

HITLER AND MUSSOLINI TALK TWO HOURS

Germans Bomb Scapa Flow: One Civilian Killed And Fourteen Injured

Fourteen Raiders Swoop Down Out of Skies. Damage One Battleship. Kill One Civilian and Hurt Seven More. Seven Naval Men Killed or Injured. R. A. F. Attacks German Coastal Patrol Vessels. Lift One Out of Water.

An aerial exchange featured the war news of the week-end. On Saturday Royal Air Force planes struck at German patrol vessels at Heligoland, Bight, off the German coast between the islands of Borgum and Heligoland. One German vessel was reported lifted clear of the water by the force of an explosion.

At dusk on Saturday fourteen German raiders swept down out of the clouds at Scapa Flow, a naval anchorage base, and dropped hundreds of bombs, explosive and incendiary.

One warship was damaged and the first civilian to be killed by air raids on the British Isles was struck down. In addition, seven other civilians were injured and seven naval men either killed or injured.

The bombing was believed to mean that the war was entering a new phase and that Hitler was beginning his spring aerial attacks.

One of the German raiders was shot down.

On Sunday the German planes returned to the attack but confined themselves to east coast shipping. They were driven off by British fighters.

The civilian killed was James Isbister, 27. He was standing in the door of his cottage watching the fight when he was struck by a bomb fragment.

Good Programme Legion Smoker on Saturday Night

The monthly smoker of the Canadian Legion will be held on Saturday, March 23rd, with W. A. Devine, in the role of chairman. A very good programme has been prepared with another evening of instrumental music. All are cordially welcome and a pleasant evening is assured.

Novel Ideas at the St. Patrick's Tea on Saturday

Tables Decorated with Irish Colours. Cake Made in Shape of Frog.

The St. Patrick's Tea held on Saturday afternoon in the United Church hall by the United Church choir, was one of the most successful and well-attended events of the year. Very appropriately, the room was entirely decorated in green and white, with dainty daffodil blooms in tall vases.

The main table was set with a fine cloth and strips of green, with a centerpiece of daffodils and a beautifully iced cake, especially donated by one of the members of the congregation. The cake was made in the shape of a large green frog. The smaller individual tables were also decorated in green and white, with vases of daffodils.

Mrs. P. H. Carson and Mrs. W. Jardine received the guests, while Mrs. W. Curtis and Mrs. C. Surman poured tea, presiding at the main table. The waitresses, who were attired in green and white, with dainty shamrock caps and aprons, were Mrs. Whitehead, Mrs. Coombs, Mrs. W. Roberts, Mrs. T. Gaye and Mrs. Kennedy.

Mrs. Robinson acted as treasurer, and Mrs. McCullough, Mrs. L. Worthington, and Miss Edith Richardson were in charge of the popular bake table. The bake table was also adorned with green and white, with goodies in matching colours, and every article on sale soon found a buyer.

Mrs. W. Mackie was convener of the kitchen committee, and was assisted by Mrs. Cambridge and Mrs. Griffin.

The lunch served was very tasty, being made up of sandwiches, cakes, cookies, and fruit salad, all in the white and green of St. Patrick's day.

The proceeds, which reached a fine total, will be used to purchase necessities for the choir, such as music, etc.

Ten-Day Holiday for School Pupils for the Easter Time

Schools to Close on Thursday and Re-open April 1.

The Timmins High and Vocational School and public schools, will close on Thursday afternoon for the Easter Holiday, and will open on Monday, April 1st, thus giving the pupils a ten-day holiday.

Open Night Wednesday At Central

Parents and Friends Invited to Visit School.

Parents and friends of pupils of the Central Public School will be interested to learn that the school will hold "Open Night" on Wednesday evening, from 7 to 9 p.m.

All are cordially invited to visit the school, to view the progress the pupils have made in the past terms, and that parents may discuss problems with the teachers.

Holy Week Services to be Held in the Timmins Churches

Services Arranged by the Ministerial Association.

Holy Week services have been planned by the Ministerial Association and will be held in the various churches each evening this week at 7.30, with different clergymen taking part.

The following are the churches in which the services will be held: Timmins—Monday evening in the Timmins United Church. Tuesday evening in the Finnish United Church. Wednesday evening in St. Matthew's Anglican church. Thursday evening in the Salvation Army citadel, Birch street south.

