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ALASKA HIGHWAY ROUTE

The route to be taken by the Alaska Highway has never in the past been looked upon as in doubt. It was taken for granted that it would go by way of Hazelton. Then came the construction of the highway north of Vanderhoof which very soon should reach Finlay Forks. This gave the idea that the Alaska highway could be more cheaply constructed from Finlay Forks to Alaska than from Hazelton to Alaska.

We do not know anything of the country west from Finlay Forks or north from Hazelton except some stories from people who have tramped over the country. We sincerely hope that the Hazelton route is the better as that is likely to benefit not only the places along its route but also would be likely to benefit Prince Rupert by helping to force construction of the highway into Prince Rupert. If the highway has any military significance it certainly should come by way of Hazelton, it would seem. When Premier Pattullo was in the city about a year ago he was very emphatic that the route would be by way of Hazelton.

THAT JAPANESE DEFEAT

A Correspondent of the New York Times in a despatch to his paper a week or two ago said that, despite official denials, the Japanese had suffered their very first serious defeat and sets their losses at around forty thousand men. When the Japanese retreated in Southern Shantung they left their dead and wounded behind them, a thing hitherto unknown in Japanese military history.

The correspondent tells how, when the Japanese were pounding against the Taierschwang-Suchow lines, the countryside became filled with innocent-looking Chinese farmers who were really disguised soldiers. They cut the Japanese lines of communication and diverted canals and streams across the right of way so that very soon communication with Japanese bases ceased and the men depended upon food dropped from airplanes. The shortage of gasoline was so serious that tanks, trucks and ambulances were out of commission and even artillery supplies became exhausted. The guns were useless when a quarter of a million infuriated Chinese soldiers set upon their foes and the retreat and slaughter began.

Reinforcements were rushed through but it was too late. The Chinese counter-attack had been entirely successful. Of the Japanese army in that sector of 62,000 men including several crack regiments something like 20,000 are today alive. Japan had suffered her first major defeat, a disaster that almost amounted to a rout.

MANUFACTURE PLANES AND MUNITIONS

Now that there is talk of building airplanes in Canada as well as in United States for Great Britain and that other munitions have to be manufactured there might be a possibility of securing a contract for this work at Prince Rupert. The possibilities here are just as great as at any other place if only we get the contracts. The



PERRY AND VINES RENEW PRO MATCHES



Fred Perry of England, left, congratulates his American tennis rival Ellsworth Vines, after the latter had beaten Perry in the renewal of their professional tennis tour. The pair put on a thrilling five-set duel in Los Angeles to mark the 1938 inaugural with Vines pulling out on top only after a terrific three-hour struggle.

SPORT CHAT

One official of a professional United States rugby team may watch a game in the Western Inter-Provincial Football Union this fall, Joe Ryan, manager of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers said after a visit to Chicago. The official planned to study western Canada rules, particularly those dealing with kicking, with a view to applying suitable regulations to the United States professional game.

A big car pulled up at a curb in Aldwych, England, and was instantly surrounded by people. "What's all this?" demanded a policeman. "Battleship won," answered the car radio. It was Grand National Day.

Two men, accused of stealing a car, were found playing football at a park in London by police who waited until the match ended and arrested them in the dressing room.

Desmond Solis, 11, says he won't be a soccer referee when he grows up. Officiating in a match in Weymouth, England, between playmates, Desmond swallowed the whistle instead of blowing it.

Sponsored privately an unofficial Indian cricket team, the Rajputna eleven, will tour England this summer. The object of the visit is to give young players experience of English wickets and conditions.

The Huddersfield Town-Preston Arsenal football club's visit to North End English football cup

shipyard at the drydock was found excellent for building ships and the yard undoubtedly could handle anything offered. All that is needed is the opportunity.

COSTLY BATTLESHIPS

It is estimated that in the United States the new 45,000-ton battleships will cost approximately one hundred million dollars to build. That is a huge sum for a ship that will be obsolete in a few years. It is more than a whole navy would have cost a few years ago. If the country goes on spending money this way it will be necessary to plan well ahead for a receivership for the country that only a few years ago was thought to be so wealthy that it hardly knew what to do with its money. Possibly it may bring some of that gold out of the cave where it is buried and pass it on to the rest of us.

BRITISH AIR DEFENSES

The British air defenses are weak but they are much stronger than they were. In fact so strong have they become that the government can now afford to admit they are weak. Had the condition been so very bad the government would so far as possible have kept it a profound secret. However the European countries have not been deceived. They knew Britain was not ready so they imposed upon her. Possibly the reason for the present admission may be seen in the desire of the Chamberlain government to keep out of trouble in Czecho-Slovakia.

Vienna at the end of the English season seems "very remote, but no official decision has yet been made," says George Allison manager of the Gunners.

First-team players of five years' service will be given a £500 (\$2,500) benefit by Millwall, English soccer league, southern section team whose big "gates" are envied by major-division clubs. Benefits may go to £650 (\$3,250) if the team gains second-division status.

Thirty persons were arrested at Falkirk, Scotland, when they broke windows of a Glasgow-bound train and caused disorder after Glasgow Rangers defeated Falkirk 2-1 in the fourth round Scottish soccer cup.

