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Issians Sweep Ahead Everywhere

: 1942 Customs Revenue Sets

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Up New Mark : Customs and excise revenue + + at the port of Prince Rupert + for the year 1942 totalled + + \$588.637.04 as compared with + + \$550,502 in the year 1941. In- + + cidentally, the revenue for + + 1942 was the heaviest in the + + history of the port. The rev- + + enue for this December was + + \$54,410.22 compared with \$47,- + + 140.18 in December 1941.

SHIP WAS SCUTTLED

Germans Chose to Sink Their Own Ship Rather Than Lose It

LONDON, Jan. 4 A 10,000-ton German merchantman was scuttled by its crew after being intercepted by British naval vessels. The crew was captured.

Ottawa Session Opening Shortly;

OTTAWA, Jan. 4-The session of Parliament will open on January 28, it is announced. Plans for postwar rehabilitation will be given attention in addition to dealing with war matters. The opening of the

MAKE RAID UPON KISKA the country's basic fered retrogression.

From Latest Attack

States bombing planes made still Dominion Bureau of Statistics market at interest rates so low the Aleutians. Japanese planes ago to replace its outmoded busi- of \$17.25 on direct and guaranteed Home of Bing was brought down. All American dex that would better measure the than \$2 greater than the per capplanes returned safely to their faster clip at which industry has ita interest charge three years af-

NAVY WINS THIS ROUND

Attempt to Sink United States Battleship

WASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 4 (P) ed an entire flight of twenty enemy an expansion of 40 percent. dive bombers with anti-aircraft guns in the South Pacific, the Department of the Navy reported to-

The battleship destroyed a total of thirty-two planes before the enemy ceased trying to sink it.

The battleship suffered only one bomb hit, causing minor damage.

TORATION

This Is To Be Done

It will be on a graduated scale, ac- to exceed the 1941 total by 35 percording to the size of newspapers. | cent.

Pneumonia has been found to be bonds. Deposits in the banks now registered the widest gains. more common among men than total around \$3,300,000,000, a gain

RUSSIANS ON THE MOVE IN DEADLY DRIVE AGAINST NAZIS



In the thick of the battle for Stalingrad men of the Soviet forces which hurled back the Nazis are shown advancing. Infantrymen, their auto natic rifles ready, lead the party. Behind them comes the crew of trench mortars. Two men drage the mortar on its wheeled carriage, etwo others rush up with the ammunition.

Farm and Fisheries

BUSINESS BROKE OLD YARDSTICKS OF OTHER YEARS IN DOMINION

Post War Plans New Official Index for 1942 Shows Gain of 24 Percent Over 1941-Major Expansion in Employment And Farm Incomes Higher

> By ALEX PRINGLE (Canadian Press Staff Writer)

The third full year of war witnessed continuous ex- Pacific Coast session will see some vacant seats pansion of Canada's industrial plant and a sizeable with by-election dates not yet set. growth of agricultural production to meet the call for more food at home and abroad. The fisheries industry likewise stepped up the tempo of output but lumbering and gold mining were handicapped by the shortage of the labor supply and these alone among the country's basic industries suf- years. Expanding national income

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4— United time economic barometers. The by the sale of bonds in the home nation for last year. another raid on Kiska Island in found it necessary a few months that the per capita interest charge TT again rose to meet them and one ness speedometer with a new in-debt as at March 31, 1942, was less been travelling under the spur of ter the First Great War. the war effort and at the same ime reflect the usual factors entering into the compilation of the Farm income for the first nine physical volume of business.

According to the Bureau's new of 13 per cent over the comparable or more classifications entering in- doubled the previous crop and the to the index compilation show increases of 35 percent or more. 133 percent over that of 1941. Cat--An American battleship destroy- Manufacturing generally enjoyed

Employment Expansion

Standing out prominently in the The landed value of the sea fishyear's list of new records appears eries increased 24 per cent, prothe sharp expansion of employ- duction of coal about six percent, ment. Canadian plants are now petroleum production four percent. turning out \$2,600,000,000 in war pig iron production 35 percent, materials annually and this output steel production 17 percent and cein addition to production for civil- ment production 12 percent. ian needs has called 750,000 addi- The war has been chiefly respontional workers (men and women) sible for wide gains in the revenue to the nation's payrolls in the last of the railways. Carloadings two years. The national income has creased six percent in 1942 and the grc/n 70 percent since 1938.

