

# REPORT GERIANS THROWN BACK AT PRUT RIVER

## NAZIS FEEL FIRST OF GIGANTIC OFFENSIVE Nazi Infantry Units Cut Off From Tank Corps

### Turkish ship Torpedoed by Unknown sub

NEW YORK, June 25—(AP)—The Turkish steamship Rifa carrying officers and men described as the "cream of the Turkish navy and mercantile marine" was torpedoed and sunk by an unidentified submarine tonight, Martin Agronsky, NBC reporter, said in a broadcast from Ankara. He reported 173 of the 201 passengers on the ship were lost.

Agronsky said 100 Turkish naval officers and men aboard the Rifa were en route to Britain.

Survivors said the torpedo broke the ship in two and that only one lifeboat could be launched and in this 28 passengers were saved the commander reported.

The Turkish government had arrangements with both Germany and Italy to ensure safe passage of the vessel, he added.

"The Rifa was bound for Egypt with 100 Turkish naval officers and men aboard," Agronsky said.

"The incident aroused considerable popular feeling here as the Turkish ship carried an illuminated Turkish flag on her stern and illuminated flag on both her sides.

"Arrangements had been made in both Germany and Italy to insure safe passage of the ship," (Lloyd's registry of shipping does not list the Rifa.)

### Coroner's Jury Probes Death Of Souris Boy

Four-year-old Son of Constable Peter Jay Dies after apparent accident.

Ralph Jay, four-year-old son of Constable Peter Jay of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and Mrs. Jay, Souris died early yesterday evening shortly after telling his father, "a car hit me." An inquest was opened late last night by Coroner L.B. Mellish of Montague.

The boy left the house about 6.30 in the evening and after an absence of approximately five minutes was found by his father coming in the back door steps. He was limping and when his father inquired as to the cause the boy told him that a car had hit him. Apparently there were no eyewitnesses to the accident nor had anybody seen the victim on the street. No serious injuries were evident on the boy's body.

Besides a sorrowing father and mother there also survives two sisters and a brother.

After the coroner's jury viewed the body the hearing was adjourned until 5 o'clock this afternoon. In the meantime an autopsy was performed, Peter Holland is jury foreman.

### Where Fighting Rages



Above is a map of the area where the new German-Russian conflict is raging. The latest reports from Moscow claim German troops attempting to cross the Prut River were thrown back. The Wilno area, east of the Prussian frontier was said to be the scene of fierce fighting.

### R.A.F. Planes All out in air Drive on enemy

Earth-shaking Attacks Are Continued Without Pause.

LONDON, June 26—(Thursday)—(CP)—The Royal Air Force smashed with heavy bomb-loads at key areas of German-occupied France early today, continuing without pause the earth-shaking attacks which the British Broadcasting Company called only the beginning of "the most gigantic air offensive known in the world's history."

The shuddering explosions were clearly audible in England, even though some appeared to come from well inland in France.

German planes meanwhile were reported over parts of southern England, dropping incendiary bombs in one area.

LONDON, June 25—(CP)—British bombers blasted occupied France today in another channel-shaking attack which the British Broadcasting Corporation described as only the beginning of the most gigantic air offensive known in the world's history.

Smashing hard at Germany's western front, the Nazi war machine is preoccupied with Russia on the east, the Royal Air Force is sending over by night a new-type

### Fighting continues fierce along far-flung battle front.

(By Henry Cassidy, Associated Press Staff Writer)  
 MOSCOW, June 26—(Thursday)—(AP)—German troops attempting to cross the Prut River on the southern end of the vast European battle front were thrown back by Soviet troops, and Nazi infantry driving toward Wilno in old Lithuania have been cut off by counter-attacking Red soldiers, the Russian high command announced today.

The Germans tried repeatedly to cross the Prut River, boundary between Rumania and Russia, particularly at Cernauti, the Bucovina capital, the war report declared.

The Wilno area, east of the Russian frontier, was the scene of fierce fighting.

"In the course of the fighting separate groups of enemy tanks succeeded in breaking through to the area of Wilno and Oshimany," the communique said.

"Our land troops, by stubborn resistance and active operations, cut off enemy infantry units in these directions from their tank troops."

