars were taken to the company barns.

Asked for comment on the vote, Mr. Blair, the company vice-president and general manager, told the press that he did not wish to elaborate on the matter he had made to Mr. Mitchell. However, he said, he wanted to assure the tramways patrons that "we are doing our best in making plans to meet the situation."

The Alwater market meeting was orderly with guards at the doors to admit only those who could identify themselves as tramways employees. Union members carried banners proclaiming in French and English: "Tramways on strike for the recognition of our rights."

Before the strike vote was taken, Marquette told the men of Mr. Mitchell's announcement that he was setting up a Conciliation Board, but the members shouted in French: "It's Too Late! It's Too Late!" Marquette then called for the standing vote.

### War Situation Last Night

By Carl C. Cranmer, Associated Press War Analyst

The usefulness of the Mareth Line to Marshal Erwin Rommel apparently is about ended.

Although only slightly dented by Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery's frontal assault, it has been outflanked as was France's Maginot Line.

Four armored spearheads are pointed at the line of the Axis communications to the north and it would be most unusual if the German strategists elected to stand and fight while in immediate danger of being cut off.

The greatest threat to his rear is at the outskirts of El Hamma where a strong armored force is at the point of seizing control of the western gateway of the Gabes Gap between the salt lakes of the sea after an amazing 100-mile circuitous march across a northern spur of the Sahara.

Rommel foresaw the wide-looping attack by this column and made careful preparations to meet it by placing a concentration of armored and motorized forces at El Hamma. But such was the strength of this wing of Gen. Montgomery's attack that it met these forces and pushed them back. The spearhead now is only about 15 miles from completing its circuit to the sea at Rommel's rear.

North of the Gabes bottleneck two American columns have pierced or nearly pierced the lower end of the Grand Dorsal, the chain of mountains which runs from north to south, ready to fan out on the coastal plain. The southern column east of El Guejar apparently has one pass yet to thread, while the northern column east of Maknassy seemingly holds the eastern end of the last pass.

Farther north another American column has driven through the Grand Dorsal, capturing Fondouk and threatening the Kairouan plain. The French on the left flank of the Americans, appear to be headed for a junction with this force at Kairouan by moving across to the eastern side of the long-contested Oussella Valley.

Still further north the British 1st Army of Gen. Sir Kenneth Anderson has moved out of its defensive positions at Daebl Abiod near the coast and captured its first objectives. This operation probably was on a bigger scale than the communique indicates, for the British force had fallen back to hills from which it had to cross a broad open valley giving a clear field of fire before getting at the German positions.

Altogether, the news from Tunisia is good.

### Destroy Giant Krupp Works

LONDON, March 28 (CP)—Buildings in Germany's giant Krupp works covering 196,000 sq. yards—including 12 main shops and 36 others—were destroyed or damaged badly in the 1,000-ton R. A. F. raid on Essen, March 27. A Ministry news service disclosed today.

The devastation was considerably more than that of the raid there were earlier when 136,000 square yards were damaged, the news service said.

### Eden Visit Important

By FRANK FLAHERTY  
(Canadian Press Staff Writer)

OTTAWA, March 28 (CP)—While Rt. Hon. Anthony Eden's visit to Ottawa this week is unlikely to be marked by any important announcements on policy, its importance is rated high in governmental and diplomatic circles.

The things Mr. Eden will say and do during his stay in Ottawa will be of more importance than the things he will say in public.

The exact purpose of Mr. Eden's visit to Canada and the United States has never been stated, but in informed quarters it is assumed it has to do broadly with the job of keeping the United Nations working together as a team for the prosecution of the war, improving on the teamwork if possible, and looking for a basis on which teamwork can continue after the Axis powers are defeated and the task of world reconstruction must be tackled.

In a speech in the House of Commons last month, Prime Minister King indicated there were certain anomalies in present arrangements for the United Nations which he hoped could be removed.

The Eden discussion are considered as likely designed merely to inform the different governments involved of the views of the others so that they can be better prepared for more concrete discussion of agreement with a minimum of friction.

### British Column Threatens Gabes

Montgomery Nears El Hamma After Outflanking Mareth Line—Americans Capture Fondouk.

By Daniel De Luce, Associated Press Staff Writer  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NORTH AFRICA, March 28 (AP)—British columns knifed into Axis positions on both the northern and southern Tunisian fronts, it was announced today, and United States troops captured Fondouk Saturday.

