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NAZIS MAY LOSE WHOLE DONETS AREA

Plans For Offensive In Pacific Probably Made At Quebec Conference

City Will Be Famous For Decisions Reached

Historic Conference Is Nearing Close; Military Luncheon Held Yesterday.

By C. R. Blackburn
Canadian Press Staff Writer

QUEBEC, Aug. 23 — (CP) —Decisions on "important points of strategy in the Pacific" were reached at a luncheon for four in the citadel here today, Brendan Bracken, British Minister of Information, told a press conference this afternoon.

"In years to come Quebec is going to be famous for the decisions reached here," he said. "To follow up those decisions you will have to get yourselves accredited as war correspondents."

It was the most straight forward official declaration so far to issue from the sixth Churchill-Roosevelt war conference.

The luncheon was attended by President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill, Dr. T. V. Soong, Chinese Foreign resident in Washington, and Harry Hopkins, Chairman of the Combined Munitions Assignment Board.

Mr. Bracken also revealed that Mr. Churchill might make a broadcast from Quebec later this week after a few days fishing.

Not Social Affair

Referring to the luncheon, Mr. Bracken said "it was not a social affair - - it was a military luncheon; a meeting to decide important points of strategy in the Pacific."

Of the conference in general Mr. Bracken said: "Military decisions of the utmost importance have been taken in the citadel."

The citadel Vice - Regal residence is official home in Quebec of the President and the Prime Minister and their immediate staffs, the scene of all their conferences.

Mr. Bracken was asked if the decisions on Pacific strategy were the most important taken at the Quebec conference.

He replied that they were "a very important part" of the whole picture of conference results.

Just what new Pacific strategy was contemplated, and what the whole set of conference decisions will mean to the fighting forces throughout the world, remains and probably will remain secret until it is executed.

But speculation assumes that the plans include increasing supplies to China, strengthening China's resources, long range bombing of salients vital to Japan's long supply lines, a fresh effort to recapture Burma and open up the Burma road to Chungking.

To Take Wake?

Efforts to take Wake back into American hands to provide a jumping off place for air raids on Japan proper are also expected by some military commentators here.

Mr. Bracken said he would go to Washington before he returns to England but when asked if Mr. Churchill also would go he said that it was a security matter upon which he could not speak.

The tall red - haired British Information Minister described himself as "a visiting fireman" anxious to help the correspondents in what he believed had proven "the most difficult task that has ever fallen to journalists."

It was essential that decisions of such military importance as those considered and taken in the citadel must remain a secret, he said.

Mr. Bracken spoke of what he described as the "rumors that Mr. Churchill would go for a few days fishing when President Roosevelt leaves tomorrow night for a day in Ottawa en route to the United States.

"It seems that fish can be pulled out of Canadian lakes easier than in some other places and your country has inspired Mr. Churchill to become an Isaak Walton", he said.

COMING EVENTS

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"Talkies—Eldon Friday. 8-24-31.

"Talkies—Morell Tuesday. 8-21-31.

"Talkies—St. Peters Wednesday. 8-21-31.

"Talkies—Murray River Thurs-day. 8-24-31.

"Dance, Orwell Hall, Thursday, August 26th. Millview Orchestra. 8-24-1i.

"Dance in French River Hall Wednesday evening August 25. 8-24-11

"Dance Seven Mile Bay, Aug. Good music. 8-24-2i

"Ice Cream Social in Long River Hall, Wednesday evening, Aug. 25th. 8-23-2i

"Unloading Albion Nut Coal at Milton Tuesday and Wednesday. C. Webster. 8-24-2i.

"Chicken, Ham, Cake and Pie at York Annual Tea, Wednesday, August 25th from 5 to 9. 8-24-2i.

"Chicken Supper, Wood Islands Manse, Thursday, August 26th, served from 5 to 9 P. M. 8-21-24-2i.

