

# War News

# The Daily News

Tomorrow's Tides

High ..... 10:40 a.m. 19.9 ft.  
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Low ..... 4:34 a.m. 8.9 ft.  
17:29 p.m. 4.4 ft.

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**FURTHER ADVANCES IN AFRICA**  
CAIRO—British forces have announced today that they have crossed the Juba River north of the original bridgehead. The advance has been the chief line of Italian resistance to the British offensive in that region. The communique also announced that more than 5,500 Italian colonial troops and 745 Italian soldiers were captured on the Eritrean front during the last month. There have been further advances by British forces on three fronts on the Ethiopian front. British bombers have raided important military objectives in Eritrea and Ethiopia in support of advancing land forces. Royal Air Force headquarters announced. There is little change in the general situation in Libya although it is announced that 107 light tanks have been captured or destroyed in the battle south of Bengasi. Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and General Sir Charles Dill, commander-in-chief of the British Army, have arrived in Egypt to review the war situation in Africa.

**JAPAN SOUNDS WARNING**  
TOKYO—Foreign Minister Matsuoka told Japanese newspapermen today that continued defence preparations by Great Britain and the United States in the South Pacific would produce a situation "attended by considerable danger." Japanese news agency, Domei, quoted Matsuoka as expressing hope that Anglo-Americans would refrain from "taking any measures tending to excite Japanese public opinion." The situation in the Far East is still very tense. Unconfirmed reports circulated in Shanghai last night said that Japanese Army contingents, packed aboard transports, were moving southward from Formosa, presumably headed for Hainan Island, off the South China coast or northern Indo-China.

**BOTH SIDES BOMBING**  
LONDON—For the second successive night, Nazi bombers last night pounded at Swansea, Wales, London and other parts of the British Isles, causing considerable damage and casualties. The town of Chatham was also struck. Berlin claimed that heavy explosions and large fires had been caused. Heavy anti-aircraft fire drove the Nazis away from East Anglia today. The Royal Air Force was active during the night on objectives in Northwest Germany and Channel ports, ranging as far as Catania in Sicily.

## PLANES TO FAR EAST Premier Chats With Liberals

British Forces Are Getting Bombers from West Coast of United States

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 21: (CP)—The British embassy announced today that aircraft are being flown to the forces in the Far East from the United States coast. Although indicating that powerful bomber reinforcements were being sent to Singapore, the embassy declined to give further details.

## OFFICERS OF ASS'N

George Mitchell Chosen as New President of the Prince Rupert Liberal Association

At the annual general meeting of the Prince Rupert Liberal Association in the Metropole Hall last night George Mitchell, last year's vice-president, was unanimously chosen president for the current year. No other nominations were made. The full list of officers chosen included: Hon. President, Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King. Honorary Vice-Presidents, Hon. T. D. Pattullo and Olof Hanson M.P. President, George Mitchell. Vice-President, C. C. Mills. Second Vice-President, J. A. Lind. Secretary, Arthur Brooksbank. Treasurer, Jack Judge. Executive Committee—Douglas Frazell, J. H. Comer, James Ciccone, John Currie, Ole Skog, Fred Lanza, Harry Menzies, P. Gamula, Lee Dell and George Casey. A number of the members usually seen at these meetings are now in uniform and several were out of the city.

## ALLOWANCE BEING CUT

Patriotic Contributions Will Not be Given Such Large Measure of Tax Exemption

OTTAWA, Feb. 21: (CP)—Hon. J. L. Halsey, minister of finance, in a statement yesterday, said that the income tax allowance for patriotic contributions now deductible up to fifty per cent of net taxable income in respect of contributions to certain approved patriotic organizations will be reduced to ten per cent in the next budget.

## OPENING OF TERRITORY IMPORTANT

Country North Of Railway In Central Interior Capable Of Immense Development

## Must Go Ahead Says Pattullo

Further Statement By Premier On Rowell-Sirois Report Matters

"I would like to see Prince Rupert go ahead more rapidly in building up new business and new enterprises," said Premier T. D. Pattullo while in Prince Rupert this week.

