

# WAR NEWS

**CHINESE BOMB ANOI**  
**CHUNGKING**—Fifty-seven Chinese soldiers, including fifteen United States fighters, bombed the port of Hanoi. No resistance was reported. The attacking planes returned safely.

**REDS ADVANCING**  
**MOSCOW**—The Red Army is advancing seven miles per day on the central front. Today the Soviet forces were repulsed. The retreating Nazis twenty-three miles west.

**AXIS RECAPTURE AGEDABIA**  
**CAIRO**—Axis forces, moving under cover of a sandstorm, have recaptured Agedabia in western Cirenaica. In spite of the unfavorable weather, however, British bombing planes, cut heavily into the Axis land forces. The recapture of Agedabia by the enemy was announced today following reports last night which had said the German army in Libya had suffered another setback following an advance of ten miles.

**JAPS EXTEND INVASION**  
**MELBOURNE**—The Japanese extended their invasion to the Solomon Islands and New Guinea today. Under the threat of more imminent direct attack, blackout in all Australian cities has been ordered. In Malaya a tremendous Allied counter-offensive was fighting at close quarters with the enemy today. Last night it was stated that this counter-offensive had brought the Japanese advance on Singapore to a halt and that there had been no advance in two days by the enemy. Further withdrawal by the British is announced towards Murmire which lies across from the capital city of Rangoon. It is admitted that the situation in the southern Pacific is, if anything, more serious than it was a few days ago.

## Kirkland Lake— STRIKE OF MINERS IS DISCUSSED

Standpoint of Organized Labor Is Presented at Public Meeting—Collection of \$303

The Kirkland Lake mine strike situation was presented from the organized labor standpoint at a public meeting in the Oddfellows' Hall last night. Principal speakers were Larry Sefton, recording secretary of the American Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' Union at Kirkland Lake, and Alex McAuslane of Vancouver, vice-president of the Canadian Congress of Labor. Harry Hareus, business agent of the Prince Rupert Labor Council, acted as chairman. Others on the platform to express themselves as sympathizers with the Kirkland Lake strike were James S. Black, secretary of the Carpenters Union, and Rev. James A. Donnell, pastor of First United Church. A collection was taken up for the Kirkland Lake strike fund and the substantial sum of \$303.70 was thus realized.

Larry Sefton declared that the Kirkland Lake strike presented an issue that affected all organized workers in Canada. It was not just a miners' strike but was the culmination of the laziness of workers in getting organized into unions and protecting their economic security. If the facts in connection with the strike were fully known there would be a rising tide of protest insisting that the government enforce principles in

## SAND FOR SMITHERS

Every Business Place and Home Ready to Combat Incendiary Bombs.

**SMITHERS, Jan. 23**—The A.R.P. wardens at Smithers held a meeting a few nights ago under the chairmanship of Chief Warden J. W. Turner. Constable Todd gave a lecture on the proper method of handling incendiary bombs and demonstrated the procedure to the meeting with shovel, rake and a pail of sand. Arrangements were made at the meeting for the delivery to every house and every business place in town of a pail of dry sand and this procedure was accordingly carried out on Saturday afternoon so that all are now temporarily equipped to handle incendiary bombs which they hope will never be found falling on the buildings at Smithers.

William Bremner, after spending a week on leave from his naval duties with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bremner, Fifth Avenue East, sailed last night by the Prince George on his return to Victoria. He will be leaving shortly for St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, to take his petty officer's examination.

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## PORTUGUESE TAKE OVER

Decision to Garrison Island of Timor Is Announced

**LONDON, Jan. 23**—Confirmation has been received here that the government of Portugal has decided to garrison the island of Timor north of Australia. The decision is described as an important victory for British diplomacy. The British had recently occupied Timor with the undertaking to withdraw should the Portuguese send a garrison.

The Portuguese garrison will be sent to Mozambique and will be conveyed by Portuguese naval vessels with the possible assistance of Allied warships.

## AIR RAID SHELTERS

Side of Graft Hill From Third Avenue Considered Admirable Site

A visitor to the city who has experienced bombing attacks believes that Prince Rupert has an admirable natural site for the establishment of air raid shelters with a minimum of trouble and expense. Tunnelling from Third Avenue into the side of Graft Hill would readily provide most effective shelters under a depth of some sixty or seventy feet in solid rock. The heaviest bomb has not been known to penetrate more than fifty feet into rock.

## TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver	
Grandview, 15.	
Bralorne, 9.00.	
Cariboo Quartz, 1.70.	
Hedley Mascot, 31XD.	
Pend Orelle, 1.60.	
Pioneer, 1.90.	
Premier, .55.	
Privateer, .45.	
Reno, .15 1/2.	
Sheep Creek, .78.	
Oils	
Calmont, .16.	
C. & E., 1.14.	
Home, 2.55.	
Royal Canadian, .04.	
Toronto	
Beattie, .93.	
Central Pat., 1.10.	
Cons. Smelters, 38.50.	
Hardrock, .48.	
Kerr Addison, 3.95.	
Little Long Lac, 1.31.	
McLeod Cockshutt, 1.58.	
Madsen Red Lake, .92.	
McKenzie Red Lake, .92.	
Moneta, .27.	
Pickle Crow, 2.25.	
Preston East Dome, 3.05.	
San Antonio, 1.85.	
Sherritt Gordon, .86.	

## WAS COLONIAL GOVERNOR

**LONDON, January 23 (CP)**—Sir Hugh Clifford, distinguished administrator of Britain's colonial rule, having served in the Federated Malay States, Straits Settlements, Gold Coast, Nigeria and Ceylon, is dead at 75.

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## Expenditures Cut— BRINGS IN BUDGET TO B. C. HOUSE

Increase in Old Age Pensions to \$25 Is Interesting Feature of Financial Document.

**VICTORIA, Jan. 23**—Premier John Hart, presenting his budget to the legislature today, announced a continued and increasing response to the appeal for old materials in connection with its drive. There is still a need for volunteer workers in connection with sorting and packing.

The salvage committee of the Prince Rupert branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society reports a continued and increasing response to the appeal for old materials in connection with its drive. There is still a need for volunteer workers in connection with sorting and packing.

Mr. Hart said that revenues for 1940-41 were the highest on record, totalling \$36,253,936, leaving a surplus over expenditures of \$4,084,755 which was applied to repay part of provincial debt maturities falling due in 1941.

Assets, the premier said, were \$273,000,000 at March 31, 1941, against liabilities of \$248,000,000. The budget estimated revenues for 1942-43 at \$33,000,000, taking into account of a drop in revenue of \$3,000,000 involved in surrendering to the Dominion personal income and corporation taxes and certain licences under the Fisheries Act.

Expenditures for 1942-43 were estimated to leave \$60,000 surplus. The aggregate \$800,000 reduction in expenditure estimates is due principally to a material reduction in the public debt.

## REVIVAL IN RECRUITING

Quite a Number of Men Have Been Attended in Army Here of Late—Party Away Last Night.

There has been a revival of army recruiting in Prince Rupert recently, it is reported, although quite a number of the volunteers have been rejected as being medically unfit.

Recent attestations have been as follows:

- Marcel Arnold Montgomery, Prince Rupert.
- Fred Robison, South Hazelton.
- Lester Eugene Shaw, South Hazelton.
- Aime Paul Dionne, Prince Rupert.
- Ernest Irvine Moore, Burns Lake.
- Irving Pennington, Burns Lake.
- Maxwell Anderson, Burns Lake.
- Roy Henry Jewell, Burns Lake.
- William Duncan Smith, Stewart.
- Thomas Everett Presby, Terrace.
- David Gerow, Burns Lake.
- Thomas William Graham, Prince Rupert.
- Douglas Haig McLeod, Ocean Falls.
- Raymond Prince, Fort St. James.
- William Duncan Smith, joining up with the ordnance service.
- Thomas William Graham, going to the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, and Thomas Everett Presby and David Gerow, reporting to depot, sailed this morning on the Prince George for Vancouver.

Douglas Haig McLeod also sailed on the Prince George last night but has been granted a month's leave to clear up his undertaking business at Ocean Falls before taking over duty with the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps.

Raymond Prince was sent to the Canadian Scottish here yesterday.

## IN FROM FAR EAST

**WASHINGTON, Jan. 23**—Skippered by a Russian and manned by Chinese, a Dutch merchantman has docked from the Far East at a west coast United States port. The vessel, zigzagging her course and otherwise manoeuvring cleverly, was able to shake off Japanese submarines which had pursued her.

## CAMPAIGN GOES OVER

Good Response to Appeal of Red Cross for Scrap Materials—More Workers Needed.

