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NAZIS LAUNCH PUSH ON BALTIC FRONT

U. S. Planes In Surprise Raid

Large Force Blasts Germans In No. France

LONDON, April 20 (AP) — Between 700 and 1,000 United States heavy bombers made a surprise assault on German military targets in Northwestern France tonight, striking late on a day which had begun early with an R. A. F. heavy bomber raid from Italy on the important Bulgarian railway centre of Plovdiv.

The supertime attackers, accompanied by between 500 and 750 fighters dumped approximately 2,500 tons of explosives on their objectives. In addition American fighter-bombers blasted Nazi targets deep in Northeastern France. Nine United States heavy bombers were lost but all the fighter-bombers and fighters returned safely. The escort planes shot down four Nazi planes in the air and destroyed others on the ground.

Allied planes by tonight had made approximately 8,000 sorties against Nazi targets in the last 54 hours, unleashing more than 11,000 tons of bombs. It was the third successive day that the United States air force had sent out an armada of approximately 2,000 planes.

The assault undoubtedly was a surprise for the enemy, being one of the latest ever made by the U. S. Air Force and certainly the heaviest evening bombardment ever directed at occupied France.

The attacking force roared off to its targets for more than three hours as it flew over the southeast coast.

Local Airman Gets Medal



L.A.C. J.M. Gillis, of Charlottetown, P.E.I., is shown receiving from the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, Hon. W.C. Woodward, the British Empire Medal for courageous service. The occasion was a public investiture in Vancouver, April 15th, first ceremony of its kind on the West Coast. The citation covering L.A.C. Gillis' deed is as follows: "Immediately after refuelling an explosion occurred on a seaplane in an area crowded with aircraft and other valuable service equipment. A wireless mechanic, in the cockpit, was burned about the face and rendered partially unconscious. Leading Aircraftman Gillis, a motorboat crewman, with great presence of mind and a total disregard for his personal safety boarded the aircraft and attacked the flames. By using three fire extinguishers he finally succeeded in putting out the fire and then rescued the mechanic. By his prompt and courageous actions the life of an airman was saved and damage of valuable service property was kept at a minimum."

Three Canadian Sailors Presented With Awards

Leading Seaman C. M. Chapman of Murray Harbor Is Included In Group.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., April 20 — (CP Cable) — Honors conferred on three members of the Canadian Navy for gallantry at sea were presented to them formally today by Governor Sir Humphrey Walwyn of Newfoundland.

The awards and citations: Distinguished Service Cross: Acting Condr. J.M. Davies, R.C.N.V.R., St. John's, N.B. — "For bravery and devotion to duty while conducting mine-sweeping operations during the siege of Tobruk on June 11, 1942."

British Empire Medal: Strokee P.O. Douglas C. Fisher, R.C.N.V.R., of Saskatoon — "For conspicuous and heroic conduct and bearing while on duty during the 22 months he was at sea. Rendered invaluable assistance, particularly during and after attack on a convoy in the North Atlantic in giving aid to 196 survivors who were picked up."

Leading Seaman C.M. Chapman, R.C.N.V.R., of Murray Harbor, P.E.I. — "Whose devotion to duty was outstanding during a prolonged engagement with U-boats in attacks on convoys in the North Atlantic."

Chapman was serving aboard the Corvete Chilliwick at the time.

Acting Condr. J.M. Davies, addressing a large gathering of Canadian Navy men at the presentation, said they had fought the Battle of the Atlantic magnificently and by their devotion to duty have ultimately crippled the submarine menace.

He is proud to know the Canadian Navy at close quarters, said Sir Humphrey, a veteran of the Royal Navy.

War Situation Last Night

By Kirk L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst

Matching the deepening American-Australian challenge to Japanese sea and air power in the far Pacific, the first significant Allied blow by the southeastern Asia command has been struck across the Bay of Bengal, falling on Sabang, the island off the northwest tip of Sumatra.