The big Allied offensive at last was in full motion.

Outflanking the Mareth line and narrowing the escape corridor of Field Marshal Erwin Rommel to 15 miles, Gen. Bernard Montgomery's desert column has battled its way into the outskirts of El Hamma and is threatening the port of Gabes in fierce fighting which a communique said is still continuing.

The British 1st Army smashed back the Germans of Col.-Gen. Jurgen Von Arnim in the Djebel Abiod sector some 50 miles southwest of Bizerte and gained their objectives despite strong enemy resistance, the communique said.

### Say Labor May Not Support Loan

VANCOUVER, March 28 (CP)—Two Vancouver labor leaders asserted that the next Victory Loan issue, due to be offered to the public next month, would suffer from lack of labor support unless something were done to alleviate new liquor restrictions announced last night at Victoria.

Henceforth bottled beer purchases are limited to one dozen pints a week with the prospect of hard liquor ration will soon be one pint a month. Purchasers of spirits during March may buy no more during April.

"I am afraid it will be hard to get the new bond issue over with these new restrictions," declared E. Leary, President of the Vancouver Labor Council.

"The men see no reason for curtailing beer when it takes so little material to make, and that non-essential to the war effort," said Bill Showler, President of the Vancouver, New Westminster and District Trades and Labor Council. "I don't think the men for not wanting to support the bond issue."

### Liquor Purchases By Permit In Ont.

TORONTO, March 28 (CP)—Beginning next Thursday, purchases in Ontario of wine, both domestic and imported, and imported beer will be made by permit, it was announced Saturday.

A statement by Hon. A. St. Clair Gordon, Provincial Treasurer and Chairman of the Liquor Control Board of Ontario, also said that only certain amounts of these beverages could be purchased monthly thus putting wines and imported beer on a purchase basis similar to that pertaining to spirituous liquors.

With regard to the domestic beer situation, Mr. Gordon's statement said "a most detailed study" is being made. It was understood the board is considering putting domestic purchases on the permit system also because of the difficulty of establishing orderly marketing conditions in the distribution of the Province's reduced quota.

New permits for purchasing liquors, wines and imported beers as from April 1 will cost \$1 and those issued to residents will be good for one year while non-resident temporary permits will be valued for one month only.

Quantity limitations were announced for the distribution of spirits, wines and imported beer. Five 26 1-2-ounce bottles of spirits or the equivalent may be purchased monthly, all as one time if the purchaser desires, while purchases of imported beer each month will be limited to 12 24-ounce bottles or the equivalent with not more than six 24-ounce bottles purchasable each week.

Purchasers will be allowed eight 4-ounce bottles, or the equivalent, of native wine each month, restricted to four 26 1-2-ounce Purchase of imported wines will be with only one bottle purchasable at a time.

### Twelve Killed When Army Plane Explodes

KNOXVILLE, March 28 (AP)—At least 12 persons were reported killed when a United States army plane exploded while flying at low level and crashed on a farm 35 miles west of here yesterday.

William F. Sharp, an undertaker at Oliver Springs, Tenn., near the scene of the crash, said that 12 bodies already had been removed from the scattered wreckage of the plane. He said he did not know whether the big ship carried other occupants.

### Funeral Of Sir Edward Beatty

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### Wins Prize At O. A. C.

GUELPH, Ont., March 28 (CP)—Prizes and awards were granted at the annual graduation exercises at the Ontario Agricultural College here Saturday night.

Merit prizes included: Butter Manufacture, K. L. Paynter, Craipaud, P. E. I.; Dairy Judging Prizes: Butter—E. D. Doane, Yarmouth, N.S.

The raid on Nauru Island was delivered Friday morning (Solomon time) and aroused considerable interest here over whether it might be the beginning of a series of long-range attacks against the several hundred miles north of the American airfield on Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands.

### TORPEDOES CREW

During the First Great War, the length of torpedoes increased from 10 to 24 feet.

### War—25 Years Ago Today

(By The Canadian Press)

March 29, 1918—Germans captured Mezières, but offensive in other areas on the Western Front was checked. Seventy-five killed and 90 injured at Good Friday service when shell from German long-range gun hit church in Paris area.

### REACH EL HAMMA

The 8th Army desert column  
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High tide this afternoon at 3:46 and tomorrow morning at 6:30. Sun sets this evening at 7:23 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:45. New moon April 4, 5:53 p.m. Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

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