Australian Mainland Gets First Bombing

SYDNEY, Australia -- More than one hundred Japanese bombers and escorting fighter planes attacked the north coast port of Darwin, potentially vital united nations naval and supply base, in two raids today. They were the first direct assaults on the Australian mainland. Premier John Curtin, from a hospital sick bed, announced that seventytwo bombers, with protective fighter formations, participated in the first raid this morning and another wave of twenty-one bombers returned to the attack in the afternoon. Four of the second group were shot down. Mr. Curtin promised full details as soon as possible. A communique said that the first raid lasted about an hour and was directed against the town itself and shipping in the harbor. Some casualties were inflicted and there was some damage to service installations but details were unknown, it was said.

Chinese Forces Mass For Thailand Attack

CHUNGKING - A Chinese army spokesman predicted today that Chinese forces soon would strike into Thailand in a counter-offensive at the flank of the Japanese but said that the only engagement so far had been a minor action in which Japanese forces were hurled back from a foothold in northeastern Burma. At the same time a Chinese official announced that war supplies for China will be moved over a new land route from India replacing the Japanese-menaced Burma road.

Dutch East Indies Get Reinforcements

BATAVIA - Aneta News Agency said today that "foreign troops," including a relatively small number of Americans, have arrived in Java. Presumably, the bulk of the forces were British Empire troops. It was said that the combined expeditionary forces are "by no means large enough yet but their arrival serves as an indication that the Netherlands Indies do not fight alone." The troops arrived as Indies forces fought stubborn delaying actions in southern Sumatra, southern Borneo and the southern Celebes, stepping stones to this Java citadel.

Pessimistic In Regard to Burma

LONDON-There is open pessimism in British military quarters as to the military situation in Burma. There has been a further falling back.

Japs Reinforcing On Philippines

WASHINGTON-A large number of new Japanese forces have arrived on Batan Peninsula. Evidently, there is to be an intensive attack with a view to removing General Douglas McArthur's forces after their seventy-two day resistance.

AIRBORNE

ARMY NOW breat Britain Bringing Its Forces German Submarines Still Active

TANKER IS

Off West Indies Island

of Aruba.

GROWING BLACKLIST

Up to Date-More Armored Divisions.

LONDON, Feb. 19: 19-The Brit- WILLEMSTAD, Feb. 19: 19-A Army has airborne troops in Panama-registered tanker was aining and parachutist troops torpedoed off the Dutch island of Herring Areas ady now for action, Secretary of Aruba today in a renewed outar Margesson announced today, burst of German submarine activle declared that new armored di- ity deep in the Caribbean Sea, sions have been formed and Aneta News Agency announced toose in the Middle East have day.

WILDLIFE CONFERENCE

rence of North America in 391 names of traders in neutral ronto, April 8 to 10, will deal countries to the list of concerns various problems of conser- with whom it is unlawful to have

FAST GROWING

dealings. HALF AND HALF Much of the supply of vege-

Timor, one of the East Indies grown in New York state Islands north of Australia, is half Portuguese and half Dutch. produced on muck soils.

CANADA'S SECOND VICTORY LOAN COMING EVENTS

Thursday, 6:45 p.m.-W. R. McAfee, CFPR. riday, 6:45 p.m.—P. H. Linzey, CFPR. Saturday, 7:00 p.m. - Variety Musical Program Prizes, CFPR.

