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MHOLOCAUST NEAR'FRISCO

AIR BLOWS

Allied Aircraft in Widespread

Operations Over Western

East Prussia today. British mos

quitoes struck again at Berlin

flying bomb supply dump near

Sunday night the Royal Air

plant at Homberg in the Ruhi

while Italy-based bombers at-

tacked oil refineries at Smer

Munich, Saarvrucken an

toslocal defences, a company

Regiment will take up spec

training at the forthcoming a

mual camp at Gordon Head ne

tinue at local headquarters here

following the return from the

Prince Rupert, training officer

of the Royal Canadian Artillery

camp. Lieut. G. P. Lyons

derovo near Belgrade.

Force blasted a synthetic

Up to 750 United States heavy

ers attacked river bridge

nership Public Sought

Starts Move to Have Taken Here Similar

the provincial governgoing to take over ish Columbia Electric its subsidaries the province there is British Columbia ompany in the immeheme of public ownerayor Daggett feels. H it as a recommende city council last night was accepted.

province is presumng this for the benefit municipalities in the nd I see no reason why thern part of the proould not benefit as e declared.

ouncil moved that Preart be urged to take orthern B.C. Power the fold of

e moved to take the d E. railway off their they would a probably better," Alderman El-

a Fattens e Further

FIGHT IN

ge Boat Gear Out

osed on July 9. said to have had about



RIC ISLE OF ELBA RETAKEN BY FRENCH-This sunken German ship is in Marina Di Campo harbor, recently captured by French colonial troops as they retook the historic isle of Elba from the Germans. This is the island waere Napoleon lived in exile.

Council Passes Resolution Eliminating \$2 Voting Fee For Wives of Householders

A resolution, the effect of which would be to revise the British Columbia Municipal Elections Act to permit the wives or husbands of property or poll taxpayers to vote in municipal elections without having to pay an additional \$2, will be presented at the annual meeting of the Union of B.C. Municipalities in September by the Prince

Rupert city council.

The proposal, drawn up by a

with the suggestion that it be

assessment which they must de

now if they wish to register a

At present only actual tax-

payers are classified as house-

All women over the age of 2.

who could qualify in the matters

of age and residential qualifica-

same way since they are not now

subject to poll tax but must pay

The preamble brands as "un

democratic discrimination" the

existing set-up wherein the

spouses of registered voters must

the full age of 21 years who:

(1) Is the wife or husband of

road tax, has paid to the muni-

man Rudderham told the meet-

ing that while he had been a

son otherwise eligible, whether

they pay poll tax or not should

be entitled to vote on municipal

matters. We must divorce the

connection between the poll tax

Alderman Brett said that

while his opinions were much the

same as those of Alderman Rud-

and the franchise."

der Clause 7 of the present act.

the \$2 registration fee.

also pay money to vote.

amble states.

rent taxes.

road tax or poll tax.

This would allow them

special franchise committee NORMANDY ham, Brett and Sorenson, was approved by council last night. If it is approved by the Union of Americans Forced to Withdraw from Saintlo-British Keep up fore the provincial government

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS incorporated in the Municipal the Nazis are putting up a "fight" to the death" stand.

Advance near Caen

In the Caen area the British forces advanced along a ninemile front despite strong Nazi tank and artillery resistance.

Social Credit Is Threatened

cial Credit party nominated its urday night, Premier Manning hands to be returned.

Tonight's train, due from th east at 10:45, was reported th afternoon to be an hour late.

WAR NEWS

SAINT LO FALLS TO ALLIES LIED SUPREME HEADQUQARTERS - German de-

in the eastern sector of Saint Lo crumbled today and nericans captured the town, entering the outskirts with ermans in full retreat. Meantime British troops, backed ket firing Typhoons, are taking the sting out of Gerounter-attacks in the Odon Valley west of Caen.

INTENSIFY AIR ATTACK

NDON-An American air armada of more than 1,000 bombers and fighters thundered into eastern Germany and blasted German air force experimental stations at munde and Zinnowitz where rocket bombs were devel-Other parts of the Reich were attacked by American rs from Italy. Simultaneously other Allied bombers and by the hundreds swarmed out from England, scourgrmany's Normandy battlefront in the greatest display ial might since D-Day.

