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Canadian Troops Are Pouring Into Centre Of Island

Civilians Greet Allied Troops With The V Sign

15 Big Enemy Transports Are Shot Down

War Situation Last Night

BULLETIN

Canucks And Yanks Race For Vital Enna

Loss Of Broken Morale Among Italian Troops

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NORTH AFRICA, July 19—(AP)—Almost incredible reports of broken morale among Italian troops poured into Allied headquarters today. Italian troops were said to be surrendering in organized ranks. Civilians continued to show genuine joy over the arrival of the allies. An Allied officer who read a proclamation of Gen. Sir Alexander Alexander announced the determination of the Allies to smash Fascism was hoisted on the shoulders of a Sicilian and carried about in triumph in one town. The people shouted, "this is a day of our deliverance." A British officer who returned after six days in Sicily said a people themselves were being down the symbols of the fascist party. They expressed bitter feeling against the Germans whom they blamed for the shortage of food and clothing. The British army, was said by Sicilians to be the first they had eaten in eight years. The British army was said to be forcing youths to work in the fields. A senior official of the Allied military government in Sicily who attended high mass in the main basilica of the city after six days in Sicily said the people were "glad to see the Allies."

By ROSS MUNRO
(Canadian Press War Correspondent)

WITH CANADIANS IN SICILY, July 19—(Delayed)—(CP Cable)—Sweeping northwest along twisting, dusty mountain roads, Canadian troops now are thrusting into the heart of Sicily. After the capture of Vizzini, Canadian infantry and armor struck west to capture Gramscicchio in a short, fierce engagement with a German-Italian force Friday afternoon and press on to occupy Catagronne, 35 miles west of Augusta. Now columns of infantry, guns, trucks and tanks are pouring into the town. A British officer who returned after six days in Sicily said a people themselves were being down the symbols of the fascist party. They expressed bitter feeling against the Germans whom they blamed for the shortage of food and clothing. The British army, was said by Sicilians to be the first they had eaten in eight years. The British army was said to be forcing youths to work in the fields. A senior official of the Allied military government in Sicily who attended high mass in the main basilica of the city after six days in Sicily said the people were "glad to see the Allies."

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, July 19—(AP)—The United States bomber raid on Rome today climaxed a busy week-end for allied fliers who followed up Saturday's unprecedented assault on Naples by blasting Axis air fields and communications on Sicily and the Italian mainland and wiping out an entire formation of 15 troop-carrying Junkers 52 transport planes. In swift, powerful strikes yesterday and the previous night, allied squadrons battered enemy installations at Reggio Calabria, Monte Covina, Rovella and Pomidino on the mainland and Catania and Randazzo on Sicily, while fighters and fighter bombers continued to play havoc with transport facilities behind the Axis lines. R.C.A.F. Wellingtons took part in the Saturday night raid on Monte Covina and Rovella. Eighteen enemy planes were destroyed in the course of the day's widespread operations, which cost the allies four aircraft. The 15 Junkers-52 transports were shot down by American fighters while on a rescue mission over the Tyrrhenian Sea. After assisting in the rescue of six crew members of an American bomber which crashed-landed in the sea following the Naples raid, the fighters sighted the German planes of the Junkers-52 transports. They sped to the attack and in a matter of minutes all 15 transport planes, apparently loaded with troops and supplies en route to Sicily, were shot down. The rescue was carried out by R.A.F. Sunderland flying boats, which were escorted to the scene, 30 miles off the coast of Sicily, by the fighters. The six crew members of the Sunderland sighted them and picked them up.