The Russians also were said to be putting up a successful resistance against the Germans in the central part of the long front—near Lwow and Brody in former Poland.

While fighting fiercely to stem a German drive toward Brody, about 50 miles east of the Bug River boundary, other Red troops took the offensive and recaptured Przemysl, a border town southwest of Brody.

Przemysl is about 50 miles west of Lwow, another apparent objective of the German drive, the communique said.

The Russians reported they shot down 76 planes in aerial fighting extending from Finland in the far north to the Rumanian Black Sea port of Constanta, now a German naval base.

From all these engagements the Soviets lost 17 planes.

### Medical Expert Gives evidence in murder trial

Seven witnesses gave evidence in the Supreme Court yesterday in the case of the King, Frederick Phillips and Earl Lund, charged with murder in connection with the death of Peter J. Trainor, aged Charlottetown storekeeper who was found dead in a store room at the rear of his shop on the night of January 30. Mr. Justice A. C. Saunders presided.

The principal witness to testify yesterday was Dr. Ralph G. Smith, Halifax, N. S., Provincial Pathologist for Nova Scotia and Professor of Pathology and Bacteriology in Dalhousie University. In addition to this he is a Doctor of Medicine and is a registered medical practitioner. He has also appeared as a legal medical expert in the courts of Scotland, England, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Charlottetown.

His evidence related to the blood stains and hairs found on the clothes of the accused. Others who testified were: Const. A. Lund, Dr. J. D. MacGillivray, Dr. H. H. Pierce, Mrs. Helen Dunn, Miss Annie Barrett and Mrs. Elizabeth Doyle.

John, Thomas A. Campbell and Mr. C. St. Clair Trainor are appearing for the Crown and Mr. Lester P. O'Donnell for the accused.

Count will resume this morning at 9.30.

When Court resumed session yesterday morning, Constable A. J. Lund of the City Police was on the stand with Const. Webster he had seen a man passing Trainor's store. There was a lot of snow down and

### Nazis claim Soviet trains Are "smashed"

Berlin Reports Say Successes "Baffles The Imagination."

BERLIN, June 25—(AP)—Germany claimed successes "baffling the imagination" against Russia today, without giving the least indication where or how they were won.

The German army was declared plunging eastward through a blazing heat wave while its Finnish and Rumanian allies were smashing at the Soviet flanks.

These achievements of German arms, said a Nazi military spokesman, would be reported in detail tomorrow.

The active participation of Rumania and Finland—together with the fact that Hungary had severed relations with Russia and Slovakia had gone to war against her—was declared to foreshadow the early erection of a complete eastern front against Bolshevism.

That the Germans are following the strategy of the French and Balkan campaigns by sending armored columns deep into invaded territory and far ahead of supporting troops was indicated in the spokesman's statement that the Nazis have advanced "surprisingly far in some places."

"Thus, for the fourth day the German people waited for detailed

### News Briefs

OTTAWA, June 26—(CP)—An industrial disputes inquiry commission composed of Humphrey Mitchell of Ottawa as chairman and George Jackson of Toronto and George H. MacGillivray of Charlottetown was announced tonight by Labor Minister McLarty.

The object of the commission will be to investigate labor disputes in the coal and iron industries and decide whether it is necessary to grant boards of conciliation.

ANKARA, Turkey, June 24—(AP)—Rumanian sources predicted tonight that German-Rumanian forces attacking Russia in Bessarabia would complete occupation of the province within a week.

The Axis troops are meeting almost no organized resistance in Bessarabia, these sources claimed.

LONDON, June 26—(Thursday)—(CP)—The Finnish Legation announced early today that "violations" of Finnish territory from the U. S. S. R. had compelled Finland "from now on to defend herself against even the slightest provocation." The statement, issued by the Legation here, said the bombing of 10 towns and villages several times Wednesday prompted the declaration of policy.

NEW YORK, June 25—(AP)—Swedish radio today announced that reserves will be called to the colors immediately, the Swedish radio reported in a broadcast heard tonight by NBC.

WASHINGTON, June 25—(AP)—To insure the secrecy of communications with the United States representatives in Latin-America, the State Department plans to inaugurate a diplomatic courier service between Washington and the capitals of the 20 other American republics.