RUSSIAN SMASH KEPT UP

NDON-The Russians, in a smash between the Gerortresses of Bailystoke and Brest-Litovsk, took the crosstown of Vydomla, 16 miles north of Brest-Litovsk and es from the strategic north and south railway linking o big cities. On the northern part of the White Rusaltic front, Soviet forces seized Sebezh junction on the , Riga and Pskov-Polotsk railways and moved on the capture Stolbovo less than a mile from the Latvian

MANY JAPS ARE KILLED

But Chinese Admit That They other vital German targets had Hold Offensive to North of been heavily bombed on Sun

CHUNGKING, July 18 0 - The Chinese announce that 14,000 Japanese were killed in fight ing for the Canton-Hankow To Take Over Hengyang is still in Chinese Manning Guns Japanese attack but it is adin the offensive in Kwantung tain responsibilities in regard north of Canton.

CANADIAN AGGREGATE

OTTAWA, July 18 (CP) Canadian Army casualties in Canada and overseas from Heavy Robot Canada and overseas from the start of the war to May 31 totalled 21,689, the Department of National Defence announces.

Deaths numbered 6,793, currently missing 430, currently prisoners of war or interned 3,629 and wounded 19,837.

SHIP IS LAUNCHED

MONTREAL, July 18 - The aunching took place here at neen Saturday of the first of new type of 10,000-ton freighter to be built in Canada.

derham, he was more inclined

These citizens would not be "This resolution has been de called upon to make any consigned with the intent of getting tribution toward municipal it made law," he replied. "If revenues if they refrained from went too far it would be thrown registering as voters and are, out by the municipalities confertherefore, penalized if they take an active and intelligent ence before it even reached the part in elections . . ." the pre- government."

Local Reserve mitted that the Japanese are Province to the south and are attacking Yingtak. 70 miles the Prince Rupert Machine Gu

to institute the course. London City

last night after a day of more or being now only 14 miles distant, eye or springs, but fished for less intermittent attacks. There were casualties and damage, exnot revealed.

Chairman Of Mobilization **Board Named**

EDMONTON, July 18-Charles Becker has been appointed board in Edmonton.



"ALL ASHORE" IN CAPTURE OF SARMI" - LCI's (landing craft, infantry) reach the beach in the second wave of the invasion of Sarmi, Dutch New Guinea. Stretcher bearers are shown going down the ramps and plunging through the surf in the amphibious assault which resulted in the capture of Wakde Island and Sarmi-important for their strategic air strips of May 17 and 18.

To Bits; 300 to 600 Killed ONE OF MOST DISASTROUS EXPLOSIONS IN HISTORY OF UNITED STATES AT NAVY CAMPAIGN SUCCESS-POWDER WORKS NEAR MARTINEZ

Ammunition Ship is Blown

An ammunition ship was blown to bits late last Many Men night at the navy ammunition depot here in a tremendous explosion — one of the most disastrous in United States history-killing an estimated 300 to 650 men and injuring hundreds of others. The Navy announced that at least 200 to 250 men and nine officers were determined missing and presumed lost so far in addition to the personnel of the exploded ship. A second ammunition ship was badly damaged and four small boats were destroye'. No civilian dead have been recorded so far although 150 civilians were injured.

The explosion when the magazine at the ammunition depot near Martinez blew up rocked the whole north central coast of California. It was felt at San Francisco 35 miles away and most of the plate glass windows in Martinez stores were blown out.

With the sheriff announcing at the outset that there were heavy casualties, ambulances, doctors, nurses and first aid supplies were immediately rushed to the scene of the disaster.

Two ships actually exploded alongside the loading wharf at Port Chicago which is situated far within 'Frisco Bay northwest of San Francisco.

One of the ships disappeared entirely as did an oil barge. The village was largely destroyed.

The whole vicinity was a scene of horror today.

Week's Sockeye

weather. The spring salmon sea-

son will close at midnight, July

Purse seining for humpback

salmon opened on the Naas at

midnight Sunday but to date

catches have been reported light.

