

Tuesday, May 16		
High	7:56	17.7 feet
	21:05	18.4 feet
Low	1:44	8.4 feet
	14:13	5.1 feet

Maximum	52
Minimum	42

## WAR NEWS

### GOOD PROGRESS IN ITALY

The attack against the Gustav Line is making good progress. Allied headquarters report. United States troops pushed their way into Castel Forte, southern Italy, on Sunday. Eighteen villages and fifteen strategic points were captured by the Allies. Strong air support contributed to the Allied ground forces with 2800 sorties made.

### LULL IN AIR WAR

For the first time in a whole month, there was a lull in air war over western Europe on Sunday. Weather was stormy and overcast over the English Channel and beyond. Saturday two thousand Allied planes concentrated their attack on railway targets in Germany. The railway junction of Osnabruck being the principal target. Twelve Allied bombers and ten fighters failed to return. Forty-four German planes were shot down.

### BERLIN IS EXPECTANT

The German High Command says that the Allied attempt of western Europe may be expected at any time. It will probably synchronize with a new all-out Soviet drive on the eastern front. The Nazi defences are ready to meet anything.

### EASTERN FRONT IS QUIET

Only small scale fighting in the Carpathian foothills reported from the Russo-German front. Strong attacks by the Germans in southeast Poland are declared to have failed.

### FRENCH BISHOPS MAKE APPEAL

Roman Catholic bishops of occupied France have appealed to the heavy Allied bombing attacks with the appeal that the civilian population be spared as far as possible. The appeal has been directed to Cardinals in United States and Canada.

### LIBERTY SHIP LOST

An American Liberty ship has been lost off the coast of Scotland. Forty-eight members of the crew, including the captain, perished.

### SITUATION IN CHINA

The position of the Chinese defenders of the Hunan Province has become desperate although they are fighting the Japanese who have smashed to the outskirts of the city, the fall of which is imminent. However, the Japanese on the Peiping-Hankow railway has been broken.

### RELATIONS ARE STRAINED

There are reports of strained diplomatic relations between Germany and Bulgaria. Several cabinet ministers are reported to have resigned.

### ALLIES ADVANCE IN BURMA

General Stilwell's forces are advancing against the Japanese on both sides of the Nogaung River in north Burma. Troops have occupied further villages in the Kohima area northeast India. Allied aircraft are maintaining strong attacks. The Japanese drive into India has failed completely, according to Allied headquarters.

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communicable diseases such as measles, chicken pox, whooping cough and mumps are rarer. There have been cases of whooping cough or mumps reported in the city in the last six months.

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# Bristol Again Raided By Nazis

## Offensive by Chinese

### New Drive Toward North Burma—Break Jap Hold on Railway

CHUNGKING, May 15 (AP)—The Chinese command announced today that large Chinese forces launched an offensive in western Yunnan Province on May 10, crossing the Salween River over a 100-mile front in an effort to join Allied troops in north Burma. Casualties on both sides were heavy. Chinese troops broke the Japanese hold on the Peiping-Hankow railroad as the Japanese penetrated the defences of Loyang.

## Over Quota By \$18,050

Prince Rupert topped its \$750,000 Victory Loan quota by \$18,050 in the final hours of the drive on Saturday. Sales for the day totalling \$53,050, brought the final figure on Saturday night to \$768,050. Officially the city topped the mark at noon with the report of \$35,000 sold by that time, and sales continued until the final evening figures put the loan over by a fair margin. However, comparison with the final figures of the Fifth Loan last fall reveal that the Sixth Loan aggregate was more than \$93,000 less than the Fifth. On the last day of the Fifth Loan drive, sales were \$30,850, and the grand total was \$961,700.

## PENSIVE WINS PREAKNESS

PENCILICO — Pensive, Kentucky Derby winner, also took the Preakness on Saturday. Platter was second and Stirrup third.