VICHY, June 26—(AP)—Military information reaching Vichy tonight from the Russian front said that seven German attacks had been stopped or slowed down by determined Russian resistance.

LONDON, June 25—(CP)—The Turkish-German non-aggression pact was unanimously approved by the British National Assembly today, the Ankara radio announced tonight in a broadcast heard here.

OTTAWA, June 25—(CP)—Munitions Minister Howe tonight cited forthcoming construction of an oil pipe line from Portland, Me., to Montreal as "another example of the all-out co-operation of the United States in the British and Canadian war effort."

Mr. Howe saw the pipe line as an aid to Britain because it will release four or five tankers for service to the United Kingdom and said that in order to give further aid to Britain, sharp curtailment of a non-war consumption of gasoline will be necessary in Canada.

VICHY, June 25—(AP)—An informed source said tonight that the Germans are quietly releasing all French sailors held in Nazi prison camps. Some 500, including six high ranking admirals, were said to have been set free already while a further 6,000 are expected to follow.

### War—25 Years Ago Today

(By The Canadian Press)

JUNE 26, 1916—Trial of Sir Roger Casement, one of the leaders in the abortive Irish Rebellion, started in London. British pierced German lines at several points in attacks on the Western Front; German raid repulsed near the Ypres-Menin Canal.

### Coming Events

Date for Notices in this column 3 cents per word.

- Show—Malpeque Thursday. L-742-6-25-21.
- Show—Canoes Cove Friday. L-742-6-25-21.
- Red Cross Cake Sale at Rogers Hardware this Saturday, June 28th. L-791-6-26-31.
- Hunter River Play in Howe's Hall, Brackley Pt. June 28th, 29th, 30th. L-695-6-27-11.
- Modern and Old-Time Dancing Moren Hall, Friday, June 27th. St. Avaris Orchestra. L-152-6-25-21.
- "See Whittlin" presented by Dumas Players at St. Peter's Bay, Monday, June 30th. L-787-6-27-11.
- Reserve June 30th for Pleasant Valley Ice Cream Social. Proceeds for Church work. L-799-6-26-11.
- Moren Hall Saturday night, June 28th, 8.30, "Eyes of Love" by Cherry Valley Y. P. U. L-790-6-26-11.
- Wanted to buy bolognae cattle Phone or write for price. Signed Island Cold Storage Co., Ltd. L-242-5-21-11.
- Monthly meeting Canadian Legion Auxiliary, City Building, June 27th, 7.30 p.m. L-815-6-26-21.
- "Oh Promise Me" will be at Tron Baptist Church Hall under the auspices of the B. Y. P. U. on Friday, June 27th. L-750-6-25-21.
- Wanted to buy quantity real calves. All grades. Signed Island Cold Storage Co., Ltd. L-835-6-20-11.
- Special variety entertainment at Oval Hall, Thursday night, June 26, 8.30. Proceeds for Red Cross purposes. L-724-6-24-31.
- Loading hogs at Albany every Thursday afternoon. Friday at Emerald until 11.30 A. M. A. C. Green, Albany. G. C. Green, Emerald.
- Ice Cream Social, South Granville School, Thursday, June 26th. If not fine Friday. Proceeds in aid of Red Cross. L-704-6-24-26.
- Macourian Players present "The Maid From Missouri" in Kinkora Hall, Friday, June 27th at 8.30 P.M. Standard Time. L-654-6-21-24-26.
- Come to the Shorthorn Field River at Peter Martin's, Hunter River, July 1st. An educational program will be conducted beginning at 1.30. Bring your lunch, milk, tea and sugar will be provided. L-814-6-26-28-21.

### Archduke Otto Warns Canadians

REGINA, June 25—(CP)—Archduke Otto, Hapsburg pretender to the throne of Austria, said in an interview here that Nazi agents are working in Canada in an attempt to stir up racial differences and to sabotage the Canadian war effort. He warned Canadians "to be vigilant."

Propaganda work of the Nazis agents must be counteracted with propaganda, he said. "We must be on the closest watch for their activities."

