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Netherlands

OSS MUNRO s War Correspondent ST CANADIAN 4_Two bridgeheads hed yesterday by ons over the Twente Zutphen and Henand while British n troops under Gencommand cleared; from virtually all ween Arnhem and

Canadian Armoris now operating the Rhine, it was e Second Infantry the Second Armhad already been this general region hird Infantry Diven located in the ea. Canadian tanks are operating east and reached the l at several points

advance the First rmy will have cut l German commuetween the Hague dam from which ngland has been v V-bombs. ans have cut across

from Lt.-Col. F. Tin utting Off German Commercial Counsellor of the Soviet embassy at Ottawa:

"We fully appreciate that the port of Prince Rupert is the nearest Pacific coast port to the Soviet Union. However, as we have no idea of the facilities of this port for the shipment of our cargos, any information you would be good enough to submit would be greatly valued—such information which concerns docks and cranes for handling cargo, railroad aids for the delivery of shipments to this port, availability of longshoremen, also the port's customs and tariffs for handling car-

"We would be thankful, indeed for your kind assistance in facilitating repairs to Russian vessels as it is quite possible that, after their completion, other ships will be sent for repairs."

hours at the pres- PRISONERS ARE TREATED BADLY

Liberated Britons and Canadians Tell of Harrowing Experiences

SIEGENHAIN, Germany, April part of German 4 (P)-When Allied troops capturon lines eastward ed a prison camp near the Ger-With the recent man town of Siegenham, the kout lifted it may liberated more than 1200 British that Ruhrlo, six and Dominion troops. The Gerthe Twente canal, mans had marched these prisonthe towns captured ers by forced stages all the way adian's spectacular from Breslau, 300 miles away, in ep into Holland, an attempt to prevent their lib- tent of \$5,000 to assist in build-17 miles east of eration by advancing Russian ing sidewalks on Sixth Ave. E. liberated by the forces. Exhaustion caused many and Hays Cove Ave. has been ofdeaths during the march.

Bulletins

AVA CAPTURED -The capture of capital of Slovakia. ed in an order of Marshal Stalin.

CROSS OVER - The national campaign has ex-\$10,000,000 objec-

ARRESTED - Seven hundred and Axis sympathi-

een arrested in this Argentina. FIC BOMBING

The R.A.F. bomber dropped a record of tons of bombs in on targets in Ger-Air Ministry says ommand-which in-Canadian bomber the R.C.A.F.—was the best March

at least 12 years. CAL HEALTH OUVER - The B.C. Federation, at its nvention here Tuesorsed a resolution stablishment of a health department niversity of British The resolution rean audience with of Education Perry

RS REMOVE SAFE OVER-A 300-pound removed by burglars ittle Mountain drug has not been found. ned narcotics, \$500 and postal funds.

ING EXTRA VOTES AGTON-On the dipront, it is revealed United States will r extra votes in the embly which will be at the United Naerence in San Frandecision not to ask onal votes was made ent Roosevelt. Howdoes not change the promise to support equest for two adotes in the proposed Russia will ask extra the Ukrainian and

ssian Soviets.

PORTUGAL AND JAPAN

LONDON-Reports that Portugal has declared war on Japan are discounted although Portugal may take action to protect her Pacific interests.

6,000 VIENNESE EXECUTED BERNE, Switzerland-Travellers from the German frontier say that the Nazis have execut- meeting and at the meeting prior that Canada stands out clearly ed 6,000 persons in the Vienna area for defeatism, sabotage, and demonstrations. This report from Berne, Switzerland,

HEPBURN LEADER AGAIN TORONTO-Mitchell F. Hepburn is back at the nelm of the him. Ontario Liberal party. Mr. Hepburn, who led the party to success at the polls in 1934 and 1937, was re-appointed Ontario Liberal leader by a large caucus of the party.

is without confirmation.

