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R. A. F. HURLES 600 PLANES AGAINST NAZI TARGETS Crews Of 9 Planes Rescued From Jungle Assaults Top All Previous British Raids

One dead, one injured after Forced landing

Ten Planes Were Forced Down While On Flight From U. S. Trinidad Base To Brazil.

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, April 17—(CP Cable)—United States authorities here disclosed today one of the mass forced landings of 10 U. S. training planes in a Venezuelan swampland area last Sunday.

Second Lieutenant K. Stitzer of the U. S. Army Corps was killed and Capt. Isaac Fitzpatrick of the same corps was injured when their plane crashed near the mouth of the Orinoco River.

Survived 20 days On derelict, dies After accident

HALIFAX, April 17—(CP)—Henry S. C. Naus, of Lunenburg, who survived 20 days on the derelict Nova Scotia schooner Jean F. Anderson, died here today from the effects of an immersion in the harbor water last night.

War—25 Years Ago Today

(By The Canadian Press) APRIL 18, 1917—Turkish 18th army corps defeated by British at Istabul in Mesopotamia.

Coming Events

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War Situation Last Night

(By KIRKE L. SIMPSON, Associated Press War Analyst) Pierre Laval, willing tool of the Nazis, comes back into power at Vichy under circumstances that seem to cast him as a backseat driver's role unless and until he can prove his case to French public opinion.

The first official ousting of the reconstituted Vichy regime commits a definite veto power to other hands, Admiral Jean Darlan, Laval's great rival, emerges from the shake-up not only as honored heir-designate to Marshal Petain as Chief-of-State but also as commander-in-chief of French fighting forces.

Hostile as he has been toward Britain, Darlan stands committed not to yield to the Axis. He proclaimed that by radio broadcast following his elevation to the vice premiership last May in succession to Laval, ousted by Petain.

Assuming that Darlan is of the same mind now—and there is every argument of personal political ambition to urge his retention of the fleet in his own control and under his own selected crews and commanders—its surrender to Germany at an early date seems wholly improbable.

Without it he would fade from the political scene in Vichy and cease to be a factor in the war.

BULLETIN

SAN FRANCISCO, April 17—(AP)—A Tokyo radio announced tonight "enemy bombers" attacked Tokyo, a CBS listening station here reported.

The Tokyo broadcast said—"Enemy bombers appeared over Tokyo for the first time in the current war, inflicting damage on schools and hospitals. The raid occurred shortly past noon on Saturday (Tokyo time)."

"Invading planes failed to cause any damage on military establishments, although casualties in schools and hospitals are as yet unknown."

"This inhuman attack on these cultural establishments and on residential districts is causing widespread indignation among the populace."

MELBOURNE, April 17—(AP)—Royal Australian Air Force fighter planes met a squadron of 10 Japanese raiders over Port Moresby today and landed unscathed to report destruction or damage to at least four of the enemy.

LONDON, April 17—(CP)—A usually reliable source said today unconfirmed reports had been received that 20 highly placed Italians had been disciplined or rebuked by Mussolini recently for attempting a movement for a separate Italian peace with Britain.

LONDON, April 17—(CP)—The Red army was driving ahead against the German offensive in the Caucasus and capturing "one great fortress after another" in the area of Demirdz, 40 miles northwest of Smolensk, the Moscow radio reported.

OTTAWA, April 17—(CP)—More than 7,500 Canadian boys will spend one week with the Royal Canadian Air Force this summer, assisting in the work of air stations and taking comprehensive courses. It was revealed today.

NEW YORK, April 17—(CP)—Gen. Charles De Gaulle, leader of the Free French forces, will speak to the United States at London at 4:35 p. m. A. D. T. Saturday. He will speak in French and will be followed by an English translation.

LONDON, April 18—(Saturday) (CP)—A dispatch from the French frontier today said powerful friends of Marshal Petain had urged him to be ready to fly to Morocco and establish a government there where he would be free from German pressure.

LOONDON, (CP)—A special chart indicating the weather to be expected in any part of the North Atlantic has been compiled by the Navigators' and Engineer Officers' Union for distribution among members who may be cast adrift in lifeboats.

Expect Britons To continue Smokes, drinks

Florists Told To Grow Tomatoes In Green-houses.

By Edward Robinson Associated Press Staff Writer

LONDON, April 17—(AP)—Statistics figured today Britain's new budget would add about 15 shillings a week to the amount the average couple ordinarily spends on smokes, drinks and entertainment.

That money, some economists believed, must come from the shillings and pence that otherwise would have been earmarked for war savings. For they feel the public will continue to indulge in the luxuries of cigars, beer and spirits despite the heavy taxes.

