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FIVE U-BOATS DESTROYED

GERMANS PREPARING FOR EARLY DRIVE?

REPORTS OF TROOP MASSING UNCONFIRMED

Enemy Sinks Into Inactivity After Six Patrol Raids Fail.

(By Axel De Holsteln) (Havas Staff Writer)
PARIS, Dec. 6.—(CP Havas)—German forces today sank back into inactivity after being decisively repulsed in six patrol raids aimed against the central sector of the western front during the last 24 hours.
King George put in another long day visiting his troops at the front. Yesterday he came close to no-man's-land. He spent today reviewing artillery and engineering corps, and visiting an air base, where he studied the equipment designed for sound detection of enemy aircraft.
As the briefly-interrupted lull was resumed to the west, dispatches from London and Rome told of reports in British and Italian newspapers that German divisions were massing on the Luxembourg border for an attempted drive into France through the neutral Duchy. These advices found no

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Coming Events

- Sale for Notices in this column 3 cents per word.
- *Come to Southport Christmas Concert December 20th. L-183-12-17-21.
- *Talkies—Murray River Monday. Special snow. L-183-12-17-21.
- *School Concert, Howe's Hall, Brackley Point, Wednesday 20th. 11 not one Thursday. L-177-12-17-21.
- *Uggs School Christmas Concert, December 21st. If stormy, following night. L-165-12-17-21.
- *Bingo and Dance, Pownal Garage Hall, Friday 8th. L-162-12-7-11.
- *Queen Square School Annual Concert, Tuesday—Wednesday, Dec. 12-13. L-164-12-7-9-11.
- *Trinity Mission Band Concert Thursday, December 21st, 7:30. L-19-12-7-14-21.
- *We are buying new goose and duck feathers, not mixed. Henry MacFarlane and Co. L-204-12-7-11.
- *Baptist afternoon tea and sale of fancy work, home cooking and candy, Friday, Dec. 8, in School-room. L-151-12-6-21.
- *Geo. Leightizer Co. Water Street buying dressed poultry all kinds. Top prices. Try us. L-20-12-2-17-11.
- *Sale of Christmas cake in aid of Basileia Ular Society at Prowse Bros., Saturday afternoon. L-115-12-6-21.
- *Dance Hunter River Hall Friday, December 8th. Music by Geo. Chappell and his Orchestra. L-192-12-7-11.
- *Hockey League Meeting at Pownal, Monday, December 11th. All those in the surrounding districts are requested to attend. L-613-12-7-11.
- *Bred Sows for sale: We have to place your order with us for a carefully selected young grade sow, bred to registered sire. The price is not high. Livestock Marketing Board. L-201-12-7-21.
- *Boars for service: We have to high class registered boars at our breeding pens Charlottetown, to which we invite you to mate your brood sows. Terms reasonable. Livestock Marketing Board. L-201-12-7-21.
- *Taking hogs at Charlottetown every week-day excepting Saturday. Shipping car lots every Tuesday and Friday. We invite you to co-operation in our effort to get better prices. Livestock Marketing Board. L-200.
- *Hammer Mill: We have installed a new Massey Harris Hammer Mill for grain grinding purposes. Will do custom grinding in addition to milling our own imported grains. Bring in your grain and let us grind it for you while doing your own business around town. Livestock Feeds Fitzroy L-203-12-7-21.

Here We Are Again Seeking Santa Pals!

War, or No War, the Little Ones Must Not be Disappointed at Christmas.

Christmas being now within reasonable distance, most people are looking forward to it with mixed feelings, hoping the Prince of Peace may make His Presence felt on earth, and dreading the consequences should Paganism hold sway instead. Whatever may be the fears and forebodings of the seniors, the children should have no part in them. Christmas to them is the greatest event of the year, and Saint Nicholas, or Santa Claus, their most cherished and generous benefactor. Not a few children in the city would have their faith shattered were Christmas to pass by without a visit from Santa. Alas, many will be so grieved were it not for the fact that Guardian readers will don the garments of Santa and play the part of Santa Pals.

