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REDS THREATEN TO TURN DNIEPER LINE

Nazi Rail Bottleneck at Munich is Heavily Attacked

R. A. F. Rocked City In 25-Minute Raid Saturday

By ROBERT STURDEVANT (Associated Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, Oct. 3, —(AP)—R.A.F. and Canadian heavy bombers, clamping a nutcracker squeeze on the Nazi Party's birthplace, dumped heavy explosives on Munich last night less than 48 hours after Africa-based American bombers shook the city in a daylight raid Friday.

Five hundred tons of bombs were rained on Munich in a 25-minute attack the Air Ministry News Service said, with 10 two-ton bombs dropped every minute.

Munich, rail bottleneck, through which Germany pushes reinforcements and supplies into Italy already had gained the doubtful distinction of being the first German city to be placed under two-directional aerial pounding by the British-American double punch method by reason of the Sept. 6 R.A.F. night attack and Friday's U. S. raid.

Last night's raid foreshadowed a greatly stepped-up bombing of the Reich when new allied airdromes in Italy are put in operation, bringing all of Germany within easy range of blows either from the west or south.

Through the official news agency D.N.B., the Germans acknowledged "major damage in several quarters of the town" as a result of the British raid. Nine bombers were lost from this and other operations including attacks on the German Rhur and Rhineland and mine-laying in enemy waters.

The tempo of the new month's aerial onslaught, which in the first three days has embraced a heavy R.A.F. raid on the Nazi industrial city of Hagen, and a new American daylight raid on the German north sea port of Emden, continued through this morning with aerial dashes over Holland.

Formations of American medium bombers, escorted by allied Spitfires, winged eastward in great waves after daylight to hit Nazi fighter plane bases at Woensdrecht Haamstede and Amsterdamchipol.

The Spitfires destroyed seven enemy planes without loss.

Three of the seven enemy planes fell to the Canadian "Indian" squadron led by Sqdn. Ldr. R. W. McNair of North Battleford, Sask.

There was some aerial activity over Britain itself Saturday night and London had a short alert when one or two enemy planes penetrated to the metropolitan area and dropped bombs at scattered points. Little damage and no injuries were reported. British defences brought down one raider

American Flying Fortresses escorted by Thunderbolts, gave the Nazis' prime North Sea merchant shipping port of Emden its third battering of the week Saturday afternoon. The Industrial city of Hagen in the Reich was hit Friday night by the R.A.F. and R.C.A.F.

Nazis Strike Back At Captured Island of Kos

CAIRO, Oct. 3—(AP)—Germany unleashed a sea and air-borne attack against newly-won Allied positions on the Island of Kos in the narrow Aegean Sesa today, striking back in her defence of Europe in a new theatre—the ancient battlelanes of the Athenians and Spartans.

A terse British announcement of the air and amphipious attack on Allied held Kos, second largest Island in the Italian Dodecanese group, added the cryptic statement:—

"Necessary counter-measures have been taken by the defending forces."

Immediate information on the progress of the fighting and the size of the attacking force Germany was able to draw from her strained reserves was lacking, but it was not believed here that an assault had yet been launched on a large scale.

Kos and its excellent airfield were seized by British parachute troops and sea-borne forces on Sept. 22 along with Leros in the Dodecanese group on the Greek Island of Samos to the north.

The fleece of the Rambouillet breed of sheep and of crosses of the breed tend to shrink more than that of the Down or long wool varieties, because the Rambouillet breed secretes more grease and there is a greater tendency for dust to adhere to the wool.

COMING EVENTS

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**Talkies—Morell Tuesday. 10-2-3i.

**Talkies—St. Peters Wednesday. 10-2-3i.

**Dance Seven Mile Bay, Tuesday, Oct. 5. 10.4-2i.

**Chicken Supper and dance Iona Hall Monday, October 11. 10-2-4-9-11-4i.

**National Film Board Movies Hunter River Monday, 7, 8.30 p.m. 10-4-1i

**Chicken supper and dance Vernon River Hall Wednesday, October 6th. Supper served from 6 p.m. 10-4-3i.

**Chicken Supper in Cherry Valley Hall, October 20th by "Victory Bees." Proceeds War Purposes. 10-4-16.

**Meat and Salad Supper, Legion Hall, Mount Stweart, October 7th. Proceeds War Work. 10-4-2i.

**Wanted to buy live and dressed chickens and fowl. Paying top market prices. Island Cold Storag Co., Ltd. 8-26-tf

**Annual Chicken Supper and Dance, St. James Hall, Summerfield, Wednesday, October 6th. Supper from 6 to 10. *0-1-5i.

**Malpeque Hall, Monday evening Oct. 4th, 8.30 "The Little Clodhopper" presented by the Indian River Players. Specialties. 10-2-2i.

