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FINAL CLEAN-UP IN SICILY IS AT HAND

General German Retreat Seems Underway At Orel

Enemy Suffers Heavy Losses In Men, Arms

By Edward D. Ball
Associated Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Aug. 3 (AP)—Gen. German retreat appeared to be under way tonight at Orel where the Russian offensive blows of Soviet forces carried the Russian offensive five miles of the besieged city and sent the Germans reeling with tremendous losses in men and arms.

South of Orel the Russians drove the Germans from the rail line east of the city, seven miles from the city, Moscow announced in a special communiqué.

The heaviest fighting came in the muddy wheatfields northwest of Orel where the Germans fought to stave off complete encirclement. German tanks and infantry were hurled out again and in an incessant counter-attacks against the advancing Red Army tanks, the midnight communiqué said.

LONDON, Aug. 3 (CP)—The Russians, driving upon Orel from

the south, have captured the town of Stish, 10 miles below the big semi-circled Nazi bastion, and have advanced from four to six miles on various sectors of the Orel front. Moscow announced in a special communiqué tonight.

The Red Army overran more than 50 additional populated towns in today's advances, the bulletin said.

The Russians said the German offensive in the Donets Basin southeast of the Orel front had been halted because of heavy casualties to the invaders.

Crashing into suburban villages of the embattled city, the Germans were hurled out again and in an incessant counter-attacks against the advancing Red Army tanks, the midnight communiqué said.

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BULLETIN

LONDON, Aug. 4 (Wednesday)—(AP)—A force of bombers so great it took hours to pass the coast, dropped out toward the continent last night apparently in the direction of northwest Germany where flaming and desolate Hamburg still suffered from a new attack Monday.

Ottawa Reveals Farm Wage Rules For Soldiers

OTTAWA, Aug. 3 (CP)—Minimum wages to be paid for the services of soldiers detailed for farm labor were announced today by the Defence Department.

In Western Canada the minimum rate is \$4 a day; in most parts of Ontario \$3.50; and in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces \$3. In addition farmers will provide board and lodging.

The department also announced that in the cases of men granted compassionate leave to alleviate harvesting conditions on their own

War Situation Last Night

By Kirke L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst

Battle reports from Sicily indicate that the centre of the Axis Etna defence line may collapse completely at any moment.

It may already be too late for Nazi forces on the south and southwest slopes of the great volcano to escape the twin traps yawning for them. They may never reach the Messina Peninsula for a last stand or attempted flight to the Italian mainland.

Canadians and British capture of Regalbuto and American capture of Troina dooms a wide centre segment of the main Axis communication system—the road and rail routes girding the inshore flanks of the huge mountain from Catania in the southeast to Randazzo in the northwest. West of Catania, this system passes through Paterno, Aderno and Bronte to reach Randazzo, and hard-fighting American and Canadian troops are closing in on the Aderno-Bronte sector.

At Troina American forces already have a hold on a minor road running southeastward. It intersects the Regalbuto-Aderno highway a mile or two west of Aderno. An American surge along that road would cut off the Catania-Randazzo line, splitting enemy forces apart.

While the Americans can be expected to lead aid to their Canadian comrades to the south, their prime objectives must be Cesaro and Randazzo, and an attempt to push on promptly north of the Etna bastion and reach the Sicilian east coast in the rear of the main Nazi concentration confronting the British 8th army in the Catania area.

The fast pace at which the Allied drive is proceeding can be read as a definite preliminary to preparations for an Allied thrust across the narrow waters that separate Sicily and the Italian mainland.

Denounces Badoglio



EMPEROR SELASSIE

LONDON, Aug. 3 (CP)—Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia in a telegram to the News Chronicle tonight denounced Marshal Pietro Badoglio, Italy's new premier, as the man who carried out Mussolini's orders to use poison gas against my people.

While rejoicing over Mussolini's "exit in disgrace," Haile Selassie asserted: "In declaring that the war continued, Badoglio pursued his former master's policy. To have got rid of Mussolini without getting rid of Fascist tendencies would be little gain to the lovers of freedom."