## Dry Dock Did Well in Loan

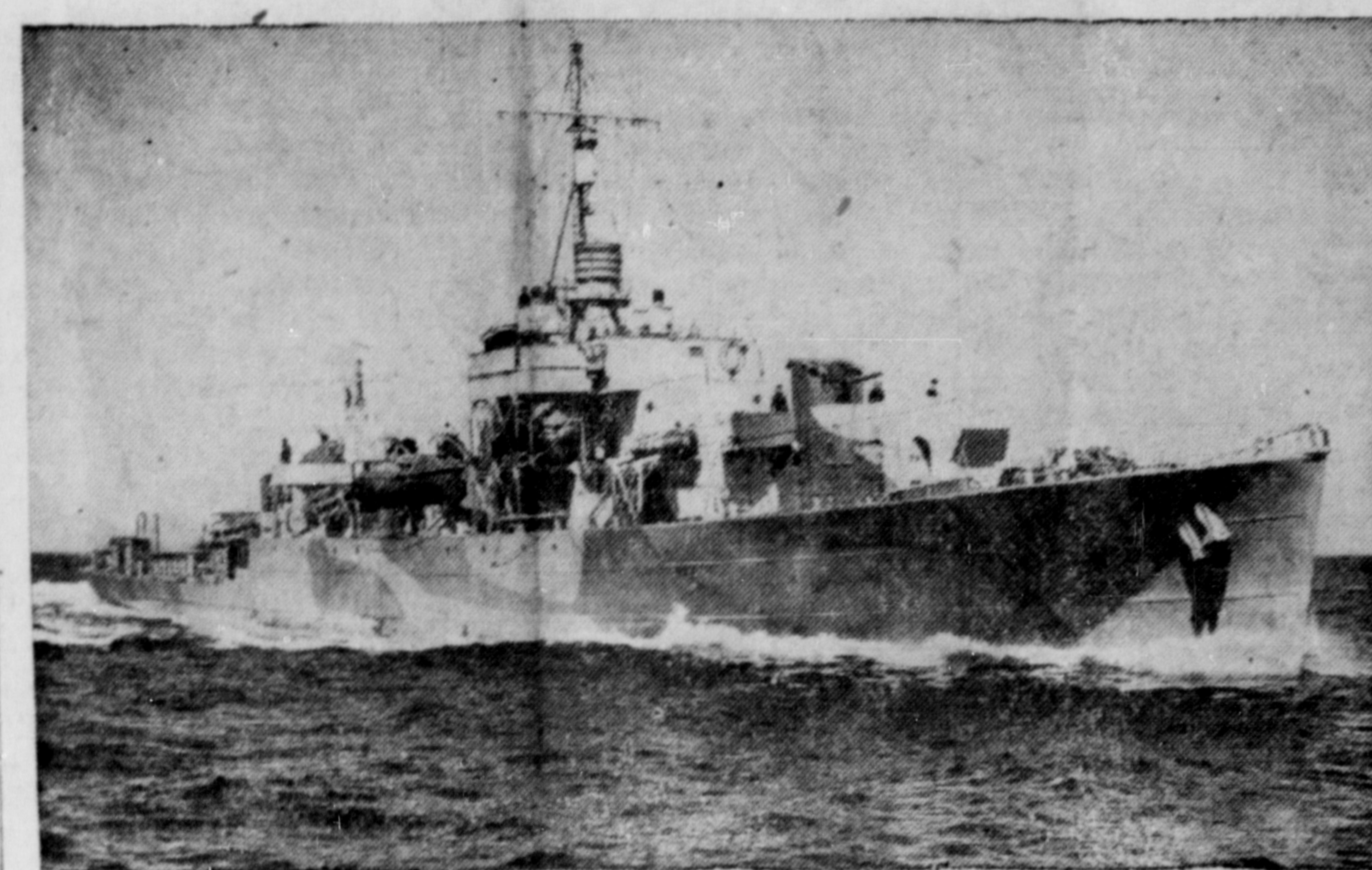
The Prince Rupert Dry Dock won the highest honor obtainable for a plant in the Sixth Victory Loan campaign as a result of over ninety percent of the employees over-subscribing the quota of \$190,000. The three-star V flag of the National War Finance Committee was presented today by W. D. Lambie, local unit organizer, to T. W. Boulter, chairman of the dry dock committee.

No typhoid cases have been reported here this year, and only one last year. At a recent medical conference held at Vancouver it was stated that maternal mortality rates in that city were among the lowest in the world. Prince Rupert, with one death out of 281 live births in 1943, a rate of 3.5 per 1000, compares favorably with Vancouver in that respect, Dr. Knipe stated.

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## Canadian Frigate Is Torpedoed And Sunk With Many Casualties; No Prince Rupert Men On Board



FIRST CANADIAN FRIGATE LOST—The frigate H.M.C.S. "Valleyfield" has been torpedoed and sunk while on convoy duty in the North Atlantic. Hon. Angus L. Macdonald, Minister of National Defence for Naval Services, announced today. First Canadian frigate to be sunk in this war, the above shows a ship similar to H.M.C.S. "Valleyfield."

## Bulletins

### TO BOMB TOKYO?

CHUNGKING — Tokyo despatches claim that the United States Fourteenth Air Force, based in China, has transferred its units from interior bases to front line bases in order to bomb the Japanese islands.

### THREE TRAINMEN KILLED

HAMILTON—Three crewmen of a Wabash railroad freight train were killed last night when the engine exploded near Hamilton. The force of the explosion hurled the boiler high into the air. All the men were from St. Thomas, Ontario.

### KING INSPECTS FLEET

AT A BRITISH NAVAL BASE—King George inspected the home fleet and fleet air arm during four-day exercises. He witnessed a simulated attack on a u-boat by destroyers and inspected midget submarines. He also saw aircraft carriers in action.

### BID FOR BEARINGS

WASHINGTON — United States is bidding a straight \$30,000,000 for the entire Swedish ball bearing production which is now going to Germany.

