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Russians Well Into Rumania;

PRICE FIVE CENTS

v Five Per Cent Of hce Rupert Children Getting Proper D

Also Sweeping On In Poland on the Prince Rupert Nutrit. oth Memorial School last wes esent, and Miss Young in the c 2 2 2 results recent full week's survey of sc & 'ren's' Prince Rupert was considered an estimated school population

he diets.

in ordinary white flour. ttee of Miss Collinson | meeting.

was learned that only and Mrs. Milaney was appointed cent of children had to inquire into the use and ate all-round diet. The availability of Canada-Approved lowed that, while the flour in the city and also to forion of protein, fats, ward a report on this matter to ohydrates was gener- Miss Baldwin, provincial nutri-

An appraisal of the local food supplies and prices was suggested. It was felt by the committee that shortages were not e health education in as alarming as generally Ways and means of thought and nutritious substitutes were often available.

Ways and means of increasing school children's consumption

Great satisfaction was expressed at the interest shown by the various public-spirited organizations represented at the

plete

HEADQUARTERS IN EST PACIFIC, March rengau township, Japiquarters and key the Admiralty Islands ared Saturday, headanounced today. Large of material were cap-

areas in the Admir ds have now been capthe Allies.

Commencing Tuesday

March 20 (7) ap play-offs in the Hockey League ar -place Montreal an ce Toronto meeting at and second-place Defourth-place Chicago nd scores for N. H. re as follows:

Saturday al 10, Boston 2 6, Chicago 3. al 11, New York 2. Sunday al 6, New York 1 2, Detroit 0.

Equipment

ouse committee of the upert General Hospital orized by the board at ng Friday night to connd a sterilizer for one ree floors of the instiich is still lacking such

T HORSE FEED

a carter, had to pay tion.

NAZIS OCCUPY HUNGARY LONDON - It was reported today that German forces were occupying Hungary, having already taken possession

ROYAL WEDDING married today.

HEADS LABOR BOARD

ibald of Truro was today appointed chairman of the National War Labor Board in succession to Mr. Justice C. P. McTeague.

GERMANS ON LOOSE guards.

MONTREAL Bandits visited a local wholesale fur house and made their getaway with \$8,735 of furs including a \$4,200 mink coat.

NEW JAP OFFENSIVE Indian state of Manapur.

BOMBED AGAIN

PEARL HARBOR, March 20 - Aleutian - based American planes hit Paramushiru Island Saturday for the third straight mmittee Authorized to strike in three days on Japan's se Oxygen Tent and northern Kurile Islands. Several fires were started. All planes returned safely.

ALGIERS, March 20 0-Pierre Pucheu, former Minister of the Interior of the Vichy government, was executed today on treason charges of which he the The Oranges are was convicted a week ago by United Kingdom special French military court Middle East now but Pucheu died before a firing still a luxury. So John squad at a nearby military sta-

for feeding oranges to Sentence was imposed on the order which led to Picheu as an exponent of colthe oranges had been laboration with the Germans in his capacity as interior minister.

Bulletins

of several key points.

LONDON - King Peter of YugoSlavia, 20, and Princess Alexandra of Greece, 23, were

OTTAWA-Mr. Justice Arch-

CALCUTTA - The Japanese have started a new offensive in the Chindwin Valley of Burma, evidently aimed at the

at an estimated cost IS EXECUTED

OTTAWA-There will be an investigation of reports that German war prisoners are moving freely about the Quebee town of Buckingham, visiting beer parlors with thier

FUR STORE ROBBED

on the famed Alaska Highway. "Some parts of the road built by the Engineering Construct of Japan's expansion, publicity tion service of the Federal De- accompanying the work partment of Mines and Natural been so meagre that it has not Resources lalong the Skeena extended much beyond the River were among the toughest sound limit of a pneumatic rock construction problems ever drill pecking at the river's rocky tackled on this contilent," G. D. walls. Archibald, field construction en-

Rapid City, Manitoba.

SKEENA RIVER HIGHWAY MASTERPIECE-

AND TOURIST TRAFFIC.

(By J. K. McLeod)

explained in his office on Prince Rupert's Third Avenue. nature but labor shortages and inadequate equipment replacements as well," he added.

will have at last an automotive and Hazelton. outlet to the rest of Canadaand vice-versa.

