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BRITISH NAVY CONTINUES IN OFFENSIVE ROLE

Starch Factories Hum With Activity

Expect 300,000 Bushel Of Island Tubers Will Be Ground This Fall.

The four starch factories in the province present a busy scene these days as thousands of bushels of spuds are delivered daily by farmers from all parts of the island. Approximately 120,000 bushels of spuds have been hauled to the various factories where they will be turned into starch for the Canadian Textile Companies.

The factories are located at Hunter River, Murray River, St. Peter's and East Balise and such is the rush to these places that only a portion of the number of bushels offered is able to be taken. The factory at Murray Harbour was forced to close down for a week in order to handle the supply landed at its door and when it opened again yesterday the rush was so great that has again been forced to close its doors to the farmers until Monday next. Yesterday 60 motor trucks, each carrying about 200 bushels of potatoes, landed at Murray Harbour as well as about 25 cartloads hauled by the farmers themselves. The first customers began to arrive at 1:30 in the morning and continued until 10 o'clock last night.

This factory has already accepted 30,000 bushels since it opened on October 1 and will continue to buy at least another month. The other factories opened the same time and since then the Hunter River factory has handled about 45,000 bushels, St. Peter's approximately 30,000 and East Balise about 15,000. Farmers were receiving yesterday 27 cents a bushel for green mountains field run and 24 cents a bushel field run for cobbler. Many truck loads of potatoes were hauled directly from the fields to the factories. It is expected that about 300,000 bushels will be handled by the factories this fall and this amount will supply the Textile Companies with enough starch to last one year. There is about 8 pounds of starch to a bushel of potatoes. There is also one other starch factory in the Maritimes which is located in New Brunswick. A steady stream of motor trucks from Murray Harbour, from a radius of 25 miles around. Two cartloads from Kensington were also handled at this factory but so many potatoes were offered that this method of transporting the spuds was discontinued. Last year the factory at Hunter River handled its highest amount 100,000 bushels, while the highest ever handled at Murray Harbour was 72,000 in 1929.

Besides supplying the farmers with a ready market for their potatoes these factories each maintain an average staff of 20 men.

MORE SAL AGING
LONDON—(CP)—The Ministry of Supply is salvaging carbon, zinc and other important materials from discarded flashlight and high tension batteries.

Coming Events

- Rate for Notices in this column 3 cents per word.
- *Madame Doyle. Readings. 195 Kent Street. L-308-10-16-21.
- *Come to Milton Chicken Supper Thursday, October 17th. Supper served 5:30 P. M. L-410-10-16-21.
- *Dance, Morell Hall, Friday 18th. St. Avaris Orestina. L-452-10-17-21.
- *Bingo and dance in Kelly's Cross Hall, Friday, October 18. L-461-10-17-21.
- *Murray Harbor Starch Factory closed until Monday, Oct. 21. L-468.
- *Princeton Road supper postponed until Thursday, Oct. 24. L-464.
- *Rummage sale Baptist School room, Saturday, October 19 at 6:30 o'clock. L-467-10-17-21.
- *Come to Alexandra Church. Chicken Supper at Earl Jenkins, Cross Roads, Wednesday, October 17th. L-457-10-17-22.
- *Chicken Supper, Bazaar, Wood Islands Church Hall, Tuesday night, October 22th. L-455-10-18-21.
- *Annual Chicken Supper and Dance at St. James Hall, Summerside, Tuesday, October 22nd. Summerside Orchestra. L-454-10-17-21.
- *Rummage sale, Christian Church school room Saturday, Oct. 19, 7 p.m. L-465-10-17-21.
- *Cape Traverse, Church of Scotland Ladies Aid, Chicken Supper, Wednesday evening, November 6th, Cape Traverse Hall. L-436-10-17-11-2.
- *Collecting live hogs as usual Thursday and Friday every week. Emerald, Albany, and all surrounding districts. Send postcard or phone collect. A. C. Green, Albany, G. C. Green, Emerald.

OPPOSITION LEADER MAKES STATEMENT

FREDERICTON, N.B., Oct. 16.—(CP)—Hon. R. B. Hanson, Conservative House Leader, said today that the government had apparently altered its view in regard to the contract to be followed when parliament meets in November.