FLATLY REJECTED

WASHINGTON - A Russian demand that Poland's present Warsaw government be invited to the San Francisco world security conference has been turned down flatly by Britain and the United States. Diplomats in Washington interpret the Soviet move as an effort to jam the Moscow-sponsored regime down the throats of the other Allies.

TO HANDLE LAY-OFFS OTTAWA-Plans are now being laid in Ottawa to handle any post-war-lay-off rush and in this connection the government job control organization plans to establish emergency offices in every major Canadian city. National Selective Service intends to pur emergency offices in all the larger

"VICTORY" VOTE ASKED OTTAWA- Finance Minister Hsley is asking the House of Commons to vote \$2,000,000,000 in a combined appropriation and mutual aid bill designed to cover the first five months of the 1945-46 fiscal year. In announcing the war appropriation, Mr. Ilsley also stated that victory in Europe is "certain" and that the end of hostilities on that continent are, in his has been invited to submit a ten- had lost 900 ships, totalling own words, "reasonably near." | der.



PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 1945

Will Be More Than Mere Task Force, Minister of Navy An-

OTTAWA, April 4 (P)—Canada's naval force in the Pacific war will be more than a mere token force. Navy Minister MacDonald told the House of Commons yesterday that Canada's second cruiser - the Ontario - will be assigned to Pacific waters to join the Canadian cruiser Uganda, which is already in the Pacific under command of Capt. E. L. Mainguy. Canada acquired the Uganda from the British Navy, and the Ontario now is being built at Belfast Two aircraft carriers will also be sent if arrangements can be made for their acquisition.

Long Diplomatic Silence Is Ended

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 4 More than a quarter century of diplomatic silence between Brazil and Soviet Russia is at an end. The ambassadors representing New Nazi Terrorism those two nations in Washington have exchanged notes that have re-established relations between the countries.

W. T. H. OFFERS \$5,000 TOWARD

But Offer Puts City Council In Quandary

Financial assistance to the exfered to the city by Wartime Housing Limited and aldermen are wondering how they can

avail themselves of the offer. Their quantary is this: Wartime Housing Limited has agreed to assist financially in building the much needed sidewalks if the city will give approval to certain subdivision plans for the Rushbrook Heights housing project which the company requires to file at the land registry office. Lacking the professional ap-

proval of the city engineer, city council has so far been unable to possibly a series of other such approve the plans although aldermen at last night's council have the matter cleared up.

City Engineer G. S. Hanes has definitely stated that in order to give approval to the subdivsion Greater Buffalo Advertising plans he must examine profile Club Tuesday. drawings of the area and these

alderman lamented.

the matter out.

Wartime Housing is anxious to ted States. the housing project was discon- vested." tinued, council was informed.

ponsible for actual construction peace. of the sidewalks.

COUNCIL SEEKS NEW AGREEMENT ON AMBULANCE

economical operation of the city of humanity, but our very way ambulance city council fast night of life," Mr. Gardiner added, "It approved a report of the ambul- is natural to attribute the imance committee that W. Bergey, portance we attach to these conthe present operator, has been ferences and all that came out given one month's notice and of them." that tenders are being called for a new agreement. Mr. Bergey

War News Highlights Only 130 Miles from Berlin

British Fleet Massing

TOKYO-It is reported here that a great British fleet is massing in the Indian Ocean with a view to participating in an invasion of Malay Peninsula, Burma and Thailand.

nounces-Two Cruisers Already Pounding Germany By Daylight

LONDON-Allied warplanes have resumed their daylight pounding of Germany. According to the Nazi radio, Allied bombers converged on the Reich this morning from two directions. By enemy account, one bomber formation roared in from the south-presumably from Italian bases-while another armada of Allied planes swept in over northwestern Germany. Berlin said one of the targets was the great seaport of Hamburg-Germany's second largest city. A late report from London, says British Lancasters have battered enemy troop concentrations at Nordhausen in support of American Third Army ground troops. This is the second British raid on Nordhause in sixteen hours. The city lies 55 miles east of Kassel on the road to Berlin.

