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BRITISH PLANES BEAT OFF NAZIS

12 German Raiders Shot Down In Battle Enemy Planes Stage Unsuccessful Attacks On Shipping.

LONDON, July 24—(CP)—The Air Ministry said tonight that one of 12 German raiders shot down today during attacks on shipping was a United States dive-bomber the Germans captured. British Spitfires downed the American-made plane. The Air Ministry said that twice during the day American "Chance Vought 156" bombers were encountered by British fighter planes.

In the first encounter one American-made plane and two Messerschmitt fighters crashed into the sea. The "Chance Vought" fell into a spin, with pieces flying from it where bullets struck. In the second encounter a Messerschmitt plunged out of control and a "Chance Vought" staggered away with a damaged wing.

The ministry said "it was a Spitfire day" in contrast to other days of air fighting in which Hurricanes scored successes.

"Up to the early evening," the Air Ministry said, "they were still successfully destroying and beating off the enemy."

The statement:—"Since the small hours of Wednesday morning Spitfires and anti-

70 CENT WHEAT TO CONTINUE IS DECISION

OTTAWA, July 24—(CP)—Continuation of the guaranteed basic 70-cent wheat price, Winnipeg grain exchange operations and present pegged prices, was announced by Trade Minister MacKinnon today as he outlined the government's 1940 wheat policy to the House of Commons.

In addition to these features of last year's program, the government is introducing added measures to meet the serious situation caused by disappearance of wheat markets through war.

Because of the prospective overflow supply, producers will be able to deliver to the wheat board immediately only a portion of their crop, a storage allowance being paid for the wheat stored on the farms.

The most revolutionary feature of the new program is a domestic wheat processing tax of 15 cents a bushel which will not only bolster the board's finances directly but also will help to restore prices, at least as far as domestic consumption is concerned.

This levy, effective immediately, applies to all existing contracts for the delivery of flour and other wheat products but should not, the Minister said, require any change in the retail price of bread.

The Minister's statement of wheat policy came after considerable debate on first reading of a new Prairie Farm Assistance Act altering much of the detail of the act and providing for a crop failure area insuranced last year.

The House also adopted a motion providing for the start of morning sittings of the House tomorrow, in addition to the regular afternoon and evening sittings. The Prime Minister said the House might decide to work early next week.

In his review the Minister of Trade and Commerce cited the progressive development of the wheat marketing problem as the war spread across countries which are ordinarily expert outlets for Canadian wheat.

The net result was that the United Kingdom and Europe were now the chief wheat markets, with small outlets in the West Indies, Newfoundland, the Orient and South America. This created a serious storage problem in Canada.

The allowance granted the producer for storing wheat on his farm would vary according to the time the grain was held and the basis of the allowance would be announced as soon as possible, he added.

British Defenders Slash Savagely At Enemy Sea Weapons For Nazi Blitzkrieg Invasion Feel Weight Of Sudden Blows.

LONDON, July 24—(CP)—The air and sea defenders of Britain smashed with sudden fury today at the gathering sea weapons of Nazi Blitzkrieg invasion from the waters of the English Channel to the eastern North Sea.

Sleeping fighter pilots of the Royal Air Force, too, fought a grand scale dogfight over the Thames estuary, water-gate to London, with massive Nazi air raiders. Six German machines were shot down in this scrap, and eight lost during the day, the Nazis lost 12, and the R.A.F. two.

While night bombers of bomber and coastal commands roared home from more blanket night raids on the continent, British planes and ships struck these blows at the sea-borne forces which Nazi Germany is massing in the waters around England.

A lone British motor torpedo boat picked a fight with six German torpedo boats in the Channel, put them to flight and in the darkness before dawn, put one out of action. "It is thought," said the Admiralty, "that casualties were inflicted on another."

Swordfish "spotter" planes of the fleet air arm, flying far into the eastern North Sea, located a German naval concentration guarding an auxiliary vessel. In the dawn, the planes sent torpedoes screaming at the vessel, which was carrying an escort vessel of the 600-ton Kormoran type, of which Germany has 10, was hit by one torpedo.

