

Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert District and Queen Charlotte Islands—Cloudy and m' with local fog banks during the morning becoming clear in the afternoon.

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Tomorrow's Tides

(Pacific Standard Time)
High 2:20 a.m. 21.7 ft.
15:01 p.m. 20.8 ft.
Low 8:50 a.m. 2.0 ft.
21:05 p.m. 4.6 ft.

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War News

Defending Of This Coast

Necessary Steps Are Being Taken To Protect Pacific, Defence Minister Asserts

GERMANS ARE SURPRISED

BERLIN—The severity of the fighting in Russia and the tenacity of the Red Army is as unexpected in Berlin as it was in the world at large. A German official asserts that the Russians are "godless men who fight unfairly." Hitler's own newspaper asserts the "dogged tenacity" of the Russians "surpasses that of all previous opponents." In Moscow the Russians claim that, since the Russo-German war began, one and a half million Nazis have been killed, wounded or taken prisoner with Russian casualties amounting to 600,000 dead, wounded and missing, the blitzkrieg against Russia is declared to be a failure.

GEORGIC DAMAGED

LONDON—The Admiralty announces that the former Cunard-White Star liner Georgic has been damaged by enemy action.

BERLIN RAIDED AGAIN

BERLIN—A German communique today announced that British bombers last night attacked Berlin for the second time within six days, it being the eightieth raid of the war on the German capital. There was slight damage and some casualties, it was stated. In London Royal Air Force headquarters denied any knowledge of a British air raid on Berlin and suggested it might have been Russian planes attacking in reprisal for the German raids on Moscow.

AXIS CONVOY SUFFERS

CAIRO—Two merchant ships were sunk and two others damaged in air attacks on an Axis convoy in the Mediterranean, it was announced today.

LONDON—Great damage was caused and widespread fires were left burning in Royal Air Force night bombing attacks on the German industrial centres of Essen, Dortmund and Hamm, the Air Ministry said today on the first anniversary of the start of the Battle of Britain. Other planes during the night blasted at Boulogne, enemy occupied airbases in Denmark and France and shipping off the Netherlands coast. Tons of the R.A.F.'s super bombs blasted the Essen armament factories. Favorable weather and excellent visibility favored the attacks.

BERLIN IS BOMBED BY RED PLANES

Russians Turn Their Attention to Capital of Reich

LONDON, Aug. 8: (CP)—A reliable source with Soviet contact said today that he was informed that the Red Air Force attacked Berlin last night.

GEORGIC DAMAGED

British Liner is Victim of Enemy Action it is Announced

LONDON, August 8: (CP)—The Cunard White Star liner Georgic has been damaged by enemy action, the Information Ministry disclosed today, but there were no troops on the liner at the time, and all the crewmen except one are safe. The Georgic is a motorship of 27,750 tons.

Weather Forecast

General Synopsis—The weather has been cloudy with local fog patches in the Prince Rupert district, mostly fair on the West Coast. West Coast of Vancouver Island—Light to moderate west wind, cloudy on north Vancouver Island during the morning otherwise fair and warm.

FUNERAL IN VANCOUVER

The remains of Charles Taylor, fish packer engineer of Claxton cannery, whose death occurred yesterday morning in the Prince Rupert General Hospital, were forwarded this afternoon on the Princess Adelaide to Vancouver where relatives reside and where interment will be made.

HORSES CAN TAKE IT

LONDON, August 8: (CP)—A veterinary squad which came to the rescue of nine horses trapped in a bombed stable on the south coast found one horse placidly munching hay at the bottom of the crater.

ESKIMOS ON TRIAL

Three Belcher Island Natives to Face Judge as Result of Winter Tragedy

By JAMES MCCOOK
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA, Aug. 8: (CP)—Out of a hard, barren land came Mina, Ablaykok and Peter Quarack, three Eskimos who have been in Royal Canadian Mounted police custody since March and who will face trial this week-end for murder at their lonely Belcher Island homeland.

