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## Roosevelt, Ickes

Confer On Strike

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Roosevelt summoned Interfor Secretary Ickes and members of the War Labor Board to the White House late today to consider the coal strike.

#### Protests Sale

.VANCOUVER (CP)-Disposal of the properties of Canadian Japanese is regarded as "a serious breach of constitutional rights" by the social service de-partment of the Baptist Churches of British Columbia, Rev. A. J. MacLachlan of Vancouver reported to the annual convention

## Manitoba Schools

May Not Reopen
WINNIPEG (CP)—Many ManIteba public schools face the prospect of being closed next fall due to shortage of nearly 800 teach-ers who have enlisted or gone into wa: industries, Hon. Ivan Schultz, provincial minister of education, said today.

#### Houde Still Held

OTTAWA (CP) — Camilien Houde, former mayor of Mont-real, will not be released from real, will not be released from interment as a result of his appeal, heard last week, Justice Minister St. Laurent told the House of Commons this afternoon in answer to a question from Ligouri Lacombe, Canadian, Laval-Two Mountains, Que

### Blast Nazi Trains

LONDON (CP)-R.A.F. Spitfires, Typhoons and Mustangs shot up 11 locomotives and 10 barges and destroyed an armed trawler and damaged three others today in daylight sweeps over northern France and off the coast of Holland, the Air Ministry news service announced tonight.

#### Mme. Chiang Coming

OTTAWA (CP)-Prime Minis-OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister Mackenzic King announced today in the House of Commons that Mme. Chieng Kaishek, wife of the Chinese generalissimo, hopes to visit Ottawa about mid-June and address a joint meet-ing of the Senate and House,

### House Honors King

OFFAWA (CP) — Members of the House of Commons this after noon unanimously adopted a resotion of loyal greetings to King George VI on the day set apart for official observance of His Majesty's birthday. The resolu-thin a year tion was moved by France Min. Nothing will lister Mackenzle King and see do about 5 onded by Gordon Graydon From It those gressive. Conservative House it is suggest Leader.

(A dispatch from London said the King had celebrated the day quietly, working as usual on business).

### Frenchmen Agree To Meet Thursday

ALGIERS (AP) - A definite ALGIERS (AP) — A definite agreement among members of Prench Executive Committee was reached late today to meet Thurs

BULLETINS Coal Strike Action Now May Record Month Nature Forces Planes to Skywrite

> In U-Boats Sunk; Ship Losses Down

month of the war, and in the past two months the number of operating U-boats in the Atlantic appears to have decreased, A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Ad-

total enemy submarines sent to the bottom exceeded the number MARCH NET GAIN sunk in all of the previous war period, and that in the last six months the rate of destruction was 25 per cent above the previous half year.

Mr. Alexander said:

"The general improvement, in spite of the tremendous II-boat menace against us, is in itself a tribute to all concerned, including officers and men of the Royal Navy, pilots and crews of the coastal command and bomber command, and officers and men of the Allied navies and air forces."

TRIBUTE TO FLIERS

Paying tribute to the work of the R.A.F. and the U.S. airforce in bombing U-boat bases. Mr. Alexander predicted that as times goes on bombing of the building yards and component factories should have an everificreasing effect" on the Battle of the Atlantic. the Atlantic.

He said it appeared that the number of sea marauders sent to the bottom during the month just ended was greater than the Germans could produce with all the facilities available to them.

Besides those sunk, a large number of the sea prowlers were damaged in various attacks by Allied naval and air attacks, Mr Alexander reported.

LONDON (CP) — Increasingly In the past two months, he deadly Allied convoy escort serv. asserted, the number of U-boats deadly Allied convoy escot. State in Atlantic waters appears to ices sank more enemy sub-have\_decreased. This, he said, marines in May than in any other no doubt was due to more than no doubt was due to more than the state of the principal one one cause, but the principal one was undoubtedly due to the Fising rate of this destruction.

Mr. Alexander described March as "a poor month" in the battle against the submarines, but said miralty, declared today. it still was not the-worst month
He told the House of Commons of the war in the campaign to free Unified Nations supply lines of the underseas menace.

Because of the high output of new shipping, he said, there was a substantial net gain of the overall tonnage in March.

A DNB — German news and propaganda agency — report broadcast today from Berlin and recorded by the Associated Press, listed 65 British and U.S. mer-chantmen, totaling 380,000 tons, claimed as sunk in May by Nazi submarines. This was a drastic reduction, compared with the usual monthly totals issued by the Germans.

(The German summary also credited Nazi aircraft with sinking an additional 50,000 tons of Allied shipping in May.)

Mr. Alexander's statement dis-closed that in April and May merchant shipping losses we're reduced below the level of the three months from December to February after heavy losses in March.

The First Lord said the improved situation reflected the growing size of the Alhed'escort forces—both ships and aircraft— and the increasing deadliness of the new weapons and devices.

Giving the lie to an Axis claim that April sinkings had falsen off because of the scarcity of ship ping. Mr. Alexander said that

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