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Local Tides

Sunday, March 26

High	2:31	23.1 feet
	14:55	22.0 feet
Low	8:51	1.6 feet
	21:04	3.0 feet

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Reds Exploit Breakthroughs

THE ENEMY, ITALY — Lieut. D. G. Buckley of [illegible], observation officer for a Royal Canadian Artillery [illegible]nt, observes and corrects the accuracy of the artil[illegible] from a rickety, brick built scaffolding under the up[illegible] of an old farmhouse on the Italian front.

DISTRIBUTE RATION BOOKS TUESDAY

[illegible]ple Will Have to Wait [illegible] Weeks if They Pro[illegible]

[illegible]dnesday, Thurs[illegible] [illegible]f next week are [illegible] [illegible]he distribution [illegible] Four ration [illegible] chamber on [illegible] [illegible]e city hall [illegible] Peter's Parish Hall at Seal Cove. The hours of distribution will be 1 o'clock and 4:30 in the afternoon and 7 o'clock and 9 o'clock in the evening at both places.

According to a ruling of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, persons who do not get their ration books on one of those specified days will have to wait until April 17 to get them.

Mrs. J. A. Teng, who is in charge of the distribution of ration books in the city hall, says that this time lapse was inserted to encourage procrastinating citizens to get their books at the proper time.

"When ration book Number Three was distributed there were between two and three thousand people who came to get ration books after the closing of the formal distribution period," she explained. "The reason that most of them gave was that they just hadn't got around to it before. It created a great deal of confusion in the ration office."

Prince Rupert is the distribution centre for localities as distant as Amsbury, 90 miles up the railway line, and also the Skeena mouth settlements, Wales Island, and Port Simpson. Ration book Number Three was distributed to 14,365 people in the district last year, 11,926 being to city residents.

Assisting Mrs. Teng at the City Hall next week will be Mrs. James Stewart, Mrs. C. Brind, Mrs. McKeown, Mrs. G. E. Moore, Mrs. H. Breen, Mrs. H. F. Glassey, Mrs. H. D. Thain, Mrs. S. Roper, Mrs. W. Brass Mrs. E. V. Whiting, Mrs. S. A. Kellback, Mrs. Smedley, Mrs. E. A. Evans, Miss Dorothy Evans, Mrs. H. Paulson, Mrs. H. Smith Jr., Mrs. V. Menzies, Mrs. F. Barber, Mrs. F. Ellison, Mrs. A. McNeil, Mrs. G. Howe, Mrs. W. J. Richards, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. S. Massey, and Mrs. S. Painter.

Mrs. J. E. Boddie, in charge at the Seal Cove centre, will be assisted by Mrs. A. Barbe, Mrs. F. A. Harte, Mrs. William McLean, Mrs. Wilfred McLean, Mrs. W. B. Skinner, Mrs. G. A. Kelsey, Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Scott, Mrs. William Davidson, and Mrs. J. Haddon.

Schedule For April Rations

The following ration coupons become valid in April:

April 6—Butter (purple) 56.

April 13—Butter, 57; sugar (red) 30 and 31; preserves, D-17 and D-18 (new book).

April 20—Butter, 58; tea or coffee (green) T-30 and T-31 (new book No. 4).

April 27—Butter, 59.

The following coupons expire on April 30:

Butter—Nos. 54, 55, 56 and 57.

Fourteen Coal Miners Perish

CLARKSBURG, West Virginia, March 25 (CP)—Fourteen men of a fire-fighting crew are feared dead after an explosion ripped through a three-thousand foot slope of the Katherine Coal Co.'s mine at nearby Shinnston.

AT CASSINO—

Hotel Lobby Strong Point

Germans Ordered to Hold on at All Costs — Anzio Thrust Sent Back.

NAPLES, March 25 (CP)—German parachutists, ordered to cling to Cassino at all costs, are holding New Zealand troops in tight confines in the southern part of the town.

The Germans are reported to have got three more tanks into the lobby of the Continental Hotel and are reinforcing their troops through secret tunnels.

The general situation is unchanged with heavy fighting continuing.

Tank attacks by the Germans on the Anzio beachhead have been set back.