They were charged after fragmentary reports of violence on the Hudson Bay Island filtered through by radio from the north and sent an R.C.M.P. airplane on a 1,000-mile flight from Ottawa last March. The police party learned of long debates over interpretation of religious matters which developed in the Eskimo encampments during the long, dark winter days.

The discussion raged with increasing heat until violence occurred, and when the fury passed nine persons—men, women and children—were dead. Some died of bullet wounds, others were beaten to death and some, including four children, were driven naked into the snow and there perished.

When the ice of Hudson Bay began to crumble the ski-equipped police plane was forced to leave, carrying the three Eskimos charged with murder. The police told the natives they would return and see others suspected of being implicated in the killings.

Further Investigation

Not until late July was it possible for the R.C.M.P. plane to leave Ottawa again for the north. It had to wait until there was assurance floating ice would have disappeared from the bays of Belcher Islands where the machine would land.

Under command of Inspector D. J. Martin, the police party has questioned further suspects and witnesses who could not be reached in March. They were left behind at that time after giving absolute assurance they would be on hand when the officers returned.

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GENERAL INTERNED

General Dentz and Other Vichy Officials Imprisoned

LONDON, Aug. 8: (CP)—Reuters dispatch from Beirut, Syria, said today that General Henri Dentz, former High Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief of the Levant States, had been interned by the Allies. Thirty-five other Vichy officers are also reported interned. The reason was for failure to release some British and Free French officers who were flown to an unrevealed destination just before the end of the war.

DUKE AT VICTORIA

Brother Of King Visiting B. C. Capital City Today

VICTORIA, August 8:—The Duke of Kent, brother of King George VI, in the course of his tour of training stations, schools and units of the Royal Canadian Air Force in Canada, is in Victoria today. He is inspecting headquarters of the Pacific Air Command of which Air Commodore Earl Godfrey is in charge. Visits are also being paid to the naval barracks at Esquimalt, military units and there is to be a March Past at Work Point Barracks.

His Royal Highness and party arrived at 3:15 yesterday afternoon at Vancouver from Calgary and was officially welcomed at Jericho Beach air station by Mayor J. W. Cornett. Half an hour, after refueling, the Duke left Vancouver for Patricia Bay where the Lieutenant Governor, Premier T. D. Pattullo and other prominent persons were on hand to extend a welcome. Motoring into Victoria, the Duke spent the night at Government House.

HALIBUT LANDINGS

Slightly Less was Landed in Prince Rupert this July Than Last

Halibut landings in the Port of Prince Rupert for the month of July totalled 2,582,500 pounds, 1,767,000 pounds being American and 815,500 pounds, Canadian, as compared with a total of 2,898,000 pounds, consisting of 1,561,500 pounds American and 1,336,500 pounds Canadian, for the same month last year.

KILLED ON ROADS

LONDON, August 8: (CP)—More than three children are killed every day on the roads, Lord McGowan said at the annual meeting of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents in London.

MADE IN CANADA

Practically all the different kinds of paper used in Canada can be produced in Canadian mills.

MANY SPECIES

More than 160 different species of tree grow to commercial size in Canada.

SYSTEM OF VOLUNTARY ENLISTMENT

Major Sutherland Objects to Conscription as System For Canada at This Time

Yesterday at the Prince Rupert Rotary Club luncheon a man wearing the King's uniform upheld in an interesting address the system of voluntary enlistment as the proper policy for Canada at this time instead of conscription, which is being so widely advocated. That man was Major T. W. Sutherland of Revelstoke, now stationed at Prince Rupert as area medical officer.

The doctor challenged the suggestion that there was a lack of leadership in this country, declaring it was not inspired leadership that was lacking but the ability and desire to follow the leaders.

The speaker gave it as his opinion that there was developing in Canada a crusading spirit that was the natural outcome of such a splendid effort in so great a cause and all that was needed now was a fellowship to correspond with the leadership.