"Local interest in the progress of this road has been high," admitted Mr. Archibald, a veteran construction man, who, as City Engineer of Saskatoon, is on loan to the Department as field supervisor of the project. "There is no doubt that after the war it will mean a lot to this area from the standpoint of commercial and tourist travel."

ada has been under way for the last two years along central British Columbia's turbulent Skeena River. Completion of work, expected by July 1, on the Skeena River Highway will terminate a project which, in some phases, presented construction difficulties even Begun in the middle of June

SIGNALLERS PERFORM HEROIC TASKS IN ITALY-Where there is fighting you will find

men of the Royal Canadian Signals. In Italy, the signallers have written new and heroic

chapters into military history, keeping communications open during bitter and earth-shak-

ing battles. These two recent pictures from Ita y show two R.C.S. men near the front line. On

the left is Gnr. R. G. Marquis, M.M., of Baker Brook, N.B., testing a telephone line strung

won his M.M. at Campobasso. Right-Keeping open lines of communication in a forward

area. Mortar shells knocked out this signals circuit. Making repairs is Gnr. G. Andrew of

Construction Projects To

One Of Toughest Highway

over a second storey balcony in a farmhouse used by Canadian artillery spotters. Marquis

greater than those encountered 1942 to relieve the heartbreaking transportation picture in northern British Columbia in the days

Actually the highway congineer in charge of the project st acted by federal government ago have not arrived yet." contractors is not a continuous stretch of road. The job. guiden "-And we had to battle not from Ottawa by J. M. Wardle, only the granite installations of director of Engineering Cons ruction Service, and T. Mills, chief engineer, was connect two unfinished links But citizens of the coast and a road previously built along the interior regions are mildly jubi- Skeena by the Provincial Delant for, even though civilian partment of Public Works. But use of the road must wait until those unfinished stretches were lel on the continent. Already after the war previously isolated the longest and toughest in the Prince Rupert and its environs 195 miles between Prince Rupert

> The westerly section began at Prudhomene Lake, eleven mile east of Prince Rupert, running southeast to touch the north bank of the Skeena at Tyee. then eastward to Terrace, a total distance of 78 miles. The sec and section started at Pacific 25 miles east of Terrace, and followed the south bank of the river for 33 miles to a point opthrough surveys directed by H. katoon Saturday night.

... Hayne of Kamloops, the prov-PRINCE RUPERT WILL AT LONG LAST HAVE incial government's chief locat-AUTOMOTIVE OUTLET TO REST OF CAN- ing engineer.

ADA - GREAT ASSET IN COMMERCIAL SPARE PARTS WAS HEADACHE

structed road is only 111 miles yet, at the height of progress, Goods to Reich Unknown to most Canadians, one of the most e construction companies difficult construction undertakings in wartime Canad two million dollars worth construction machinery in million dollars worth of equip- through France to Germany. away. ent from becoming just so much idle junk for want of pare parts was his and the conactors' biggest headache.

"If we could have obtained epairs and replacements for ur machinery promptly we ould have finished the job in half the time-in one year inlead of two. We had all the heavy equipment we needed but we could not keep it in operaion. By way of illustration, reairs we ordered six months

The toughest spot on the road. and the part that will be finhed last, is at the western end tween Prudhomme Lake and Tyee. Here the builders were faced with putting a road three miles over a rock summit 600 feet above sea level. The job is claimed by Mr. Archibald to be to his knowledge without paral-(Continued on Page Two)

CALGARY, March 20 ()-New Westminster Lodestars defeated the Edmonton Victorias 10-0 here on Saturday night, thus qualifying to meet Flin Flon in the next round of the western senior hockey play-offs. The rosite Ceda vale. The location first New Westminster-Saskaof the route was determined toon game will be played at Sas-

Germans in Frantic Retreat; New Red Offensive is Brewing; Odessa and Lwow Next on List

in the winter drive.

Big Victory In Atlantic

sloops bagged at least six + + German u-boats within a + * 20-day period in the North * * Atlantic. H. M. S. Wood- * * pecker was torpedoed and * + taken in tow, the crew be- + + ing saved. The announce- + + ment was made Sunday by + + the Admiralty.

CRERAR IS APPOINTED

Succeeds McNaughton as Commander-in-chief of Canadian Army Overseas

OTTAWA, March 20 - Lieut. recently returned to Canada, it Saturday night. was announced today. Lieut. General Kenneth Stuart has been relieving and will return HUNS STIFF Be Finished By July First to his post as chief of staff.