Hanson's comment was contained in a 1400-word written statement in which he reviewed various communications and meetings which he had had with Prime Minister Mackenzie King in the last few months. He said he was setting out the circumstances of these in view of the announcement by Mr. King October 14, in which the latter had indicated that if it was decided to hold a general debate the present session of parliament, now standing adjourned, would be prorogued as soon as it reassembled and a new session would start a day or two later. "I think that in justice to myself, and may I add, in justice to Mr. King, a statement should be given to the public."

Mr. Hanson related that in a meeting with Mr. King Oct. 3, he had, having regard to all the circumstances, agreed to a proposal that parliament adjourn Nov. 5. "I did not understand, however, that there would be no discussion or no opportunity for discussion. If that was not made clear, it may possibly be my fault." At all events he had read with some surprise the Prime Minister's announcement of today, and that he had decided to release the whole of the correspondence in parliament, the spokesman said.

At the Oct. 16 meeting, he said, Mr. King informed the government had no new legislation to offer on Nov. 5. "I gathered he was averse to making a progress report on the war situation."

"I believe that Mr. Gardiner, the Minister of War Services, was then on the high seas, and that Mr. Ralston, the Minister of National Defence, was contemplating a visit to England. In these circumstances, with two key ministers probably absent on Nov. 5, it would be awkward from the point of view of the Ministry."

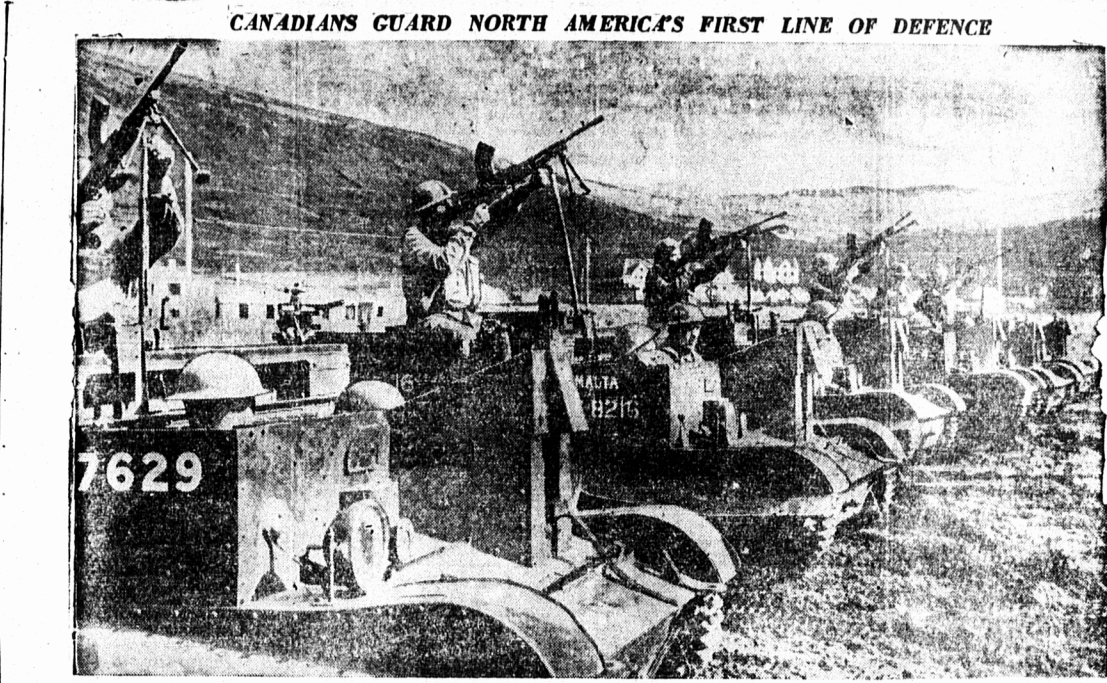
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Ground Guns And Fall Rain Breaks Nazi Air Attack

Enemy Scouts Out Damage Wrought In Heavy Raids Tuesday Night.