Delivered by carrier-based planes of the new powerful sea arm of Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten's forces, it was preceded by an air raid by American long-range bombers on Port Blair, in the southern Andaman Islands off the coast of the Malay Peninsula to the north, probably intended to neutralize any possible Japanese air interference.

The Sabang attack completes the ultimate challenge of the Allied sea power to Japanese long ago foretold by Prime Minister Churchill, and helps make clearer developments in Burma and in eastern China indicating Japanese counter strategy. Nor can it be seriously doubted that Allied leadership is more concerned over recent enemy moves in eastern China than with the diversionary Nipponese invasion of India from northern Burma that seems virtually to have run its course.

A three-pronged Japanese drive in the Chungking-Chengchow region in eastern Honan, aimed at clearing the Peiping-Hankow railroad, is reported from Chungking. It implies a new Japanese attempt to seize Allied leadership is more concerned over recent enemy moves in eastern China than with the diversionary Nipponese invasion of India from northern Burma that seems virtually to have run its course.

The Japanese offensive in eastern China clearly spells out growing fear in Tokyo that the day may not be distant when Japanese will be brought under the same Allied two-way mass bombing from the Pacific and eastern China that Germany is enduring from Britain and the U.S.

Reds Report Assault Was Beaten Off

Little News Of Land Battle Of Sevastopol.

By TOM YARBROUGH

LONDON, April 20 (AP) — The long-quiet Battle of Sevastopol today, the Russians announcing they had beaten off attacks by large German forces northwest of Narva in Estonia and had launched heavy air raids against German troop trains concentrated at the Latvian railway junctions of Ruzhice and Gubice.

In the southeast corner of the war zone, German tanks and infantry thrust south and east of Sevastopol, but were repulsed. A Soviet communiqué said tonight, while Soviet planes attacked four German convoys to escape from Sevastopol, the German offensive was shut on the land fighting for Sevastopol but credit on the havoc wrought at sea as the Germans and Russians struggled to free from their grasp.

On the Baltic front, today's Soviet communiqué said the Germans assaulted with big tanks and infantry. Soviet positions on the west side of the Narva River, only to be beaten back, saving more than 2,000 dead on the field.

The German communiqué also reported action near Narva, claiming that Soviet troops had penetrated bitterly-defended Russian positions in the marshy river-bank area and destroyed more than 100 Russian strong-points and 20 Russian guns. As an intimation of Soviet preparedness for a renewed offensive in the Baltic states, the Russian communiqué said long-range reconnaissance planes bombed German troops and Guben, 100 and 160 miles south of Narva, where German troops were concentrated.

Both German and Russian communiqués told of heavy fighting in the Stanislaw region of southeast Poland, but Russian disclaimed any offensive there as localized in character. Despite its bitterness.

Allied Heavies Blast Bulgarian Rail Centre

NAPLES, April 20 — (AP) — R. A. F. four engine Halifax bombers joined the relentless onslaught from Italian forces against Nazi communications in the Balkans with a disruptive attack early today on rail yards at Plovdiv, 80 miles east of Sofia in Bulgaria.

Destruction of Plovdiv's facilities primarily would affect the lone rail link between Sofia and Istanbul, Turkey, but it also would help paralyze other Bulgarian communications and further jar the wavering morale of the Bulgars.

Airmen said they saw bomb flashes in Plovdiv's yards and fires were mounting as they turned for home. Liberators and Wellingtons attacked the same target on Monday night.

Favors \$12 Per Adult For Health Insurance Cost

OTTAWA, April 20 — (CP) — Dr. J.J. Heagerty, director of federal health insurance, today told the Commons committee on social security he believed individual contributions to a national health insurance scheme should be limited to \$12 annually per adult and the balance of costs should be paid out of national revenues.

Dr. Heagerty spoke while the committee which he led drew up the draft bill had discussed the annual make a flat contribution of \$12 and also pay an additional amount through income tax. The committee also suggested that single persons in income tax brackets pay three per cent of income over health insurance and that married persons pay five per cent.

