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TIDE OF BATTLE TURNS IN BELGIUM

Belgians Told Situation At Front Well In Hand

Churchill Shot At By Sniper

(By The Associated Press)
ATHENS, Dec. 28.—(Thursday)—Prime Minister Churchill was shot at by an E.L.A.S. sniper while outside the British Embassy yesterday morning.
The bullet hit a young woman 300 yards away.
The attempt on the life of the Prime Minister was the first in the thousands of miles he has travelled in this war in the interest of Allied solidarity.

Discusses Problems Of China

MONTREAL, Dec. 27.—(CP)—National unity alone may help China solve the "many" problems which will make the situation there "chaotic," Albert C. Hall, co-chairman of the Chinese War Relief Fund, said here today in a speech before a group of Chinese students.
Mr. Hall recently returned from a trip to China on behalf of the fund.

Lack of unity has been responsible for conditions in China today," Mr. Hall said. "Unless the different parties get together all efforts will amount to very little."
At the moment there are plans being made to bring political groups together for the good of the country which will help considerably," he said.
Mr. Hall added that China's problems were "of many kinds." He mentioned the need for more supplies, both price and currency, and the great need of proper hospital facilities.

Saying that China was suffering from the Chinese individualistic attitude, Mr. Hall said that the solutions of China's grave problems would be to give her more supplies, and to help her to solve the problem of money going astray.

He explained that medical supplies now reaching China had increased from 30 to 60 tons a month and that, with the forthcoming increase in December, the amount would be further increased.

Rates In Hospitals

Conditions in Chinese hospitals were such, Mr. Hall said, that rats were a common sight there. Little children had to be kept in their beds to protect them from the rodents.
As an example of what inflated prices mean, he said that a ton of coal sold for \$20,000 in Chinese currency, an ordinary oil-stained jacket for \$20,000, and a 1937 automobile for \$1,400,000.
Beggars snubbed visitors who offered them \$10 in Chinese money.
For instance, it came high and he said that it was necessary to carry thousands of Chinese dollars to pay out gratuities in restaurants.

Pick "Going My Way" As Top Picture

(By The Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The motion picture "Going My Way" was chosen today as the best motion picture of the year by a new York film critics, who also voted it top honors for direction and the best male performance.

Coming Events

- Loading hogs at Hunter River Friday until noon. Borden Barnyard 12-27-21.
- Buying live and dressed poultry. Paying top market prices. Island Cold Storage Ltd. 11-17-14.
- Next shipment dressed hogs. Dec. 29 Book. McGuigan & Boyle. 12-21-71.
- Dance Oddfellows Hall, Moncton. Thursday. Webster's Orchestra. 12-23-11.
- Dance in Graham's Road Hall, Thursday night, Dec. 28th. 12-27-21.
- Card Party and Dance in Lot 5 Hall, Thursday, December 28th. Lunch served. 12-27-21.
- Crashing Grain Wednesday, Saturday. If you unit suit the day. G. H. Johnston, general. 12-28-20.
- Notice—Loading hogs at Albany Thursday, 28th. From noon until 6 P.M. Friday. Emerald unit, G. C. Green and A. C. 12-27-21.

War Situation Last Night

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
(Associated Press War Analyst)

Experience with the two-day time lag imposed on official Allied Headquarters reports from the Belgian bulge battle fronts teaches that it magnifies the difficulty in attempting long-range assessment of the situation at the front is well in hand, the Brussels radio reported.

The enemy's advance is being held and Allied counter-attacks are proceeding successfully from both the south and west," the Premier said. "I have all authority to tell you there is no reason for anxiety."

Quebec House To Open Feb. 7

MONTREAL, Dec. 27.—(CP)—Premier Duplessis announced tonight after a 4 1/2-hour cabinet meeting that the first session of the Quebec legislature would open on Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1945. It was the last meeting of the Cabinet for 1944.

Nazis Attack U. S. Front In Italy

ROME, Dec. 27.—(AP)—The enemy counter-attacks in the Sardinia Valley sector of the 5th Army front near the western end of the Italian battleline and has forced United States troops to be withdrawn to prepared positions.

Active Patrolling On Canuck Front

By DOUGLAS AMARON
WITH THE 1ST CANADIAN ARMY IN HOLLAND, Dec. 27.—(CP Cable)—Active patrolling is continuing along the chill 1st Canadian Army front in Holland where the ground is frozen after four days' frost.

Police Hold Man In Drug Theft Probe

MONTREAL, Dec. 27.—(CP)—An unidentified man was held by Royal Canadian Mounted Police today following seizure of 2,000 pills containing morphine and a lot of \$75,000 in drugs reported stolen recently at Montreal, Ottawa and in New Brunswick.

Seaman Flown Home To Visit Ill Family

BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND, Dec. 27.—(CP-Reuters)—Leading Seaman Leonard Williams of Birmingham flown home from the Pacific to England as a result of an Admiralty priority signal reporting his family seriously ill. He spent nine hours at home with his wife and child before leaving today to report for duty at Plymouth.

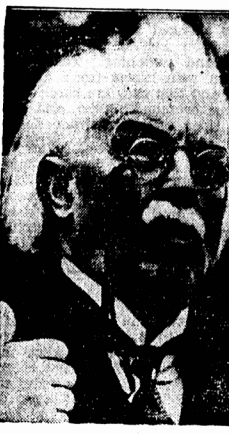
Budapest Defenders Split By Russians

LONDON, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Russian troops smashed across the Danube River's eastern branch north of Budapest, captured Szendrői Island and split the German-Hungarian forces defending the city, Moscow announced tonight.

