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Awaiting Results Of Attack . . .

Some observers seem to be of the opinion that Italy will not give up until that country sees what comes of the projected invasion attempt on Britain. If by any chance this should be successful Italy then would have an opportunity of rehabilitation. But it will not. In the meantime, Britain is keeping busy in the Mediterranean, hammering at Italian bases and steadily driving the enemy out of Africa. Once the African situation is cleared up, more attention can be devoted to Italy proper. Her ports are particularly vulnerable to attack.

The Japanese situation is rather different. So far Japan has not committed any overt act that would draw that country into the war. She has declared herself on the side of the Axis but Russia has done the same and yet Russia is giving very material aid to China against Japan.

While it is very difficult to say if or when Japan will openly declare war on Canada or the United States, it is not at all unlikely that she may make some move toward control of the East Indies and the Malay Peninsula which would be considered a cause for war. Yet we do not think that will be done until Germany has made a move against Britain. She will go as far as possible without involving herself against a great power but she is sufficiently Oriental to play safe and await the outcome of the threatened invasion.

The Zoning Bylaw . . .

The zoning bylaw which is being discussed in the city and which has been referred to a committee for report is one that needs careful consideration. While, doubtless, it is not in its present condition workable, it could be made workable by careful revision. We should very much dislike seeing it discarded but we do think it needs careful reconsideration. It is to be hoped that the committee will try to make it workable.

Willkie's Position . . .

Wendell Willkie, Republican standard-bearer at the recent election, has thrown himself heart and soul into the aid to Britain campaign in the United States. He is of German descent but is not a Nazi.

Now it is evident that Willkie is not pleasing that element of the Republican party that is pro-Nazi. He is a great disappointment to them. They expected he would be with them but he is not and they are making it clear that he does not in this case represent them.

It was expected by some that Willkie would make the most of the present situation to insure his selection four years from now in the presidential election. With the war over, that is what may happen. Just at present it does not look that way. It seems as if he would find very serious opposition from some elements in his own party.

There is one admirable thing about Willkie. He seems to know his own mind and, like Pattullo, has the courage of his convictions.

Pattullo To Speak . . .

Premier Pattullo, who is also member of the Legislature representing Prince Rupert, is to address a public meeting next week. He has lost no time in reporting to his constituents his reasons for opposing the implementation of the recommendations made in the Sirois report at the inter-provincial conference. Those who are interested in that subject and in other matters pertaining to the public administration of the affairs of the province would do well to hear what he has to say.

Court Of Revision Finishes Its Work

Some Adjustments in Valuations Are Ordered in 1941 Assessment Roll

The 1941 court of revision on the civic assessment roll concluded its deliberations on Monday, the roll being adopted with a number of adjustments by City Commissioner B. C. Bracewell. The adjustments included some changes in valuations of railway waterfront property and trackage. Reductions in valuations in the vicinity of the armory and barracks on Sixth Avenue West were also ordered.

Canada At War 25 Years Ago

Feb. 12, 1916.—German seaplanes dropped bombs on Ramsgate and Broadstairs on the English east coast. General J. C. Smuts appointed to command British forces in East African campaign.

MUMS AT SHILLING

LONDON, Feb. 12. (CP)—Many churches are dispensing with flowers for decorations—crysanthemums cost 22 cents each and delphiniums 66 cents a bunch.

Mrs. A. M. Beattie, who has been ill in the Prince Rupert General Hospital for the past month, is so far recovered that she has been able to return to her home on Taylor Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Dido Gurvich arrived home this morning from a trip south.

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TURN TO THE SCRIPTURES

Editor, Daily News: As troubles have been going on throughout the world during the past years, and as we hear the exciting and sad news of the great war in Europe day by day, and most of the people now, in this world, are distressed in mind, I want to draw to the attention of all the naive peoples throughout this province of British Columbia, a parable which Jesus Christ himself taught his disciples, which when he said: "Now learn a parable of the fig tree; when his branch is yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh; so likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors." Math. 24: 32, 33. "Respect ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord, and he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you." "Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, and be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." "Be patient therefore, brethren unto the coming of the Lord. For the coming of the Lord draweth nigh." "Watch ye therefore, for ye know not the day, neither the hour, when the Son of Man cometh, for as a thief in the night, so shall the coming of the Son of Man be." My dear brothers and sisters, withdraw your minds from all earthly things and seek the Scriptures that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things which shall shortly come to pass. Let us all unite in prayer and ask God to strengthen then our fainting hearts and to increase our faith, so that we may endure till the end. Amen.