There were no British casualties in either engagement. Sixty or more planes, German and British, tangled in a flaming battle high over the Thames estuary when Nazi raiders attempted to repeat an earlier attack in which they had dropped 100 or more bombs at a merchant convoy.

Watching for the chance, British fighters, buzzing like mammoth hornets, dropped out of the sky and lit upon the bombers' tails.

An observer said the planes were so thick he could not distinguish friend from foe, as German bombers began falling.

Progress in Siege The Cairo command also reported progress against the beleaguered Italian port of Capuzzo, near Tobruk. For 15 days British troops, since they snail off the forward water supply, have been cutting up relief columns attempting to reach the besieged port. Today's communiqué said the Italians had suffered further losses of motor trucks and guns.

Flying boats on patrol of the Mediterranean also attacked an Italian convoy and apparently damaged two ships, it was reported. At home several houses were shattered when a raider, pursued by fighters, dumped its bombs over a residential area on the coast, but no serious casualties were reported. Southwest Scotland also was hit by bombs and several buildings are damaged.

R. B. HANSON'S LEADERSHIP ENDORSED Will Continue to Head Official Opposition For at Least Another Session.

OTTAWA, July 24—(CP)—Hon. R. B. Hanson, of Fredericton, will continue as leader of the official Opposition in the House of Commons at least for another session following unanimous endorsement of his leadership in a Conservative parliamentary caucus today.

As this was probably the last caucus Conservative members this session, Mr. Hanson asked for an expression of opinion concerning his leadership. It was understood he told the caucus frankly that he was quite prepared to resign his post if the party desired, or carry on.

Member after member praised Mr. Hanson's leadership. There was no exception to the general chorus of approbation. The caucus decided to take no action concerning a national convention before the next session, and the impression among the members later was that a convention would not be called until late in 1941, to select a permanent party leader to succeed Hon. J. Manion.

Mr. Hanson was returned to the House for York-Sunbury (N.B.) in the last general election, following five years' absence after his defeat in 1936. He had been Minister of Trade and Commerce in the government of Rt. Hon. B. Bennett, following the resignation of Hon. H. Stevens as Trade Minister in 1934.

When the Conservative members (Continued on page 8, Col 1)

46 Killed 88 Injured In Haifa Raid

JERUSALEM, July 24—(AP)—Forty-six civilians were officially reported killed and 88 wounded and 80 missing in the harbor and on the streets of Haifa, port city of the British-mandated Levant, today.

The planes soaring over the east-coast of the city from the southeast—the direction of Italian East Africa—were driven off finally by anti-aircraft fire.

One of the bombs struck a fishing boat and killed two Arabs. The first air raid on Haifa was July 15.

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U. S. To Supply Many Additional Planes, Report Canadian-born Head Of Aircraft Production Has Heartening Message To People.

LONDON, July 24—(CP)—Lord Beaverbrook told Great Britain tonight that enormous help in airplanes and engines is coming from the United States which is giving ships "to the warriors of the air in such condition that they have no match."

He said the United States Government has accepted a plan under which production for British account can reach a total of 3,000 a month. Further, his department, the ministry for aircraft production, has bought 12,155 American airplane engines which will be fitted in Britain into British-built planes.

The Canadian-born newspaper publisher, who was brought into the government by Prime Minister Churchill to put his enormous prestige behind the aircraft industry, started his report to the nation and the Empire with a smashing bit of news.

"I have just received a telephone message from Mr. Morris Wilson, who is the agent of the aircraft ministry in the United States and Canada. He is authorized to say to me, by Mr. Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, that the United States Government will approve a plan to put into immediate production airplanes for our account up to a total output of 3,000 per month. These planes will be developed without delay. This is in addition to our present American program, there is news for you."

(The Morris Wilson referred to is the well-known Montreal banker, President of the Royal Bank of Canada.)

