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Eire Spying In Limelight

ntown Store Scene of oc Following Blowing afe During Last Night

ecrackers invaded the premises of McRae rs stationery store on Third Avenue last blowing the door off the safe at the rear of lding, and making away with the contents of ong box. Entry was made by smashing a win-gh in the wall at the rear of the building. ly by the destruction sed to the safe, the were amateurs at the fecracking, for the door n off, and the safe ruined completely. Plainly, there was an extremely heavy charge of the explosion was heard dur- of nitro-glycerine but no noise ing the night.

The safecracking was discovered this morning by William Noble, fir[illegible] of McRae Brothers emplo[illegible] enter the store at the [illegible] of the day. A sce[illegible] greeted him as he e[illegible]k room where the [illegible]ted. Scattered in [illegible]mashed safe were t[illegible] safe had containe[illegible] shattered by the [illegible]plosion, were numb[illegible] phonograph record[illegible]

Commentin[illegible]e damage, D. C. McRae, [illegible]oprietor of the store, said "they certainly did a thorough job. The safe was all smashed to pieces."

He added that the loss in cash was not very heavy. A few articles of stationery such as pencils were taken.

The thieves made entry into the store by smashing an unbarred window high at the rear of the store and using an old washing machine standing near as an aid to climbing in. Nearby lower windows were all barred.

Last night's burglary was the second such occurrence at the same business place in two months. Thieves who entered the store about two months ago rifled the cash register of its contents of $10.

City police are investigating last night's robbery.

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ds Take ge Toll Enemy

ON, Mar. 11 (CP)— Big r Force bombers attack-factories in France last d a few hours later Am-ombers struck western in daylight, as well as s-de-Calais coast of

nstant assault on Ger-elf was continued dur-night by mosquitoes. ids were capitalizing on ights excellent for pin-targets.

great offensives are g prosecuted by the along a front of more hundred miles from o the Black Sea.

of Miners Still Out

ON, March 11 — Nearly sand miners have re-o work in British col-t there is no indica-general return to work.

TOWNS SHELLED

n Ground Front in Limited to Patrolling ce Hit.

March 11 (CP)—Brit-ers shelled towns on Bland off the Dalma-t which was reported been occupied by large of Germans. Meantime on the Italian ground limited to patrolling. States bombers struck ards of Florence.

Red Cross Donations

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iedged	$8,481.15
son & Co.	50.00
ymond	5.00
tevens	5.00
Empire Ltd.	5.00
ls	10.00
Moore	5.00
nce	10.00
Hardy	10.00
Mrs. J. Munthe	50.00
Mrs. R. C. Bamford	15.00
ar	5.00
Bros.	25.00
sh Co. Ltd.	50.00
Brooksbank	20.00
allace Co.	100.00
on Hardware	
d.	15.00
ndson	10.00
& McCaffery Ltd.	30.00
eo Collart	10.00
Collart	5.00
e Bros.	10.00
ilger Ltd.	50.00
enzie Furniture Ltd.	50.00
l's Photo Finishing	20.00
Mrs. H. A. Breen	10.00
McF. Smith	10.00
Mrs. C. H. Elkins	10.00
& Elkins Ltd.	25.00
Shaw	5.00
n Army Team No. 50	9.00
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36A	
R. Elfert	100.00
atkinson	10.00
cLeod	5.00
cKenzie	5.00
or	5.00
-Canadian	5.00
dries	
unbury	100.00
Team No. 37	5.00
Station Dance	87.00
Agar, Port Edward	83.36
the North, L.O.B.A.	10.00
E. Field	25.00
riesen	5.00
	5.00
	$9,610.51

IMPORTANCE OF FARMING

Wheat Useful in More Ways Than One Rotary Club is Told

WINNIPEG, Mar. 10— Wheat no longer means simply bread. It is a raw material for industrial alcohol and can be transformed into synthetic rubber, fuel for automobiles and other vital products, according to Dr. Paul Kolachov, technical counsellor, Joseph E. Seagram & Sons, Inc., Louisville, Kentucky, in Canada to exchange information with the National Research Council, Ottawa, and to address the chemical Industry Society, Montreal. In Winnipeg yesterday, he addressed the Industrial Development Board's annual meeting and left for the east by Canada Air Lines plane.

