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RECORD DAYLIGHT RAID IS STAGED BY BRITISH

British West Indies Island Attacked Follows Fiery Night Assault On Kiel Area

Death Yesterday Of Hon. G. S. Sharp

Former Government Member Was Widely Known And Esteemed Throughout Prince County And Province Generally.

Prince Edward Island lost an outstanding citizen yesterday morning in the death at his home, Tyne Valley, of the Hon. G. S. Sharp, formerly Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Public Works in the Government of this province.



THE LATE HON. G. S. SHARP

The funeral services will be held tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon from the United Church, Tyne Valley, to the church cemetery.

Death followed a short illness although Mr. Sharp had been in failing health for almost a year. During the past week his condition became worse but he continued to work until Thursday. He was 65 years of age.

A native of East Bedford, Mr. Sharp was a son of the late George W. and Martha (Ennis) Sharp. For the past forty-two years he had been engaged in both agricultural and mercantile pursuits. He became interested in the fox industry in 1910 and had been connected with the lobster packing industry and oyster farming for many years.

Since his retirement from political life in 1935 he devoted his time to the oyster business and was president of the firm of Malpeque Oysters Limited. He had been connected with the cultivation of private oyster beds since 1912.

He served as president of the Canadian National Silver Fox Breeders Association in 1929-31. Mr. Sharp was first elected as a Conservative to the Legislative Assembly at a by-election in 1930 for the 2nd District of Prince, in which he defeated the present Premier, Hon. Thomas A. Campbell, P. O. 10.

He had contested the seat in 1913, 1923 and 1927, and had been a candidate to the House of Commons for Prince County in the federal election of 1921.

He was re-elected in Second Queens in the general provincial election and on August 29 of that year was sworn in as Minister of Agriculture. He became Minister of Public Works and Highways in the MacMillan Government which was formed following the death of Hon. J. D. Stewart and took office on Oct. 11, 1933. This portfolio Mr. Sharp held until his death.

Two Ships Are Damaged With Few Casualties

First Attack On British Territory In West Indies.

CASTRIES, St. Lucia, March 13 (CP Cable)—British authorities today permitted the disclosure that an enemy submarine had made an attack on Castries Harbor, damaging two ships without sinking them and causing only "slight casualties."

A brief official communique said only there had been an "attack" and did not state what weapon had been used—whether torpedo or shellfire. The incident happened Monday night.

The communique, issued late today, said: "A torpedo attack was made on Castries Harbor during the night of the 9th-10th of March. Two ships were damaged but were not sunk. Casualties were slight."

This British colony, one of the Windward Island group, is located on the eastern fringe of the Caribbean. Its most northerly point is about 20 miles south of Martinique, French West Indies island under Vichy control.

The enemy force was the first direct action against British territory in this area since the outbreak of the war. Off British-owned Trinidad, 200 miles south of here, two ships were damaged Feb. 18 by apparent torpedo explosions while they were anchored in the Gulf of Paria, between that island and Venezuela.

No casualties were caused in that attack and the ships were not sunk. They were British tanker and a United States freighter.

This attack was preceded a few days earlier by the shelling of shore establishments in the Netherlands West Indies, also in the Caribbean Sea, and the sinking of the Netherlands colony. Submarines also were responsible for these outbreaks.

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War Situation Last Night

(By KIRKE L. SIMPSON, Associated Press War Analyst)

Aside from the furious aerial fighting in New Guinea, there is a lull on all fronts in the Pacific war zone and the next major action is hard to predict.

The initiative rests with Tokyo. The rest of the world can only speculate as to whether the blow will be aimed at India, Australia, Luzon, Ceylon or some other area.

That Japan has either the man, air or sea power for simultaneous major blows over vast a front is not only debatable but fantastic. Her war lords must make a choice, have already made it, no doubt.

Every past dream of conquest in history was wrecked ultimately by over-expansion. Japan has overrun an Empire; yet a cautious note intruded itself into the "victory" celebration in Tokyo. Nipponese spokesmen pointed out that what had been achieved so far was only the establishment by force of the bases of conquest.

Except in French Indo-China and Thailand and for the help that lawless Daoists bent on pillage have given in Burma, the invader is everywhere surrounded by hostile millions. His sway does not extend beyond the range of his guns and bombs.