### Death of Capt. T. G. Taylor Last Evening

A wide circle of friends throughout the province will be shocked to learn of the death of Captain Thomas G. Taylor which occurred early last evening at the Prince Edward Island Hospital following an illness of three days.

He was well and favorably known in all maritime circles having followed the sea for the greater part of his life.

Born in Picton, N. S., 87 years ago, he received his early education in the public school there and later at Picton Academy. At the early age of 17 he answered the call of the sea and shipped before the mast in the old full rigged ships. In his early twenties, his close attention to duty was rewarded when he successfully passed the examinations before the English Board of Trade and secured his Master's papers. For many years he had charge of company ships but later acquired one of his own. He had charge of subsequent boats, the last of which was the survey ship "Gulnar" which operated in the Hydrographic and Admiralty survey. He left this Government steamer about 30 years ago and became a charter Agent in Charlottetown. He held this position until his retirement 17 years ago.

The deceased had lived in Charlottetown since 1884. Since his retirement he had been very active in community welfare and for many years was a director and member of the Trustee Board of the P.E.I. Protestant Orphanage. Only last Friday night he had attended the annual meeting of this organization. He was a member of St. Paul's Anglican Church and also the Masonic Lodge in this city.

The late Captain Taylor married Florence Lou, widow of Charles Taylor, who died in 1932.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. H. E. Miller, Mrs. N. H. DeBolis, both of Charlottetown and Mrs. E. S. Story, Baltimore, Maryland, and one son, Mr. T. Gibson Taylor, St. Ann's, Quebec. Also surviving is a half-brother, Mr. John Ferguson, New York.

Funeral arrangements were not completed last night.

### British Parachute Troops Destroy 30 Nazi Planes

MONTREAL, June 25—(CP)—British parachute troops raided the airport at Berck, France and destroyed 30 German planes on the ground before making their escape in motor boats with 40 prisoners, the consulate general of the Czechoslovak republic said in a statement today.

Basing its report on advices said to have been received from Lisbon, the consulate said that while Royal Air Force planes bombed Calais and Boulogne, parachute troops aided by British agents and French sympathizers advanced to a pre-arranged meeting-place then separated into three groups to make their attack.

"While one party, heavily armed with tommy guns and hand grenades overpowered the airfield guards and rushed the control room, overpowered its occupants before they could give an alarm, the second party surprised the barrack room where several Luftwaffe pilots were waiting orders to take to the air," the statement said.

"The third party, meanwhile, was busy on the airfield destroying about 30 planes which were on the ground."

After the attack, the consulate added, the British troops retired to the seashore with about 40 prisoners and several Frenchmen who wished to join the forces of General de Gaulle. There they were picked up by naval motor torpedo boats.

### Possible Bismarck Headed For Halifax

OTTAWA, June 25—(CP)—Reports that the German battleship Bismarck was bound for the Canadian coast to shell Halifax were overturned and sunk were termed "just possibly true" by Canadian naval spokesmen today.

"We've heard nothing of this supposed mission here, and nothing to lead us to believe there may be any truth in the reports," one spokesman said, but it's just possible that the Bismarck was headed this way."

The theory that the Bismarck was headed for Canada was advanced in the United States House of Representatives yesterday by Representative James Oliver in urging that the United States take over Canadian-owned harbor property at Portland, Me.

### "No interruption" In Ferry service

MONCTON, N.B., June 25—There has been no interruption in the ferry service to Prince Edward Island, between Cape Tormentine, N.B., and Borden, P.E.I., since the loss of the car ferry "Charlottetown" while enroute to drydock for annual overhauling declared W. U. Appleton, regional vice pres. and general manager of the Canadian National Railways here. The service, Mr. Appleton said is being performed by the car ferry Prince Edward Island which had a deck specially fitted to accommodate and handle motor vehicles under their own power when last in drydock undergoing annual inspection.

### Nazis' Russian Drive planned Last Autumn

NEW YORK, June 25—(AP)—Trustworthy sources told the Associated Press today that Germany's offensive against Russia was planned originally for last autumn.

There also were suggestions that the plan actually was behind the invasion of Poland, the British-French declaration of war when Hitler had believed they would not fight.

