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In waters where you least think there will be a fish.

Mexico Faces Crisis; War Seen Likely

Chinese Troops Stop Jap Sea-Borne Invasion Entire Cabinet In Emergency Night Session

Report Nazis Use Many Paratroops

11-Day Drive By Marshal Timoshenko's Troops Continues Despite Fierce German Resistance.

NEW YORK, May 22—(AP)—The BBC reported tonight that the Germans now are "throwing in masses of airborne troops" in the battle for Kharkov in the Russian Ukraine.

MOSCOW, May 22—(Saturday)—(AP)—The Russian army, battling fiercely through the 11th day of Marshal Timoshenko's offensive in the Kharkov area, claimed tonight to have killed more than 15,000 Germans in hurling back Nazi attacks in the last three days.

"The Germans are fighting stubbornly and are counter-attacking and even launching offensives," the broadcast quoted from Red Star.

The communiqué said Russian resistance is continuing on the eastern part of the Kerch peninsula.

As a gauge of the ferocity of the fight and its huge slaughter, the midnight communiqué said that the 15,000 Nazis had been killed on a single flank of the Kharkov front—the Izyum-Barvenkovo sector, where war after war of Hitler's shock battalions were known against the Red Army.

2 Jap Ships Crippled, 7 Planes Smashed

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Australia, May 23—(Saturday)—(CP)—Allied bombers crippled two Japanese ships, destroyed seven Japanese planes, and badly damaged six other bombers in two swift strikes against the enemy's invasion bases at Rabaul, New Britain, and Lae, New Guinea, it was announced today.

In the attack on Rabaul a large transport was "left in a crippled condition" in the harbor.

Five heavy Japanese bombers were badly damaged on the airfield, a communiqué from Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said.

"Enemy interception was ineffective," it added.

A tanker was "severely damaged" at Lae and two Japanese bombers, and five fighters were destroyed.

The bombers were destroyed on the ground, and out of eight Japanese fighters which rose to intercept the Allied raiders, five were shot down in flames.

All Allied planes returned safely, the communiqué added.

Local Student Wins Honors

MONTREAL, May 22—(CP)—More than 500 students, many of them already on active service, will receive degrees at the annual spring convocation of McGill University, it was announced today.

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More Than Half Wiped Out And Remainder Flee

CHUNGKING, May 23—(Saturday)—(AP)—Chinese troops have annihilated more than half of a sea-borne Japanese invasion force which landed on Chuanshih island, at the south of the Min river east of Foochow on the Fukien coast, and the remainder of the enemy has been sent reeling back to their ships, the Chinese announced today.

The high command communiqué failed to say how many enemy troops were involved but some reports said the Japanese had hurled as many as 25,000 men into their drive against Foochow, capital and chief seaport of Fukien.

Chinese shore batteries slaughtered the invaders who swarmed on the island yesterday morning under protection of a barrage from Japanese ships standing offshore, the Chinese announcement said.

Leave Huge Stores

In their headlong dash back to their ships, the Japanese were declared to have left huge stores of equipment which the Chinese captured.

Chinese batteries exchanging fire with the enemy warships offshore likewise repulsed an attempted landing on the north bank of the Min, a Chinese communiqué said.

Italians Claim Sinking of U. S. Battleship

By Drew Middleton (Associated Press Staff Writer) LONDON, May 22—(A P)—Without corroboration elsewhere, the Italian High Command claimed today that the submarine Barbarigo had sunk the United States battleship of the Maryland class with two torpedoes Wednesday just off the South Atlantic bulge of the Brazilian coast.

The Italian communiqué, implying that the Italian submarine remained near enough to the surface to observe the results, asserted that the battleship's destroyer escort failed to "respond" to the torpedoing.

This rare Italian claim dominated the day's developments in the war at sea which also included: 1. German claims that 20 ships, including 10 destroyers, had been sunk by U-boats in the Caribbean and the Gulf of Mexico and three others, amounting to 14,000 tons, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence in the torpedo warfare against the United States, making a grand total of 681,200 tons claimed destroyed in all areas thus far in May by German ships and planes.

Shortage Of Bananas In Prospect Here

Ottawa, May 22—(CP)—L. D. Wilgress, deputy minister of Trade and Commerce, said today that according to present prospects there will be a shortage of bananas in Canada this summer.

Mr. Wilgress has just returned from a conference on Caribbean affairs held in Kingston, Jamaica. The Anglo-American conference was called to see that British and United States Islands of the Caribbean do not go short of food as the result of the existing shipping scarcity.

