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ROOSEVELT LANDSLIDE PREDICTED

This is Forecast of Three Poll Prophets

NEW YORK, Nov. 7 (CP) — Representatives of Fortune Survey, Gallup Poll and Crossley Poll, at a meeting today, predicted a probable electoral college landslide for President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Bulletins

- DEMOLISHING WOMEN OTTAWA — Married women are to be demobilized from the Royal Canadian Air Force which does not need as many women as are now on strength. DARDANELLES CONFERENCE LONDON — Great Britain, United States and Russia are conferring with Turkey in regard to the Dardanelles. QUEEN'S FATHER DIES LONDON — The Earl of Strathmore, 89, father of Queen Elizabeth, died today at his home in Forfarshire, Scotland. AIRMEN MISSING DUNCAN — Search is under way for Leading Aircraftman Les Heal who is missing in this district on a hunting trip. WHITE FOR MOURNING The Chinese wear white for mourning.

Statement Is Up To The Premier

OTTAWA, Nov. 7. — Col. J. L. Ralston, former minister of national defence, would make no statement last night in connection with his resignation from the cabinet last week. The responsibility for making a statement on matters which led up to the resignation rested with the Prime Minister, Col. Ralston said. He, however, believed that the public and the armed forces were entitled to information. Prime Minister Mackenzie King will make a radio address tomorrow night and it is believed he will deal with the matter of overseas reinforcements and the future of the Home Defence Army.

Labor Progressives Hear

"WE CAN'T HAVE ROOSEVELT BUT WE CAN HAVE MICKLEBURGH"

Democratic Victory in United States Hoped For—Local C.C.F. Anti-unity Policy Lashed "I hope for a Roosevelt victory in the American presidential elections because I have six sons of my own" declared Alex Gillanders at last night's regular meeting of the Prince Rupert Labor-Progressive Club. "If we witness the downfall of the great principles which have brought the United Nations together, principles announced by the whole world by Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin at Teheran, then those boys of mine will be marching off to fight another war which will not determine anything we cannot determine today." Bruce Mickleburgh, in summarizing the discussion, expressed confidence that Roosevelt would beat Dewey. "The splendid work of the Political City to Get Rat Catcher The city is going to have a rat catcher. On recommendation of the health committee, the city council authorized the Union Board of Health to hire a man to assist the sanitary inspector in a rat suppression campaign. The man will be employed for the balance of the year at a salary of \$150 a month. More than one-fifth of the human race is Chinese.

Chamber Valuable

Community Should Aid Its Member

Olof Hanson Gives Advice—Acknowledges Assistance A parliamentary representative can do much more effective work and achieve much better results when he has the energetic and active support of such bodies as chambers of commerce in putting forward sound and constructive ideas and occasionally sending delegations to the seat of government to assist the member and strengthen his hand. Olof Hanson, M.P. for Skeena, told the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce last night. "I advise you to always co-operate with, advise and assist your member. The views and representations of a chamber of commerce always carry weight with the authorities, sometimes more weight than the member himself who is at ways there." Mr. Hanson said that one of the greatest acts of assistance he had received at Ottawa had been when Ex-Mayor W. M. Watts had gone down to aid him in putting forward the city's representations. "Now we are getting things settled," Mr. Hanson remarked.

Refuses General McNaughton's Plea for Voluntary Enlistment

OTTAWA, Nov. 7 — Cries of protest greeted Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, the new minister of national defence, last night when he asked a Canadian Legion meeting to support the policy of voluntary enlistment for overseas service. In the course of his remarks, Gen. McNaughton used the word "compulsion" there was sustained applause and the chairman had to call for order. The new minister said he did not favor giving men of the Home Defence Army civilian jobs if he did not believe that they were fit for soldiers. Those who would be recalled to the army if fit. The general said they could be "driven" but they could be "encouraged" and "led." He had always advocated the possibility of voluntary enlistment. Gen. McNaughton rejected the voluntary policy in his own, said McNaughton, in adopting it. Premier King was following his advice. He asked if he considered the policy of voluntary enlistment popular in eight provinces. McNaughton replied that he would not make his decisions on the basis of popularity. The minister said his experience had made him favor the policy of voluntary enlistments. If the Canadian Army had been raised in any other way than the voluntary system it would not have been worthy of the name. Gen. McNaughton disclosed that he was arranging home leave for overseas men who had been serving abroad for the longest time. Canada's new defence minister announced his program in regard to army reinforcements.

