Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands - Fresh to strong southeast winds, unsettled and mild with rain.

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITIS H COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

Tomorrow's Tides 11:30 a.m. 20.9 ft. 5:24 p.m. 5.9 ft. Low

17:54 p.m. 3.0 ft.

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PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 19 40.

Daylight And Night Air Attacks

British Air Force Followed Up Night Attack By Devastating Raid on Island of Sylt Today

WAR AIR CLEARED

Information And Reassaurance Given By British Prime Minister On Number Of Subjects

course in the Finnish war and * nected momentarily. warned Norway and Sweden that * they were in grave danger. Mr. + + + + + + + + + Chimbo lain gave a sweeping resame of his government's policy.

Termina as German air raid m Scara Flow a failure. Mr. Camberlain declared "the time to land for us to strike" must be determined by experts.

Tried To Help Finland

The Prime Minister, in connection with his announcement that the Allies had prepared to send 100 000 men to Finland's aid before the end of April, added that it was also prepared to aid Sweden against any German aggression.

"Finland was informed," continged Mr. Chamberlain "that we were prepared to increase our original force to any extent and as rapidly as possible in the light of experience under military developments. We did not hesitate, even, units west of the Vosges Mounat risk to ourselves, to meet Finnish needs as far as possible and without delay."

Mr. Chamberlain gave the list of supplies which had been asked for by the Finns and the list of what

had been sent them. The Prime Minister termed the Finnish peace as a great tragedy which compromised Finland's indoorstep of Norway and Sweden.

said that Presiden Roosevelt's of attack. fact finder had had the chance to see the Allies' unity of purpose.

NATIONAL LEAGUE PLAY-OFFS

Americans 1, Detroit 2 (overtime) Boston 0, Rangers 4. Chicago 2, Toronto 3.

Prince Robert Now Warship; Contract Let

* awarded a \$600,000 contract * + to convert the former Cana- + + dian National steamer Prince + * Robert into an armed merch- * ant cruiser. At Halifax, the + Prince David is being similiar- + y converted.

New War Cabinet

LONDON, March 20: (CP)-Re- * PARIS, March 20.-Finance * terating determination to accom- + Minister Renaud is engaged + plish the originally set war aims + today in forming a new + and vowing to fight on for "moral " streamlined war cabinet for 4 peace." Prime Minister Neville + France under which it is gen- + Chamberlain, in his address to the * erally anticipated a more ac- * British House of Commons today, & tive and aggressive pursuit of & cleared up a number of points on + the conflict against Germany + war policy on which the people & will be followed. The former & had been waiting either for in- + Daladier cabinet resigned dur- + fermation or reassurance. The ing the night and shortly af- + Prime Minister proclaimed the Al- 'ter Rounaud was called upon & lies' readines: for anything the * by "resident Albert Lebrun to * Axis powers might be preparing. 4 form a new one. Announce- 4 He defended the government's * ment of it- personnel is ex- *

Bulletins

HITLER APPOINTMENT BERLIN-Herr Hitler has appointed Dr. Fritz Todt, builder of the Siegfried Line, as minister of munitions with instructions to increase production by all avail-

PATROL AMBUSHED

able means.

PARIS-French troops are reported to have ambushed a German patrol west of the Saar River and turned back other enemy tains. A German reconnaisance unit is reported to have suffered heavy losses.

DEFENSIVE PACT

STOCKHOLM - Intimations that a defensive pact among Fin-

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL have been committed to stand trial at the spring assizes.

NO MORE SILVER WASHINGTON-United States banking and currency committee approved the bill which would Urges Speeding Up Profiteering In ver by the treasury.

PATROL ENCOUNTERS-PARIS-A British victory over A German patrol is announced OTTAWA, March 20: (CP) + in a French communique tonight. The Burrard Dry Dock Co. 4 The communique said: "On the of North Vancouver has been & front held by the British troops there was an encounter of patrols which turned entirely to the edvantage of the Allies."

+ price of bar gold on the London fences. He suggested that work on ufacturers to the United States While here. Mrs. Watt is the house price of bar gold of today at air fields at Anchorage and Fair-government owing to their plants guest of Mrs. Neal Carter, Fourth + \$37.54 per fine ounce.

+ + + + + + SEAPLANE HANGARS, RAILWAY, JETTIES AND RAMPS DESTROYED OR BADLY INJURED-PHOTOGRAPHERS WENT WITH TODAYS OUTING-ONLY ONE PLANE LCST

> LONDON, March 20: (CP)-The unleashed Royal Air Force, its appetite whetted by a booming seven-hour raid on the German fortitication of Sylt Island, returned to the scene today with bombs, guns and cameras, to work more havoc and prove it with pictures of the scene.

> Air Ministry sources said the object of the daylight hights was to secure photographs but reports received here from Tonder, Denmark. said Sylt was apparently being bombed all over aguin. The two photograph planes returned safely.