Mr. Wilgress said no definite action has been decided upon the proposal that Canadian National Steamships sail from a Gulf of Mexico port instead of the Canadian port. Much further investigation would be required.

Most of the bananas used in eastern Canada come from Jamaica and the bananas for western Canada from Central America. In both cases the consignments go part of the way in ships and the ships are not likely to be available.

Mr. Wilgress said the shipping situation will be loaded with sugar, cocoa and coffee. One argument for concentrating all the shipping to the Islands out of Gulf of Mexico ports was to give the ships better protection against Axis submarines.

The machine was wrecked. Cause of the crash was not known. Names of the crew were not disclosed. The machine had been unreported overnight, and it was not until this afternoon that R. C. A. F. officials learned of its whereabouts.

War Situation Last Night

(By KIRKE L. SIMPSON, Associated Press War Analyst)

London reports, credited to a Nazi broadcast, of a Russian breakthrough south of Lake Ilmen lack confirmation, but that region covers so sensitive a junction point for German left flank communications that a Soviet thrust there might be expected.

Russian forces both north and south of the lake have been within 120 miles or less of the Pskov Gateway for many weeks. It was through that gateway that some of the Pskov Lake system on the old Russian-Estonian frontier, that the German legions cranked last year to lay siege to Leningrad and overrun north-western Russia.

Through Pskov, or close by, pass half a score of railroads and roads from the west and north and east. It is the hub of the communication network upon which the whole German left flank depends, except for the Leningrad-Revel system which passes north of the Peipus Lake barrier, close to the seacoast.

Should Red forces succeed in taking and holding Pskov, Nazi forces north of the Faldal Plateau would be in a precarious position. They might be forced into hasty retreat into Estonia via the Narva-Ishnus bottleneck. With the exception of Nazi units still west of Leningrad, it would mean cross-country flight lacking direct roads to serve it and fraught with great danger.

Russian attacks in the Lake Ilmen region are officially admitted by the Nazis, with the statement that they have been beaten off.

Air Transport May Hold Supply Solution

(By J. F. SANDERSON, Canadian Press Staff Writer) WASHINGTON, May 22—(CP)—When this war is over, one of the most fascinating tales to be told will relate to the construction of giant air transports and their use to deliver war supplies to some of the most inaccessible spots on earth.

Official secrecy hides the details today but there are men in high places in Washington who believe the only practicable answer to the Japanese cutting of the Burma Road is to build vast fleets of air transports to deliver supplies to China.

Transportation on the ocean's surface is being made more and more costly and uncertain by submarine attacks, the shortage of shipping, the limitation of naval escort forces and one of the most important reasons, the vast distances to be traversed in this global war.

Warplane production in the United States, Canada and Britain the three surplus-producers among the United Nations—may give way to delivery as the biggest problem to be solved and this could conceivably be hastened and accentuated by Axis successes in the Middle or Far East or in Russia this year.

In the opinion of many military observers here, the solution is to fly the supplies to the places where they are needed. Air cargo transport, which is reported to be in the attack, would not require naval protection and would not call for seaports with rail or motor access to the battlefronts.

The United States already has taken many steps in this general direction, the details of which cannot be disclosed at the present time, but it is reported that routes across the South Atlantic and across Africa to the Suez Canal area and in other directions.

Several other minor government measures were passed but the House ran into a snag when Justice Minister St. Laurent moved second reading of his bill to amend the Canada Evidence Act.

The bill would permit the use in evidence of photographs of documents of governments and public corporations and is in keeping with legislation being introduced in the U. S. Congress.

Its purpose would be to enable governments and public corporations to make microfilm copies of such documents, which might be required for court actions, and thus save space and paper.

It led to a great deal of questioning by lawyer members who foresaw the possibility of difficulties and litigation if the act were passed, and the debate was still in progress when the House adjourned at six o'clock.

Among those taking part today were Sgdn. Ldr. The Rev. A. R. Bradshaw, Anglican Chaplain, and Sgdn. Ldr. The Rev. H. J. Whitten, Chaplain of the other denominations at the depot. The service was attended by R.A.F. officers and men, their commanding officer, wing Cmdr. C. W. Carleton, members of the Moncton Ministerial Alliance and other citizens of Moncton, including Mayor F. W. Storey.

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Brilliant Scholastic Record Achieved By Miss Dorothy Bentley

Among the graduates upon whom the degree M. A. C.M. will be conferred at McGill University convocation on May 27 is Miss Dorothy Bentley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bentley, Charlottetown.