Mussels, oysters and clams remove great quantities of debris from ocean water near shore.

Adoptees Recall Loving 'Parents'

TONBRIDGE, Eng., March 25 (CP)—An English couple who lost their own baby have in the past 50 years adopted and raised 11 orphans.

Isaac Keller, 75-year old retired house painter and his wife, 79, recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, and good wishes came to them from all parts of the world from men and women who would have had no home other than an orphanage except for the Kellers.

The project started when their own baby died at the end of the last century and the young husband took his heart-broken wife to an orphanage where a baby girl captured their hearts. When she grew older they adopted another and the cycle went on. Many of the "sons" now serve on the frontline from Britain to Gibraltar to India.

The net value of agricultural production in Canada increased from $826,400,000 in 1939 to $1,570,000,000 in 1942.

Russ Army Sweeping Further Forward In Rumania and Poland

MOSCOW, March 25 (CP)—Russians are reported exploiting a broad Tarnopol breakthrough in the southeastern corner of Poland into a full scale smash to fling the Germans back to the Carpathian border. The Russians are already within sight of the peaks of the mountain range which cuts through Rumania.

Capture of Byeltsi, traffic control point for northern Moldavia, by the Red Army is imminent.

The Russians broke through to the Dniester at Zaleschiki, Balkan gateway city, Friday, killing twenty thousand Germans and capturing three and a half thousand in an offensive which put the Russians within five miles of the former Rumanian province of Bucovina and sixty miles from old Czech-Slovakia.

BERLIN TARGET—

Great Raid On Capital Of Germany

Canadian Bomber Squadrons Took Part and Shared in Losses

LONDON, March 25 (CP) — More than one thousand Royal Air Force bombers poured destruction on Berlin and other German targets last night in operations which cost seventy-three planes including thirteen Royal Canadian Air Force aircraft.

Canadian bomber squadrons took part in the raid on the Nazi capital which was blasted by 2300 more tons of bombs.

Kiel was also one of the night's objectives.

In last night's Berlin raid which commenced after 11 o'clock and lasted for half an hour a fire six miles long was started in the railway yard district.

The loss of Allied planes was the second highest for any single aerial attack ever made on the Reich.

Yesterday's targets of American bombers in heavy attack were Schweinfurst and Frankfurt.

[illegible]TIES URGED [illegible]IOLATORS

[illegible] Union Would Have [illegible]iolators Brought to [illegible]

[illegible]OUVER, March 25 (CP)—[illegible] Fishermen's Feder[illegible] annual convention [illegible] resolution urging the [illegible] government to pro[illegible] penalties against vio[illegible] [illegible]al fishing practices [illegible] cancellation of [illegible]

[illegible]pensation [illegible]en Who [illegible]eep Sea

[illegible]OUVER, March 25 (CP)—[illegible] attention" to the ques[illegible] compensation for deep [illegible]ors injured in the course [illegible] has been promised to [illegible]adian Congress of Labor [illegible] J. E. Michaud, minister [illegible]sport, the Deep Sea and [illegible] Boatmen's Union has [illegible]otified. At present deep [illegible]men get no compensa[illegible]

[illegible]PLAINT [illegible]HERE

[illegible] in Regard to Illness [illegible]arvation Among In[illegible]

[illegible]rding a dispatch yester[illegible]hich spoke of a protest [illegible] Rt. Rev. J. L. Coudert, [illegible] Catholic Bishop, in con[illegible] with the condition of [illegible]dians in the Yukon and [illegible]rn British Columbia, In[illegible] Agent James Gillett de[illegible]clared today that there [illegible]een no cases of Indians [illegible] of starvation or illness in [illegible] Rupert district.

[illegible] Roman Catholic Church [illegible] agreed that any state[illegible] made by Bishop Coudert [illegible] not concern Prince Ru[illegible] which is not included [illegible] diocese.

