NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

The Daily News

XXIII, No. 248 — PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1944 — PRICE FIVE CENTS

Weather Forecast

NORTH COAST-QUEEN CHARLOTTES—Mod. to fresh winds, cloudy, mild today, scattered showers in afternoon. Tuesday: light to mod. winds, partly cloudy with occasional showers, little change in temperature.

Tomorrow's Tides

(Pacific Standard Time)

Tuesday, October 24

High	6:36	16.1 feet
	18:06	17.9 feet
Low	12:04	10.1 feet

PROVINCIAL LIBRARY
PROVINCIAL GOVT
31 Dec 1944
130
Provincial Government

Allied Armies Are Pounding Nazi Defences to Smash at Berlin

Latest Strikes are Assuming Proportions of General Offensive—Second Army Advances Five Miles and Captures Four Key Towns

LONDON, Oct. 23 (CP) — Six Allied armies pounded the German defence band from Holland to Switzerland today with unceasing pressure aimed at the eventual opening of cracks that will permit a smash to Berlin. Assault was under way against the shrinking south Schelde pocket, 40 miles west of Antwerp, the doorway from Aachen, the upper entrance of the Saar Valley and Vosges passes.

Allied strikes in Hertogenbosch and Esschen areas were assuming proportions of a general offensive to clear the sea lanes to Allied-held Antwerp as a supply port.

The Nazis have been pressed from two sides into Breda Box, a 40 by 20-mile rectangle south of the issue.

On the British front in Holland, the British Second Army has advanced more than five miles and captured four key towns on Monday, moving to within two-and-a-half miles of Hertogenvosch, Netherlands railway centre. The British captured Schigndel, Middleroad, Olland and Burggen.

Both British and Canadians Are Sharing in New Advances

PARIS, Oct. 23 (CP)—New advances have been made by Canadian and British troops in the Antwerp area of Holland. The Tommies are now within four miles of Hertogenbosch, a communications centre for the Germans holding out along the southwestern Dutch coast. The Canadians, to the west, have advanced 11 miles to take Esschen, 16 miles north of the port of Antwerp. The Canadian advance strengthens the Allied hold on the causeway leading to the Schelde estuary islands.

American First Army forces have advanced one mile east beyond the captured border city of Aachen. Their immediate objective is Dueren, a highway centre on the road to Cologne from which the Americans are only 70 miles distant.

Canadian troops fighting to clear the approaches to Antwerp have battled their way into the outskirts of the port of Breskens near the mouth of the Schelde estuary, Allied headquarters announced yesterday.

Allied planes, operating in close support of the ground troops, blasted military installations west of Breskens. The communique from Supreme Allied Headquarters reported "good progress" in the drive north of Antwerp to shield the Canadian

(Continued on page 2)

Bulletins

COL. FALLIS STRICKEN

TORONTO — Lieut.-Col. G. O. Fallis of Vancouver, now stationed at Kingston as senior chaplain of the Canadian Army, is in hospital here with a heart attack.

FRENCH TREASON TRIALS

PARIS— France today began the first of a series of trials for those accused of collaborating with the Nazis when the French case seemed lost. The first defendant to be tried in Paris today is a veteran French journalist—George Suarez.

SALARY CONTROL EASED

OTTAWA— Officials of the revenue and labor departments in Ottawa have announced that modification of the wartime salaries control order will benefit senior civil servants as well as employees in private enterprise. The order had outlawed pay increases unless approved by a revenue department controller. The restrictions now are being eased to eliminate cases of so-called gross inequality.

LOAN OPENING CEREMONIES

OTTAWA—The plaza before the House of Parliament here was the focal point of ceremonies all across Canada Saturday inaugurating the Seventh Victory Loan. Young veterans just back from the battlefronts, using telephones, assigned relatives or sweethearts to launch nine war and supply ships from ways in various parts of the country across Canada, some of the ships destined for service in the Pacific. The veterans were welcomed home by the famous young actress, Shirley Temple. Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King told an Ottawa gathering that duties of veterans have been far more onerous than those of people remaining in Canada and urged civilians to support to a conclusion work which the veterans have done.

SOLAR HOME HEATING

MONTREAL — A prediction comes from Montreal that solar radiant heating may well become one of the striking features of post-war home building in Canada. It was made in an address by A. S. Morgan of Toronto the the twentieth annual conference of Canadian purchasing agents association. Mr. Morgan stated that the first Canadian solar radiant heated home is being constructed in Toronto. It will have an aluminum roof, aluminum windows and an aluminum duct work. Mr. Morgan added that armor plate-glass and patented theremophane windows will flood the house with sunlight.

RECOGNIZE DeGAULLE

OTTAWA — Canadian, Australian, British and American governments today announced recognition of General DeGaulle's administration as "provisional government of the French Republic."

