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BERLIN UNDERGOES ANOTHER BIG RAID

GERMANS EVACUATE MINTURNO IN ITALY

Canadians Rest After Sharp Clash

WITH CANADIANS IN ITALY—Jan. 20 (CP Cable)—Canadian infantrymen who hit the German hard in a sharp one-day battle on Monday against the enemy's well defended positions in front of the Arielli River, now are gaily before the enemy line. Central Canadian soldiers who led the attack and of some of their experiences in the battle, fought a mile inland from the Adriatic coast. The consensus was that the enemy was "well tickled up" by the Canadians returned to their original positions. "My lads put on a wonderful show" said Capt. W. J. (Sammy) Ridge of Millbrook, Ont., a company commander. "They had all the guts in the world and fought just as you expect Canadians to fight."



With flight decks awash as winter storm lashes waves, bitter press ahead, escorting Allied convoy through to angry turbulence, British carriers Avenger and dangerous waters.

News Briefs

LONDON, Jan. 20 (CP)—British coastal guns which were officially credited with sinking a large Nazi vessel near Cap Gris Nez early today opened fire on German shipping in Dover Strait tonight for the second time within 15 hours. LONDON, Jan. 20 (CP)—Entering into discussion of the Russian-Polish border dispute Prime Minister Churchill, with Foreign Secretary Eden, today conferred with leaders of the Polish government in London. OTTAWA, Jan. 19 (AP)—The Ottawa Post reported that the Ottawa Police issued today to the press and radio a memorandum reminding them of their extremely grave responsibility of seeing that nothing is published or broadcast which will give the enemy information about Allied plans for the coming invasion of Europe.

Believe Nazis Have 2,500 Planes To Meet Invasion

LONDON, Jan. 20 (AP)—The German air force may be able to concentrate 2,500 planes in the west to meet an Allied invasion of Europe, the magazine "Aeroplane" said today in a summary based on a two-year study of German press and radio reports. "The number might be smaller, the magazine said, if the Allies compel the German high command to disperse their forces by diversifying attacks. About 1,200 of the Nazis' 1,700 to 1,800 day and night fighters, including some 130 to 150 engine-driven fighters, are now being trained in the British and American air units stationed in Britain "Aeroplane" said. From the ability of Allied bombers to reach German targets and obliterate them, it is apparent that this strength is insufficient, particularly since the Germans must protect an area from Biarritz in the southwest to the North Cape in the north, and extending inland to Leipzig. Long range reconnaissance and ground attack aircraft may have to be transferred from the invasion front together with Suka units now busy with the Russians and in the Balkans, the magazine said. A German magazine said that the Nazis have 10,000 first-line bombers with striking distance of British nerve centres, ready to be used for concentrated 1,000 bomber raids nightly, was dispensed.

Bitter Battle Along Italy's West Coast

By WES GALLAGHER (Associated Press Staff Writer) ALGERIERS, Jan. 20 (AP)—British troops in bitter, doggedly up 500-foot slopes rising from the historic Apollon Way have driven Nazi defenders from the important town of Minturno, a few miles from the Garigliano River, the German High Command announced today, as a bitter give-and-take battle raged along a seven-mile front on the Italian west coast. The Nazis said that Minturno, a key communication centre, was destroyed after having been completely destroyed. The ancient town, with a pre-war population of more than 10,000, was primary objective of the new Allied offensive launched Monday night at three points across the lower Garigliano. While the Nazis conceded Minturno's fall, the Allied Command announced capture of the villages of Argento, at the mouth of the Garigliano, and Sulo, seven miles up the Garigliano from the coast. It was disclosed officially that Monday night's assault across the Garigliano was accompanied by an amphibious operation that landed Allied troops behind the enemy's lines on the Gulf of Gaeta. This force presumably participated in the capture of the coastal village of Argento. For Allied air forces—strategic and tactical—concentrated on destroying Nazi airfields and communications lines on the north by railway and German airfields were subjected to such aerial barrage that the Germans had scarcely a fighter strength left to combat the waves of bombers.