Dr. Heagerty said he personally believed the income rates were too high. Single persons in income tax brackets of between \$1,000 and \$2,000 would be paying \$12 annually toward health insurance. Married persons in the same brackets would be paying \$14.

At the suggestion of Chairman Curtis MacKenzie it was decided to present to a Dominion-provincial conference of health officers here May 10, 11 and 12 all the details of the bill. The committee will later discuss the contribution rates suggested during committee meetings. The committee will later discuss the contribution rates suggested by the conference.

Before making the suggestion, Dr. Heagerty said in reply to a question that in his opinion members of the committee should be given the opportunity to discuss the bill. The financial aspects would most likely be a topic of discussion at the health conference scheduled for later this year.

Carrier Planes Blast Jap Bases In Sumatra

KANDY, Ceylon, April 20 — (AP) — Allied bombers and fighters taking off from powerfully-escorted carriers somewhere in the Indian Ocean early yesterday, destroyed air fields, shipping and other installations at Sabang and Lhonga in northern Sumatra. The carriers launched at least 22 enemy planes on the ground. Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten's southern Asia headquarters announced today.

A strong force of battleships, cruisers, destroyers and submarines escorted the Allied carriers. The second attack on the Netherlands East Indies since the start of the Japanese in March, 1942. Allied naval planes took a similar crack at Sabang in December of 1942. Heavy bombs weighing up to 1,000 pounds were showered on the two bases, leaving Sabang a smoking ruin. Two Japanese merchant ships of 4,000-5,000 tons received direct hits in Sabang Harbor and were set afire by strafing. The enemy appeared to have been taken completely by surprise. Mountbatten's communiqué said, rallying to the attack only with anti-aircraft fire.

Admiral Sir James Scobie, Commander in Chief of the British Eastern Fleet, alerted his destroyers and other ships to the attack. Sabang is a little island off the northwestern tip of Sumatra, about 1,000 miles from Mountbatten's headquarters at Ceylon. Lhonga is a few miles away on the Sumatra mainland.

Admiral Scobie is known to have been restless for many months while he was confined to defence operations. The Sumatra attack indicates the new force under Admiral Scobie has sufficient strength to begin hitting back hard at the Japanese.

Boys In Service Backing Loan To Limit Says Veteran

"The boys in the service are backing this loan to limit just as they backed the others. We know this war is expensive. It was the latest ever made by the U. S. Air Force and certainly the heaviest evening bombardment ever directed at occupied France."

U. S. House Committee's Views On Western Bases

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Princess Elizabeth 18 Today

LONDON, April 20 — (CP) — From the fir corners of the Empire she expects one day to rule, greetings poured in tonight on the eve of her coming of age. She will be 18 tomorrow.

But the Princess spent the eve of her birthday as usual with her books.

The King has decreed that there shall be no special celebration of the day, because of war conditions. But it is expected that the Princess is not "coming out" in the official sense tomorrow.

There will be a normal celebration — a family luncheon party attended by the King and Queen and other members of the Royal Family. A birthday cake will be turned out in the royal kitchen.

At 18 the Princess, still legally a minor for three years, automatically becomes a councillor of state empowered with others to set for the King in his absence. But if at any time she is married, she will be turned out in the royal kitchen.

Commons Holds Empire Clinic

LONDON, April 20 — (CP Cable) — Parliament held an Empire clinic today but in deference to the forthcoming meeting of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers the government made no commitment on proposals for improving unity.

The government is going to make no final decision on these matters until after it has had an opportunity to discuss them with the Dominion government's representatives, explained Huelo Dalrymple, secretary of the Board of Trade, after the first half of a two-day Empire debate.

He is replying for non-government members advanced such proposals as creating an economic council to plan development of the Empire's resources.

The coming "family council" was called "at the most decisive moment in the course of the war and the most decisive and dramatic moment in the history of the world and of the Empire itself," he added.