Aluminum Imports Prohibited

OTTAWA, Oct. 16.—(CP)—Imports of aluminum and aluminum products into Canada is prohibited, except under special licence from the National Revenue Department, under an order-in-council published tonight in an extra edition of the Canada Gazette.



Correspondence Will Be Tabled

OTTAWA, Oct. 16.—(CP)—The office of Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced tonight that "the whole of the correspondence" between Mr. King and Hon. R. B. Hanson, Conservative House Leader, on plans for the Nov. 5 sitting of parliament, would be tabled when parliament meets.

Grand River Girl Injured At Montreal

MONTREAL, Oct. 16.—(CP)—Lillian McEllan, 17, of Grand River, P. E. Island, was taken to hospital today suffering from concussion after she was knocked down by an automobile at an intersection.

SPRINGHILL, Oct. 17.—(CP)—One of the coldest spots in the Maritimes, Springhill today had its first fall of snow, more than an inch covering the ground in near-freezing temperatures. The cold wave that swept the three provinces brought snow to this town a day earlier than last year.

Charged With Selling Uniform

MONCTON, N. B., Oct. 16.—(CP)—The first case of its kind here since the war started was heard by Magistrate W. F. Lane today when Privates Gerard Dupuis and Henry Giroux were arraigned on charges of selling their military uniforms. The case was adjourned to tomorrow.

Alpheus Leger, of Gilbert's Corner, a civilian, was charged with buying the uniforms. It was alleged he paid \$8. He pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$20 and costs. L.Cpl. A. D. Pelletier arrested the men at Gilbert's Corner where, it was said, the two soldiers were found wearing overalls, army boots and military underwear.

PRIVATE ACQUITTED

KENTVILLE, N. S., Oct. 16.—(CP)—Pte. James Chancey, native of Jacksonville, Fla., who enlisted with a New Brunswick unit of the Canadian Active Service Force at Woodstock in June, today was acquitted of a charge of robbery with violence. He was charged with beating Anselmie Schare, 55, of nearby Lakeville, and stealing \$30.

Guarding the doorway to a continent is the assignment of Canadian troops stationed in Iceland, a detachment of whom are shown on manoeuvres with Bren guns and armored carriers. While they hold this north Atlantic outpost, invasion of Canada and the United States by sea is virtually impossible for any European power. Training their guns at the sky, whence the first attack will come if Hitler's grandiose schemes take shape, these soldiers are prepared to make the island's bleak, unfriendly coast more hostile still. According to Charles Box, YMCA recreation director, the Canadians are urgently in need of magazines, books and indoor games for the long winter nights ahead.

British Warships Pound Dunkerque Planes Sow Bombs Along Invasion Coast And In Germany.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—(AP)—British warships have pounded parts of Dunkerque into flames to cripple its use as a base for Nazi shipping. The Admiralty announced tonight, while the Royal Air Force sowed bombs along the "invasion coast" and in Germany.

The Air Ministry said not a British plane was lost in the far-flung operations. The main bomber strength of the R.A.F. was based on German air bases at Kiel and Hamburg, with tons of explosives dropped on shipping, wharves and oil stores, the Air Ministry said, while lighter forces struck with retaliative ferocity into Germany and along the German-held coast, from Loriet, France to Willemsoord and Texel, the Netherlands.

On the whole the raids were not so destructive as Monday night's, the Air Ministry indicated, but considering the weather they were successful.

An immense fire was started in a large oil dump at Terneuzen and spread by incendiary bombs dropped by succeeding waves of planes. While at Flushing there were numerous direct hits on docks and waterways.

Single British planes glide-bombed the inner harbor at Willemsoord and German destroyers off Texel, a North-Sea island, the navy service said. Other pilots attacked two power stations at the naval base of Loriet, on the south side of France's Breton peninsula.

Within Germany, the British night hawkers bombed the plants at Gelsenkirchen, Magdeburg and Salzgitter along with freight yards at Schwerin, Krefeld, Hamm and Soest and railway junctions at Nordhausen and Halle.