The flood of money going into crease of gross revenue of about 23 the pockets of workers has pro- percent while the C.P.R.'s gross induced the greatest volume of come is up 16.5 percent. Increases Federal Government Announces spending in the country's history of net revenue were 31 percent and despite the heaviest burden of tax- six percent respectively. ation ever imposed in Canada. Re-OTTAWA, Jan. 4— The govern- tail sales are currently 15 to 20 ceiling wholesale prices in Canada ment announces today that news- percent greater than a year ago print is to be rationed in Canada. and for 1942 the total is expected

> consumer goods, taxes or even war cent. In both countries farm prices of nearly \$1,000,000,000 in three Shortages of labor and materials slumped 4.2 percent.

JAPAN LOST MANY SHIPS

Seven During Past Week Brings Bag of American Subs to 112

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 — United States submarines have sunk seven more Japanese ships. This brings to 112 the total of Japanese ships now sunk by American submarines.

Shipbuilding Quota Is Big

PORTLAND, Jan. 4-A quota of has enabled the government to fi- sixty-nine ships to be built during The war has had the effect of nance more than 70 percent of January has been set for west coast Allied Planes All Return Safely directing the Dominion's produc- Canada's war and non-war expen- of United States shipyards. The tive effort into many new channels diture from taxation and other quota for the west coast for the lying outside the scope of peace- current revenue and the remainder year is equal to that of the whole

Residence of Noted Screen Star BOTH SIDES Night.

months of 1942 showed an increase HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 4—The beauindicator the volume of business period of 1941. The latest wheat tiful twenty-room Colonial manshowed a gain of 24 percent for the crop of better than 600,000,000 sion of Bing Crosby, screen star, More Information Regarding Naval first 10 months of 1942 in compari- bushels compared with 312,000,000 was completely destroyed by fire Japanese Planes Destroyed in Vain son with the corresponding 10 bushels in 1941 while the oat crop last night. The family rushed safemonths of 1941. A few of the 75 of 652,000,000 bushels more than by from the building without injury. Crosby was absent playing golf.

barley crop showed an increase of Crosby and her four young sons in the North Atlantic in which the tle sales show a minor reduction were taking down Christmas tree Jermans lost a destroyer and had and sales of hogs increased 1.5 decorations. Damage is estimated a cruiser damaged. The battle ocmanuscript of "Dixie" which was bound convoy.

gave the gold mining industry a Jap Position setback. Gold receipts at the Canadian mint were down eight percet for the first 10 months of National Railways report an inencouraged and these continued to + destruction of Japanese forces + vious active civic experience. Due to the government's price pounds over the 1940 output and + a narrow salient extending + etc. enlarging their copper production & from Sanananda Point. The & Tonight's session will be largely advanced only 3.2 percent between by 75,000,000 pounds.

October, 1941, and October, 1942. In the same period prices in the ened along with the lumbering in- + hopeless." Buna Mission was take place in the committees. cent.

All the money is not going into cent. In both countries farm prices dustry generally. Production of captured at the week-end by ... newsprint decreased five percent + the Americans and Australifor 10 months of 1942 and exports * ans. of newsprint in the same period &

Rostov, Important Gateway To Caucasus Oil Area Has Been Recaptured by Soviet

AIR POWER OF ALLIES

ireat Demonstration of Superiority In North Africa

LONDON, Jan. 4 (CP)- In a great display of growing Allied rie power in Tunisia, British and American planes shot down twenty-eight enemy aircraft, amaged thirty-four others and battered Aris supply bases over the week-end as French forces thrust near the Tunis-Tripoli highway and pushed deeper into southern Jibya from the Lake Chad region. Duststorms and rains combined to hamper all operational activities yesterday "ithin Libya.

Both Cairo and Axis dispatches told of adverse weather in that theatre and mentioned no significant manoeuvres by either side.

Maishal Erwin Rommel's Afrika Korps appears to be digging in for a stand 40 miles west of Wadi Bei El Chebir and 150 miles east of Tripoli. Owing to heavy rains, there is still no land action of any consequence in Tunisia although air fighting keeps up.

British and American airmen destroyed twenty-eight planes railways, a North Africa comorder to maintain supply lines.

Torpedo Boats

WASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 4 — United States motor torpedo boats Don area has been slowed down. attacked eight Japanese destroyers off Guadalcanal, hitting one and damaging another.

Battle Off Norway Coast

LONDON, Jan. 4 — The British Admiralty announces the loss The fire was caused, it is be- he destroyer Gleam and the corlieved, by a short circuit when Mrs. vette Enapdragon in a naval battle at \$250,000. Many valuables were urred when German naval vessels destroyed but not the original attacked an Allied Murmansk-

Now Hopeless

Red Army Forges Mercilessly Along Against Winter-Stricken Axis on Five Major Fronts-Key Railway Point to Leningrad Retaken

MOSCOW, Jan. 4 (CP)—The Red Army of the Caucasus advanced along both banks of the Terek River today, driving the German's back to the northwest and west from newly-captured Mozdek, thus breaking the salient that Nazi forces thrust forward more than four months ago toward the Grozny oil fields, Russian reports said.