WALTER J. SINCLAIR,
Sec. of the Church Army,
Kitwanga.

CANVASSERS NEEDED

Editor, Daily News: The War Savings Committee wishes to draw to the attention of the people, through your columns, the fact that a meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Thursday, February 13, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall for the purpose of considering how Prince Rupert can best do its share in the War Savings Pledge Campaign which is being held throughout Canada this month.

We wish to extend herewith a request to all those who recognize the great importance of this work and who will have a little time to give to it in the next few weeks, to attend this initial meeting. The need will particularly be for canvassers and for those with clerical or stenographical experience. The committee is confident that Prince Rupert can make as good a showing in the sale of War Savings Certificates now that the necessity for this form of government financing is increasing, as it has done in the past. To assure ourselves of this we urge that volunteers will come forward to assist the committee in this campaign. Thanking you for the courtesy of the use of your space.

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HELP FROM DE GAULLE

Free French Doing Good Work in Army Units, Ships and Planes

LONDON, Feb. 12. (CP)—Land, sea and air units of the Free French forces are carrying out an unspectacular but none the less effective campaign against the German and Italian enemy. Occasional items of news that come from General Charles de Gaulle's headquarters, tell of activities of the Free French that sometimes are passed over in the wider attention paid to the exploits of the British forces. One instance was the mention in dispatches by General de Gaulle of units of the Free French Navy and of two French pilot officers. In recent weeks Free French naval forces have taken an active part in patrols in the English Channel, the North Sea and in escorting naval convoys. Dangerous tasks have been assigned and completed successfully. Mentioned in dispatches were the patrol ship Poulmic, the submarine Rubis and the battleship Courbet. Underhanded, they have been playing an important part in guarding Britain's shores. The Poulmic struck a mine after carrying out a number of difficult patrols in the Channel; the Rubis successfully laid mines "in particularly difficult and perilous conditions"; the Courbet's anti-aircraft gun beat off several violent German air attacks against the base where she was stationed, bringing down a number of planes. In the air French pilots have distinguished themselves as efficient and daring fighters. Sub-lieutenant Demozay and Adjutant de Montbron, cited by General de Gaulle, have brought down eight German planes apiece. Free French land forces are fighting side by side with their British allies in the middle East campaign and on the day the capture of Sidi Barrani from the Italians was announced a Free French communiqué revealed that General de Gaulle's troops had taken part in that successful offensive. Since then they have been active in the Libyan campaign.

New York Stock Market Is Lower

Further Decline Recorded in Yesterday's Trading

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—The New York stock market moved further downward yesterday with light volume. The day's turnover was 420,000 shares. The industrial average at closing was 122.61, down 1.52, and rails, 21.92, down .27.

BOSTON IN TOP PLACE

New Tied With Toronto Maple Leafs for Leadership of National Hockey League

MONTREAL, Feb. 12. (CP)—Montreal Canadiens, by scoring a six to two victory over the New York Rangers here last night, moved out of their tie with New York Americans for sixth position in the National Hockey League, leaving the Americans in exclusive possession of the basement. The Boston Bruins defeated the Detroit Red Wings four to nothing at Boston and went into a tie with the Toronto Maple Leafs for first place. Tomorrow night Boston will meet the Rangers at New York while Canadiens will be at Chicago. The league standings to date:

Toronto	21	3	10	97	67	45
Boston	18	9	7	119	70	45
Detroit	13	10	12	77	31	36
Rangers	13	8	15	95	94	34
Chicago	13	5	16	80	90	31
Canadiens	11	6	19	90	105	73
Americans	8	10	18	71	123	36

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SWEDEN'S LOSSES
STOCKHOLM, Feb. 12. (CP)—By the end of 1940 neutral Sweden has lost in the war 96 vessels of 220,000 tons gross and nearly 50 Swedish seamen.

WILD BEARS FILMED
STOCKHOLM, Feb. 12. (CP)—After six years in the making, a film "In the Realm of the Lapland Bear" is showing to crowded houses, first-hand the life of Sweden high up in the north under the midnight sun.

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