Allies Drive Forward On All Sectors

By LOUIS V. HUNTER
(Canadian Press War Correspondent)

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NORTH AFRICA, Aug. 3—(CP CABLE)—Allied forces drove forward on the south, central and northern sectors in the battle of Sicily, capturing a number of key towns in the mass offensive to drive the Axis out of its foothold in northeastern Sicily today's Allied headquarters communique announced.

The Canadian 1st division and the famous British 78th division were pressing on towards the important town of Aderno in the face of fierce enemy opposition at the end of the second day of the Allies' thrust against the Etna line which got under way Sunday.

20,000 Montreal Workers In Aircraft Plants Strike

MONTREAL, Aug. 3 (CP)—Workers in three Montreal aircraft plants, which employ about 20,000 men and women, went on strike today in an attempt to have the federal government grant them back pay for a full cost of living bonus.

The strikers, members of Aircraft Lodge 712, International Association of Machinists (A.F.L.), left their jobs shortly after 3 p.m. E.D. P. A statement set yesterday for the government to meet their demands.

Strike action was decided upon at a meeting of the workers July 28. At that time they were seeking back payment of the cost-of-living bonus and a week's holidays with pay for all workers who have one year or more service as an aircraft worker.

Shortly before the walk-out it was announced that the regional War Labor Board had granted the request for holidays with pay.

The strikers demanded a payment of a full \$4.25 weekly cost-of-living bonus from July 1, 1942, to March 23, 1943, the workers received a bonus of \$1.50 weekly.

March 23, the National War Labor Board granted the workers a full cost-of-living bonus but said it had no authority to make it retroactive.

A statement issued by Union officials shortly after the walkout said that the "patience of the workers has been exhausted by months of fruitless negotiations for settlement of their request for back payment of the full cost of living bonus."

Germans Seize Italian Ships

ISTANBUL, Aug. 2 (Delayed)—(AP)—The Germans have seized three Italian ships headed with Italian troops en route to Italy when they stopped in Suda Bay in Crete to refuel, according to reports received here.

The Italians protested, but the Germans ordered the ships burned pending further developments in Italy, the reports said.

President Of R. C. A.-Victor Ltd. Drowned

MAGOG POINT, Que., Aug. 3 (CP)—E. C. Grimley of Montreal, president of R. C. A.-Victor, Ltd., was drowned in Lake Memphrémagog late today when he fell from the stern of a sail-boat. He was 52.

A light breeze was blowing across the lake when Mr. Grimley slipped and sank beneath the surface. Mrs. Grimley, who with his wife, Nancy Smith of Tom River, was in the sail-boat at the time, lowered sail and put about to pick up her husband but he failed to reappear.

Mr. Grimley was known to have been a good swimmer, but during the past winter he had found it necessary to take a rest cure for a heart condition. The body had not been recovered tonight.

Bride's widow, Mrs. Thomas, and her two daughters, Betty, Jane and Mary, and one son, Thomas, all of Montreal.

COMING EVENTS

- Talkies Crapaud Thursday, 8-4-5-21.
- Talkies Canoe Cove Friday, 8-4-5-21.
- Talkies Mt. Stewart Saturday, 8-4-5-21.
- Ice Cream and Dance Corran Bann, Friday, August 6th, 8-9-21.
- Dance Seven Mile Bay, Wednesday, Aug. 4, 8-4-11.
- Dance, Vernon River Hall, Wednesday, August 4th.
- Dance, St. Peter's Bay, Friday 8th, Clifford's Orchestra, 8-4-21.
- Cardigan Picnic Wednesday August 4th, 7-26-26-30-31-2-3-4.
- To arrive, Bulk Oats, Book now, McGinnis & Boyle, 8-3-31.
- Enjoy yourself at Darlington Festival and Dance to-night, 8-4-11.
- Ice Cream festival and dance Preston 'Toombs' field Kensington Wednesday evening, Aug. 4.
- Cape Traverse Church of Scotland, Ladies Aid Ice Cream Social, Wednesday, August 4th, Charlton Greenway's field, 8-4-11.

Fires Are Rekindled In Desolate Hamburg

LONDON, Aug. 3 (AP)—British and Canadian bombers in great strength rekindled fires last night in flaming and desolate Hamburg.

