

# The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C. SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 1944

### Local Tides

Sunday, April 9		
High	1:39	20.9 feet
	14:04	20.0 feet
Low	7:59	4.0 feet
	20:09	4.9 feet

PRICE FIVE CENTS

## Russians Closing On Odessa

### Red Army Now But Ten Miles Away From Prize

MOSCOW, April 8 (CP)—Germans and Rumanians are reported in flight from Odessa as the Red Army pounds closer to the Black Sea port. The Russians have captured a town ten miles northeast of Odessa, the prize of the Black Sea, Moscow announced last night. Capturing sixty towns in a semi-circle around the big port, the Russians were only fifteen miles from the Odessa-Ovidiopol railway, last land escape route to Rumania for thousands of Nazis.

### BATTLE OF ITALY—LINES ARE IMPROVED

New Strong Point Established by Americans on Anzio Beachhead.

NAPLES, April 8 (CP)—An American combat patrol has established a new strong point northwest of Padiglione, slightly improving the Allied line on the central sector of the beachhead south of Rome. Allied artillery, mortars and tanks on the east flank of the beachhead remained active.

### FISH CRISIS—

## Seattle Meeting

Endeavours Being Made to Avert Tie-up of Fleet Before Season Opens.

VANCOUVER, April 8 (CP)—In a last minute effort to avert a tie-up of the halibut fleet before the season opens on April 16 Canadian fishermen and vessel owners went to Seattle Friday to confer with American Office of Production Administration officers and boat owners and unions there.

Travelling to Seattle were representatives of the United Fishermen's Federal Union of the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union of Prince Rupert and of the British Columbia Fishing Vessel Owners' Association.

Canadian owners and fishermen have announced their intention to support Seattle organizations in refusing to fish halibut at present prices.

The Office of Production Administration recently cut the ceiling price of fish landed at Prince Rupert two-and-a-half cents to 15c per pound.

### BASKETBALL—

## Locals Win Two Games

Booth Memorial Boys and Girls Both Victorious at Ocean Falls.

OCEAN FALLS, April 8 (CP)—Booth Memorial High School boys' and girls' basketball teams from Prince Rupert both won their games in the opening yesterday of the interschool series with Ocean Falls.

The boys from the north won 63 to 46 in one of the best games seen here this year. Petteuzo and Postuk starred for Prince Rupert and Hastings and Charleston for Ocean Falls. Play was fast and clean.

The girls' game was a toughly contested affair and resulted in a 29 to 27 score for Prince Rupert. The high scoring contest was beautifully played and vied with the men's game for quality.

LONDON (CP)—When the sleep of Edmonton children has been disturbed by a night alert, the children need not report at school until 10 o'clock the next morning, instead of nine, council decided.

### NEARING IMPAHL—

## KOHIMA IS CAPTURED?

Japanese Appear to be Making Further Headway in Indian Campaign.

LONDON, April 8 (CP)—A Japanese communique reported that Japanese invasion troops in India captured Kohima, sixty miles north of Imphal, carrying them closer to the Bengal-Assam railway. A New Delhi dispatch reported steady Japanese pressure on the Kohima sector but the Allies said that no important engagement had taken place yet.

A new threat to the Allies developed today when the Japanese reached to within thirty-five miles of General Joseph Stilwell's supply lines in North Burma.

## Adjourn Prince George Trial

PRINCE GEORGE, April 8 (CP)—Preliminary hearing of the murder charge against Alex Prince, 23, Prince George Indian, was adjourned on Wednesday for eight days pending the arrival of a provincial police ballistic expert from Victoria. Prince is accused of murdering two Finlay Forks trappers, Eugene Messmer and Hans Pfeuffer.

### HISTORIC LOCK

An ancient lock of an Egyptian locksmith was found in the ruins of Nineveh.

## Building Permit Issue Steady

March Total Very Close to Those of February and January.

A permit to the Department of National Defence to build a \$50,000 warehouse was the biggest item on the list of building permits issued.

Ten other permits, whose individual values did not exceed \$400, completed the list. Total value of permits issued during the month was \$52,585. In February permit issues totalled \$50,810, and in January, \$51,890. The aggregate so far this year is \$155,285.

For the first three months of 1943 the total was \$252,160, of which \$250,975 was issued in March.

Following is a list of building permits issued last month: Department of National Defence, warehouse, \$50,000.

H. B. M. Valentin, repairs, Atlin Avenue, \$300.

J. R. Slaggard, repairs, McBride and Third Avenue, \$60.

C. Knutson, addition, Seventh Avenue East, \$300.

J. Van Wellegan, repairs, Twelfth Street, \$200.

Gordon Bryant, garage, Fourth Avenue East, \$250.

Mitchell & Currie, small shed, Third Avenue East, \$25.

T. N. Rowe, repairs, Bacon Street and Ninth Avenue, \$400.

C. W. Zarell, garage, Savoy Hotel, Fraser Street, \$150.

G. M. Kulak, addition, Ninth Avenue West, \$800.

Sunrise Grocery, alterations to garage, Sixth Avenue West, \$100.

## DeGaulle and Giraud Again

ALGIERS, April 8 (CP)—General Henri Giraud today refused to step down as commander-in-chief of the French armed forces and challenged General Charles deGaulle to oust him during a "disagreeable conference."

