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Turning Point in War . . .

According to dispatches from China, the victory of the forces of Chiang Kai-Shek at Chungsha may be the turning point in the war. Gradually the Chinese forces have been gaining strength and the defence of the Burma Road has not been very difficult. The fact that the Chinese army was able to threaten the invaders of Hong Kong indicates that they were a formidable foe but there seemed to be then as formerly a lack of air force sufficient to cope with the enemy.

The Chinese have been much inspired by the choice of Chiang Kai-Shek as leader of the joint forces in that area. It has shown the Chinese that they are not now fighting alone but have with them several of the most powerful of the world powers.

Four Great Men . . .

Great nations must be well led. It seems now that the Allies fighting Germany are well led. Commencing with Winston Churchill, who is generally recognized as an outstanding personage, we then have President Roosevelt, whose recent address to congress was received by friend and foe as the utterance of a man who really represents the nation just now. Then comes Stalin who was the first to show the Allies how to win in a big way. Chiang Kai-Shek is the fourth great man and some might say the first. All stand before the public today as men of achievement. The greatness of Roosevelt is chiefly shown in the manner in which he has led his people in such a manner as to keep them in unity under very difficult conditions.

Do a Little More . . .

Most Prince Rupert people are doing something to meet the war pressure. Many pay a good-sized income tax, contribute voluntarily to various war services and buy bonds or war certificates. All this is good work, and those who do it are worthy of all praise. Yet it must be remembered that Prince Rupert benefits to a very great extent from the spending of all the money that is contributed at this point. The income tax builds the ships and provides the payroll. It also provides the money that builds and keeps up the Seal Cove centre. The war has brought about better price for fish and the building of houses which will be the basis for an increase in the population of the city.

If we imagine to ourselves what Prince Rupert would be like if it fell into the hands of the Japanese or the Germans, we can see that we should spare no effort to hold what we have. We should not then allow ourselves to make money during this period but use all our energies and spare cash to help win the war. Make it an all-out war!

If you have something to sell, a classified advertisement in this paper will soon let you know if there is a buyer in the city.

SPORT NEWS

JUBILEE OF CRIBBAGE BASKETBALL FIXTURES

Invented By Canadian With Peach Baskets And Bright Ideas, Game Has Seen Many Changes

By CLAIR BEE
NEW YORK, Jan. 8: (C)—Fifty years ago a young Canadian-born teacher in New England gathered his physical education class around him, pointed to peach baskets hanging at either end of the gymnasium, and told the 18 students about a new game.

The new game was basketball. Dr. James A. Naismith had dreamed it up as a means of interesting students in physical exercise, as a game that could be played by the average student.

Dr. Naismith was born in Almonte, Ontario, graduated from McGill University, Montreal and died November 28, 1939, at the age of 78.

In 1942, basketball's golden jubilee year, about 100,000,000 people in Canada and the United States will watch the game played by teams representing more than 1900 colleges, high schools and countless miscellaneous organizations.

They won't see the same game. But what they see will be a game which, despite all the technical improvements of the last 50 years still retains most of the basic features Dr. Naismith outlined that first day.

Gone Technical

Modern basketball is highly technical. In contrast to the original contest, in which the players assembled madly and without a semblance of planned attack or defence, teams today may use one or more of various systems—offensive and defensive—each of which has scores of variations.

There's the quick break offence, for instance. It's a highly refined version of what happened on that day in Springfield—grab the ball and whip it forward toward your basket.

There's the set offence, a deliberate system in which the offensive team calmly brings the ball up the floor, attempting to carry a signalled play through step by step for a score.

Then there's the eastern or professional offence, by which the ball is advanced deliberately with players depending on individual resourcefulness to map out scoring plays as situations develop.

Chief defensive systems are, in the U. S. modern play, zone and man-for-man. A third, the pressing defence, is in itself an offence.

Rhodey's Game

In the Rhode Island State gymnasium the basketball scoreboard is rigged up to take care of scoring totals which run to three figures. That isn't just wishful thinking. They often use all three figures when Coach Frank Keane's outfit is moving in high gear. Playing Connecticut two years ago

Second Half of Season About to Commence—First Games Next Monday.