Lupe Velez Buried In Mexico City

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Lupe Velez was buried this afternoon in Dolores Cemetery while a large crowd all but riotous gathered near the grave.
Lupe, who killed herself in Los Angeles Dec. 13, was buried in the arms of a Roman Catholic religious service was held at the funeral home in the forenoon after many thousands had passed beside the body all through the night.
The funeral was marked by disaster throughout because of the crush of thousands to see the dead actress.

Lloyd George To Quit Politics



LOYD GEORGE

LONDON, Dec. 27.—(CP Reuters)—David Lloyd George, Prime Minister during the First Great War, has decided not to stand for re-election to Parliament, acting on medical advice.

Lloyd George has been in Parliament for 34 years and is "Father of the House." He is nearly 82.

The announcement was made today by E. P. Evans, chairman of Caernarvon Boroughs Liberal Association to a special meeting of the executive of the Association.

Britain Had Cold Christmas

(By The Canadian Press)
LONDON, Dec. 27.—Now it can be said that Christmas, 1944, was Britain's coldest since 1872, the date that systematic temperature readings were begun.

Superforts Raid Tokyo At Rush Hour

21ST BOMBER COMMAND,
SAITAN, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Superfortresses dropped bombs through cloudless skies on Tokyo during the noon hour rush today and appeared to get good cracks at some choice industrial targets.

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American Troops In Smashing Comeback

PARIS, Dec. 27.—(AP)—American troops in a tremendous comeback offensive against both sides of the German salient in Belgium have narrowed the neck of the enemy position to less than 20 miles in width and relieved the beleaguered garrison of Bastogne, it was disclosed tonight in a flurry of Allied and enemy announcements.

Apparently getting into high gear for the first time since the German counter-offensive caught them by surprise Dec. 16, the Americans have robbed the enemy of the initiative and gained as much as five miles in a day, these dispatches indicated.

BULLETIN

WITH AMERICAN TROOPS IN BELGIUM, Dec. 27.—

Reinforcing fliers reported today that German panzer troops were setting fire to their vehicles in the Celles area at the Meuse River.

Decide On Regency For Greek Nation

(By The Associated Press)
ATHENS, Dec. 27.—The Greek all-party conference seeking a solution to the civil strife in this country, has unanimously agreed upon a Regency, it was learned authoritatively tonight.

Nazi Drive Through?

The German radio, which all day has been taking a less cheerful view of the situation, finally reported that Allied troops were striking strongly both on the western and southern flanks of Field Marshal Von Rundstedt's salient and conceded that German troops in some frontier sectors of the Duchy of Luxembourg had withdrawn to the Siegfried Line.

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Freezing Rain Storm In Central States

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—(AP)—A freezing rain storm, described by weather bureau veterans as the most extensive in many years, grazed a wide central section of the United States from St. Louis to the Atlantic coast with ice which paralyzed traffic today.

Stretching from eastern Missouri to the middle Atlantic Coast, the freezing rain belt had offshoots southward into Tennessee and North Carolina and northward into Indiana, southern Illinois, Ohio, and Pennsylvania, and into Washington, D. C., Maryland, Virginia, and headed for New Jersey, New York, and New England.

MARRIED BY MAIL

MYTIKYNA, BURMA, Dec. 26.—(AP)—There was a wedding party here Christmas Day and beer was distributed to all—but the bride was not present. Sgt. Robert Stern of Cleveland was married by mail and received his marriage certificate in a letter as a Christmas present which arrived Dec. 23. The bride is Dorothy Marie Cleveland. The marriage by mail took two months.

NO NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS FOR ME. I HAVE A LOTTA UNUSED ONES FROM LAST YEAR.

(By The Canadian Press)
METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE,
TORONTO, Dec. 27.—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Toronto 10, 24; Montreal 10, 24; Vancouver 33, 4; Edmonton 43, 8; Regina 12b, 4; Winnipeg 6b, 4; Ottawa 9, 24; St. John's 10, 24; Halifax 10, 24; Moncton 11, 24; St. John's 10, 24; Moncton 11, 24; Halifax 10, 24; Moncton 11, 24.

LOWER ST. LAWRENCE: Strong winds with snow.

LAKE ST. JOHN: Strong winds with light to moderate snow; becoming colder at night.

MARITIME WEST: Strong winds and moderate snow with snow and rain.

MARITIME EAST: Snow or sleet rain with winds increasing to strong and moderate gales.

High tide this morning at 11:05 and tonight at 10:31.

Sun sets this afternoon at 5:26 and rises tomorrow morning at 8:36.

Full moon December 29th, 11:38 A.M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

DAILY AIR SERVICE Charlottetown — Summerside — Moncton

Leaves Charlottetown 7 A.M. 11:30 A.M., 5 P.M.
Arrives Charlottetown 12:45 P.M. 5:45 P.M. 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY SERVICE NEW GLASGOW

Leaves Charlottetown 11:30 A.M. and 5:45 P.M.
Arrive Charlottetown 2 P.M. and 5:45 P.M.

CHARLOTTETOWN — NEW GLASGOW

(Daily except Sunday)
Leaves Charlottetown 1:20 P.M. Arrive Charlottetown 1:20 P.M.