By Kirke L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst

Caught between the devil of Hitlerism and the deep sea of all-out British-Canadian-American attack, the Italian segment of the ill-starred Axis is creaking with portents of utter collapse. The American aerial attack on Rome capped an Allied invasion of Sicily that is sweeping like an irresistible flood over the big island outpost. Its fate is sealed and with it that of all Sicily—and of the nearby Italian mainland from toe to heel. It has been patent for days in Rome broadcasts and Italian press comment that only fear of the Nazi overlords is holding revolt in Italy in check. Italian propagandists preaching continued resistance hold out a vain hope to the war-weakened Italian people, only the plea that there is no escape from war even by surrender. German masters would still make Italy a battleground, they assert. But the moment cannot be far distant when dread of the terrific rolling air barrage of the Allies will outweigh even fear of Nazi reprisals upon a weakening ally. That was the psychology of the carefully planned and executed bombing attack on Rome. Its significance lies in the hint it gives that London and Washington see a prospect of early Italian collapse to pave the way for drives from the Sicilian advance base against the continent itself, not at some remote time, but soon. With Sicily swept clear of the foe, the Allied road northward to the coast of France would begin to open. The road to the northeast, from foot-holds on the Italian mainland back, the Allies could launch a drive at the Greek Peninsula and the Balkans. Western Sicily, the certain advance base for an advance upon Sardinia, Corsica and continental France itself seems ready to fall into Allied hands almost without opposition once the Allies complete their drive across the centre of the island. That will expedite the hour when fighting French troops from Africa join in the assault. That is likely to be strictly a French matter, but the British-Canadian force in eastern Sicily spearheaded the attack on the Italian mainland itself, if that proves necessary. There are immediate Allied objectives at the lower end of the Italian boot, however, which condition the next phase of the fight. Once the toe and heel and the Gulf of Taranto between them were taken by the Allies, Italian forces garrisoning Albania and Greece could be virtually cut off from contact with Italy by sea. And from the Italian boot heel it would be easy for massed flights of big bombers to reach the Rumanian oil fields in sustained and devastating attacks. Destruction from the air of those Balkan oil sources would strike a more serious blow to the Nazi war effort than any other discernible move the Allies could make quickly, and the attempt is definitely to be expected soon.

STOCKHOLM, July 20—(Tuesday)—(AP)—Fires were still burning in Rome early today following the Allied raid on military targets there, and all of the population of the Italian capital not essential to its activity had been urged to evacuate the city, Rome dispatches to the Swedish Press said.

OTTAWA, July 19—(CP)—A government bill to facilitate arrangements between insolvent farmers and their creditors was held insufficient by western opposition members speaking today in the House of Commons. The House spent its morning and afternoon sittings in discussion of the bill, which received second reading. Its purpose is to rescind the 1943 (Continued on page 7 Col. 7)

Unconfirmed Reports Indicate General Retreat For Messina Underway.

By LOUIS V. HUNTER
(Canadian Press War Correspondent)

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NORTH AFRICA, July 19—(CP Cable)—Axis resistance in Central Sicily crumbled tonight as Canadian and American troops raced down the 10-mile road leading to the vital communications hub of Enna after overrunning Caltanissetta and Piazza Armerina. The British 8th army on the eastern coast was battering at Catania's outskirts. (The Moroccan radio reported that "American and Canadian troops have reached Enna" and radio France at Algiers said aerial reconnaissance had noted the enemy's "general movement of retreat" towards Messina in northeastern Sicily. ("By road and rail enemy forces are falling back on Messina with heavy and light equipment," radio France said. ("All around this port, reports speak of considerable defensive preparations. It appears everything is being done for a final, prolonged stand." The broadcasts were heard in Washington by the United States foreign broadcast intelligence services.) Piazza Armerina was taken by the Canadians and Caltanissetta by the Americans against crumbling resistance.

LEGION MEN IN SICILY

OTTAWA, July 19—(CP)—The Canadian Legion announced today that white breasted supervisors of Canadian Legion services are assigned to units of the 1st Canadian Legion in Sicily. The supervisors are C. B. Burd, Fredericton, N. S.; Humpherson, Toronto; W. F. Harrington, London; R. W. Trotter, Winnipeg; J. Marrs, Victoria; and H. J. Morrison, Saskatoon.

COMING EVENTS

- Talks Malpeque Wednesday, 7-17-43
- Talks Crapeaud Thursday, 7-17-43
- Hollo Bay Tea July 21st, Don't get the date, 7-15-43
- Dance, St. Peter's Bay, Friday, 7-20-43
- Talks and dance Breadalbane today, 7-17-43
- Horse Races at Riverside Track, Monday, on July 21st, 7-2-43
- Come to Women's Institute, Millview Hall, Wednesday, 7-21-43
- Refreshments, 7-20-43
- Picture Social at Grange, Monday, July 22nd, Dancing from 9 to 11, 7-20-43
- Comedy Picture, Hillarity's, Monday, at North Rustico, Wednesday, July 21st, 7-20-43
- Dance, Fanningbrook School, Wednesday, 7-20-43
- Refreshments, 7-20-43
- Rustico Dramatic Club will present "The Kelly's Cross" Hall Wednesday night, July 21, 7-19-43
- The Conservative electors of the poll are asked to meet at C. Holm's Tuesday evening, July 21, 7-19-43
- Magurian Players in Cardigan Hall, Friday, July 23rd, Dance, Webster's Orchestra, 7-20-43
- Play Seven Mile Bay Hall Thursday, July 22nd, Kensington presents "The Little Clodhopper", three comedies and drama, Curtain 9 p.m., 7-19-43
- Marshfield Dunstaffnage Unit, will have a beautiful church grounds on July 21. Everything good to eat. Adults 50 cents, 7-19-43

Awarded D.F.C.