[illegible]wer Demand [illegible]s Prices Up

[illegible]DON, March 25 (CP) — It [illegible] a lot a word to say it with [illegible]s in London these days. [illegible] for cut flowers, high [illegible] war began, have taken [illegible]r leap upwards, dealers [illegible], blaming it on the ap[illegible]ning spring which had [illegible]d greater-than-ever de[illegible]

[illegible]ches of violets, about as [illegible] a baby's fist, are selling [illegible] shillings (about $1.15) [illegible], while other prices are [illegible]y as high. But that hasn't [illegible]ed the demand — several [illegible] dealers have reported [illegible]s at their shops.

Bulletins

CHURCHILL TO SPEAK

LONDON — Prime Minister Winston Churchill will speak to the world in a radio broadcast tomorrow at 1 o'clock (Pacific Daylight Saving Time).

VESUVIUS QUIET

NAPLES—The flow of lava from Mount Vesuvius has ceased and the people who left are returning to their villages.

RAIDS IN SOUTH PACIFIC

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN SOUTH PACIFIC—There have been further heavy raids by Allied bombers on Japanese bases at Rabaul, Wewak, Kaviang and Madang. More than 7,000 tons of bombs have been dropped on Japanese bases in the south and southwest Pacific area during the past month.

GERMANS ON ALAND

STOCKHOLM—Germans are reported to have landed on the Aland islands at the mouth of Gulf of Bothnia, evidently with a view to cutting off the Russian fleet.

MINERS STILL OUT

LONDON — Forty thousand British coal miners are still reported to be out on strike.

JAP COMMANDS CHANGED

TOKYO—The eastern and western Japanese army commands have been changed, it is announced.

BACK TO START POINT

MOSCOW — The newspaper Isvestia said today that the Germans have now been pushed back to the point where they started the war against Russia in 1941.

IRON GUARD AIDS NAZIS

BUCHAREST — The Rumanian Iron Guard is standing by ready to assist the Nazis in their occupation of Rumania. Setting up of a puppet government is expected.

ROOSEVELT CHARGED

NEW YORK — Governor T. E. Dewey charges the Roosevelt administration with holding back important news from Europe.

London Hit Last Night

LONDON, March 25 — Nazi bombers gave London its heaviest attack of the week last night. A famous church and a well known building were among the structures hit and damaged. High explosives and fire bombs caused casualties.

MILITARY BOXING—

LOCAL BOY WINS TITLE

Private W. N. Dywan Takes Novice Middleweight Championship of Pacific Command.

PRINCE GEORGE, March 25 (CP)—Private W. N. Dywan was the only Prince Rupert boxer to win a title at the Pacific Command tourney finals on Friday night, winning the novice middleweight crown by knocking out Private J. Guzzocrea of Nanaimo in the second round.

The only other Prince Rupert finalist was I. Sherman who was beaten in the novice featherweight title bout by Private R. Tremblay of Vernon.

Victoria boxers took six titles, Vancouver four, Prince George and Terrace three, Vernon two and Prince Rupert one.

LONDON, (CP)—At the outbreak of war, the indigenous natives of Ocean Island, the Bananoans, with a population of only 750 people, sent a cable saying they were placing $44,000 at the disposal of the government as a contribution to war funds.

British Stopping Japs In India

CASUALTY [illegible]'S SHOCK

Locally Born Boy, 20 Years of Age, Jack Wearmouth Dies of Wounds

News of the death from wounds of Ernest John Wearmouth while on service in Italy with the Canadian Army came yesterday as a deep shock to many friends of the well known local boy and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Wearmouth. According to the official word received yesterday he died on Monday of this week. He had been wounded in action. Further particulars will follow when received at Ottawa.

Born in Prince Rupert twenty years ago in February, Jack Wearmouth received all his education here and left in January 1942 for Vancouver where he was employed on tugboats until March 1943 when he enlisted in the Army. He took training at Vernon and Calgary and was home on leave last August, proceeding overseas in September. After serving in North Africa he moved on to Italy. He was in Naples at the first of the year.

Jack was with the famous Princess Pats Canadian Light Infantry.

Diver Wins Empire Medal

LONDON, March 25 (CP) — To the Royal Navy, Bernard Frank Franklin is officially a "wireman" but he is a qualified diver too. When a depth charge set to explode at a certain depth fell from a seaplane in the base fairway, Franklin immediately went down to find it.