"Dance Souris, Wednesday 25th August. Two orchestras, in Potato Warehouse in aid Souris Hospital. Refreshments. 8-24-2i.

"North Tryon Presbyterian Sunday School Picnic will be held on Church grounds Saturday, August 28th, at 2 o'clock. 8-24-1i.

"St. John's Church Picnic, Vernon, will be held Wednesday, August 25th. If wet will be held Thursday. 8-24-2i.

"Prepare for Kings County Plowing Match and Horse Show at Dundas, Wednesday, September 8-19-6i.

S'Side Man Is Injured In Saw Mill

Mr. Thomas Perry met with a regrettable accident yesterday about noon while at work in his saw mill on Water Street West. He had the misfortune to lose all but the first finger of his left hand.

The accident occurred while he was working on a shingle saw and in some way the piece of lumber he was cutting jammed in the saw and was thrown back. The sharp edge severed three fingers of the hand and pierced the palm as well. The circumstances of the accident are all the more regrettable when one considers that about thirty years ago while working in a factory in the U.S.A. he suffered the loss of his right hand. Although handicapped by the accident he has since carried on his chosen occupation and earned for himself an enviable reputation for skilled workmanship.

He was resting as comfortably as could be expected last evening in the Prince County Hospital.—S

John de Havilland Killed In Crash

LONDON, Aug. 23 —(CP)—John De Havilland, one of three pilot sons of Geoffrey De Havilland, senior head of the De Havilland Aircraft Company, was one of four men killed today in the collision of two Mosquito planes near St. Albans, Hertfordshire, 20 miles north of London.

An eyewitness said the "two machines were seen flying, and the next minute there was a crash. One parachute was seen to open, and immediately afterwards there was a column of smoke and one of the planes dropped like a stone. There were no survivors.

About 30 years old, John and his brother Geoffrey were the chief test pilots of their father's company. They were two of the team entrusted with tests of the first speedy wooden-built Mosquito plane.

Churchill To Make Broadcast

QUEBEC, Aug. 23 — (CP) — Prime Minister Churchill will make a world broadcast before he leaves Canada, possibly this week-end, it was reported here today on high authority.

At the conclusion of the Quebec conference, Churchill will go fishing for a few days and his movements after that are uncertain.

It is not known whether he will go to Washington before returning to London.

AFTER 26 YEARS

MELBOURNE— (CP)—In France in 1917 he scratched his initials on an Army waterbottle - - "J. P., U.S.A.A.E.F., France" In New Guinea recently he asked a friend for a drink and was handed the same bottle.

Aged Man Faces Murder Charge

ST. STEPHEN, N.B., Aug. 23—(CP)—Alfred Perkins, 81-year-old Woodland Junction, Me. man was lodged in the Machias jail today to await trial on a charge of murder growing out of the death of 12-year-old Norman Leland, a neighbor's son.

Perkins is said to have fired at the boy with a 28 calibre gun Sunday when the latter allegedly teased him in the old man's back yard. The boy died instantly.

The 81-year-old father of a large family appeared before Judge Leighton at Woodland today. He is expected to appear at the next sitting of the County Court in October.

Report On Russia In Relation To No. American Agriculture

WINNIPEG, Aug. 23 —(CP) — Russia is not considered an economic threat to North American agriculture in the post-war years, committees of the University of Manitoba and the University of Minnesota said today in a joint report on peace settlement problems.

The report recommended post-war re-organization of western European agriculture.

It said agreements should be made with those European countries which produce wheat uneconomically, to abandon that form of agriculture; purchase their requirements from western hemisphere producers, and to turn to other forms of more profitable agriculture.

Under the committees' plans the agricultural-deficit areas in Europe would purchase wheat from the Argentine, Australia, Canada and the United States.

The self-sufficiency program of Germans had cost millions of dollars, the report said.

