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## FRENCH SHIPS TARGETS FOR AIR RAIDERS

### CHINESE STALL BIG JAPANESE OFFENSIVE

### Merchant Vessel And Submarine Chaser Bombed

#### Stiffening Of French Attitude Ex- pected At London Meeting To- day As Result Of Aerial "Piracy".

PARIS, Oct. 25—(AP)—Aerial "piracy" confronted Europe with a new Mediterranean problem tonight. One French vessel was bombed and sunk and another bombed and burned by planes marked with black Maltese crosses. Three planes shot down while raiding Barcelona were Italian, the Spanish Government declared.

The Spanish Government Embassy here said the black cross was the mark of the Spanish insurgent air force. Insurgent representatives said they could not describe the standard markings of their planes.

A cross-marked air raider bombed and set fire to a French submarine chaser today just outside the Port of Fornells, on the Island of Minorca off the eastern coast of Spain, less than 48 hours after a similarly-marked seaplane sank the French freighter Oued Mellah in the northern Mediterranean.

#### Ordered To Scene

The French Government ordered its destroyer Milan, which arrived at Toulon with 11 survivors of the Oued Mellah, to speed immediately to Fornells. The Foreign Office issued the following communique:

"Following attacks by airplanes, of which two French boats have been the objects, the Government has taken urgently necessary dispositions to determine and identify the aggressors and adopt measures which are called for by such attacks."

"Already one warship has left for the scene. The Government is also taking dispositions to assure protection for the air France line between Marseille and Algiers."

Government officials who have insisted communication lines between France and her North African colonies must be protected said they considered the two incidents in as many days as "very serious."

#### May Stiffen Stand

Diplomats believed the immediate reaction would be a stiffening of the French stand at the London meeting tomorrow of the Non-Intervention subcommittee which is seeking an agreement for the withdrawal of foreign volunteers from the Spanish civil war.

An unofficial and unconfirmed report said a French freighter was sunk at Barcelona.

A Valencia defence ministry communique said papers found in the wreck of one of the bombers shot down at Barcelona proved they were Italian and came from the island base at Mallorca.

#### Insurgent Insignia

French frontier police and customs officers at Perpignan said the Maltese Cross insignia was painted on insurgent Spanish planes which have been bombarding Portbou, just across the border.

The Maltese-Cross-marked raider attacked the submarine chaser No. 91 this morning off the north coast of Minorca where the Air France line between Marseille and Algiers has a base.

The submarine-chaser was assigned by France under the Nyon Anti-Piracy Accord to patrol the Mediterranean and aid commercial planes in case of attack.

The plane bombed and machine-gunned the chaser, setting it ablaze with a bomb which struck it squarely. The craft hastened at once to its regular station inside the port and permitted the crew of six to land. The fire, however, was said to be out of control and the ship was believed lost.

### HOLD FIRM TO POSITIONS NEAR SHANGHAI

#### Hand-to-hand Combat Waged in Streets of Tazang—Jap Lines Bombed.

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)  
SHANGHAI, Oct. 26—(Tuesday)—Chinese bombing planes carried the fight to Japanese positions on Shanghai's northern fringe early today while Chinese infantrymen held doggedly against the onslaughts of some 160,000 Japanese along the twisting front north of the city.

A Japanese army spokesman admitted the Japanese drive had "slowed down" after six days of offensive operations. Foreign experts estimated some 30,000 Chinese troops were holding the line northwest from Shanghai to the Yangtze estuary.

The city's international areas rocked to the bomb explosions. Fragments and shrapnel fell in these districts. Police reported three Chinese had been killed and 19 injured in those areas in the last 24 hours.

#### Hand-to-Hand Combat

Chinese and Japanese were fighting hand to hand in the streets of Tazang, key to the back of the Chinese positions at Kiangwan and Chapel, where the Chinese flank is protected by the neutrality of the International Settlement.

The Japanese spokesman said the main body of the Chinese were retreating westward from Tazang, while the Japanese were pressing steadily against Chinese units left to fight the covering rearguard action.

A correspondent of the Domei (Japanese) News Agency reported that a wall was left standing in Tazang. He described the city as "a thin strip of ruins."

The Japanese said the Chinese were falling back on Nanziang and Chengju, main bases of their "winter line" about 10 miles in rear of the first line of defence where the battle began six days ago.

Foreign military experts believe the Japanese will take a breathing spell to bring up their heavy artillery to blast out the barbed wire that has sowed their advance.

