

Concrete Surfacing To Terrace Is Advocated By Engineer Archibald

Should Be Provided Inside Ten Years—Sees Prince George Link Next—Then Hazelton and Coast

It will be your own fault—the fault of the people in this part of the country—if the Prince Rupert and Terrace is not paved in ten years and it will be too late to sleep if the next twenty-five years are to be spent in the construction of a road connecting Hazelton and Terrace. The Alaska Highway and one further west and another to the coast and southward to Alaska," asserted G. D. Archibald, city engineer of Saskatoon, who left Prince Rupert last night after having spent here for the past year and is now in charge of the Federal Department of Public Works and Resources of construction of the now completed Skeena River Highway. "You have within the next five years a system of tapping all the natural resources tributary to Prince Rupert and Central British Columbia of which you have not had any development and which has been over long neglected."



G. D. ARCHIBALD

at Terrace, the engineer explained, and they would be provided with the necessary equipment just as soon as it could be released. The maintenance office would be operated at Terrace as long as the highway was in the hands of the federal government. Eventually, of course, the road would be turned over to the province and become its responsibility.

Delving into history of the surveys which had been made of routes to carry the highway, out of Prince Rupert and up the Skeena River, Mr. Archibald enumerated seven of them:

1. Denise Arm to Skeena City.
2. North side of Prudhomme Lake entailing the crossing of a 1200-foot summit involving quite a number of switchbacks.
3. Rainbow Lake north to Wark Channel.
4. Diana Lake to Rainbow Lake.
5. Via Port Edward and (Continued on Page Two)

STEWART BANK TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE

STEWART, Sept. 18.—The Stewart branch of the Bank of Montreal is tomorrow observing the twenty-fifth anniversary of its establishment. The branch was opened on September 19, 1919. At that time, the town was strictly a mining camp with a population of 250.

Growing up with the town, the bank has been an active partner in its progress, providing the community with the efficient and up-to-date banking services of an institution that's nation wide in scope.

F. W. Harvey was the first of the managers of the branch. The present manager is H. E. W. Woodford.

Local Temperature

Maximum	61
Minimum	49

Reds Are Driving Into Baltic States

UNITED STATES BOMBER CRASHES IN PEACE RIVER

EDMONTON, Sept. 18.—A United States Army bomber, on the way to Russia, crashed 65 miles southeast of Grande Prairie. There were two men on board but planes which sighted the wreck saw no signs of life.

HALIBUT SALES

American Rainier, 40,000, Storage, 15 and 13 1/2.

NOTICE TO RATEPAYERS

A tax sale for delinquent taxes on lots within the City of Prince Rupert will be held in the Council Chambers, Hall, Prince Rupert, B.C., at 10 a.m. September 30.

Property owners on which 1942 taxes are owing will be sold unless paid before September 30, 1944.

H. M. FOOOTE,
Acting Collector.

Tomorrow's Tides
(Pacific Standard Time)

Tuesday, September 19, 1944		
High	20:09	20:2 feet
	14:21	20.6 feet
Low	8:24	4.3 feet
	20:40	4.6 feet

New Air Invasion By Allies

Infuriated Finland on Verge of Declaration of War on Germany

CIVILIAN SABOTEURS ARE SHOT IN CHINA

KUNMING, Sept. 18 (CP)—Hundreds of Japanese saboteurs in civilian clothes were reliably reported today to have filtered into the key city of Kweilin. They were being rounded up and summarily shot.

Nazis Burn Villages and Farms—Navy Attacks Islands

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 18 (CP)—A formal Finnish declaration of war against Germany appeared imminent today as Finnish fury mounted against German troops who wotonly burned villages and farms as they withdrew from northern Finland. The Finnish cabinet met and there were strong indications that action could be expected momentarily.

The Finnish press asserted flatly that a state of war already exists with Germany. Stockholm newspapers reported that several German destroyers and a cruiser were observed in the vicinity of strategic Aland island which the Finns have fortified strongly and gunfire suggested the possibility that the islands might be under attack.

New Orders In Winding Up of War

Conference Sequel—
Complete Agreement Between Roosevelt and Churchill On Future Plans

QUEBEC, Sept. 18 (CP)—Orders incidental to vast new war developments were sifting out to the fighting fronts, war factories and governmental officials today following the Roosevelt-Churchill conference. The meeting ended in complete agreement on plans for the winding up of the European war, adjustment of military and quasi-military questions in Europe after the end of hostilities and unloosing of a giant combined offensive on the Japanese in the Far East.