The Tokyo bid to Australia to desert the allied cause and accept a slice of the Japanese co-prosperity melon (yet to be cut) reflects that situation pointedly. It is a Tokyo version of Hitler's patented "collaboration" idea, still untried by conquered France or to the people of Norway, Holland, Belgium or the Balkans.

The initial Japanese thrust to plant new bases in New Guinea and seize the Port Moresby bridgehead across Torres Strait from the Australian mainland has been slowed up definitely by counter air attack. It may prove significant, however, that the Nipponese landings on the big island, second only to Borneo in size are all down in the southeastern corner.

There is another factor that cannot be overlooked in Japanese planning. With the fall of Java, the Netherlands-American naval force that dealt stinging blows in defence of that island has faded from the war news. Whatever its losses, much of it is still intact. And those long Japanese supply lines to sustain the New Guinea operation offer a prime target.

Three Killed, Six Injured In Blaze

Fierce Fire Sweeps Cap Manufacturing Plant In Montreal; Victims Jump From Third Story.

MONTREAL, March 13 (CP)—Three women were killed and six other persons were sent to hospital as the result of a fierce two-alarm fire that swept through the premises of the Manhattan Cap Manufacturing Company late today.

At least five of the victims jumped from a third-story window to an ice-coated street, while a score of others made their way unharmed through a rear exit. Others of the 20 workers in the section of the building affected were rescued by firemen.

The dead were tentatively identified as Mrs. Roger Holly, about 27; a Miss Jolly, about 45, and Mrs. Lanchance, about 40. Seriously injured were Mrs. Gaston Desfontaines, 24, who suffered leg and wrist fractures; Miss Delphine Rose, 30, leg fracture; Miss Lucienne Beland, 22, internal injuries; Miss Yolande Livernoche, 10, burns and bruises; and Miss Simone Pichette, 20, who suffered a broken leg.

Mr. Miller, 30, son of the proprietor of the factory, suffered facial burns, and arm and body bruises. Three city firemen were slightly injured by pieces of glass, but remained on duty until the outbreak was quelled.

The fire, its origin not definitely determined, broke out among piles of clothing material on the third-floor premises of the company on St. Lawrence Boulevard a short distance above Sherbrooke Street.

Recognize Value Of Air Cadets Urges Suspension Of U. S. Freight Rate Increases



Col. R. J. Manion, M. D., Director of Civilian Defence For Canada who arrived here last night.

Col. Manion To Confer With A. R. P. Officials

Canadian Director Of Civilian Defence Arrived Here Last Evening.

Col. R. J. Manion, M. D., Canadian Director of Civilian Defence A. R. P., Ottawa, and former leader of the Conservative Party in the Dominion, arrived in Charlottetown by plane from Halifax last evening. He is visiting here as part of a tour of the Maritime Provinces to check on air raids precaution work and will confer today with the Provincial A. R. P. Committee. He leaves on return for Ottawa on the noon plane today.

Col. Manion expressed himself as being well pleased with the A. R. P. set-up in the various Canadian provinces he has already visited. Before coming to the Maritimes, he had been out to the coast inspecting the organization in British Columbia which he found to be very satisfactory. Ontario and Quebec are also well prepared for A. R. P. work, he said. New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island are in the vulnerable area and he has already inspected this set-up in the two former provinces.

The difficulty of supplying the material necessary for A. R. P. work because of the great demand for metals in war work, was pointed out last night by the Director for Ontario in a speech to the A. R. P. committee in the raw materials used in the manufacturing of these materials make them difficult to obtain. However, such things as helmets, pumps, etc., will be supplied to the vulnerable areas where they are needed. Already some of these materials have arrived in this province.

The department in charge of this work has been supplied with a list of requirements by the Provincial Committee and would do its best to see that these materials were given. Dr. Manion said.

Last night Col. Manion had dinner at the Charlottetown with the following: Premier Thane A. Campbell; Hon. Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan; Hon. H. H. Cox, Provincial Chairman of the Civilian Defence Committee A. R. P.; Hon. J. P. McIntyre, Minister of Public Works and Highways; Hon. M. R. McGuigan, Minister of Education and Public Welfare.

Will Call Men Up To 30 Years

OTTAWA, March 13 (CP)—The supply of manpower to keep up with the flow of compulsory service returns to the training centres at the rate of 5,000 a month has diminished to such an extent that the age limit shortly will be advanced, probably to 30 years, a government authority said today.

