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PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1944

MTAWA, Dec. 7 (P) Prime ister King announced yesby that he has no intention extending the life of parliat beyond its constitutional which ends next April. Mr. added that decisive battles he war and their progress ald be considered in deciding date of the next general el-

a radio address, John Brasaid that a general election the near future may prove woidable and that i n any et it should not be postponed and the life of parliament.

# ude Douk Out-OMAN IS XPECTING, IDOLED AKULEU

NELSON, Dec. 7 (P)-Mrs. Annie ransoff, sentenced last May two-and-a-half years in penitiary on a nudity charge, has en released from prison at rtsmouth, Ontario, and is back home in nearby Krestova, ukhobor leaders announced. Mrs. Rezansoff, who is exlowing demonstrations at Neln and Vancouver early this ar. She was released on

### lert Constable inds Prisoner anted in South

The alertness of Constable A. Brett of the city police achment in the small hours Wednesday morning was reconsible for identifying a man eld on a minor charge in the by jail as being wanted in lew Westminster for deseron from a Canadian ship. The man is Alfred Slater, I, formerly an engine oiler in the S.S. Kootenay Park, named on a police circular as eing wanted by immigration authorities for leaving his ship althout permission while it was locked at the southern port. Last night Constable Brett et about the tedious and generally unfruitful task of comparing the names of men neld in the city jail with Mose on recent police circurs. This time he struck

The name of Alfred Slater, who is in jail here on an inloxication charge, stared up him from a circular. Police say that Slater told

mem he left his ship be-

cause of injuries to his hands.

MAKES PLATINUM HARD Iridium is generally added to atlnum to increase its hardness durability.



SIR HARRY LAUDER VISITS NAVY SHOW-One of the highlights at the opening of the Royal Canadian Navy's show, "Meet the Navy" at Glasgow recently, was the appearance of Sir Harry Lauder. The camera caught him surrounded by a bevy of beautiful Wrens backstage. The show is touring the United Kingdom after a successful coast to coast run in Canada and Newfoundland. It is expected to tour the continent sometime in January before (R.C.N. Photo by Lieut. H. J. Nott, R.C.N.V.R.). playing in London.

boat missing for four days from

Patric Bay Royal Canadian

Air Force base on Vancouver

Island returned to base minus

its message container and ar-

oused hopes that nine members

of the crew aboard the missing

ALIFAX AND STETTINIUS

Post says that Lord Halifax,

British ambassador to the Uni-

ted States, has been instructed

to call on United States Secre-

tary of State Stettinius at

Washington to express disap-

proval of United States "hands

NEW CHIEF OF STAFF

OTTAWA— Defence Minister

McNaughton today announced

change of appointments for

two senior army officers of the

Canadian Army overseas. Ma-

jor General P. J. Montague, 62,

Winnipeg, in charge of admin-

istration at Canadian military

headquarters in London, is op-

pointed chief-of-staff at Cana-

dian military headquarters in

London. He becomes a lieu-

tenant general. Brigadier E. G.

Weeks, 48, Charlottetown, of-

ficer commanding, Canadian

off" policy in Italy.

LONDON - The Yorkshire

plane might still be alive.

# eting a child, was one of irty-five Doukhobors sentenced In TOWN

planes flew over the capital of Athens, today and attacked an area where frequent snipping has occurred. However, even after the planes had carried out their attack, gunfire could still be heard in that region.

The British planes went into action after an ultimatum issued to the E.A.M. had expired.

British casualties in the fight so far are believed to be light. Left wing losses are said to be considerable.

# IS CLOSED DOWN

Canadian Pacific Establishment at New Westminster Will Be Through at End of Month

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. (P) - Complete closing of the Canadian Pacific Air Lines plant at New Westminster which once employed 1500 workers on aircraft repairs will likely come to an end this month. E. A. Wesh, selective service manager of the plant, said that the plant was continuing minor repair operations with the object of cleaning up its work at the end of the

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# RIDE BEFORE HIS DEATH PLUNGE

VANCOUVER, Dec.7 (CP)-A Royal Canadian British air power has been Air Force pilot crashed to his death yesterday on thrown into the fight against Tilbury Island in the south arm of the Fraser River Greek left wingers. R.A.F. fighter after running amok in a large twin-engined bomber stolen from a nearby air base. For four-and-a-half Japs Drive Into China hours the apparently crazed airman dived over Van-

MAD AIRMAN TAKES LAST WILD

couver and villages to the south, endangering the lives of many Bulletins persons before the final fatal crash. In his wild dives he swooped on airdromes, roads and other points where airmen PIGEON AROUSES HOPE and civilians gathered, missing VANCOUVER - A carrier pigeon from a Canso flying

> Fighter planes were sent up with instructions not to shoot but to induce the student to land. He paid no attention and finally spun his aircraft off in a half roll at 1000 feet and dived straight down into the

ground. Western Air Command said the flight was totally unauth orized and the airman was in

the plane alone. The name of the airman will be released when next-of-kin have been advised.