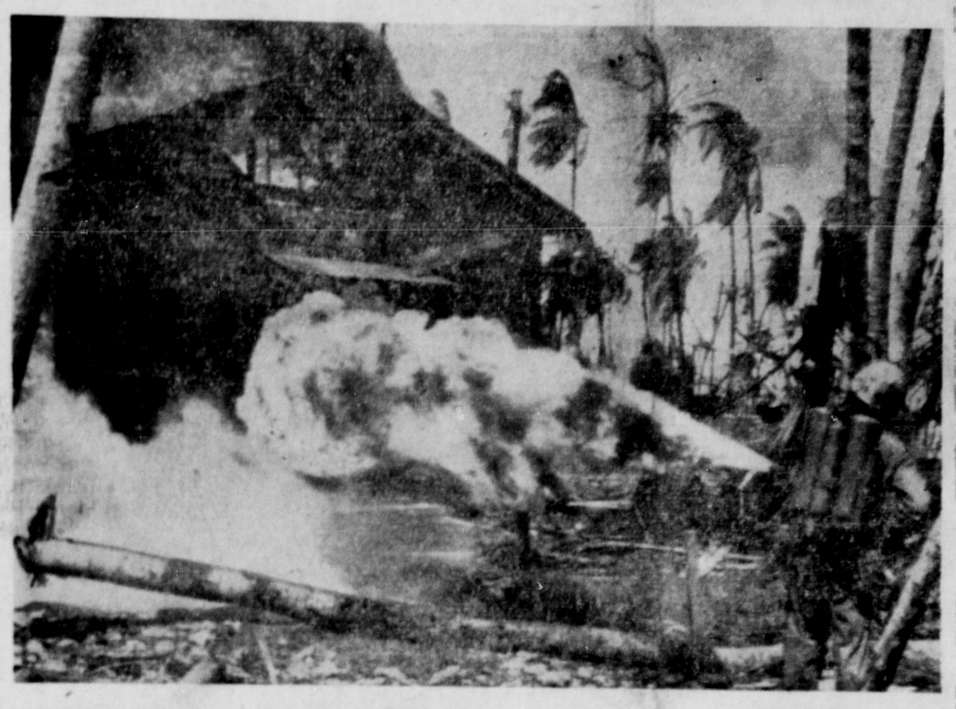
With Europe less dependent on North America for bread than formerly, Dr. Kolachov forecasts a revolution in Canadian agriculture. In rye, sugar beets and potatoes, as well as wheat, the standard of value should not continue to be limited to terms of food, he said.

"Canadians can produce an inexhaustible supply of raw materials for industry," said Dr. Kolachov. "The need for smokeless powder, rubber, medicinals and other vital products is great." He went on to speak of experiments in the use of alcohol for automobiles instead of gasoline and of the development of synthetic rubber. If agriculture was to serve the fermentation industries, he said, farm yields would have to be greatly multiplied and much work would have to be done in increasing starch content.

"If we can produce farm crops in such great abundance that they will be cheap enough to compare with other such industrial raw materials, we shall have come a long way. Agriculture and industry must co-operate. Each must strive to improve its economic position in regard to production and manufacturing raw materials in such a way that the resultant economy of both and the nation—will be greatly benefitted."

One of the great advantages of a closer alliance between agriculture and industry, he said, was that everything was restored to the farm after distillation but the starch. There has been so much mining of the soil.

Dr. Kolachov, a Don Cossack, escaped to Constantinople during the Russian revolution, was captured by the Greeks later, lived in Bulgaria and studied in Czecho-Slovakia before going to the United States in 1929. He is accompanied on his Canadian trip by J. R. Stuetz, director of technical information for Seagram's.



BURNING OUT JAPS DURING KWAJALEIN INVASION—Marine Corp. Elmer R. Burkhalter, of Buhl, Idaho, destroys a Jap building on Namur Island in the Marshalls group, with a flame thrower. Namur is part of Kwajalein atoll, now almost entirely in Allied hands.