As the result of the Sunday morning plane attack in which a British soldier was killed, British army authorities issued orders to all their defence posts to fire without hesitation on any attacking planes.

### Britain Threatens Armed Retaliation

SHANGHAI, Oct. 26—(Tuesday)—(CP Hava)—Great Britain's threat of armed retaliation against Japanese attacks on its nationals in the Shanghai area appeared today to have borne fruit.

While British soldiers on duty here swung their batteries skyward following the machine-gunning of one of their comrades Sunday, the Japanese Government was reported ready to pay an indemnity for the killing.

The attack led British authorities here to order their troops to open fire on any airplane which ventured dangerously close to their positions.

### Plan Salvage Of Sloop Sunk Near Campbellton In 1760

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)  
HALIFAX, Oct. 25—(CP)—Bent on salvaging the hulk of the French warship Marquis de Malauze, sunk in the Restigouche River 177 years ago when the Seven Years War raged, three men left Halifax today for Campbellton, N. B.

Frederick G. Robertson, former New Brunswick resident who said he had a financial interest in the expedition, G. A. Glendon and George Riggley, Halifax divers, were the three. Robertson said he and Rev. R. P. Pacifico, Roman Catholic Missionary to the Micmacs at Ste. Anne de Restigouche, had agreed on the salvaging.

Transportation Minister C. D. Howe deeded care of the hulk to Father Pacifico more than a year ago. The Priest's hope was that some day the ship might be raised, repaired and made into a museum.

Robertson said a trial expedition was undertaken last year with satisfactory results and he had obtained several souvenirs from the ship.

A standing offer of \$5,000 for the rudder had been made and salvage equipment was awaiting at Campbellton, two miles from where the Marquis de Malauze lies

### Britain Leads In Aircraft Construction

LONDON, Oct. 26—(Tuesday)—(CP Cable)—The air correspondent of the Daily Herald (Labour) today stated Great Britain now was capable of building aircraft more swiftly and in greater numbers than any other European country, including Germany.

His front page article described new airplane factories built or nearing completion by British automobile companies. He described the Austin firm's Birmingham factory as the biggest aviation works in Europe.

It will include an airframe built on rubbish heaps and a semi-underground factory, he added.

### Glansmen Name New Slate At Annual Meeting

#### Mr. Neil MacCannell Elected Chief Of Caledonian Club.

Mr. Neil MacCannell of Charlottetown was elected Chief of the Prince Edward Island Caledonian Club at the annual meeting of the organization last night. Other officers elected include: Messrs. Walter R. Shaw, Cornwall, president; J. G. MacFadyen, Charlottetown, 1st vice-president; John L. Beaton, Charlottetown, 2nd vice-president, re-elected; A. B. Brown, Charlottetown, financial secretary; John Anderson, Charlottetown, treasurer, re-elected; T. M. MacMillan, Charlottetown, recording secretary, re-elected; W. H. Scott, Charlottetown, corresponding secretary; J. B. Manderson, Charlottetown, Club Piper, re-elected. Directors: Messrs. J. J. McGillivray, Vernon; Wallace McNeill, Vernon River; J. R. Burnett, Charlottetown; Albert T. MacKinnon, Charlottetown; F. A. A. Mutch, Charlottetown; D. B. MacDonald, Bedouque; J. W. Shaw, Charlottetown; Alexander MacDonald, Cumberland; Ronald MacDonald, Charlottetown.

Retiring president Neil MacCannell presided at the meeting at which routine business was transacted. Arrangements were made for the annual celebration of St. Andrew's Day November 30. The following committee was appointed to carry out arrangements for the observance of the day: Messrs. J. G. MacFadyen, J. W. Shaw, W. R. Shaw, Neil MacCannell, A. T. MacKinnon, Alex. Matheson, A. B. Brown, and T. M. MacMillan.

The recording secretary was requested to tender the sympathy of the Club to the families of Clansmen Maxwell Henry and Neil MacNevin who died since the last quarterly meeting.

Clansman John Anderson presented a statement of the finances of the Club and said that a full report would be made at the next quarterly meeting.

Brief addresses were given by Clansmen A. T. MacKinnon, James S. Walker, J. G. MacFadyen, T. F. White, and A. B. Brown.

Three new members were added to the Club. It was decided to call a special meeting of the Club when final arrangements for the St. Andrew's celebration would be completed.