War Situation Last Night

By Kirke L Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst

QUEBEC, Aug. 23— The Quebec war council, destined to go down in world history as a sybmol of approaching victory for the United Nations over the Nazi-Fascist-Japanese Axis had nearly finished its task tonight.

Out of its deliberations have come military decisions calculated to enforce finally the unconditional surrender terms laid down under the same Churchill-Roosevelt auspices at Casablanca less than one year ago. They will set in motion grim events in Europe and Asia. The full weight of British, Canadian and American war-making powers of ever increasing scope is about to be brought to bear to shorten the road to victory. Last minute deliberations of Mr. Churchill and Mr. Roosevelt and their highest-ranking military advisers apparently had more to do with deciding what could be said of them now for public information than with the war plans themselves.

It is no military secret, however, that here in Quebec the strategists found available for use upon the global chessboard where they played out this greatest of war games the fighting men, planes, guns, tanks and all the vast impedimenta of modern warfare to strike anew, strike hard and strike now both east and west simultaneously. They found, too, ever growing sea and air cargo fleets to carry it all to the fighting fronts in Europe, in the north, south and central Pacific, in Burma and even in China.

The great war maps at the staff headquarters of the conference in Chateau Frontenac showed new and encouraging changes even today as reports from the fighting fronts were posted upon them. The fourth battle of Kharkov in Russia had ended by Nazi official admission in another German retreat before advancing Russion legions.

There is a point in the Berlin announcement of the city's evacuation that the retreat behind the Dnieper is in full swing to shorten the line and conserve waning Nazi manpower. If that is true not only Kharkov but Bryansk and Smolensk to the north and Taganrog and the whole Don-Donets Basin to the south must be enemy-abandoned. The chance for a smashing Russian blow to create for the enemy a greater disaster than Stalingrad, Tunisia or Sicily is there if the Russians can seize it before September rains intervene to halt major manoeuvres.

In Quebec, however, conjecture turned largely to seeking an explanation of the invitation by President Roosevelt that brought Chinese Foreign Minister T. Soong here for the last hours of the deliberations. It seems certain he was summoned to hear and transmit to Gen. Chiang Kai-Shek word of what had been decided upon to expand the Allied war effort in China, not so much to aid Chinese defence against Japanese invaders as to mount in China a direct and deadly offensive against Japan and her China lifelines.

Experienced specialists in the India-China air supply route are included in the Quebec staff. The impression is strong that the time has come and China is being so informed to mass powerful air units in east central China where they can strike effectively at the two-way Japanese traffic in the China sea that sustains the whole Nipponese conquest deployment and also serves to make use of the raw materials in seized China sea areas and essential to the Japanese war effort.

President Roosevelt long ago promised ultimate American [illegible] bombing of that traffic and of Japan itself from bases in China. The hour for that unquestionably has now been set in the Quebec decisions.

Montague Airman Takes Part In Lererkusen Raid

LONDON, Aug. 23 —(CP)— American medium bombers blasted railway yards at St. Omer in occupied France while Spitfires and Beaufighters harassed enemy shipping today following up the bombing of the Leverkusen chemical works and other Rhineland centres by the R. A. F. and R.C.A.F. Sunday night.

It was the fifth time in two months the Americans had attacked St. Omer.

LONDON, Aug. 23 —(CP Cable) —Dense cloud obscured Lererkusen when R.C.A.F. squadrons, part of a large R. A. F.-R. C. A. F. bombing force, reached their target during last night's assault on western Germany.

The Canadians ran a gauntlet of night fighters while going in on their target.

Cloud and night fighters did not stop the Halifax squadrons from reaching their objective when they dropped bombs and incendiaries among widely-scattered fires, causing big explosions.

Sgt. John Lynk of Canning, N. S., Air Gunner said two explosions "came up like red plumes through cloud at 12,000 feet; it was the 51st trip for Sqdn. Ldr. Bill Suggitt, pilot of Toronto. Members of his crew included PO. Church Carter, Bomb Aimer of Lewisville, N.B. Other Canadians participating included Sgt. Leo Bates of Sydney, N.S. Flt. Sgt. R. K. Clements of Montague, P. E. I., Pilot of a Lancaster, made two runs over his target with one motor missing.