As most readers are aware, the Guardian Santa Pal plan has been in operation since 1916. It was in that black year of the last Great War that a delegation of citizens waited upon the Editor and asked him to devise some means of providing toys for the many poor children whose stockings otherwise would be empty Christmas morning. Santa Pals were the outcome, and now at the beginning of another horrid war, the end of which no one can forecast, the Guardian once more appeals to its readers to provide the few Christmas luxuries which gladden the hearts of the little ones. It is not their fault, but their misfortune, not to be on the calling list of Santa Claus.

All the clergy and Salvation Army officers provide the Guardian lists of needy children whom Santa may neglect. A first list is appended with the Christian names, numbers, and gifts desired. Let those whose hearts are moved select a number and name and advise the Guardian by letter, phone (133) or call that they will adopt the child, or children, as a Santa Pal, and then forward the gift without delay to Santa Pals Department, Guardian Office. As the children are adopted their names will be struck off the list, and on the Saturday before Christmas the parcels will all be delivered to the homes of the little ones. It is requested no second hand toys be sent, and that each parcel include an orange, apple and candy as well as the toy—to make the hearts of the recipients glad. It may be more convenient to send money than toys, etc., and if so the Guardian will see that the necessary gifts are purchased and despatched. As usual an audited statement will be published immediately after Christmas.

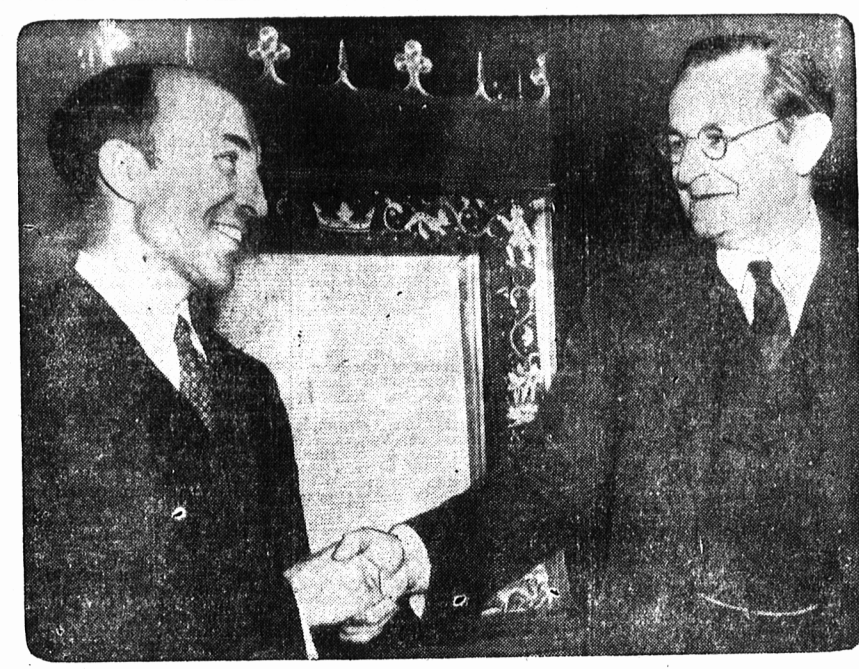
- #### NEEDY CHILDREN
1. Roy 8, Hockey Stick.
 2. Jack 7, Hockey Stick
 3. Elaine 3, Toy.
 4. LeRoy 6, Game
 5. Vivian 8, Girls' Book
 6. Hazel 5, Doll.
 7. Jack 4, Building Blocks.
 8. Earnest 7, Henry's Annual.
 9. Christine 6, Dish Set.
 10. Nowell 5, Train.
 11. Arline 5, Dish Set.

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FINNS OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY OF FREEDOM

(By Lynn Heinzerling, Associated Press Staff Writer)
HELSINGFORS, Dec. 6.—Enthralled Finland celebrated the 22nd anniversary of her independence today with the whole country anxiously awaiting an expected new blow from Russia further threatening the country's freedom.
President Kyösti Kallio in an independence day speech told Finns that they could "absolutely trust" their army to fulfill its "heroic duty," and he asked them to remember that they were defending not only their homes but western civilization. He said:
"Let's ring forth on this independence day, throughout the land, stronger than ever before, the 400-year-old hymn of Luther so familiar to all our people: 'A Mighty Fortress Is Our God.'"
Declaring that Finland has always been "the defensive wall" of western civilization in the north, Kallio added:
"The Finnish people awaits expectantly to see whether other nations will tolerate the destruction aimed against us."
Aid to Finland's defending forces came from the weather. A new snowfall in the south brought an

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Temporary custody of the Lincoln Cathedral copy of England's Magna Charta was committed to the Library of Congress in Washington for safe-keeping during the war. Here Archibald MacLelish, Librarian of Congress (left) acknowledges acceptance of the famed document from Lord Lothian, British Ambassador to the United States.