LANDING ON NICOBARS

PARIS — Radio France reports that a new Allied landing has been made in the Pacific area on Nicobar islands.

FIGHTING IN SPAIN

LONDON—There is fighting in Spain between the Maquis and Franco government forces. Moscow charges Spain with pro-German activities.

CHURCHILL HOME

LONDON — Prime Minister Winston Churchill is back in London by plane after his trip to Moscow to confer with Premier Joseph Stalin. He is expected to address the House of Commons this week.

MEET AT ALERT BAY

VANCOUVER — The Native Brotherhood of British Columbia will meet at Alert Bay November 12-18. Five hundred delegates are expected.

Goose Bay—

Ninety-Nine Year Lease

Terms of Agreement Disclosed by Canadian Prime Minister

OTTAWA, Oct. 23 (CP)—Canada has been granted a ninety-nine year lease on the site of the giant $25,000,000 air base at Goose Bay, Labrador.

In Ottawa last night, Prime Minister King made public the text of an agreement signed by Canada and Newfoundland on October 10. The agreement formalizes an understanding reached between Canada and Newfoundland in 1941 when the base was built to permit the transport of aircraft from North America to the fighting areas overseas. The agreement is for defence purposes only. It leaves the question of post-war use of the base for civilian or commercial traffic to be disposed of by discussions by Canadian, Newfoundland and United Kingdom representatives after the war.

GERMANY IS AIR RAIDED

American, British and Canadian Bombers Active over Reich

LONDON, Oct. 23 (CP)—Eighteen German planes were shot down over Cologne and Coblenz during a raid by the Americans.

Dive bombers claimed 228 enemy railway cars destroyed or damaged, 15 locomotives disabled, two barges sunk and 21 trucks shot up.

Nine American and two British fighters are missing.

The Royal Canadian Air Force and the Royal Air Force, hitting main centres of electrical and engineering industries in Germany, also attacked Nurnberg. The attacks cost nine bombers but all Canadian planes returned safely.

PREHISTORIC CITY

The Hungarian city of Szeged is of prehistoric origin.

FROM PORTUGAL

The word "commando" is of Portuguese origin.

UNITED STATES SEAMAN DROWNS

A.T.S. Man Loses His Life on Local Waterfront

An American seaman with the American Transport Service, was drowned on the local waterfront at 11:05 Saturday night when he missed his footing while jumping from one scow to another and fell into the harbor. He never came up again and efforts to recover the body have been unavailing. He was 19 years of age. The name will be announced when next-of-kin have been notified.

SALVATION ARMY DRIVE

Dr. R. G. Knipe	$ 5.00
Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cheeseman	5.00
B.C. Police (City)	4.50
Barr & Anderson	10.00
Dave Henderson	5.00
North Star Bottling Works	15.00
Pioneer Can. Laundry Ltd.	25.00
"Anon", box of pennies	2.24
Total as at noon, Oct. 23, 1944	3,494.17

HALIBUT SALES

American

Paragon, 68,000, 15c and 13½c, Storage.

Canadian

Joan W. I, 35,000, 18¼c and 16½c, Atlin.

JOINT REHABILITATION COUNCIL WILL CHALLENGE THE FUTURE

A group of local citizens will hurl a challenge at the uncertainties of the post-war future Tuesday night when delegates to the incipient Prince Rupert Joint Rehabilitation Council hold their first meeting in the Legion rooms.

Facing the group is the self-imposed task of anticipating—and preparing against—the unhappy situations which may befall servicemen who return to civilian life after having been out of touch with it for extended periods and to find ways of contributing to the general prosperity of the community.

The body will be composed of delegates from almost every organization in the city which has expressed concern over the future by creating rehabilitation committees. It is members of these committees which will organize into the single group, each having been asked to send three delegates.

"We intend to do our best to be of help to those who need it when they return from service," said D. McN. Lowe, secretary of the Rotary Club rehabilitation council committee, who has taken the initiative in organizing the joint council. "To do that we must have a background of knowledge of the status — and the possibilities—of business and

(Continued on Page 5)

Yukon Looking Forward to New Prosperity Era

The Yukon Territory is looking forward to a new era of prosperous mining activity after the war is over, according to word brought to Prince Rupert from those who have been in the territory. Meanwhile gold mining is rather quiet in the territory with the Yukon Consolidated near Dawson operating only three instead of the usual 12 dredges. The current summer season, now closing, has been one of the quietest in years.

VANCOUVER FATALITIES

VANCOUVER—Two Vancouver women are dead and an elderly man is in hospital following two accidents which police said involved poisoning from gas fumes. Mrs. Edith Kendall, 72, is dead and her husband, Harry A. Kendall, 75, is recovering from fumes apparently caused by a small heater in the room. Mrs. George Harrop was found dead in bed with gas jets turned on.

