Only a set of fortuitous last minute circumstances saved the wreck of the service boat Bentinck in the storm tossed waters of Hecate Straits on the east coast of Graham Island from culminating in the death of seven persons instead of three, according to A. E. Richards, chief engineer and general superintendent of the E. J. Ryan contracting Co., one of the four

life belt and two ring buoys, also an

Sent Distress Calls

survivors, all of whom reached the vessel but the pump had a brok-Prince Rupert from the Queen en spark plug and could not opercharlotte Islands last evening on ate. At that time we did not conthe steamer Camosun. After three sider our position serious, believhad succumbed to exposure while ing the vessel would right herself endeavouring to cling to a make- on the incoming tide. However, the shift raft, the four others had, at seas became rougher and we saw a coopered least in their own minds, given up storm coming up. Then we decided all hope when, after five hours in that further precautions should be the water, the high waves cast their taken. First thing a check-up was almost uncontrollable raft on to made of lifebelts. We found one

"It had reached a point where I old life jacket. The captain would not have given five cents decided to launch a ten-foot for the lives of any of us," declar- workboat which was lying on the ed Mr. Richards last night in des- roof of the galley, evidently tied to cribing the harrowing experience of the funnel. However, the hold on the tragic voyage. "None of us, I the skiff was lost owing to the 45 believe, would have been able to degree list of the Bentinck and it last another ten minutes in that fell into the water, drifting rapidicy water. Further, we would not ly away. Then we set about to have been able to survive ashore make rafts. There were no axes and it was only through the good aboard. The only thing was a hatfortune of being able to stumble on chet belonging to the engineer, Nothe home of a hospitable farmer tation. We lifted the metal gratand his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bob ing from the stern, pulling off some Bierush, that we are alive to tell four or five doors, fastening the the story.

After resting for three or four could with a few spikes we found days at the Queen Charlotte City and putting around the whole thing Hospital from the effects of expos- a rope life line to which to cling. ure, exhaustion and shock, Mr. and John Barker.

The survivors will tell the story of the Morgan Logging Co. Mean- opened last Monday is \$231,118,700. The Franchise of Freedom of the wreck and its tragic after- time the distress calls had been math at the inquest which com- picked up by a fisherman at Cow mences next Wednesday morning Bay, Prince Rupert, who had notifor the taking of evidence before fied the Armour Salvage Co. which Coroner Norman A. Watt. Meantime in turn sent a message to Aliford the police are continuing their in- Bay, asking that a plane and crash boat be sent to the scene. (The capvestigation.

Mr. Richards gave an account to tain had given his position as five abaily News representative Friday miles north of Skidegate Inlet enmight. It follows:

"After the turn of the tide, a The Tragic Story "At 8 o'clock Saturday night we storm came up and it became very left Prince Rupert aboard the Ben-rough. At 1:30 p.m. the Bentinck tinck destined for Queen Charlotte righted herself with the incoming City. It was an uneventful trip un- tide but soon reversed to a startil we sighted the shore haze of the board list. Rapidly taking water, Queen Charlotte Islands at between the Bentinck sank, leaving only the 6 and 6:30 Sunday morning. The pilot house and part of the galley captain the night previous had set above water. Thereupon it was the course southwest outside of decided to launch the raft. Before Browning Entrance and had left abandoning ship, the party was on the mate. John Barber, at the wheel. the roof of the cabin in the hope of Then in the morning the captain a boat coming to the rescue. The could not find the entrance of seas were becoming higher and Skidegate Inlet. After taking higher, now washing over the cabsoundings, it was decided to pro- in. Frank McRae had been given ceed northward, the skipper now the life jacket, Peter Lorenzen, one being at the wheel. The shore was life buoy and Robert Morgan, the followed some distance out for a other life buoy. With the seas betime. The sea was not rough at coming worse and worse, it was dethis time. It was clear, broad day- cided to take to the raft. With all light. By 9 a.m. the captain de- seven men in good spirits, the Bencided that he was too far north so tinck was abandoned at 2 p.m. and he turned the boat about. Figuring we struck out for shore, possibly two of the Skidegate Inlet entrance, he wieldy craft to which all were cling- do but let him go, the life belt holdwas endeavouring to pick up the ing, paddling as best we could with ing him up.

the Bentinck struck running at full ing held together only by the life he could no longer hang on, he was normal speed. It turned out that line. Seas were still, becoming placed on the top of the almost subthe point was really about three rougher. At 2:30 p.m. a plane pass- merged raft. Soon after he died miles to the north of Tiell, some ed over, heading north, but evident- there the waves washed him over-

twenty miles from Skidegate Inlet. ly it did not see us. The sea was still fairly smooth at "At 3 p.m. Frank McRae died of "At 3:30 p.m. the plane came this time. The tide was still falling, exposure. There was no doubt that back headed southward, evidently By low water at 11:45 a.m the boat he was dead. His face and hands searching along the shore line. listed over and was shipping water were blue. There was no sign of That was all we saw of the plane. over the port side.

