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COURT OF

REVISION

Many Adjustments on Muntcipal

Tax Roll Order at Session

Yesterday

The court of revision on the mun-

and, after making a number of ad-

court was adjourned until Febru-

ary 24. The court of revision con-

sists of Mayor W. M. Watts, chair-

man, Ald. W. H. Brett, Ald. N. E.

Arnold, Ald. George Hills and Ald.

J. S. Black. The assessor, Arthur

Brooksbank, was in attendance and

Miss Audrey Wrathall acted as

Only in one appeal did counsel

appear, this being in that of F.

Millerd Co. Ltd. which asked for a

reduction of assessment on land

and improvements on a waterfront

block at Seal Cove where a cannery

has just been established. A reduc-

and improvements was permitted

from \$9,250 and \$12,500 respectively.

T. W. Brown appeared as counsel

for the company and W. O. Fulton

Dr. Joseph T. Mandy, resident

mining engineer, appeared with the

request that the waterfront prop-

erty where the ore sampling plant

is located, valued at \$3040, be ex-

empted from taxation. The court

land of lot 13, block 6, section

was reserved by the court.

was too high at \$90 but it was or-

amount of property which has been

taken over on lease by the United

to place the property on the tax

Other appeals and the disposi-

W. and M. Smith, lots 5 and 6,

block 2, section 7, building reduced

George Hotel), land, \$2640, im-

A. J. Daly, lots 17 and 18, block

27, section 8, improvements in-

Mr. Jackson, lot 21, block 38, sec-

tion 7, improvements of \$351 added

creased from \$345 to \$495.

creased from \$620 to \$1400.

\$400 on land to be added to roll.

provements, \$6,615, unchanged.

tion of them were as follows:

duced from \$230 to \$180.

duced by 25 percent.

changed.

unchanged.

to roll.

added to roll.

on behalf of the city.

reserved decision.

dered to stand.

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1943

MUSSIANS

PRICE FIVE CENTS

ASYLUM

DESTROYED

All of 1200 Patients at Indiana Institution Are Believed Saved

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 9 (P) -Fire destroyed Evansville State Hosicipal assessment roll was in sespital for the insane today. Most of sion for several hours yesterday the 1200 inmates escaped and were herded into an outdoor stockade justments on various appeals, the with several hundred guards watching them. There is no known loss of life.

BARRICADE **PROPOSED**

Civic Board of Works Does Not Consider Recommendation of Jury Feasible

tion of ten percent on both land The recommendation of a coroner's jury following a recent inquest that a barricade be erected at the end of Fourth Avenue West at Agnew Place came before the city council last night with a report from the Board of Works that this would not be practicable unless the pathway which leads from there to Fulton Street be done away with. However, it was proposed that a reflector be put in as a danger signal at that point.

James Taylor appeared with a The reason that the barricade claim that \$90 valuation on the could not be put in without eliminating the pathway is that it would require so much bracing work Oscar Larsen presented a claim down the side of the hill.

from Erling Parkvold that assessment of \$180 on land and \$300 on Second Doctors' improvements on lot 6, block 39, Second Doctors' section 5, was too high. Decision Office Entered In the matter of a considerable

States government, it was decided Drugs Thought Objective of Two Nocturnal Visits Made During Week-end

J. H. and Helen Hillman, lots 13 Besides that of Dr. C. H. Hanand 14, block 21, section 7, land rekinson, another local physicians' office was entered during Satur-R. L. McIntosh, lots 11, 12 and 13, day night or Sunday morningblock A, section 7, \$485; lots 28, 29 that of Dr. R. G. Large and Dr. and 30, block F, section 7, \$435; re-J. J. Gibson in the Smith Block. Entry was made, it is believed, by Emil J. S. Sollid, lots 17 and 18 way of a transom and exit by block 13, section 7, improvements opening a door from the inside. A of \$390 deleted, land at \$275 unclock, but nothing else, was miss-

It is thought that drugs may have been the objective of the from \$2140 to \$1900, land at \$360 entrants.

F. Chin and C. P. Moon (King Water Cut Off Pierre LeRoss, east half of lot 5, block 2, section 2, land valuation of By Broken Main \$135 unchanged.

Complaint Made to City Council Last Night But Nothing Could Be Done About it

D. A. Lund, lots 23 and 24, block E. A. Evans appeared before the With Military 2, section 8, improvements of \$175 city council last night stating that Raymond Scherk, lots 27 and 28, considerable inconvenience was block 7, section 7, improvements in- being caused for the Salvation City Council in Committee-of-Army Hostel on Second Avenue Canadian National Land Depart- where seventy service men were ment lease to Department of Na- spending the night, owing to the tion Defence, waterfront block G, water having been cut off while repairs were being made to a broken Canadian National Railways, main. The water had been shut off meeting last night, the city council Kathleen Doherty at McClymont lease to Department of National Without warning and Mr. Evans before the World of Seel Cover Thorn without warning and Mr. Evans delegation representing last light, the city council Park and Miss Thomasina Krause Take Control of Defence, block 8, waterfront, \$100 inquired if something could not be to meet a delegation representing at Seal Cove. There was a regu-