Most of Albania's population are Mohammedans.

WAR NEWS

New Allied Thrusts

Two new major Allied thrusts have been made on the Western Front, United States forces attacked east of Nancy at a point where German positions had been broken by the breaking of a dam. The British Second Army is moving toward a key enemy position in Holland and advanced a mile in 90 minutes.

R.A.F. Out in Force

More than 1,100 British and Canadian bombers, with 700 fighters, on Sunday attacked Hamm, Muenster and Brunswick industrial and transportation centres of Germany.

Advances in Italy

Both Fifth and Eighth Allied Armies have made further advances in Italy, taking important positions from the enemy.

On Eastern Front

The Germans have fallen back further to the south bank of the Memel. The Russians have pushed as much as 20 miles into East Prussia.

Canadian Camps—

...APO-LIKE NAZIS ... CONTROL OVER FE...

...RONTO, Oct. 23—Gestapo-like ... political ...s exercise rigid control over Ger... ...ners ...r in Canadian camps. That is the ... Col. ...recently resigned as commandant ... ...e of ...a's largest camps at Medicine Hat, Alberta.

... says these leaders think nothing of stooping to cold-blooded murder if it suits their purposes. They are forced to work underground to conceal their activities from camp authorities but they wield as much power and authority over the lives of the prisoners as the Gestapo does over the German people.

Col. Bull states that at least one prisoner has been murdered by the political leaders. In other cases whispering campaigns have such force that men commit suicide.

Col. Bull says the whispering campaigns are very cruel. When a man expresses doubt in the Nazi regime, he is ridiculed from all sides. That night he may find a knife on his bed, and the next night a rope.

Some men ask for protection. Suitable employment is found for men who appeal for help and authorities make sure they never return to that camp again.

... Move In—

...ur Miles ...ry Into ...yte Isle

...ter of Million Men ... Used in Invasion

...ERAL MacARTHUR'S ...QUARTERS IN THE ...PPINES, Oct. 23 — ...ans, pushing westward ...yte Island's southern ... today overran strong ...se defence positions ...ere trying to trap en... ...oops retreating up the ...Leyte Valley. Al Dop... Associated Press war ...ondent, on the south... ...ont reported American ...y, led by tanks, was ... up the valley island ...Dulag where one of the ...ridgeheads was estab... Meanwhile Tacoblan, ...ial capital, ocupied by ...ericans after they took ...field in that sector, be... ...he temporary capital of ...st free government of ...ilippines in more than ...ars.

...RTHUR'S HEADQUAR... ...Philippines, Oct. 23— The ...of two Japanese airfields ...ounced today as well... United States troops, ...by overwhelming naval ... might, drive inland on... ...rs at Leyte in the central ...nes, reaching a depth of ...es.

...000-foot bomber field at ...n on the northeast was ...d by one force. To the ...nother force took posses... ...an airfield near Dulag. ...ng the seizure and utili... ...of land air bases, Ameri... ...nes from escort carriers ...d as flying artillery on ...imated 200,000 defenders ...e, blowing up pillboxes ...wing death among motor ...s.

...enemy air force managed ...ttered night raids against ...nits of the 600-ship con... ...ey scored a torpedo hit ... vessel of undesignated ...

...nd forces, under immedi... ...mmand of Lieut. Gen. ... Krueger, apparently en... ...ed their most tenacious ...ion just south of Canca... ...y in Palo.

...n Spencer, A.P. war cor... ...ontinued on Page 4)

...L INSIDE ...T PRUSSIA

...COW, Oct. 23 (CP)—Official ...n silence still envelops ...st Prussion front although ...announced last night that ...my troops had penetrated ...s inside East Prussia on ...mile front.

Germans also said the ...ns in Hungary had rolled ...s beyond Debrecen, reach... ...e rail town of Tiszacsege ... Tisza River, some 85 miles ... the capital.

...miral Horthy ...Germany

...DON, Oct. 23 (CP)—Admiral ...y, former Hungarian re... ...is in Germany, the Ger... News Agency said Satur...

Cleveland Fire—

Death Toll Put At 150

Scenes of Horror in Holocaust in Ohio City

CLEVELAND, Oct. 23 — The latest count places the death toll at 150 as a result of the great fire which started on Saturday in the east Ohio's Gas Company's $6,000,000 liquid gas storage plant at the foot of East 62nd st.

