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## CHINESE GO INTO FURIOUS ACTION IN BURMA

### Pool Canadian Brains For War Research Inflict Heavy Casualties On Enemy Column

Russians In Hot Pursuit Of Cold Nazis

War Situation Last Night

Army Technical Development Board named

Will Develop And Test New Ideas For Weapons And Improvement Of Existing Ones.

Heavy fighting spreads northward; Seaborne attack may accompany land drive.

MELBOURNE—MacArthur says President Roosevelt ordered offensive to drive Japs from Philippines.

CHUNGKING—Stilwell discloses he commands all U.S. forces in India, Burma, China, besides two Chinese armies.

NEW DELHI, March 20—(CP)—The Japanese already have suffered 700 casualties in heavy fighting now in progress south of Toungoo, Burma, where tough Chinese cavalrymen spurred into action against the invaders' armored cars, infantry and horsemen, British headquarters announced tonight.

Official advices placed the scene on the Sittang front on the left wing of the British-Chinese line defending central Burma.

The fighting had spread northward from a point some 35 miles south of Toungoo, where the Chinese troops swooped down on the Japanese yesterday, and the British forces—in a new defence line in the vicinity of Toungoo—were heavily engaged today.

It is generally believed that the main force of the Japanese offensive will proceed up the Prome road and that it may be linked with a seaborne attack on the important coastal province of Arakan, northwest of the present location of the British press.

Successful Japanese occupation of this province would threaten Gen. Harold Alexander's armies from the rear and would place Japanese bombers and warships within 400 miles of Calcutta.

#### News Briefs

VANCOUVER, March 20—(CP)—Officers of Wartime Shipping Limited announced today that every steel shipyard in British Columbia will be on a 24-hour seven-day-a-week basis on or before April 1 to speed production of freighters for war use.

LONDON, March 20—(CP)—Britain's new fighter plane, the Whirlwind, was on public show for the first time today, the British Broadcasting Corporation said tonight. The Whirlwind is a two-engine single-seater equipped with four cannon and is reported to be faster than the Spitfire.

OTTAWA, March 20—(CP)—State Secretary McLarty announced tonight a proclamation in being issued setting Sunday, March 29, as a national day of prayer. "It is hoped... that the clergy of all denominations in Canada will take steps to arrange that in services the day of prayer will be observed," Mr. McLarty's statement said.

OTTAWA, March 20—(CP)—Hon. Ian Mackenzie, Minister of Pensions and National Health, announced tonight that despite some representations urging postponement the new vitamin-rich "Canada approved" flour and bread will be placed on the market by April 1 by many millers and bakers.

OTTAWA, March 20—(CP)—Preliminary debate on the government measure authorizing a gift of \$1,000,000 worth of supplies to Britain ended in the House of Commons today when Finance Minister Beley's resolution was adopted after three days' debate and the bill was introduced and given first reading.

MOSCOW, March 20—(CP)—The Russian government announced tonight a one-year extension of the Soviet-Japanese fisheries agreement which expired last December.



High tide this afternoon at 1:31 and tomorrow morning at 2:18.

Sun sets this evening at 6:13 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:01.

First quarter moon March 24, 7:01 p.m.

Summer time 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

BORDEN - CAPE TORMENTINE SERVICE

Leave Borden 9:25 A.M. 1:00 P.M. Leave Cape Tormentine 11:00 A.M. 3:20 P.M.



White-clad Russian troops, pursuing the retreating Germans, are shown passing some abandoned motorized equipment in the Staraya sector of the front northwest of Moscow, where several Nazi divisions are threatened with entrapment.

### Increase Pressure On Trapped 16th Army

MOSCOW, March 20—(AP)—The Russians put more pressure on the trapped German 16th army at Staraya Russa today and reports from the front told of the capture of an important Nazi defence centre and slaughter of hundreds of desperate Nazis trying by any means to break out of the encirclement.

Other dispatches said 1,000 Germans were killed at a fortified junction point. It was not clear whether these accounts dealt with the same separate actions, but all reports said the ring was drawing tighter and tighter about the starving, frost-bitten 16th army.

(The Vichy radio broadcast a report that the Red army had entered Staraya Russa, where the 16th German army long has been entrapped.)

### Says Hungary, Rumania on Unfriendly terms

LONDON, March 21—(Saturday)—Hungary has militarily strengthened her borders with Rumania because of Rumania's growing territorial grievances, the London Daily Mail's Geneva correspondent said today.