18:35 a.m. 6.4 ft.

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# War News

SOUTH AFRICANS IN EGYPT CAIRO-South African forces, fresh from their conquest of Ethiopia, are being now moved into Egypt to take up positions in defence of Suez against the expected Axis drive from Libya. Large numbers have been moved in both by sea and

AXIS SUBMARINES AT BEIRUT ANKARA-Eight German pocket submarines are reported to have arrived at the port of Beirut in Lebanon during the past week.

## SATISFIED BOND SALES

rude affair together as best we Total For Canada To Date Is Nippon Does Not Like Reply Of Netherlands East Indies To \$231,118,700, National Head-Trade Overtures quarters Announces -

OTTAWA, June 7: (CP)- The TOKYO, June 7:- Domei News Richards and the three other sur- "Between 10 and 11 a.m. it was Victory Loan established a record Agency said today that the reply vivors—Capt. C. J. Couture, Robert decided to use the radiophone and yesterday when 51.475 individuals of the Netherlands West Indies to Morgan and William Notation—are call Aliford Bay. We got no reply bought bonds, bringing the day's trade overtures of Japan was connow quite well recovered. The dead and kept calling at fifteen minute total to \$41,150,750, the national sidered unsatisfactory in official were Peter Lorenzen, Frank McRae intervals. Between 12:30 and 1 loan committee announced. The government quarters. p.m. we got a reply from a boat total subscribed since the campaign

## 90 Victory Bonds Can Be Bought

1. In denominations of \$59, \$100, \$500, \$1000.

2. Through the canvassers, through the banks or through the Dugout.

3. For one cash payment or on instalments spread over five months or by arrangement with the banks.

If you buy on the instalment plan, the bond costs you no more.

You can draw your cheque on any bank in Canada for the purchase of Victory Bonds without paying collection charges thereon.

ment of Canada and there can be no better investment. They pay better interest than do bank savings accounts. You can borrow against your bond and you can sell them at any time.

Victory Bonds are the direct obligation of the Govern-

The first interest on these bonds will be paid on December 15 next thereafter on June 15 and December 15 in every year until 1951.

The Government of Canada will pay these bonds off in cash on June 15, 1951.

he turned the boat about. Figuring we struck out for shore, possibly two that he was about five miles north or three miles distant, with the under the do but let him go, the life belt hold-

feet and hands. Byt this time the "About 4 p.m. John Barker also "About 10 a.m. on a falling tide raft had already broken in two, be- died of exposure. When it was seen

life in him. Satisfied that he was "By this time the raft was in an "We started an attempt to pump dead and, unable to hold on to him eddy about half a mile from shore.

Pete Lorenzen's Death

"At 6:30 p.m. Peter Lorenzen died. of exposure when the raft was about a quarter of a mile offshore. the rough sea for about twenty

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### Police Court Fines This Year Increase LOANED.

City police court fines in Prince, Rupert so far this year have reached a total of \$1910 compared with \$1802.50 in the first five months of 1940. Fines for this May amounted to \$320 in comparison with \$402 last May.

Not Bye-and-Bye-But BUY and

London Has Its First Night Attack In Almost Month-Of Light

attacked last night.

range guns. The Royal Air Force staged raids The captain held on to Lorenzen in on the invasion coast between Bou-

Hitler knows one language only-

SUNDAY Acropolis Park, 2:30 RANGERS vs.

> SEARCHLIGHTS Admission 25c

ALASKA SHIP ASHORE SEATTLE- Coastguard headquarters intercepted messages today that the cannery supply ship Dellwood of the Alaska Steamship Co. is hard aground on Nicholas Rock, False Pass, Al-Icution Peninsula. Passengers, mostly cannery employees, are being removed and the vessel is in no immediate danger.

ROOSEVELT TAKES ACTION

WAS LINGTON, D.C. - The White House announced today that President Franklin D. Rowevell would order the tak-Aviation plant at Inglewood, California, if the strikers have not agreed among themselves to return to work Monday.

ANTI--JEWISH MEASURES ZAGREB --- Anti-Jewish measures are being taken in Croatia following the subjugation by Germany. All Jewish property. must now be registered with the government. Jews must henceforth wear special markings and are to be herded into ghettos.

CUTTING TRAIN SERVICES tions have been made in passen- & day. There was no need, Win- \* vided into three grades: ger services on Rumanian rail- + ant said, of direct intervention + roads to make way for "intensi- + by United States providing + fied freight traffic." There is no + this country intensified its aid + and steelhead. explanation as to the nature of + to Britain program. this intensified freight traffic. + There is speculation that it + + might have something to do with rumors of an impending Axis move towards the Russian Uk-

COAL INDUSTRY ESSENTIAL OTTAWA— The coal industry has been designed as an essential service under wartime regulations with heavy penalties provided for those who would impede production.

MUSSOLINI TELLS CABINET ROME- Premier Benito Mussolini is expected to tell the Fascist cabinet today what trans- 8.9c. pired at the recent meeting with Chancellor Adolf Hitler in Brenner Pass. However it is not ex- 10.7c and 8c. pected this will be made public.