Mr. Dalton promised a frank discussion on all matters with the Dominions. Prime Ministers and said the government would seek to achieve a united Empire policy in peace as it had in war.

Regarding trade, he said the government would not alter any preferential arrangements that exist except after discussion and agreement with the Dominion governments.

Text of the Address

The Most Reverend Joseph A. O'Sullivan, D. D., Archbishop of Kingston, Your Grace —

We, the members of the Benevolent Irish Society, have gathered here to discuss the bill which has been introduced into the House of Commons for the purpose of providing for the health insurance of the people of the United Kingdom.

The bill is a most important one and one which will have a far-reaching effect on the health of the people of the United Kingdom.

We are glad to see that the bill has been introduced into the House of Commons and we are sure that it will be passed by the House of Commons and the House of Lords.

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News Briefs

OTTAWA, April 20 — (CP) — Munitions Minister Howe said tonight in the Commons that airway lines which were absorbed by the Canadian Pacific air lines will be "re-established" when railroads are divested of their air lines.

LONDON, April 20 — (CP) — Adolf Hitler observed his 55th birthday today in silence and the German nation avoided even a pretence of celebration.

WASHINGTON, April 20 — (AP) — German resistance to Allied air power is weakening, War Secretary Henry Stimson said today, but he cautioned: they still have "plenty of planes to offer the stiffest sort of opposition" when they see fit.

MONTREAL, April 20 — (CP) — Dr. James Crawford Simpson, former dean of the faculty of medicine at McGill University, and prominent member of intercollegiate sports teams for almost two decades, died in hospital tonight after an illness of two months. He was 69.

Is Critical Of Australian Press

ADELAIDE, April 20 — (CP) — Arthur Calwell, Australian Minister of Information, today criticized the Australian press in a censorship controversy with Australian newspapers said here today. "There is no real patriotism in the Australian Press," he said.

"There are more fifth columnists in newspaper offices than in any other part of Australia," he said.

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Ontario Parents Found Guilty Of Manslaughter

COCHRANE, Ont., April 20 — (CP) — Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gill of Schumacher, Ont., tonight were found guilty of a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of their four children last March 10.

An assize court jury returned their verdict at 6:05 P. M., exactly 2 1/2 hours after they returned from their evidence brought out in the three day trial here.

Mr. Justice E. R. E. Chevier announced the verdict with a sentence of life imprisonment.

The children — Sandra, 4 1/2, Gertrude, 3 1/2, Richard, two and Michael, 15 months — died of suffocation in a fire at the Gillis home in the Timmins district town.

Evidence during the trial disclosed the children were alone in the home at the time of the fire and were found dead by the father, who turned in a fire alarm.

In returning their verdict at 6:05 the jury recommended leniency, but otherwise added no rider.

Says Development Of Sea Cadets Has Been Healthy

MONTREAL, April 22 — (CP) — Discussion as to whether the number of sea cadets of the Navy League of Canada to the Royal Canadian Naval College at Royal Roads, B. C., should be increased from five to nine featured the opening day's session of a sea cadet conference here today.

It was considered likely, at a decision of today's sessions, that a decision would be reached tomorrow.

"Our development has been healthy and progressive," Lloyd T. Spaulding, Hamilton, national chairman of the sea cadet movement, said in his annual report to 42 delegates representing 88 sea cadet corps across Canada.

Mr. Spaulding said that in one small day juvenile delinquency dropped 38 per cent following formation of a navy league sea cadet corps "and this warrants the enlargement of our service whereby possibly hundreds of thousands of our youth may benefit."

RECORD FLOUR OUTPUT

Production of wheat flour in Canadian mills for the 1942-43 crop year ended with the highest output on record, 23,546,707 barrels.

Victory Loan Sunday Observances By Local Churches

This Sunday, April 23, is Victory Loan Sunday throughout the churches of the provinces and clergy members everywhere will preach special sermons with the loan as their theme.

