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- Nov. 23, U.S. Secretary of State consulted British, Netherlands, Chinese and Australian representatives on Japanese proposal for settlement of Pacific questions. Fifth Canadian (Armoured) Division and large contingent of Canadian-trained airmen arrived in Britain.
- Nov. 25, Finland, Croatia, Rumania, Slovakia, Denmark, Bulgaria and Nanking Government in China signed Anti-Comintern Pact at Berlin.
- Nov. 26, Rioting in Copenhagen in protest against Denmark's signing of Anti-Comintern Pact. U.S. and Japan failed to find a formula for peaceful settlement of Pacific questions after 7 months negotiations.
- Nov. 27, U.S. speeded military preparations in Phillipines.
- Nov. 28, Fall of Gondar ended Italian resistance in Ethiopia.
- Nov. 30, U.S. Secretary of State and British Ambassador conferred on Pacific situation.
- Dec. 1, Marshal Pétain and Vice-Premier
 Darlan met Herr Goering at
 Saint Florentin in Occupied
 France in effort to further
 collaboration between Germany
 and France.
- Dec. 2, U.S. demanded explanation from Japanese Government of presence of expanded Japanese forces in French Indo-China. Australian Government announced loss of H.M.A. cruiser Sydney in engagement with German raider Steiermark.
- Dec. 3, Extensive uprisings in Serbia necessitated employment of 3 German divisions.
- Dec. 5, Intensified defence precautions taken in Australia, Thailand, and Netherlands East Indies as tension between U.S.A. and Japan continued.
- Dec. 6, Britain declared war on Finland, Hungary and Roumania.
- Dec. 7, Japan attacked possessions of U.S. in Pacific. (See "Pacific Area".) U.K. and Canada declared war on Finland, Hungary and Roumania.
- Dec. 11. German and Italian declarations of war on U.S. quickly followed by similar action on part of U.S.
- Dec. 12, U.S. Coastguard seized French liner Normandie and removed crews of 14 other French vessels in U.S. and Panamanian ports.

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- Dec. 14, Turkey re-affirmed her neutrality.

 Bulgaria and Roumania declared war upon the U.S. Vichy
 Government protested severity
 of German reprisals for acts of
 violence in Occupied France.
- Dec. 21, Herr Hitler assumed personal command of German armies.
- Dec. 22, Mr. Churchill arrived in U.S. in a surprise visit to confer with President Roosevelt on war policy.
- Dec. 23, German propaganda office in Istanbul started anti-Semitic campaign as further step in war of nerves in Turkey.
- Dec. 25, Plebiscite in St. Pierre and Miquelon revealed that 98 p.c. of the inhabitants favoured the Free French cause.
- Dec. 26. Further large contingent of troops and airmen from Canada landed in U.K., including large number of graduates of Commonwealth Air Training Plan.

Dec. 27, Combined British naval, air and army 'commando' force raided Norwegian Islands of Vaagsoe and Maaloy.

Dec. 29, Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill arrived at Ottawa from Washington.

Dec. 30, Mr. Churchill gave historic address to members of Canadian Parliament.

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- Jan. 1, Canada announced practical cessation of manufacture of passenger automobiles and light trucks after Mar. 31.
- Jan. 2, Signing at Washington of joint declaration by 26 United Nations, binding each to employ its full resources against the Axis and never to make a separate armistice or peace.
- Jan. 3, Admiralty announcement of Britisn cruiser and destroyer losses since outbreak of war totalled 12 and 57.
- Jan. 5, Washington announced the establishment of a new joint board, for U.K., U.S. and Canada, to purchase and allocate raw materials required for war-time production.
- Jan. 6, Minister of National Defence for Air reported total strength of R.C.A.F. as over 100,000. President Roosevelt announced that U.S. armed forces would serve in all parts of the world.
- Jan. 15. Opening of third consultative conference of foreign ministers of Pan-American republics at Rio de Janeiro. U.S. announced intention to increase army to 3,600,000.