"We couldn't see the target the first time and it seemed stupid to go all that way and not do it up brown," he said. "So we located the target under the far edge of the cloud and made a second run in the opposite direction."

Churchill Had Close Call In London Raid

QUEBEC, Aug. 23 — (CP)— Prime Minister Winston Churchill missed death by inches when a Nazi bomb demolished the treasury building next door to 10 Downing Street, killing 72 people, and smashed part of the Churchill residence.

The story was never published in Britain but it was told here today by an official closely connected with the incident.

One evening in November, 1940, during the German blitz on London Mr. Churchill, Brendon Bracken, British Information Minister, and Air Secretary Sir Archibald Sinclair were in the dining room at 10 Downing Street, the Prime Minister's home.

A bomb fell on the treasury building demolishing that structure. The explosion blasted out the kitchen wall in the Churchill home.

None of the British Cabinet Ministers had gone to the bomb shelters. Two domestics in the establishment were ordered to go but refused flatly because "Mr. Churchill needs his dinner," the informant here said.

And so the dinner continued. The cook served Welsh rarebit.

Japs Fail In Chungking Raid

CHUNGKING, Aug. 23 — (AP) —For the first time in two years Japanese bombers approached the capital of free China today, but apparently failed to break through the city's defences.

Air warfare reached the highest pitch in months with American planes destroying or damaging 54 Nipponese aircraft on a raid on Hankow.

Two waves of Japanese planes totalling more than 60 approached Chungking and also bombed Wanhsien, Yangtse River trading centre 145 miles north of Chungking.

ARMY OFFICER ... ...

The Japanese planes which could be seen from the capital were engaged by Chinese fighters while China's highly efficient air raid warning system gave ample time for everyone to go to the shelters. The shelters are capable of holding all of the city's more than 800,000 inhabitants.

Air Battle For Italy Continues With Fury

Enemy May Be Abandoning Toe Of Italy.

By RELMAN MORIN
(Associated Press War Correspondent)

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS NORTH AFRICA, Aug. 23—(AP) —Huge formations of day and night bombers flattened Salerno, south of Naples, yesterday and last night in the methodical Allied campaign to smash Italian communications centres one by one, but met a German resistance which raised the air battle for Italy to high intensity.

American medium bombers with fighter escorts fought their way through a swarm of about 100 German and Italian fighters and shot down 33 in a blazing combat.

The fiery drenching from this day assault left Salerno flaming under a canopy of smoke which had not yet settled when the night-bomber Wellingtons of the R.A.F. with their 4,000-pound blockbusters scattered a new holocaust which blazed through the rest of the night.

Accompanying these blows, the R.A.F.'s four-engined Liberators and Halifaxes cracked down on Crotone on the arch of the Italian foot Saturday night setting other explosions and fires which raged near a chemical factory and caused other damage which could not be accurately assessed because of low clouds.

But while air battles of the last four days left no doubt that German air forces were garrisoning Italian air bases to the north in strength, there were indications that Axis commanders were planning to abandon the Italian toe.

R.A.F. Kittyhawks and American Warhawks crisscrossed the area all day yesterday without firing a shot or dropping a bomb for lack of enemy opposition and ground targets.

Salerno, 50 miles south of Naples, is a main rail gateway between northern and southern Italy. Complete severance of the electrified railway running through there would force German arms commanders to route their troop and supply trains far inland and more than double the length of their communication lines.

Army Officer Killed At Halifax

HALIFAX, Aug. 23—(CP) — One army officer is dead and another in serious condition in hospital tonight as the result of a motorcycle crash today at the Fairview underpass on the outskirts of the city. Capt. R.E. Millie, 31, of Halifax, died shortly after he was taken to hospital. The injured officer is Capt. G.E. Doyle 24, also of Halifax.