W. R. Devenish of Winnipeg

vice-president of Canadian Na-

tional Railways in charge of

city on Thursday night's train

of the week here. Other official

ent for British Columbia with

headquarters in Vancouver, (

J. Quantic, superintendent

Officials Of

Railway Will

Catch Lower

KUANAS IS DUE NEXT Victoria, the training to con-

Appears Early Objective of Red Army in Advance Towards East Prussia

Russian capture of the Nazi the high boat bringing in 600 establishing a bridgehead. stronghold of Grovno, Kuanas fish. in Lithuania is directly threatman river by the Red Army. In- but they were said unofficially to horn. deed, Kaunas appears to be be similar to those on the doomed as the Russians close in Skeena. from three directions.

Further to the south, the So-| Skeena are unavailable also, due viet forces are marching on his- to the fact that fishermen did

Odds Against Being Bomb-Hit

LONDON, July 18-Lloyds has quoted odds on the probability of any certain person being injured by flying robot bombs. They are 60,000 to one against. The odds were quoted as the flying Visit Rupert pulted from across the Channel nto London, causing further casualties and damage.

Spanish Reports Of Navy Shelling Are Discounted

LONDON, July 18-Not much motive power, Vancouver, and credence is given in official William Stapleton, general pascircles here to reports from Mad-senger agent, Vancouver, who rid that Allied warships had will arrive Wednesday night. shelled the coast of France not far from the Spanish frontiers. Biarritz and Bayonne were mentioned as points which had been

Bring Back Padlock Law

QUEBEC, July 18-In an elecion speech, Former Premier Maurice Duplessis said that, the Union Nationale was elected to office in the forthcoming provincial election, the padlock law would be re-enacted against the Communists and Tim Buck, leader of the Labor-Progressive party, would not be allowed to speak in the province.

Go Active

More Than Three Hundred NMRA's go "GS" at Prince

Response to the Army's "G Active" campaign in the Prince Rupert area has been "extremely gratifying," an army spokesman told the Daily News today. soldiers here have volunteered for active service and put up the "GS" badge, he revealed.

"Most of the men seem to feel that, with the danger or invasion on this coast by they were doing thus NRMA. w. however, that danger has been considerably lessened and with the European invasion now in the spotlight, they realize that the immediate need is for voluntary reinforcements on that front," he said.

The campaign is continuing, and each NRMA soldier is being interviewed to give him an opportunity of going active.

ADVANCING

Polish Troops Figure in Campaign on East of Italian Front

ROME, July 18 (7) - Polish troops of the British Eighth Sockeye catches by Skeena Army have advanced two to river fishermen dropped an av- three miles toward the port of erage of 10 fish per boat last Ancona on Italy's Adriatic coast. week under the previous week, Other Eighth Army elements, MOSCOW, July 18-The road according to the collector's re- including Canadian armor, have is being detailed to the camp towards East Prussia being port. Average catch per boat for reached the Arno river on a largely cleared as a result of the the week was two hundred with broad front, storming across and

On the centre of the front, the Reports of sockeye catches on Allied forces are within sight of ened by the crossing of the Nie- the Naas have not yet arrived Pisa and four miles from Leg-

Spring salmon averages on the Bulletins not concentrate on either sockboth types depending on the

MAY LAND ON GUAM United States warships joined aircraft for the first time in the thirteenth straight day of concentrated attack on Guam which indicated there may be a landing attempt.

PREMIER TOJO REMOVED Premier General Tojo has been removed as chief of general Japanese staff. General Munizu is his successor. GODBOUT SHOUTED DOWN

Premier Godbout was shouted down when he attempted to address an open air rally in Quebec City last night. The meeting was broken up. western lines, will arrive in the FLIES BEAT NAZIS

Three German prisoners of

and will spend the remainder war escaped from an Ontario camp but were driven back to of the railway to visit Prince the camp by flies. Rupert this week will include W. MOSCOW NAZI MARCH T. Moodie, general superintend-

More than 57,000 captured German soldiers marched Moscow through streets of yesterday enroute to eastern Russia. A million sullen but emotionless Muscovites watched them.

More Allied Fliers Are Shot to Death by Nazis

LONDON, July 18 (CP) — German captors have shot 33 more Allied fliers, Sir James Grigg, Secretary of War, told the House of Commons today. The announcement came almost a month after Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden's announcement that 50, including six Canadians, had been shot after a mass escape from Stalagluft prison camp. There was no immediate indication whether other than British airmen were involved in the shooting announced today.