

Tuesday, Feb. 22	
High	10:01 6.9 feet
Low	18:43 1.9 feet

Local Temperature

Maximum	44
Minimum	33

Budget Brought Down Today

Credit of Province Of British Columbia Is At Highest Level

Only War Prevents Cost of Education Being Taken Over—To Study Municipal Responsibilities.

VICTORIA, Feb. 21 (CP) — British Columbia's credit is at the highest mark in its history and is not surpassed by any other province, Premier John Hart told the Legislature today when, as minister of finance, he brought down the budget. The province was able to refund \$3,000,000 at maturity on the New York market at 2.5 per cent, the lowest rate ever obtained by the province at that market.

Estimates for the year beginning April 1 anticipated revenue of \$34,505,225 which would leave of \$34,605,750 and expenditures a surplus of \$100,525.

Mr. Hart said that war conditions prevented the provincial government from taking over all education costs but the government planned detailed study of municipal fields of responsibility and taxation as well as the whole system of education and its cost.

The appropriations for 1944-45 include \$25,000 more than formerly for grubstaking prospectors.

Mr. Hart also announced tax rebates for men and women serving in the forces applying to real property and mineral claims to cover the duration of service.

BULLETINS

ANOTHER BIG RAID
LONDON—The United States made another great 2,000-ton bomb attack by daylight today. The exact objective was not at first disclosed but it is believed that fighter plane factories were attacked.

TOJO REORGANIZES
TOKYO—Premier Tojo has reorganized his cabinet with the dismissal of three ministers—finance, agriculture and commerce and communications—on account of a "serious" internal situation. The chief of staff of army and navy bases have been dismissed as a result of the Truk disaster.

MONTREAL CAR STRIKE
MONTREAL — The strike, which tied up the entire street car and bus service of Montreal Friday, ended Saturday but looked like resuming last night. A closed shop agreement is said to have been asked for. C.C.L. workers refused to man the same cars as those of the A.F.L.

PRODUCTION CUT
WASHINGTON — General H. H. Arnold, chief of air staff, says that 25 per cent of the aircraft production of Germany has been destroyed as a result of the great raids on Leipzig Saturday night and Sunday.

SCORED FOUR GOALS
TORONTO—Bud Coyle scored four of the ten goals which Toronto Maple Leafs made Saturday night in defeating Boston 10 to 4. He was a rookie last year and this was his first game this season.

MONTREAL FIRE
MONTREAL — The Astor Grill, in the heart of St. Catherine's Street theatre district, was destroyed by a \$60,000 fire Saturday night.

ASSASSINATION PLOT
MOSCOW—It is stated here that a Fascist plot to assassinate King Peter of Yugoslavia and place the blame on Yugoslav patriots has been uncovered.

London Has Big Attack

Schools, Convent and Apartment Houses are Among Buildings Hit.

LONDON, Feb. 21 (CP) — The Nazi scattered incendiaries and explosives over London in a fierce attack Sunday night which set fires in many areas and caused some casualties. The Germans fanned out in all directions in an effort to confuse defences.

The raiders were met by heavy anti-aircraft barrage and at least three were shot down. Three schools and a convent, hotel and several apartment houses were burned out.

JAPAN SAYS LOSS LARGE

Serious Defeat at Truk is Acknowledged—Army and Navy Commands Furged.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21 (CP)—The Tokyo radio acknowledged today that Japan had suffered heavy loss to her great naval base of Truk and announced that chiefs of staffs of both Japanese army and navy have been relieved of their posts.

Emperor Hirohito has personally appointed Premier Tojo to take charge of the Army.

Stuttgart Hard Hit

LONDON, Feb. 21 (CP) — The Royal Air Force and the Royal Canadian Air Force dealt a third great blow in 36 hours Sunday night, bombarding Stuttgart as a sequel to a record assault during the day on Nazi airplane factories by two thousand American planes and a Saturday night attack by the British at Leipzig.

The attack on Stuttgart was in great strength and caused intense fires. Leipzig alone was hit by 2,300 tons of explosives.

VICTORIA, Feb. 21 (CP)—Hon. H. G. T. Perry, minister of education, introduced a bill in the Legislature providing for the reading of a Bible passage without comment and the recitation of the Lord's Prayer in public schools at the daily opening.

BRITONS HONORED
MOSCOW—The highest military award of the Soviet Republic has been conferred on three British military leaders including General Sir Harold Alexander.

THREE OBJECTIVES
MOSCOW — The Red Army is now driving on three major objectives—Pskov in the north, Minsk in White Russia and Krivoi Rog in the Ukraine.