Miss Bentley has been awarded the Robert Forsyth Prize in Surgery and the Wood Gold Medal for highest standing in Clinical subjects of the final year and second place high aggregate standing in the final year, also first in paediatrics and second in medicine.

This brilliant achievement reflects great credit upon Miss Bentley and upon Prince of Wales College of which she is a graduate. She holds the degree of B. Sc. from Dalhousie, and was awarded the Dr. Maude Abbott scholarship for two years in succession.

Miss Bentley has been appointed Medical Intern at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Charlottetown, P. E. I., for the coming year. Last year she was student intern in the Children's Memorial Hospital.

Legion To Aid War Prisoners At Hong Kong WINNIPEG, May 22—(CP)—The work of the Canadian Legion war services, reaching to every corner of the world where Canadians are serving in the armed forces, may soon take in the Canadian prisoners of war at Hong Kong, Sgdn. Ldr. Andrew Moore, Ottawa, director of the Legion's educational war services, said in an interview here today.

Sgdn. Ldr. Moore is scheduled to speak at the Legion convention in session here May 24 to 27. He said will receive text books provided by the Legion for educational services as soon as arrangements can be made through international channels.

LISBON, Portugal, May 22—(AP)—The Swedish-American liner Drottningholm sailed early tonight with 875 passengers, most of them the United States, Mexican, Colombian, Venezuelan, Guatemalan, Cuban, Peruvian, Bolivian, San Salvadorian, Costa Rican and Haitian nationals being exchanged for Axis internees.

OTTAWA, May 22—(C P)—Granting of 21 commissions in the Royal Canadian Air Force (women's division) was announced tonight at Air Force Headquarters.

Those raised from non-commissioned rank to that of assistant section officer include: Cpls. J. G. Ellis, Charlottetown; M. A. Beiding, Saint John, N. B.

TO RATION CHICKENS, Cows In Bermuda HAMILTON, Bermuda, May 22 (CP CABLE)—The cows and chickens are going on rationing in Bermuda.

The colony's food board has taken the first steps to ration fodder, and tomorrow it will publish an order for all owners of livestock to register their animals by June 1. It is expected the rationing scheme will go into effect soon after that.

Wine sugar is the only commodity rationed for humans in Bermuda, livestock owners have been finding it difficult to obtain full fare for their animals. Shortage of shipping space is the reason, since the bulk of the fodder consumed is imported.

Appeals To All French-Canadians QUEBEC, May 22—(C P)—High tide this afternoon at 3:40 and tomorrow morning at 5:05. Sun sets this evening at 7:36 and rises tomorrow morning at 4:23.

First quarter moon May 23, 12:29 a.m. P. E. I.—N. S. FERRY SERVICE Leave Wood Islands 7 a.m., 11 a.m., 3 p.m. Leave Carleton Place 9 a.m., 1 p.m., 5 p.m.

CAR FERRY SERVICE DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY From Borden—Leave 6:30 a.m., 9:25 a.m., 1:00 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:55 p.m. Leave Carleton Place—7:45 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 3:15 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:10 p.m.

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Government Moves To Block Escape Of Axis Assets.

(By William D. Patterson, Associated Press Staff Writer) MEXICO CITY, May 22—(AP)—President Manuel Avila Camacho called the entire Mexican cabinet into session tonight in an atmosphere of grave crisis a few hours after the torpedoing of a second Mexican tanker was announced, and the Government moved quickly to block the escape of German, Italian and Japanese assets.

The cabinet was called to order a few minutes before 7 p.m. (10 p.m. A.D.T.) with guards standing outside all doors, barring the cabinet room to all but those invited.

Scores of senators and deputies, citizens and newspapermen waited in the courtyard outside for the declaration promised by the president's office—a declaration which may mean the first formally declared war in Mexico's history.

Expect Early Move Government sources expected the President to summon Congress into extraordinary session either to declare war or create a state of national emergency. The official government party stated that "after consulting all sectors of P. R. R. (the Mexican Revolutionary Party) it was the unanimous opinion of every sector that as a result of the torpedoing of the Paja De Oro war now is inevitable."

The morning paper La Prensa issued an extra edition headlined "Mexico Declares War" and was declared war on a few hours.

A few hours before the government ordered all Mexican banks to stop changing dollar currency into pesos or negotiable securities. The finance ministry issued an oral order, but a highly reliable financial source said written instructions would soon follow.