War Situation Last Night

By Kirke L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst The Red Army's capture of Novgorod, central defensive stronghold in the lower Volkhov, strongly suggests that a line-shortening German retreat is under way from the upper Lovat River in the south to the Baltic coast in the north. Even before Moscow announced its capture, official Berlin war bulletins acknowledged "evacuation" of the city on the Volkhov at the northern extremity of Lake Ilmen—one of the twin keys to the critical centre of the German army's Baltic flank. The other is the Svirsk, just south of the big lake now exposed to Russian flanking thrusts at the Shlensk junction communications centre, and already in danger of being cut off from the rear. Complete lifting of the Leningrad siege, possible entrapment of German forces between Leningrad and Lake Ilmen and a wide-based German retreat is envisaged by the Red Army. With loss of the essential Novgorod anchorage, however, the whole German front in Russia from the marshes of the Pripiet to the Baltic is endangered. Tremendous as has been the success of the overwhelming Russian two-pronged attack in the immediate Leningrad area, the breakthrough on the lower Volkhov has far greater potential strategic significance. With the Novgorod strong point lost, the whole German centre on the Baltic flank is threatened with collapse. Russian spearheads already must be forging westward down the Novgorod-Luga escape route alone left open to the fleeing Nazi garrison when Novgorod was cut off to the north and south. The country through which the Russian westward push from Novgorod is dotted with small lakes and swamps, now heavily forested, is devoid of wide north-south river barriers of substantial heights. The fall of Novgorod means open winter warfare on the whole Baltic flank at which the Russians have never failed to out-match their Nazi antagonists.

11th Heavy Attack On Nazi Capital

By ERNEST AGNEW LONDON, Jan. 21 (Friday)—(AP)—R. A. F. and R. C. A. F. night bombers hammered Berlin last night, it was officially announced early today, in the 11th massive attack on the greatest of German targets since the extermination campaign against the Reich Capital began Nov. 18, 1943. A heavy force from the R. C. A. F. bomber group participated in the raid. The German radio claimed that 21 bombers were shot down in a statement which was not confirmed from Allied quarters. A continental radio blackout last night suggested that a strong force of night bombers was out. First announcement of the Berlin raid came from the German radio. This was the 10th raid of the war against Berlin and the German radio indicated that the attacking force had an excellent night to carry out the assault. Broadcasting its claims early, the German radio asserted that four-engined bombers were shot down in the first nine minutes of the raid over two districts of Berlin alone. Rome Also? The Rome radio reported an Allied air attack on the parking of the Italian capital at 2.30 P. M. yesterday—the second in two days—and said the assault caused heavy damage and many dead and wounded. Thus, for the first time in the war Rome and Berlin were reported to have been hit by Allied air forces on the same day. In reporting that waves of Allied planes smashed the Preneste, Roma and Magliore quarters of Rome, the Nazi-controlled Rome radio claimed the attack was directed at the important Termini railroad yards.

Reds Capture Novgorod, Trap German Troops

LONDON, Jan. 20 (AP)—The Red Army toppled the ancient bastion of Novgorod today on the sixth day of a northern offensive which has cost the Germans 44,000 men, and also trapped an entire German division. The capture of Novgorod, a key strategic point in the Strelina Corridor southwest of Leningrad, a Moscow communiqué announced tonight. Gen. E. A. Meretskov, commander of the Volkhov front, captured Novgorod, 100 miles southeast of Leningrad on the road to southern Estonia, by an action officially described as a "skilful outflanking manoeuvre." Premier Marshal Stalin saluted the important victory with an order of the day. Soviet armoured units, which had broken through German escape roads and the Russian Baltic fleet warships shelled the German coast. The Russians crushed ahead with accelerated power. The only other important action mentioned in the Moscow broadcast was a fight "north of Khristinovka" in the lower Ukraine, where the Russians said troops under General Nikolai Vassiliev were beating down heavy German counter-attacks aimed at stemming a Soviet strike toward Rumania.