"As you know, several attempts have been made to establish a pulp and paper industry here and I may say that I spent a great deal of time and effort in an endeavour, not only to get such an industry established here, but also one at Prince George and one near Terrace but for various reasons they did not materialize although private interests had spent very large sums of money, especially in the Prince George region, but these interests went by the board. Recently in Ottawa I met some of the men who were interested in these original projects and I told them that we would look most favorably upon a renewal of their efforts and endeavour to assist them in every possible way but they said their losses were written off and they felt they were too old to tackle the proposition now. I invited them to send their sons."

"The fact of the matter is, however, that the timber is still here and sooner or later will be put to use. There is also a stand of timber on the line of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway which could keep a thousand ton a day plant going in perpetuity. I mention these things because sooner or later they will be developed and it is new development that helps the older settlements."

"The opening up of central British Columbia has played an important part in the prosperity of the south just as the opening up of the northern sections of Ontario and Quebec has been beneficial to the older sections of those provinces."

"The Klondyke rush was responsible for the first impetus to the city of Seattle. Vancouver also received benefit but did not take the same advantage of it at that time as did the city of Seattle. Today Vancouver does nearly all the business of the Yukon although, as everyone knows, the output of gold is very much less than it was during the early days of the strike. But the Yukon is a large territory and capable of immense development. So is all the territory north of the Grand Trunk Pacific section of the Canadian National Railway, which is at the present time little developed."

**Must Move Ahead**  
"We must constantly move ahead. There is no such thing as standing still. The moment you stand still you start to go back. The world procession is constantly on the move and I offer no apology for wanting British Columbia to be in the lead."

**Oil Drilling**  
"As you know, we are at present drilling for oil near the Peace River Block. The contractors had the misfortune to lose a bit in the hole and have been fishing for it for some time now. It is expected that this difficulty will soon be overcome and that drilling will proceed in order to prove this particular structure. It would be expected a great deal to find oil in the very first experiment, but I am perfectly certain that there is oil over a large area in British Columbia and your government proposes to pursue the matter to definite determination."

"I have received little if any encouragement from the vitriolic press who have been attacking me, and probably will be greatly disappointed when we strike oil, but sooner or later we are going to strike it and that will mean an immense thing, not only for the

## JUDGMENT IS GIVEN

Decision in Important Atlin Action Is Rendered By Judge Fisher In County Court

Judgment was given in County Court yesterday in a case of considerable interest and importance to the Atlin district in which Troho et al were suing the Columbia Development Co. for \$25,000 damages claimed as a result of the diversion of a creek and the flooding of property of three placer miners. The action, hearing of which took place in Atlin, was dismissed with costs. W. O. Fulton was counsel for the successful defendant company and E. A. Lucas of Vancouver for the plaintiffs.

northern part of British Columbia, but for all British Columbia, for the Dominion of Canada and for the Empire.

Commenting further on the matter of the conference on the Rowell-Sirois Commission, Premier Pattullo said:

"I told the conference that British Columbia had no objection whatever to the Dominion government advancing or giving to any province any assistance which might be required to meet any emergency that might arise, that we would be only too glad to pay our share, and that in this the Dominion government was responsible to the Dominion Parliament for whatever action might be taken; and that while willing to pay our share of any monies which the Dominion might think advisable to advance, we did not want at the same time to have ourselves so circumscribed in our own activities, that we could not develop in accordance with our own needs and requirements."

"Every other province represented at the conference took the stand which they did in the interests of the provinces which they were elected to serve. The provinces which were supporting the recommendations of the Commission have been hailed as patriots while those who opposed the recommendations on principle have been held up to the contempt and contumely of the people of Canada."

### Dominion Agenda

"On January 2, 1942, just two days before leaving for the conference, I received from the Prime Minister a statement of the proposed agenda for the conference. This agenda proposed the setting up of four committees all based upon the Sirois Report. The agenda to be considered by the finance committee was a review of the Commission's Plan I in detail. As our government was opposed to Plan I in principle, I had no option but to oppose it in the plenary conference. It is nonsense to say we refused to enter into discussion—discussions were carried on for two days in the plenary conference."

