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LONDON, Nov. 2 — (AP) — More than 200 German planes were destroyed today in an air battle in which 2,400 American and German planes were fighting at one time over Merseburg, Germany.

United States 8th Air Force losses were reported to be 41 bombers of a force of 1,100 and 28 fighters of 900 escorting planes.

The fighters, smashing their previous record set Sept. 11 of 117 kills in aerial combat, downed 130 Germans. Bomber crews shot down 53 more and 25 planes were destroyed on the ground.

The Luftwaffe sent up swarms of jet-propelled craft, Messerschmitts and Focke-Wulfs as the United States fighters and bombers headed for the large Leuna synthetic oil plant at Merseburg and rail yard centres at Bielefeld and Rheine.

The Americans, apparently anticipating fierce opposition, sent out the second largest fighter escort ever dispatched by the 8th Air Force to support the bombers to their targets.

Mr. Bracken, National Progressive Conservative leader, said tonight in a statement that there was a "clear obligation" on Hon. J. L. Ralston to "tell the Canadian people the truth about the reinforcement situation."

Commenting on Col. Ralston's resignation as Defence Minister, Mr. Bracken said: "The people of Canada are deeply concerned to know the truth about the reinforcement situation."

The firefly is capable of carrying out a great number of tasks. It can search for long distances from the fleet at a high cruising speed. With its powerful armament it has an even chance of fighting it out with enemy single-seater fighters.

The firefly scored its first successes in a recent operation against the German battleship Tirpitz in Alten Fjord in Norway. While naval bombers attacked the Tirpitz the fireflies engaged enemy aircraft which attempted to interfere with the operation.

Four Royal Canadian Navy ratings who helped keep enemy shipping during D-Day landings in Normandy have been presented with the Distinguished Service Medal by the King at Buckingham Palace.

The victims, Will O'Neil, 19, and J. Dewar, both were track builders. They were working at that job on No. 12 east level when the accident happened.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King, at a press conference today, said that he had not felt that he should retain a position he had taken "right along."

Col. Ralston said in the Commons last July that he had no intention of disbanding men called for compulsory service as long as all or some of them may be needed as reinforcements overseas.

Allied success in clearing Schelde Estuary approaches to Antwerp of all substantial enemy resistance coupled with the forward surge of United States 1st Army troops in Hurtgen forest southeast of captured Aachen could herald the opening of the next major phase of the battle of the Siegfried Line.

At that point, in Hurtgen woods, Allied troops stand closer to the Rhine than at any other except in the Nijmegen-Arnhem sector to the north. The span of the river between Cologne and Bonn to the south, flanked on both sides by an intricate network of railroads, highways and power lines, is less than 20 miles from American positions in the forest.

British troops, hammering away at German rearwards battered against the Maas, drove a mile nearer the two vital bridges across the stream of Moerdijk, widened their hold on the south bank and the west of Geertruidenberg.

The long-dormant U. S. 1st Army sprang into action inside Germany near the Maas, driving ahead one to two miles in a strong attack through Hurtgen forest.

HALIFAX, Nov. 2 — (CP) — The majority of 229 aircrew members, whose training at Maritime R.C.A.F. stations has been halted by contraction of the air force training program, will join the active army, Lt.-Col. G. Saunders, Army Recruiting Officer for M.D. No. 6, announced tonight.

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Nov. 2 — (CP) — New Brunswick, with a Victory Loan objective of \$25,400,000, went past the half way mark today, when sales of \$12,947,700 raised the total to \$13,880,150.

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Two important facts relative to the economic welfare of the Province were brought out at last night's quarterly meeting of the Charlottetown Board of Trade held at the Charlottetown Hotel.

Subscriptions to the Seventh Victory Loan in this Province passed the two million dollar mark yesterday and the drive to raise a minimum of \$3,000,000 appears to be going well.

PARIS, Nov. 2 — (AP) — Explosion of a captured German ammunition train yesterday near a spot where Gen. De Gaulle has spoken earlier killed 21 persons and injured 95. It was learned today.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, Toronto, Nov. 2 — (CP) — Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver 44, 57; Edmonton 20, 24; Regina 20, 22; Winnipeg 28, 29; Toronto 47, 65; Ottawa 47, 68; Montreal 50, 63; Saint John 42; Halifax 43, 62.

High tide this afternoon at 2:01 and tonight at 1:30. Sun sets this afternoon at 5:47 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:41. Last quarter moon November 7th, 3:28 A. M.

DAILY AIR SERVICE
Charlottetown — Summerside — Moncton
Leaves Charlottetown 7 A. M. 11:30 A. M. 6 P. M.
Arrives Charlottetown 12:45 P. M. 5:45 P. M. 8:40 P. M.

SUNDAY SERVICE
Leaves Charlottetown 11:30 A. M. and 4 P. M.
Arrives Charlottetown 2 P. M. and 5:45 P. M.

CHARLOTTETOWN — NEW GLASGOW (Daily except Sunday)
Leaves Charlottetown 1 P. M. M. Arrives Charlottetown 5:50 P. M.

PEI-N-S FERRY SERVICE DAILY INCLUDING SUNDAYS
Leaves Wood Islands—10:00 A. M. and 2:00 P. M.
Leaves Carleton Place—12:00 noon and 4:00 P. M.

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