Allied Airmen Score Over Japs

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA, Jan. 21 (Friday)—(AP)—Allied airmen downed 43 Japanese planes and sank three enemy supply ships totalling 10,000 tons in blows ranging from weak, New Guinea, to heavy, New Britain, Allied headquarters reported today. In the central Pacific bomber and fighters of the United States 7th army air force made four attacks on Japanese shore installations near the Marshall Islands Jan. 18 and 19, resulting in the sinking of two Japanese ships and the waves of bombers.

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Speculate Finns May Seek Separate Peace

LONDON, Jan. 20 (AP)—Red Army successes in the Leningrad area gave fresh impetus to speculation here tonight that Finland might make direct peace overtures soon to Russia. Even before the Russians launched their offensive south of Leningrad the Finnish official radio hinted had been quoted in Stockholm dispatches as saying on Jan. 17 that "Finland wants peace and is willing to make peace." The broadcast, however, by saying that the Finns first wanted to hear Russia's terms. In view of the new military turn in northern Russia, the invasion would not be surprised if the Finns swallowed their pride and approached the Russians. A hindrance to an open Finnish peace bid, though, is the presence of perhaps 70,000 to 80,000 German troops based in Finland. A Finnish withdrawal from the area would be a great strategic and propaganda victory for the Allies. It would remove the land threat in the north to Russia's supply port at Murmansk, relieve the pressure on Leningrad from the north and northwest, and give the Soviet Baltic fleet more freedom.

120 Veterans Of Aerial War Back In Canada

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COMING EVENTS

- *Booking orders for car of Purla Milk Chow to arrive soon, W. I. Bowman, 1-20-31. *Mock Trial by Boy Scouts at New London, January 21st, 1-19-21-21. *Horse racing New Glasgow River Saturday, January 22, 1-21-11. *Double Header East Royal York to-night, Dunstaffnage Royal, 1-20-11. *Caught, one silver fox, marked, if not claimed in six days will be sold, Leland Campbell, 1-20-21. *Booking orders for car of re-cleaned cats to arrive early in February. Also buying used bass daily, W. I. Bowman, 1-17-61. *Notice—Loading live hogs for Davis & Fraser, Sunnyside, Toronto 20th until 1 o'clock, Friday 21st at Kensington until 1 P.M. G. Green, Emerald, 1-20-41. *Loading hogs for Davis & Fraser, Thursday afternoon at Albany and Penderly, every Friday forenoon until further notice, 1-19-41. *Unloading car of Barley today also taking orders for Bulk Wheat and Oats to arrive soon, W. I. Bowman, 1-21-21. *Come to the big dance, Cornwall School, Friday night, January 21st, 7:30 to 11:30 P.M. in aid of Farmers Institute. If stormy, first time Friday next following, 1-20-21-21. *Unloading car of Bulk Barley today, Friday, Saturday at Hunter River, W. I. Bowman, Hunter River, 1-21-21. *Burns Anniversary Concert in Oddfellows Hall, Monday, Jan. 22nd, 7:30 P.M., 1-21-21-21.

Danger If Unions Are Dictatorships

MONTREAL, Jan. 20 (CP)—Grave industrial unrest would result from unions allowed to become little dictatorships, Professor G. H. Curran, assistant in the industrial relations section of Queen's University, Kingston, Ont., today told a service (Kivimaa) club. Curran said that "if private enterprise fails to provide security for workers the government will be compelled to step in and play a larger part in our economic life. Our present experience of government control in industry has convinced many that the government can be effective in all problems of security."

Fantastic Prices At De Marigny Auction

NASSAU, BAHAMAS, Jan. 20 (CP)—Fantastic prices were paid today at the auction of household articles and other goods at the home of Alfred and Nancy Oakes De Marigny. A pre-shilling washbasin brought 50 shillings (about \$11) and a second hand bicycle went for \$25 (about \$12) in spirited bidding. Nancy, daughter of the slain Sir Harry Oakes, was left between \$2,000,000 and \$4,000,000 in her will, but funds are tied up by exchange controls and she arranged to close her Nassau home and sell more than 400 articles to the highest bidder to raise needed cash. Indications that Nancy's appeal for transfer of her funds would be successful came in Miami today from Leslie Heape, former Bahamas colonial secretary, who has been on his way to a new post in British Guiana. Heape, who often acted as head of the Bahamas Government in the absence of the Duke of Windsor, the Governor, said the Bahamas court authorities had the appeal under consideration and "favorable action is anticipated."

