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## Weather Forecast

Prince Rupert District and Queen Charlotte Islands.—Light north-west wind, cloudy and mild.

## Tomorrow's Tides

High ..... 1:54 a.m. 22.4 ft.  
14:49 p.m. 20.6 ft.  
Low ..... 8:34 a.m. 0.4 ft.  
20:45 p.m. 5.3 ft.

# Armistice Is Asked In Syria Today

## Red Army Routed Two Motorized Regiments But Germans Striking

Both Sides Still Claim Victories in Various Parts of Lengthy Battle Front—Forced Marches by Nazis to Fill in Gaps

MOSCOW, July 9: (CP)—The Red Army reported today that it had routed the German troops and wiped out two motorized regiments in northern White Russia and stalled the Nazi drives at most points on the huge front. It acknowledged however that the German armored spearheads were striking at new points in an attempt to find the soft spots. The centres of fighting were listed as Polotski in the northern tip of White Russia, Lepel, forty miles south and Novograd Volynski in western Ukraine.

## German Drive Was Stopped Four Days Ago

VICHY, July 9: (CP)—Military circles in Vichy reported yesterday that the German drive against the Stalin line had been virtually stopped for four full days. These circles indicated that the German losses were enormous. They listed as one reason for stopping was the necessity of regrouping the German units. Other reasons were the need to reorganize the supply lines and the guerilla resistance in the rear of the German columns.

## Halibut Sales

American  
Daily, 25,000, Storage, 12.3c and 11c.  
Middleton, 24,000, Booth, 12.5c and 10.5c.

## Churchill Welcomed Advent Of Americans In Iceland And Offered Co-Operation

An Effort of Hitler to Gain Footing Will Meet With Effective Resistance Declared Prime Minister

LONDON, July 9: (CP)—Churchill suggested in the House of Commons today to the United States and Britain that the navies may profitably assist each other in guarding dangerous waters off Iceland. Churchill made the statement in welcoming the United States' occupation of Iceland and his report brought loud cheers. He told the House that Britain proposed to retain some of her forces now in Iceland and declared the arrival of powerful United States forces will greatly reduce the danger to Iceland and that it seems very likely that the British and American forces "will co-operate effectively in resistance to any attempt by Hitler to gain footing." Churchill pointed out that the United States policy is not only to send Britain war supplies "but also to make sure we get them."

## Biggest Run Of Salmon In Stamp River Yet Seen

ALBERNI, July 9.—R. M. McQuoid, guardian of the Government Fisheries at Stamp Falls, reports that the run up that stream so far this year is the heaviest ever recorded.

## War Materials For Russia Is Already Going

LONDON, July 9: (CP)—Britain has completed arrangements for supplying large quantities of war materials to Russia and some military equipment is in transit. The Ministry of Economic Warfare announced today.

## PASSIVE PUNCH

LONDON, July 9: (CP)—A former Punch and Judy showman appearing at a Conscientious Objectors' Tribunal said he believed in passive resistance. The court registered him as an objector but suggested he rewrite Punch's script for his next show.

## Salmon Arrivals

Azurite—1500 pounds of spring sold to Booth. 20,000 pounds sold to Sunnyside Cannery.

## MEETING WAS FLOP

Only Eight Turned Out Last Night For Organization Of Carnival; Final Effort On Friday

Last night only eight people turned out to attend the meeting of the Civic Centre committee at the City Hall to make plans for the summer carnival and they decided that if more interest was not taken in it the whole affair would be dropped.

Another meeting is called for Friday at the City Hall at 8 p.m. the final attempt to form committees and go ahead with the scheme.

Speaking of the abortive attempt Norton Youngs, chairman, said that if the boys did not want the civic centre, nobody was going to try to force it on them. They had been asking for it for years and now they had an opportunity to get it nobody was interested enough to turn out to a meeting. Last night there was not one of the ball players present.

So far as he was concerned, Mr. Youngs said, this Friday meeting would be the last attempt. If they did not get thirty or more present at the meeting Friday night, his efforts would cease. It was up to the boys. Nearly all the members of the Junior Chamber had promised to attend and all that were there was eight.

Mr. Youngs said he thought it would be a great thing for the city to have a twenty-five or thirty thousand dollar building here devoted primarily to athletics but evidently the young men wanted someone to give them the building without any effort on their own part. He did not propose to be a party to any such plan.