Turks Stiffen Attitude To Nazi Aims

BUDAPEST, Oct. 16.—(AP)—Turkey's attitude toward the spread of German influence in the Balkans was believed stiffening today as reports said she would go to the aid of Greece in the event of an attack by the axis powers.

Report Turks Will Go To Aid Of Greeks

ANKARA, Turkey, Oct. 16.—(AP)—President Ismet Inonu conferred with the new Soviet Ambassador today in the presence of the Turkish Army Chief of Staff and reports circulated that Turkey, friendly to both Britain and Russia, would go to the aid of Greece if the latter were attacked by Germany or Italy.

The fact that Marshal Fevzi Chackmak attended the meeting between the President and Ambassador Sergei Alexandrovich Vnogradoff was considered of special importance, particularly in view of reports Turkey and Russia might negotiate a mutual assistance pact. Although these reports persisted, the foreign office spokesman said he "had no knowledge" of such a pact.

Confirmation of the reports of the attack on Greece was lacking, but a statement was attributed unofficially to the foreign office spokesman that Turkey would march as an ally of Britain in the event of a drive against the Greeks either by the Axis powers or from the direction of Bulgaria.

Britain has treaty obligations to defend Greece and is aligned with Turkey in a defensive alliance, although Turkey herself is not pledged directly to aid Greece.

The Turkish press charged the German advance into Rumania constituted a threat to Russia as well as the Balkans and Turkey.

Commenting on German assurances that her military moves were aimed no farther south than Rumania, the newspaper Yeni Sabah said: "We are not surprised by German lies, only by those who still believe them. The German attack on the Balkans has begun."

Bulgaria seems contented. Of what importance is Dobruja (ceded by Rumania to the Bulgars) if Bulgaria must live enslaved under Germany? Only yesterday a brave voice came from Yugoslavia. Hitler despises cowards."

Asken in an editorial entitled "against whom?" asked "it is impossible to dismiss the fact that military occupation of Rumania by Germany takes on the character of a movement against the Soviet."

See Germans Worried Over Fuel Problems

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—(AP)—Some American automotive fuel experts read into Germany's move into the Balkans a growing anxiety over sources of petroleum for the big Nazi war machine.

Private reports received here say Germany needs (1) more lubricating oil, derived from crude oil, (2) more heavy oil for compression ignition (Diesel) aircraft engines and (3) more "base stock" to leaven the high-test aviation gasoline being manufactured from coal.

Serving as a counter-balance to such opinion is the fact that Germany now is in control of all the coal reserves on the continent of Europe outside of Russia, and that considerable supplies of petroleum stocks must have fallen into Nazi hands during the march of conquest which started in Norway.

British authorities have said Germany has used all the oil in captured territories.

Known is the fact that Rumanian oil wells are shallow and easily drained and that new wells must be drilled regularly to insure a steady flow of crude. Known also is the poor quality of the lubricants obtained from Rumanian crude.

If an axis drive toward Iran and Iraq should develop, any campaign looking toward fresh petroleum supplies from the near east necessarily would be a long-range venture in point of time. Britain could destroy those wells if capture appeared imminent.

EDDIE BOSTOCK DEAD
GLASGOW.—(CP)—Edward Bostock, world-famous showman, and survivor of a great circus family, died when a dam was done by the floods to property.

FLOODS IN INDIA
AHMEDABAD, India.—(CP)—Six men and about 250 head of cattle perished in floods in this district when a dam was done by the floods to property.

Five Ships Of Enemy Convoy Are Destroyed

Damage To British Cruiser Liverpool Is Placed On Red Side Of Ledger.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—(CP)—The Royal Navy, on the offensive from Suez to the North Sea, announced tonight the destruction of an entire convoy of five German vessels and a successful attack on a sixth ship.

On the red side of the ledger the Admiralty told of the damaging of the 9,100-ton cruiser Liverpool in the Mediterranean by Italian aerial torpedoes.

The Liverpool, one of eight ships of the Southampton class, reached her base bearing wounds inflicted by the Italians as she was returning from the British Mediterranean fleet's operations in which three of Italy's destroyers were sunk last Saturday. There were an undisclosed number of casualties.

