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PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., MONDAY, MAY 3, 1943

Mateur Entered By American Troops Lewis Tells Men To

Key Junction Town On Way to Tunis-Bizerte Is in Hands of Yanks

Axis Defences in Tunisia Appear to be Crumbling as Allied Forces Approach Two Coastal Strongholds

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, May 3 (CP)—United States troops have entered Mateur, key junction of rail and highway communications between Tunis and Bizerte, and French forces along the coast have swept to within 15 miles of Bizerte after a pounding of almost two weeks, it was announced today. Mateur is 18 miles southwest of Bizerte and 34 miles northwest of Tunis. A fortnight's campaign had exhausted both sides but, after a day of comparative rest yesterday, the Allies

ctruck forward again and enemy defences collapsed in many places.

Earlier it had peen announced that United States and French troops occupied hills twelve miles northwest of Mateur yesterday even while the lull was developing over most of the Tunisian front after the two weeks of fighting which left both Allied and Axis forces OTTAWA, May 3 -Department spent and suffering from heavy of National Defence headquarters losses. The enemy appeared to have announces that Brigadier General suffered more, for French detach-E. DeB. Panet, district officer com- ments and forward units of the manding Military District No. 4 Second United States Army Corps with headquarters at Montreal, is drove yesterday to ridges known as being retired by reason of age and | Kef Rdjal Touila to tighten the is being succeeded by Brigadier E. pressure on Mateur and Bizerte.

Renaud, deputy quartermaster Allied troops had both rained and lost ground in exceptionally heavy Brigadier Sherwood Lett of Van- fighting in Tunisia Friday and couver, who won the Distinguished Saturday, a week-end communique Service Order in the Dieppe attack announced, while African Allied air and has been appointed deputy forces went out in the most succhief of general staff in charge cessful attack vet on Axis shipping of training, succeeds Brigadier E. Direct hits were scored on at least G. Weeks who will return overseas, eight vessels including Brigadier R. E. G. Roome suc- cruiser and two destroyers. In addiceeds General Kennedy as deputy tion, the British Admiralty anadjutant general and chairman of nounced at London that ten more officers' selection and appraisal enemy ships had been sunk in the Mediterranean by British submar Brigadier W. N. Bostock is ap- lines. This strafing of enemy ship-

pointed to general staff succeeding | ping was kept up without respite | ing. Brigadier J. E. Lvon who is retiring over the week-end. A dispatch from the American Joseph S. Ogilvie sector of the front on Saturday said that United States troops had captured Djebel Tahent on Friday | Major F. E. Coy in bitter fighting sixteen miles Gisli Erlendsen southwest of Mateur, turning their W. King long range artille y on Mateur for Tom E. Dalzell the first time in the campaign.

New Travelling

Baggage Agent

chief clerk here in the baggage and

mail department, Canadian Nat-

ional Railways, has been promoted

to travelling baggage and mail

agent with headquarters at Van-

couver, according to announcement

HALIBUT SALES

Pearl, 11,000, 21.2c and 16, Stor-

Pierce, 10,000, 21c and 16c, Paci-

Canadian

Hekla, 4,500, 22c and 16c, Booth.

Larry H., 10,500, 21.7c and 16, At-

American

Mr. Pattullo Is Coming In June

on account of ill-health.

MILITARY

CHANGES

To Make Trip Into Interior in Meantime

T. D. Pattullo, M.L.A. for Prince Rupert, is planning to visit this city in June following a trip into the interior, according to information received by the Daily News.

Is Sure To Be Premier

Fifty-two Year Old Farmer to be New Head of Ontario Government

TORONTO, May 3 - Harry C. and is a past president of that or- Nazaire. Nixon, 52-year-old Brant County ganization. farmer and former Ontario provincome Premier of Ontario. Party More Fire Calls men regard Nixon's eventual appointment as premier as certain Here This Year following his being named leader of the Ontario Liberal party Friday. He won the leadership on the Total so far is 50 Compared With first ballot.

Premier Gordon Conant, who The Prince Rupert city fire dewas stricken by sudden illnes on partment has responded to 50 the eve of balloting, was not a alarms so far this year compared candidate for the party leadership. with 31 in the first four months Former Premier Mitchell Hep- of 1942. Calls for this April num-bered eight compared with five in burn took no part in the conven- April, 1942.