### POTATO RECORD

VICTORIA—A. Miles, Victoria, exhibited at the Horticultural Society's Chrysanthemum Show 528 1-2 pounds of potatoes grown, he said, from one pound of seed. Miles said his mark was more than 150 pounds above the British record.

### FIRE DESTROYS TENEMENT AT MT. STEWART

#### Several Thousand Dol- lars Damage Caused In Midnight Blaze— City Firemen Called.

Fire, discovered at midnight last night, destroyed a two-tenement house at Mt. Stewart owned and occupied by Mr. Roy Leard. Volunteer fire fighters were unable to save the building but succeeded in removing the greater part of the furniture. The Charlottetown Fire Department responded to an urgent call for assistance when residents feared the flames would spread to other buildings. Strenuous efforts of a bucket brigade, however, kept the flames from spreading. Flying cinders ignited the roof of Mr. Chester Coffin's residence some distance away but the fire was extinguished before much damage was done. When the Charlottetown fire-fighters arrived after a fifteen mile drive with one of the City engines they directed a powerful stream of water on the blazing ruins and Mt. Stewart residents breathed more freely. For a time they had feared a portion of the village would be wiped out.

The fire was believed to have originated around the chimney in the attic. Neighbors had gathered at the house for a cooking demonstration and were about to depart when the fire was discovered. Volunteer fire fighters were hampered in their efforts by difficulty in reaching the fire under the roof and between the floor.

An exact estimate of the loss was not available early today but it was expected to be in the vicinity of several thousand dollars.

### DEATH OF MR. G. H. HOLBROOK LAST EVENING

Mr. G. H. Holbrook, one of Charlottetown's most estimable citizens, died at his home, King Square, last evening after a three weeks illness. He was in his 81st year.

Mr. Holbrook, born at Brocton, Mass., had been in the insurance business here for the past 40 years and was secretary-treasurer of the Charlottetown Fire Insurance Company. He was also Paymaster Lieutenant of the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve for many years and a valued member of the Masonic Order.

Besides his wife he is survived by one son, Harold S. Holbrook of Toronto and two daughters, Mrs. (Dr.) John Y. MacFadyen of Nevis, British West Indies and Mrs. Wilfred F. Taylor of Kensington, Prince Edward Island.

### Police Chiefs Seek Closer Co-operation

MONTREAL, Oct. 25—Co-operation across the border lines of nations was urged today before the police chiefs of the world for their fight against the criminal. Chiefs of the International World Police Convention were told they must co-ordinate in their fight against the international crook.

More than 50 of them, at the biennial convention of the I. W. P. from a dozen or more countries, heard appeals for closer work between their forces. They were here for a two-day session of their association, formed to knit them into a closer unit for fight against international crime.

### Tea for every Taste

# "SALUDA"

## TEA

### Canadian Navy Takes Over Schooner For Training Tars

(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
HALIFAX, Oct. 25—The 190-ton, three-masted schooner Venture built to give Canada's tars training in sail as well as steam, was taken over by the Royal Canadian Navy tonight, ending a seven-day period in which the craft was "nobody's child."

The schooner was arrested at the dockyard of John F. Deveau of Meteghan, N.S., her builder, on the claim of the Halifax spar-making firm of Bentley and Fleming. They claimed they had not received payment for three masts in the new craft. She was sailed to Halifax by navy men but was not taken over officially.

Today the firm withdrew the claim.

The Venture, first schooner built for the Canadian Navy for training purposes, is a graceful, shallow-hulled craft. She was built under the supervision of W. J. Rouse, designer of the Bluenose of international fishing schooner racing fame, and was launched in June.

She is 146 feet overall with a waterline of 110 feet, carries about 12,000 square feet of sail and has a 120 horsepower engine. Her formal trials will take place next week.

### Japan May Strike Blow At Russia

TOKYO, Oct. 25—General Baron Sadao Araki, who as minister of war directed Japan's conquest of Manchuria in 1931-33, declared today it "probably is necessary for Japan to strike directly at Russia" to eliminate Communist influence from the Far East.

"Communism, he asserted, is the root of the present turmoil in the Orient and the cause of the Chinese-Japanese conflict."

General Araki, in retirement since the Tokyo Army uprising of February, 1936, recently emerged to become a member of Premier Fumimaro Konoye's Advisory Council.