All Protestant denominations have been asked by the heads of their churches in Canada to offer these special sermons in order to help Canadians "put Victory first."

It is understood that a pastoral letter has been sent by the Archbishop-elect to all pastors in the diocese asking the Roman Catholic clergy to participate in Victory Loan Sunday.

Turks To Halt Chrome Exports

LONDON, April 20 — (CP) — A Reuters News Agency said Turkey had announced official it would stop export of chrome, which Germany has been using for munitions.

Numan Menemenciu, Turkish foreign minister, was quoted as telling the news agency that the export of all chrome from Turkey would stop after tomorrow.

COMING EVENTS

- **To arrive bulk barley. Book now McQuigan & Boyle. 4-13-10.
- **Bulk feed wheat in stock. McQuigan & Boyle. 4-13-10.
- **Women's Institute Dance. Vernon Hall, April 24th. Millview Orchestra. 4-21-21.
- **Due to arrive April 27th. one car of horses. A. M. Wright, Montague. 4-21-31.
- **To arrive another car Victory Registered Seed Oats, book now McQuigan & Boyle. 4-17-10.
- **Feed wheat Scott's Mills, crushed and uncrushed. 4-20-21.
- **Loading hogs for Davis and Fraser at Vernon, Tuesday afternoon, April 25th. E. C. Nelson. 4-21-24.
- **Taking hogs at Fredericton until 11 A. M. at end of Colville Road at highway, from 1 P. M. to 2 P. M. Friday, April 21st. Leslie MacDowell. 4-20-21.
- **Now in stock, Fish Meal, Bone Meal, Oil Cake, Crushed Oats, Seed Oats, Feed Oats, Bulk Wheat and Ground Wheat. McQuigan & Boyle. 4-21-31.
- **Livestock Marketing Board loading hogs during week of April 24th as follows: Monday, 24th, Montague, Cardigan, Souris, Baldoon, St. Peters, Mount Stewart, St. Mary's, Millview, Millview, St. Herbert, Charlottetown. Tuesday noon, until train time—Bedford, York, Mt. Herbert, Charlottetown, Whitehair, Hunter River, Grandbanque, Kinkora, Summerside, Kensington and Albany and all points Prince County usual days. 4-21-11.

Fighter Inherits Work Of Former Dive-Bomber

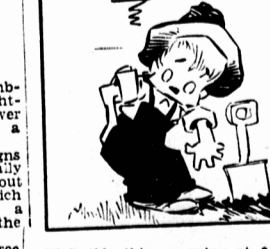
LONDON, April 20 — (CP) — One early last year as engaged in bombing of the parades of the war in the line duties though both are fighter is that the fighter, which did the most to kill the dive-bomber, now dive.

There was a time when Germany's famed stukas were doing such a job of dive-bombing that critics of Allied air strength called loudly and repeatedly for dive-bombers follow with the production of a separate type of aircraft for the purpose.

Opponents of this suggestion maintained that the dive-bomber carried out its pre-invasion duties as well as that the stuka was a good target once troops became accustomed to it. Instead of the stuka, a new type of anti-aircraft fire improved and British fighter strength grew so did German dive-bombing lessen.

Throughout that period the R.A.F. had no dive-bombers, the nearest equivalent being ground attack planes in the machine gun of the fighters and as fighter aircraft armament improved this became a better type of aircraft to attack the North Africa scene and typhoons to British bases. Both were reported

THE POET WHO SANG 'A FARMER'S LIFE IS THE LIFE FOR ME ETC.' NEVER CHAUFFERED A SHOVEL!



High tide this morning at 9.41 and tonight at 8.50. Sun sets this evening at 7.52 and rises tomorrow at 6.05. 4.43 p.m. New moon April 22, 5.43 p.m. Summer time 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.

Leave Charlottetown 12 noon.
Arrive Charlottetown 5.45 p.m.