Giving To Ked Cross

Kitkatla Celebration Committee St. Joseph's Convent Raffle Ralph Stafford boat raffle ' 123.30

HALIBUT CEILING

Wartime Prices and Trade Board Establishes Maximums For

OTTAW9, May 3 (CP) — The Wartime Prices and Trade Board established maximum prices at which processors, wholesaler distributors and retailers may sell Pacific Coast frozen hal-

The top price at which a processor may sell frozen and dressed halibut f.o.b. any of the four principal markets at Vancouver, New Westminster, Victoria or Prince Rupert is 21c per pound for fish between 10 and 60 pounds in weight above or below that range. The prices are for halibut in wooden cases. For bulk sales the price is 1/2c per pound less.

To his laid down costs, including transportation and sales tax. the wholesale distributor is permitted to add mark-up customarily obtained in the basic price period (September 15-October 11 1941) not to exceed twenty percent of selling price. An additional handling price of one cent per pound is allowed on sales in less than case lots.

The retailers' mark-up is limited to 33 1-3 per cent of his selling price.

Prince Rupert Victory Loan Practically Reached That Mark in Opening Week

Subscriptions in Prince Ruper during the opening week of the three weeks' Founth Victory Loan campaign totalled \$248,200, a mere \$1,800 short of one-third of the total objective of \$750,000. Subscriptions for Saturday

amounted to \$21,250. Further subscriptions to be acknowledged include the follow-

Mrs. Elizabeth McIntosh Sgt. and Mrs. S. Maughan

John C. Hunt, Burns Lake Carl Nordin, Smithers Charles Morris, Smithers John F. Noel. Smithers Charles E. Hayes Chinese Subscriptions

RAF. IS POUNDING (Philip) Fraser, for many years

Hits at Industrial Targets in Netherlands and Railways in France-Americans Also

by William Stapleton, general pas-LONDON. May 3 (P)-Royal Air senger agent, Canadian National Force fighters and bombers fought Mr. Fraser joined the railway their way through German fighter here in 1920 with the baggage and and plane opposition to attack inmail department, coming to the dustrial targets in the Netherlands Pacific Coast from Winnipeg where coastal city of Injuiden yesterday. he had previous railway experience, following up heavy Saturday at He has always been active in C. N. tack by big American bombers on R. Recreational Association circles the German submarine base at St

British mosquito bombers sped across France virtually unopposed late Sunday and unloaded delayed action bombs on railroad shops at Thionville.

Baseball Scores

SATURDAY American League Detroit 3. Cleveland 2. Chicago 5, St. Louis 4. Boston 3. Philadelphia 1. New York 9, Washington 7. National League Brooklyn 9-2, New York 2-0. Pittsburgh 6, Chicago 3. Cincinnati 7, St. Louis 3. SUNDAY

St. Louis 3-5, Chicago 2-1. New York 11-1, Washington 3-4. Boston 7-1, Philadelphia 6-8. Cleveland 5, Detroit 2. National League Pittsburgh 3-1, Chicago 0-0. Brooklyn 3-1, New York 2-2.

American League

Boston 3-5, Philadelphia 1-6.

HAVE BIG EASTER Ecuador was once known as the Republic of the Sacred Heart.'

* Victory Loan * Is Mounting

OTTAWA, May 3 (P)—Sub- + *scriptions to the Fourth Victory * + Loan for the first week of the + + three weeks' campaign total- + + led \$372,545,900, the National + * War Finance Committee an- *
nounced. The total exceeded *
the first week of the Third * ♣ Victory Loan by about \$6,000,- ♣

KILLED AT ROAD CAMP Henry Koskela, 40, Nipigon, Oncario, died in the first aid quarters of the Rayner Construction Co. road camp at Skeena yesterday morning shortly after he had fallen off the top of a reck pile and fractured his skull The body was brought into the city last night. An inquest will commence this evening.

NANAIMO MURDER NANAIMO-The nude and battered body of Mrs. Margaret Hughes of Cumberland was found in the front seat of an automobile near here. The neck and vertebrae were broken James Hughes, the husband, is under arrest on a charge of mur-

TWO SOLDIERS DEAD LADYSMITH — Two soldiers, whose names have not yet been announced pending notification to next of kin, were killed when an automobile went over an embankment near here.

CEILING ON POTATOES OTTAWA — Ceiling prices on new potatoes have been ordered -5½c per pound in May and 51/20 per pound in June, July and August. This will be the maximum price anywhere in Canada either for imported or domestic

KENTUCKY DERBY LOUISVILLE - Count Fleet ridden by Johnny Longden of Taber, Alberta, won the Kentucky Derby Saturday, finishing three lengths ahead of Blue Swords Third horse was Slide Rule.