The practice has been to call up young men each month to use to capacity all the training facilities not required for training volunteers for overseas service.

OTTAWA, March 13 (CP)—The annual convention of the Canadian Legion Dominion command will be held in Winnipeg May 25-28, Legion spokesmen said today. Details of the convention program were not available.

Follows Fiery Night Assault On Kiel Area

Round-The-Clock Offensive Continued Last Night With Invasion Coast Afloat.

(By Robert Bunnelle, Associated Press Staff Writer) LONDON, March 13 (AP)—Squadron after squadron of the Royal Air Force swarmed over northern France from the Belgian border to Paris today in the biggest daylight raid yet of the new spring offensive and eight German fighters were knocked down in one clash alone.

The Air Ministry announced the loss of five of its fighters which swept to the attack "in force" following a fiery overnight assault upon the 26,000-ton Nazi battleship Gneisenau at Kiel.

The biggest scrap of the day occurred over Hazebrouck, about midway between Armentieres and St. Omer, where the railroad yard of this industrial centre was the target of the raiders.

Other bombers and fighters made earth-shaking assaults upon the Boulogne and Calais coastal areas and reconnaissance planes scouted the Paris industrial region. The site of the British attacks and the increasing Nazi opposition they are encountering was indicated by today's R. A. F. losses, which brought to 13 the number of planes failing to return from the day and night attacks.

The round-the-clock assault continued without let-up tonight and the coast from Boulogne to Ostend was alight with exploding bombs and anti-aircraft gun flashes. Clusters of searchlight batteries fingered the sky above Cap Gris Nez.

Bombs lobbed by the night raiders started destructive fires mushrooming among installations of the Kiel naval base where the already battered Gneisenau lay in drook. The air ministry announced. Other British formations blasted additional areas of north-west Germany and sowed mines in Nazi waters.

First actual contact between the field force of Lt.-Gen. Harold Alexander, last man to leave Dunkerque, and the Chinese commander, Gen. Chiang Kai-Shek was made on the Toungoo highway, halfway between Pegu and Nyaung-U. These towns are 45 miles apart on the Rangoon-Mandalay railway.

Some 60 miles westward other British troops withdrew from desolate Rangoon and Lower Burma had established a stabilized front on the Promye road near Tharawady.

Wavell Discloses Plans For Defence

Speaks At Unusual Press Conference; Sees Situation Has Brighter Sides.

NEW DELHI, India, March 13 (CP-Reuters)—Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell disclosed tonight his plans for defending eastern India with mobile ground forces and a hard-striking air arm capable of both defence and attack and dropped the significant hint that from the other side of Soviet Russia, "right now, is a pistol pointed at the heart" of Japan.

Now general officer commanding both India and Burma, Gen. Wavell outlined in broad detail his problems, tasks and hopes at an unusual press conference. He said that from the Japanese point of view Russia is a "danger."

Gen. Wavell said India's defences against air attack are "improving almost daily." "When a military position looks serious and difficult, the best tonic is to consider the difficulties of the enemy," he continued. "There is no possible doubt of the difficulties and dangers under which Japan is suffering."

"She is operating on an enormous front and at a considerable distance from home. Besides, she always has to consider the danger from Manchuria where the Russian position is like a pistol pointed at the heart of her home country. Her supplies of essential war materials," he said, "are limited to her manufacturing capacity. Possible replacements for losses in aircraft, of which she has already lost considerable numbers, are comparatively small; certainly very small when compared with the resources of her enemies."

close to home which she might, if she thought herself strong enough, decide to remove at once." On the other hand, Gen. Wavell said, there is a danger from Japan's point of view of air attacks from Russia "if she stirred up that country."

The Japanese, he declared, "will not attack Russia unless they feel thoroughly certain of quick and easy success."

Tribute From Party Leader

Prince Edward Island was deeply shocked yesterday by the sudden and unexpected death of Hon. G. S. Sharp of Tyne Valley. There was no more outstanding man in this Province than Shelton Sharp. There was no man more respected and liked and his keen foresight, his patriotism and his ability to lead more friends in both political parties. For many years I have known him, both in the business and political life of this province. He was my deeply respected and sincere colleague, my counsellor, my first lieutenant and my best friend. Nothing small, mean or petty marked the death of this great character of Shelton Sharp. He was a pillar of strength to the National Conservative Party. He was outstanding in the business life of Prince Edward Island and one of the great figures in the development of the fox industry. In the field of Oyster Conservation he stands alone and his keen foresight, his patriotism and industry have been rewarded in the present success of oyster cultivation, because "Sharp's" oysters are known and famed throughout Canada. As Minister of Agriculture and Public Works in the difficult depression years his administration was characterized by wisdom, justice and sanity and fair play. In the Legislature every member was his friend. He was fair in debate which he always kept on a high plane.