Vienna In Artillery Range

MOSCOW-In Austria, the heart of once-gay Vienna now is within range of Soviet artillery fire. Russian tanks and infantrymen are fighting inside the administrative district of Greater Vienna, with the capital's famous Rinstrasse only six miles away. Twenty-two miles below Vienna, the great aircraft centre of Wiener-Neustadt has fallen to the Red Armytogether with the big Messerschmitt assemby plant. Soviet troops in Austria also have cut the main roalroad from Vienna to the Italian city of Venice. The Russians are seven miles from the great Semmering Pass into Italy, and they are only 137 miles from Hitler's mountain retreat at Berchtesdagen.

LONDON-New acts of terror are claimed for the Nazi Underground in German territory occupied by the Allies. According to enemy radio broadcasts, Nazi terrorists who call themselves the Werewolves have slain an official of the American government. The Nazi guerillas also boast of killing American soldiers in Aachen.

War Against Japan

MANILA-In the war against Japan, veteran American troops are making good progress in their latest invasion in the Philippines—this time on the islands of Tawitawi. The island is at the southern extremity of the Philippines-only thirty miles from the rich oil fields and rubber of Borneo. The Americans now control Tawitawi Harbor, with its big naval base. They also hold two air fields within ten minutes flying time of Borneo.

Jap Homeland Hit Again

WASHINGTON - On the Japanese homeland, the big island of Honshu has fresh ruins today after another attack by a great armada of superfortress bombers. The B-29'sthree hundred strong-made a three-way assault, hitting the cities of Shizuoka, Tachikawa, and Koizumi.

Preparing

OTTAWA, April 4 - Govern-

that the conference will be either

postponed or cancelled. In Wash-

loving nations" seems to have

taken a beating. During the

send a delegation.

world security debate.

Railway Official Speaks on International Relations

BUFFALO, April 4-"With the San Francisco conference and meetings pending, this is, I believe, a timely occasion to state A. Gardiner, general passenger traffic manager, Canadian National Railways, speaking to the

"After all, it is natural that have never been submitted to this should be. Not only has Canada attained full nationhood "If we haven't the authority by constitutional developments to approve the plan, how are we but she has grown up side by side going to accept the offer?" an with a pleasant, friendly neighbor with whom she has so much Council decided to meet with in common and so few discord-G. M. Christie, Wartime Housing ances that it could hardly othersurveyor, in committee of the wise be possible. She is as comwhole on Friday night to thrash pletely independent of Britain, for example, as she is of the Uni-

have the plans filed with the "Thanks to the sacrifices of support a Russian demand for Registrar of Lands to protect the their armies of land, the sea, three votes in the proposed world rights of several property owners and the air, the United Nations who turned land over to the have entered the very field Crown company on the agree- wherein the premises ensured at United States also. ment that it or similar land the Teheran, Quebec and Yalta would be returned to them when conferences were to be har-

Mr. Gardiner continued "What barton Oaks proposals, which Wartime Housing has indicat- was accomplished in the confer- have been approved by the Caned that if the city will grant ences between the truly 'great' adian House of Commons as the approval to the subdivision plans ones of the earth' of this day and basis for discussion at San Franthe company will contribute generation proved that it was cisco.

suffering and above all, to the hoped for. risk in which the totalitarian |. In an effort to achieve more powers placed not only our ideals

> By the end of 1940, Britain more than 3,000,000 tons.

CAPTURED

Another Amphibious Operation by MacArthur on Luzon is Successful

MANILA, April 4 (P)—General MacArthur's latest amphibious perations are going well. His combat team went ashore on southeastern Luzen and captured Legaspi and its airfield almost without a struggle. Before the landings, American naval guns engaged in a 60-minute duel with Japanese coastal batteries.