Chairman Stanley Orr of the Cleveland Red Cross unit in a mesage to Washington Red Cross headquarters, expressed the fear that fatalities might reach 200. Coroner S. R. Gerber said it was "virtually impossible"

Continued on Page Four

Cannon Signals Start of Loan

Ten volleys from an army cannon was the signal for more than a dozen Victory Loan canvassers to take up their brief cases at 9 o'clock this morning and set about interviewing prospective Victory Bond purchasers. The sales force, all women with the exception of Oscar Haveroy who will cover the waterfront, will call on every home and business place in the city. Because they are selling the "best buy" in the country today they anticipate courteous and affirmative responses when they call.

Starting Tuesday, the Daily News will carry a record of each day's sales until the end of the campaign.

School District At Port Edward

VICTORIA, Oct. 23 (CP) — The current issue of the British Columbia Gazette contains a notice defining the boundaries of Port Edward rural school district, a new small school district near Prince Rupert.

AIR CRASH IS UNUSUAL

One Blows up in Mid-air and Second Catches Fire—Both Destroyed

DIGBY, Nova Scotia, Oct. 23 (CP)—Two planes plunged to earth at nearby Brighton, killing six men, after one had exploded in mid-air and flames from the blast set the other afire.

Next of kin have been notified and the names will be released shortly.

It is not known immediately whether the planes were Royal Canadian Air Force or Royal Air Force or Royal Navy fleet air arm aircraft.

HEAVY GEM STONES

The zircon is the heaviest of gem stones.

BRITISH NAVY HITS NICOBARS

Bombardment Carried Out—Harbor Installations Battered

KANDY, Oct. 23 (CP)—The Royal Navy bombarded Nicobar Islands in the Bay of Bengal last week, Southeast Asia headquarters announced today. There were no casualties or damage to the fleet. Four Allied naval craft failed to return. Eight Japanese planes were destroyed. Harbor installations were battered by the Navy.

EIGHTH ARMY GETS THROUGH

Steady Progress Being Made From Coast to Coast

ROME, Oct. 23 (CP) — British Eighth Army units burst through rearguards of German parachute troops on the Adriatic sector at the week-end and occupied Cesenatico, coastal town 30 miles north of Rimini. While successes in the Adriatic sector do not mean a breakthrough of German lines, the fact that New Zealand armor has been able to thrust a little further into the Po Valley raised hopes that the Eighth Army might yet be able to bring armored forces to bear on the wide plain stretching ahead.

The Allied Fifth Army, driving toward Bologna, captured several high spots.

Season of Stikine River is Concluded

WRANGELL, Alaska, Oct. 23—Navigation up the Stikine River from here to Telegraph Creek is over for the season and Capt. W. H. Barrington, veteran skipper-manager of the Barrington Transportation Co., and Mrs. Barrington will be leaving in a few days for Victoria and Seattle to spend the winter. It is possible they may not return to Wrangell next year. It was a quiet season on the Stikine this year with only one river boat operating, Capt. Sid Barrington having taken another to the Yukon River.

GENERAL CRERAR ILL

OTTAWA — Defence headquarters revealed today that Lieut. General H.D.G. Crerar, commander of the First Canadian Army, has been ill in Britain for the last three weeks and has been succeeded temporarily as Army commander in France by Lieut. General Guy Simonds, commander of the Second Canadian Corps. Crerar has been discharged from hospital and will return to his post as army commander within the next few days.

Local Temperature

Maximum	54
Minimum	42

BATTLE HAZE

Spartans in 400 B.C., used wood smoke as a form of gas warfare.

Russians Advance—

Driving Into The Balkans

Zagreb and Budapest Next Red Objectives

MOSCOW, Oct. 23 — Marshal Tito's YugoSlav Partisans, freed for new action by the capture of their capital, Belgrade, have joined with the Red Army in drives toward the Croation puppet seat of Zagreb and Budapest, the strife-torn Hungarian capital.

Zagreb lies 225 miles northwest of Belgrade in the Sava River valley. Budapest is on the Danube 190 miles north of Belgrade.

East and southeast of Budapest other Russian forces, supplemented by Rumanian units, rumbled up three main highways leading to the Hungarian capital, but they encountered stiff resistance from large German tank and anti-tank forces beyond the Tisza River.

Wild Celebration

The number of German captives seized in the liberation of Belgrade swelled toward 10,000 as the Russians and YugoSlavs mopped up every corner of the broken city, digging storm troops from cellars and attics of blasted buildings.

Large numbers of enemy troops were seized along the Danube and Sava, where they had run in desperation before the wildly celebrating troops of Tito.

Red Star said the city was taken with a four-column drive extending from the southeast to the southwest, with a Danube flotilla coming up under the cover of darkness and pouring salvoes at the enemy from the rear. Gen. Feodor I. Tolbukhin directed the Russian attack.

NEVER FROZEN

The violence of the tides prevents Hudson Bay from freezing over.