GOOD BOMBING—

Assault On Reich

LONDON, Mar. 11 (CP) — Moscow announced today that the Russians have opened a third great offensive in the Ukraine and sent twenty-four Nazi divisions into headlong retreat. The Germans abandoned all equipment including 1100 tanks and big guns and lost twenty thousand men killed.

The new offensive, heading south on the mid-southern front, broke through on a 100-mile front overran three hundred localities, including the pivotal stronghold of Unan, and resulted in the capture of 2500 Germans.

Doctors-Nurses From Canada In Thick of Fight

NAPLES, March 11—Canadian doctors and nurses have established a station in an old factory only a few miles back of the front in Italy.

Work on Peace River Road To Begin Soon

VICTORIA, March 10 (CP) —Premier John Hart said Friday that work is expected to start soon on surveying the proposed Pine Pass road from Prince George to Dawson Creek. The $6,000,000 highway will give the Peace River area an outlet to the coast.

CONDEMNED TO DEATH

Former Minister of Interior in Vichy Government Makes Passionate Appeal

ALGIERS, Mar. 11 (CP)— Pierre Puches, former minister of the interior of the Vichy French government, was convicted of treason and condemned to death today by a special military tribunal.

The defendant, in a final passionate declaration, cried: "This is not a court of justice. It is a political coup."

In Sweden the law of freedom of the press is part of the constitution.

NEW RATION BOOKS SOON

Prince Rupert to Receive Them At End of Month

Prince Rupert will distribute ration book No. 4 on March 28, 29, 30 and 31.

Volunteer workers organized by the local ration board, will man the distribution centres.

To get Book 4 it will be necessary to bring book No. 3 with the red card RB-99 properly filled in.

People who are unable to get to the stations may have their books picked up for them by friends providing the red card is completed correctly.

However, this year it should be remembered that there will be no carrying on of distribution after the announced dates. Persons who fail to get their new books on those days will have to wait two weeks as the volunteers will not be asked to give up more of their time.

Book No. 3 should be retained as it contains canning sugar coupons and also meat coupons which will be required when rationing is resumed.

Local Tides

Sunday, March 12

High	2:41	20.8 feet
	14:55	20.0 feet
Low	8:55	4.9 feet
	21:06	4.5 feet

REINFORCEMENTS FOR FIFTH ARMY FRONT IN ITALY—British infantrymen move up to the front lines to bolster the Fifth Army front in Italy against heavy Nazi attacks.

Eire Accused Of Espionage

WASHINGTON, D.C., Mar. 10 (CP)—The United States publicly accused Eire last night of affording a base for Allied spies endangering the approaching Allied invasion of Europe but Eire replied it was taking effective anti-espionage measures and refused the appeal to expel German and Japanese diplomats from Eire.

DIED ON HIS WAY TO CITY

Workman From Road Construction Camp Suffered Seizure

Suffering what was believed to be a heart seizure, Joseph Oswald, age 44, bush cook and truck driver at Rayner Construction Company gravel camp at Salvus, died last night while on a train bringing him toward medical attention in Prince Rupert.

Oswald was overcome while working in the camp kitchen last night about 6 o'clock and was placed in the care of the camp first aid attendant who had him put aboard the train at nearby Tyee for Prince Rupert. Oswald passed away before the train arrived in the city.

The deceased, who came to the district some months ago from Toronto, was born in YugoSlavia. It is not known if he had any relatives in this country.

NEW BANK DISCUSSED

Party Lines Broken in Talk at Ottawa Over New Financial Institution.

OTTAWA, March 11—A New Democracy amendment opposing the proposed industrial financing bank for Canada was defeated by a wide margin last night.

Gordon Graydon, Conservative Progress leader, favors the new bank in principle.

G. G. McGeer, Vancouver Liberal, opposes the proposed bank and would instead have something like the Reconstruction Finance Corporation of United States.

Angus McInnis, C.C.F., Vancouver, sees window dressing rather than usefulness in the present proposal.

To Ask Better Taxi Service

Mayor H. M. Daggett announced this morning that it is his intention to ask the city council at the next meeting to request local taxi drivers to provide more adequate service to the public than they have been doing in the past.

SIXTEEN DEAD IN HOTEL FIRE

Fashionable Resort in Richmond, Virginia, is Swept by Flames.