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## MUENSTER ATTACKED

This Was Principal Target of Royal Air Force Last Night—Other Points Also Hit

**LONDON, January 23 (Canadian Press)**—Royal Air Force bombers carried out a concentrated attack on Muenster last night, leaving large fires burning.

Enemy airdromes in the Netherlands and docks at Dunkerque were also bombed while mines were laid in enemy waters, the Air Ministry said.

## AXIS TURN IN AFRICA

Have Recaptured Agedabia In Forward Movement, Which Is Continuing Today

**CAIRO, January 23 (Canadian Press)**—The Axis mechanized desert army, apparently making a desperate new bid for Axis reconquest of Eastern Libya, has recaptured Agedabia in a thrust ninety miles northeast of El Agheila where Axis forces have made a new stand, it was announced today.

Indicating strong reinforcements had bolstered the Axis counter-attack, a bulletin said the Axis advance was strongly covered by German-Italian bomber aircraft with fighter protection.

The communique said that the Axis movement was continuing.

## Burial of Duke Of Connaught at Windsor Simple

**WINDSOR, Eng., Jan. 23**—With simple ceremonies, the Duke of Connaught was buried today in St. George's Chapel. The King and Queen attended and the kings of Greece, Norway and Yugoslavia. Seven field marshals acted as pallbearers and the casket was carried by a party of Grenadier Guards. On the casket were the duke's field marshal's plume, his sword and a single white lily from his daughter, Lady Patricia Ramsay.

## Mrs. Collison Laid At Rest

Funeral on Tuesday Was One of Largest in Long Time at Smithers.

**SMITHERS, Jan. 23**—The funeral of the late Mrs. Reg. Collison was held from the Anglican Church Tuesday afternoon and was one of the largest funerals seen in Smithers in a long time. The church was filled to overflowing and many cars filled with friends of the deceased and the bereaved families attended the service at the cemetery. There was a profusion of floral wreaths. The service was conducted by Rev. J. E. Birchall.

Pallbearers were A. C. Fowler, O. H. Hoskins, Shirley Preston, A. G. Ford, A. Dando and L. H. Kenney, while H. F. Noel and Mr. Edgeley were ushers.

## ELUDES POLICE

Another Gun-a-Noot Is Now Object of Search—Made Get-away From Train In Interior

Provincial police officers are on the look-out for Phillip Gun-a-Noot, grandson of Simon Gun-a-Noot, who eluded the police for thirteen years in the British Columbia wilds twenty years ago when he was wanted for murder.

Phillip escaped from police custody on Tuesday near Bednesti, a railway station west of Prince George, when he jumped from a passenger train while enroute from Kamloops to Smithers to face a charge of theft.

Gun-a-Noot is believed to have boarded a Cariboo freight truck in an attempt to reach Vancouver.

## HEPBURN CRITICAL

Manpower Plebiscite Proposal Described as "Dastardly, Contemptible and Cowardly."

**ST. THOMAS, Ont., Jan. 23**—Speaking on the subject of the plebiscite on conscription as proposed in the speech from the throne in parliament yesterday at Ottawa, Premier Mitchell Hepburn of Ontario declared that all Canadians should protest at such a proposal.

"It is a most dastardly, contemptible and cowardly thing ever perpetrated on a dignified nation by an inefficient and bungling administration supported by a subservient membership," Mr. Hepburn asserted.

## LEFT PLANS IN FLIGHT

Nazis, Although Alarmed and Confused, Still Fighting Stubbornly In Russia

**MOSCOW, January 23 (Canadian Press)**—Newspaper Pravda said that the Germans, in abandoning Moshaisk, left extensive strategic plans in their haste to get away but front dispatches said that, while there was still alarm and confusion among the retreating Germans, they still fought stubbornly in many sectors.

Russians, pursuing German forces in their flight from the Moshaisk salient before Moscow, have pushed twenty-three miles west of Moshaisk, establishing a rate of advance of from six to seven miles daily since Moshaisk was taken.

## WILL VOTE IN SPRING

Plebiscite on Conscription to Be Taken Around End of March Or Early in April.

**OTTAWA, Jan. 23**—Details of the plebiscite in which it is proposed to ask the people to release the government from commitments in regard to mobilization of manpower for military service are expected to be revealed to parliament next Monday by Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King. The plebiscite is expected to be held about the end of March or early in April. The proposal to hold the plebiscite had the approval of leading members of both senate and house, Mr. King said.

