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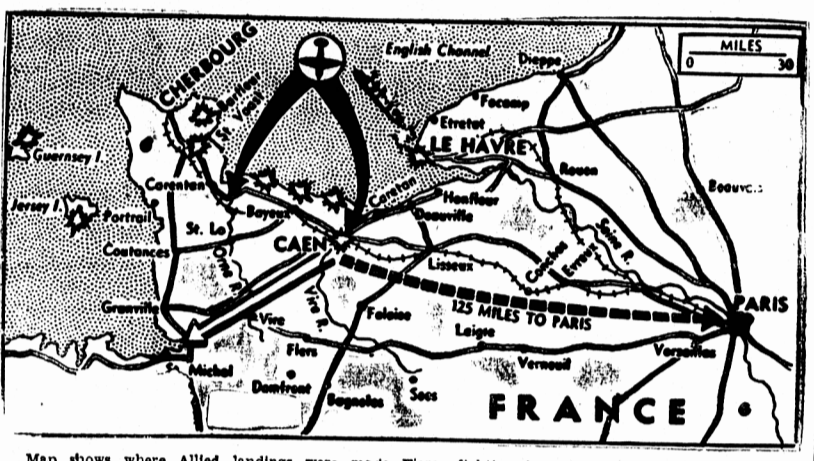
INVASION ENTERS CRITICAL PHASE

PRESSURE INCREASES ON CANADIAN FRONT

Danger To Continue At Least Ten Days

Amazing Feat By Canadians

WHERE ALLIES LANDED IN FRANCE



Map shows where Allied landings were made. Fierce fighting is reported in the Caen area, 125 miles from the Normandy coast, from Barfleur to Le Havre, during the first few hours of the invasion.

Sharp Actions Develop Along Bayeux-Caen Line

WITH CANADIAN TROOPS IN FRANCE, June 9 (CP)—Several sharp actions developed on the front today as the Germans increased pressure along the whole Bayeux-Caen line.

At one point a German battle group with strong armor broke into the Canadian lines but the enemy were thrown out again by counter-attacks. Gunners of anti-tank and field gun batteries hammered Panzers, and Canadian tanks joined in the fray. Elements of at least two Panzer divisions are being engaged by British and Canadian forces along the Bayeux-Caen line and heavy and fierce fighting is expected when the main forces clash.

Beat Off Infantry

Canadians beat off a German infantry attack during the night. German infantry crept up on Canadian positions at one point and until dawn close fighting went on over fields and slopes, with the Canadians doing well in the ground. The Germans withdrew after a hammering in the direction of Caen.

Beat Off Infantry

More and more Germans are being ferreted out of strong positions by Canadian infantry who at one point found hundreds of the enemy hiding deep in large woods and catcombs. The Germans even had armoured cars and trucks in the cauldron.

Presbyterians Hear Address On Mission Work

TORONTO, June 9 (CP)—Rev. V. S. D. Sathianadhan of Ceylon, who is visiting here, said tonight the "sergent major" type of missionary work is not wanted by anyone around, is not wanted in Ceylon or any other part of the Indian Mission Field.

He had two other native missionaries—Rev. Francis Tsong of China, now studying at Trinity College, Toronto, and Rev. John Karefarnat of Sierra Leone, a medical student at McGill University—put on a symposium for the youth general assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. They discussed "What Christ means to My People."

Mr. Sathianadhan said there were four reasons why missionaries often fail in their land. First came the "boxer" sergeant "major" type, second the "devoted parent" who is unwilling to let the children grow up and do things themselves, thirdly, the "college type" presenting the Gospel as our own and not alien, and fourth, the "defeatist" type with his piety pitted against his efficiency.

By ROSS MUNRO
WITH THE CANADIANS IN FRANCE, June 7 (delayed)—(CP)—The most amazing feat in the last 30 hours by the Canadian assault troops was the way in which they ripped through the coastal defences, captured several towns and broke into the open country beyond.

This morning (Wednesday) I walked through the so-called Atlantic Wall defences in this coastal sector and at some vital points they are extremely strong.

Canadian infantry and engineers drove the enemy from concrete casemats and gun positions with gallant assaults through barbed wire, over sea-walls and through mine fields behind the retreating and accurate shelling of the navy.

They reached right up to the mouths of the enemy guns. Nothing could stop them.

They have taken hundreds of prisoners since landing yesterday (Tuesday) morning. Enemy transport is being captured and used by the Canadians.

Rommel Losing Sleep

LONDON, June 9 (CP)—The Berlin radio tonight quoted a front reporter as saying that Rommel is depending to stem the Allied tide in the west, as looking as though he had little sleep for two days.