**Annual Supper of Eldon United Church, Wednesday evening October 6th in Belfast Hall. Served 6—10 o'clock. 10-2-4-2i.

**Hear Rob Roy MacGregor famous Scottish singer, in Pownal Hall, Tuesday night, October 5th. Quiz contest also sponsored by Women's Institute. 10-2-2i.

**Enjoy an evening of Scottish songs and stories also quiz by Rob Roy MacGregor in Cape Traverse Hall, Wednesday Oct. 6 at 8 p.m. Admission 30 and 20 cents. Sponsored by Augustine Cove Women's Institute 10-4-1i.

News Briefs

LONDON, Oct. 4 — (Monday) — (CP) — Air raid sirens sounded in London late last night and anti - aircraft guns went into action. It was the second alert in the capital in as many nights.

SARNIA, Ont., Oct. 3 —(CP)— More than 300,000 tires have been manufactured in Canada from synthetic rubber imported from the United States, it was disclosed Saturday by Hon. C. D. Howe, Munitions Minister.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS Southwest Pacific, Oct. 4 — (Monday — (A P) — Gen. Douglas MacArthur, in a review today of the northeastern New Guinea campaign, said that capture of Finschhafen has eliminated all defensive value of enemy held centres to the north and west as far as Madang.

LONDON. Oct. 4 — (C P) — (Monday) — British bombers unloaded 14,000 tons of bombs on German and occupied countries during September, or 5,000 tons less than the previous month, the Air Ministry announced today in its monthly review. This was in addition to about 8,200 tons dropped during the month by the United States 8th Air Force.

Goebbels Says Plenty Food

LONDON, Oct. 3 — (CP) — Alternately threatening and reassuring a Berlin harvest day crowd, propaganda minister Goebbels today promised Gemany enough food for the winter and then "warned that anyone who placed personal comfort "above the honor of our people" would be beheaded.

His broadcast promise of adequate food, however, was in direct contrast with another festival address in which State's Secretary Herbert Backe told the same audience of the severe drought that had gripped all east German territories The year's harvest consequently had been below expectations, he said.

No wheat acreage estimates for 1943 in Australia are yet available but they are believed to be about 7,000,000 acres, a reduction of 25 per cent from the 1942 acreage.

Retired Local Business Man Dies Suddenly

Mr. George H. Toombs, retired Charlottetown business man, died unexpectedly at his home, 120 Brighton Road here on Saturday afternoon. He was 84 years old.

He was in excellent health and retained all his faculties until the time of his death. He was in particularly good spirits Saturday for he received that morning a letter from his sister in Victoria. He became ill in mid-afternoon and died within a few minutes.

A native of North Rustico, P.E.I., he was a son of the late William Toombs and his wife, the former Isabel Harker. One sister survives of a family of 12.

Mr. Toombs came to Charlottetown as a youth of 17 and went into business under the firm name of Arthur and Toombs. Later his partner went to California and Mr. Toombs took over the wholesale grocery and produce business which he continued to operate until 15 years ago when he retired. A son, Charles Toombs, operates the business now. It is located at 37 Queen Street and has been in the same building for more than 40 years.

Mr. Toombs was well-known to business men throughout the Province although almost all his associates have died now.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Helen Caryl of Oakland, California and one son and three daughters.

The son is Charles Toombs of Charlottetown, who carries on the business.

The daughters are Mrs. Blanche Dumont and Miss Lulu Toombs, both in Charlottetown and Mrs. Richard Piper, Sarnia, Ontario.

Mrs. George MacKenzie of Victoria, B.C., is a sister.

Funeral services will be held from the MacLean Funeral Home here this afternoon. Burial will be in the People's Cemetery.

Reports Confirm Morale of U-Boat Crews Declining

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 3—(AP) —New reports from Norway confirm previous rumors of declining morale and mutinous tendencies among German submarine crews in far northern Norway, a Norwegian legation statement said today.

Townspeople in Tromsoe, one of the largest U-boat bases in Norway and one used extensively since the American bombing raid of July 24 on the Trondheim base, were quoted as saying that "discipline is very bad and the marines seem to neglect their officers completely when they are ashore."

"In the middle of the night, heavy fighting between U-boat officers and their marines can often be seen in the streets," the statement continued.

Reports of mutiny of submarine crews and marines at Tromsoe came as the underseas boats resumed their preying on Allied shipping after a summer lay-off.