Danish coastal observers, hampered by poor visibility, said there apparently were six groups of hombers in the new raid with reverberating explosions equal to those of the previous night and with German anti-aircraft batteries keeping up a terrific defence fusi'ade.

Already, on the strength of glimpses caught by the bombing crews, the air ministry reported that the first gigantic raid destroyed the seaplane hangars, a railway, jetties and concrete ramps.

All the aircraft used in today's raid returned safely but one in last night's raid failed to return.

The Danes said they fired warning shots at one unidentified plane, which flew over Danish soil and that several bombs dropped on the Danish coast on which they said one plane landed with spitting machine guns.

In the House of Lords this afternoon Lord Strabolgi. Labor peer. said he had estimated. on information from official sources, that more bombs dropped on Sylt during the two raids than on London during the entire course of the First Great War. This would place the figure at more than a thousand.

Last Night's Raid

land. Norwey and Sweden may ports here today said that one hun- were dropped. The Air Ministry be pressed, despite the Russian dred Royal Air Force planes, wave stated the raids were of un recedeclaration that it would be aim- after wave, attacked the German dented magnitude in the history of dependence and integrity, the ed at her, came from official Scan- air bases on the Island of Sylt for; aerial warfare. terms also bringing danger to the dinavian quarters. One reaction several hours during the night, the Observers from Danish territory was that the Soviet stand might raids, the greatest yet undertaken nearby say that the whole German Referring to the visit of Under force the Scandinavian neigh- in the war, being described as com- coast from the mouth of the Elbe Secretary of State Sumner Welles, bors to conclude a secret pact, pletely successful by Sir Kingsley to the Danish border was raked by adian war veteran fifty years of of the United States. Chamberlain to become operative only in event Wood, Secretary for Air, in report- the attacks. There were numerous not been established. He is not being to Parliament. Extensive dam-age was done as indicated by a and spectacular explosions as lieved to have had financial worcheckup by reconnaissance planes bombs reached their marks. Ger-| ries and, as far as is known, had OTTAWA- Harry and Louis which surveyed the scene. Muni- man anti-aircraft guns, caught at no enemies. Binder and Arthur Saunders, tions dumps were among objectives first by surprise, later barked out charged with printing and distri- successfully hit. The raids were in in response. buting anti-war propaganda, swift and deadly retaliation for the In Berlin the importance of the German raid on Scapa Flow at the week-end when one civilian was raids was discounted, the attack bekilled and others injured.

LONDON, March 20 .- Early re- four hours and scores of bombs

ing described as a propaganda New York market yesterday with The raids lasted for upwards of stunt.

Alaska Defences United States

Delegate Anthony Dimond Interviews War Department At Washington

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 20: -Representative Anthony Dimond of Alaska yesterday urged the war banks should be expedited.

Solons At Washington Do Not Like Prices Increased To Government In View Of Foreign Plane Orders

being crowded with foreign orders. Avenue West.

REVENUE

Canadian National Had Greatly + Increased Business In 1939, President's Report Shows

OTTAWA, March 20: (CP)-Net + NEW YORK, March 20:- + operating revenues of the Cana- + -With the Queen Mary and + March 20:-Two persons were killd.an National Railways increased & Mauretania apparently pre- & ed and others injured with consid-\$14,788,000 in 1939 as compared + pared to sail within 24 hours, + erable damage done in an explowith the previous year, according + the crew brought from Eng- + sion on the Dupont munitions to the annual report of the sys- + land speculated with news- + manufacturing plant here yestertem received by Hon. Clarence D. + men that the ships may be + day. The plant is now surround-Howe, minister of transport, from + used to transport Anzac + ed by a cordon of police while in-Net revenue in 1939 totalled \$20,- - Wancouver, enroute to Eng- + sibility of sabotage. 854,418.

U.S. ENVOY SPEAKS UP * here.

Nothing To Fear From Allied Victery In War-What Would It Be Like If Germany Won?

TORONTO, March 20: (CP) -James H. R. Cromwell, United States minister to Canada, declared in an address yesterday that the war and its issues affect every neutral.

Cromwell said that, if the Allies won, he could see "no threat to well-being to peace or to the social and economic order of the neutral democracies."

Should Germany triumph, he suggested there would be the kind of rule being applied in countries already conquered by the Reich.

Cromwell Criticized

WASHINGTON, March 20 .- Secretary of State Cordell Hull directed James H. R. Cromwell, United States minister to Canada, to! send him immediately the official version of Cromwell's Toronto speech, praising Anglo-French war; aims and criticizing the Germans.

Some members of the foreign re-Mations committee said they believed Cromwell overstepped the bounds of diplomatic restraint and there was some talk of a demand for his recall.

Ketchikan Man Took Own Life

Suicide is Found by Coroner's Jury in Case of S. H. Rawlins Found Dead in Cabin

KETCHIKAN, March 20 .- A coroner's jury yesterday investigating the death of S. H. Rawlins, who was found in his cabin with his throat cut and a pocket knife lying nearby, found that it was a case of suicide. Rawlins was a French-Canage. Motive for the rash act has

WHEAT PRICES

NEW YORK, March 20 .- Wheat prices were 38c to 1/2c higher on the May closing at \$1.03.