Prince Rupert Cribbage League fixtures for the second half of the season 1941-42 are announced as follows:

January 12—Old Empress vs. Falcons; Canadian Legion vs. Pioneers; Operators vs. Eagles; Smiles Cafe vs. Savoy Hotel.

January 19—Savoy Hotel vs. Old Empress; Canadian Legion vs. Operators; Eagles vs. Pioneers; Smiles Cafe vs. Falcons.

January 26—Falcons vs. Savoy Hotel; Eagles vs. Canadian Legion; Operators vs. Smiles Cafe; Pioneers vs. Old Empress.

February 2—Pioneers vs. Smiles Cafe; Operators vs. Old Empress; Eagles vs. Savoy Hotel; Falcons vs. Canadian Legion.

February 9—Old Empress vs. Canadian Legion; Savoy Hotel vs. Operators; Smiles Cafe vs. Eagles; Pioneers vs. Falcons.

February 16—Falcons vs. Operators; Eagles vs. Old Empress; Pioneers vs. Savoy Hotel; Smiles Cafe vs. Canadian Legion.

February 23—Old Empress vs. Smiles Cafe; Savoy Hotel vs. Canadian Legion; Pioneers vs. Operators; Eagles vs. Falcons.

March 2—Semi-finals, Tip Top Tailors Cup (Cribbage division); Savoy Hotel vs. Eagles; Operators vs. Smiles Cafe.

CAN'T HOLD THE DUTCH

LONDON, Jan. 8: (C)—Fear of an open revolt prevents the Germans from setting up a 100 percent Nazi government in Holland, according to Vrij Nederland, Free Netherlands newspaper published in London.

AIRMAIL OVERSEAS

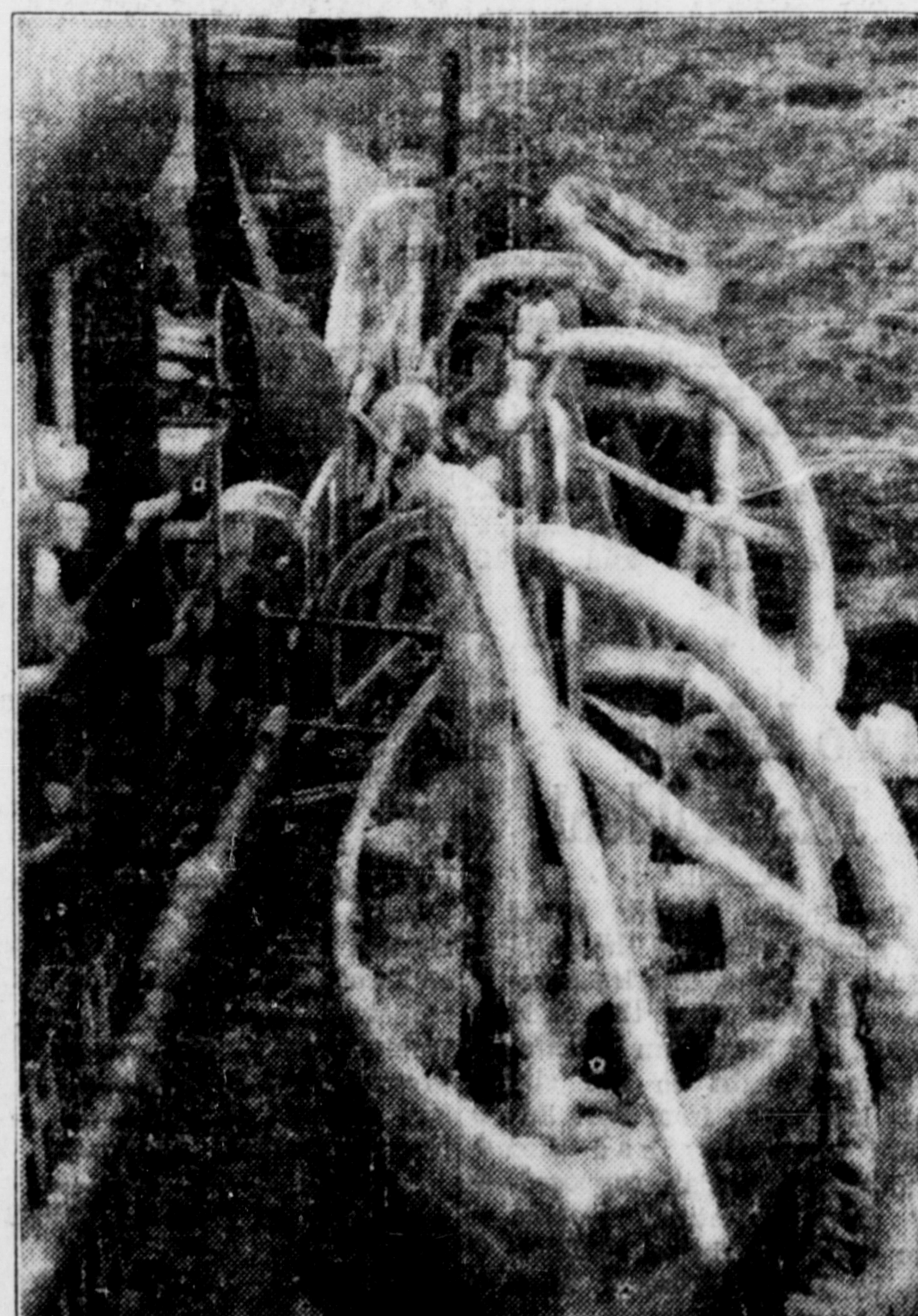
The airmail service between the United States and Sweden via Portugal will not be interrupted by the latest war developments, the Germans have informed Sweden.