RICHMOND, Virginia, March 11—Sixteen persons were killed and 25 others injured when fire dstroyed the top floor of the fashionable Jefferson Hotel here after midnight last night. One woman was killed in jumping from the sixth floor.

De Valera Refuses To Close Axis Diplomatic Offices in So. Ireland

Request to do so Made by United States Which Complained of Spying—London Press Critical.

LONDON, March 11 (CP) — Eire occupies the limelight in international affairs today. The Irish in Dublin are reported to be enthusiastically approving Premier Eamonn de Valera's rejection of the United States request for the closing of Japanese diplomatic offices in Eire but the British press strongly deplores de Valera's action.

The London Mirror says there is every reason to believe that America does not intend to regard the matter as closed and hints of further steps.

The Daily Mail declares that enemy agents in Dublin "have far too long been able to spy on us almost on our doorstep."

V. D. PROBLEM—

Conditions Poor Here

Dr. Roger Knipe Speaks on Social Disease—Must Save and Protect Youth

With 193 cases reported in the city last year, venereal disease is a major problem in Prince Rupert, it was asserted by Dr. R. G. Knipe, medical health officer, in an address before the Junior Section of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce at dinner Thursday night. It was a civic disgrace that the average age of patients should be twenty years, said Dr. Knipe who stressed the importance of making every effort to save and strengthen the youth. Free clinics such as that operated at the local health unit were a valuable measure.

Suppression of prostitution had proven a most efficacious measure in the campaign against the spread of venereal disease. Fortunately, the civic authorities at Prince Rupert had had the courage to close the "hump" which had been a disgrace and black eye to the city for so many years. There had been fifty percent less venereal disease in Vancouver after the restricted district there had been closed.

Ninety-five percent of prostitutes were affected with venereal disease, dclared Dr. Knipe. It was a farce to talk of the inspection of prostitutes.

If there was enforcement by proclamation of the clause in the Marriage Act which called for every one who contemplated marriage in British Columbia to take a blood test for syphilis before marriage, hereditary syphilis might be to large extent eliminated. There should also be pre-natal examination of mothers.

Dr. Knipe warned that only one person could with measure of success treat venereal disease and that was a competent, qualified physician.

The speaker, who stressed the importance of public health education, said that venereal disease and juvenile delinquency went hand in hand. Homes in which no interest was taken, failure of making a home a centre of interest to children, sub-standard entertainment, lack of wholesome recreational facilities, lack

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Local Temperature

Maximum	39
Minimum	30

EXEMPTING OF SEAMEN

Tax Moratorium of Province Extended to Another Branch of War Service

VICTORIA, Mar. 11 (CP)—Premier John Hart introduced in the Legislature on Friday a bill extending to merchant seamen tax exemption rights previously given to soldiers, sailors and airmen. The measure grants exemption to seamen who serve in war zones.

The exemption is on mineral claims and land.

There will be remission of succession duties to close relatives in the event of death while in the war zone.

SOUTH PACIFIC—

NEW DRIVE BY YANKS

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Mar. 11 (CP)— The Americans captured Talasea airdrome Wednesday and then wheeled north on Thursday to cut in two Willaumez Peninsula on north New Britain which they invaded Monday, headquarters announced today. The victories placed the Americans within 770 miles of Rabaul, key Japanese base.

Rabaul has been given another heavy air raid by Allied plane which dropped 138 tons of bombs. Two islands on the way to Truk have also been bombed.

All Ready For Social Hygiene Week in Rupert

Organization has been effectively perfected for the observance of National Social Hygiene Week in Prince Rupert with a general committee of the Junior Section of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce in charge of arrangements consisting of C. F. McCarthy, L. C. Griffiths and Hugo Kraupner.

The advertising committee, which has done an important job, consists of R. G. Birch, L. C. Griffith, Hugo Kraupner, Lloyd Morris, C. F. McCarthy and L. M. Felsenthal.

An ushering committee in connection with the meetings to be held next week consists of Hawthorne Graham, Smerigo Dominato and Charles Linton.

LONDON, (CP) — Cmdr. Edward Gibbs of the Royal Navy, captain of the destroyer Pathfinder, received a second and third bar to the D.S.O. at a recent investiture thus becoming the first officer in this war to win the award four times.