An Admiralty announcement said that in the attack on the German convoy, apparently carried out by submarines, three supply vessels and two escort ships were destroyed. One of the supply ships was of about 7,000 tons and the others smaller. One of the latter was said to have exploded before sinking.

"In addition," the announcement said, "another German vessel of about 7,000 tons has been successfully attacked and hit with three torpedoes."

The scene of the attack was not given, but apparently it was either in the North Sea or the English Channel.

British warships also pounded parts of Dunkerque into flames to prevent or cripple its use as a base for cross-channel invasion. The Royal Air Force again sowed bombs along the "invasion coast" and in Germany proper.

The Royal Air Force for weeks has pounded at the "invasion coast" all along the continent opposite England while the navy kept unceasing watch for an invasion attempt.

Now the Royal Navy has begun to make forays of its own—hitting at Cherbourg recently; at Dunkerque Tuesday night, and sinking the entire convoy squadron of three Nazi supply ships and their two escort vessels.

The warships caused fires and much damage in the bombardment of Dunkerque, from which, 4-1-2 months ago, the Allied forces made their historic withdrawal from Flanders.

The Mediterranean again was the scene of action today. Snarling under the sinking of three Italian destroyers, the Italian command sent planes to bomb British warships in Alexandria but the attackers were driven off without scoring a hit.

High-flying planes also were reported to have bombed Gibraltar but the extent of the damage, if any, could not be ascertained from the Spanish border.

The Liverpool was damaged by torpedo-carrying Italian planes while returning from "the operation in the Mediterranean, reported in a previous communication."

This indicated the Liverpool probably was in the squadron which swept around the Mediterranean and sank the three Italian destroyers. Her damage was not detailed.

The Liverpool was completed in 1938 with a displacement of 9,400 tons. Her normal complement is 700 officers and ratings. Her armament consists of 12 six-inch guns, eight four-inch, a 3.7-inch howitzer, four three-pounders and 16 smaller calibre. In addition she carries six 21-inch torpedo tubes and three aircraft and catapult. Her top speed is 32.3 knots.

Gov. - General, Premier King Inspect Camp

QUEBEC, Oct. 16.—(CP)—The Earl of Athlone, Governor General of Canada, and Prime Minister Mackenzie King, today munched doughnuts in a Salvation Army recreation hut, sniffed tempting roasts and looked hungrily at appetizing hamburgers sizzling in huge pans in the course of an inspection of Valcartier Camp.

The King's representative in Canada and the Prime Minister spent three hours in a detailed examination of every phase of activity in the great military training establishment 15 miles back in the hills from the ancient capital.

It was an informal inspection, much along the lines of what the Prime Minister expects to carry out when he arrives on the Atlantic seaboard tomorrow night for a stay of two or three days.

dogs, roasts, a governess-cars and sundry jewellery were contributed at an auction that raised £1,000 \$4.45) for the Red Cross and St. John Ambulance.

War—25 Years Ago Today

(By The Canadian Press)
Oct. 17, 1915—Great Britain offered island of Cyprus to Greece in return for support of Serbia against Bulgaria. Bulgarians invading Serbia captured Egri-Palanka and cut the Nish-Uskub railway near Vrania. Allied warships bombarded Bulgaria coast.

HA'HA! HERE'S OLD MAN WINTERS ADVANCE AGENT



(Canadian Press)
TORONTO, Oct. 15.—Minimum and maximum temperatures:—

Dawson	23	21
Victoria	49	56
Edmonton	31	56
Regina	32	56
Winnipeg	26	47
Toronto	25	44
Ottawa	23	44
Montreal	31	42
Quebec	29	41
Saint John	41	41
Halifax	38	44
Charlottetown	36	42

Maritime Provinces: Moderate winds; fair with stationary or a little higher temperature.

Synopsis: The weather has been quite cool in Ontario with light showers in northern districts, while in the Prairie Provinces it has been fair with moderate temperature.

High tide this afternoon at 12:18 and tonight at 11:55.
Sun sets this afternoon at 5:12 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:19.
Last quarter moon Oct. 24, 2:04 a.m.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.