It was the ninth Allied raid in 10 days and the air ministry said incendiary bombs were dropped by the vast avenging armada sudsing through smoke-laden air.

The raid nearly obscured the fresh destruction. Thirty bombers, seven of them Canadian, and two fighters were lost. Other R.A.F. airmen were seen in sweeps over France and Holland.

A correspondent of the pro-Nazi *Atomblatt* of Cologne quoted an English consular official as estimating that 200,000 were killed in Hamburg before last night's new most concentrated raid in its history, which was aimed at blotting Europe's greatest port off the map.

The estimate was regarded with skepticism in London, although the air ministry has said that virtually every part of Hamburg's 50 square miles had been pocked with sprawling ruins.

The air ministry said that before the latest crushing assault, seven square miles of the city's area was water.

Damage Unparalleled

The ministry said that the battle of Hamburg was of greater intensity than that of the Ruhr ever was and that the damage in the port was unparalleled in the history of all wars.

Sixty hours earlier still fires set by British and Canadian airmen released from cargoes of bombs last night, more than 8,000 tons had been cast on the city of 1,600,000. Stockpiles of surplus Nazi arms had been evacuated after the Thursday raid.

Drout in West Affects Crops

OTTAWA, Aug. 3 (CP)—The Dominion Bureau of Statistics said today that during the past week "further deterioration of crops took place in Saskatchewan and Alberta as the result of high temperatures, hot winds and insufficient rainfall" and that late crops in Manitoba are also showing the effects of moisture deficiency.

OTTAWA, Aug. 3 (CP)—Baron Robert Silvercruys, plenipotentiary of the Belgian government to Canada will present "wings" to 16 Belgian airmen when they graduate on the 34th senior flying training school at Medicine Hat Friday.

News Briefs

ALIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTH WEST AFRICA, Aug. 4 (Wednesday)—(AP)—United States invasion forces have fought their way to the east end of the Namibian desert, it was announced today.

LONDON, Aug. 3 (CP)—The Allies' radio declared tonight in a broadcast recorded by The Associated Press that "the victorious end of the Sicilian battle is in sight."

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (AP)—Expedition to the battle over post war policies, a group of Senators disclosed today they would attempt to end the opposition after a direct support for a resolution pledging American participation in an international military force to halt future aggression.

LONDON, Aug. 3 (CP)—Gen. Charles De Gaulle and Gen. Henri Girard paid high tribute to each other and pledged themselves to work for the liberation of France in an exchange of letters made public tonight.

Today's Election

TORONTO, Aug. 3 (CP)—Facts about Ontario election: Polls open—8 A.M. to 7 P.M. Candidates—282 (90 Progressive Conservatives, 89 Liberals, 86 C. C. F. and 17 others). Premier Nixon, Liberal; Lt. Col. George A. Drew, Progressive Conservative; E. B. Joffe, C. C. F.

Result of last election, Oct. 6, 1937: Liberal 63, Conservatives 23, Liberal-Progressive 2, Independent Liberal 1, U.F.O. 1, Total 90.

Standing at dissolution June 29, 1943—Liberal 59, Progressive Conservative 19, Liberal-Progressive 2, Vacant 10, Total 90.

Birthday Today

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Hear Evidence In Oakes Murder Case

By E. V. W. JONES
(Associated Press Staff Writer)

NASSAU, BAHAMAS, Aug. 3 (AP)—With testimony from a barber, a witness, a missing shirt, the crown prosecutor attempted today to prove that it was tall, bearded, aged 32, Marigny who clubbed Sir Harry Oakes to death last month and left his body aflame.

An American detective, Capt. James O. Barker of the Miami Police, declared that the 35-year-old De Marigny offered three different explanations for the "considerable hair burns" Parker said were found on the ex-count's hands and arms.

Speaking slowly Barker presented for the first time the evidence which caused De Marigny to be arrested and charged with murder.

De Marigny's pretty 19-year-old wife Nancy, Sir Harry's eldest daughter, heard part of Barker's recital before leaving the crowded courtroom to fly to Miami where she said she had business in connection with her husband's defence.