Friday night there would be a meeting, a final effort to get going. He had been very disappointed last night. He thought it was just a question of leaving the job for someone else to do, but that would not fill the bill. He would be there on Friday and if the boys wanted a civic centre it was up to them to turn out and show their interest in it.

## Captain Marsden Entertained By Terrace Legion

TERRACE, July 9.—On Sunday, 6th, the Canadian Legion entertained Captain Marsden R.C.E. to a tea at Willie's Hotel in Terrace. Captain Marsden is the officer who brought to Terrace the Proclamation calling on the young men of the country to join the forces. At 3:30 the same afternoon the Village Commissioners conferred upon the Captain the "Freedom of the Village" and as token of this presented the officer with a gold key, inscribed with the name of the village.

At this celebration the key was presented by Mr. Gordon Temple, the chairman of the Commissioners and an address of welcome was made by the Rev. C. A. Hinchliffe, Chaplain of the Terrace Branch of the Legion. Captain Marsden gave a very interesting talk drawn from his experiences in the Far East, in particular some anecdotes about the Chinese were both interesting and amusing.

The Women's Service Corps paraded in uniform and both they and the local home guard were inspected by the Captain.

At the conclusion of the ceremony in the Oddfellows Hall little Alan Dubeau played the National Anthem in which the whole company joined.

## Nazi Push Is Halted In Russia

LONDON, July 9: (CP)—The Nazi eastward push in Russia appears to be halted due either to exhaustion of the Nazi forces or the vigor of the Red Army's defence, authoritative British forces declared today.

## NEW HALL BARRETT OPENED

Enjoyable Dance Given At Fort To Celebrate Opening Of Recreation Centre

After a long patient wait of some 20 months Barret Fort last night had the official opening of their recreation and drill hall which has just been built. The hall, with a floor space 60 by 90 feet is located just outside the fort confines.

A special train left town at 8 p.m. taking some 160 guests, wives and friends of the men quartered in the forts and a few official guests.

The men of the fort had worked hard to make their hall attractive and with the orchestra from the R. M. R.'s a most delightful dance was held. During the intermission prizes were presented by the area commander to the winners of the sports events held on July 1 at Barret.

The cooks at the fort had been busy from 4 a.m. that morning in preparation for the evening and the refreshments served were a great credit to the unit and their cooking staff.

The special train left at midnight after what was a very enjoyable evening for the guests as well as the men living in the fort.

## SMASHED HOME RUN

Ted Williams Hero of Boston Red Sox Yesterday Afternoon

DETROIT, July 9: (CP)—Ted Williams of the Boston Red Sox smashed a terrific home run nearly to the top of the right field stands with two mates on bases in the ninth inning to climax a 4-run rally and give the American League All Stars 7 to 5 victory over the National League in a thrilling battle yesterday.

Yesterday the league scores were:

## Red Cross Nurses Lose Lives When Ship Torpedoed

WASHINGTON, July 9: (CP)—The American Red Cross said today that a vessel bearing ten Red Cross nurses to Britain had been torpedoed and six of the nurses were missing.

## Raids On Germans In Crete

CAIRO, July 9: (CP)—The R.A.F. has sent bombers over Greece and Crete which are now in German hands and started fires in a series of raids, it was announced today.

## Vichy French Ask For Armistice Which Is Being Arranged Tonight So Fighting In Syria Will Stop

COMPLETE VICTORY IN LEVANT AFTER MONTH OF FIGHTING FOR CONTROL OF EASTERN END OF MEDITERRANEAN SEA IS ANNOUNCED

VICHY, France, July 9.—An armistice between the Vichy and the Allied Free French and British forces in Syria has been asked for, it was announced here tonight.

LONDON, July 9.—Earlier today Prime Minister Churchill announced that General Henry Dentz, the Vichy High Commander for Syria had asked "for discussion of terms leading to an armistice" and expressed a hope that such negotiations may reach a speedy conclusion. Churchill told the Commons that Britain would be glad to see the end of the month-old campaign but added that until truce could be reported the fighting must go on.

CAIRO, July 9, (CP)—The Australian troops driving toward Beirut have overrun the main Vichy positions and now are operating north of Damour which is nine miles south of Beirut, the Middle East Command announced today.

Later it was announced that fighting had ceased.

## CANADA'S OFFICERS LEARN THEIR GASES AT TRAINING CAMP

Some Odorless and Some Not But Sniffs and Sneezes March With Knowledge in This War Feature

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BROCKVILLE, Ont., July 9: (CP)—Tears and sneezes are part of the experience of prospective army officers in training at the Brockville officers' instruction establishment.