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There is a company in the north making airplanes. They are very good airplanes—reconnaissance aircraft and bombers, too. The name of the firm is A. V. Howe and Company, and the manager is Mr. Dobson. He sends me a telegram. He sends it on behalf of all the employees of A. V. Howe and Company, the men and women who make reconnaissance aircraft and bombers, and they say to me that they will give to the nation the latest type of fighter.

And it is not one of their own machines that they offer to us. It is a fighter, one of the new type. They propose to pay for it, to provide the money. These men and women give their time, their labor, their whole working lives to the production of aircraft for the nation. Now they offer to give us some of their wages, too.

They can't best those men and women. They are the liveliest of all our people and the best of heart. "At least 2,000 German sailors were killed in the second action alone," the statement added.

Three N. B. Families Are Made Homeless

ANDOVER, N. B., July 24—(CP)—Three families were made homeless by fire this afternoon during a severe electrical storm and heavy rain. The fire started in the garage of Harold Lockhart, presumably from explosion of an acetylene torch. Flames spread to a flat above the garage occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Lockhart and three children. Next to catch fire was an adjoining two-storey house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Otto Zwicker and six children and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Moore and one child.

Firemen from Fort Fairfield, Me., as well as Andover and Perth, rushed to the scene.

Coming Events

- Talkies—Canoe Cove Friday, L. 608-7-24-2. Talkies—Malpeque Thursday, L. 608-7-24-2. Red Cross Dance, St. Peter's, July 26th, Charlottetown, 7-9-24-2. Dance in Glanfinnan School Friday evening. Best of music, refreshments, L. 697-7-23-3. Reserve Wednesday, August 7th for Cavendish Tea, L. 367-7-11-tsttd Aug. 6. Dance—Benefit Red Cross—Legion Hall, Mt. Stewart, Friday night, L. 760-7-25-1. Wanted to buy quantity of fat sheep at too prices. Write or phone us. Island Cold Storage Co., L. 523-7-16-16. Fox Meat beef tripe 3c. Horse meat 5c. Ground meat 5c. Island Cold Storage Co., Limited, L. 881-6-26-1. Dance St. James Hall, Summerside, Friday, July 26th, Summerside Orchestra. Ice cream served, L. 941-7-22-2.

Mechanical Head Of Mine Is Arrested

KIRKLAND LAKE, Ont., July 24—(CP)—Ed. Wride, mechanical superintendent of Wolfe Lake Mine, was arrested late yesterday on a manslaughter charge arising out of the death July 3 of Clifford D. Williams Carter, 18, in a mine accident. He was released on \$5,000 bail.

Wride is the third of the mine officials to face the manslaughter charge. Col. D. E. Pidgeon, a native of Saint John, N. B., General Manager, and Otto May, General Superintendent, were charged July 8. The three men will face preliminary hearing here tomorrow.

Carter's body was found at 200-foot level of the mine, 25 miles north of here, after he apparently had slipped on a ladder. Charges were laid against Col. Pidgeon and May by provincial police, who, at the time, held Wride on a \$2,500 bond as a material witness. The bail was increased today when he was charged.

Investigate Upward Trend In Prices International At A Glance (Canadian Press)

LONDON—Defenders destroy 12 German torpedo boats in channel, German naval concentration in North Sea; Beaverbrook says enormous airplane help coming from United States; call British planes superior to German in every respect.

JERUSALEM—Planes from direction of Italian East Africa kill 46 civilians in Haifa.

Canadians Land At Gibraltar?

LA LINEA, Spain, July 24—(AP)—Canadian and Australian reinforcements disembarked at Gibraltar, where transports unloading. Transports also brought foodstuffs and war supplies of all kinds—ammunition, gas, planes, light and heavy artillery.

OTTAWA, July 24—(CP)—The report from La Linea, Spain, today, that Canadian troops had disembarked at Gibraltar, came as a surprise to high officials of the National Defence Department, who were inclined to doubt it.

Defence Minister Ralston and Defence Minister, would not comment on the report.

Canadian troops are now serving in Iceland, Greenland and the British West Indies, and the 1st Division is in the United Kingdom, along with Royal Canadian Air Force fliers.