Mayor W. M. Watts and Ald. Thomas Elliott, chairman of the meeting was to devise some means year cost the club \$346.85. utilities committee, explained that ment here with a more adapted. there was nothing which could be supply particularly in view of redone about the matter until re-LONDON, Feb. 9 — Southeast pairs had been finished as the view to conservation during the coast towns of England were at- water could not be allowed to run shortage including one that no new There has been prospecting for Westminster and the latter across C. Roy Walters, 26, civil engin- Ald. Sorensen and the mayor. tacked last night by the German out of a broken main, particularly connections would be permitted. herring recently at Laredo Inlet on the First Narrows at the entrance Luftwaffe. A train was machine- during the present shortage and However, no arrangement was ar- the south end of Princess Royal Isl- of urrard BInlet, would come comgunned but there were no casual- when residents of some of the rived at. Col. Martyn, area com- and but, while there have been pletely under military control and ties as the engineer drew it into the higher parts of the city had been mandant, headed the military dele- some signs, the quantity of fish has would be closed to all civilian trafand were still without water.

Japanese Have Evacuated Guadalcanal—Position Of United Nations Is Better

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 9 (CP) — The apparent ending of the six months' campaign of Guadalcanal which has resulted in the wiping out of all enemy resistance there places American forces "within striking distance of some of the most important bases of the Japanese" said Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox today.

The secretary of the Navy talked to a press conference shortly after the Berlin radio announced Japanese Imperial headquarters had reported the withdrawal of the Japanese forces from Guadalcanal.

Berlin reports also told of the evacuation of the Japanese from the Buna area where final annihilation of a 15,000-man Japanese force by the Allies was accomplished some three weeks ago.

Secretary Knox expressed the opinion that it was possible the recent widespread sea and air activity in the Solomons might have been a demonstration to cover the withdrawal of the Japanese from Guadalcanal.

Meanwhile Allied headquarters in Australia report that Allied bombers destroyed Japanese occupied Doho in the Aroe Islands.

Gasmata and Rabaul have been bombed again.

BULLETINS AIR FIGHT

GUADALCANAL CLEANED UP WASHINGTON - Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox said today that all enemy resistance on Guadalcanal in the Solomons has "apparently ceased."

LONDON HAS ALERT LONDON - A brief air raid alarm was followed quickly today by the "all clear" in London.

RED ARMY SMASHES ON MOSCOW - The Red Army smashed anew at sagging German lines in three sectors today after storming into Kursk, enemy anchor point on the Moscow-to-Crimea rail line, and destroying the German Kursk army commanded by General Schneider.

MESSINA IS OBJECTIVE CAIRO - Allied bombers carried out a heavy bombing attack on the important Sicilian city of Messina yesterday, a British communique announced.

NAZIS EVACUATING LORIENT NEW YORK-The Berlin radio said in a broadcast recorded by the Associated Press that Lorient, Nazi U-boat base in France, had been dealt a heavy blow Sunday night by the Royal Air Force and is going to be "completely evacuated" by Wednesday.

In Conference

Whole Session on Question Of Water

done about having it turned on the military authorities here for lar program of events. Fred Olsen the purpose of discussing the water | did good work as caretaker. situation. The purpose of the The playground program last cent rulings by the council with a lated later. gation.

New Aattacks by United Nations in Ports of Tunisia and Italy-More Axis Ships Sunk

drome at Gabes.

from ground fighting.

A raid on Messina, following by a day a heavy raid on Naples, indicated a stepping up of the Allied city become necessary. plan to pound strategic Axis supply centres in the Mediterranean on regular schedule.

PLAYGROUND ACTIVITIES

Report for Last Year Presented To Gyro Club — To Formulate Plans for This Year

at Gyro Club playgrounds in Prince | National Defence could not be held Rupert last year was 3,403, accord- lable for any damage done to the ing to a report for the season which property of Albert Fern from firing has been prepared by Frank Skin- of nearby guns since Mr. Fern had ner, chairman of the club. The re- been warned against the possibility port was received by the execu- of damage if he persisted in buildtive of the club yesterday and will ng on the site in question. Mr. Fern go before the regular monthly himself had suggested a conference business luncheon tomorrow.

somewhat curtailed last year but were of value to the goodly number of children. Miss Eleanor Moxley acted as instructress and her assistant directors were Miss Char-Following the regular weekly Sheila McRae at Acropolis Hill, Miss Military Would

not been sufficient for seining.

CHURCHILL IN HOUSE

Prime Minister Will Make Statement Soon on War Situation

LONDON, Feb. 9 (CP) - Prime Minister Winston Churchill told the House of Commons today that he would soon make a statement on the war situation including reference to creation of a United Na ions war council and the shipping situation. He spoke in answer to a question.

The P ime Minister, who returned Sunday from his trip to North Africa and the Middle East, stopped the show in the House of Commons when he entered unobtrusively during the question per-

Cheering and applause broke out on all sides.