Amendment To Libel Act By T. D. Pattullo

VICTORIA, Feb. 21 (CP)—Former Premier T. D. Pattullo has introduced in the Legislature an amendment to the Libel and Slander Act which would force newspapers and periodical publications which print statements about persons' conduct or statements to publish without deletion or alteration the replies of those persons providing they are of reasonable length.

THE TRUK ATTACK—

Big Damage Wrought by Americans

Nineteen Vessels, Including Warships and 201 Jap Planes Destroyed.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 21.—"The visit of Dec. 7, 1941, on Pearl Harbor has been returned and a partial settlement effected," said an official communique by the Department of the Navy yesterday on the attack by the United States Pacific fleet on the Japanese naval base of Truk last week.

Details of the result of the attack on Truk were given in the communique. Nineteen enemy vessels were sunk, and seven probably sunk. Short installations were bombed and strafed. Two hundred and one enemy planes were destroyed, 127 being shot down and the remainder destroyed on the ground.

The Japanese vessels known to have been sunk include three light cruisers, three destroyers, one ammunition ship, three seaplane tenders and cargo ships.

The vessels probably sunk included a cruiser and a destroyer.

The attack on Truk lasted two days. On the second day there was no enemy response.

DESTROYER LOST

LONDON — The Admiralty announces the loss of the veteran destroyer Janet.

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—

Marshall Air Base Is Taken

PEARL HARBOR, Feb. 21.—United States Marines Saturday took possession of Engabai Island on the westernmost Eniwetok atoll of the Marshall group. Engabai, which has an air field, is about seven hundred miles from the important Japanese mid-Pacific base of Truk. The casualties were light.

American naval vessels—destroyers—shelled Rabaul on New Britain Island and Kavieng on New Island, for the first time. Shore installations were damaged and ships in the harbors were struck. The United States warships got within four miles of Rabaul and Kavieng. Not one was damaged.

For the sixteen consecutive day Rabaul was heavily air-raided on Sunday by American planes which destroyed 123 tons of bombs to add further to the great wreckage and destruction there.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, in a special communique, said that operations were proceeding according to schedule in the campaign against the Japanese in the Western Pacific.

Further blows have been dealt on the Japanese in the Carolines.

Students See Food Picture

Well-organized film show at St. John's school.

Five children of the city school, in a technical color film, presented by the Provincial Government in the city of Prince Rupert, in the civilian nutrition campaign of the Union Board of Health and other organizations.

Created by the Air Force to be shown to Air Force personnel, the film did a mouth-watering job of glamorizing milk, meat, cheese, vegetables and their vitamins. An interest-holding master stroke was the sustained comparison of the requirements of an aircraft for efficient service and the nutritional needs of the airman himself.

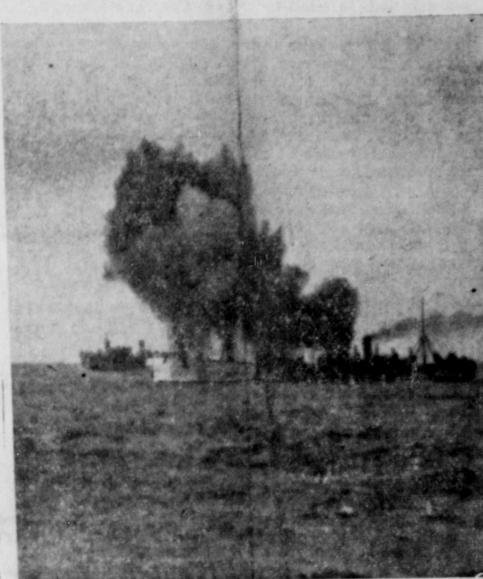
The balance of the use of foods common to everyday Canadian tables was the theme of the 20-minute picture, with accent on milk and milk products and vegetables. It was shown that every food and vitamin required for the body is contained in milk, meat, vegetables, cereals, and fruits. The proper and continuous combination of these foods makes for interesting eating, and high personal efficiency.

Vitamins were likened to the spark in an aircraft engine, without which the aircraft, no matter how well fueled and serviced, cannot operate.

In a spoken foreword to the picture, Hon. C. G. Power, Minister of Defence for Air, spoke of proper food as a weapon of war and commented on the timely and valuable information contained in the picture.

The picture is released for free public showing by Famous Players in their theatres and was shown this morning through the courtesy of D. G. Borland, manager of the local theatre.

Sixth grade students from all the city's public schools and student of Booth Memorial High attended the showing.



CANADA'S FIRST ANTI-AIRCRAFT CRUISER FIGHTS OFF NAZI BOMBERS—While men on the bridge held their breath, a glider bomb released by a Heinkel 177 zoomed past the Prince Robert's bows and went straight for a freighter in the convoy. But a second before it was to have hit the mark, the bomb took an upward turn, passed over the freighter's masts and plummeted into the water 80 yards away. The freighter is seen above, almost enveloped in the cascade of water as the bomb fell.