BUY VICTORY BONDS

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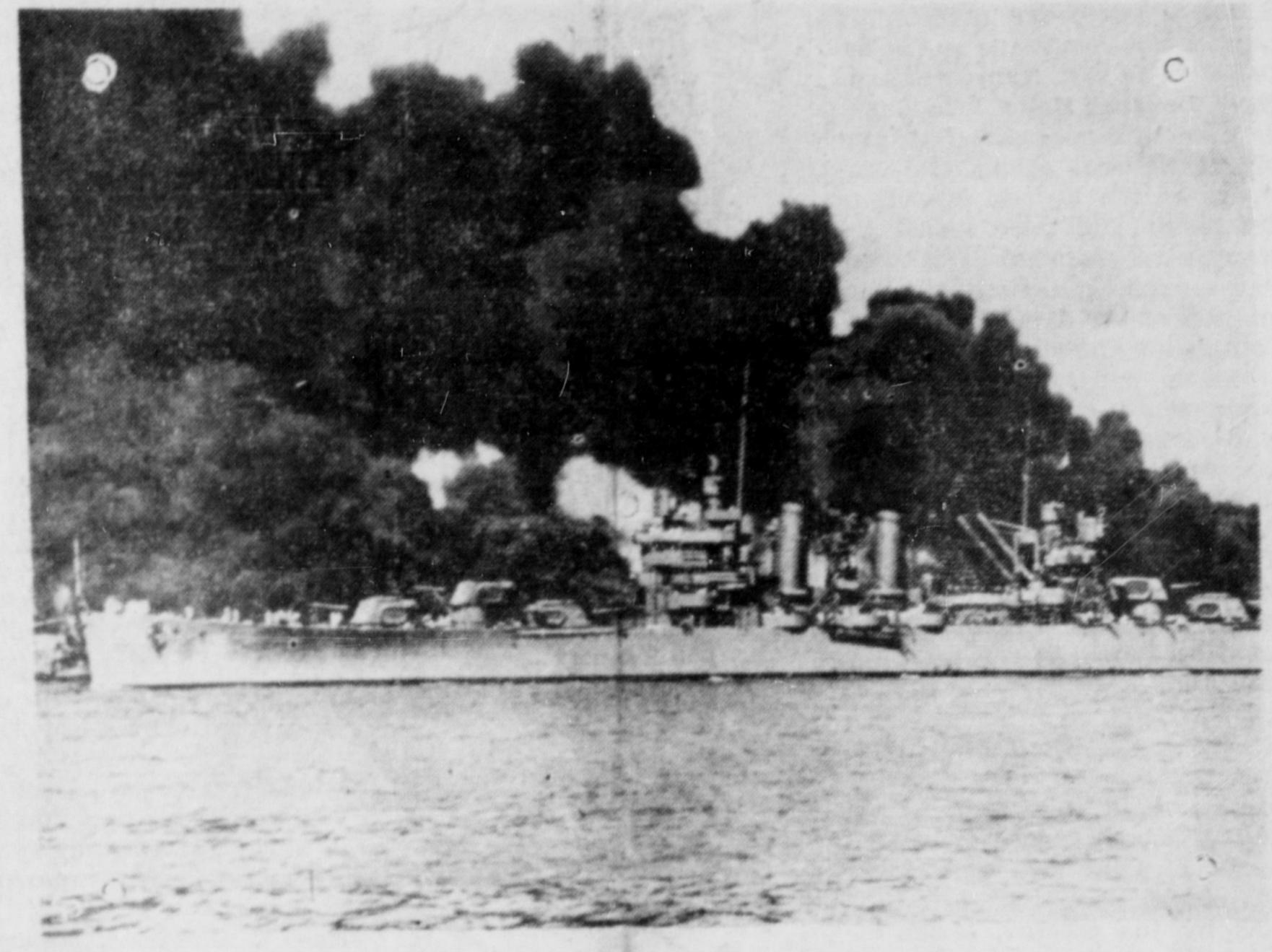
PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1942.

PRICE: FIVE CENTS

22:50 p.m. 6.5 ft.

Lanadian Corvette is Lost

OFF TO BATTLE JAP ATTACKERS



A U.S. light cruiser, undamaged, steams out past the burning battleship Arizona and takes to sea with the fleet to engage the Japanese during the aerial attack on the Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, naval base Dec. 7. The photo was released by the navy department in Washington.

JAPANESE MOVEMEN POSTPONED

Departure From Vancouver Has Been Set Forward for Third Time.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 19: - The evacuation of Japanese from Pa- + land, although enemy recon- + and Leon Blum and Maurice Gamcific Coast protective areas, which was to have started last night with the departure of one hun- + age, if any, that was done to + including ten Germans and seven dred of them for Jasper, was postponed again for the third time They may be sent today.