There was grave danger that, as the tide rose, the depth charge would explode, causing considerable damage to the base, aircraft and shipping. As he worked the tide was rising and at any minute the charge might have detonated. Yet he carried out his duties with complete disregard for his own safety, and after 45 minutes located the charge which was hoisted aboard.

Franklin has been awarded the British Empire Medal (military).

On another occasion when a seaplane fully loaded with depth charges crashed while taking off Franklin went down and prevented an explosion.

Coastguard blimps now flash word to west coast fishing fleets when they spot schools of fish offshore.

Regina Takes Hockey Lead

REGINA, March 25 (CP) — Regina Commandos defeated Trail Juniors by a score of one to nothing last night to take a two wins to one loss in the Western Canada Junior Hockey League semi-finals. The fourth game will be played tonight.

NEWBURY, Eng., (CP) — Lady Causen, 88, wife of Sir George Causen, R.A., the painter, died here.

Red Cross Donations

Prev'ly acknowledged	$18,158.09
Mrs. Harry Lincoln	5.00
North Star Bottling Works Employees	14.50
Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Watts	10.00
A Friend	5.00
A Friend	5.00
K. Einarson, Osland	5.00
Dhorl Emmerson, Osland	5.00
Frank Crookall, Osland	5.00
Fred Kristmanson, Osland	5.00
Total to date	$18,217.59

Nip Thrust Is Set Back

NEW DELHI, March 25 (CP) —Japanese columns thrusting into India, are meeting with stiff resistance and encountering setbacks.

Americans and Chinese in north Burma occupied a town of forty-five miles northwest of Mogaung on the Myitkyina-Mandalay railway.

Considering Resolutions

Special Committee of City Council Looking Into Representations to Convention

A special committee of the city council consisting of Ald. N. E. Arnold, Ald. G. W. Rudderham and Ald. Thomas Elliott has been appointed by Mayor H. M. Daggett to look into the matter of resolutions which it may be deemed advisable to send to the convention in June of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities. It is recalled by the mayor that last year Prince Rupert initiated one of the most important resolutions at this convention, one drawing attention to the Dominion government's responsibility in regard to repairs of streets and utilities in municipalities where there had been heavy national defence activities.

VICTORY LOAN—

Issue Is Detailed

Sixteen Year Three Per Cent And Three Year and Ten Month One and Quarter Per Cent Maturities.

OTTAWA, March 25 (CP) — Hon. J. L. Ralston, minister of national defence, and acting minister of finance, announced yesterday that the Sixth Victory Loan drive, opening April 24, will feature two maturities—a sixteen year and one month issue bearing three per cent interest and a three year and ten month issue bearing one and three-quarter per cent interest.

The minimum objective is $1,200,000,000, the same as the Fifth Victory Loan drive.

Isolation Hospital

New Agreement Being Negotiated Between City Council and Hospital Board

The health committee of the city council has been delegated to negotiate with the hospital board for a new agreement between the council and the hospital board with respect to the operation of the isolation hospital.

Under the former agreement the city guaranteed to pay all expenses of the isolation hospital over and above what fees were collected.

During the past month there have been two cases in the isolation hospital.

One of the most urgent needs of the isolation hospital is a new stove.

Remanded For Theft

Grace Milavonov of Vancouver, who gave her occupation as part time waitress in a local restaurant, pleaded guilty in city police court yesterday to theft of $170 from the person of George Obszoinski. Magistrate W. D. Vance reserved sentence for eight days.

The accused admitted taking the money from Obszoinski in a room of a local hotel last night and, following her plea, made restitution to the plaintiff.

TORQUAY, Eng., (CP) — The town council recently lifted the ban on the communist "Daily Worker" which has been refused a place in the public library.

EIGHTH ARMY "DUCKS" GET THROUGH—Independent amphibian companies of the R.A.S.C. working with the 8th Army in Italy, carry supplies in their "ducks" over ground which the transport could not negotiate, so relieving the badly congested roads. On their return trips they evacuate Allied wounded and many prisoners of war. In this photo the "ducks" are being loaded with casualties by members of the R.A.S.C. when the unit was operating across the Sangro mouth between Fossacesia and Casal Bordino.