### Coming Events

- Cake Sale Saturday, March 21st, Rogers Hardware, 211 St. John's Street. L-1026-4-10-41.
- Pantry Sale Parkdale Women's Institute, Saturday, March 21st, 10:30-12:00. L-1036-3-19-21.
- Loading Hogs every Tuesday until 2 P.M. at Five Houses, Justin Lanes. L-1115-3-21-Fri-Sat-14.
- Due to arrive another car of red wheat. Book now, McHughan & Boyle. L-1121-3-21-21.
- Collecting hogs Tuesdays and Fridays till noon at Crapaud, R. Dawson. L-1125-3-21-21.
- See "The Irish Millionaire"—a sat comedy, Tuesday, March 23rd at Emerald Jct. L-1130-3-21-31.
- Buying young pigs at Fredericton Monday paying \$10.00 pair for pigs over 28 lbs. each. Will also buy small ones. Knud Jorgensen. L-286-2-14-8-tf.
- Loading hogs at Fredericton Tuesday until 9 A.M. at Bradalbane Hill 2 P.M. Knud Jorgensen. L-286-2-14-8-tf.
- See our province-wide Live-stock shipping service advertised on page 3 of today's paper. Efficient service. High prices. Livestock Marketing Board. L-1128.
- Notice—Arriving next week one car mixed feeds. Get your requirements from the car at rock bottom prices. G. C. Green, Emerald. L-1091-3-20-21.

### Is Congratulated



HON. R. B. HANSON

OTTAWA, March 20—(C.P.)—Conservative House Leader Hanson was congratulated by Prime Minister Mackenzie King and other party leaders in the House of Commons today on his 63rd birthday.

A basket of spring flowers adorned the opposition leader's desk when he took his seat at the start of the afternoon's sitting and he was greeted with a round of applause when he entered the chamber.

### Reveals huge Poultry Market In Nova Scotia

A waiting market in Nova Scotia capable of handling enormous supplies of eggs and poultry produced in this province was held out as an incentive to Island poultrymen last night in an address by Mr. J. F. Haggerty, Senior Poultry Products Inspector for Nova Scotia. He was speaking in Prince of Wales College at a meeting of the P.E.I. Poultry Industry Committee which was attended by many interested poultry raisers.

Mr. Haggerty, in his interesting address last evening, dealt briefly with the workings of the hatchery problem in Nova Scotia and spoke of the effect of zoning and its influence on the market. He did not mention the 35% less.

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### Remove special Duties on tea

OTTAWA, March 20—(CP)—To help maintain Canada's general price ceiling, the government has removed special duties imposed on tea imports in 1941.

(By KIRKE L. SIMPSON, Associated Press War Analyst)  
The ringing simultaneous declarations from two United States army officers assigned to pivotal commands that their orders call for offensive preparations against Japan were to be expected. It was implicit in their selection to mobilize and lead the cutting edges, steeled with American weapons in American hands, of a vast ultimate pincer attack upon Japan itself.

Neither Gen. Douglas MacArthur in Australia nor Lt.-Gen. Joseph Stilwell in Burma had it in mind, however, to suggest that the day for that double assault on the foe could come soon. Both were intent on extending assurances, not only to the American people longing to revenge Pearl Harbor, but to the people of the Philippines and of China that the war with Japan will end in Japan; the peace be dictated in Tokyo.

MacArthur's terse statement that the primary purpose of his transfer to Australia was to organize "the relief of the Philippines" carries that assurance.

"I came through (from the Philippines) and I will return," he said. Stilwell, Chinese chief of staff under Chiang Kai-shek, was even more specific. He now commands Chinese divisions holding the east flank of the British-Chinese line in Burma and also all American troops in or destined for China and India.

"We won't be satisfied until we see American and Chinese troops in Tokyo together," he said.

### Better Terms Probable Had Campbell Government Shown True 1940 Deficit

That Prince Edward Island may have lost in the vicinity of \$300,000 a year under the new Dominion Provincial financial agreement because of the Campbell Government's failure to show the actual 1940 deficit, on which federal subsidy calculations were based, was charged in the Legislature yesterday by Mr. H. F. MacPhee, Third District King's.

The important clauses, Mr. MacPhee said, "are sections 10 and 11 which deal with the amount to be paid to this Province in lieu of the income and corporation tax revenues which it surrenders to the Dominion. I gather from what the Premier has said that the calculation of this amount was based on a recognition of certain factors. The first of these was the revenue which we would lose as a result of surrendering to the Dominion the right to impose and collect the taxes in question.

