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SOVIET ARMY STORMS INTO CHERKASY

Nazis Throw Armoured Units Into Battle In Italy

Montreal Strike Settlement Near

Check On Tuber Shipments From Island

MONTREAL, Dec. 14 (CP)—L. E. Potvin, chairman of the Quebec Municipal Commission which governs the city of Montreal, announced late tonight that the city would recognize the Canadian Congress of Labor as bargaining agent for police, fire and public works department employees, but the C. C. L. replied immediately that the strike of city employees would not end until we have a contract duly signed.

Eden Reports On Middle East Conferences

LONDON, Dec. 14 (AP)—Foreign secretary Eden today brought the House of Commons a promise of enduring big-power collaboration for lasting peace from the Middle East.

R. C. M. P. Ready To Assist In Montreal

OTTAWA, Dec. 14 (CP)—Communist Party of Canada leader J. W. Wood of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police said tonight that men of the force will be used for patrolling streets in that area during the current strike of civil employees there.

Stratosphere Rocket?

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35,000-Ton 'Pile Of Coal Burning In Toronto

HALIFAX, Dec. 14 (CP)—The Halifax Board of Works today approved a \$1,000,000 post-war street paving program, that if adopted, will take five years to complete and will cost \$200,000,000.

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Enemy Suffers Heavy Losses In Tanks, Men

By EDWARD KENNEDY
A. P. War Correspondent

ALGIERS, Dec. 14 (AP)—Throwing reserves of armor into a desperate counter-attack against Canadian troops fighting year-by-year toward the Adriatic coast of Pescara, the Germans have suffered heavy losses in tanks and men from the fire of artillery concentrated in the hills, it was announced today.

The Nazi command resorted to counter-attacks in a fierce, continuing effort to prevent the Canadians from closing in on the road junction of Ortona, 11 miles southeast of Pescara.

Civilians Abandon Sector

The Adriatic coast sector has been abandoned by practically all civilians, although peasants still occupy their homes immediately behind the lines within sound of shellfire.

Former P. E. I. Man Dies In Toronto

TORONTO, Dec. 14 (CP)—Rev. Ewan Macdonald, husband of the late Lucy Maud Montgomery, who wrote "Anne of Green Gables," died yesterday in hospital here.

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War Situation Last Night

By Kirke L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst

The Nazi front in the Dnieper bend cracked dangerously with Russian capture of Cherkasy, last Nazi river-bank rampart impeding progress of the northern jaw of the red army driving to entrap the Nazis southeast of Kiev.

On the Nazi high command retreat from the Dnieper bend would involve abandonment of the Nazi army already trapped in the Crimea. Yet withdrawal of forces from the Kiev bulge to drop the tottering defence line in the bend would invite even greater disaster.

Talk Of Rocket Gun Taken Calmly In Britain

LONDON, Dec. 14 (AP)—German inspired reports that Hitler has a long-range rocket gun as a secret weapon were read by ordinary Britons today with sober realism and many people admitted that they were far from panicky or alarmed.

Suggest Coal As Fuel For Ferry

AMHERST, Dec. 14 (CP)—The Springfield delegation that called on the British minister of transport in Amherst, recently urged the use of coal instead of oil on the new island car ferry, expressed general satisfaction in regard to the construction of the ferry.

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By WILLIAM STEWART
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Pte. Peter Walsh Dies In Toronto

TORONTO, Dec. 14 (CP)—Pte. Peter Walsh, 39, brought to Christie Street Military Hospital here last Wednesday from Camp Borden training centre, died in hospital late Monday.

Pte. Walsh was a member of the Charlottetown Police Force when he was granted leave of absence to enlist several months ago.

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May Be Start Of Great Red Winter Drive

(By The Canadian Press)

Possibly heralding the start of another great winter offensive to clear the Germans from the Ukraine, the Russians announced Tuesday that a Soviet army of 200,000 or more had stormed into the Dnieper stronghold of Cherkasy and laid open a vast rail network serving the entire Nazi southern front.

The Germans attached such importance to Cherkasy that they put up a terrific battle to hold it since Russian forces gained a bridgehead near the city Nov. 19. Cherkasy, normally a city of 50,000, was reported devastated.

For all the pressure applied against it, the German counter-offensive west of Kiev was proving a terror to Soviet soldiers. They were pouring fresh troops into the area.

More than 6,000 Germans were killed in the last days of the stubborn fighting for Cherkasy, a German stronghold south of Kiev which guards important railway communications.

60 Per Cent Of Primary Targets In Germany Hit

By WILLIAM F. FRYE
(Associated Press Staff writer)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 (AP)—About 90 per cent of Germany's primary industrial targets already have been destroyed by the hammer blows of the combined American and British air fleets, it was reliably reported today.

STORES CLOSED DEC. 27

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Dec. 14 (CP)—A number of Saint John stores will remain closed on the Monday following Christmas Day in order to give staffs an extra holiday, the local branch of the Retail Merchants' Association announced today.

Yugoslavia Becomes Major Battlefield

LONDON, Dec. 14 (A P)—Yugoslavia flamed tonight into a major battlefield as the Germans hurled six divisions (perhaps 90,000 men) into one sector alone, and Foreign Secretary Eden disclosed that Britain was helping the Yugoslav Army of Liberation in every possible way.

High tide this afternoon at 2:47 and tomorrow morning at 1:51. Sun sets this afternoon at 5:19 and rises tomorrow morning at 8:31. Last quarter moon Dec. 19, 4.03 p.m. Summerside tide 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.

News Briefs

PEARL HARBOR, Dec. 14 (AP)—Two new attacks on Japanese bases in the mid-Pacific—Marshall Islands and Jaluit—by United States army and navy heavy bombers were announced today by Pacific fleet headquarters.

LONDON, Dec. 14 (CP)—R. A. F. Typhoons bombed unspecified targets in northern France in daylight today, after R. A. F. Mosquitoes had jumped through German defences last night to blast western Germany for the fourth consecutive night.

LONDON, Dec. 14 (AP)—Field Marshal Erwin Rommel, sent to shaky northwest Europe as a kind of anti-invasion chief, may be given supreme command of the German army by Hitler in an effort to forestall an anti-Hitler plot by junker generals, refugee leaders with close underground contacts in Germany said tonight.

CHUNGKING, Dec. 14 (AP)—Powerful Chinese forces supported by aircraft have turned the retreat of the Japanese from Changshai into a rout, it was stated today by the high command, and have recaptured Sihliang, Linli, and a succession of other towns which the invaders had occupied.

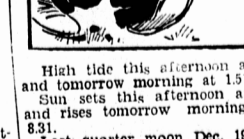
OTTAWA, Dec. 14 (CP)—Vandals have stolen a blue spruce tree from the grave in Beechwood Cemetery of Sir Robert Borden, Canada's prime minister during the First Great War, it was learned today.

HEAVY SNOWFALL

QUEBEC, Dec. 14 (CP)—Snowfall averaged from six to 15 inches in the Province of Quebec during the last fortnight.

8 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

THERE'S NO ARREST FOR THE WARY



BLOSSOM CANADA FOR EXCELS IN THE KITCHEN