Mrs. Alfred Watt O. B. E. of London, England, formerly of Victoria, arrived in the city on the Prince George this morning from the south to be the speaker tomorrow evening at a dinner of the Women's Canadian Club after which she will sail on her return south. Mrs. Watt has had a very distinguished career and has attained international note in connection with Women's Institute WASHINGTON, D. C., March 20: work. She is the only women, bedepartment, officials which he Criticism is heard in congressional sides Madame Curie, the cointerviewed, to speed up the quarters here in regard to alleged discoverer of radium, ever to be LONDON, (CP)—The Montreal strengthening of Alaska de- increase of price by airplane man- offered the French Order of Merit.

Getting Ready Leave New York

Port authorities here say it + GIVE LIST VANCOUVER, March 20:- + bring the giant Queen Mary +

It is suggested in Prince + Rupert that if the Queen + * Mary cannot get into Van- + + couver Harbor without dan-+ + ger of grounding, the port + * of Prince Rupert should be +

IODAY'S STOCKS courtesy E. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver Big Missouri, .09. Braiorne, 10.60. Cariboo Quartz, 2.45. Dentonia, .011/4. Fairview, .011/4. Cold Belt, .25. Hedicy Mascot, .43. Minto .04. Noble Five. .01. Pacific Nickel, 08. Pend Orielle, 1.65. Pioneer, 1.26. Premier, 1.26. Privateer. .63. Reeves McDonald. .15. Relief Arlington. .071/2. Salmon Gold. .03. Cariboo Hudson. .04.

A. P. Con., .15. Calmont, .331/2. C. & E., 1.95. Freehold, .02. Home, 2.45. Pacalta, .04. Royal Can., .18. Okalta, 1.14. Mercury, .06. Prairie Royalties, .17.

Toronto.. Aldermac. .26. Beattie, 1.06. Central Pat., 2.15. Cons. Smelters, 44.00. East Malartic, 3.75. Fenrland, .03. Francoeur, .42. Gods Lake, .51. Hardrock, 1.10. Int. Nickel, 43.00. Kerr Addison, 2.51. Little Long Lac, 3.05. McLeod Cockshutt, 2.00. Madsen Red Lake, .44. McKenzie Red Lake, 1.25. Moneta, .70. Noranda, 71.00. Pickle Crow. 3.80. Preston East Dome, 2.11. San Antonio, 2.28. Sherritt Gordon, .91.

Uchi, .74.

GUN PLANT Queen Mary Is . HAS BLAST

PRICE: 5 CENTS

* Two Killed As Result Of Explosion In Munitions Factory In Louisiana

BATON ROUGE, Louisiana, the president, S. J. Hungerford. * troops across the Pacific to * vestigation proceeds as to the pos-

Ships Victimized By Warfare During Last Week Enumerated By Admiralty

LONDON, March 20: (CP)-An-. nouncing that nine British and • neutral ships, totalling 23,992 in . tonnage had been lost by enemy action in the week ending last Sunday, the British Admiralty listed latest losses as follows:

The British ships Melrose, Gardenia and the trawler Halifax.

The French Capitaine Augustine and a 35-ton fishing boat Rose Effeuillee.

The Dutch vessels Amor, Euola and Saint Annaland.

The Jugo-Slavian Slava. Today's Casualty

The latest casualty of the war at sea is a 7310-ton Dutch freighter which was reported today to have struck a mine off the southeast coast of England. All but seven members of the crew were rescued and it is believed they may be still safe on board the sinking vessel.

Stock Market Trend Upward

Values Move Ahead on New York Exchange Tuesday

NEW YORK. March 20 .- Stock sales on the New York exchange yesterday totalled 650,000 shares. Trend of values was upward. Industrial average at closing was 146.-43, up .84; rails, 29.95, up .09, and utilities, 24.07, up .03.

Weather Forecast

General Synopsis-The pressure remains low west of the Queen Charlotte Islands and is relatively high over Vancouver Island. The weather has been fair and mild throughout British Columbia with the exception of the north coast where rain has occurred.

West Coast of Vancouver Island -Moderate southwest to west winds, part cloudy and mild with showers at night.

Bouscadillac, .031/4. Mosher, .07. Oklend, .061/2. Smelters Gold, .01. Dominion Bridge, 36.25.

C.C.F. AND THE WAR

The C.C.F. is asking Canadian electors for support on the basis of non-participation of Canada in the war except as a supplier of

materials in return for hard cash. There is an attempt on the part of the C.C.F. to escape the political consequences of this policy of defeatism and cowardice by loud professions of an intention to devote themselves to the interests of our soldiers when they return but their return, in the event of a Hitlerian victory which the C.C.F. will do nothing to prevent, will be very problematical indeed. (The Winnipeg Free Press.)

Vote For HANSON who has always supported the veterans

Skeena Federal Liberal Association of Prince Rupert, B.C.