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Phenomenal Red Drive Still Rolling

War Situation Last Night

Soviets Tell Of Heavy Nazi Army Casualties

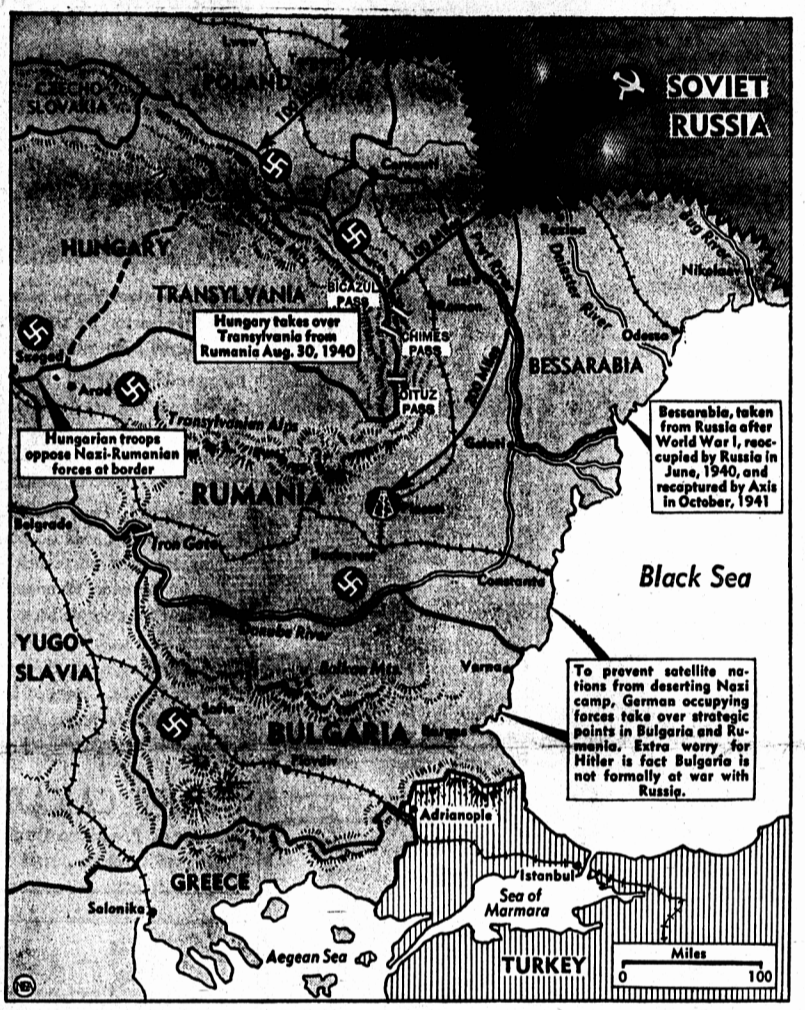
OTTAWA, April 3—(CP)—In view of the existing butter supply situation, the Prices Board is considering "dropping" another butter coupon during April, it was learned tonight.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported today that creamy butter stocks in nine of Canada's principal cities amounted to 5,036,000 pounds as of April 1, a decrease of 2,364,000 pounds from stocks of 7,400,000 pounds March 1.

Late in February, the Board effected a temporary eight-ounce reduction in Canada's butter ration arising from decreased winter butter production, equivalent to one week's allowance for each person.

The reduction was made by postponing the dates of two coupons which normally become valid March 16 to March 23 and March 30, respectively.

A Prices Board spokesman said tonight that the "buttermilk" week has passed unnoted and had aroused no protest. He said the situation was receiving "close study."



Map above shows how inexorable Russian drive, heretofore over fairly flat land, is forcing German backs against the wall of Carpathian mountains, where in more easily defensible terrain, they may make desperate stand. Red armies aim at vital passes along rugged Carpathians. Map also shows areas over which Balkan nations fight among themselves and drastic steps Hitler has taken to forestall satellite nations from deserting the Nazi fold. Notes: Russians have advanced across Prut River since above map was made and have made other gains at various points along the line.

By BOSS MUNRO
LONDON, April 3—(CP Cable)—The German army is facing its gravest days of the war as the Russians have broken through the Carpathian front and the Black Sea front and a massive Allied expeditionary force holds itself ready in Britain for the invasion hour.

The Red Army advance has exceeded every expectation. London views its success as phenomenal beyond the most sanguine hopes.

Now the German high command has to decide where it is going to make a final stand against the Soviet onslaught and it also has to relate its plans to anti-invasion preparations in the west.

The German army is worried by the fact that the invasion has not been launched. Should the Russian advance speed on the Nazis may be forced to weaken their western defences in many places by sending a considerable number of divisions to the east and this appears to be what they fear most.