OTTAWA, July 19—(CP)—The R.C.A.F. announced tonight award of Distinguished Flying Crosses to 12 members of the R.C.A.F. serving overseas, including five Americans. The recipients:—PO's. George Alexander Vinish, Prince Albert, Sask.; R. A. Livingston, Rosebank, Man.; Frederick C. Allcroft, Vancouver; Fawell Clinton Annand, Milford Station, N.S.; Eric Arthur Skilleter, Toronto; Frederick B. Dasher, Winnipeg; William Campbell Gordon, Owen Sound, Ont.; Richard S. Clinton Whitney, Point, N.Y.; Kingston Roger Knapp, Chicago, Ill.; Alfred Dale Boushcard, Leicester, Pa.; Jerome Arthur Zee, Jewett City, Conn.; James Francis Munro, Detroit, and Fitzroy Harbor, Ont.

Milk Ration Cut

LONDON, July 20—(Tuesday)—(CP)—The weekly liquid milk ration will be reduced from three to 2 1/2 pints beginning Aug. 1, the Ministry of food announced today. The reduction comes earlier than last year and the Ministry said, was designed primarily to meet special demands for manufactured milk products from the fighting services.

Commons To Meet Again Jan. 26, 1944

OTTAWA, July 19—(CP)—Prime Minister MacKenzie King today gave the House of Commons notice of a motion providing that when parliament adjourns at the completion of the present session it will stand adjourned until Jan. 26, 1944. The motion makes provision, however, for parliament to be summoned for an earlier date if it is considered necessary in the public interest. Expectations are that the session's business may be concluded this week.

Rome Bombed By Specially Trained Crews

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, July 19—(AP)—Specially trained American precision airmen dropped hundreds of tons of bombs on rail and airfield installations at Rome today in the first attack of the war on the eternal city. The first "bombs away" call of flying fortress bombardiers, came at 11:13 a.m. E.D.T.—6:13 a.m. A.D.T.— Leaflets previously were dropped, advising the inhabitants why certain sections of the city were military objectives. Tons of explosives smashed the San Lorenzo railway yards south-northeast of the city. That was the target nearest the Vatican. The yards are those in which Axis troop trains are made up for dispatch southward to Sicily and the southern mainland. The Littorio yards farther east and the Campitolo airfield also were bombed heavily. Heavy and medium bombers from the North African command were joined by big-four engine bombers from the Mediterranean. Their crews had trained for weeks for this delicate task and carried large aerial photographs on which such points as the Vatican, the St. Peter's Basilica, the St. John Lateran and Santa Maria Maggiore, were marked in red and labelled. "Must on no account be damaged," pilots returning to Cairo said there was no fighter opposition, but they encountered heavy anti-aircraft fire. No mention was made of any Allied losses. (The Berlin radio said the planes sank in waves during a period of 1 1/2 hours, an indication that Rome's defences were inadequate to stop the prolonged attack. The bombing was an emphatic answer to Mussolini's fascists who apparently long had believed that their headquarters and military installations would be immune because of their position close to the Holy See and amid the cultural treasures prized by the entire western world. (Continued on page 7 Col. 8)

Fertilizer Council Meets Here Today

The 14th annual convention of the Maritime Fertilizer Council is being held today at "The Charlottetown". The convention which begins at 9:30 a.m. will be of three sessions. Presiding will be President J. K. Leggett, St. John, N.B., other officers include: Vice-president, Dr. J. A. Clark, Charlottetown; Secretary, J. E. MacIntyre, Moncton. The directors expected are: Mr. C. F. Bailey, Superintendent of Experimental Farms, Fredericton, N.B.; Austin A. Scates, Freetown; J. H. MacIntyre, St. John, N.B.; Stanley, N. B.; Kenneth Cox, Truro, N.S. About 25 delegates will be in attendance. The Annual Convention was also held last year at "The Charlottetown" and owing to lack of uncrowded hotels in other maritime cities, it was decided to hold the convention at this hotel where the main dining room will be used for convention purposes. Luncheon at noon will feature Premier J. Walter Jones, it is hoped.