South Porcupine—Monday evening in the United Church. Tuesday evening in St. Paul's Anglican church. Wednesday evening in the United Church. Thursday evening in St. Paul's Anglican church.

Schumacher: In Schumacher United church the ministers will conduct services each night at 7.30.

Former Mayor of North Bay Judge of Algoma District

Mr. John H. McDonald, K.C., of North Bay, well-known throughout the North for his interest in public affairs, has been appointed Senior Judge of Algoma District, to succeed Judge Fred Stone who has retired. Judge McDonald was active in board of trade work in North Bay for many years, and was elected mayor of the Gateway City on more than one occasion. He was widely known as an able lawyer.

Porcupine Fish and Game Association Meeting To-morrow

Annual Meeting to be Held in Daffodil Tea Room, at Schumacher, on Tuesday, March 19.

The Porcupine Fish and Game Protective Association will hold its annual meeting in the Daffodil Tea Room Schumacher, on Tuesday evening of this week, March 19th. The election of officers for 1940 will take place at the meeting.

The meeting is called for the benefit of members and it is hoped that it will be largely attended. Maps are available showing lakes and streams which have been stocked with pickerel and trout, and also wild rice which was sown by the association last fall. Any-one wishing to become a member may do so by purchasing a membership ticket at this meeting, or from any member of the executive committee. The membership fee for one year is only a dollar. In the past the association has been of special value to sportsmen and to the country through its efforts towards conservation and its active work in protection of fish and game. There is much work to be done along this line for the public benefit and the larger the membership of the Porcupine Fish and Game Protective Association and the greater the general interest, the better for the North. All interested should make a special note of attending the annual meeting of the Porcupine Fish and Game Protective Association in the Daffodil Tea Room, Schumacher, on Tuesday evening, March 19th.

CHARMING GROUP OF SKATING BEAUTIES



The above was one of the charming groups practicing last week for the Porcupine Skating Club carnival to be held at an early date at the McIntyre Community arena. From left to right:—Bette MacMillan, Margaret Keeley, Isobel Flowers, Pat Campbell, Barbara Barry, Katherine Lafontaine, Norma Tario, Shirley McDivitt.

Car Strikes Bicyclists Three in Hospital Here

Three Young Men, Riding Bicycles from South Porcupine Struck by Automobile. Two Suffer Slight Abdominal Injuries and One May Have Broken Bone in Back. Police Say Youths Were Warned in South Porcupine Re Bicycles.

Three young men are in St. Mary's Hospital today as the result of a motor accident which occurred last night on the South Porcupine road.

Injured are Walter Zurby, Peter Stefanick and Nick Spasuk. The first two boys received slight abdominal injuries in the accident, but in the case of Spasuk, physicians said that there was a remote possibility that he had broken a bone in his back. All three boys are badly shaken up and bruised.

Driver of the car which struck the bicycle riding trio was Keith Bennett. With him in the rented car was William Miller.

Tisdale police said today that the three boys were seen leaving South Porcupine on their bicycles. A constable stopped them and pointed out that they had no lights on their bicycles. He told them to either get their vehicles equipped with lights or to walk them to Timmins. The boys said that they would walk beside their wheels. At about a mile from South Porcupine the accident took place. The auto is believed to have ploughed into the trio from the rear, knocking them off their bicycles.

The car stopped immediately and assisted in taking the boys to the hospital. Tisdale Chief of Police, Charles McInnis, said today that the three young men would be charged with failure to have their bicycles properly equipped with lights. He believed that the parents of the youths might lay charges against the driver of the car.

"D" Company Orders

"D" Company, The Algonquin Regiment Company Orders issued by Major W. F. Morgan, Officer Commanding.

18th March, 1940
Thursday, 21st March—1915 hrs.—Rifle drill for recruits conducted by O. S. M. Phillips. All N.C.O.'s attending Regt. School of Instruction will report to this parade.

Thursday, 21st March—1930 hrs.—Meeting of officers in mess rooms. All officers will attend this meeting.

Premier Resigns



Premier A. A. Dysart, of New Brunswick resigned. He was succeeded by Hon. J. B. McNair, attorney-general. The resignation was due to ill health, the premier said.

Sun Crosses Equator

Weather Will be Generally Unsettled and Changeable This Week.