Mutiny also had been reported among Nazi crews in Norway after the Allied anti-submarine warfare took a heavy toll of submarines in the spring and early summer. It was reported June 26 that six crews had refused to go to sea and that 200 officers and men had been sent to prison at Oslo.

One of Quads Arrives Overseas

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Oct. 3 —(CP) — Mr. and Mrs. William Mahaney, parents of Spr. John Douglas Mahaney, only male member of Saint John's Mahaney quadruplets, have rceived word of his arrival overseas. John and the other quads here, Edith, Edna and Lydia, will be 20 years old next Christmas day. Two of John's brothers also are in the Canadian Army.

Theatres Agree To Cut on Coal

OTTAWA, Oct. 13—(CP)—The Canadian Motion Picture War Services Committee, representing 1,100 theatres throughout Canada, has voluntarily agreed to a 30 per cent reduction in coal consumption by the Canadian Motion Picture Industry, the Munitions Department announced tonight.

Coal Controller E. J. Brunning said the voluntary saving will total approximately 90,000 tons a year.

War Situation Last Night

By Kirke L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst

Nazi Germany came to its greatest crisis of the war this past week along the west bank of the Dnieper River.

No important bridgehead outpost beyond that stream remains firmly in German hands and even the Vitebsk gateway to Poland ,the Baltic states and east Russia appears to be cracking under the weight of the Russian steam-roller attack.

Berlin admitted Russian toe holds west of the river at unstated points. That probably means north of the Russian-besieged Kiev bastion in the sector north of the confluence of the Pripet and the Dnieper as well as southeastward of Kiev where a Russian break-through to reach the Warsaw-Bel Tsertkov-Dnepropetrovsk railway would gravely jeopardize the whole Nazi right flank in Russia.

Either threat to the Dnieper line is critical .It could not be held against Russian penetration in force to the west bank of the river on either end. Yet it is on the extreme flanks north and south, that the first evidence of a Nazi retreat from the Dnieper must come if it is actually an early prospect as all reports suggest.

South of the lower elbow of the great bend of the Dnieper a great battle to stall off a Russian flanking movement is reported by Berlin. Moscow has not mentioned it .It is clear, however, that heavy Russian forces, hampered by mud and rains, are trying to storm in the flat triangle south of the broad Dnieper estuary and possibly cut off the Germans still in the Crimea. The narrow Perekop Isthmus, fitted by Nazis with a military railroad since the last Crimean campaign, is the only German escape route from that trap.

It cannot be doubted that German defence lines south of the Dnieper bend to the Sea of Azov coast are in communications difficulties. The river and its marches hamper the movement of men and supplies into the Dnieper-Black Sea triangle if the Kharkov-Crimea railroad is as close under Russian guns as indicated.

The Russian siege of Vitebsk north of the upper bend of the Dnieper at Orsha is pointing a dangerous thrust at the whole left flank of the enemy clear to the Gulf of Finland coast west of Leningrad. By latest available reports from that only dormant sector, German forces still are deeply deployed east of the Pskov. They appear to be relying on the marshes between the Lovat and the Polita rivers southwest of Lake Ilmen to protect them from encirclement by the Russian army which months ago took Velikie Luki.

That Russian force must be merely biding its time .It may be waiting for the freeze-up in northern Russia or the fall of Vitebsk before striking out northwestward toward the critical Pskov gateway to Leningrad, less than 150 miles away. The first winter campaigning in Russia, at which Russian forces heretofore have shown themselves the master of their foes in endurance, mobility and daring, is apt to come this year in that sector.

Brands Halifax Freight Handlers Strike Illegal

OTTAWA, Oct. 3. — (C P) — Labor Minister Mitchell has informed F. H. Hall of Montreal, vice-president of the brotherhood of railway and steamship clerks, freight handlers, express and station employees, that a strike of Halifax freight handlers was "illegal."

Replying to a telegram from Mr. Hall saying that the freight handlers stopped work Saturday on the basis of press reports that the National War Labor Board had granted them an increase of only four cents per hour, Mr. Mitchell said action of the union's members in refusing to handle shipments "shows flagrant disregard of the interests of the nation at war, the welfare of our fighting forces and those of our allies."

The Minister's telegram continued:—

"By Monday morning there will be several hundred cars of perishable foodstuffs on the docks which will be ruined unless loaded in ships immediately. The government has had the situation under consideration and I must inform you that unless striking workers resume duty by 8 o'clock Monday morning, Oct. 4, arrangements will be made to handle all perishable shipments."