Axis elements in Mexico were said to hold dollar cash which might total \$20,000,000 and today's move, it was believed, was a prelude to Mexican seizure of Axis assets as indemnity for the torpedoing and sinking of two Mexican tankers within a week.

An announcer said the 6,007-ton tanker Paja De Oro was sunk off Cuba and that seven Mexican sailors perished. The Axis governments had just rejected a Mexican protest over the sinking May 13 of the tanker Potrero Del Llano.

Much of the Axis money here came from the United States in the form of dollar currency and has been held in safe deposit boxes. A check of these boxes is expected shortly.

It was learned that Washington has forbidden any one to enter the United States with more than \$250 in currency. This action it was explained, was designed to aid Mexico in controlling Axis funds.

OTTAWA, May 22—(C P)—The first church building of its kind in Canada was opened here today at No. 31 personnel depot of the Royal Air Force. Members of the various denominations will worship in separate churches under the same roof of the building in a little city within a city.

Rev. W. H. Moorhead, Bishop of the church of England diocese of Fredericton, and Rev. J. H. Freestone, chairman of the Moncton Ministerial Alliance, were the chief speakers at the opening of the Anglican Church this afternoon. The Roman Catholic Church will be opened officially Sunday afternoon.

Among those taking part today were Sgdn. Ldr. The Rev. A. R. Bradshaw, Anglican Chaplain, and Sgdn. Ldr. The Rev. H. J. Whitten, Chaplain of the other denominations at the depot. The service was attended by R.A.F. officers and men, their commanding officer, wing Cmdr. C. W. Carleton, members of the Moncton Ministerial Alliance and other citizens of Moncton, including Mayor F. W. Storey.

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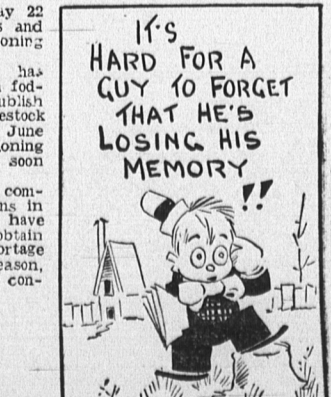
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Holdup Man Dies Of Bullet Wounds

MONTREAL, May 22—(CP)—A man, identified by police as Granville H. Pearson, 24, of Montreal, who police say received three revolver wounds in the chest and neck when he attempted yesterday to rob a bank in nearby Outremont, died in hospital here late today.

Police said that Roger Lepine, clerk in the Outremont branch of the Provincial Bank of Canada, fired a revolver three times at the holdup man who had threatened Lepine with a gun.

Lepine is reported to have said: "I don't know yet how I did it but I acted faster than I had ever done in my life."

Coming Events

- Notice for notices in this column 2 cents per word. Show—Bradabane Tuesday, 5-23-21. Show—Malpeque Wednesday, 5-23-21. Dance in Georgetown Hall Wednesday, May 27th. Webster's Orchestra, 30 cents. Loading Hogs every Tuesday 2 P. M. at Five Houses. Justin Larkins. St. Teresa's Play, Carleton Place, 25th. St. Social, Webster's Orchestra, Dance, 5-20-23. Crosby's Mills grinding and crushing on Wednesday and Saturdays only. No wheat ground during July and August. Georgetown Young People's 3 act comedy, "Southern Cinderella", Mt. Stewart, Tuesday 26th, Sturgeon, Thursday 28th. Variety concert by the Get Together Club of New Glasgow in Stanley Hall, Monday, May 25. Proceeds for war purpose, 5-23-21. Alberion Exhibition Building Monday, May 25th. Monster Dance, old-time and modern. Excellent music and good floors. Admission 50 cents. Refreshments, 5-22-21. Buying pigs Monday at Fredricton; Tuesday 10 a.m. Brookfield; York Station; 3 Bedford; 4 Mount Stewart; 7 Vernon River; 1 Cherry Valley; 7 Wednesday 10 a.m. Hunter River; 11 New Glasgow; 12 Rustico; 2 Williams; 3 Williams Cross; 4 Emerald; Thursday 1 p.m. Kensington cattle pen; 2 Clifton; Corner. Paying \$12 a pair for pigs over 24 pounds each. Will also buy smaller ones. Knud Jorgensen, 5-23-21.

Monday, May 25, being observed as Victoria Day and a Public Holiday the next issue of The Guardian will be Tuesday, May 26.