Discussing the question of conscription, Dr. Sutherland said it was significant that leaders of all parties had made pronouncements on the subject and not one had favored it. "These men know the situation better than we do and it is their considered opinion with conditions such as they are in the country. It is their opinion that to enforce conscription would be to destroy national unity."

The situation as it existed in Canada was mentioned with the country divided. The war had brought about a unity which could hardly have been hoped for. There were in the country two dominant races with different religions and speaking different languages. It had been shown that it was possible to maintain those differences and at the same time develop a happy and prosperous country based on moderation, mutual respect and tolerance. To quote from the Major's words:

"Are we not a unique nation? Are we not a lesson to Europe, where they have fought for centuries largely because of racial differences? In this laboratory of civilization on the western hemisphere we have shown that race, language and religion need not separate people. When peace again comes to Europe, they may heed our experiment and build a commonwealth of Europe on the basis of French and English co-operation in Canada. The basis of French and English accord is mutual respect, mutual recognition of the rights and privileges of the other and protection of the rights of minorities with freedom of language and religion."

"Would it be wise," he asked, "to upset this accord just at a time when it has proved a success? True the people of Quebec might be coerced into accepting conscription but the present policy was to give the voluntary system a fair trial before adopting any other. The spirit of 'Go and get them,' was the totalitarian spirit and it might prove necessary to use it before the end but, in the meantime, he urged that the voluntary system be given a good trial. Then, if it was shown that it had failed, he was sure Quebec would not object to a change. Quebec had met her quota well and he was sure they would do their part in maintaining that freedom we all so greatly desired and which he felt sure would be won."

Waterway Approved

WASHINGTON, D.C., Aug. 8: (CP)—The House of Representatives today approved the \$285,000,000 St. Lawrence seaway and \$160,000,000 Florida ship canal for inclusion in an omnibus rivers and harbors bill soon to be submitted to Congress.

VICTORIES BY NAZIS

Berlin Claims That Commander of Army Between Kiev and Odessa has Been Captured

BERLIN, August 8: (CP)—The German High Command claimed today that German armies, midway between Kiev and Odessa in the lower Ukraine, had captured the commander of the Sixth Soviet Army, annihilated his assault force and taken thirty thousand other prisoners.

Although it was reported elsewhere that Kiev had been encircled by German forces, a High Command bulletin indicated that the main southern offensive is stretching southward toward the Black Sea instead of eastward and was aimed at shearing off the port of Odessa. An important railway line between Odessa and Kiev is claimed by the Germans to have been broken.

Salmon Arrivals

Hickey, 118,000 pounds coho, Atlin and Carlisle cannery, 7,000 pounds springs, Storage.
Azorite, 24,000 pounds coho, Storage.
Haft, 3,800 pounds coho, Storage.

ACTIONS AND NOT WORDS

That is What Will Influence United States Relations With Vichy

WASHINGTON, D.C., Aug. 8: (CP)—Secretary of State Cordell Hull indicated yesterday that United States relations with the Vichy government depended more on French action defending French territory than assurances just received from Vichy.

SHIPS TO RUSSIANS

United States to Turn Over Four Tankers to Soviet

WASHINGTON, D.C., Aug. 8: (CP)—Harold Ickes, defence petroleum administrator, announced yesterday that four United States tankers are being turned over to Russia to transport aviation gasoline. At the same time he said that shortage of aviation gasoline in the United States was likely unless the capacity for producing high octane fuel was increased immediately.

Mobilization of Sixth Division is Being Proceeded With, Col. Ralston Announces—830 Women Being Enlisted

OTTAWA, August 8: (CP)—All necessary defence precautions are being taken on the Pacific Coast in view of the situation in the Orient, Defence Minister Ralston said at a press conference at which he also announced that authority has been granted to proceed with the mobilization of a Sixth Canadian Division of active army.