On Wednesday of this week, March 20th, the sun crosses the equator on its way north. All over the world day and night will be equal.

Weather next week will be generally unsettled and changeable, said Sydney Wheeler, weatherman, this morning. Maximum and minimum temperatures since Thursday have been as follows: Thursday, maximum 28, minimum 18; Friday, 20 and 8; Saturday, 15 and 5; Sunday, 22 and 8. At eight o'clock this morning temperature was six and a half degrees.

On Thursday and Friday six and a half inches of snow fell.

A summary of last week's weather indicates that the mean maximum temperature was 19½ degrees and the mean minimum was 2.3 degrees giving an average of 7½ degrees. Highest temperature was 28 degrees and lowest 12 below zero. Temperature range was over 40 degrees.

The sun shone for 38 hours during the week or an average of five and a quarter hours a day. Sunrise this week is at 6.35 a.m. and sunset at 6.35 p.m.

Charge Six With Breaking Entering on Investigation

Charge Six Youths Broke Into Warehouse Imperial Oil. False Pretence Charge

Bringing to an end investigation which has been in progress for some time, Timmins police laid charges of breaking and entering and theft against six young men this week-end. The men were alleged to have twice broken into the warehouse of the Imperial Oil Company.

At the time of the first break-in three truck tires, valued at \$100 wholesale, were stolen. The second break-in occurred a few days later. At that time four more tires were stolen.

Charged are Paul and George Timm, Tony Hoff, William Gorbes, Emmanuel Grenier and Bill Bolduc.

Seven of the tires have been recovered by police. It is however, feared that others have been stolen and not recovered.

A local young lady faces a charge of stealing a watch. She is alleged to have taken it from the house on Maple St., north, where she was employed as a domestic.

Fred Groves faces a charge of false pretences. He is alleged to have gone into Esquire Shop and taken delivery on a suit on the understanding that he was employed and able to pay for it. When it was found out that he was not able to do so he refused to return the suit.

Find 415 Bottles In Raid

Provincial Police Lay Keeping for Sale Charge after Finding Huge Beer Cache

When provincial police raided an establishment run by Morris Mandel, in Mountjoy Township, at an early hour on Sunday morning they found it stocked like a brewery warehouse.

Police entered and found a large number of people drinking in the house. They carried 415 pints of beer out of the place and one part bottle of whiskey. Mandel was charged and is in jail here today. He will appear tomorrow afternoon before Magistrate S. Atkinson.

John Rozowski, 108 Sixth avenue, was arrested at 4.50 a.m. on March 17. He was charged with the illegal possession of beer. Rozowski was alleged to have had two cases of beer in his home which was declared a public place following a conviction some time ago.

McIntyre Concert Band Delighted All Yesterday

The programme given over the air yesterday afternoon by the McIntyre Concert Band under the leadership of G. E. Badin, F.S.M., was one of outstanding interest and merit. It was broadcast from the McIntyre Community hall and was enjoyed by many in town and district. One local music-lover who has heard many bands in the large cities of many different countries said the able work of the McIntyre Concert Band would stand comparison with the playing of any similar organization that he had heard.

Lost Flier Found



Forced down by engine failure near Parry Sound on a flight from Camp Borden, Pilot Officer F. A. Edmonds was found by a search party at Twin Island, March 10, 17 hours after he was reported missing. He was uninjured and his plane was only slightly damaged in the crash landing on Georgian Bay ice. The pilot took refuge in a summer cottage, where he was found.

Start Back for Germany And Italy This Morning Pope Talks With Welles

No Inkling Given of Conversation Between Germany's Hitler and Italy's Mussolini. Speculate Hitler Trying to Smooth Mussolini's Dislike of Stalin and the U. S. S. R. First Since September, 1938.

Half Quota Red Shield Now In

The local committee in charge of the drive for funds for the Salvation Army Red Shield war services held a meeting at the Citadel on Saturday afternoon and were confident that the full objective for this area would be secured. Already there is fully half the amount actually in while a number of the canvassers have to report. A mark has been set for each mine in the area and it is pleasing to know that the men and the mines are in each case rolling up the objective. One of the newer mines not only doubled its objective, but passed even the double mark by \$10.