## MANY STUDY FRENCH NOW

Business Colleges and Schools Busy As Montreal Goes Bilingual in Big Way.

MONTREAL, April 8 (CP)—Montrealers who stored their French verbs in the attic with their high school diplomas today are going back to school.

That's the report of night school and business college officials interviewed here who say the usual demand for French lessons has increased with four years of war.

War workers, men and women, in the armed forces, secretaries, businessmen and housewives are among the students. The teachers range from McGill University professors to the correspondence school text book.

Instructors say their pupils base the bilingual urge on wartime living which brought many into new jobs and environments. Students, averaging from 18 to 25 years old, claim the ability to speak French and English will make for better jobs now and after the war.

"It's purely a commercial proposition with most of them," says one Montreal business college, which reports "a noticeable increase in the continual demand for night classes in French conversation."

Most students in the night classes are war workers, the majority women who say they can "get along better" with a knowledge of both languages.

The Sir George Williams College, sponsored by the Y.M.C.A., has stepped up its French classes to 15 courses, ranging from elementary and business French to advanced work in French culture and letters. The student list for day and night courses include 1,820 men and 1,482 women. Most popular course is French conversation.

"Our pupils are young men and women in the armed forces and in business," says one instructor. "A lot were brought to Quebec by the war and they feel they should learn the language here to reach a better understanding of French Canada."

McGill University's French-English translation course has 243 students, compared with 12 four years ago when the course was started by the Montreal Translators' Society.

Now the course is carried on at night in co-operation with the Society. Students include teachers, bank clerks, translators, secretaries, 80 per cent of whom are women in their mid-twenties. Most say they continue their studies to aid them in their present jobs and to enable them to find better ones after the war.

English-speaking servicemen in Montreal take advantage of four courses in French offered by the Canadian Legion. They are among more than 18,549 members of the armed forces in Canada who registered with the Legion for French tuition since 1939.

CAPE TOWN (CP)—Dr. E. P. Phillips, noted South African botanist who has built the Union herbarium into one of the leading institutions of its kind in the world, has retired from the government service.

RECENT CRAZE—Mah jong has been played in China for about eight centuries.

## NAMED KILLING

Verdict Returned by Vancouver Jury in Melee Which Resulted in Death of Wellington Wallace.

VANCOUVER, April 8 (CP)—A coroner's jury investigating the death of Wellington Wallace, aged 37, during a gun and knife battle in the Graycourt Hotel on April 2 returned a verdict saying that Wallace died of gunshot wounds in the abdomen caused by bullets "said to have been fired from a gun in the hands of one Albert Barilla."

Barilla is in custody awaiting preliminary hearing on a charge of murdering Wallace. He declined to give evidence.



NEW PASTOR HERE—Rev. W. W. Silverthorne arrived in the city last night to commence his new pastorate in First Baptist Church here tomorrow which is, appropriately enough, Easter Sunday. Mr. Silverthorne comes to Prince Rupert after a successful ministry of eight years at Portage la Prairie's First Baptist Church. Prior to going to the Manitoba city he was engaged in evangelistic work in Ontario. Mrs. Silverthorne and infant daughter will arrive in Prince Rupert next week.

## MARCH WAS COOL, WET

March had the lowest average temperature and the highest rainfall of any month so far this year, according to the monthly weather summary issued by the Digby Island meteorological station this morning. Average temperature for the month was 39.5 degrees, and the rainfall total was 9.09 inches.

Comparisons with the two previous months show that February had an average temperature of 3.3 degrees, and January 42.3 degrees. Rainfall in February amounted to 4.44 inches, and in January to 8.45 inches.

The highest temperature in March was 51 degrees, reached on March 8, and the lowest was 27 degrees on the fourth and fifth. March's minimum was within one degree of the three-month record low of 26 degrees reached on February 3.

The sun smiled on the district for 55.2 hours on 19 days during March. In February the hours of bright sunshine totalled 75.1 hours, a step in the right direction over January's 23.6 sun-light hours.

In March 1943 the city had a slight illusion of summer when the sun shone through during 122 hours.

There have been 153.9 hours of bright sunshine so far this year and 21.98 inches of rain. In the first three months of 1943 there were 256.7 hours of sunshine, and rainfall totalled 29.44 inches.

Barometer readings showed a high of 30.38 millimeters on March 8.

Highest wind was from the south east at 42 miles an hour on March 29.

## American Naval Victory

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Rev. A. F. MacSween, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, presided and read the Crucifixion story according to Mark's Gospel.

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P. Lien  
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EASTER DAY  
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion.  
9:45 a.m.—Children's Service.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.  
7:30—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

St. Peter's Anglican Church  
Seal Cove  
Rector—Rev. E. W. Scott.

10:00 a.m.—Holy Communion.  
11:00 a.m.—Family Service.  
12:00 noon—Holy Communion.  
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service with special Easter Music.  
There will be a violin solo at the evening service by Ralph Moistad.

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7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship.  
Anthem: "He is Risen," "Christ our Passover"—Senior Choir.  
8:30 p.m.—Young People's Club.  
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