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Tomorrow's Tides (Standard Time)	
High	0:16 a.m. 19.6 feet
	12:16 p.m. 21.8 feet
Low	6:14 a.m. 6.9 feet
	18:51 p.m. 3.2 feet

Local Temperature

Maximum
Minimum

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Japan Suffering Further Losses

ALLIES ARE CONVERGING UPON AXIS

Three Tough Armies Moving in On Enemy in North Africa—Opening Contact Made

LONDON, Nov. 20 (CP)—Three of the toughest armies assembled by the United Nations since the start of the war converged on the Bizerte-Tripoli-Bengasi triangle yesterday in fighting contact with Axis forces while Allied planes and parachute troopers built up air power in preparation for a final assault to wipe out the Germans and Italians from North Africa. Berlin admits that the British advance has reached into Tunisia.

As British and United States troops squeezed the last Axis footholds in Tunisia from east and west, a motorized column of fighting French was reported still driving up from a Lake Chad base, 1200 miles to the south.

Sweeping back outlying Axis patrols, Lieut. General Kenneth Anderson's First Army drove on into Tunisia from Algeria at several points in a sweep intended to crush an Axis airborne army reported digging in at Tunis and Bizerte.

Leaping ahead of Anderson's ground forces, Allied parachutists were seizing vital air fields. From the east the British Eighth Army lodged to a point about fifteen miles south of Bengasi and fifty miles from the eastern shore of the Gulf of Sirte overlooking the main coastal road between Bengasi and Agababa. A Cairo communique said these forces had made contact with the enemy south of Bengasi while Allied bombers pounded the Libyan positions. The advance indicated that at least a part of the Eighth Army had by-passed Bengasi and threatened the only avenue of escape by land for the hold-out garrison that Marshal Erwin Rommel might leave in that port. No less than 120 landing grounds and 550 tanks have been captured.

The first clash of tanks in Tunisia is reported to have resulted in the destruction of eight of thirty German tanks by the Allies. Strong patrols on either side met in northern Tunisia yesterday. In spite of French colonial resistance, the Germans have been able to effect landings of heavy tanks at Bizerte and seized a fort near there.

Meanwhile British and Allied units of Anderson's First Army have smashed to within thirty-five miles by air and 50 miles by road of Bizerte. Both Tunis and Bizerte have been bombed.

WAR NEWS

JAPS MOVE ON CHINA

CHUNGKING—In the course of their apparent preparations to drive into Yunnan Province of southwest China, Japanese transports have appeared off the Indo-China coast. Crossing by the enemy of the Solwin River is another indication of impending attack.

NAZIS ARE HEADED OFF

MOSCOW—Nazi divisions evidently heading for a drive on Georgian Pass and the Grozny oil fields have been routed. Five thousand of the enemy have been killed and a great amount of equipment and booty has been captured by the Russians including 140 tanks. There have been six new attacks by the Germans on the industrial section of broken Stalingrad but all were repulsed with heavy losses to the enemy.

MEXICO AND RUSSIA

MEXICO—After thirteen years, Mexico has resumed diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia. All the United Nations now have relations with Russia.

FRANCO'S WARNING

If Any Side Acts Against Spain, He Will Take Aid From Other

MADRID, Nov. 20 (CP)—General Francisco Franco of Spain has issued a warning that, if either side—the Allies or the Axis—moves in on Spanish air or sea bases, Spain will accept help from the other side. This would be done immediately. Germany is reported to have already asked Spain for the use of the Mediterranean coast and the Balearic Islands.

New Road To Alaska Open

KLUANE LAKE, Yukon Territory, Nov. 20 (CP)— Formal opening ceremonies of the new 1600-mile Alaska Highway took place today and soon after a convoy of trucks proceeded to Fairbanks.

HE WANTED CZAR POWER

So Says Minister of Labor in Regard to Retiring Director of Selective Service

SENATORS APPOINTED

Three Prominent Men Named to Upper Chamber, Leaving Eleven Seats Still Vacant

OTTAWA, Nov. 20— Announcement of the appointment of three new senators was made last night by Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King. They are: P. R. Du Tremblay, K. C. of Montreal and Sorel, member of the Quebec Legislative Council.

W. Rupert Davies, publisher of the Kingston Whig Standard, Joseph Bench K. C., prominent barrister of St. Catherine's, Ontario.

This makes the standing in the Senate now as follows: Liberals, 47. Conservatives, 38. Vacant, 11.

SAVINGS DRIVE

LONDON, Nov. 20, (CP)— "Wings for Victory" weeks, a nation-wide savings campaign similar to War Weapons Weeks and Warship Weeks, will open March 5 and continue to July 3.

TIME OFF TO TRAIN

South African Firms Release Employees for Army Work Saturday Mornings

CAPE TOWN, Nov. 20 (CP)— Brig. Borain, new Cape fortress commander, has appealed to business firms to allow all members of part-time military units Saturday off to make the whole day available for compulsory training "in the type of warfare we can expect in an emergency."