"Before leaving Victoria, I prepared a statement as to the attitude of our government with respect to Plan I of the report and this fact was interpreted as evidence that I deliberately planned before leaving Victoria to scuttle the conference, notwithstanding the fact that I stated at the conference and almost begged in open conference that the discussion should be wide open upon any questions of interest as between the Dominion and the provinces but not based upon the carrying out of the Sirois Report."

### Wide Open Conference

"Let me read to you something of what I said at the conference—and report as taken down by the stenographer:

"Mr. Prime Minister, you desire, I am sure, as you always have, to

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## Program Of Road Work For Prince Rupert; Improving Of Prince Rupert Highway

Before leaving for the south last night Premier T. D. Pattullo announced a program of roadwork in Prince Rupert constituency for this year. The Northern Trans-Provincial Highway will be re-surfaced for about five miles out and several curves will be straightened or widened.

Other projects include work at Port Simpson, Oona River, Jap Inlet, Dodge Cove Trail, Salt Lake trails and Osland.

On Queen Charlotte Islands a considerable program of improvements will be undertaken on the Queen Charlotte City-Port Clements road, including elimination of planks and construction of solid road bed. Work will be started on the road between Port Clements and Massett. At Massett several sections will be improved between New Massett and the cannery at Old Massett and also between Massett and Tow Hill.

## Born In Rupert Recruiting Board For Air Force Is Coming To Rupert



JAMES RUPERT WILSON

James Rupert Wilson, born in Prince Rupert 23 years ago, has arrived in Prince Rupert to carry the Y.M.C.A. War Services program to the enlisted men on duty at that point. Mr. Wilson, whose home is in Vancouver, is a graduate of King Edward High School there. At school he was active in H. Y. work and, since graduation, has been with the Alpha Phalanx, a "Y" service organization of which he is a charter member. He has sailed as mate of the herring tender Cape Flat-try.

## Bulletins

**MINING YOKOHAMA**  
YOKOHAMA—Preparations are being made, it has become known, to mine waters around Yokohama.

**RIOTS IN BULGARIA**  
SOFIA—Riots precipitated allegedly by pro-Russian elements against the policy of the present Bulgarian government were stated today to have been brought under control. It is still denied that there are German troops in Bulgaria.

**MOVING JEWS IN MASS**  
BUDAPEST—Plans have been made for the mass transfer of 50,000 Jews from Vienna to Lublin in Poland. They will be moved aboard special trains, the first having left Vienna last night. They are permitted to take only 200 pounds of baggage each, leaving all other possessions behind. Special log cabins have been built for them at Lublin.

**UNITED STATES WARNED**  
TOKYO—A sharp warning has been issued by Japan to the United States against any attempt to detach Japan from the Rome-Berlin axis. United States is stated to have advised Japan that there can be no collaboration unless Nippon resigns from the Axis.

A mobile recruiting unit of the Royal Canadian Air Force will shortly arrive in Prince Rupert for the purpose of attesting local recruits without the necessity of them having to leave the city. The recruiting unit will consist of medical board, trades testing and recruiting officer. Educational requirements include junior matriculation graduation for prospective pilots, two years High School for wireless operators and air engineers and High School entrance for ground men. Ages are 18 to 31 for pilots and air crew and 18 to 50 for ground crew.

### TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

- Vancouver  
Big Missouri, .04.  
Bralorne, 9.50.  
Cariboo Quartz, 2.65.  
Dentonia, .01 (ask).  
Fairview, .01.  
Gold Belt, .25.  
Hedley Mascot, .45.  
Noble Five, .00 1/2 (ask).  
Pacific Nickel, .04.  
Pend Orielle, 1.30.  
Pioneer, 2.00.  
Premier, .85.  
Privateer, .48.  
Reeves McDonald, .10.  
Reno, .11.  
Relief Arlington, .02 1/4.  
Salmon Gold, .01.  
Sheep Creek, .80 (ask).