In addition to army reserves sent to Hungary, Rumania and the Carpathians recently, some divisions have been taken from Norway and Denmark and three or four have gone to the East. This is the first time since the invasion of Poland and Yugoslavia, it was learned here.

But this is meagre replacement for heavy losses on the vast Russian battle line. To give real support to the east, the enemy probably will have to draw heavily on France and the Low Countries, where the strongest German forces in the west are concentrated.

The German army chiefs now are going to be forced to take great risks in juggling any of this army sprawling over Europe.

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Associated Press War Analyst
There are strong indications that in southeastern Europe the first closely-integrated phase of the Russian-Allied attack to smash Germany has been reached with a Red Army surge into Rumania proper plus Allied bombing of Budapest.

Just how wide and deep the first Russian penetration across the Prut river north of Iasi junction went, Moscow reports did not immediately reveal.

The push across the Prut seems oriented to the southwest along the Iasi-Galati railway which reached the Siret river at Teutul north of Galati. That is the most vulnerable sector of the probable Nazi defence line in the Carpathians linked with the Danubian delta.

A Russian break-through across the Siret at that point to debouch into the Danubian plain south of the transylvanian Alps would bring Red spearheads within striking distance of Bucharest and Flocesti's web of oil pipe lines.

Linked with the Russian drive across the Prut came the first Allied bombing of Budapest, rail and road hub in Hungary vital to Nazi defence lines throughout the Balkan region.

Russian-Allied pincers are beginning to close in from the east and west simultaneously in an effort to bite off the whole Balkan peninsula, oil supply and break the back of Rumanian adherence to the Nazi cause.

With Allied air power smashing at Nazi supply lines from the west to facilitate the Russian land drive, the bombing of Budapest looks to be the first move in the south to implement Teheran Allied-Russian commitments.

By TOM YARBOROUGH
Associated Press Staff Writer
LONDON, April 3—(AP)—Rumanian troops pouring into Rumania on a broad front have captured 54 villages and struck to within nine miles of the rail centre of Iasi while in the north 183,310 Germans have been killed and 24,954 captured on the Iasi-Ukrainian front alone, Moscow announced tonight.

The remnants of 15 German divisions, originally a front of between 150,000 and 225,000 men, also have been encircled on the Iasi-Ukraine front north of the middle Dniester river in the Skala area 20 miles northwest of Kamienets-Podolsk, "and are being hunted down," said a special communication detailing the huge Axis losses for the period between March 4 and March 31.

German-Rumanian lines were crumbling on a 450-mile front from deep inside pre-war Poland down to Odessa on the Black Sea area, the Russians said.

The German High Command communique said Axis troops still were holding out at Stanistopol, Tarnopol and Kovel in Poland and fighting off heavy Russian attacks near Mogilev in White Russia and south of Pskov opposite the Latvian and Estonian borders. Moscow was silent about these sectors.

Hungarian troops were reported counter-attacking the Russians at Ebanisag in southeastern Poland.

Reporting on the Russians' first expedition of the war beyond their own frontiers, Russian war correspondents said Red Army staffs already had established headquarters on Rumanian soil, and described enemy soldiers as "retreating like a horde of tramps—barefooted, unshaven, dirty and unarmed but carrying bags of loot and laying the land waste as they went."

Regular ferry crossings across the Prut were reported established, facilitating the flow of Soviet cavalry tanks and infantry into a mighty Balkan push, and the scenes were described as peaceful now except for the drone of distant enemy planes and the cough of anti-aircraft guns.

Finish Parliament To Hear New Terms

STOCKHOLM, April 3—(AP)—A precise statement of Moscow's armistice demands was slated for presentation to the Finnish parliament tonight, probably by a government recommendation on either acceptance or rejection.

The government was expected to be in the parliament with the Linkomies, as in the past, outlining the cabinet's views on the latest intervention by Dr. Juho Paasikivi in a flying visit to the Kremlin last week. The terms were understood to be of a milder character than the original.