Porcupine Figure Skating Club to Give Programme

First Carnival of Its Kind Ever Held in Porcupine.

The Porcupine Figure Skating Club will present its "Spring Time Frolics" on April 12 and 13. This will be the first show of its kind in the Porcupine camp, and will have all the settings of a Hollywood scenario. Stage sets have been specially designed by Tup Gilbert. Tall, stately columns will give a southern air and are translucent with varied colored lights. Spotlights show the figure skaters up to the best possible advantage.

Of course the children will take the spotlight on the programme and youngsters from five to eight years old will perform in a flower garden story composed of bluebells, daffodils, tulips, sunflowers, violets, dolls, butterflies, and fairies, also two little Lady Bugs who will steal the show.

Ten-year-old Mildred Verbie who does the solo for the fairy group is a dainty elfin dark-eyed child who is right in her element in the fairy chorus. Jean Zaderozny, another ten year old, who does the powder puff solo, is one of the prettiest children in the carnival and she will delight with her skating. Young Velma Popovitch the ballerina will do the ballet solo. These are only a few of the children who will perform; there are one hundred and twenty-five youngsters who will be in costume for the carnival.

A surprise for the audience is the Baby Four number in which four boys will make up the quartet. They are Roger Todhunter, John O'Donnell, Jackie Byers, and Audrey Sherbin.

There is also a ballet for the dolls and soldiers and all will be pleasantly surprised to see the children perform on those elusive outer and inner edges and make perfect ballet jumps and spins.

With the performers really getting down to practice it is sure this will be a thrill that no one should miss.

South Porcupine Man Sentenced to Three Years At Toronto "Gold" Trial

Charles Lamothe One of Six Men Convicted Recently at Toronto, With Sentences Deferred Until To-day. Two Others Given Three Years.

Method of Entry Into the R.C.A.F. Has Been Changed

Ottawa—Under the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan, the only method of entry to the Special Reserve of the Royal Canadian Air Force for elementary flying training will be through enlistment. No further applications for commissions in this category will be accepted. For airman pilot the applicant must be between 18 and 26 years of age; for air observer and air gunner, between 18 and 32 years of age. Education requirements are Junior Matriculation or its equivalent. Applications for appointment to the general list will still be received from experienced pilots, presumably with at least 200 hours of flying experience to their credit.

After conferring with Benito Mussolini for two and a half hours, Adolf Hitler started back for Germany this morning. Hitler's train started back at 7.08 a.m. (EST.) and five minutes later, Mussolini's train pulled out.

The conference was absolutely secret and no hint of what was said or done was allowed to leak out. Speculation was rife as to the purpose. In some quarters it was linked with the visit of Sumner Welles to Europe and his two recent conferences with Mussolini.

Another speculation was that Hitler was making an effort to smooth and settle differences between Stalin and Mussolini with a view to possible expansion in the Balkans.

The meeting between the two dictators was the first since September, 1938. It was held at Brennero, the last Italian town at the edge of the border.

The Pope talked to the touring U.S. representative for fifty minutes this morning. Their talk was believed to be in the interests of peace.

Death of Little Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. H. Freedland

Sylvia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Freedland, of 114 Elm street south, died at St. Mary's Hospital on Friday, March 15th. She was born in California and was five and one half years of age.

The remains were sent to Hamilton for burial.

St. David's Welsh Society Started in Timmins

Officers Elected and Organization Away to a Good Start.

At the recent St. David's Day banquet regret was expressed that there was not a regular St. David's Welsh Society in Timmins where there are so many Welsh people. The banquet had been arranged on very short notice by just a few of the Welsh people and the success of the arrangements showed what could be accomplished by a few of the Welsh people, and also the way in which Welsh people would respond to any call upon them. It was not long after the banquet that the matter of the St. David's Society was dealt with. At a meeting of Welsh people last week a Welsh society was formally organized and officers elected. The Society will be known as the St. David's Welsh Society of Timmins. Mr. Jack Thomas, one of the best-known Welshmen in the district, and popular here since the early days of the camp, is the president. Mr. William Thomas is secretary-treasurer. The executive includes:—Mrs. W. Roberts, Mrs. Leslie Williams, Mrs. Fuhr, Thomas Thomas, Jack Williams, Glyn Williams.

New members are being taken in and it is expected that the Society will have a membership of around one hundred this year.