# ENLISTMENTS THIS MONTH

VANCOUVER, Dec. 7 (P) - A total of 270 men enlisted for active service in Pacific Command during the first four days of this month. Thirty-six of them were civilian volunteers called up under the National Mobilization Act and four were from the military reserve.

### section, general headquarters in central Mediterranean, is appointed to succeed Montague at London with rank of majorgeneral. School Teachers

Are Resigning Resignations of Frank C. Canty and Miss Evelyn Bremer from the which has allowed full scope staff of Booth Memorial school operations, artillery ammuniwere accepted by the School tion is still being rationed on Board last night. Mr. Canty, the western front. An increase whose resignation becomes fective December 31, gave health as his reason for leaving. Miss Bremer, who left November 22, returned to her home naimo for the position of physi- with full scale effort. cal education instructor.

House of Commons tomorrow. | materials.

# RATIONED ON WEST FRONT

WITH THE UNITED STATES NINTH ARMY IN GERMANY, Dec. 7 (P)—Despite considerable improvement in army supplies in the use of heavy guns is one

reason given for the shortage. During quiet periods artillery industrial drive which was at its tember, and 13.4 in October last commanders are instructed to peak here a year ago. Drops in year. The average amount paid Texas where she was called on conserve supplies for future op- munitions, shipbuilding and air- per beneficiary was \$23.10 in Ocaccount of the illness of a rela- erations. Batteries are put on craft output have released work- tober as against \$25.30 in Septive. The Board is considering an quotas which are lifted only ers, many of whom have not yet tember, and \$23.72 last October. application from R. Mines of Na- when the high command strikes been re-absorbed into other lines

In Paris French officials said However, the difference betoday that French industry is tween the figures for September DEBATE POLISH QUESTION eager to supply allied armies on and October of this year is partly LONDON - Foreign Secre- the western front with urgently due to a seasonal rise in the tary Anthony Eden announced needed munitions, but is ham- number of claims filed. This, that the entire Polish question strung by transportation bottle- statisticians say, is expected durwould be debated in the necks and deficiencies in raw ing the winer, and October is the

# Corvette And On Board Are Lost

Osnabrueck, Leipsig, Berlin Hit

LONDON-British and Canadian airmen went after more enemy rail targets last night. The big fellows rumbled in over Osnabrueck and Glessen to loose their bomb loads while other night-shift planes hit a synthetic oil plant near Leipzig. Altogether, 1300 bombers took part in these raids. Some British planes carried out an attack on the German capital of Berlin. Canadian strength was felt in the Osnabrueck assault. Returning pilots reported heavy enemy flak and fighter opposition which took a toll of four Canadian aircraft. It was the third straight night that all squadrons of the Canadian bomber group were out over Europe.

### Breakthrough in Philippines

PEARL HARBOR-Breaking a stalemate in the fighting on Leyte Island in the central Philippines, General Mac-Arthur's forces have broken through the Japanese line about twelve miles southeast of Ormoc. North of the Japaneseheld port, other Allied forces have repulsed a Japanese tank attack. Tokyo radio, meantime, claims Japanese parachute troops have been landed at four points behind Allied lines to destroy Allied airfields. The enemy broadcast says these troops attacked four airfields near the east coast of the island. There has been no Allied confirmation of this report from Allied quarters.

## Revenge For Pearl Harbor

SAIPAN-In a fitting observance of Pearl Harbor Day, American B-29's today bombed Tokyo. The report of the assault comes from the enemy radio, which reports that three or four of the big aircraft participated in the raid. A small fire is reported to have been started at one point. There has been no report as yet concerning the raid from Allied headquarters, but it has been officially reported that Allied planes have raided objectives in Manchuria.

CHUNGKING-The loss of the town of Tushan, about seventy-five miles southeast of the Burma Road base of Kweiyang, is admitted this morning by the Chinese High Command. Chungking believes that the objective of the Japanese offensive is the capture of Kunming, three hundred miles west. Fall of this city would cripple th prospective supply route from India to China.

## people and parked aircraft by Reds Nearing Austria

MOSCOW-Russian columns, driving through Hungary, are now within thirty-five miles of the Austrian frontier. In YugoSlavia, Russian troops, working with Partisan forces, have captured the communications centre sixty-two miles northwest of Belgrade, th YugoSlav capital.

## Eighth Deepens Bridgehead

ROME—British forces of the Eighth Army have deepened their bridgehead over the Lamone River in Italy, and all enemy resistance east of the river has been wiped out. Polish troops have captured a town ten miles southwest of Faenza, and these Polish forces have also over-run the important Monte San Rinaldo.

# New Saar River Crossing

PARIS-Probing attacks by the Germans were carried out last night along the British Second Army front in Holland. Enemy patrols crossed the Meuse River north of Venlo but the Tommies threw them back, after taking a considerable number of prisoners. Patton's Third Army has made new crossings of the Saar River, and the Americans have captured two-thirds of the French border city of Saareguemines. They have also tightened their grip around Saarbruecken, the Saar Basin's most important city. In the almost-forgotten battle for the fortress city of Metz, another German-held fortress in the Metz defence system has capitulated to the Allies.

# UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS HIGH

Unemployment insurance! claims submitted to offices across Canada were more than four times as great in October as they were in the same month in 1943, latest figures released by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics

In October of this year, 6,222 persons filed unemployment insurance claims while in October, a total of \$132,467 as compensa-1943, the number of claims filed was 1,475. This year's October figure is also almost double that of September when 3,175 persons claimed unemployment insurance benefits.

Obvious reason behind the increase in claims in the last year is the slackening of the wartime of work.

month during which this up-

swing first becomes apparent. Actually, out of the 6,222 persons who filed claims during October, only 2,485 began to receive unemployment insurance benefits. This brought the total number of people who received insurance benefits during the month to 5,735.

These 5,735 persons were paid tion for 70,552 unemployed days. This compares with 4,625 persons who received \$117,000 for 61,917 ed in late Canadian army casu- GUARDS HELD days in September, and 1,025 per- alty lists as being slightly woundsons paid \$24,308 for 13,782 un- ed. He is Tpr. Terrance James employed days in October, 1943. McGillivray, serving with the

12.3 compared with 13.4 in Sep- ray, lives at Dawson Creek.

GREAT QUAKE RECORDED LONDON- The West Bromwich seismograph today recorded a severe earthquake shock the centre of which may have been in the Aleutians, the Kuriles of Japan.

# WAR NEWS H.M.C.S. Shawinigan Goes Down in Atlantic, Navy Has Announced

OTTAWA, Dec. 7 (CP)—Minister of the Navy Angus Macdonald announced today that the corvette Shawinigan was lost in the North Atlantic and the entire complement of seven officers and eighty-four ratings are dead or missing. Only five bodies were recovered and identified. The remainder of the crew,

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Discussion Arises Out of

Activities at Conrad Street

Responsibility for allowing the

use of Conrad St. school base-

ment as a social centre outside

the monthly school board meet-

At present the school basement

is the centre of various club

organization was prepared

and the will to co-operate."

handicraft and dancing clubs,

Boy Scouts, Cubs, Brownies and

RUSSIANS ARE

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while the Germans have acknow-

ledged a new threat to Budapest.

Budapest, have established

below the Hungarian capital.

ing last night.

the difficulty.

available.

including the captain, Lieut. W. J. Jones, of Brooklyn, New

York, are listed as missing. Six British Columbia men were among the members of the crew-five from Vancouver and one from Victoria.

The announcement said that the Shawinigan went down "while on operational duty in the North Atlantic." It did not say whether the ship met her end through enemy action or weather conditions or when the sinking occurred.

school hours was placed with The Shawinigan is the ninth school principal Edward Wahl at corvette and nineteenth Canadian warship announced as lost in the war.

activities every week night and At Ottawa on Saturday. Many of the clubs

### are directed by B. Beggs, com-Mr. Wahl, Mr. Beggs and J. G. Debate S Callaghan, local Wartime Housing director attended the meet-Mr. Callaghan explianed difficulty. "It appears that Mr. Beggs and

Mr. Wahl, both of whom lead worthwhile recreational activit- ter debate over army reinforceies were unaware of who had unavoidable and that in any direct authority over the build- terday more Liberal members ing," said Mr. Callaghan. "If lined up against the Governthe board gave a ruling on this ments is nearing an end. Yes-I think it would settle the mat- scription fence. However, both the national leader of the Pro-Mr. Callaghan said that his gressive Conservative Party. to John Bracken—and members of spend about \$500 on sports and the government have predicted other equipment when it became a majority of from 30 to 65 for Prime Minister King's confidence "So far all the clubs have had motion when the vote is taken. is a great deal of enthusiasm Today's sitting opens at 11 a.m. instead of three p.m. in an ef-Mr. Beggs outlined a list of fort to end the special crisis club activities which occupied meeting of Parliament by tothe school basement every night night. of the week. The list included

Yesterday, Justice Minister St. Laurent told the Commons that he has decided to stand or fall with Mr. King. e said that he supported the voluntary system until Defence Minister McNaughton showed the Cabinet that a change was necessary.

Mr. Bracken predicted a Government victory in a radio LONDON, Dec. 7 (P) - Soviet speech last night over a National tanks, sweeping past Lake Pala- net work of the C.B.C. ton, have plunged to within forty

Last night's session of the miles of the Austrian border Commons saw one more Liberal -George Cruickshank, of Fraser Valley, British Columbiathe Hungarian capital. Buda- announce that he will support pest is under large scale at- the Progressive Conservative totack, the Germans reported, and tal conscription amendment. But the Russians have gained ground. he added that he will vote for Russian forces on Osepel Island the Government if the amendin the Danube, just south of ment is defeated.

Two more Liberals and two Innew bridgehead on the west dependents-all from Quebecbank of the river immediately said they are opposed to overseas conscription.

# One northern B.C. man is list- PENITENTIARY

ATLANTA. Georgia, Dec. 7 (P) -Four guards are being held During October of this year the Canadian Armoured Corps, whose along with 25 convicts who have average days per beneficiary was mother, Mrs. Dorothy McGilliv- barracaded themselves within the penitentiary here.



A Slate Worth Noting . . . NON-PARTISAN CANDIDATES

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