Expect New Labor Policy By Government Soon

OTTAWA, Oct. 3 —(CP) — Decisions of far reaching importance to all Canadians, having to do with a new policy on labor and the proposal to pay family allowances, are expected to be reached by the Government this week.

For weeks the government has had before it the unpublished report of the National War Labor Board, made after a wide inquiry into labor conditions.

It is understood this makes recommendations for a new labor code, compulsory collective bargaining with approved Labor Unions, and relief from wage restrictions of those in the lower income group.

In addition to these recommendations, the Government is reported to be studying a proposal to initiate a scale of family allowances to relieve the pinch of high living costs and heavy taxation as applied to lower salaried people with large families.

In a general way these propositions were approved and placed in the tentative program drawn up by the National Liberal Federation at its meetings here last Monday and Tuesday.

But they were being studied by the Government even before that and today it was learned that a definite decision was to be expected this week.

Mr. King and his cabinet associates held several council meetings in the past week but no announcements were made on the subject of labor relations, believed to have been the main subject under discussion.

At the conclusion of the Liberal Federation meetings Tuesday, when a new permanent executive was elected with a mandate to set about a full reorganization of Liberal associations throughout the Dominion, a program was adopted which its sponsors declare is their prescription for assured prosperity and security of all Canadians.

Island Airman Listed Missing

OTTAWA, Oct. 3 — (CP) — Sgt. Joseph Daniel Mullen, R 161170, of St. Peter's Bay, P. E. I., has been listed in the R.C.A.F. 696th casualty list of the war as missing on active service after air operations. His next of kin is his father, D. J. Mullen.

New Order Re Anthracite Coal

OTTAWA, Oct. 3—(CP)—Wholesalers will be required to ship anthracite coal to retailers on an equitable basis so that all dealers may have a fair share of supplies which become available, the munitions department announced tonight.

WIN BAKING LAURELS use BLOSSOM OF CANADA THE ALL PURPOSE FLOUR

Rev. P. J. Hogan Retired Priest Died Saturday

The death occurred at the Sacred Heart Home on Saturday of the Rev. Patrick J. Hogan, former parish priest at Tracadie, but a resident for many years of Charlottetown, following his retirement owing to ill health.

The late Father Hogan was born at Tignish on Feb. 13, 1863. He was educated at the Tignish public school and St. Dunstan's College, and after graduating from the latter institution attended the Grand Seminary, Montreal.

He was ordained to the priesthood at Charlottetown on June 10, 1892, and was stationed in the city for a short time before being appointed parish priest at Tracadie.

About thirty years ago failing health compelled Father Hogan to retire from active duties. He resided since that time in Charlottetown, and made many friends among people of all classes, by whom he was held in the highest esteem.

Father Hogan was a son of the late Patrick Hogan whose farm, in Tignish district, is located at the northernmost tip of the Island.

Surviving are three brothers and three sisters.

The brothers are Henry Hogan, on the old homestead, John Hogan, an older brother, near Tignish village and Dr. Fred Hogan in British Columbia.

The sisters are, Mrs. Peter Phee, and Mrs. Thomas Nelligan, both in Norway, P.E.I., and Mrs. Peter Callaghan, Ebbsfleet, P.E.I.

A pontifical High Mass for the late Father Hogan will be sung at St. Dunstan's Basilica this morning at 10 o'clock. The remains will lie in the Basilica until 3 o'clock this afternoon, when they will be transferred by train to Tignish.

The Requiem Mass and burial will take place at Tignish on Tuesday morning.

Total Fire Loss Shows Increase In P. E. Island

The total fire loss in Prince Edward Island for 1942 was $164,282, a decrease from the 1941 total of $250,276. Of the losses in 1942, approximately 39 per cent, representing property valued at $64,711 was insured, and 61 per cent, representing property valued at $99,571, uninsured. Prince Edward Island's loss was approximately one half of 1 per cent of the total for Canada, which amounted to $31,182,238, and was caused by 47,596 fires.

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Allies Continue Advance In Italy

(By The Canadian Press)

Anglo-American 5th army forces in Italy pushed forward to Benevento, 32 miles northeast of Naples, Sunday in an advance which carried to the river line on which the Germans are expected to make the most determined stand in their effort to block the road to Rome.

As the 5th army entered Benevento, the 8th army, which includes the Canadian 1st division plunged farther northward along the east coast and elements of both armies cleaned the Germans out of the central sector to straighten the Allied line, which now extends to a point on the Adriatic, well north of the Spur on the Italian boot.

Cross Pronya River; Nazis In Hasty Retreat

Enemy is abandoning final foothold in Caucasus.