Admiralty Names Nazi Destroyers Sunk Off Norway

LONDON, July 24—(CP)—The Admiralty today named the following nine German destroyers as sunk in the first and second battles of Narvik early in the Norwegian campaign.

Rumania Takes Over British Oil Company

BUCHAREST, July 24—(AP)—Rumania's pro-Nazi government took over operation of the country's largest oil company tonight, thereby placing huge stocks of British-produced petroleum without reach of Germany's mechanized forces.

Orders placing the \$15,000,000 Astra-Romana Corporation under a national oil commissioner with full powers over production and distribution came a few hours before the departure of Premier Gigurtu and Foreign Minister Manolciu for a conference with Adolf Hitler and his Foreign Minister Von Ribbentrop at Salzburg.

A communiqué announced that Gigurtu and Manolciu would proceed directly for conversations with Premier Mussolini and Foreign Minister Count Galeazzo Ciano after meeting Hitler and Von Ribbentrop.

An officially-inspired editorial in the government-controlled press today would say that the "basic idea" of these visits is the "preservation of peace in the Balkans and Danube basin... Rumania's ties with Germany and Italy will become ever stronger."

An indication that Rumania is moving rapidly to improve relations with Russia before the Salzburg conference was seen in a reliable report that the Soviet foreign minister, Vyacheslav Molotov, had been named as minister to Moscow.

Large quantities of oil in storage in the new arrangement. Because of previous refusal of British and Netherlands companies to ship oil to Germany and because of the closure of the Mediterranean sea export route by Italy's entrance into the war, vast oil stores have accumulated. The Astra-Romana has the largest reserves of any company.

Fire Destroys Dwelling At Union Road

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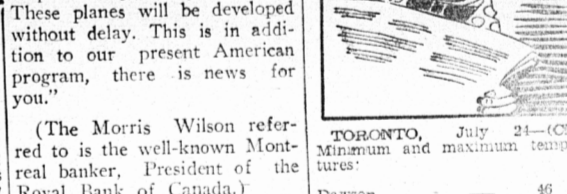
N. Y. Paper Says Former Liner Sunk

NEW YORK, July 24—(CP)—The New York Sun says it has learned that the Cunard White Star liner Lancastria, which once was in cruise service from New York to the West Indies, was sunk with a loss of 500 men during the evacuation of Allied soldiers from France.

The 16,248-ton liner picked up 6,000 soldiers at Brest and was en route to Halifax when she was sunk. Survivors were machine gunned as they took to lifeboats, it adds, but all except 500 were saved.

The Lancastria continued her trips to New York until last March. On May 11 unofficial reports said she was damaged by aerial bombs while serving as a transport near Norway.

A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IS A MAN WHO IS AFRAID TO KISS HIS GIRL BECAUSE OF MICROBES



TORONTO, July 24—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson 46 77, Vancouver 51 69, Edmonton 48 66, Regina 53 88, Winnipeg 63 86, Toronto 70 93, Montreal 65 82, Ottawa 69 85, Quebec 70 82, Saint John 52 59, Halifax 58 65, Charlottetown 63 77.

FORECAST Maritime Provinces: Moderate winds; mostly cloudy with scattered showers and some fog; stationary at a little higher temperature.

Synopsis: The weather continues decidedly warm in Ontario, with thunder showers in a few districts, while in the Prairie Provinces it has been a little cooler with showers in many districts.

High tide this afternoon at 2:25 and tomorrow morning at 2:44. Sun sets this evening at 7:33 and rises tomorrow morning at 4:38. Last quarter moon July 27, 7:29. Summer tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY SAILINGS Leaves Borden 7 A.M., 9:45 A.M., 1:00 P.M., 4:15 P.M. with Tormentine 8:15 A.M., 11:00 A.M., 3:15 P.M., 6:20 P.M. (A.S.T.) SUNDAY SERVICE June 16th to September 8th inclusive:— Leaves Borden 9 A.M., 7 P.M., Leaves Tormentine, 10:15 A.M., 8:10 P.M. (A.S.T.)