EIGHTY YEARS OLD—

Birthday Of Bishop

Rt. Rev. E. M. Bunoz Honored Yesterday by Parishioners

His Excellency Bishop E. M. Bunoz, O.M.I., who on February 24 will celebrate the eightieth anniversary of his birth, was yesterday, at the pressing request of the members of his church at home to all who wished to call and pay their respects. During the course of the afternoon over a hundred guests, representing every family in the parish, attended to present their good wishes.

Mrs. J. J. Gillis, president of the Catholic Women's League, assisted by Mrs. M. P. McCaffery, received the guests and presented them to the Bishop.

Mrs. Young was registrar of names of guests.

Refreshments were served by the Catholic Women's League. Honoring were Mrs. J. F. Ritchie and Mrs. Smith. Serviteurs were Mrs. Leo Diron, Mrs. Joseph Garon, Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Dominato and Mrs. Angus Gillis.

Fathers Lantagne, Racette and Joseph Carroll mingled with the guests.

The ceremony concluded with benediction of the most blessed sacrament prior to which His Excellency preached a touching sermon in which he gave an outline of the history of his life and expressed his gratitude to the people of Prince Rupert for their unflinching kindness to him.

Ambulance Group Meets

The annual financial statement of the local St. John's Ambulance Association, read before a meeting of the association held in the Red Cross rooms yesterday afternoon, showed the group to be in a sound financial condition. The full executive attended the meeting.

The election of new officers for the coming year was set for Friday night and the resignation from the executive of Angus McDonald, first aid instructor, was announced. Mr. McDonald expects to leave the city shortly to take up residence in Vancouver.

A meeting for the full membership will be held on Friday night in the Red Cross rooms.

Campaign Organized

Canvassers Named for City in Drive Which Starts Week From Today.

Organization of Prince Rupert and district for the forthcoming Red Cross campaign for funds, commencing a week from today and lasting until the middle of March, has been completed.

S. E. Parker, provincial campaign committee member, is chairman for the outlying district in this area with Miss Florence Parker as secretary.

In the city of Prince Rupert there will be internal canvasses for the military, dry dock and Canadian National Railways employees.

Arnold Platen, president of the Prince Rupert Red Cross Society, is chairman of the city drive with Rolfe Blackburn as campaign manager and treasurer and H. A. Breen secretary.

The city canvassers are as follows:

CITY OF PRINCE RUPERT

- Seal Cove District—Mrs. J. E. Boddie (organizer), Mrs. A. Barbe, Mrs. H. V. Tattersall, Mrs. W. Davidson, Mrs. G. A. Kelsey, Mrs. W. B. Skinner, Mrs. G. Twiss, Mrs. W. McLean, Mrs. J. Hadden.
- Hays Creek to McBride Street—Mrs. John Gibson (organizer), Mrs. Wm. Lambie, Mrs. Sid Elkins, Mrs. A. W. Large, Mrs. F. E. Coy, Mrs. H. F. Glassey, Mrs. J. Henning, Mrs. A. Cowie, Mrs. R. J. Blackburn, Mrs. Jens Munthe, Mrs. S. A. Kleiback.
- McBride to Fulton Street—Mrs. Alex Mitchell (organizer), Mrs. Wm. Watts, Mrs. W. J. Richards, Mrs. Ruby Kwan, Mrs. J. J. Gillis, Mrs. Frank Ellison, Miss Mavis Thain.
- Fulton Street to Borden Street West—Mrs. W. Brass (organizer), Mrs. T. J. Bodifer, Mrs. J. S. Black, Mrs. Dan Parent, Mrs. W. Whiffen, Mrs. Allan.
- Westview District—Mrs. D. C. Stuart (organizer), Mrs. T. B. Black, Mrs. A. W. Allaire, Mrs. J. N. Forman, Mrs. H. B. Hibbard, Mrs. E. Clapp, Mrs. Geo. Hills, Mrs. R. S. Scherk.
- Residential, First, Second and Third—Mrs. J. F. Smith (organizer), assisted by members of Red Cross Corps.
- Business and Waterfront—Gyro Club Members — Gordon Bryant (organizer) Wm. Lambie, Wm. Stone, L. Lambly, Mas Asemisen, A. Dominato, J. Bulger, C. C. Mills, Wm. Watts, F. Dibb, M. Brydges, Joe Scott.
- Chinese Section — Bennie Lee (organizer), assisted by members of Chinese Youth Association.

STILL IN PARK

VANCOUVER—The Vancouver police have located a still in Stanley Park.

HOBBERS DEMONSTRATE

Disrobing Incidents at Place—Sons of Freedom on Rampage.