The armored division already training at Camp Borden and scheduled for movement overseas during the year has been named the Fifth Canadian (Armored) Division. The Fourth Division previously was given authorization for mobilization and a good portion of the Third Division already is overseas with the First and Second Divisions. Col. Ralston also said that the National War Services Department has been asked to enlist eight hundred and thirty women for service in the Canadian Women's Army Corps starting on September 1.

Bulletins

DECLINES "PROTECTION"

BANGKOK—In the midst of reports of impending invasion, the government of Thailand today issued a statement declining all offers of "protection" with thanks and, declaring that if attacked, the people of Thai will not run into the jungle like they once did but will resist aggression. Within three days, one report said, the Japanese will attack Thailand. In Tokyo Japanese quarters charged that the British intended to occupy Bangkok, the capital of Thailand.

CRASH CAUSE UNCERTAIN

ROME—The exact cause of the airplane crash which caused the death of Bruno Mussolini, son of Premier Mussolini, is not yet established. The funeral took place this morning.

NEW CANCELLATION STAMP

OTTAWA—A new postal stamp cancellation mark is to be used in Canada introducing the "V for Victory" motto.

O'NEILL IS CANDIDATE

Old Timer of Smithers to be Conservative Standard Bearer in Forthcoming Provincial Contest

Wiggs J. O'Neill will be the Conservative candidate in Skeena riding, the seat held in the last Legislature by E. T. Kenney, Liberal, Terrace, in the forthcoming provincial election. R. L. Maitland K.C., Conservative leader for the province, announced today on his return from Skeena and Omineca ridings that Mr. O'Neill would run if his nomination was the desire of the party in the riding. Mr. Maitland expressed the opinion that Mr. O'Neill would be unanimously endorsed by the Conservative convention. Wiggs O'Neill is a well known and popular figure of many years' standing in the interior.

Mr. Maitland is in Prince Rupert today after a visit to three northern ridings of Prince Rupert, Skeena and Omineca. He closes his north-tour in Prince Rupert tonight and will sail on the steamer Cardena for Vancouver, being due there Monday morning.

The Conservative leader spoke at Burns Lake and Telkwa in Omineca riding, devoting most of his time to discussing agriculture, highways and decentralization of industry. He vigorously assailed the Pattullo government for lack of war effort.

MUST CARRY MASKS

LIVERPOOL, Eng., August 8: (CP)—Employees of some Liverpool firms who forget their gasmasks are sent home for them and lose time and wages.

BOOMING IN HILLS

Evacuees And Others From London Enliven Former Quiet Bucks Area

CHESHAM BOTS, Eng., August 8: (CP)—Before the war this placid Buckinghamshire village in the wooded Chiltern Hills had a retired population of 3,000 people and one small post office.

Today the population exceeds 9,000, one small village store has 400 registered families and the Catholic Church has doubled its congregation.

It's almost impossible for the traveller to get a room or a bed in Chesham Bots now. Even if a room is to be had, the cost is usually \$4.50 for "bed and breakfast." And it usually means sharing the room with someone else.

In the nearby town of Amersham the story is the same. Ten thousand reduced-rate railway tickets for workmen are issued every month at the local station. There were none issued before the war. The post office has hired extra staff for the pre-war level of 140,000 delivered letters and 80,000 postcards every week has gone up 80 per cent.

The one large movie theatre in Amersham has queues four deep on Saturdays. The local school is working in shifts to accommodate an extra 200 scholars. The biggest grocery store now has 1,600 registered customers against 300 normally.

Most of the extra population is accounted for by evacuees from London, official and unofficial. Many people who formerly lived in the capital now commute back and forth daily. Others have settled in the country for the duration.

Halibut Sales

American
Aleutian, 40,000, Royal, 12c and 10.5c.
Superior, 32,000, Storage, 12c and 10.5c.
Tillikum, 21,000, Booth, 12.2c and 10.5c.

SUCCEEDED IN MATRIC

John Nicholls of this city was successful in the recent Senior Matriculation examination. His name was omitted from the official list as issued from Victoria.