AXIS FORCE WITHDRAWS

Have Formed New Line Ninety & reported. Miles West of Tobruk-British Aerial Activity

CAIRO, Feb. 19:-Axis armies have withdrawn to a line ninety miles west of Tobruk where the situation is unchanged.

British aerial fighting patrols Grandview have been active. There have been heavy bomb- Cariboo Quartz

ing attacks on Bengasi and Tri- Hedley Mascot

have been receiving reinforce-

NANAIMO, Feb. 19:-Supervisor of Fisheries J. F. Tait announces; the closing of the remainder of the herring fishing areas in the LONDON, Feb. 19: (P)-The Bri-Nootka district on the west coast tish Board of Trade have added of Vancouver Island. The herring are now almost ready

* Explanations

♦ WASHINGTON, Feb. 19: (P) ◆ + Under Secretary of State + * Sumner Welles said today * + that the United States is not + far offered by the Vichy gov- + Organizing Committee of

* Port Darwin Is Attacked +

SYDNEY, Australia, Feb. 19:

+ - Japanese air raiders bomb- + + ed Port Darwin on the far + + north coast of the Australian + mainland for one hour early + + the naval and air base there + United States reporters. + was not disclosed although it + + had been some loss and casu- + RUSSIANS alties. Premier John Curtin + + made announcement of the + + raid, promising further de- + + tails later. Shipping in the + i + harbor was attacked. Limited + + over New Guinea were also +

TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Vancouver

Bralorne Pend Oreille Premier Privateer Sheep Creek Calmont Royal Canadian Toronto Central Patricia Consolidated Smelters Hardrock Kerr Addison Little Long Lac McLeod Cockshutt Madsen Red Lake McKenzie Red Lake ♣ Moneta

LEAGUE OFFICE

Pickle Crow

Preston East Dome

Sherritt Gordon

San Antonio

DORKING, Feb. 19: (P- Cecil ernment regarding reported + League of Nations Labor Office in 4 a lecturer at the London School 4 date. of Economics and University of

* WAR GUILT TRIALS ON

Long-Deferred Hearings of Former French Leaders Commence Today

VICHY, Feb. 19: (9-The longdeferred war guilt trials of five + today. It was the first bomb- + Former Premier Edouard Daladier + ing on the Australian main- + Former remier Edouard Daladier raissance planes had previ- + elin commenced at Rouen today. + ously been over Darwin. Dam- + In attendance are 119 newsmen

enemy reconnaisance flights + Artillery, Tanks and Infantry Ceoperate as Fierce Fighting Still Rages

> major offensive into White Rus- week. sia, artillery, tanks and infantry Born in India, the late Mr. Munco-operating. Fierce fighting is nis lived in that country for a still raging. The Soviet forces are few years as a lad and then came advancing rapidly towards Smol- to the Maritime Provinces with Nine Are Killed ensk, crushing stiff Nazi resist- his family. He served with the ance. Eleven hundred Nazi offi- Royal Engineers (Imperial) in the cers and men were reported killed First Great War. Impatient when yesterday on the Leningrad front. he was not accepted for enlist-There have been Russian naval ment at the very outset of that attacks both at the north and war in 1914 he paid his own way south ends of the front, the Gulf to England to join up with the of Finland on the north and Cri- Imperials. He went through the mea on the south.

Announcement of important vic- oli and later served in Europe. tories is promised for next Mon- He sustained slight wounds.

ONCE LABOR M.P. ROTHERHAM, Eng., Feb. 19: (7) -Thomas W. Grundy, fomer labor M.P. for parliament for Rother Valley, died here.

Seventeen Percent Of Loan Is In :

+ nadians subscribed \$30,140,250 + + yesterday to the second Vic- +

Spikenard Is Sunk By German Torpedo In East Atlantic Waters

Capt. Herbert G. Shadforth, Widely Known Master Mariner of British Columbia Coast, Goes Down With His Ship.