PRINCE RUPERT, Feb. 21 (CP)—Two demonstrations were held over the week-end by the Sons of Freedom Doukhobors.

Registration cards were being sent to the government for protesting against call-ups forcing Doukhobors to alternate service camps. Guards have been placed at schools and bridges.

ordinating Council Formed

PRINCE RUPERT, Feb. 21.—A co-ordinating council of personnel and armed forces in the city and of the civil population is being formed here, the purpose being to maintain a library of educational classes, entertainments and to assist patients at the hospital.

Mr. England, chairman of the village commissioners, took part in a well attended organizational meeting which was held at the Red Cross hall, Friday evening.

Officers elected were: Chairman—Duncan Kerr. Secretary—Miss Clara Little. Representative representing most of the local churches and organizations consists of Mrs. M. D. Duff, Mrs. Head (librarian), Mrs. N. Sherwood (program), Mrs. Neaton (sewing). The Y.M.C.A. was represented by Harold Crow.

Nazis Are Treating

Prisoners Are Again in Control of Situation at Anzio Bridgehead.

PRINCE RUPERT, Feb. 21 (CP)—Big news of Allied naval craft added their weight to the German south of Anzio by bombing the Anzio beachhead.

Several infantry and tanks succeeded in throwing the enemy back from their beachhead and several hundred prisoners were taken.

Hockey Scores

Saturday
Montreal 5, New York 2.
Boston 10, Boston 4.
Sunday
Montreal 6, Boston 5.
Montreal 7, New York 2.
Boston 10, Chicago 0.

WAR NEWS

BATTLE OF ITALY

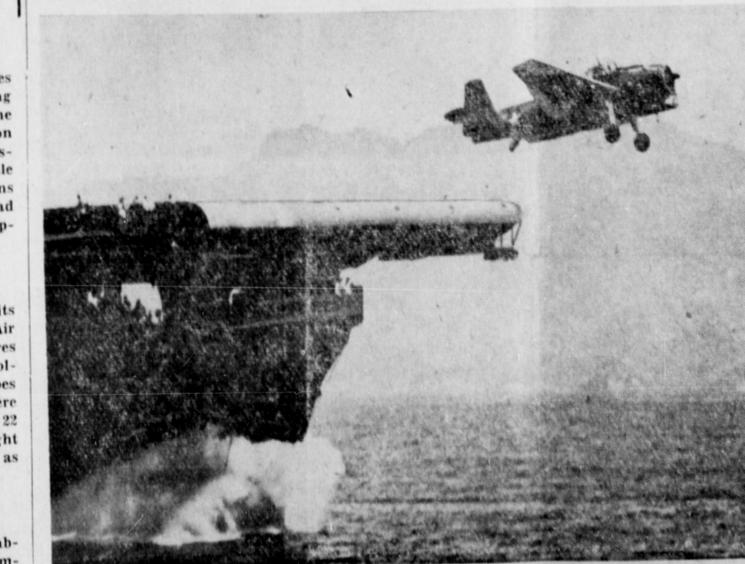
PRINCE RUPERT, Feb. 21 (CP)—Fiercest fighting in the Italian campaign still goes on at the beachhead south of Rome. The Germans, throwing in divisions, a force estimated at up to 150,000 men into the battle, made a two-mile penetration into the Allied lines on Sunday but have been pushed back at least part of the distance by the Allies who have resumed the offensive. The battle goes on undiminished around Cassino where the Americans have been forced to give up the railway station which they had captured. The Allied land forces are receiving naval and air support. Twenty-six enemy aircraft were shot down yesterday.

LEIPSIK SMASHED

LONDON — The German industrial city of Leipzig had its fiercest attack of the war Saturday night from the Royal Air Force which dropped 2,300 tons of bombs, starting huge fires causing enormous damage. The United States Air Force followed up with a mighty daylight blow yesterday. Mosquitoes led Berlin and western Germany. Seventy-nine planes were shot down by the Royal Air Force Saturday and the Americans lost 22 bombers and four fighters yesterday. There were daylight attacks yesterday on other important German targets as well as the Netherlands.

BATTLE OF RUSSIA

MOSCOW—A large formation of Russian Air Force bombers attacked Pskov, starting large fires and causing much damage. As Russian land forces closed in from three sides. The Red Army yesterday made a two to 12 mile gain and took 114 more prisoners to the west of Staraya Russa. The Russians are also advancing on Minsk in White Russia and on Krivoi Rog in the Ukraine.



SWIFTER THAN AN ARROW IN ITS FLIGHT—Shooting off the edge of the flight deck of a U.S. navy aircraft carrier, like an eagle in its flight, a Gruman Avenger torpedo bomber heads out on a mission. The sharp bow of the flat-top kicks up a rough spray as the ship speeds through the water.