AMERICAN GROWN

Cocoa is one of the largest ex ports of Ecuador.

····: DROWNED IN NAASRIVER

Chester Swanson. Well Known Young Man of Port Simpson, Loses His Life

Chester Swanson, well known young man of Port Simpson was drowned last Tuesday at Red Rock in the Naas River, the funeral taking place at Port Simpson on The drowning occurred when the

youth went in swimming immed ately after breakfast and was stricken with cramps. Swanson was the foster-son

Mrs. Lucy Swanson of Port Simpson, both his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Solomon Green, having died years ago, There is a brother, Mederic DARWIN IS Greene, at Port Simpson.

The wouth had many friends in Prince Rupert and native villages of the district. funeral took place from

Grace United Church at Port Simpson under the auspices of the Young People's Educational Association with members of Port Simpson Athletic Club acting as pallbearers.

CO-OP MOVE ONRAILWAY

ance of the co-operative movement to the Canadian National Railways was emphasized here t the nineteenth annual meeting of me suo Crafts Co-operative Committee of the western region. J. Kyle, genera. superintendent of motive power and car equipment, and W. H. C. Logan, chairman of the employee representatives, were joint chairdent and general manager, W. I. Munro, general superintendent of men. W. R. Devenish, vice-presitransportation, S. E. Kellier, general storekeeper, A. B. Roosevear K.C., solicitor, and J. Cook, inspector of first aid, were among the speakers.

WINNIPEG, May 3—The import-

The national system, Mr. Kyle discuss matters vital to the rail- a dispute over rest periods, will be who were already out. way and its employees. Mr. Munroe asked to vote at a mass meeting | President Roosevelt ordered Seccomplished in bringing about a turn to work. ever experienced but the C. N. R. further pressure upon the govern- the mines if necessary. men and equipment had stood up ment for appointment of a com- "Except in a few mines producthe plants. weather and long mileage.

of the co-operative plan and said be submitted to the employees for tinue. that the achievement on the Cana- a standing vote at the meeting. dian National was being carefully

studied by United States railroads.

Return to Work; New Negotiation Opened

Important Developments Over Week-end Following Taking Over of Mines by Government On Monday

WASHINGTON, May 3-There have been important developments since President Roosevelt on Saturday ordered government operation of the coal mines of the nation under military protection if necessary. The chief of these was an announcement by John L. Lewis of a Twenty-one years of age, Chester two weeks' truce in the dispute with return of miners to

to Attack by Japanese War

Planes

Darwin in Northern Australia

was heavily raided by Japanese

war planes on Sunday, the Allied

High Command announced.

Twenty-one bombers and thirty

fighters attacked the airdrome.

Thirteen of the enemy planes

were destroyed or damaged and

there were also heavy Allied

losses. Spitfires went up to op-

raids over the week-end on en-

ternoon to Deal With Execu-

tive Proposal to Return

To Work

RESPONSE

FOR LOAN

C.N.R. Employees Subscribe Over

Million Dollars in Three

ment issued from system head-

value of \$1,140,000 were purchased

by 12,600 individual men and

women workers employed through-

from the central region, and three

regional groups—Atlantic, Central

Telegraphic reports received at

Montreal from all three sources

agree that canvassers are being re-

response to their "sales talk" is on

Reports from headquarters of

are enthusiastic and optimistic

telling of some sections already

in the first two days of the cam-

ceived enthusiastically and

reaching their objectives.

and Western.

a generous scale.

paign.

purchases show increases.

emy bases from New Guinea to

There were widespread Allied

pose the enemy.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS

AUSTRALIA, May 3 (CP)

work under government control pending new negotiations.

Secretary of the Interior Ickes told the mine operators on Saturday to be ready for full operation on Monday. Steps are being taken throughout the nation to conserve fuel. Unessential travel is being prohibited. No coal will be deliver-North Australian Town Subjected ed to persns having more than

ten days' supply on hand. President Roosevelt spoke over the air at 7 o'clock last night on the coal strike situation, addressing himself particularly to the coal miners when he requested, as patriotic Americans, to return to work. President Roosevelt, in his address last night 22 minutes after the announcement by Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, of a 15-day truce in the United States coal mine strike. asserted that "coal will be mined

thinks about it." Lewis announced that the union's policy committee had voted unanimously to "restore all mines to immediate operation for a period of 15 days beginning Tuesday. Lewis said the period will be utilized in working out, in co-operation with government officials, of new wage contracts to replace those which

no matter what any individual

have expired in the hard and soft coa! industries. Roosevelt on Saturday had or-Boeing Workers Meeting This Af- dered operation of the United