DOUKS GO IN NUDE AGAIN

Another Demonstration Staged During Easter Celebrations at Brilliant

BRILLIANT, B.C., April 4 (P) Sunday celebrations here but other members of the religious sect known as the Christian Process -nr Community of Christ ejected 53353 them forcibly from a hall where The four were two men and two women members of the Sons Ocean Trade two women members of the Sons of Freedom sect who disrobed in front of the house of John Veregin, leader of the Christian Community of Christ sect. Five hundred paraders were returning from the Veregin tomb at the

Commerce Chamber Secretary Resigns

E. T. Applewhaite, following his nomination as Liberal candidate for Skeena in the federal election, has submitted his resignation as secretary of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce but, at the request of the executive council, is carrying on until a successor becomes avail-

Enthusiasm which imbues the newly formed community publicity organization in Prince Rupert was mentioned at last night's meeting of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce by G. A. Hunter in reporting on recent meeting of the body. Mr. Hunter told of plans which were being launched to publicize ment authorities in Ottawa are the city and district both within going ahead with preparations and without. Committees were to for the San Francisco World be appointed on program, financial ways and means and Security Conference in spite of indicated their willingness to as a nation of America," said A. rumors that the meeting may be other phases of a campaign. The possibility of certain early revcancelled. There has been no enues of local publicity was menofficial intimation in Ottawa tioned.

Weather Forecast

ington it is considered unlikely Light to moderate winds. that the meeting will be put off unless Russia refuses outright to cloudy and mild with frequent light to moderate rain showers But the post-war picture has becoming partly cloudy in eveconsiderably changed since the ning. Thursday: moderate to House of Commons concluded its fresh winds, mostly cloudy with light rain showers becoming fair First of all the principle of in evening. Slightly lower tem- Prince Rupert forestry district "sovereign equality of all peace- perature.

week-end it was disclosed that Jinks Submarine--

the United States has agreed to security assembly. American terms are three votes for the The principle of sovereign equality of all peace-loving states was included in the Dum-

| Canadian frigate Annan sank a lineal feet as against 594,085 lin-\$5,076 toward the cost of build- possible for the major powers to There has also been some dis- German submarine in a daring eal feet for the similar period last ing sidewalks in the areas along work together. That they could agreement among the big three North Atlantic action which year. March production was 55,- menaced by Field Marshal Mont-Sixth Ave. E. and Hays Cove Ave. work together in war assured themselves. Russia's demand brought awards to nine members 995 feet while in March, 1944, 49, However, the city would be res- that they could work together for that the provisional Polish gov- of the frigate's crew. The battle 457 feet were scaled. ernment be invited to the con- was fought at night on an un-"To the bond of the blood shed ference has been turned down disclosed date. It resulted in March, bringing the total for the by our sons and brothers in a by Britain and the United States. seven Canadian wounded, but the three month period to 58,885. In within 160 miles of a junction common cause; to our joint, deep This discloses differences among sturdy river class warship March, 1944 there were 6,053 ties with the Russians on the Eastand unalterable attachment to the three great powers where brought back several German cut and the three month total ern front—a move that would that cause; to our community solidarity was expected and survivors, including the U-boat was 10,053. commander and two officers.

Liberation of Holland Is Near; Allies Trapping Two Nazi Forces

School Boys Being Drafted in Final Battle in Reich-Peasants Are Openly Hostile to Nazis

EVACUATING NORTHWEST GERMANY

drawing closer for the great Netherlands cities of Amsterdam, Rotterdam and the Hague. Two big Allied armies—the Canadian First and the British Sec-Four radical Doukhobors demon-ond-are driving towards the sea in a move to pin strated in the nude at Easter down the Germans-perhaps 90,000 in number-still

remaining in western Holland.

In Germany, the British Second Army is less than sixty miles from the North Sea coast while the Canadians in Holland are City Council and Chamber

of Commerce Want Russian Shipping Here

Prince Rupert is not going to be bypassed as a seaport if Alderman Norah E. Arnold can help it. At City Council meeting last night she presented a motion that the federal Department of Trade and Commerce be contacted in an effort to bring Russian trade to this port.

"I want to know what is being done to bring trade here," she said as she introduced the motion. "Is there anything being done to bring Russian ships here?"

