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150,000 ALLIED TROOPS ON MARCH IN TUNISIA

Red Drive Slowed By Nazi Resistance

French Scuttle Fleet:-

Action Seen As Allied Victory

BY GLADWIN HILL
(Associated Press Staff Writer)
LONDON, Nov. 27 (AP)—Vichy announced the scuttling of the French Home Fleet of 60-odd ships at Toulon today and reported many French officers and dynamic crews went down with their vessels in wild down battles with German boarding parties attempting to prevent the destruction of the powerful armada.

Two Subs Escape

The Vichy station also had reported that two French submarines escaped from Toulon during the melee in which French seamen fired their last rounds at Nazi troops before their ships sank. A third fleeing submarine was said to have struck a mine dropped by parachute from a German warplane.

Board Emphasizes Likely Shortage Of Fuelwood

Admiral Jean Darlan, former Vichy Defence Chief who went over to the Allies in North Africa, apparently accepted the Vichy version of what had happened. He was heard on the Algiers radio criticizing the French Toulon officers for not heeding his appeal last Nov. 11 for the Toulon Fleet to flee to North Africa.

Colossal Naval Victory

The Germans did not concede the complete destruction of the fleet, which would amount to a colossal naval victory for the Allied side.

Coming Events

- Alexandra, Free Sound Movies, 11-28-21
- Morrell, Tuesday, Special Entertainment Public Hall, 11-28-21
- Buying young pigs, Geese and fowl, at Mrs. Knud Johnson's, 11-28-21
- Institute Social, Dance at Robert Mobbs, B.ookfield, 11-28-21
- Farmers wishing to ship dressed hogs advise McQuigan and Boyle, 11-21-21
- Rummage Sale—Trinity Church Hall Saturday November 28th 8 P.M., 11-28-21
- Unloading car of Old Sydney Se. on at Milton, B. C. Webster, 11-28-21
- Unloading car wheat and barley, Mr. Herbert Tuesday and Wednesday, Earl Ings, 11-28-21
- Buying Chicken and Powl Mondays and Thursdays, Highest market prices, Dawson and Johnson, Craipud, 11-28-21-30
- Buying live and dressed chickens every Wednesday. Paying top market prices. Bookings, Hunter River, 9-26-8-M-tf.
- Bean and Sausage supper served in Stanley Bridge Hall, Tuesday evening Dec. 1 from five o'clock to ten, 25 and 35 cents, 11-28-12-11
- Unloading car barley meal also Robin Hood Flour, Bran, Shorts and White Middling, Friday 27th Special car prices. Bookings for feed wheat in bulk to arrive later, Court & Son, Bedford, 11-27-21

Four More Villages Are Seized By Reds

Russian Land Supply Lines To Stalingrad Are Restored,
By Eddy Gilmore
Associated Press Staff Writer

MOGOW, Nov. 28 (Saturday)—(AP)—Russian troops were declared officially today to have seized four more villages and surrounded a fifth in the continuing Stalingrad offensive that has claimed a toll of more than 118,000 Nazi dead and captured, but the Red Army's pace apparently has been slowed through stiffening German resistance.

Reverting to the issuance only of the regular midnight communiqué instead of additional special bulletins, the Russians said their troops had scored gains on both German flanks in their efforts to encircle the entire Nazi siege army. The extent of these gains were not given.

News Briefs

WINDSOR, Ont., Nov. 27 (CP)—Labor Minister Peter Heron of Ontario said tonight that progress has been made in attempts to end a four-day strike which has halted production at the plant of the Ford Motor Company of Canada.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (AP)—Captain Leland P. Lovette, United States Navy Public Relations Chief, said today that Axis forces had been patrolling outside Toulon Harbor for some time and that it probably would have been impossible for the French war ships to get up there to escape.

LONDON, Nov. 27 (AP)—London's annual siege of dense fogs has descended early this year upon the blighted-out city. Billowing, often impenetrable clouds of white vapor, together with more than the usual amount of rainfall, have given the capital its dampest autumn in 30 years.