Annihilating of Germans

Premier Joseph Stalin is Well Satisfied With War Developments LONDON, Nov. 7 — Premier Joseph Stalin announced yesterday that 30 German divisions are now cut off from East Prussia in the Baltic States and are being annihilated. It was in this connection that Stalin said "Germany is on the verge of catastrophe." He hailed the invasion of France as a move enabling the Russians to drive the Nazis from Soviet soil.

Are Buying More Bonds

C.N.R. Employees Are Well Ahead of Last Loan MONTREAL, Nov. 7 — In the first two weeks of the Seventh Victory Loan campaign, employees of the Canadian National system exceeded their total subscriptions to the Sixth Loan by more than half a million dollars, according to latest reports. In the Sixth Loan they raised \$9,127,150. Already in the Seventh Loan, with a week to go, they have subscribed \$9,748,050, an increase of \$620,900. Increases in the two weeks, as compared with the same period in the last loan, were 8.8 per cent in the number of subscribers and 37.5 per cent in the amount of bonds bought. Canadian National Railways employees contributed \$9,295,500, TransCanada Air Lines \$319,900, and National Railways Munitions \$132,650.

Post-war Prices

Prices rose twice as fast after the Armistice in 1918 as they did during the First Great War.

VICTORY LOAN STANDING QUOTA \$725,000 RESULTS \$743,750 Buy one more than before

City Tops Bond Quota on Thirteenth Day

WAR NEWS

Stalin Denounces Japan MOSCOW — Speculation has been aroused by Marshal Stalin's speech in Moscow yesterday in which he denounced Japan as an aggressor nation. London and Washington observers consider it possible that Russia may offer some aid in the war against Japan after Germany is defeated. Canadians Liberate Walcheren PARIS — Canadian First Army troops have captured the city of Middleburg on Walcheren Island in the Dutch Schelde estuary. The attack on the city almost involved an amphibious assault landing over the flooded fields. Canadian-command British troops were forced to use boats and amphibious vehicles to cross the stretches of water surrounding the city. Canadian troops have also captured Veere, thus completing the liberation of Walcheren. Japs Lose More Warships PEARL HARBOR — New Allied naval blows in the Pacific have sent six more Japanese warships onto the sunk-or-damaged list. The engagement took place near Manila, and the attack was carried out by carrier planes. The Japanese also lost nearly 200 aircraft in the fight. In the Philippines, meanwhile, the fight goes well for the Allies. Allied forces are advancing on the west coast port of Ormoc from two directions. The Japanese attempted three counter-attacks north of the port during the night, but all these attacks were thrown back. Superforts Over Tokyo LONDON — The German radio says two superfortresses were sighted over Tokyo and eastern Japan today. No bombs were dropped. The broadcast quotes a Japanese report and there has been no Allied confirmation of such a flight. British Bombers Over Germany LONDON — British bombers were over Germany last night, striking at Coblenz, Gelsenkirchen and other objectives. Night fighters supported to sweeps. Four enemy aircraft were shot down. Fifteen R.A.F. bombers failed to return. Poles Advance in Italy ROME — Polish troops of the British Eighth Army in Italy have captured several important hill features near Forli on the Adriatic and the villages of San Martino and Marsignano. Closing in on Budapest MOSCOW — Russian troops are today battling strongly-reinforced German troops in the outskirts of the Hungarian capital of Budapest. At one point, Russian forces are within two miles south of the big German-held airdrome near the fringe of Budapest. Chaotic conditions are said to exist in the city and refugees are fleeing the capital in increasing numbers. The Paris radio says Hungarian workers have gone on strike and have occupied an armament works in the capital. Meanwhile, Premier Stalin has issued an order of the day commemorating this twenty-seventh anniversary of the Russian revolution. The Russian leader declares that the Red Army and its western allies have taken up favorable positions for a decisive offensive against the vital centres of the Reich. Canucks Sink Big Nazi Ship AT A BRITISH PORT — A large German merchant vessel was destroyed and an E-boat was set afire by a Canadian flotilla of motor torpedo boats in a ten-hour action off the Netherlands on November 1, it was announced today. The Canadians suffered only two casualties.