Major General E. L. Burns of Quebec is promoted to lieutenant general and Brigadier B. M. Hoffmeister of Vancouver becomes a major-general.

Russia Charges The length of the newly con- Spain Shipping

Trail Starts Junior Series

retreat.

General H. G. D. Cierar has REGINA, March 20 0-In the been appointed commander-in- first game of the western Canchief of Canadian Army over- ada junior hockey play-offs seas in succession to Lieut. Gen- Trail beat Regina 3-1 here on

Allies By-pass Town to Approach Road to Rome

NAPLES, March 20 @-Allied Headquarters announced that the Germans have reinforced their positions in Cassino and fierce fighting continues.

The Allies have by-passed MOSCOW. March 20 ()-Rus- Cassino to the north and are along it. And, according to sia charges that Spain is ship- approaching the main road to Archibald, keeping that two ping goods via Barcelona and Rome, being but half a mile

GREAT RAIDS KEPT UP

WAR NEWS

LONDON-Augsburg, Munich, Lansburg and Freidrichshafen were objectives in southern Germany of great daylight raids by 2,000 American bombers on Saturday. Two hundred German fighters were destroyed in battle. Forty-three American bombers and ten fighters failed to return. Frankfurt was the principal target of Sunday's daylight raids on Germany and France.

RUSSIANS IN RUMANIA

MOSCOW-With the Russians rapidly advancing and already swarming across the Dniester River and the Germans in frantic retreat pontoon ferries have been rushed up to the Dniester by the Nazis in order to withdraw their forces across the stream into Rumania. German casualties are described as enormous. The Red Army has reached to within nine miles of Nikolaev and is surrounding Odessa from which city the Germans are reported to be already evacuating.

THE BATTLE OF ITALY

NAPLES-There are signs of increased activity on the Anzio beachhead south of Rome. New Zealanders have about completed the job of driving the Germans out of Cassino. The enemy are still endeavouring to maintain their strong position on the monastry hill overlooking Cassino.

DECISIVE YEAR IN WAR

LONDON - Prime Minister Winston Churchill hopes that this year will bring the decisive stages of the war. Britons will be engaged in every war theatre in the world in 1944, he de-

KURILES ARE RAIDED AGAIN

WASHINGTON - American land-based planes have raided Matsua on the Kurile Islands midway between Paramushiro and Japan proper. There were three raids on the Kuriles between Thursday and Friday. Paramushiro was also bombed again.

miles from Lwow which is the next great prize.

LONDON, March 20 (CP)—The Russians pur-

sued the Germans into pre-war Rumania today and

headed for the Danube estuary to block the re-

treat from southern Russia of German formations

way centre of Lwow the Russians captured Krem-

enets, hill-top fortress, among 355 localities taken

a new Russian northern offensive was brewing.

war Rumania on a 31-mile front Sunday, crossing

the Dniester River and capturing 40 Bessarabian

villages. German-Rumanian divisions were so shat-

tered that they left bridges intact in their haste to

vanced on Sunday, capturing one village only 60

In pre-war Poland the Russians had also ad-

In Poland 70 miles north of the important rail-

The German-controlled radio also hinted that

Thousands of Russians had smashed into pre-

falling back into the Odessa sector.

Great Air

Numerous Enemy Planes Being Destroyed in Raids on Continent

LONDON, March 20 (CC) -Strong formations of bombers beaded across the English Channel today for the sixth consecutive day of attacks against enemy targets already battered by twenty thousand tons of bombs since last Wed-

nesday. Last night the Royal Air Force from Italy hit the German shipbuilding base at Menfalcone, northwest of the Italian Adriatic port of Trieste, while mosquitos from Great Britain blasted central and western Germany targets without loss.

Possibly three hundred German fighters were shot down in week-end battles. At least 440 German planes were put out of action in the air and on the ground against loss of 195 Allied aircraft in the week beginning March 13 and ending Saturday night.

New Ambulance Is Coming Soon

The new ambulance which is about to be delivered to Prince Rupert is costing about \$2000 and, since there is a fund of about \$2900 for it, a concrete garage is to be built to house the vehicle. This was reported to the hospital board at its regular monthly meeting by W. M. Watts, chairman of the ambulance committee. The priority permit for the ambulance has been granted so it is expected there will be little delay in its

Weather Takes Seven Lives

NEW YORK, March 20 (9) ---Snow; rain, and freezing weather claimed at least seven lives throughout the United States during the week-end.