Speaking yesterday following the introduction of the speech from the throne, the prime minister announced that a special committee was to be appointed to investigate the manner in which Canadian troops had been sent to Hong Kong. Hon. R. B. Hanson, acting house leader of the Conservative party, agreed that the responsibility for sending these troops without adequate equipment should certainly be fixed.

## SITUATION IN SOUTHERN PACIFIC IS NOT SO GOOD; AUSTRALIA IS MENACED

Americans Reported to Be Pouring in Reinforcements—Dutch Keeping Up Attack Against Japanese Naval Forces.

**MELBOURNE, Jan. 23 (CP)**—Japan's march of conquest struck directly toward Australia today as seaborne Japanese troops landed in New Guinea and the Solomon Islands in a sweep jeopardizing not only the land "down under" but United States routes to the war zone. At the nearest point New Guinea is only one hundred miles across Torres Straits from Cape York, northernmost tip of Australia. From bases in New Guinea and the Solomon chain, Japan may now command vital Torres Strait between Australia and New Guinea, forcing Allied shipping into a long detour south of the Australian mainland.

In general news from other Pacific fronts was dark, relieved only by word from Washington that the United States was beginning to pour a stream of reinforcements into what up to now has been a lopsided struggle.

Heavy Netherlands bombers and fighters lashed at Japanese invasion hordes swarming into the South Sea Islands, scoring twelve direct hits on eight Japanese warships and transports. The Japanese flotilla included one cruiser. Dive bombers also attacked a destroyer and three transports at another point. These convoys off Borneo and the Celebes indicate further invasion plans of the enemy for the Netherlands East Indies.

As for the Malayan front, the Melbourne radio broadcast a message from the Australian commander, Major General Gordon Bennett frankly conceding that the situation is "if anything more serious" than a few days ago.

Women and children were removed from the island of New Britain, in connection with the evacuation there, by a fleet of Australian airplanes, the last plane having been at Rabaul even as the enemy were landing.

## Jap Naval Base Raid

## CAMERA IS TRAVELER

Starts Trip in Canada and Will End in England.

**WINNIPEG, Jan. 23**—A much-travelled camera started today on the last leg of a journey which began in western Canada and will end "somewhere in England."

Last June, when a Canadian National Railways coach was being cleaned in Edmonton, a valuable Leica camera was found. It was immediately turned over to the representative of the sleeping and dining car department at Edmonton, who started the hunt for the owner.

The coach had last been occupied by a group of Royal Canadian Air Force boys who were being transferred from a western Canadian station to Rivers, Man. A wire was immediately sent to the Canadian National agent at Rivers, advising him that a camera had been found which was believed to be the property of one of the air force boys who had just been posted to that station and, if any enquiry were made, he should inform the owner that the camera would be along on the train the following day in care of the conductor.

As no enquiry was forthcoming, the camera was brought into Winnipeg and turned over to the regional office of the sleeping and dining car department—and the search continued.

Through the agent at Rivers it was finally ascertained that a Sgt. R. J. Metheral, R.C.A.F., had lost a valuable camera but by this time Sgt. Metheral was at an east coast station—so the camera was carefully packed and sent along to Halifax for delivery. When the camera reached Halifax, Sgt. Metheral could not be found—and back the camera came to Winnipeg.

Still the search continued and, through the Department of National Defence air service, it was finally learned that Sgt. Metheral was overseas. Another letter was written and dispatched to Sgt. Metheral and just a few days ago, word came back from Sgt. Metheral, giving full particulars of the camera including serial number of both camera and lens, and proving beyond doubt that he was the rightful owner. So once more the camera was carefully packed and, more than seven months after it was lost, was speeding on its way to its rightful owner.

**SIR GEORGE AGNEW DEAD**  
**BURY ST. EDMONDS, England, January 23 (CP)**—Sir George Agnew, Bart., a grandson of the founder of the famous art firm of Thomas Agnew and Son, died here at 89 years of age.

## Tomorrow's Tides

High	7:00 a.m.	18.3 ft.
	19:38 p.m.	15.2 ft.
Low	0:15 a.m.	8.0 ft.
	13:25 p.m.	8.1 ft.

## Local Temperature

Maximum	54
Minimum	39

## TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Changes or New Listings for next issue of Telephone Directory to be made in writing to Telephone Dept., City Hall, not later than February 2.