"There are two principal causes of the present conflict," the General told the Associated Press. "The first comes from the Chinese violation of the agreement signed after the 1932 fighting at Shanghai which provided for a demilitarized zone around Shanghai. As soon as possible the Chinese built fortifications there and moved garrisons into them."

"Beneath this tangible fact lies the invisible influence of Communism. Chiang Kai-Shek (head of the Chinese Government) first used Japanese aid in unifying China. He has switched from one to the other several times in the past. Undoubtedly he is merely using the Communists now and when they no longer are available he will turn elsewhere, perhaps to Japan."

"Therefore it probably is necessary for Japan to strike directly at Russia."

### Canadian Attacks At Passchendaele

Written for The Canadian Press by  
CAPT. W. W. MURRAY, M.C.

Four major attacks were delivered by the Canadian Corps at Passchendaele. A pre-estimate of the casualties which the four divisions would suffer had resulted in the figure of 15,000. When, after nearly a month in this area, the Canadians were withdrawn it was noted that actual losses corresponded very closely to the estimate.

The Canadians projected themselves into the abomination of desolation which was Passchendaele with unflinching bravery. They executed their operations with the same of efficiency, with magnificent discipline. Their leadership, from the corps commander down to the last promoted lance-corporal was confident, careful and intelligent.

When the 3rd and 4th Divisions reached the area in the third week of October, they found the British line had crept slowly, but with appalling loss, across the low-lying ground north and east of Ypres. The salient had been greatly widened. Messines Ridge, Wytschaete Ridge, the high ground encircling Ypres from St. Eloi to Dixmunde, along whose crest the trench-lines had run for the preceding three years, were in the hands of the British.

Battles were in daily progress from Broodseinde Ridge, southeast of Passchendaele. But immediately in front of the Canadians were Gravenstafel Ridge and Abraham

### Insurgent Police Arrest Britons

GIBRALTAR, Oct. 25—(CP-Havas)—The arrest of a number of Britons and other foreigners by insurgent police in southern Spain aroused comment here today.

A Manchester optician, Roy Winston, accompanied by his father and mother, disclosed on his arrival here that they had been placed under arrest at Insurgent-held Cadix and imprisoned for five weeks. No charges were preferred against them.

The Colonial Auditor of Gibraltar Herbert Merrick, was reported under detention at Malaga.

### N. B. Conservatives To Elect Leader

FREDERICTON, N. B., Oct. 25—Choice of the leader of the Conservative Party in New Brunswick to be selected at provincial convention here on Wednesday afternoon narrowed down to two names today, F. C. Squires, Woodstock, leader of the Opposition in the House and Hugh John Fleming, of Juniper, Carleton County, according to political gossip.

More than 3,000 delegates are expected to have their say at the open convention to be presided over by Hon. Dr. R. B. Hanson, K. C., in the opera house which has been wired for loud speakers for the outdoor as well as the Y. M. C. A. hall side as well as the Y. M. C. A. hall which has been secured to take care of the overflow of party followers from all the polls.

### Belgian Premier Resigns In Face Of "Scandal" Charges

(By The Associated Press)  
BRUSSELS, Oct. 25—Premier Paul Van Zeeland resigned tonight to defend himself as a private citizen against charges of his political enemies concerning the administration of the Belgian National Bank when he was its vice-president five years ago.

His cabinet resigned with Van Zeeland and drafted a letter of confidence in his integrity.

(Havas News Agency) reported that the Premier also resigned his seat in parliament.

Van Zeeland's decision to resign for a showdown on his critics' charge of "scandal" in connection with his bank administration threatened to force at least a few days postponement of the nine-power conference called for Oct. 30 at Brussels to seek "amicable means" of ending the Chinese-Japanese war.

Moves were under way to retain the same kind of coalition government with little change of personnel, perhaps headed by Foreign Minister Spaak, Finance Minister Henri de Man or even a non-politician as Premier.