COMING EVENTS

- "Dance in Emerald Hall, Friday, June 10th. 8-10-11.
- "Red Cross Dance, Flat River Hall, June 10th. 6-10-11.
- "Memorial L.O.B.A. pantry sale on Saturday, Maritime Electric Building, 10th St. 10-11.
- "Murphy's Roller Mills, Souris, will be carding after June 15th. Bring your wool in early. 6-9-11.
- "Teatime—St. Stewart Saturday. Shows at 8 and 10 P.M. 6-8-11.
- "Rummage Sale at Trinity Hall, Saturday, June 10th, 6 o'clock. 6-9-11.
- "Rummage Sale Saturday, June 10th, 6 P.M. St. Peter's Hall. 6-9-11.
- "Notice—My greenhouse will be closed until further notice. F. Burke, Royalty. 6-9-11.
- "Dance, Orwell Hall, Monday, June 12th, Millview Orchestra. 6-10-11.
- "Dance, Grand View Hall, Wednesday, June 14th. Sponsored by Women's Institute. 6-10-11.
- "See Emerald Players in Corran Barn, Tuesday, June 13th, 8.45. Dance after. 6-10-11.
- "See 'Aunt Bessie Beats the Band' by Dundas Players at Fortuna Hall, Monday, June 12th. 6-7-11.
- "Mt. Herbert Y. P. U. plays Cherry Valley P. U., Thursday, June 15. 6-10-14-11.
- "See Mt. Herbert Y. P. U. plays in Community Hall, Ovehead, Monday, June 12th, 8.45. Socialize. 6-10-11.
- "Unloading at Auburn Saturday and Sunday, bran flour, pig feeds, and chick feeds. M. E. Griffin. 6-9-11.
- "Arrived today very large shipment of enamelware, Tea Kettles, double boilers, etc. McGuigan & Boyle. 6-10-11.
- "Playette and minstrel show, Kinross Hall Wednesday, June 14, Charlottetown talent. Curtain 9 o'clock sharp. 6-10-11-12.
- "The Towers Restaurant, Malpeque Road one mile from Cley will re-open for summer season, Sunday, June 11th, at 12 noon. 6-9-11.
- "For Hog and other livestock weekly service. Kensington district every week. Phone Alton Hall, J. B. McLeod or Oliver Campbell, Livestock Market Board. 6-10-11.
- "Buying Pigs Monday at Fredrickton, Tuesday York 2 P.M. Mt. Stewart 4, Waterford 4, Wednesday, New Glasgow at 9 A.M., Whiteley River 10, Brookfield 11, New Haven 1 P.M., Kelly's Cross 3, Emerald 4, Clinton 6. Paying \$20.00 a pair for good ones over 40 lbs. each. Will also buy smaller ones, 25c discount per pig with black teeth. Knud Jorgensen. 6-10-11.

War Situation Last Night

By Kirk L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst

Allied armor reached the critical left flank covering front in Normandy despite unfavorable channel weather in time to win the first round of the opening second phase of the invasion. That has apparently felled the first attempt of Nazi tactical reserves brought up from the rear to outflank the beach positions from the east.

Coupled with German-admitted growing threats to Cherbourg and the Normandy Peninsula on the right flank of the invasion front, it represents encouraging if slow Allied progress.

The main development of the fourth day of the invasion seemed to be British-Canadian success in beating back counter-attacking German armored forces in the Caen sector. The ancient city is more than the prime hub of road and rail communications in Normandy. It is an essential bastion for the Allies in setting up a defensive flank west of the Orne and its canal to safeguard the landing beaches and cover the indicated main Allied drive to seize the Normandy Peninsula and the port of Cherbourg.

Eye witness reports from the beaches tell of many wrecked landing craft littering the shore line, victims more of choppy channel seas than of Nazi gunfire, bombs or mines. Not until he has secured all-weather landing points in France to insure his sea communication lines and eliminate channel weather hazards can Gen. Montgomery, Allied field commander in France, turn fully to the offensive.

Adverse weather to some extent limited the effectiveness of Allied air power in spotting and breaking up Nazi tank and troop concentrations for counter-attacks. There is little doubt that the relatively high Allied air loss ratio so far indicated is traceable to weather conditions to a large extent.

Despite weather handicap, however, the invasion force not only beat off first Nazi counter-attacks but made additional progress both in deepening and widening the main Bayeux beachhead and by Berlin admission the effort to trap the German garrison of Cherbourg and its coastal defence for mopping-up action.

There was even a Berlin suggestion of Nazi evacuation of Cherbourg, perhaps intended to soften the effect on the Nazi home front of its foreseen capture by Allied invaders.

Allied reports made it plain that in addition to the thrust up the Cherbourg Peninsula, St. Mere Eglise and the possible junction west of that place with air-borne forces at the Peninsula waistline, British troops are driving hard along the Bayeux-St. Lo-Coutances highway from the Bayeux sea line. The fight of comrades along the Orne to the east from Caen to the sea is protecting that westward punch to the whole Peninsula and to widen and deepen the invasion front clear to the head of St. Malo Gulf.