Fascists To Act If Soviets Move Against Rumania

Preparation Of Warning Gestures To Russia Rumored In Rome.

(By Roger Maffre Havas Staff Writer)
ROME, Dec. 6.—Persistent rumors circulated in Rome today that a strong alliance between Hungary and Italy may emerge from tomorrow's meeting of the Fascist Grand Council.

The reports, not confirmed, were heard in usually reliable political and diplomatic quarters where it was stated such a move would be intended as a warning to Russia to keep out of southeastern Europe.
Another rumor was to the effect the Grand Council, highest body of the Fascist regime, may issue a declaration stating anything that happens in Hungary is of vital interest to Italy, which cannot tolerate Communist expansion toward the Balkans, the Bosphorus and the Mediterranean.
The Grand Council will meet at a time when anti-Soviet agitation in Italy is reaching a peak following implied threats to Rumania published in Moscow newspapers.
According to the reports here, a military alliance between Rome and Budapest would be followed

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War—25 Years Ago Today

DEC. 7, 1914—Bitter attacks launched in Argonne region on Western Front. Second battle of Warsaw began. General Christian F. Beyer, South Africa rebel, killed Jean Greyling. Canadian government arranged temporary loan of \$2,000,000 through Bank of Montreal.

Units mobilized for both divisions have completed their recruit training for the most part, and are now engaged on the more specialized training to fit them for functions they may be called upon to perform in war.
Recruit training is the drill and instruction which accustoms and hardens a civilian to army life and army routine. After that come tactical exercises, instructions and drill on guns for the artillery, on rifles and machine guns for the infantry and so on.
Some further appointments may be made in the first division but so far as unit, brigade and divisional staffs are concerned it is organized almost completely. All units in it are understood to be at full war-time strength.

The second division is less com-

Soviets Claim Break Through

MOSCOW, Dec. 7.—(Thursday)—(AP)—Soviet Russian military commanders announced tonight they had broken through the main Finnish defence line—"known among Finnish white guards as the Maginot-Kirke Line"—on the Karelian Isthmus.
"On the eastern section of the Karelian Isthmus Soviet troops, after artillery preparation, broke through the main defence line of the Finns along the Vuoksi water system, known among Finnish white guards as the 'Maginot-Kirke' line," the announcement claimed.

Sixteen Home Improvement Loans For Nov.

OTTAWA, Dec. 6.—(CP)—Finance Minister Ralston announced tonight that Home Improvement loans reported to the Department in November numbered 3,054 valued at \$1,099,929.
November figures for provinces include: Prince Edward Island, 16 valued at \$4,171; Nova Scotia, 155 at \$41,699; New Brunswick, 86 at \$28,934.

Mr. H. H. Acorn passes away in hospital. 1st. Kings loses Able Representative After Brief Illness.



THE LATE MR. H. H. ACORN, M. L. A.

MR. H. H. ACORN PASSES AWAY IN HOSPITAL

1st. Kings loses Able Representative After Brief Illness.

The Guardian regrets to report the death in the Prince Edward Island Hospital yesterday afternoon of Mr. Herbert Hunt Acorn, M. L. A., of Souris. Mr. Acorn entered the Hospital a week ago last Sunday. Though his condition was regarded as serious, his sudden passing was a great shock to his relatives and many friends.
Born August 14, 1858 at Lower Montague, a son of the late Charles and Caroline Acorn, the deceased showed an early aptitude for business, first in the employ of the late Hon. Daniel Gordon, and gained further experience with the firm of Prouse Brothers, Ltd. Eight years later he started a general store at Souris, which he conducted for a few years, when his store was destroyed by fire. He then built the Kondyke Lumber Mills at Souris, which he continued to operate successfully until his death. His business included an extensive shipping trade with St. Pierre and the Marcellin Islands, as well as with many sections of this Province.
Prominently associated with politics for many years, Mr. Acorn was several times nominated as Liberal candidate for the First District of Kings, and was elected to the Legislature in the general elections of 1935, and again in the

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Chamberlain Is Given Confidence Vote In House

Commoners Told Of Improved Method Of Detecting Enemy Under Water Craft.