By his death Prince Edward Island has lost a true and loyal citizen, a man of the highest Christian virtues, a friend of the poor; in short one whose life exemplifies well worthy emulation. To his bereaved family I extend my sincere and heartfelt sympathy.

W. J. P. MacMILLAN
Ex Premier and
Provincial Conservative Leader.

Australian Cruiser And Sloop Are Lost

Are Unreported Since They Left For Home Following Battles Off Java.

MELBOURNE, March 14 (Saturday)—(AP)—The apparent loss of the Australian cruiser Perth and sloop Yarra with their 833 men in the withdrawal from Java was announced by Prime Minister John Curtin today as the Japanese pushed their naval forces into the Solomon Islands northeast of this continent.

Mr. Curtin said the ships, both noted for operations last year in the Middle East, had fought successfully and without damage in the battles of the Java Sea but had not been heard from since they left a Java port for home. Their fate is not known, but they are presumed to have been sunk.

Naval sources said possibly some 600 of the 833 men of the Perth and 151 of the 882 men of the Yarra were not available.

MOSCOW, March 14 (Saturday)—(AP)—A special Russian announcement today listed 14,000 German casualties in the northwestern front in 15 days, making a grand total of 63,700 Nazis officially reported slain between Leningrad and Moscow within a month.

Today's announcement, said the latest records, "was inflicted on Hitler's invaders between Feb. 22 and March 10 on the northwestern front south of Leningrad. In this area the Red army liberated 84 towns and villages, the Russians announced."

Fire Anti-Aircraft Shells Accidentally

NEW YORK, March 13 (AP)—An anti-aircraft crew stationed near the metropolitan area reported today that at 4:40 p. m. they accidentally fired eight shells from an anti-aircraft gun aimed in the direction of the Wall Street area.

At about that time a piece of mortar fell from the ledge between the 37th and 38th floors of the 40-story Equitable Life building.

Coming Events

At the Stanley Bridge Concert Tuesday, March 17th. L-992-3-14-31.

Home baked beans, bread rolls, at P. J. MacDonald's today. Zion Guild. L-972.

P. E. I. Hospital Cake Sale at Woman's Saturday, March 14th. Ladies of Trinity United Church. L-916-3-13-21.

Loading hogs at Vernon, March 13th and every second Tuesday until further advised. Leo Prangh, Cherry Valley. L-763-3-10-12-14-41.

Buying young pigs at Fredericton Monday paying \$10.00 pair for pigs over 28 lbs. Will also buy small ones. Knud Jorgensen. L-286-2-14-8-11.

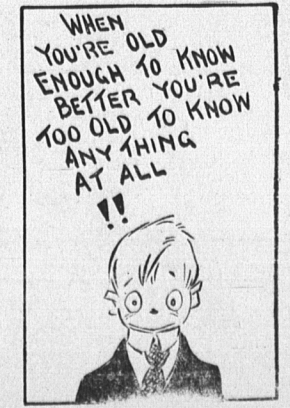
Loading hogs at Fredericton Tuesday until 9 A. M. at Bradabane. P. M. Knud Jorgensen. L-286-2-14-8-11.

Buying feed bags daily. No. 1 No. 2 No. 3 with holes less. Ship to Albany. Prompt returns. Max Cope, Albany. L-911-3-13-31.

Charlottetown B. Y. P. U. present three act comedy "Mary's Castle in the Air" in York Hall, Monday, March 16th at 8:15. Admission 25c and 15c. L-922-3-13-31.

See our province wide Livestock shipping service advertised on page 6 today's paper. Efficient service. High prices. Livestock Marketing Board. L-957.

Loading hogs at York and Windsor every Tuesday forenoon until further notice. Saves a long haul to Charlottetown while roads are bad. Try it. Livestock Marketing Board. L-957.



High tide this morning at 9:05 and tonight at 8:30.
Sun sets this evening at 6:04 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:14.
New moon March 16, 6:50 p. m.
Summerside tide 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.

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