FIRE IN MAINE VILLAGE

DAMARISCOTTA, Me., July 19—(AP)—Wind-whipped flames swept through this village today, causing damage unofficially estimated at \$150,000 as they destroyed four dwellings, a commercial garage, a weekly newspaper plant, and a three-story hotel converted to army use as barracks.

Sees Allies On Verge Of Big Events In Air

LONDON, July 20—(Tuesday)—(CP)—The latest issue of "Jane's all the world's aircraft" declares that "we are on the threshold of mighty events in the air." In a foreword of the 1942 volume, being released by the publishers today, James M. Spaight, noted writer on air warfare, concluded:—"Air action alone will probably not bring Germany down. The war will not be won solely by the bombing of her industries and communications, but without such bombing it probably could not be won at all. "The air arm is in fact an indispensable partner in the great joint adventure and may prove to be the leading partner." The foreword and text of the new volume shows how the emphasis for the last year has been on great increases in the production of proved types of aircraft, rather than on the introduction of new types. The book, in more than 800 pages and hundreds of illustrations, gives much more detail on the types listed in the 1941 issue but did not add many new planes. Noting that the United States produced nearly 50,000 planes in 1942 and in December turned out 3,500 military aircraft, the book said this latter total was greater than all the Axis output for that month, and adds a "figure nearly twice as high is likely to be reached in time." Reporting that British production is still on the up grade to a remarkable degree, the foreword said "Russian production has been

Reaction To First Aerial Raid On Rome

LONDON, July 19—(AP)—With grim satisfaction, but not exultation, bomb-bombed London accepted the first aerial attack on Rome today as the start of a series of attacks on the Axis. Press and individual opinion seemed agreed that the time had come when Italy quite the war. The bombing was necessary to shorten the war and to save Axis as well as Allied lives on the fighting front. Hours after the raid, the Rome Radio asserted that a church had been damaged. It said Pope Pius had visited the basilica of St. Lorenzo "fuori le Mura" outside the wall which had been devastated by the bombing. Bombs dropped by Anglo-Saxon aviators.


Urges Greater Reduction In Feed Grain Prices

HALIFAX, July 18—(CP)—A "decision reduction" in the price of grain for livestock feeding was urged today in a statement by Hon. John A. McDonald, Nova Scotia Minister of Agriculture. A subsidy to be paid eastern farmers on western feed grains was an appreciated help, but it probably could not be carried on this year. (The subsidy, announced at Ottawa last Friday night, is three cents a bushel on grain bought in July and drops half a cent per bushel each succeeding month until it amounts to a half-cent in December. The object is an incentive for eastern farmers to buy and store grains for next winter's livestock requirements.) "We hope," said Mr. McDonald, "that representations made last week at the agricultural conference at Ottawa will be approved and means found of lowering the price of wheat to the point where the farmers can profitably feed it and continue the program of greater production which they have so well carried on this year." The feed situation was more serious than he thought before going to Ottawa. One recommendation made was that boats, if available, load Maritime potatoes at peak of production when storage is a problem, take them to South America and bring back feed for livestock.

No Planes Lost In Raid On Rome

CAIRO, July 19—(AP)—American airmen, including those of the Catholic faith, from Libyan bases bombed the Littorio freight yards in Rome for 75 minutes today without any fighter opposition, and up to a late hour tonight not a single bomber had been reported lost on the successful expedition. A few planes landed at other than their home bases, however, after dropping 350 tons of bombs on their target. As many Catholics as possible were chosen for the raid on the military objective in Rome in order to counter any possible Axis propaganda lies, it was disclosed here.

A SWIMMING INSTRUCTOR SHOULD NEVER GO TO A DINNER IN HIS BUSINESS SUIT



High tide this afternoon at 1:35 and tomorrow morning 2:42. Sun sets tonight at 8:41 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:32. Last quarter moon July 23, 12:38 a.m. Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown. **CAR FERRY SERVICE DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY** From Borden — Leave 8:40 a.m. 1:45 p.m. and 4:55 p.m. Leave Cape Tormentine 11 a.m. 3:25 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. **DAILY AIR SERVICE (EXCEPT SUNDAY)** Charlottetown — Summerside — Moncton Leave Charlottetown 7:50 a.m. 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Arrive Charlottetown 1:10 p.m. 5:45 p.m. and 7:05 p.m. **DAILY INCLUDING SUNDAYS** Leave Wood Islands — 7:00 a.m. and 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Leave Carleton Place — 9:00 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.