By JAMES M. LONG (Associated Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, Oct. 3 — (AP) — The Red Army cracked the Pronya River line 28 miles east of Mogilev in White Russia today, Moscow announced tonight. while Soviet airmen sank five troop-filled German boats apparently trying to evacuate the final Nazi rearguard from the enemy's shattered foothold in the Caucasus opposite the Crimea.

A midnight supplement to the regular Soviet communique said the Russians had smashed across the Pronya, threatening to turn the enemy's upper Dnieper defence line, and hurled the Germans "into a hasty retreat" in central White Russia.

More than 2,000 Germans were killed and 70 villages seized in the drive toward Mogilev and Gomel to the south, said the communique recorded by the Soviet Monitor.

The Caucasian campaign apparently was in its last stage. Berlin's High Command admitted the loss of Staro-Tamanskaya, virtually the last Axis foothold of the Kerch Strait east of the Crimea, and the Russians said their airmen killed hundreds of German troops in that area, ashore and at sea.

Orsha and Mogilev were pounded by Russian airmen ranging ahead of Soviet ground forces converging on those key junctions in White Russia.

The Russians acknowledged fierce German counter-attacks in their semi-encirclement of Gomel, but said these were beaten down. In addition to 1,200 enemy troops reported killed in that sector during the day, Moscow said 120 prisoners were taken.

Moscow did not even mention the Caucasus aside from aerial activities, and reported only "reconnaissance and exchanges of artillery fire" along the middle Dnieper front where Red armies are massed on the east bank of that broad river opposite the prize cities of Kiev and Dnepropetrovsk.

Munro Thinks Canadians Are First-Rate Troops

By Alan Randall Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Oct. 3 — (CP Cable) — There is no one who has seen the Canadians in action who doesn't think they are worthy successors as fighting men to any Canada sent overseas in the First Great War.

"They're tremendous", said Ross Munro, 28 year old correspondent of The Canadian Press when he arrived in London Saturday from the battlefields of Sicily and the Italian mainland for a rest.

"Our troops seem absolutely tireless", said the lanky correspondent who got out the first word of the Canadians landing in Sicily in July and then marched northward with them and the British 8th Army and crossed the Messina Straits with the Dominion's invasion force into Italy.

He added it was amazing to see the manner in which the Canadian troops keep going.

"They are just as keen about the campaign today as when it started and they still have all their original enthusiasm for getting into battle," he said.

One stimulus for this is the fact that Canadians have been accepted by veterans of the 8th Army as good fighters. The Americans also figure Canadians as such.

Monty Sold on Canadians

"Monty (Gen. Bernard Montgomery, commander of the 8th Army) seems sold on the Canadians," said Munro. "In Sicily we had Americans on one side and Britons on the other side and it struck a great balance. Everybody got to know each other well and the Canadians soon showed there were plenty of reasons for placing full confidence in them."

Munro, who sailed from England with the attack force June 28, landed in Sicily July 10 and in Italy Sept. 3. Except for a one week lay-off due to fever attacks he had been constantly with the fighting men. In four months, he said, they had become veteran campaigners.

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High tide this afternoon at 3.14 and tomorrow morning at 2.44.

Sun sets this evening at 6.37 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.02.

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Reveal Sinking of British Liner With 500 Passengers

CAPETOWN, Oct. 3 —(AP)— News of one of the worst ocean tragedies of the war—the sinking without a trace of the 18,700 ton British liner Ceramic with more than 500 passengers aboard last November—was officially released today by Naval authorities.

The Ceramic was sunk presumably by an enemy submarine, somewhere in the Atlantic while en route to Capetown from England. The official announcement was withheld almost a year because of uncertainty over the fate of passengers and crew.

The exact number of casualties was not known but it was reported the ship carried more than 500 persons and authorities are still without official news of any survivors.

The germans announced in December they had sunk the Ceramic with a submarine torpedo in heavy seas and claimed to have picked up one survivor at the time. A person representing himself as the survivor later broadcast over the German radio a version of his rescue by a Nazi U-boat.

According to the German version the Ceramic sank quickly during a gale and lifeboats could not be launched.

The passenger list included many South African and Australian families which were completely wiped out. The German announcement had said the ship was carrying troops to North Africa.

The Ceramic, owned by Shaw, Savill and Albion Co., had its home port at Southampton, England. It was built in 1913 at Belfast and was 655 feet long. It normally ran between Australia and England.

The ship battled a submarine in the South Atlantic in 1942, and was said to have probably sunk the submarine. She had left Liverpool carrying 360 passengers to South Africa, but turned in at Rio De Janeiro with fuel and stores exhausted after that U-boat encounter.

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