An announcement made at the conclusion of the conference was that a single command-in-chief in the Pacific was considered impracticable, mainly owing to the great distances.

Assize Court Opens—

FALES DEFENDS SELF IN THEFT HEARING TODAY

Defendant in the only criminal case to appear before Mr. Justice A. D. McFarlane of Victoria in fall session of Assize Court which opened here this morning, George Dewey Fales will act as counsel on his own behalf.

Fales, a former C.N.R. telegraph operator, is charged with theft of \$295 from his employers on February 25. His case was originally scheduled to have been heard in the Spring Assizes but was set over by Mr. Justice J. O. Wilson when Fales did not appear.

Bond of \$1,500, on which he had been freed, was estreated by the court.

Fales returned to Prince Rupert from the United States in August.

The present session, which opened at 11 o'clock this morning, was adjourned until 3 o'clock due to a lack of jurors.

T. W. Brown is crown counsel.

Following is the list of jurors so far called: Hector Adamson, H. A. Allan, D. G. Borland, Mrs. J. C. Boulter, Axel Hansen, D. L. Jones, C. F. Loper, J. B. May, R. H. McClare, Mrs. Jean McClaymont, T. A. McMeekin, jr., J. P. McNeil, Peter McWilliam, Paul Neilson, Arthur Palmer, George Phillipson, C. R. Raabe, James Rhodes, Mrs. Emily Rothwell, G. R. Shenton, William Stuart, L. H. Swanson, Allen Syverson, Carl Warn.

ROME PRISONER SLAIN BY MOB

Infuriated At Postponement of Trial of Former Police Chief

ROME, Sept. 18 (CP)—A mob, infuriated by the postponement of the trial of Pietro Caruso, former police chief in Rome, dragged him out of the courtroom today and killed him, throwing the body into the Tiber River. Allied authorities, fearing riots, had ordered postponement of the trial.

Caruso was police chief in Rome during the last four months of the Nazi regime.

CLOSING ON PHILIPPINES

Further Important Island Conquests by Allies in Southwest Pacific

PEARL HARBOR, Sept. 18 (CP)—United States Marines advanced north one-third of a mile on Peleliu and army troops occupied the entire northeast curve of Angaur against heavy enemy opposition.

Official communiques indicated that United States forces were speeding towards a conquest of the two islands in the Palau group.

These islands are important in connection with the campaign which is closing in on the Philippines.

BIG STORM BLOWN OUT

NEW YORK, Sept. 18 (CP)—At least 39 persons lost their lives in the hurricane which swept up the Atlantic Coast last Thursday, causing damage estimated at between \$30,000,000 and \$53,000,000.

The tail-end of the storm was blowing across the Maritime Provinces Saturday and was losing force although causing some damage in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

EIGHT ENEMY SHIPS SUNK

ROME, Sept. 18 (CP)—An Allied task force, including aircraft carriers, has sunk more than eight enemy ships in the Aegean Sea off Greece, it was announced today.

WEATHER FORECAST

Queen Charlottes and North Coast: Mostly fair and mild except locally. Cloudy in morning and becoming partly cloudy Tuesday, Mod. to fresh winds locally. Light sheltered areas.

WAR NEWS

AIR ARMY IN HOLLAND
LONDON—The first airborne army consisting of strong Allied forces has been landed in Holland. Landings were made in three regions. Canadians are included in the forces. General Dwight P. Eisenhower, Allied commander-in-chief, broad cast a message to Dutch patriots saying: "The hour for which you have waited so long has struck."

GERMAN DEFENCES CRACKING
ALLIED SUPREME HEADQUARTERS—The Siegfried Line has been pierced by the Allies in at least six places and the Nazis are withdrawing toward the Rhine River on the east bank of which they are expected to make a death stand in defence of the Reich. The United States First Army, after a breakthrough, is now within 23 miles of the great industrial city of Cologne. The Seventh is reported to have reached Belfort and the Third is fifteen miles from Saar. Around Aachen there is stiff fighting. United States forces entered the city but were forced to withdraw. German counter-attacks between Metz and Nancy have been repulsed and the fall of Metz to the Allies is expected momentarily. The Battle of Germany is proceeding along a 50-mile front between Switzerland and the Netherlands.