(By J. F. Sanderson, Canadian Press Staff Writer)
LONDON, Dec. 6.—(CP Cable)—Prime Minister Chamberlain's Government won its biggest parliamentary victory of the war tonight when the House of Commons turned down a want of confidence motion directed against the administration by the Labor Party.
By a vote of 303-125, the House rejected an opposition motion criticizing the Government for its methods of organizing the resources and manpower of the country for the war effort.

As a prelude to the division Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, announced that five German submarines had been destroyed by the navy and Royal Air Force during the past week, and hinted at an improved method in detecting submersibles by a special type of hydrophone apparatus.
Known technically as the "asdic method," the device is a perfection of the crude under-water sound recording units employed during the first Great War. It is one of the Admiralty's biggest secrets and Mr. Churchill's reference to it was the first hint dropped in public.

A few hours after the meeting of Parliament, British planes roared over north Germany in the vicinity of important German naval bases. The Air Ministry announcement of the flight gave no details beyond saying that it was "successful". German charges that the planes returned over Denmark were denied.
Anthony Eden, Dominions Secretary, told the House that the new Empire air scheme, involving advanced training in Canada, would produce thousands of pilots and air crews.

The reason for this unity of action was not sentiment or loyalty, not alone the desire to overthrow Hitlerism, but "faith in parliamentary Government by a free community. It is in that spirit which I find daily in the work I have to do that lies our certainty of ultimately winning this conflict," he said.

Mr. Eden, referring to the war efforts of the Dominions, said that soldiers from Canada, Australia, and New Zealand soon would be here.
Mr. Churchill said destruction of Nazi submarines was going on at a rate faster than Germany could replace them.

Declaring an average of two to four German undersea craft were being sunk each week, Mr. Churchill said:
COPENHAGEN, Dec. 6.—German claims that British planes were forced to fly from Schleswig-Holstein over Danish territory were questioned here tonight.
Danish authorities formally denied that any foreign planes were seen over Danish territory today.

Mr. Churchill said that Great Britain had tripled her submarine hunting fleet since the war started and that nearly 1,000,000 tons of new warships of all classes were being rushed to completion to augment her efforts.

Special Developments
His report to the House of Commons, in which he said also that

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Thirteen Italian Army Fliers Die

ROME, Dec. 6.—(AP)—Thirteen army fliers and one farmer were reported killed this afternoon when three Italian bombers crashed while flying from Milan to Rome.
The three planes fell together near the outskirts of Lucca, 160 miles north of Rome.
Five members of the crews, totaling 18 men, saved themselves with parachutes. The civilian victim was crushed beneath one of the falling machines.

Court Mourning For Two Weeks

His Honour, Lieutenant-Governor LePage has received the following telegram:
Ottawa, Dec. 4, 1939.
To His Honour
The Honourable Bradford W. LePage, Lieutenant-Governor of P. E. I.
I have the honour to inform you that Court Mourning should be worn for two weeks from Sunday the third instant for her late Royal Highness the Princess Louise Duchess of Argyll.
Flags on public buildings will be half masted on day of funeral, the twelfth instant.
(Sgd.) OSCAR CODERRE,
Acting Under-Secretary of State.

15 MORE SHOPPING DAYS
WORKING IN A GLUE FACTORY IS A GOOD JOB TO STICK TO

TORONTO, Dec. 6.—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	103 Zero
Vancouver	45 50
Edmonton	31 39
Regina	21 56
Winnipeg	31 52
Ottawa	23 40
Montreal	21 34
Quebec	20 28
Saint John	22 32
Halifax	28 36
Charlottetown	28 31

Gulf and north shore: free in south and southwest winds; partly cloudy with much the same temperature; light snowfalls or flurries.
Maritime Provinces: moderate southwest winds, becoming fresh at night; partly cloudy with much the same temperature.
Synopsis: The weather has been generally fair and mild over the prairie provinces and a little milder in Ontario.

High tide this morning at 7:38 and tonight at 7:34.
Sun sets this afternoon at 4:19 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:25.
New moon Dec. 10 5:45 p. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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