States coal mines with military protection if necessary. In a statement he called on striking miners to "return immediately to the said, had greatly benefitted from VANCOUVER, May 3 (P) - Em- mines and work for their governthe co-operative plan. It was im- ployees of Boeing Aircraft of Can- ment." The summons was directed portant to get around a table and ada Ltd., idle since Wednesday in primarily at some 250,000 miners

said that a great deal had been ac- this afternoon on a proposal to re- retary of the Interior Ickes to take possession and operate the mines better understanding between the An all-night meeting of aircraft with such workers as he could provarious departments. The past win- union officials drew up a program vide, telling Ickes that he could ter he said had been the hardest calling for a return to work and call on the army for protection of

under the most severe tests of bad mission to investigate conditions at tion of coal had virtually ceased," the President said. He asserted Mr. Logan touched on the origin | The return to work program will that production of coal must con-

In broadcasting to the miners last night, it meant that Mr. Roosevelt took his case direct to them and the country without talking further with John L. Lewis, who, until the 22 minutes before the President went on the air, had ignored government appeals to take up the miners' wage demands with the War Labor Board in routine fashion.

In his broadcast, the President recalled Lewis' pledge after Pearl Harbor that there would be no

MONTREAL, May 3—Over a mil-strikes during the war. lion dollars was subscribed to the Fourth Victory Loan by employees of the Canadian National Railways Ihree Kecruits during the first three days of the campaign, according to a state-

quarters. In comparison with the For Army Here similar period of the preceding loan, the number of subscribers and the total value of their bond Manitoba Men Enlist for Active Actually, during the first three days of the campaign, bonds to the

Service and are Leaving for Vancouver

Latest local recruits for the Canadian Army active service are:

out the Canadian lines of the sys-The organization for canvassing Leo Alexander Letourneau, aged employees of the National Rail-28, St. Eustache, Manitoba, logger. ways has four divisions—one for Alexander Panchuk, 22, Beauseheadquarters in Montreal, apart

jour, Manitoba, craneman. Telesphore Alexander Plante, 41, St. Joseph, Manitoba, welder.

Letourneau and Panchuk are leaving tomorrow afternoon for Vancouver and Plante on Thurs-

J. B. Reid, catering superintendent for the Canadian Pacific Rail-In British Columbia, the em- way at Victoria, and Jeffrey Arnott, ployees of the Okanagan Lake purchasing agent, Vancouver, ar-Barge and Ferry Service were first rived in the city this afternoon in reaching their objective attained from the south, being here on official duties.

WARNEWS

ALLIES ADVANCE IN TUNISIA ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA-American forces,

in hard fighting through exceptionally rough terrain, have captured two important heights and a town 16 miles southwest of Mateur, which is now within range of the Allied artillery. So rough is the country that it is necessary to drop food and supplies for the troops from planes. The British Eighth Army is advancing again on the south. There is little change but in other sectors of the Tunisian front Allied aircraft continue to hit hard and etffectively at Axis supply shipping and convoys in the Mediterranean.

REDS CRUSHING NAZIS

MOSCOW-Fighting is livening up again on the Russo-German front. Berlin says that the Red Army has launched a new drive to the north in the vicinity of Orel and Leningrad. The Germans say this has been repulsed. Russian advances are also reported to have been made in other sectors and a six-day counter-attack in Novorossisk area has been crushed, with 7,000 Germans killed.

MORE RAIDS ON KISKA WASHINGTON, D.C. - Two more raids have been made by United States bombers on Kiska in the Aleutians but the results were

not announced. NEW YORK HAS ALARM

NEW YORK-There was a surprise forty-minute air raid alarm in New York yesterday morning. It sounded at 11:20 a.m. and at noon the all clear was given. The reason was not at once announced.

SEES TUNISIA LIBERATED

ALGIERS - General Henri Giraud, French military and civil the Western region at Winnipeg commander-in-chief in North Africa, predicted Sunday that all Tunisia would be liberated this month and that the war would be ended victoriously by next year.

ATTACK NORWAY AND FRANCE

LONDON-The Royal Air Force lost seven bombers in an attack on enemy shipping off Norway last night. The Americans lost a similar number of planes in an attack on St. Nazaire.