Flower gardens have been ordered to use three-fourths of their gassed-in acreage for tomatoes and are expected to produce at a rate of two-thirds pre-war consumption. That would about equal total imports.

Potato acreage is estimated at 75 per cent more than the 700,000 acres planted in 1938, pea production is expected to rise to 100,000 acres from 30,000, and green crops will be up 37 per cent.

OTTAWA, April 17—(CP)—Cominor, Canada's entire beef output may be the solution of the beef shortage now threatening Canadian households.

Such control would apportion what beef should go to the United States and what would remain in Canada to supply the domestic market.

Donald Gordon, chairman of the board, said he has made a recommendation to the government for dealing with the present beef situation, but until the government acted, he said, he was not in a position to comment on the nature of his proposals.

"Reports coming in from all parts of the country show that the beef situation is in a state of chaos," he said. "I have made a recommendation to the government to deal with it."

NEW DELHI, India, April 17—(AP)—British sappers burned and blasted 6,000 West Burma oil wells today while a gallant battalion of the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry fought yet another superb delaying action against the Japanese until the wells were ablaze.

Then the vastly outnumbered Yorkshiresmen withdrew and rejoined the main British forces after inflicting severe casualties.

The communists said the Yorkshire force "distinguished itself in this gallant action with great determination and bravery and suffered very little loss."

OTTAWA, April 17—(CP)—Simplified marching and arms drill for the Canadian army was announced tonight by the army branch of the national defence department, as a means of accelerating training of men for military service.

The announcement said the perfect execution of relatively few movements is aimed at, rather than the old-fashioned manual in the short time available but drill poorly.

WASHINGTON, April 17—(AP)—The United States navy announced today that a medium-sized British merchant vessel had been torpedoed in the Atlantic off the West Indies. Survivors have been landed at a port on the Gulf of Mexico.

May Be General Jackson Dodds Re-elected to Head Red Cross



OTTAWA, April 17—(CP)—Jackson Dodds of Montreal was re-elected chairman of the central council of the Canadian Red Cross today at the concluding session of the annual meeting held during the past two days.

Justice, P. H. Gordon of Regina was re-appointed executive committee chairman.

Other officers of the society were elected as follows: President, Earl of Athlone; Honorary Vice-Presidents, Prime Minister Mackenzie King; Conservative House Leader Hanson and M. J. Coldwell, acting C.C.F. House leader.

WESTERN FRONT — R. A. F. steps up spring offensive, ranging over France, Holland, Germany.

UNITED STATES — Washington calls ambassador home from Vichy for consultations.

PHILIPPINES — U. S. announces more than 65,000 troops and civilians were captured by Japs on Bataan.

RUSSIA — Red troops beat forward toward Smolensk, drive hard on Leningrad front.

CANADA — United Nations air training conference summoned for May in Ottawa.

N. S., Ontario Plan Aid To Medical Men

TORONTO, April 17—(CP)—Informed that the Nova Scotia government is considering helping the fourth and fifth year students in medicine and engineering financially in order to speed up their courses.

BRITISH VESEL TORPEDOED

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Assaults Top All Previous British Raids

British Flyers make trip over heart of Industrial Germany to bomb Augsburg targets.

(By Douglas Amaran, Canadian Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, April 17—(CP Cable)—Adding weight and distance to its massive daylight offensive, the R. A. F. hurled 600 planes against German targets today in day-long raids extending from the continental coast to Augsburg, in southern Germany.

The assaults were by far the heaviest of the war by British airmen, topping yesterday's farflung, 400-plane attack, which had been the biggest to date.

Emphasizing the enormity of the aerial offensive was a daylight attack upon Augsburg, which involved a round-trip of at least 1,000 miles right over the heart of industrial Germany.

Augsburg, a few miles northwest of Munich, is the site of a Messerschmitt plane factory, but an informed source said this establishment was not the target of today's raids. This centre was the target of night raids twice in August, 1940, but had not been mentioned in British air communications since then.

British air superiority over western Europe was stressed by the air ministry announcement that only two out of the hundreds of planes used—one fighter and one bomber—were lost. It described the enemy opposition as "relatively slight."

The air ministry said at first that two fighters and a bomber were lost but a later announcement said one of the fighters had been found safe.

The German radio itself only claimed 19 British craft were downed.

Heavy bombers were used against Augsburg today and an informed source said this undoubtedly meant four-motored bombers, possibly giant Bristol Stirlings or American-made B-24 Liberators.