MONTREAL, Nov. 27 (CP)—Mr. Gen. L. R. LaFleche, Minister of National War Services, and three other French-speaking ministers in the King government, tonight paid homage to the "courage and patriotism" of the French officers and sailors at Toulon who today scuttled their ships rather than let them fall into Nazi hands.

Nazis Seize French Railway Lines

LONDON, Nov. 27 (CP)—Germany has requisitioned more than 1,000 locomotives, 900 passenger coaches and 40,000 freight cars from French Railway Lines in recent months, Secretary E. S. Maxwell said in a speech before the Association of Great Britain and France today. The Association is one of the principal organizations promoting goodwill between France and Britain.

Roman Catholic Bishop Is Dead

ST. HYACINTHE, Que., Nov. 27 (CP)—Mgr. Zoel Deschamps, Roman Catholic Bishop of St. Hyacinthe, died here late tonight. He was 72.

War Situation Last Night

(By Kirke L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst)

A fast-developing case of defensive jitters not far removed from panic is plaguing Hitler. That is implicit in this dubious move at Toulon either to seize the French fleet for his own use or to prevent it falling into Allied hands.

Whether his actual motive, that desperate step and new violation of his pledged word to humiliated collaborationist France is an open confession of weakness. It gives quick confirmation to jubilant Allied assertions that the initiative has been wrested from the foe on all fronts in a global war in a matter of weeks.

There was no immediate invasion danger at Toulon to warrant the Nazi attack. Some other reason drove Hitler to issue the order; but whether it was expectation that the fleet would slip away some night against him in France itself is debatable.

Whether the reason for Hitler's fears, a defensive psychology was its foundation. Dread of what may be impending for him in Africa and Russia today, in the west perhaps tomorrow, goaded him to the step which has by every criterion increased rather than lessened his peril.

Potentially the same thing applies to Martinique or any other French colonial outpost. Pétain-Laval influence over the thoughts and actions of French countrymen everywhere must be weakened by what happened at Toulon. By Hitler flat a Nazi military overlord has been assigned for France to destroy the last nebulous wisp of French sovereignty.

Jury Disagrees In Manslaughter Case

The effect on the French public at home now completely under the Nazi heel, is yet to be weighed. That the tide of more than passive resistance to the conqueror in continental France will surge to new high levels can hardly be doubted.

Halifax Praises French Sailors

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 27 (AP)—Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador to the United States, said tonight the scuttling of the French Fleet illustrated the "robust" feeling that is penetrating the French nation, and added: "It is a gallant men of the French Navy who preferred to face death than to see those vessels turned against French liberty."

War—25 Years Ago Today

(By The Canadian Press)
NOV. 28, 1917—Italians repulsed Austrian attack north of Avionia on the Adriatic Sea. Liner *Apapa* torpedoed and sunk; 79 lost. Admiralty announced formation of Women's Royal Naval Air Service with distinctive uniform.

New Axis Trick Tough On Tires

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (CP)—Axis planes operating over Algeria, Sicily and Sardinia have been dropping thousands of pyramidal spikes designed to puncture tires of Allied airplanes and motor vehicles. War Secretary Henry Stimson disclosed during a press conference today.

Water Main Break Cuts Off Power

A break in a water main at the Marlborough Electric Company plant here late yesterday afternoon cut off electric power to most of the city. Essential circuits, to the hospital and the airport, were maintained but a large part of the residential section was in darkness for hours.

At the electric plant a crew of men labored digging up the broken pipe and clearing away mud and water. The damaged main was located under a concrete floor.

The pipe to which a couple developed supplies water to cool condensers on the turbines. With the water supply receded the plant operators closed this morning. He said the broken pipe was repaired by electric welding.