Eleventh Avenue Under Military

However, Public May Use it Until Such Time as Battle Positions Assumed

area commandant, read at last unduly retarded on Eleventh Avenue but said that, in the event of battle positions having to be assumed in this city, it would be To Make Billion Dollars Worth of essential to close the road to all CAIRO, Feb. 9 (9-It is announc- but military traffic. Automobiles) ed that Allied bombers hit two and pedestrians, Col. Martyn said, ships in a new attack on the Tunis- were now permitted to go through ian port of Sousse and set parked on presentation of national regisaircraft afire in a raid on the air- tration certificates and children were not interfered with.

It is also reported that a British At the suggestion of Ald. McKay submarine off the Italian coast it was decided to advise the local sank four ships in a single day but evacuation committee of the posiit is said there is nothing to report tion of Eleventh Avenue with the suggestion that other plans be made not involving use of Eleventh Avenue should evacuation of the

Warned Against Damage By Guns

Department of National Defence Holds Itself Not Responsible

The city council was in receipt last night of a letter from Col. D. B. Martyn, area commandant, Total attendance for last season holding that the Department of Activities on the grounds were failed to keep an appointment.

It was decided by the council to ously. hear what Mr. Fern had to say now that the military had given its side of the case.

Two Big Bridges

VANCOUVER, Feb. 9-In the evsupply, particularly in view of re- the coming summer will be formu- area, both the Pattullo and the eer, Ashcroft. Lion's Gate bridges, the former across the Fraser River at New Bapaume, Saskatchewan.

Another Important Point Taken From Nazis By Red In Great Campaign

Entire German Defensive Line in Soviet is Now Imperilled—Kharkov and Rostov Positions Are Sagging

LONDON, Feb. 9 (CP)—A special Russian communique announces the fall of Kursk, one of the principal bastions of the German 1941-42 winter line. The capture of Kursk imperils the entire German defensive line in Russia. The enemy lines are now sagging on three lineswest of Kursk, towards Kharkov and around Rostov.

Front line dispatches tell of the Red Army sweeping in on the German citadel of Kursk from COPENHAGEN several directions to overwhelm the garrison that had held Kursk since November 11, 1941,

Although not admitting the fall of Kursk, the German High Command reports that the Russians No Official Explanation is Made in have renewed attacks on broad front in that sector and "in a fierce defensive battle our units were standing ground against a numerically far superior enemy in unfavorable weather conditions.

A letter from Col. D. B. Martyn, GREAT AID night's meeting of the city council, held that traffic was not being

War Production Available To United Nations This Year

OTAAWA, Feb. 9 CP)-Hon. J. L. Ilsley, minister of finance, told the House of Commons today | ded at between \$100,000 and de that the government proposes to \$200,000. make one billion dollars worth of Canada's war production directly available to the United Nations during the next fiscal year either by outright gift, by loan or under replacement plans.

Mr. Ilsley said that no financial impediment should be allowed to interfere with the sharing of the Dominion's war production.

MANY ARE ENLISTING

Considerable Activity Here Recently in Recruiting for Active Force of Canadian Army

tivity lately in enlistments here in public works. the active service force of the The skeleton crew of the public Canadian Army. Three recruits works department has been enwith the city commissioner but had were dispatched to Vancouver last gaged pretty well lately in thawing night and others were sent previ- out frozen water pipes and haul-Those sent to Vancouver last

night were:

Prince Rupert. P. J. Raven, 19, machinist, Winnipeg.

Robert Wilson, 18, moulder, Hin- Ald. Sorensen ton, Alberta.

included the following: K. S. Wood, 35, warehouse foreman, Ocean Falls.

Olof Nystrom, 29, driller, Product, Saskatchewan.

eer, Drumheller, Alberta.

Prince Rupert. Prince Rupert.

London as to Attack of Royal Air Force

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 9- German shipyards at Copenhagen, where are located the world's largest diesel works, were bombed last night, the explosions being heard on the Swedish side of Skager Tack.

There was no official explanation in London of reports that the Royal Air Force had paid a visit to the big shipyards at Copenhagen.

Fire Destroys * Seward Theatre *

* SEWARD, Alaska, Feb. 9 (P)- * * Fire starting in the film room * + destroyed the Liberty Theatre + stimat-

NOT ROSY

Public Works Department Has No Money, No Men and No Materials

No money. No men.

No materials.

of the city council.

Such is the plight of the municipal public works department and it does not present a very rosy prospect for the carrying out of civic undertakings, said Ald. Robert McKay, chairman of the board of works, at last night's meeting

Also the weather is not auspici-There has been considerable ac- ous at this time for carrying out

ing coal to the schools.

Ald. MacKay lists as the project No. 1 importance this year Edward James, aged 22, moulder, the proposed trunk sewer in Sec-

Other new recent recruits have Chairman Of Reading Room

Mayor W. M. Watts last night D. L. Sullivan, 29, steam engin- appointed Ald. T. H. Sorensen as chairman of the city reading room N. A. Ward, 18, truck driver, committee. Other members of the committee will be appointed by

For the time being the reading Arthur E. Phillips, 34, salesman, room remains closed as it is in need of renovation of repairs. When P. A. McGregor, 28, lineman, the fuel situation becomes less acute, it will probably be reopened.

Train Subjected To Machine Guns

valuation added to tax roll.

safety of a tunnel.