But today's report only went back as far as last fall, when intimations of the German plan, reaching Moscow, were said to have been "thunderbolts" for Soviet Premier Molotov's sudden journey to see Hitler last November, after which Nazi pressure veered southward into the Balkans.

Mussolini's premature launching of war against Greece also was considered a factor in Hitler's change of plan.

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### Finland plans to Fight "aggression"

HELSINKI, June 26—(Thursday)—(AP)—Beset by Russian bombers all day and night Wednesday, Finland announced early today her determination to defend herself with all her power against this latest "aggression" by a former enemy.

The defence already is underway, Premier Juha Rangell told Parliament during a secret night session.

Nazi sources in Berlin claimed Finland had decided to go formally to war against Russia, but the announcement of Premier Rangell referred only to defence against "aggression."

Russia has charged formally that Finland has lent her territory to the Nazis.

During the night, this capital had its fifth air raid alarm in less than 24 hours.

### Dedication Sunday

TORONTO, June 25—(CP)—The executive of the General Council of the United Church meeting here today recommended that "in common with our brethren throughout Canada our ministers and people hold a service or services of national dedication on Sunday, June 29."

**BLOSSOM OF CANADA FLOUR**  
 Matchless for Baking Bread

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### Recruiting shows A steady increase

OTTAWA, June 25—(CP)—Recruits now enter the Canadian active army at the rate of 600 a day or the equivalent of a complete infantry battalion every two days, the central recruiting committee of the National Defence Headquarters said today.

In all military districts recruiting figures show a steady increase. The present rate of enlistment represents an increase of 200 per cent over the rate for the first two weeks of the present recruiting campaign which seeks 32,000 men.

Officials express confidence the increase will be maintained.

Necessarily many volunteers must be turned down because of the army's rigid medical standards. One officer today said "if medical examinations didn't have to be considered the recruiting quota for this drive would be nearly complete now."

Officials express the opinion many younger men only now are realizing that the slogan "men are urgently needed" is a serious call. With Canada's army still free of any major casualties, it was hard for them to understand why the need is urgent at this time.

### Japs watch U. S. attitude

TOKYO, June 25—(AP)—The Japanese government watched closely today the attitude of the United States today as it debated in two important conferences whether to choose between Germany or Russia in the new war.

Japan has treaties with each of the embroiled nations. The authoritative news agency Domei said Tokyo may take a stand based on settlement of the "China affair" and strengthening of the "greater East Asia co-prosperity sphere."

Some informed quarters believed the government had decided that Japan must choose between her three-power pact with the axis and her two-months' old neutrality treaty with Russia.

The question at length in two conferences today and was reported to have decided to issue a statement tomorrow.

### Even if you do 'Strike Out' Remember you can come up to bat again

Synopsis: Sh wars have occurred in northern Ontario, though elsewhere in the province the weather has continued fair. Except for a few scattered thundershowers, it has been fair over the Prairie Provinces, warm in Manitoba and Saskatchewan and cooler in Alberta.

TORONTO, June 25—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	49	64
Vancouver	55	65
Edmonton	57	64
Regina	67	87
Winnipeg	69	94
Toronto	60	72
Ottawa	43	69
Montreal	49	66

High tide this morning at 11.20 and tomorrow morning at 12.49.

Sun sets this evening at 7.51 and rises tomorrow morning at 4.15.

First quarter moon July 2, 12.24 a.m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

### CAR FERRY SAILINGS

Leaves Borden 9.30 A.M. 1.00 P.M. 4.45 P.M.

Leaves Tormentine 11.00 A.M. 3.15 P.M. 6.20 P.M. daily except Sunday.

### SUNDAY SERVICE

June 15th to Sept. 28th Inclusive

Leaves Borden, 9.00 A.M. 12.00 noon, 4.45 P.M. 7.00 P.M.

Leaves Cape Tormentine 10.05 A.M. 2.30 P.M. 5.50 P.M. 8.10 P.M.

### WOOD ISLANDS FERRY

Leaves Wood Islands 7.00 A.M. 11.00 A.M. 3.00 P.M.

Leaves Caribou 9.00 A.M. 1.00 P.M. 5.00 P.M.