### Oils

- A. P. Con., .08.  
Calmont, 18.  
C. & E., 1.15.  
Home, 1.70.  
Pacalita, .04 1/2 (ask).  
Royal Canadian, .10 1/2 (ask).  
Okalta, .52.  
Mercury, .04.  
Prairie Royalties, .07 1/4.

### Toronto

- Aldermac, 10.  
Beattie, 1.06.  
Central Pat., 1.67.  
Cons. Smelters, 34 1/2.  
East Malartic, 2.50.  
Fernland, .04 (ask).  
Franceour, .37.  
Gods Lake, .30.  
Hardrock, .76.  
Int. Nickel, 31 1/4.  
Kerr Addison, 3.15.  
Little Long Lac, 1.75.  
McLeod Cockshutt, 1.75.  
Madsen Red Lake, .53.  
McKenzie Red Lake, 1.14.  
Moneta, .45.  
Noranda, 50 1/4.  
Pickle Crok, 2.75.  
Preston East Dome, 2.75.  
San Antonio, 2.15.  
Sherriett Gordon, .65 1/2.  
Uchi, .26.  
Bousadillac, .03 (ask).  
Mosher, .04 1/2.  
Okland, .05.  
Smelters Gold, .01.  
Dominion Bridge, 25 1/2 (ask).

## FALL OF ISLANDS IS NEAR

Greeks And British Expect To Take Dodocanese—Further Victories In Albania

ATHENS, Feb. 21: (CP)—Twelve Italian aircraft were downed by Greek and British air forces on the Albanian front yesterday in fierce battles paving the way for heavy raids on Berati and Tepelini. Improved weather has permitted important new Greek thrusts in the Tepelini sector, strategic new positions being taken by the Hellenese in their advance with the Italians suffering heavy losses in dead and wounded.

The Dodocanese Islands, on which the people are starving due to lack of supplies, are about to fall into British and Greek hands, it is expected. Deserting Italians have landed on Turkish soil, according to reports from Istanbul, painting a gloomy picture of the situation on the Dodocanese and predicting that their surrender is a matter of only a short time.

## FISHERMEN MOVE HERE

Headquarters Of District No. 2 Association Comes In From Essington—Loyalty To Canada Pledged

The District No. 2 Fishermen's Association, formerly the Skeena Fishermen's Association, has moved headquarters from Port Essington, where it was established thirty-four years ago, to Prince Rupert. The move has been made for the convenience of the fishermen and in order to provide a more central location in relation to both Skeena and Naas River areas.

The officers for the year are as follows:  
President, K. Miwa.  
Vice-Presidents—T. Nasu, I. Miki and R. Yoshida.  
Counsellor, S. Arakawa.  
Secretary, David T. Abe.  
Treasurer, T. Nakamura.  
Chairman, M. Shikatori.  
Vice-Chairman, I. Haga.  
Auditors—S. Narial, S. Tani and M. Imai.  
Executive—M. Nishi, H. Omori, Y. Shinde, I. Tanaka and M. Hori.  
At a meeting of the executive of the Association a resolution was passed pledging the allegiance of the members to Canada and their assistance in Canada's war effort for justice, liberty and freedom.

## TORONTO IN LEAD AGAIN

Maple Leafs Go To Top Of Hockey Standing With Victory Over Canadiens

TORONTO, Feb. 21: (CP)—Toronto Maple Leafs returned to the leadership of the National Hockey League last night with a one point margin over the Boston Bruins as a result of a two to one victory over the Canadiens here last night. In the second scheduled game last night Chicago Black Hawks won four to two over New York Americans.

## Sees No Reason For War Between States And Japan

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 21:—Admiral Nomura, the new Japanese ambassador to United States, repeated yesterday a previous opinion that there was no reason for war between the United States and Japan. "Such a war will be averted if the initiative does not come from the United States."