Barker told how he and Capt. E. W. Melchen of the Miami Police were summoned to Nassau by plane by the Duke of Windsor, Governor of the Bahamas, an hour after Sir Harry's body was found early July 8 by Harold G. Christie, a business associate and house guest at the sumptuous Oakes estate, Westbourne.

Describes Room

"There had been considerable fire in the room," he continued, described the scene when he and Melchen were ushered into the death chamber.

"Sir Harry's body lay in a semi-contracted position, on a twin bed on the left side, and on the legs and face. Some of the burns were there before Sir Harry died."

He went on:

"Anyone in that room at the time of the fire would have suffered burned hair, and a first examination—Mr. Christie, he had no burned hair or tissues. Then Mr. De Marigny volunteered to undergo a microscopic examination and removed his shirt.

"We examined through the microscope the back of his fingers, his beard, his eyebrows, and his head, although to a lesser degree than on his arms."

At various times, Barker said, De Marigny said he incurred the burns scalding chickens at his chicken farm, lighting four hurricane lamps at his home, and by having a single at a barber shop.

Barker exhibited a screen which was near Sir Harry's bed during the attack.

Finger Prints

"We located many prints on the screen, most of them illegible to the detective continued. "One proved to be conclusively an impression of the right little finger of Alfred De Marigny."

Defence Counsel Godfrey Higgs subjected Barker to a lengthy cross-examination before the hearing was adjourned until tomorrow. Higgs argued that it will continue indications are that it will continue Higgs brought out the fact that only Christie and De Marigny were that five persons were fingerprinted in an effort to identify the 50 to 70 prints found in the room.

Only about 10 of all the prints were legible, Barker conceded under Higgs' questioning.

They were made, he said, by De Marigny, Christie, the physician Marigny, Christie, the physician who examined the body and Major Herbert Pemberton, of the Colonial Police.

SKY - MINERALS

Iron, nickel and copper are believed to be present in a gaseous state in the sun's atmosphere.

RATS FIRST, THEN FLIES

WINNIPEG, Aug. 3 (CP)—N. Pulin, in charge of rat extermination at the city dump, may go afloat at the city as soon as he's finished with rats. Mr. Pulin says he has invented a first-class trap by which millions of flies could be destroyed at low cost.

Subs Lost Contact

The submarines lost contact with the big convoy after the three days' "outing."

The Admiralty remarked that the successful "outing" was an outstanding achievement because the enemy force had been built up over a period for the purpose of launching a major attack.

P. E. I. Fish Production Up

OTTAWA, Aug. 3 (CP)—Production of the Fisheries of Prince Edward Island during 1942 was valued at \$1,439,539, compared with \$852,023 in the preceding year, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics said today. The figure represents the value of the product as marketed.

The lobster fishery constituted the most important branch of the industry marketed value at \$837,272 representing 51 per cent of the total for all kinds. Second in importance was the hake fishery with output valued at \$291,523 or 17.8 per cent of the whole.

AIRMEN SERIOUSLY INJURED

MONTREAL, Aug. 3 (CP)—Two airmen, PO. W.M. Wentworth, Montreal, and Sgt. M. T. Lauzon, Niagara Falls, Ont., were seriously injured four miles from Stanley, N.S. last night when a plane they were testing for night flying crashed. R.C.A.F. officials said here today. Officials said the aircraft, a Finch 2 plane, went into a spin at 1,000 feet and crashed four miles from No. 17 E.F.T.S. where the airmen were based.

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High tide this afternoon at 1.36 and tomorrow morning at 2.35. Sun sets this evening at 8.24 and rises tomorrow morning at 5.48.

First quarter moon Aug. 8, 11.36 p.m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

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DAILY AIR SERVICE (EXCEPT SUNDAY) Charlottetown - Summerside - Moncton Leave Charlottetown 7.50 a.m. 12.50 p.m. 4.20 p.m. Arrive Charlottetown 1.10 p.m. 5.45 p.m. 7.05 p.m.

P. E. I. - N. S. FERRY SERVICE DAILY INCLUDING SUNDAYS Leave Wood Islands - 7.00 a.m. and 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Leave Charlottetown - 9.00 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.