HITLER APPEALS TO JAPS
STOCKHOLM—There is an unconfirmed report here that Adolf Hitler has asked the Japanese ambassador to Berlin to aid Germany in making peace with Russia.

RUSSIANS ENTER SOFIA
LONDON—In their drive down the Balkans toward Yugoslavia the Russian forces have entered Sofia, the capital of Bulgaria.

GERMANS EVACUATING WARSAW
MOSCOW—The Germans are reported to be blowing up utilities, barracks and other installations in Warsaw, the capital of Poland, indicating that an evacuation is taking place. The Red Army is now throwing pontoons across the Vistula River from the industrial suburb of Praga.

JAPANESE QUITTING PHILIPPINES
TOKIO—It is reported here that the Japanese are evacuating the big port of Davao on Mindanao Island in the Philippines. The Manila radio has warned the people there that they should prepare air raid shelters at once.

CANADIANS IN ITALY
ROME—In Italy the Canadians are attacking the village of San Maritano, two miles from Rimini.

TITO IN DALMATIANS
ANKARA—Marshal Tito's Yugoslav loyalist forces have captured two islands in the Dalmatian group in their campaign to cut off the Germans in the Balkans.

IN CELEBES AND CERAM
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NEW GUINEA—Three Japanese ships were destroyed and another was beached in aerial attacks on the Celebes and Ceram by Allied bombers. Allied objectives on the perimeter of Morotai Island invaded September 15 have been reached.

Move to Open Way To Berlin Around Westwall Defence

CANADIANS REACH BOULOGNE DOCKS AND FALL OF IMPORTANT CHANNEL PORT IS IMMINENT

LONDON, Sept. 18 (CP)—The Paris radio reported today that Allied airborne troops have occupied Tilburg, Nijmegen and Eindhoven in Holland, all points at which the Germans said Allied troops had landed. Meanwhile a great armada of bombers and transport planes fed supplies to the airborne army and destroyed twenty-seven of sixty German fighters which tried to interfere.

Additional airborne reinforcements and supplies were landed by glider in Holland today.

Supreme headquarters announced that the airborne army which landed Sunday had won the first round in the battle to lay open flat lands of north Germany for an invasion around the Siegfried Line in the direction of Berlin.

The British Second Army has plunged forward from bridgeheads across the Schelde-Meuse Canal, the offensive being aimed at linking with the airborne army in Holland.

A front line dispatch said that the First Canadian Army had reached the dock area of Boulogne where some four thousand Germans are believed to be holding out. Although Boulogne is not yet officially announced to have been captured, its fall cannot be far away. There is no change in the position of the besieged ports of Dunkerque and Calais.

New Air Blows—
IN WAKE OF INVASION OF NETHERLANDS

No Respite Given Reich—Big Fires In Bremen

LONDON, Sept. 18 (CP)—The German radio indicated that a series of big new air blows were falling on Germany today both north and south in the wake of Sunday's airborne landings in Holland and overnight Royal Air Force mosquito attacks on Bremen.

Many big fires were reported in Bremen.

Royal Air Force fighters strafed enemy airfields and destroyed two Nazi fighters.

Spearheads of the First American Army which had pierced the Siegfried Line south of encircled Aachen held on grimly today to positions 20 to 25 miles from Cologne.

Since the formation of the First Canadian Army in France July 23 it has taken 52,971 prisoners, it was announced today.

Bulletins

LIGHTS OF LONDON
LONDON — Lights went on again in London last night but it was only for a short time because soon there was an air raid alert and buzz bombs, supposedly shot from planes, started landing. Theatres and cafes had their lights burning brightly for a time but few street lights were turned on as switching, after the long blackout, has not yet been reorganized.

800 AT UNIVERSITY
VANCOUVER—The University of British Columbia has reopened with a record enrollment of new students estimated at 800, more than 100 more than last year.

CIVIL DEFENCE
VANCOUVER — Leaving on his return to Ottawa after a visit here, Hon. Ian Mackenzie said he hoped for an early relaxation of civilian defence measures. He would make representations to Ottawa with that end in view.

Vaccination was discovered by Edward Jenner, an English physician.

Wanted

Local Shipyard Requires Journeymen Helpers, also Women and Boys as Rivet Passers and Markers. — Apply National Selective Service A.M. 150.