The P. A. G. (Protection Against Gas) building is one of the establishments in which the man qualifying under the stringent active army requirements assembles some of the knowledge he requires.

Part of the equipment is a small wooden case filled with vials. The soldier is required to sniff the contents and thus learn to identify poison gases by their odor. Mustard gas is simple. It smells just like mustard. The odor of others is more elusive, and if he sniffs too hard at one variety he is doomed to a fit of sneezing.

## Where Masks Needed

Tear gas has an important place in training, as it is used to demonstrate the necessity of wearing gas masks at all times when the presence of gas is suspected. Tiny vials containing the ingredients of the gas are opened in a room, and, on removing his mask, the soldier is exposed to its effects. Invariably he leaves the room in tears and with the lesson driven home.

Cases containing ointment for application when it is suspected mustard gas has fallen on some exposed part of the body are available. Little capes, to which are applied certain chemicals, are part of the modern soldier's equipment. Should an odorless gas be dropped from the air, its presence will be revealed by spots on the cape, which warns the man that gas masks and other protective equipment must be used immediately.

The soldier is instructed to mark the spots on the cape so that if he is exposed to a similar gas at some future date there will be no confusion with earlier spots.

Long slickers are included in the anti-gas equipment, and with them drawn over a uniform in a gas

zone, the soldier has a measure of protection.

Every arm of the service had knowledge of gas, the types and effects, said camp officials. Members of the armored corps, artillery, engineers, signals, infantry, machine gun, army service corps, ordnance, provost, postal, dental and pay services are in training here.

## Special Training

In the first four weeks at the training centre all those seeking active army officers' qualifications receive similar training in military matters, and when they have received specialized training in various branches of the service they are to follow, come together for a final two weeks of instruction common to all arms.

Buildings at the training centre are of the plainest wooden type, with few comforts. They are designed for use rather than beauty. The officers' mess has carpets and easy chairs in two rooms, but Col. R. G. Whitelaw, camp commandant, said that these furnishings were donated and curtains and other small items were purchased by the officers themselves.

## NEEDED KNOWLEDGE

ALDERSHOT, July 9: (CP)—When Pte. John Edmunds of the Royal Army Medical Corps appeared before a court-martial here on a charge of desertion, he said he could not read or write or understand technical lectures. He was transferred to a pioneer corps.

## PLAN TO END WAR ECUADOR

WASHINGTON, July 9: (CP)—United States, Argentina and Brazil have asked Peru and Ecuador to establish a no mans land on both sides of the line known as the Status Quo Line. This territory is disputed by both nations.

## BOMBERS IN FRANCE

Germany Also Gets Regular Bombardment Of Fire From British Planes

LONDON, July 9: (CP)—The R. A. F. fanned out over the English Channel in three directions today in another nightly assault on occupied France after night bombers kept up a nonstop air attack on Germany, extending as far east as Leuna near Leipzig. Scores of Britain's largest bombers dropped explosives on the Rhineland and industrial facilities overnight and one force flew deeper into eastern Reich to bomb synthetic oil plants at Leuna from which carloads of the product go to fuel the Nazi war machine in Russia. The main industrial objectives were the cities of Pamm, Muenster and Bielefeld, the Air Ministry said.

## Artists Donate Pictures For Spitfire Fund

JASPER, Alta., July 9:—In an effort to assist in raising funds for the Jasper-Banff Spitfire Fund, six famous artists have donated original paintings which are now on display in the rotunda of Jasper Park Lodge and are attracting much attention. The artists who have given their paintings to assist this fund are Roland Gissing, Grandmaison, Peter Whyte, Carl Rungus, Belmore Brown and Roland Jackson.

All the artists are well known in the world's art circles and have done a great deal of work in the Canadian Rockies. They specialize in scenic subjects with the exception of Roland Jackson, who features wild life and Grandmaison whose ambition is to perpetuate the life of the rapidly vanishing North American Indian, he is looked upon as an outstanding authority on the interpretation of Indian lore and character.

## Thirty Million Pounds Halibut In 3 Months

SEATTLE, July 9: (CP)—The American and Canadian fishing fleets landed 30,265,475 pounds of halibut in three months ending June 30 the International Fisheries Commission reported yesterday. The American catch was 20,867,626 pounds.

The Prince George which arrived in the city this morning had on board 220 passengers bound for the north.