"The second was the recognition on the part of the Dominion of the obligation on the part of the Province to make some provision for sinking funds for debt retirement. True, the Premier says the Dominion did not go very far in this regard, but there was some recognition.

"The third was the recognition on the part of the Dominion of the necessity of recognizing the Province for additional expenses the Province will incur in the administration of affairs during the war.

There are three factors which might be considered more or less variable, but apparently the Dominion took what it regarded as an actual figure as to the actual deficit for the 1940 and used its own judgment as to the amount which should be awarded to provide for sinking funds and for a cushion for probable additional expenses of provincial administration.

### Islander on Casualty list

OTTAWA, March 20—(CP)—Royal Canadian Air Force casualty list A-217 today contained names of four men killed overseas, one who died of injuries suffered overseas, five presumed dead overseas, one reported prisoner of war and one killed in Canada.

One man in Canada seriously ill overseas. In Canada one man was reported seriously injured and two seriously ill.

### \$300,000 fire In N. B. Capital

FREDERICTON, March 20—(CP)—Three buildings in the heart of Fredericton's business district were destroyed by fire tonight. They were the Pitt building, on York street, and the Inches and Edgecombe buildings on Queen street. All had been occupied by business establishments and offices. Early estimates put the loss at upwards of \$300,000.

Embers, blown by a strong wind, were flying over the city but it was hoped the damage would be confined to the three buildings.

Volunteer fire-fighters, including hundreds of soldiers, aided regular firemen, and a fireboat was sent from Saint John.

It was the second major fire in the city's business section within three weeks. Previously the Loyalist building, near the scene of tonight's outbreak, was destroyed with a loss of about \$150,000.

### Sensation in Australia over Casey appointment

CANBERRA, March 20—(CP)—An Empire family clash of personalities, policies and purposes between Prime Minister Churchill and Australian Prime Minister John Curtin came out into the open today and created a sensation that almost crowded war news from Australian front pages.

Caught in the middle was Richard Casey, the Australian Minister for External Affairs, who is going to the Middle-East as Minister of State for the British—not Australian—war cabinet.

News of this Churchill appointment reached Australia on the London radio before Curtin had announced it himself, and today Australia's Labor Premier made it known in the House of Representatives that he would table next week a white paper containing a complete documentation of how it happened.

This, it was disclosed authoritatively will relate:— 1. Curtin's extreme reluctance to let Casey, the service of Australia in Washington, "surprise at the tone and substance" of Curtin's reaction to the Casey appointment.

### Restrict Bakery Deliveries; And No more icing

OTTAWA, March 20—(CP)—Deliveries of bread and bakery products to householders, retailers, hotels, restaurants, and canteens will be limited to one a day on week days with no special or Sunday deliveries, and the number of varieties of bread and rolls will be reduced.

Mr. Harrison's orders, effective Monday, "eliminates entirely such time-consuming and non-essential frills as docking, twisting dough, cross-pastry, splitting or cutting dough before baking," the board said in a statement.

S. R. Noble, sugar administrator of the Wartime Prices and Trade board, announced earlier that starting April 1 frosting icing or sugar dusting will not be allowed on bakery products. So-called anniversary cakes.

### Regard Russians Better Prepared Than In 1941

Germans still hold four-fifths of territory taken last year.

By J. F. Sanderson  
Canadian Press Staff Writer  
WASHINGTON, March 20—(CP)—The Russians probably aren't paying any attention to them but conflicting reports came out of Germany last week about a spring offensive on the eastern front.

Hitler first of all suggested an offensive in the Ukraine and the Caucasus which holds the oil that Germany needs—and the oil that Russia needs even more.

Despite the ferocity of the Russian winter campaign, German armies are still deep in Soviet territory and still hold strong points which the Russians obviously want before spring. In the north, the Germans still hold in the Leningrad area. They still hold the key city of Smolensk on the Moscow front and Rostov and Dnepropetrovsk, the keys to the Ukraine, though they may lose all three before spring.

June, 1941, when he attacked on a front almost 1,000 miles long from the Baltic to the Black Sea. Instead, he is expected to pick out one spot and attempt to drive through, probably through the Ukraine and Crimea toward the Caucasus which holds the oil that Germany needs—and the oil that Russia needs even more.

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