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COMING EVENTS

- Just arrived a few Coal and Wood Chick Brooder Stoves, Dillon & Spillit. 3-21-44.
- Victory Seed Oats to arrive. Book now. McHugh & Boyle. 3-26-101.
- Unloading at Breadalbane, wheat, barley and oats. L. S. Stevenson. 4-4-21.
- Free-lunch, Monday, Bradalbane Tuesday, Free sound Movies, National Film Board.
- Unloading car Oats at Souris, April 4th, 5th and 6th. Bring bags. P. A. McIsaac. 4-4-21.
- See Marie Players in "Silas Smilge from Turnip Ridge" at Morell Hall, April 10th, 8:30 P. M. 4-4-21.
- Dingwell and Roessler, Lloyd B. Cox, Consumers Co-operative, Morell, will be closed Good Friday. 4-4-21.
- Loading hogs at Fredericton Hill 11:30 and Colville 2 to 12 Friday, April 7. Leslie McDowell. 4-4-21.
- Unloading car No. 1 Feed Oats, Tuesday, April 4th and Wednesday, April 5th. Bring bags. Dillon & Spillit. 4-4-21.
- Unloading car feed oats at Charlottetown Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday this week. Livestock Feed Agency. 4-3-21.
- Loading Hogs every Thursday for Davis & Fraser Ltd. Keith McKinnon, Montague, Norman MacKenzie, Carleton Place. 2-21-22-26-28 ff.
- Notice—car of Quebec horses arrived. Will be at Orwell Clark stable, Kensington, Monday and Tuesday. Walker Weeks. 4-3-21.
- Owing to circumstances beyond my control I will not be loading hogs at Vernon until Tuesday afternoon, April 11th. O. C. Green. 4-4-21.
- Loading hogs for Davis & Fraser every Thursday afternoon at Albany and Emerald every Friday forenoon until further notice. O. C. Green. 3-7-21.
- Unloading at Souris Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday car of feed oats. Delivering Seed Oats same day. T. J. Kitcham. 4-4-11.
- Unloading cars Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Feed oats, double reconditioned oats, bagged, Flour, mill-feed barley meal and hog grower's Corn and Soy. Bedford. 4-3-21.
- Those wishing to order Bray Ovens kindly write or phone as circumstances will not permit calling. Brooder stoves stocked in a few days. Clarence F. Haslam, Morell. 4-4-21.

Nazi Battleship Tirpitz Damaged By Allied Planes

LONDON, April 3—(CP)—The Tirpitz, last capital battleship in Hitler's turbine navy, has been hit by several bombs from British naval planes, an Admiralty communique said today.

This fresh blow to neutralize German sea power was dealt as the western Allies speed final preparations for continental invasion in which dominion of the seas will be vital.

The terse communique gave few details of the attack, saying merely, "Naval aircraft have carried out a successful bombing attack on the German battleship Tirpitz in Alton fiord, north Norway. Several hits were obtained."

Her two-year hideout is more than 1,000 miles from the nearest British air bases so it was obvious the attack was carried out by planes from carriers.

Since she was holed up in misty, high-walled Alton fiord, British forces have gone after her from above and below the surface. Last Sept. 22 an attack by midget submarines scored hits which reached her hull.

STOCKHOLM, April 3—(AP)—The attack by British naval aircraft on the German battleship Tirpitz recently was based on information that repairs of the damage inflicted by British midget submarines Sept. 22, 1943, had reached the stage which would permit the vessel to make a dash to Germany.

NEW YORK, April 3—(AP)—The Navy Agency D.N.E. acknowledged tonight that the German battleship Tirpitz had been attacked by aircraft at a northern Norwegian base, but claimed the attack was dispersed by our defence and did not attain full effect.

Local Man Dies Unexpectedly

Mr. Charles Shephard of Charlottetown died unexpectedly at the Revue Hotel here last night.

He was connected with the Municipal Spraying Company from Halifax in road building projects here for several years prior to the outbreak of war. At the last session of the P. E. I. Legislature an Island Construction Company was formed and Mr. Shephard was one of its members.

Cause of his death was not learned.

Rumor Rome To Be Evacuated

BERNE, April 3—(CP-Reuters)—The Rome correspondent of the newspaper "Bund" reported today that Rome is to be evacuated. The report added that the reduction of the daily bread ration to about 3 1/2 ounces reflects the seriousness of the food position so that authorities have no alternative but to reduce the population.

Sweden In Danger

LONDON, April 3—(CP-Reuters)—A cable from Reuters correspondent in Stockholm today said that many observers consider Sweden now in greater danger of being involved in the war than at any time since September, 1939.

If Finland makes peace with Russia now or later it is considered possible that Hitler may demand of Sweden the right of refuge or free transport of his troops to Finland.

Local Men Included In Arrivals From Overseas

OTTAWA, April 3—Canada has welcomed a new group of arrivals from overseas—Canadian Army, Navy and Airforce personnel, British wives of Canadian servicemen and their children, and merchant seamen.

They came to the Dominion from overseas for reasons varying from taking over the running of merchant ships to discharge from the services, helping in the new victory drive and setting up homes here to await the return of Canadian fighting men.

Prominent among the army men was Capt. Tony Condy, Halifax, an officer of the Royal Canadian Regiment who went overseas more than 4 1/2 years ago and was the first Canadian soldier to be decorated. Shortly after he returned from France during the fateful June of 1940 Condy was awarded the British Empire Medal. Since then he has served with the R.C.R.'s and the 8th Army in Sicily and Italy.

A native of Springhill, N.S., he expected to take part in the Victory Loan drive.