Cause of the accident is unknown, but a military court of inquiry will be held, possibly tomorrow, military authorities said tonight.

The five things most wanted as gifts by Canadian soldiers overseas, according to an oficer just returned, are: Cigarettes' toilet soap (rationed in England), shaving soap, chocolates and candies and more cigarettes.

Preparing To Greet Roosevelt

OTTAWA, Aug. 23—(CP)— Canada's capital city today began preparations to welcome President Roosevelt of the United States on Wednesday with displays of the stars and stripes, the Union Jack and the Canadian Flag hung together the first and most common decorations of stores and other buildings.

On Parliament Hill, where the President will address an open-air meeting at noon, the wide lawn in front of the Peace Tower was being closely mowed.

Parliament buildings officials reported an unusually large number of visitors to the massive stone structures during the day, some of them from the United States.

Anticipating that the crowd gathered to hear the President—it is expected to reach 20,000—would make photographs difficult during the Presidential visit, many tourists were taking pictures of the Peace Tower.

Public works department officials are preparing for the decoration of the Parliament Buildings and the placing of chairs in the roadway in front of the Peace Tower for members of the House of Commons and Senate and other notables who will be present.

New Left Wing Labor Party Called "Phoney" By C.C.F.

TORONTO, Aug. 24—(CP)—Tim Buck, former leader of the now-disbanded Communist Party of Canada, last night was unanimously elected national leader of the Labor-Progressive Party, new left-wing labor party formed here at a convention here during the week-end.

Delegates from Communist and labor groups throughout Canada were present during the sessions at which a national committee of 75 was elected with Evariste Dube of Montreal as chairman.

The convention passed a resolution declaring the readiness of the party "to affiliate with the C. C.F.," and that as an affiliate of the C.C.F., it promised "to adhere loyally to its decisions and constitution."

Another resolution called for the dismissal of Hon. Humphrey Mitcneil, Minister of labor.

Saturday Mr. Buck announced a 14-point post-war policy which would be followed by the party. It included: Legislation to provide full employment; social security legislation; re-establishment of service men and women; curbing of monopoly practices; tax reforms; a national minimum wage and the guaranteeing of full rights of citizenship to all Canadians.

The 75-member national committee has the following representation by provinces: Ontario, 36, Quebec, 20, Alberta, five British Columbia, five, Saskatchewan three, Manitoba three, Nova Scotia two, and New Brunswick one.

"A Complete Phoney"

TORONTO, Aug. 23—(CP)—E. B. Jolliffe, Ontario C.C.F. leader said today that his party "will have no link with the Labor-Progressive Party," formed here during the week-end with Tim Buck, former leader of the now disbanded Communist party, as national leader.

"A complete phoney," Mr. Jolliffe called the new party. "It's just the Communist party under a new name and we want and will have no part of them. It's just a bluff to win a little popularity at the expense of the C.C.F."

Kharkov Is Taken; Reds In Break-Through

By WILLIAM SMITH WHITE,
Associated Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Aug. 23 —(AP)— Victorious Russian forces today captured vital Kharkov, streamed through a major break in the German Donets River front almost 200 miles to the south, and hammered the retreating Nazis at both ends of the southern Salient in a drive to retake the industrial river basin.

Moscow's midnight communique said the Red Army, perhaps 150,000 strong, broke into the third largest of Russian cities from the north, east and west and inflicted enormous losses on the enemy. The Russians continued to throw heavy blows at the reeling Germans as they fled the city.

Nazi forces west of Kharkov attempted to counter-attack, the Russians said, but were repulsed with 2,000 killed.

Fifteen more villages were recaptured by Russian forces in another sector of the Kharkov front, said the communique, recorded by the Soviet Monitor.