This Being Considered In United States-Supply From Netherlands East Indies to be Maintained

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 7:-LONDON, June 7:-London had High government authorities said its first night bombing since May last night that the United States 11 last night but the attack was would keep its supply line with the not on large scale. Casualties were Netherlands East Indies open at light and damage was not heavy. any cost. Delivery of vital supplies A south east coast town was also such as rubber from there must be

maintained. A British convoy in the Straits Meantime mention is made in of Dover was attacked by enemy authoritative quarters of the posbombers and by shells from long sibility of rationing the use of rubber in this country.

# Are Prisoners

\* British hands, headquarters \* + announced today.

## Great Britain Needs Two-Thirds Of Pack In Canada This Year

Requirements Are Divided Into Three Grades and Prices F.O.B. Prince Rupert and Vancouver are Suggested

OTTAWA, June 7: (CP)-Hon J. E. Michaud, minister of fisheries, announced today that Great Britain was prepared to take approximately 1,200,000 cases of canned salmon from Canada during 1941. He said in a statement: "Definite information has been received to the effect that ing over of the North American the Ministry of Food in Great Britain is prepared to pur-

chase what would amount to twothirds of the maximum production of Canadian canned salmon for

Mr. Michaud added that it was estimated possible a maximum pack of 1,700,000 cases of canned salmon can be produced this year by the British Columbia fisheries and all + efforts consistent with conservation • will have to be made to produce the WASHINGTON, D.C., June + quantity required. It was estimat-♣ 7:—Great Britain's chances of ♣ ed that about 500,000 cases would \* winning the war are still fav- \* have to be reserved for domestic \* orable, United States Ambas- \* and foreign markets other than \* sador to Great Britain told a \* Great Britain.

BUCHAREST - Drastic reduc- + Congressional gathering to- + British requirements are to be di-

No. 1, including sockeye alone. No. 2, including red springs, coho

No. 3, including pinks and chums. Prices considered to be satisfactory have been guaranteed on the following scales, the minister said, per case of 96 one-half flats (tins) f.o.b. Vancouver or Prince Rupert:

No. 1, \$13.75. No. 2, \$10.

No. 3, \$6.25.

American— 87,000 pounds, 10.4c Mr. Michaud said it will be neces-Canadian- 84,500 pounds, 10.6c sary for the Canadian government to take such measures as it may deem fit to conserve raw materials for canning and to place canned Mitkof, 40,000, Royal, 10.4c and salmon exports under license.

Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert and Queen Char-

lotte Islands - Light occasional

moderate southwest winds, part

cloudy and mild.

Arctic, 35,000, Booth, 10.9c and Eureka, 12,000, Atlin, 10.6c and

Halibut Sales

Summary

American

and 8.5c and 10.9c and 3.6c.

and 10.9c and 8.2c.

Canadian Northern Breeze, 17,000, Storage,

Britain Has

Good Chance

Says Winant

Mae West, 14,500, Pacific, 10.7c and 8.1c. J. R., 8,000, Storage, 10.6c and

Walker, 11c and 8.6c.

SEVERIN O'QUINN BURIED

Oldfield, 11,500, Storage, 10.8c and With rites in the Church of the Annunciation, funeral of the late Balsac I., 17,000, Booth, 10.9c and Severin O'Quinn took place this morning. Pallbearers were W. A. Bum, 8,000, Atlin, 10.6c and 8.6c. Rilgold, O. Martinson, A. Campag-Minnie V., 8,500, Edmunds & nolo, Louis Amadio, George Holes and Henry Smith.

FRIENDS OF

### Sam Joy Friends of Sam Joy will be

interested to learn that he has recently been appointed Assistant Clothing Manager at Charlton & Morgan Limited, 657 Granville St., Vancouver-'s leading men's clothing firm.

"Sam", as he was familiarly known in Prince Rupert, was formerly connected with Bryant Co. Limited for the past eight years.

Mr. Joy states that Charlton & Morgan's store, which

was only occupied this year, The new front is modern and impressive. But, perhaps, the most outstanding feature is the new fluorescent lighting, which gives almost sunlight brightness with-

To any of his friends who visit Vancouver Sam extends a special invitation to call and see him. He will be glad to show them around this new store and explain the many interesting features



VICTORY LOAN Program

Tonight Radio Program at 6:15 Radio Program at 7 with Prizes for Listeners 3 p.m. Sunday-Concert by Rocky Mountain Rangers Brass Band at

C.N.R. Totem Hill NEXT WEEK Monday, June 9— Dorothy Thompson on the Local Radio Station at 6:45

Garrison Parade - Street Dancing -Jitterbug Contest — A.R.P. Demonstration

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slave the world. Your dollars-

# will end his mad ambition to en- More Italians

NAIROBI, June 7: (CP) - + \* British East and West African \* troops have crossed the Omo \* River in southern Ethiopia and + have taken two thousand pris- + \* oners and captured the town \* of Abalti, all Italian defences + in the region now being in +