OTTAWA, Feb. 19: (CP)-Loss of the Canadian corvette Spikenard through enemy action with loss of five officers and fifty-two of the sixty ratings was announced by Hon. Angus Macdonald, minister of the navy. Naval service headquarters said it was believed the Spikenard

Frisco Has

Raid Alarm

+ had an air raid alarm and +

+ blackout from 9:01 o'clock to +

+ mitters also, going silent. It +

+ January 3 and the seventh +

+ reported, later turning out to +

Highly Esteemed, Passed

Away During Night

One of Prince Rupert's best

known and highly esteemed pio-

neer citizens passed away during

the night at the Prince Rupert

General Hospital in the person of

James Munnis, for many years

Fulton Street. He had been

landing and evacuation of Gallip-

was a charter member of Tsimp-

sean Lodge here. He also went

through the higher branches of

regretted by a host of friends.

Shriner. His passing will be much .

Funeral arrangements are in

the hands of B. C. Undertakers.

was torpedoed by a German submarine while on convoy escort in + the North Atlantic. The navy * said that the fact that only eight men survived suggested that the corvette broke up and sank within a few minutes. Survivors, four of whom were wounded, were picked up by a Royal Naval corvette and SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 19: + taken to a British port.

+ -San Francisco and environs + The Spikenard is the third Canadian corvette to be lost since the war started and the casual-+ 9:20 last night, radio trans- + ties brought Canadian naval losses up to 522. + was the first such alarm since +

The captain of the Spikenard was Captain (Lieutenant Comman-+ of the war. Unidentified + der) Herbert G. Shadforth of the + planes had approached, it was + Royal Canadian Naval Reserve who was particularly well known in the Pacific Coast mercantile marine during peacetime, being a member of the British Columbia pilotage and before that serving on Canadian Pacific steamships

on coastal runs. Besides Capt. Shadforth, casual-IS DEAD ties include Lieut. Patrick ald Milthorp of Victoria. ties include Lieut. Patrick Regin-

The survivors include Acting Leading Seaman Thomas Russell James Munnis, Well Known and Deals of Trail who was slightly wounded.

Eire Is Out Of Bounds To U.S. Soldiers

lineman of the city telephone de-BELFAST, Feb. 19:- Eire has partment and for the past several been declared out of bounds to years living in retirement at his home on Seventh Avenue near United States soldiers now stain tioned in Northern Ireland. This MOSCOW, Feb. 19: - Russian failing health for a few years and has been done as a precautionary shock troops are still driving their had been quite ill for the past measure in fear that visits of

In British Crash

Aircraft Comes Down In Course Of Flight In United Kingdom It Is Announced

LONDON, Feb. 19: (P)-Nine persons were killed in the crash of a British aircraft enroute to the United Kingdom, it was announc-Mr. Munnis was an ardent ed yesterday. member of the Masonic craft and

LOTS OF SPACE Australia's population is 7,000,-000; her area, 2,975,000 square the Masonic craft and was a miles.

Percent Of Loan Quota

Prince Rupert reached the + in the Victory Loan drive last + ◆ night, \$420,050 of \$485,000 ◆ + having been reached at that +

* Secret Session Opening Soon.

• Premier King Calls Preparatory + 86 percent mark of its quota + Conference of All Opposition Leaders.

+ tory Loan, bringing total sub- + OTTAWA, Feb. 19:-The secret + time. The total of individual + * scriptions at the close of the * session of parliament is expected * subscribers up to last night * * satisfied with explanations so * Delisle Burns. 62, secretary of the * third day to \$124,576,250. This * to get under way about next Tues- * was 703. Some of the latest * the 4 is a percentage of seventeen. 4 day. Meantime, Prime Minister 4 individual subscribers have 4 & British Columbia has sub- W. L. MacKenzie King has called & been D. C. McRae, \$1,000, and & French aid to Axis forces in 4 1919, died here. He was for years 4 scribed over \$15,000,000 to 4 a conference of all operation lead- 4 John Gurvich and Felix Reda, 4 ers. It will be the first secret ses- + \$500 each. sion since 1918 during the First +