SAYS TROOPS ARE SHOCKED

At General McNaughton Taking Sides with Anti-Conscriptionists MONTREAL, Nov. 7 — The Montreal Gazette said Saturday in a dispatch from L. S. B. Shapiro, with the Canadian First Army in Holland, that the Canadians were shocked to hear that General A. G. L. McNaughton "appears at least from this distance to have thrown his influence and popularity to the side of the anti-conscriptionists." Shapiro said that Col. J. L. Ralston's decision to make an issue of the reinforcements situation in resigning as defence minister did not surprise the troops.

Carnegie Library Idea Brought Up

John Bulger bringing forward the idea, the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce last night decided to get in touch with the Carnegie Foundation to ascertain what steps should be taken towards having a Carnegie Library established here. The present understanding is that Carnegie builds libraries in a community but it is up to the municipality to maintain them.

In Favor Of Taxation Of Co-operatives

The Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, at last night's meeting, went on record as favoring the taxation of co-operatives, now exempt, for income tax purposes. The Canadian Chamber of Commerce will be asked for support.

City Prepares to Buy Bus Service

The city is girding itself to operate a bus service. Last night city council passed a recommendation of committee of the whole that counsel be employed to draft a by-law to authorize "the borrowing of \$40,000 for the purchase, operation and maintenance of a bus service."

Prince Rupert Goes Over In Seventh Victory Loan

Prince Rupert exceeded its \$725,000 Victory Loan quota by \$18,750 last night. Today's figure stands at \$743,750 and, although Victory Loan canvassers go about their jobs feeling understandably proud, they have no intention of resting on their laurels. "We intend to try and go over the top by 20 per cent by the end of the week," W. D. Lambie, unit organizer, said this morning. "We are going to keep driving."

SEAMAN KILLED WHEN STRUCK BY FALLING BUOY

A 20-year-old naval seaman was accidentally killed at a waterfront naval establishment when a boom defence buoy weighing approximately five tons fell from a derrick scow crane about 1 o'clock Monday afternoon striking him on the back of the head. An enquiry into the seaman's death is being held by naval authorities today. His name will be released when the next-of-kin have been advised.

VICTORY LOAN GOING AHEAD

Increase of This Campaign Over Last is Being Maintained OTTAWA, Nov. 7 — The Victory Loan campaign yesterday swung into its third week after a two weeks' total of \$901,895,000 which was \$42,000,000 ahead of the previous loan at the same stage. Reports from all provinces were encouraging with rural areas in particular showing increases. The British Columbia and Yukon area had reached 87 per cent. Four more units have exceeded quotas — Granville-Hastings East in Vancouver, New Westminster, North Vancouver and Dawson-Mayo. VENETIAN GONDOLAS The famous gondolas of Venice are flat-bottomed and about 30 feet long.

CHURCHILL GREETS STALIN LONDON — Prime Minister Churchill today sent a message of congratulation to Marshal Stalin on the occasion of the twenty-seventh anniversary of the founding of the Soviet Republic. "I wish your country and yourself all success in peace as well as in war," said Churchill's message.