Another hero who expects to lend a hand in the loan is Sgt. W. J. Brooks of Amherst, N.S., who won the military medal in Sicily while serving with the R.C.E.S.C. Brooks was reluctant about his decoration and said if anybody wanted to know the why and wherefore of his medal they'll have to look up his citation.

Oldest soldier to return was Capt. G. W. Bullock, 82 of Bridgewater, N.S., who as officer commanding and with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel took the Nova Scotia regiment overseas as part of the 1st Division. When he finished his job with the West Indies he accepted another army appointment overseas and was in Italy when his son, Capt. Reg Bullock, was fatally wounded in action. The son died in his father's arms.

Men from Prince Edward Island in the group included Pte. A. J. E. Buehard, Charlottetown; Gnr. E. W. Ellis, Charlottetown; Pte. W. J. Pennessy, Charlottetown; Pte. M. P. Fisher, Charlottetown; Pte. R. D. Johnston, Mount Stewart.

Reds Call On Rumanians To Abandon Nazis

LONDON, April 4—(Tuesday)—(CP)—The Moscow Radio, in a broadcast in the name of the Soviet Government, called on the Rumanian people today to abandon the Germans and capitulate at once.

The broadcast, recorded by the London Daily Mail, said: "Unless you (Rumanians) do so, the whole of your country will be turned into a vast field of ruins."

The call went out while the battle for Rumania was approaching a climax with the spearheads of the Red Army already well beyond the Prut River.

Dom.-Provincial Conference May Be In Early Fall

OTTAWA, April 3—(CP)—Although official word is lacking, it is now believed that the proposed Dominion - Provincial Conference will not take place until late summer or early fall.

When it was first decided to hold a conference, Easter Week was considered a possible time, but in the interval provincial legislatures have been in session and Prime Minister Mackenzie King's last word to the Commons on the subject was that it was not possible yet to find a date suitable to all concerned.

Now that the Easter period has been abandoned, prospects of finding an early date are remote. For one thing Mr. King has to attend the conference of Empire Prime Ministers in London.

News Briefs

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Southwest Pacific, April 4—(Tuesday)—(AP)—Further progress in the campaign against the Japanese from the American perimeter at Empress Augusta Bay was reported today by Allied headquarters which also said big fires were set in a dawn bombing raid on Truk in the Carolines. Evidence of mass burials of Japanese dead indicated heavy loss of life in the fierce Bougainville fighting.

Budapest Raided First Time By U. S. Bombers

WASHINGTON, April 3—(AP)—United States bombers in the Marshall Islands, giving them possession of all but Jalut Atoll in the western chain of islands and making a total of 14 from which the Japanese have been cleared, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Central Pacific Commander, announced today.

WASHINGTON, April 3—(AP)—Interior Secretary Harold Ickes said tonight "contrary to the impression held in some quarters," there is no possibility at this time of increasing civilian gasoline rations in any section of the United States.

WASHINGTON, April 3—(AP)—A disclosure that the United States is developing long-range fighter planes, presumably to protect flights of the huge new B-29 super bomber, came simultaneously today with the announcement of a record-shattering aircraft production in March. The aircraft industry turned out 9,118 combat planes last month, topping 9,000 for the first time.

OTTAWA, April 3—(CP)—Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced today that H.S. Southam, chairman of the Board of trustees of the National Gallery and vice-president of the Southam Publishing Company, has presented to the gallery a painting by Nicolas Poussin (1664-1666) entitled "Romantic Landscape."

German Raid At Anzio Beaten Off

NAPLES, April 3—(AP)—Italian troops fighting with the Allies at Anzio have captured a third pier northeast of Cassino. It was announced today, and an attack by 150 German infantrymen against Allied defences on the Anzio beachhead was thrown back with losses.

Led by flame-throwers, the Nazis launched their latest attack against the left flank of the beachhead just before dusk on Friday, today's announcement said. By midnight the attackers either were dead or routed, though mortar fire thundered through the night.

There were indications the Germans had made their last major assault against the beachhead and had decided to try and seal it off.

Greek Premier Resigns Post

CAIRO, April 3—(CP)—(Reuters)—Greek prime minister E. Tsouderos has resigned, it was announced tonight by the Greek Legation.

Touderos ousted King George of Greece to entrust the premiership to Sophocles Venizelos, at present Navy Minister.

Resignation of Tsouderos was attributed to failure of his government to reach terms with the resistance committee formed in the Greek mountains which aims to set up a national coalition regime.

WALL FLOWERS ARE ROSE YOUNG LADIES WHO BLOSSOM AT DANCES BUT ARE NEVER PICKED!



High tide this morning at 9:26 and tonight at 8:46.
Sun sets this evening at 7:31 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:34.
Full moon April 8, 2:22 p.m.

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