Mayor Daggett replied that the special shipyard committee had taken steps to contact various Russian of-

"Well, I think the Department of Trade and Commerce should be contacted. They may be the ones which can do us the most good."

The Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, at its meeting last night, also discussed Russian trade possibilities here and decided to ask the railway authorities for a direct answer as to why there should not be such shipping through

Sawlog production in the in the first three months of 1945 dropped markedly under the Army troops had captured the production for the similar period industrial city of Kassell. Other last year. This year's sawlog First Army troops shattered Gerscale to date totals 16,150,309 man efforts to claw open an board feet as against 27,938,526 escape path from the Ruhr. board feet in 1944.

In March, 8,676,772 board feet were produced as compared with 5.547.906 board feet in March 1944. Slightly more than half the balsam and fir following in that

Production of poles and piling OTTAWA, April 4 (P) - The so far this year totals 328.846 capital of Westphalia.

There were 6.159 ties cut in

Cordwood cut in March totalled 197 crods as against 1,807 cords cut in March 1944.

KING RECEIVES CHURCHILL LONDON - Prime Minister the King within the week.

Tomorrow's Tides

(Pacific Standard Time)

Thursday, April 5, 1945

17.5 feet

15.0 feet

6.8 feet

LONDON, April 4—There are indications today that the Germans may be planning to evacuate not only Holland but all of northwestern Germany including Hamburg and Bremen. The Allied armies, at the nearest point, are 130 miles from Berlin. Kassel and Karlsruhe are the latest important cities to be captured by the Allies. Field Marshal Kesselring is reported to be with one of the trapped Nazi armies. Canadians have reached a point eight miles from the Zuider Zee in Holland.

PARIS, April 4 (CP) — The day of liberation is

reported by the Paris radio to be only ten miles from the Zuider Zee at the town of

The Canadians are fighting together as an army for the first time since General Crerar's formation toppled enemy resistance west of the Rhine March 10. British troops fighting with the Canadian Army are in a min-

Troops of the American Seventh Army are driving down the last forty miles to Nuremberg, where the Hitler party held its annual conventions before the war. The Germans are fighting desperately to prevent an American breakthrough and boys have been taken from German cadet schools to meet the advancing Seventh Army. Civilians, however, are doing little or nothing to impede the drive. Many of these Germans are peasants and they are openly hostile to Nazi troops who have turned their farms into a "No

Man's Land." North of the Seventh Army front, other Allied armies continue to hammer out sensational gains. The American Third is three-quarters of the way across the waist of Germany and only 140 miles from Berlin. The United States First and Ninth armies have tightened their noose of steel around the 100,000 Nazis in the encircled

British Second Army men are within 60 miles of the North Sea in a supreme effort to trap a German army group just as the American First and Ninth armies sealed the fate of 110,000 Germans in the Ruhr.

A German Tranocean broadcast said that American First

The British Broadcasting Corporation said that British pat-

rols had entered Osnabrueck. Nazi defences in Holland and northern Germany were being month's output was spruce logs, cut to ribbons and escape routes with cedar, jackpine, hemlock, were being severed one after another.

British and American troops cleared two-thirds of Muenster,

The large north German cities of Bremen and Hanover were gomery's columns which were

only 60 miles distant. The American Third overnight advanced almost 30 miles to bisect Germany.

Remains of Airman Washed Up On Beach

VANCOUVER, April 4 (P)-The Churchill was received by body of a Canadian airman King George today just be- minus head and hands was fore the opening of the Com- washed up on the beach near monwealth conference. It was Bellingham, Washington, Monthe third time that the Prime day. The body was found by a Minister has been received by fisherman. The name has not yet been released.

LONDON, April 4 (P)—The Swiss-Italian frontier will be closed for an indefinite period, beginning today because of anticipated "important events" the Paris and Brussels radios reported.

Brussels said "very important eyents are taking shape in northern Italy and new developments must be expected in the very near future."