### COMING EVENTS

- "Dance in Iona Hall Tuesday night, October 28th. L-1060-10-26-11.
- "Buying live hogs Albany Thursday, 28th, Emerald 29th, until noon. G. C. Green. L-20-65-W-t-t-w-t-t.
- "Annual chicken supper, dance, St. James Hall, Summerfield, Tuesday, Oct. 26th. L-850-10-21-51.
- "Haymakers" dance, Hunter River, Tuesday. Transfer leaves Sunnyside 8 o'clock. L-971-10-25-21.
- "Dance in Victoria Rink Wednesday night—Music by Summerfield Music Makers. L-2063-T-W-1f.
- "Dance in Forest Hill Hall Wednesday, October 27th. Webster's Orchestra. L-1039-10-26-11.
- "Trinity Sewing Committee Cake Sale Saturday, Oct. 30 at Prowse Bros. L-1074.
- "Borden Line Club loading hogs, lambs, calves every Wednesday at Albany. Hours 12-3. L-2001-10-M T W tt.
- "Annual Chicken Supper and Dance in C. M. B. A. Hall, Vernon River, Wednesday, October 27th. L-1048-10-26-21.
- "Masquerade Dance, Legion Hall, Mount Stewart, Thursday, October 28th. Prizes. Women's Institute. L-1038-10-26-21.
- "Reserve Wednesday, November 3rd, United Church Chicken Supper and Bazaar, Hunter River Masonic Hall. L-1043-10-26-11-2-3.
- "Dance in Irishtown Thursday night also supper in Irishtown Hall. Come and attend both. L-1066.
- "Alpha Rebekah Lodge is holding their annual birthday at the regular meeting Tuesday evening. L-1067.
- "Masquerade dance at Canoe Cove Friday, Oct. 29th. Music by Lal LeBlanc and his "Fanniniers." L-1077-10-26-21.
- "Sunday School Rally, St. Catharines Hall, Friday, October 29th at 1:30 o'clock. An address will be given by the Rev. Mr. Manzer. L-1042-10-26-11.
- "Milton, W. Inloe and surrounding country take notice that the Western Relief Car will be loaded at Milton on Thursday 28th. L-1034-10-26-11.
- "Reserve Wednesday, October 27th for Chicken Supper from 10 o'clock in Winslow Hall. Prizes 25c and 35c. If not fine following fine night. L-863-10-22-26.
- "Come to Bonshaw Hall Friday, October 29th, at 8 p. m. and see the play "Hired Husbands" presented by Marshfield-Dunstaffnage Y. P. S. L-1075-10-26-31.
- "C. W. L. penny sale and dance at Webster's Corner Hall, Tuesday, October 26th. Admission free from 7 to 8 o'clock. Special music. L-946-10-23-21.
- "Loading live hogs and lambs at Kensington till noon Thursday, Oct. 28th. Nicholson. Bros. loading at Hunter River Friday till noon. Signed McEwen & Campbell. L-2141-7-6-13-20-27.
- "Amateur Concert and Box Social, Wood Island Hall, November 2nd. Entries received till November 2nd by Ruby McMillan or Marion McPhee, Wood Islands. Good prizes awarded. L-983-10-26-11.
- "Another car of "Gilt Edge Flour", Bran, Shorts and Middlings will arrive in a few days. Watch for unloading announcement in this column at later date. Book your requirements. Livestock Marketing Board. L-1076.
- "Our "Gilt Edge Flour" supply is all gone, but we expect another car to arrive latter part of this week. Book your orders for car-door delivery. Watch for announcement. Livestock Marketing Board. L-1076.
- "Buying Clubs, Institutes, Shipping Clubs and other farm organizations should get their supply of "Gilt Edge Flour" and mill feeds before the unfavorable weather and bad road season sets in. Book from our next car. Livestock Marketing Board. L-1076.

### FORTIFIED FOR HOCKEY

TRAIL, B. C., Oct. 25—Trail is back in hockey this winter in a big way. According to one observer there are more than 300 players of whom 68 are seniors. Several of these seeking places on the Trail senior team are from Winnipeg.



TORONTO, Oct. 25—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	30 42
Victoria	48 56
Edmonton	34 56
Regina	36 62
Winnipeg	34 52
Toronto	36 49
Ottawa	32 46
Montreal	— 44
Quebec	38 44
Saint John	44 52
Halifax	46 54
Charlottetown	48 56

Forecasts:  
Maritime East: Moderate to fresh winds; partly cloudy and mild; probably some light showers.

High tide this afternoon at 4.10 and tomorrow morning at 3.20. Sun sets this afternoon at 4.50 and rises tomorrow morning at 6.31.

Last quarter moon Tuesday, Oct. 26, 8.26 a.m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY  
Leaves Borden 9.45 a. m., 1 p. m., Leaves Toronto 11 a. m., 2.05 p. m., From Sept. 27 to Oct. 30 Leave Borden 4.25 p. m., Leave Toronto 5.45 p. m.