WATCH YOUR MAILING

There are seven towns in the United States named Harvard; 24 named Princeton and eight named Yale.

—and both teams were undefeated prior to this game—Rhode Island piled up a score of 102-81. The Rhode Islanders didn't do it with mirrors. Unbelievably they do it with a defence. They call it a "pressing defence." And it is pressing. Rhode Island for instance used the 260-pound son of Coach Keane to retrieve from the backboard. When he came down with the ball he swished it—almost without looking—at a spot near the far basket and one of his teammates usually hit that spot about the same time as the ball.

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HI SCHOOL IS WINNER

Defeated Barons 50 To 21 In Second Half Opener Of Intermediate Basketball

In the opening game of the second half of the Intermediate Basketball League Tuesday night, High School, which won the first half, started off strong again by winning an easy 50 to 21 victory over Barons. Half time score was 25 to 17 in favor of the High School. Evenly divided scoring among the players of the winning team marked the game.

Alek Bill, mentor of Intermediate basketball, refereed and the players were:

High School—Gurvich, Arney, Santerbane, Alexander, Long, Postuk, Lee and Vuckovich.

Barons—Simuadsen, Mentenko, Astori, Hingston and Pettenuzo. The next game will be on Saturday night between High School and Dry Dock.

Intermediate League games are played Tuesday and Saturday evenings.

WOMEN FAVOR CONSCRIPTION

I. O. D. E. Is Out For Compulsory Service In War

The regular monthly meeting of the Queen Mary Chapter, Imperial Order, Daughters of the Empire was held last night at the home of Mrs. Max Heilbronner. The regent, Mrs. D. C. Stuart, was in the chair and there was a large attendance of members.

Various matters of business were dealt with including nomination of officers for 1942. Mrs. C. F. Oland, convener for the round trip to Vancouver raffle, gave a report on this event which was an unqualified success.

A donation was made to purchase wool and materials to be used for making garments for bombed out civilians and final arrangements were made for the tea display of refugee work on January 31.

A petition to the government asking the enforcement of conscription and other measures necessary to the success of the war is being circulated by the I. O. D. E., the chapter taking its part in this. It is also supporting the drive for the sale of war savings stamps and certificates with special I. O. D. E. folders.

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SPORT CHAT

Sylvanus Apps, Toronto Maple Leafs star, gave spectators a foretaste of what he was to do in professional ranks, when he scored three goals and chalked up three assists in an amateur game between Hamilton Tigers and Oakville at Toronto five years ago today. He joined the professional ranks the following year and became the first winner of the Calder trophy as the outstanding N. H. L. rookie of the 1936-37 campaign.

The New York State Athletic Commission dethroned heavy-weight champion Max Schmeling 10 years ago when he refused to sign for a return bout with Jack Sharkey. Schmeling made his last appearance in an American ring when Joe Louis flattened him in one round at New York three years ago.

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