Reviews Outlook For Fertilizer In Maritimes

It is expected that sufficient fertilizer materials to provide nitrogen, phosphate and potash will be available to supply mixed fertilizers and chemical up to the same tonnage as sold during the last season, reports Mr. J. E. McIntyre, Maritime supervisor of Dominion fertilizer subdivisions and secretary of the Maritime Fertilizer Council, in a statement issued to the press on the present outlook for fertilizers in the Maritime Provinces.

Mussolini Gravely Ill, Is Report

Editor's Note: Several days ago in London there were reports, emanating from what were described as reliable sources with good continental contacts, that T. A. Campbell, W.C. and L. G. Lewis, K.C. acted for the Crown and Mr. H. P. MacPhee and Mr. W. Henry Noonan for the defense.

Axis Transportation Under Air Attack

LONDON, Nov. 27 (CP Cable)—R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. planes, Flights and Army cooperation Squadrons returned to attacks on transportation facilities in Northern Europe today and reported a quantity of petroleum coke and other supplies to be destroyed.

Permit Necessary For Petroleum Coke

OTTAWA, Nov. 27 (CP)—P. C. Noddy, coal administrator of the Prices Board, today announced an order providing that all transactions in petroleum coke throughout Canada will be subject to permission of the coal administrator J. McE. Stewart.

Hepburn Still Liberal Leader

TORONTO, Nov. 27 (CP)—Mitchell F. Hepburn, Provincial Treasurer and former Premier of Ontario, said last night that in the decision of the caucus of Ontario Liberals, M.P.E.s Wednesday to support the Government during the coming session and to postpone a party convention until spring he saw a "complete rout of the (Prime Minister Mackenzie) King forces."

Report Places Allies 12 Miles Outside Tunis

Force Is Heavily Armoured And Well Supplied With Field Guns.
(By Blake Sullivan, Associated Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, Nov. 27 (AP)—Lt. Gen. Kenneth Anderson's powerful British 1st Army has launched a big offensive against Axis forces in northern Tunisia, the Algiers radio declared tonight.

The period of patrol activity finished, the 1st Army has left its defence positions for the big offensive, the broadcast said, apparently heralding an all-out assault on an estimated 20,000 Axis troops dug in on a formidable line outside the cities of Bizerte and Tunis.

The Swiss radio reported in a dispatch from Algiers that Allied forces had reached a point only 12 miles from Tunis, within artillery range of the Tunisian capital.

It was calculated that the heavily-armed Allied force that has rolled eastward from Algeria to corner its enemy at the tip of Tunisia might have upward of 150,000 British, American and French troops to throw into the battle.

The Allied Army is rich in field guns and tanks and is protected from the air by British and American bombers and crack fighting planes.

Predict Bracken New Leader

WINNIPEG, Nov. 27 (CP)—The Winnipeg Free Press (Liberal) in a newspaper story today said: "The main reason for the presence in Winnipeg of Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, Dominion Conservative Leader, and other leading Conservatives, charged with making plans for the National Convention, is to pave the way for the nomination of Hon. John Bracken (Premier of Manitoba) as Conservative National Leader."

Says Scuttling Solved Allied Naval Problem

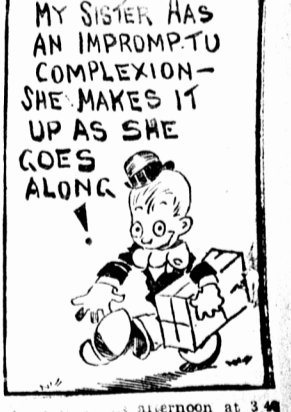
LONDON, Nov. 28 (Saturday)—(CP)—The Daily Mail today quoted an authoritative source here as saying that Hitler marched into Toulon because he was forced to acquire a new base to replace bombed and immobilized Genoa as a supply port for Tunisia and Africa.

The scuttling of the French home fleet which resulted from his action at the same time solved a naval problem for the Allied naval staffs.

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Under the order, effective immediately, no one may buy or otherwise acquire petroleum coke, sell or supply it to any other person, regardless of any contract or agreement, or its petroleum coke for any purpose unless written permission has first been obtained.



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