### TO VISIT STALIN

NEW YORK—At the invitation of Premier Joseph Stalin, Eric Johnson, president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, is going to Moscow to discuss post-war economic collaboration.

### NAZIS MAY INVADE

LONDON — Field Marshall Lord Ironside warns that the Germans may try to land in Britain co-incidentally with the opening of the second front.

OTTAWA, May 15 (Canadian Press)—The Canadian frigate Valleyfield was torpedoed and sunk in the North Atlantic, Minister of the Navy Angus Macdonald announced today. The Valleyfield was torpedoed while on escort duty and sank almost immediately after being hit.

## Portland Canal Quota Exceeded

According to word from James Thompson of Stewart, the canvasser for the Portland Canal district in the Sixth Victory Loan campaign, the quota for Premier and Stewart was exceeded by 162 percent.

## Cracking Down On Photographers

Local military security authorities announce that it is their intention to crack down on the taking of photographs in local prohibited areas by civilians. A number of prosecutions are being contemplated.

## Labor-Progressive Leader Approves Mackenzie King's Policy; Needs of Skeena

"When the Imperial Conference now proceeding in London is over, we will find that, due to the impact of the war, a new stage in the history of the Empire will have begun," stated Tom McEwen, provincial organizer of the Labor-Progressive Party, at a public meeting on the subject "A Foreign Policy for Canada" yesterday afternoon.

## Y.M.C.A. Building Is Going Up Soon

Hopes That Swimming Pool May Get Under Way Co-Incidentally

It is expected that construction work on the Young Men's Christian Association War Services building on First Avenue at McBride Street, which is to be Prince Rupert's civic centre after the war, will be getting under way in the near future. Its construction having been decided upon by the Department of National Defence months ago, there have been several delays in getting a start made. Co-incidentally with the construction of the Y.M.C.A. war services building, the local civic centre committee is hoping to establish the swimming pool with the hope that it may come into being possibly by next February. There is now \$50,000 on hand for this project.

## Three Hundred Enemy Planes Make Assault

### High Explosives and Incendiaries Dropped—Fifteen Raiders Destroyed—Damage and Casualties

LONDON, May 15 (Canadian Press)—The Berlin radio claimed today that German raiders made fierce attacks on Bristol Sunday night and that large quantities of high explosives and incendiaries were dropped.

## Punch Out New Gains

### Boat Damaged By Gas Fire

A gasoline fire which broke out at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the engine room of the halibut boat Rose Spit, moored at Seal Cove, burned stubbornly for more than an hour before city firemen were able to put it out. The fire was caused by the explosion of a small container of gasoline on a table in the engine room where three crew members were passing the time.

## SEVEN MILE ADVANCE

NAPLES, May 15 (CP)—The Eighth Army and infantry moved into the German Gustav Line slowly against most fierce opposition during the week-end. The Rapido River south of Cassino, French troops captured Castellforte and Asuonia and cut the Cassino-Formia road and have advanced as much as seven miles from the take-off point. Italy-based bombers virtually sealed Brenner Pass, main supply line for the Nazis in Italy. The Allies have taken more than two thousand prisoners in the latest drive.

## AIR ATTACK IS RESUMED

NAPLES, May 15—The Allied Eighth Army is continuing to punch out gains in the new offensive in Italy in which penetrations of two or three miles were made on the first day, deep into the Gustav Line. The Eighth Army also appears to be progressing favorably.

## LABOR-PROGRESSIVE LEADER APPROVES MACKENZIE KING'S POLICY; NEEDS OF SKEENA

Regardless of what else they think about Mackenzie King the Canadian people can be thankful that he took the same stand as his grandfather—that Canada's future can best be assured in a free world. Even Mr. Coldwell agrees on this and has congratulated Mr. King, so that I am in no danger of being accused of having gone over to the Liberals in making these remarks, unless Mr. Coldwell has gone over also. The moment we have in the world power bloc, based on vested interests, we are headed straight for World War III.

## CANADA IS WELL OVER LOAN TOP

OTTAWA, May 15 (AP)—Final total of Sixth Victory Loan subscriptions may be close to \$1,400,000,000 if delayed returns are as large as in the Fifth campaign. Subscriptions reached \$1,292,105,000, well in excess of the objective, Saturday but there are still many millions of dollars to be recorded. Ontario and Quebec are not yet recorded over the top.

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AUSSIE NEWSMEN VISIT HERE—Three Australian newspapermen, representing some of Australia's largest dailies and news syndicates, who are due in Prince Rupert from Vancouver via the Queen Charlotte Islands. They are touring Canada as guests of the Canadian Government, and will tour northern British Columbia air bases. The three newsmen are shown here (from left to right): A. W. Dawes, the Melbourne Herald; R. C. Smith, chairman of the Australian United Press and B. L. Whittington, the Daily Telegraph, Canberra.