Augsburg is one of the oldest cities of Bavaria and before the war was the chief textile centre of Germany. It also has important chemical works and plants turning out agricultural and industrial machinery.

Three times within a few hours today fighters and bombers roared across the channel to harry northern France and bomb a factory at Marquise in the Calais-Boulogne area in the continuing war of attrition against the depleted Nazi air forces guarding the continent.

Speedy American-built Boston bombers, metres of the daytime aerial weapons employed by the R. A. F., blasted military objectives at Calais, Rouen and Cherbourg while bomb-carrying Hurricanes hammered the bombers.

The attacking aircraft faced "relatively slight" opposition, the ministry said, losing two fighters and one bomber. Two German fighters were shot down.

The German radio claimed 19 British fighters were shot down over the French occupied zone.

Factory Dive-Bombed

One Marquise factory was dive-bombed and the public taking part there said there was no doubt the building was given a "thorough knocking about." That particular attacking wing met no German fighter opposition at all.

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Veteran sportsman Dies of heart attack

PHILADELPHIA, April 17—(AP)—Alexander H. Findlay, 75, known as the father of golf in the United States, died of a heart attack here last night.

The veteran sportsman was credited with introducing the Scottish game in the United States 55 years ago but he never claimed credit for the distinction.

Russians May Move First

In the Crimea, with the aid of the Black Sea fleet, the Russians in the Kerch Peninsula have been strongly reinforced and the Sevastopol garrison has made vigorous sorties with the ground drying out earlier in the Crimea, it seems possible that the Russians may attack on a considerable scale in order to anticipate the general German Spring Offensive preparations for which farther north probably are not yet complete.

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Claim Berlin Sees France In war soon

LONDON, April 18—(Saturday)—(CP)—An extremely roundabout radio report early today said that France would be in a state of war "in the very near future" with the United States and Britain.

This report was broadcast by the Moscow radio in a Tass dispatch quoting the Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm newspaper Afton Tidningen.

Berlin expects the French fleet and bases in French colonies to be put at the disposal of the axis powers, this account went on.

It asserted that Berlin looks for an Anglo-American military expedition against occupied France following intensified bombing of Paris and other industrial centres.

An Allied attack also is possible, the report said, along the coast of unoccupied France, "which is badly fortified because Marshal Petain has only 100,000 soldiers at his disposal. The report said Germany would take upon herself the defence of the unoccupied zone."

Still no word Of missing plane

CHATHAM, N.B., April 17—(CP)—No word has been received here concerning a Royal Canadian Air Force bomber previously reported missing since April 6.

The last information of the plane's whereabouts was a wireless message two hours after it took off on a routine night flight. At that time the bomber was somewhere between Chatham and Summerside, P.E.I., possibly over Northumberland Strait.

About the plane were civilian pilot R. L. Berriman, of Placerville, Calif., Lac. E.R. McFarlane and Acting Corporal H. S. McKinnon, both of New Zealand.

Less than a month ago Berriman married Miss Alison Watling, Chatham.

Russians May Beat Nazis To Draw In Drive

Situation seen difficult to assess, however; other war theatres reviewed.

Written for the Canadian Press By MAJ.-GEN. SIR CHARLES GWYN

LONDON, April 17—(CP Cable)—What has been achieved recently by Russian offensive operations or German counter-attacks still is uncertain, but it is clear that the Russian attacks have been maintained with great vigor despite the state of the ground. Probably they have been chiefly local operations on restricted fronts.

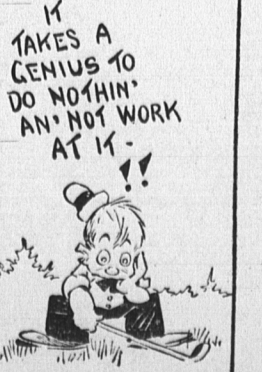
The Germans have been compelled to expend reserves but permanent communications with Leningrad have not yet been opened by the Russians and the German 16th army at Staraya Russa holds out despite heavy fighting.

Pressure on both the northern and southern sides of the Vyazma Salient has been maintained and, despite German counter-attacks,

advances have been made, especially between Bryansk and Smolensk. Further south Marshal Semeon Tenoschenko's army has been attacking strongly in the Kharkov area and the city appears to be partly encircled.

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High tide this afternoon at 12.2 and tomorrow morning at 1.21. Sun sets this evening at 6.49 and rises tomorrow morning at 5.10. First quarter moon April 23, 1.14 a.m. Summer tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown. BORDEN — CAPT. FORMENTINE SERVICE Leave Borden 9.25 A.M. 1.00 P.M. Leave Cape Tormentine 11.00 A.M. 3.20 P.M.