Berlin acknowledged Kharkov's fall prior to a special Russian announcement by Premier-Marshal Joseph Stalin but the Germans said the city had been "evacuated" in an orderly retreat.

In the break on the Donets River south of Izyum, the Russians said their forces had smashed through from 19 to 22 miles in three days of savage fighting and had overrun 30 villages, including the railway station of Donestsko-Amvrosidevka on the only rail connection with German-held Taganrog 50 miles to the south on the Sea of Azov.

Captured by Storm

In announcing Kharkov's capture the Soviet war bulletin said: "Today our troops as the result of violent engagements broke down enemy resistance and captured the town of Kharkov by storm. . .

"The enemy sustained enormous losses and is retreating under the blows of our troops. Large quantities of war material were captured."

Moscow Celebrates

Tonight, Moscow celebrated the new victory with a brilliant display of fireworks amid a clatter of machine-guns and other light arms. Heavy cannon boomed out a victory salute ordered personally by Premier-Marshal Joseph Stalin.

Early evening throngs of the Soviet capital cheered Stalin's announcement of the city's capture.

They swarmed out from their homes to see the fireworks display and hear the booming salute.

In an order of the day, the

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Ludwig Predicts Early Nazi Crack-up

MONTREAL, Aug. 23—(CP) —Emil Ludwig, German-born writer and lecturer, said in an interview yesterday that Germany may fold up "tomorrow —any day."

He was convinced, he said, not from any military knowledge but from his acquaintance with the German national character, that the Nazis could not go through another winter campaign, and that consequently the war would end this autumn.

Mrs. Churchill To Speak Tonight

TORONTO, Aug. 23 —(CP) — Mrs. Winston Churchill will speak to the women of Canada over the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's National Network at 9 p.m. E. D. T. (10 P. M., A. D. T.) tomorrow night, the CBC announced today.

Nazis Take New View Of Big Bombing Raids

LONDON, Aug. 23—(CP) — The German propaganda machine which used to gloat over bombing when Britain was taking it and now deplores the weapon as murderous and so on, has selected a villain for presentation to the German people.

He is Sir Arthur Travers Harris, chief of the bomber command, the big man behind the aerial smashes at Germany and Italy.

The Nazi propagandists are telling their people that you have only to look into the Harris eyes to know what to expect of such a man.

He has the icy cold eyes of a born murderer, so they say on the German radio.

The bomber chief kept silent under this blast but Lady Harris today took occasion to reply to the Goebbel's charges that her husband is a murderer.

"Of course he isn't," she said in an interview with the Evening Standard. "Like everyone else in England, he wants to go back to normal life."

Lady Harris said her husband was greatly amused by the Goebbels broadcast description which used the words "brutality, cynicism and lust for murder."

"Quite naturally he is a realist in war," Lady Harris said. "He knows you cannot make war without hurting your enemies. But he does not want the war to go on a day longer than is needed.

"He is interested in bombing but does not enjoy it. He knows he has one of the most important weapons for beating the Germans—that is why he does not hesitate to use it. . .

"He knows bombing will save innumerable lives — remembering the land battles of the last war and its enormous casualties—and I should say that is what he sees most clearly with what the Germans call his 'icy cold' eyes."

In Britain the Nazi attacks on Sir Arthur are considered just another indication of how stiff the Germans are finding the return match of the bombers.

He is not, of course, the cold, hard, ruthless character the Nazis would have the people believe. But he is a down-to business commander who will keep on sending out bombers until the Germans admit they have had all they can stand.

Most of his waking hours are spent planning the bombing war against Germany. He sleeps so little his colleagues wonder how he stands the strain.

About the only thing the Germans can be sure of about this man is that he means what he says, and that is more and more bombers will be going to Germany and more and more often.

High tide this morning at 5.35 and tonight at 7.14.

Sun sets this evening at 7.53 and rises tomorrow morning at 6.12.

New moon Aug. 30, 3.59 p.m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

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