Representatives of 500 Capetown manufacturers have agreed to support the appeal, and it is expected the Saturday training will start shortly.

One thousand Italian war prisoners will work on construction of important roads in the union. It is the policy of the National Roads Board to concentrate on strategic roads only.

To retain African coast trade resulting from the war, and to develop it after the war, the South African Federated Chamber of Industries has recommended the encouragement of regular shipping services. It has been suggested that it be done by a government subsidies scheme if necessary.

FURTHER GAS CUT

Basic petrol ration will probably be reduced until it is available for essential needs only. Acting Minister of Defence F. C. Sturrock has announced. Great additions to petrol storage capacity in the union are being prepared.

Cape brandy is finding a ready market in the United States, the National Association of Alcoholic Beverage Importers of America reports. Former French market for the liquor has been taken over by the Cape.

INSURANCE COSTS

South African insurance companies have agreed as from December 1 to allow a wartime discount of 10 percent on private car insurance premiums, where claims experience or other circumstances made because of restrictions on private motoring through rationing of petrol and rubber.

No special trains will be run for civilians during the December and January holidays, with only limited increase in service for scholars travelling home on vacation.

The largest and most valuable diamond ever cut and polished in South Africa has been completed in a Johannesburg factory. The 21 carat stone, found in the Kimberley River area, measures one inch by a half-inch and is worth \$134,000. It now is in the possession of Peter Vermey, a Johannesburg diamond merchant.

Brig. Henry J. Lenton is retiring in March from the position as postmaster-general, which he has held for 17 years. He joined the

RESISTANCE INCREASING

People of Occupied Balkan Countries Becoming More and More Restless

ANKARA, Nov. 20—Sabotage and resistance to the Nazi occupational authorities in the Balkan countries is reported here to be increasing in a marked degree.

EQUIPMENT NOT SHORT

Fishing Industry Getting Supplies In Spite of War

B. R. Masecar, accountant of Edward Lipsitt, Ltd., Vancouver, has left for the south after his regular semi-annual visit to the firm's Prince Rupert branch. He told the News that, because of the vital importance of the fishing industry, there was, generally speaking, no shortage of equipment and supplies. Products which formerly came from the occupied countries are now being supplied from other sources. "For example," said Mr. Masecar, "Norway was formerly the home of the fish hook but now we are getting them from the United States."

NOT SINGLE PLANE LOST

Royal Air Force Raid on Turin Wednesday Night Was Complete Success

LONDON, Nov. 20 (CP)—It was officially announced yesterday that not a single Royal Air Force plane was lost in pounding Turin Wednesday night in the fifth big raid on Italian war centres this month. A 1000-mile round trip was completed in successfully bombing Turin which is the chief seat of industry in Italy.

DEATH TOLL IS NOW 47

Cockroach Powder Got Into Eggs But How is Unknown

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 20—The death list from poisoned eggs in the Oregon State Hospital has now increased to forty-seven, according to the latest count. It is now ascertained that the poison was a chemical used for killing cockroaches but how it got into the eggs is not known.

Tighten Up Censorship

Less News Still to be Published About Canadian Military Areas

OTTAWA, Nov. 20—There is to be further tightening up of censorship in the military areas of British Columbia, the Maritimes and Newfoundland, it is announced. Information has been published, it is claimed, which might be of value to the enemy.

MONASTERY TWICE BOMBED

LONDON, Nov. 20 (CP)—Cowfold, in heart of Sussex, one of Britain's most beautiful monasteries, has been hit by bombs twice and many treasured works destroyed. The monastery is peopled by 80 monks of the Ancient Carthusian Order.

department 45 years ago. He will be succeeded by L. C. Burke.

Durban Rent Board has ordered reduction of \$30,000 in annual rentals of Rydal Mount, block of Durban flats.

FUNERAL TRIBUTE IS PAID

Dean Gibson Describes H. F. Pullen as One of Finest Citizens Prince Rupert Has Had

"He was one of the finest citizens Prince Rupert has ever had." Such was the tribute of Very Rev. James B. Gibson, dean of St. Andrew's Anglican Cathedral, at the funeral service yesterday afternoon for the late Henry F. Pullen. He had finished the course, kept the faith and had done his duty as he saw it. Dean Gibson referred to the essential difficulties of the newspaperman who was always in the public eye. Too often the kindly things were not said when they might be whereas the unkind thing was emphasized.

The deceased had been kindly, thoughtful and considerate. His passing made a real gap in civic life. There would be sorrow and sympathy for those who were bereaved.

Mr. Gibson drew a parallel between the work of the newspaperman who gathered, sorted out and presented that which was for the best and that of every person in gathering and sorting out the better things of life. Upon the sorting depended character. If the duty of life was well done then there would be reward from God after the course of life had been completed and the inevitable end came.

The hymns were "Rock of Ages" and "Abide With Me," Miss M. A. Way presiding at the organ.

Following the service in the B. C. Undertakers' Grenville Court Chapel interment was made in Fairview Cemetery, the elements of an autumnal storm adding a note of solemnity to the final scene.