Popularity of schoolboy rugby in Wales continues. More than 25,000 persons—a record crowd—saw Wales continue. More than 25, Cardiff.

Kellsboro' Jack, 1933 Grand National winner, has been retired after winning the last race of his career, the Champion Chase. He won this race twice previously.

Selection committee of the Scottish Football Association has cancelled future amateur international Scotland-Wales matches as the Scottish are unable to meet the Welshmen on Saturdays.

Why £2,000 (\$10,000) funds of the Durban and Maritzburg teams of the Natal Football Association was accumulated and not "shared out" was a question put by a "ginger-upper," and not answered at the annual meeting.

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ARE STILL VICTORIOUS

Pittsburg Pirates Come Up From Behind to Score Seventh Win Without Defeat

PITTSBURGH, April 26: (CP)—Pittsburg Pirates came up from behind yesterday to score four runs in the eighth inning and defeat Chicago Cubs 8 to 6 for their seventh straight victory without a defeat so far this season. The Cubs dropped from third place to fourth below the idle Boston Bees. Cincinnati Reds and St. Louis Cardinals, who had been tied in the cellar, met in the only other National League game played yesterday and the Reds shut out the Cards. Cincinnati, as a result, is now in sixth place ahead of the Phillies.

In the American League, the Boston Red Sox blanked the Washington Senators and are but half a game behind the leading Cleveland Indians. The Senators dropped into a tie for fifth place with the St. Louis Browns who were losing to the Detroit Tigers. A victory for the Philadelphia Athletics over the new York Yankees put them into a tie with the idle Chicago White Sox for third place. The Yanks are in seventh position.

Cold, rain or threatening weather caused the postponement of three Major League games yesterday.

National League

Brooklyn at Boston, postponed on account of threatening weather. Philadelphia at New York postponed, rain. Chicago 6, Pittsburgh 8. St. Louis 0, Cincinnati 5.

American League

New York 1, Philadelphia 6. Cleveland at Chicago, postponed, cold. Boston 7, Washington 0. Detroit 10, St. Louis 1.

The standings to date:

National League

	W	L	Pct.
Pittsburg	7	0	1000
New York	5	1	.833
Boston	3	2	.600
Chicago	4	3	.571
Brooklyn	2	4	.333
Cincinnati	2	5	.286
Philadelphia	1	4	.200
St. Louis	1	6	.143

American League

Cleveland	5	1	.833
Boston	5	2	.714
Chicago	3	3	.500
Philadelphia	3	3	.500
Washington	3	4	.429
St. Louis	3	4	.429
New York	3	5	.375
Detroit	2	5	.286

Joe Dimaggio Is Signed Up

Definitely Accepts Salary of \$25,000 After Col. Jacob Ruppert Refuses to Budge

NEW YORK, April 26: (CP)—Joe Dimaggio finally signed a \$25,000 contract with the New York Yankees yesterday. He had held out for \$40,000 but Col. Jacob Ruppert, owner of the club, refused to budge so Joe accepted.

final will be televised by the British Broadcasting Corporation April 30.

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DISPLAY IS FINE

Annual Exhibition of Work of Prince Rupert Recreational Centre

There was a good-sized and interested gathering at the Exhibition Hall last night for the closing display of the season by the Prince Rupert Recreational and Physical Education centre which has functioned usefully during the past winter under instructor Harry Gordon-Cooper. The participants gave an excellent exhibition of the various forms of athletic exercises and gymnastics, fully demonstrating the excellent work that has been carried on.

A. W. Newman presided and, in opening remarks, referred to the good work the centre had been carrying on and the benefit which had been derived by those attending, especially the boys and girls of the city. Next season Mr. Newman hoped there would be a larger turn-out of the young business and professional men to whom exercise and physical development should prove invaluable. It would also tend to build up locally an outstanding gymnasium. The speaker also referred to the splendid showing which had been made by the local team which went recently to the mass display of gymnastic competition in Vancouver. Next year it was hoped Prince Rupert would be represented by a girls' as well as a boys' team. Mr. Newman paid tribute to the work of the instructor, Harry Gordon-Cooper.

Before the close of the evening's proceedings, R. M. Winslow spoke briefly, complimenting Mr. Cooper and members of the centre for the excellence of the display.

The exhibition included Grand March, fundamental gymnastics by men, wand drill by girls, mat tumbling, parallel bars, vaulting, springboard tumbling, wrestling, boxing, flaming club swinging, pyramids, high bar, fencing and dancing. In the fencing display Miss Frances Thomson and Joe Landry took part in the boxing, Bill Long and Albert Mah gave a two three-minute round exhibition and Miss June Batt, Harry Gordon-Cooper, Les Passmore and George Ferguson rendered adagio dancing.

NO PACIFIC LEAGUE PLAY

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—All teams being travelling, there were no games in the Pacific Coast League yesterday.

CHAIN WAS LOTTERY
SUNDERLAND, England, April 26: (CP)—William France, 36, whose chain-letter scheme, worked—would put 60,000,000 letters in circulation in 60 days, was fined £175 (\$875) for conducting lottery.

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