Veteran Is Navy Instructor Now

TORONTO, Jan. 20 (CP)—After serving in four wars during nearly 30 years as a warrior, instructing in signals is "chief stuff" in the opinion of Miss Betty Officer Pat O'Hare, who at 61 thinks she is the oldest man in Canada's Navy. CPO. O'Hare, stationed at H. M. C. S. York here, enlisted as a boy seaman in the Royal Navy at the age of 16. He fought at Jutland, in the Boxer Rebellion, the India Frontier War, the Boer War and Parliamentarily Assistant to Munitions during the seven seas more times than he can count. Father of 10, seven of whom are in the uniform of Canada's forces, he came to Canada in 1923 and served as a signals instructor in the army for 11 years. He enlisted in the navy five days after this war broke out.

Sees Waterways As Post-War Project

OTTAWA, Jan. 20 (CP)—Lionel Chevrier, Liberal Member of Parliament for Stormont and Parliamentary Assistant to Municipalities Minister Howe, said in an interview today the St. Lawrence waterway was a "natural" post-war project and should be proceeded with immediately after the war. "I don't see what we've left of it and I can't think there can be much. Others in the party included Mr. L. J. F. St. Laurent, Mr. J. G. Bennett, Mr. C. T. Bettes, Saint John, N.B. "I see that place after the war—at

Voice Opposition To U. N. R. R. A.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (AP)—A group of legislators critical of administration policy served early notice of that intention and of a plan to spell out in exact terms the scope of a pending measure ratifying participation by the U. N. R. R. A. in the United Nations relief and rehabilitation administration. "Earlier, the house heard an appeal by Rep. Charles Eaton of New Jersey, for the house to demonstrate anew its belief in international collaboration. Saying that the United Nations share with the world the common responsibility of aiding victims of Axis aggression, he declared that it would be impossible for us to be an island of prosperity in the middle of an ocean of adversity." Promptly, Rep. Jesse Sumner, Rep. Charles E. W. Gearhart (Rep.-Calif.) took the floor to challenge the measure's constitutionality, urging that the agreement be rejected. Sumner said that the U. N. R. R. A. constituted a treaty which should be submitted to the U. S. Senate for a two-thirds vote of approval. Miss Sumner contended that U. N. R. R. A. would "help make Stalin dictator of Europe. She said he would control distribution of relief supplies in 'most of the liberated countries." "Stalin," she told the House, "will use his power to win elections in the liberated areas."

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DIES OF INJURIES

PERTH, N. B., Jan. 20 (CP)—Malcolm C. Woodland died tonight of injuries suffered this afternoon when he fell from a bridge to ice 35 feet below. It is believed he suffered a "falling spell." Woodland was invalided home last July after serving with the Canadian Army in England for more than three years.

Become Eligible For Caterpillar Club

BRANTFORD, Ont., Jan. 20 (CP)—Three alumni of No. 5 Service Flying Training School here—PO Leonard Scott, LAC Patrick R. Heenan and LAC Charles J. Jewell of Montreal—were eligible for membership in the caterpillar club today after parachuting from their aircraft early yesterday. The men, on a night navigation exercise, were caught in a dense fog. With the fuel nearly exhausted, Scott ordered the others to jump. Scott suffered a broken ankle, while the two students were unhurt. The aircraft crashed on the shore of Lake Erie, while the men landed within a mile of each other.

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Advertisement for a "Promising Young Man" who meets the bill collector, featuring a cartoon illustration of a man carrying a large stack of bills.

High tide this morning at 7:44 and tonight at 7:13. Sun sets this afternoon at 5:51 and rises tomorrow morning at 8:31. New moon Jan. 25, 12:24 a.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.

SUNDAY SERVICE Leave Charlottetown 12 noon. Arrive Charlottetown 5:45 p.m.