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. Joseph T. Mandy, John R. Mitchell, R. L. McIntosh, J. G. Johns, D. C. McRae and Norman A. Watt. The active pallbearers were Theo Collat, Thomas Fraser, D. J. Matheson, E. C. Wilding, R. E. Mortimer and W. M. Watts.

The casket was banked with numerous beautiful floral offerings. Those sending flowers were: The Family, Officers and members of the Canadian Press, Young Men's Christian Association, Young Women's Christian Association, Prince Rupert Rotary Club, Prince Rupert GYRO Club, GYRO Club of Vancouver, Prince Rupert Horticultural Society, Prince Rupert Typographical Union, Staff of the Prince Rupert Daily News, Evening Empire, Printing and Publicity Department of B. C. Telephone Co., D. G. Borland and Staff of Capitol Theatre, The Board of the Museum of Northern British Columbia, Annette's Ladies Wear, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Pattullo, Mr. and Mrs. Olof Hanson, City Commissioner and Mrs. D. J. Matheson, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Mandy, Mr. and Mrs. John Dybbavn and family, Norman A. Watt and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hunter and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Watts, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Lee and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Rorie, Clem McDonald (Vancouver), Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lindsay and family, Mrs. E. H. Mortimer, Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Mortimer, Mrs. S. D. Macdonald and family, William Miller, Raimier Lund (Digby Island), Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Minns, Mr. and Mrs. John Clausen, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Mitchell, Captain and Mrs. Robert Bartlett (Vancouver) Mr. and Mrs. Theo Collart and Robert, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Warner, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Vance, Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson, C. B. Diplock (Vancouver), Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Flaten, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Johns, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Garon, Thomas Trotter, Ridley Home.

Additional Ships Of Enemy Are Being Sunk In South Pacific Area

Five More Vessels Go Down and Three Damaged Off Solomons—Allied Bombers Dispose of Cruiser And Destroyer

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20—The Japanese have suffered additional serious naval losses in the southwest Pacific. On another naval battle last Saturday off the Solomon Islands, disclosure of which had just been made, five ships were sunk and three damaged, bringing the total of enemy vessels lost in the series of recent battles to twenty-eight with ten damaged.

Nichi Nichi, Tokyo newspaper, admits that the Japanese losses have been by no means light.

Meanwhile off Buna, New Guinea, Allied bombers have sunk a Japanese cruiser and a destroyer. One direct hit sank the cruiser and a 500-pound bomb broke the destroyer in two.

On land in New Guinea Allied troops have now reached and are fighting on the outskirts of Buna. The Australians and Americans continue to close in on this important base.

TAXES ARE COMING IN

Ninety Percent of General Levy Has Now Been Collected

The percentage of city taxes collected so far this year shows a definite improvement over the similar period in 1941. City Commissioner D. J. Matheson announced today. General taxes levied in 1942 in the city of Prince Rupert amounted to \$135,391.05, and to date \$122,085.82 has been collected, leaving only \$13,305.23 in general taxes uncollected. This is 90 percent of these taxes paid up as against 87 percent to the same date in 1941.

Local improvement tax levy this year was \$48,455.74, of which \$22,921.06 is collected, leaving a balance of \$25,534.68. These figures show 47 percent collected to date, whereas only 33 percent had been paid in the same period in 1941.

ENCOURAGE SEA CADETS

New Equipment to be Provided and Instruction Facilities Augmented

Local Sea Cadets are to get blue jerseys and caps in addition to the present equipment and will have additional qualified instructors. This appears likely following the visit here this week of J. R. K. Millen of Winnipeg, supervisor of Sea Cadets for Western Canada, and Lieut. Glasco, commanding officer, Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, who made an inspection of the corps and conferred at the home of the president of the local Navy League, R. M. Winslow, with the local executive and new officers of the corps. The visiting officials were quick to agree with the need of additional equipment and training facilities and will take early action with that end in view.

No less than 103 members of the corps, under Lieut. Commander Alex Mitchell, turned out for the inspection parade and made a showing on which the visitors expressed themselves as being well satisfied.

The new officers who attended the conference were Lieutenants Edward Dawes and Gwyn Holtby and Sub-Lieutenants Jack Breen, Jack Christiansen, Sid Alexander and John Wilson.

Request For Coal Miners

Mayor John Fry of Edmonton Sends Urgent Call to National Selective Service

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RECRUITS FOR ARMY

Three Young Natives Enlist—Also Son of Local Veteran of First Great War

Three young natives from different parts of this district are included among the latest recruits in the Canadian Army. They are Charles Ted Ryan, aged 19, of Port Simpson, Jeffery Robinson, 21, Hazelton, and Alex Thomas, 18, Telkwa.

Another interesting recruit is Robert G. Parks, 21-year old son of James Parks, local fire department member and himself a veteran of the 102nd Battalion in the First Great War. He has joined the water transport section of the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps.

W. C. Washburn, 19-year old first aid man of Smithers, is still another recruit.

Enlistment of Miss Marie Janze, 23, of Hazelton in the Canadian Women's Army Corps is also announced.

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