Three Killed When Plane Crashes Near West Devon

Three men were killed yesterday afternoon when their plane crashed into a wooded area about two and a half miles from the railway station at West Devon.

The next-of-kin of the men have been notified and their names will be released shortly, the officer commanding the station, Wing Cmdr. Robert C. Blair said last night. He said the plane was on a normal routine training flight. The cause of the accident is unknown but an investigation is being held.

The plane, believed to be a twin-engine craft, plunged to earth about 2:30 in the afternoon. An eyewitness said it appeared to be in difficulty a few seconds before it crashed. It struck at the rear of the farm of Mr. Henry Gulletton. No fire followed but the aircraft was badly damaged. The crew died instantly.

Mr. Gulletton was working in his field not far away. With neighbors he hurried to the scene to render any assistance possible. The authorities were then notified.

An eyewitness said the plane's motors appeared to be running as it suddenly pitched towards the earth and disappeared in the trees.

Changsha In Grave Danger

CHUNGKING, June 10 (Saturday)—(AP)—Fighting is raging in the "outer defenses" of Changsha and the Japanese are tightening a ring around the city against the Hunan Province city which Gen. Chiang Kai-Shek has ordered defended to the utmost. The Chinese high command said today.

Top-Ranking Leaders Of U.S. Forces In London

WASHINGTON, June 9 (AP)—President Roosevelt today announced the arrival in London of General George C. Marshall, admiral James J. Kanaw and General H. H. Arnold, top army, navy and air force commanders.

"Near state arrival in London was announced by Presidential Secretary Stephen Early.

"The three high command officers went to London to attend a meeting of the combined chiefs of staff, early said the meeting had been planned previously to be held as soon as possible after D-day. They arrived today."

"The three officers conferred with President Roosevelt on invasion day a few hours after news of the European invasion was flashed.

Famous Airman Back In Service

LONDON, June 9 (CP Cable)—Wing Cmdr. Guy Gibson, the dam busting Victoria Cross winner, is back on active service and it was revealed today that he put out of action a German battery which otherwise would have made possible the landing of Allied troops on one section of the French beaches.

He led a Lancaster bomber force on the day before D-Day and bombed the battery with deadly accuracy.

Canadian Wounded Back In England

21ST ARMY GROUP HEADQUARTERS ENGLAND, June 9 (CP Cable)—Four days after the first touchdown on the Normandy beach, Canadian wounded have reached Canadian hospitals in England. There are only 13 casualties in this party.

Army Appointments

OTTAWA, June 9 (CP)—Promotion overseas of two Canadian army officers to the rank of brigadier—Lt.-Col. Cumberland, 3rd of Toronto, formerly of an armoured and commissariat regiment, and Col. W. F. Gilbride 36, of Montreal, former assistant-adjutant and quartermaster-general of Canadian infantry division was announced today.

Report Countances Shelled By Allies

LONDON, June 9 (CP)—REUTERS—The German-controlled Paris radio said tonight that Countances near the west coast of the Cherbourg Peninsula "has been shelled by British naval units."

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force

June 9 (AP)—The Allied beachhead along the Cherbourg Peninsula entered its most critical phase tonight with little prospect that the danger would pass for at least 10 days more.

The initial phase of the great operations has passed with landings made and a beachhead established.

It now remains to be seen whether the Germans can throw the Allies back into the sea or break them up.

The biggest immediate danger to the Allies is the weather. The Allies must land enough equipment and troops to match, or out-match, what the Germans can bring up from nearby depots and over inland lines of communication.

HEADQUARTERS, 21ST ARMY GROUP, June 9 (5 P.M.)

Fresh landings are being made and more and more troops and supplies all the time are pouring into the beachheads it was announced here tonight. The new landings are being favored by improved sea conditions.

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, June 10 (Saturday)

Severe fighting in the area of Caen, six miles inland from the Normandy coast where the Germans are making a desperate effort to stop the British-Canadian advance, was reported today by Supreme Headquarters. Also announced was American capture of the town of Ste. Mere Eglise, 19 miles southeast of Cherbourg.

An American flying wedge of paratroopers and infantrymen has cut the main German communications lines to the potentially great landing-port of Cherbourg by capturing Ste. Mere Eglise and sweeping on across the broad-gauge Cherbourg Peninsula railway and parallel highway in heavy fighting, it was announced.

ALLIED COMMUNIQUE

A communique issued shortly after midnight gave these additional points in reporting the fourth day of the Allied invasion of Normandy:

Further Allied gains have been made west and south-west of captured Bayeux.

Heavy fighting continues in all areas.

The weight of armor on both sides is increasing.