The swift Russian capture yesterday of Mozdok and Malgobeck, fif- + + + + + + + + + teen miles southeast of Mozdok, + was considered a major victory + How Nazis Luki where the Red Army continued its offensives. An important, + railway junction and a key to Leningrad has also been recaptured. With the Russians forging ahead +

on no less than five major battle- & MCSCOW, Jan. 4-An order & fronts. German lines appeared to 4 to the Nazi forces in Russia 4 be crumbling in most important & has been issued by Chancellor & sectors, the Soviet said. The Nazi * Adolf Hitler threatening exe- * command, however, stiffened re- | + cution of the families of all + sistance at some points only to be & German soldiers who dare to hit at others by the hard-driving + surrender in the Russian cam + Red Army.

The plight of twenty-two Nazi " divisions in Stalingrad is even

The war in the air has also been going badly against Germany SUB BASE which lost 266 planes during the past week, ninety-six being large transports endeavouring to carry over Tunisia, rocked Tunis and supplies to the winter-stricken its port as well as Sousse and Nazi armies. Russian plane losses Heavy Attack on St. Nazaire-Ruhr Sfax, blasting Axis harbors and for the week are numbered at 122. The Red Army has pushed on munique reported today. The for thirty miles beyond newly re-

British Eighth Army nudged captured Velikie Luki and is now forward in Libya but slowly in only sixty miles from the old Latvian border.

ther victories on all fronts with smashing raid by United States increasing disaster for the Nazis. heavy bombers on St. Nazaire sub-There has also been a further marine base. Hit Destroyers Soviet advance from Selista, capital of Kalmyck province.

NEW MAYOR TAKES OVER

trol of Civic Reins-Council To Meet Tonight

ten years ago when M. M. Stephens | target area, starting fires at St. elinquished the reins of office to Nazaire which is one of Germany's give way to the commissionership, largest bases for u-boats. Prince Rupert had a mayor at the City Hall this morning. William M. watts was in his office straighten-ing out the mayoral desk and giving thought to his inaugural council meeting tonight. He openly admitted that he expected to feel relieved by the time at least one or two meetings were behind him.

Meetings of the council will be held at least weekly for the time being, Mayor Watts intimated, and t is expected that considerable time will be required for the new ivic government to get into har- Rill, aged 29, was placed in custody 1942. At the same time the mining + MELBOURNE, Jan. 4 (P)—Al- * ness as neither the mayor or any after walking into a police station of essential war metals has been + lied forces have completed the + of the aldermen have had any pre- and saying that she had just killed

expand. One producer, The Inter- + at Buna, killing 650 Japanese + Business tonight will include the five weeks old .The children were national Nickel Company of Can- 4 in bitter fighting, a communi- 4 receipt of the announcement of found drowned in a water cistern ada, brought a plant addition into | que said. The only remaining of standing commit- in the basement of the Rill home. operation in 1942 enlarging the remnants of the Japanese tees and correspondence regarding The husband said he had been output of nickel by 50,000,000 + Papuan army are confined in water chlorination, traffic bylaw worried about his wife.

+ communique added that the + of formal nature as the most of Production of newsprint slack- + "enemy's situation is now + the real work and discussion will

FABRIC SURFACING

Fabric surfacing is still used on + + + + + + + + + + many parts of modern war planes.

Make Their Soldiers Fight *

HARD HIT

Valley Visited Again

LONDON, Jan. 4 (P) — British bombers attacked targets in the Ruhr last night to top off a daylong Sunday assault on Nazi The Russians have scored fur-strongholds which included a

Three of the Royal Air Force craft were reported missing from The Soviet pace in the middle the night assault. As well as France, enemy targets in the Low Countries were also attacked.

German bombers came over northeast and southeast England including the Isle of Wight and caused some damage and casual-

Heaviest bombers of the United States air force were used in cas-M. Watts Assumes Active Con- cading tons of explosives on St. Nazaire Sunday. It was one of the biggest daylight raids in weeks. Seven American bombers are miss-For the first time since nearly ing. Bombs were seen to hit the

TRACEDY

Woman Confesses in Regina To Drowning Her Two Small -Children

REGINA, Jan. 4 (P)-Mrs. Frank her two children—three years and

HOCKEY SCORES

SATURDAY Toronto 6, Montreal 3. SUNDAY

Boston 3, Detroit 2. Rangers 3, Chicago 3. Montreal 4, Toronto 4.