Numerous enemy strong-points that originally were by-passed now have been eliminated.

The weather has deteriorated but the beachheads nevertheless are being developed steadily.

Poor visibility and stormy weather cut air activity to a minimum.

ACTION AT SEA

Eight British, Canadian and Polish destroyers blew up a German destroyer, ran another aground and damaged two off Ushant Island near the Brittany Peninsula before dawn Friday, and an American-led destroyer force intercepted a force of heavy armed German light craft and drove them off the beachhead area in the vicinity of the St. Marcouf Isles in the Seine Bay.

Enemy Naval Threat In Channel Beaten Off

The fiercest fighting of the whole invasion so far around Caen, where at least two German panzer divisions were trying to hold that strong point and win manoeuvrable control of the good tank fighting zone.

The headquarters communique made clear that the Allies also were getting their heavy armor into action and that the Germans had not been able to outmatch it.

4,000 to 5,000 Prisoners

It was disclosed that the Allies have taken 4,000 to 5,000 prisoners since the invasion began.

It was announced that the Canadian 3rd division, an infantry formation, is in action in the Normandy operation. Headquarters also announced Canadian officers and men participated in the air-operations. Previously field dispatches disclosed that Canadian paratroopers were dropped.

French paratroopers also were dropped as guides to the invading Allied forces.

Headquarters made no mention of Allied paratroopers which German reports asserted were operating on the other side of the peninsula in the vicinity of Lessay, bottleneck of the west coast road and a secondary railway.

Formigny, between Caen and Carantun, was captured by American forces, field dispatches today said.

Prisoners Manned Guns In Normandy

LONDON, June 9 (CP CABLE)—Whole batteries of guns on the Normandy beaches were manned by prisoners of war, some of them Russian, a Reuters war correspondent reported today.

The correspondent said the prisoners had been left without a "single German officer or M.C.O. in charge" and the Russians surrendered en bloc to the Allies immediately.

The prisoners were quoted as saying that they had accepted service on the western front as an alternative preferable to threatened imprisonment.

De Gaulle May Go To Washington

WASHINGTON, June 9 (CP)—At a moment when French patriots who have been carrying the burden of underground resistance are set for a hope of delivery, President Roosevelt today announced the prospect of face to face conversations with the fighting French leader, Gen. De Gaulle.

The president told his press conference today that Gen. De Gaulle had requested an audience and had been advised to come to Washington either between June 22 and 23 or July 6 and 14.

Corpus Christi Procession Tomorrow

The Feast of Corpus Christi will be observed in Charlottetown tomorrow by the Roman Catholic Churches with the traditional procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Thousands of worshippers will proceed through the streets and attend open air Benediction at Notre Dame Convent.

Commencing with Solemn High Mass at ten o'clock the observance will be followed by the processions which will form up outside the Basilica and the congregation from the Church of the Most Redeemer will join the members of St. Dunstan's Basilica.

The whole procession will then proceed by way of Grand George St. to Richmond St. to Westminster to Sydney to Notre Dame Academy, where from an altar erected on the verandah of the Academy, His Excellency Bishop Boyle will give the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Following the ceremony the procession will re-form and return by way of Sydney, Hillsboro, Water and Great George streets where Solemn Benediction will be given. The Corpus Christi Choir will present The Christus of the Cross Band which will be in attendance and the following will be the order of the procession: Cross Bearers and Acolytes, St. Joseph's Convent Girls, Notre Dame Convent Girls, Queen Square School Boys, Women's Confraternity, Holy Redeemer Parish, St. Charles Auxiliary, League of Sacred Heart, St. Joseph's Society, Children of Mary (Notre Dame and St. Joseph's), Nurses, Girl Guides, (Basilica and Holy Redeemer), Boy Scouts, (Holy Redeemer and Holy Redeemer and Basilica), Knights of Columbus, Members of Armed Forces, (Air Force Militia, Navy League of Canada, Cross Band, Basilica Choir, Choir Boys, Sanctuary Boys, Boys and Girls, Holy Redeemer, St. Peter's, Page, Convent, (Blessed Sacrament) Clergy, General Public.

High Tide This Afternoon at 1:45

tomorrow morning at 3:20. Sun sets this evening at 8:45 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:16. Last quarter moon June 13, 10:54 P.M. Summer tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.



DAILY AIR SERVICE

Charlottetown Summeride —
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.

SUNDAY SERVICE

Leave Charlottetown 12 noon.
Arrive Charlottetown 5:45 a.m.
P. E. I. - N. S. FERRY SERVICE
DAILY INCLUDING SUNDAYS
Leave Wood Islands—7:00 A.M.
11:00 A.M. 3:00 P.M.
Leaves Cariboo—9:00 A.M. 1:00 P.M. 5:00 P.M.
During May and June the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 11:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M. sailings will be cancelled.