HUGE EXPLOSION AT PORT ARTHUR

Today's Temperature Temperatures for the Prince

Rupert district for today read:

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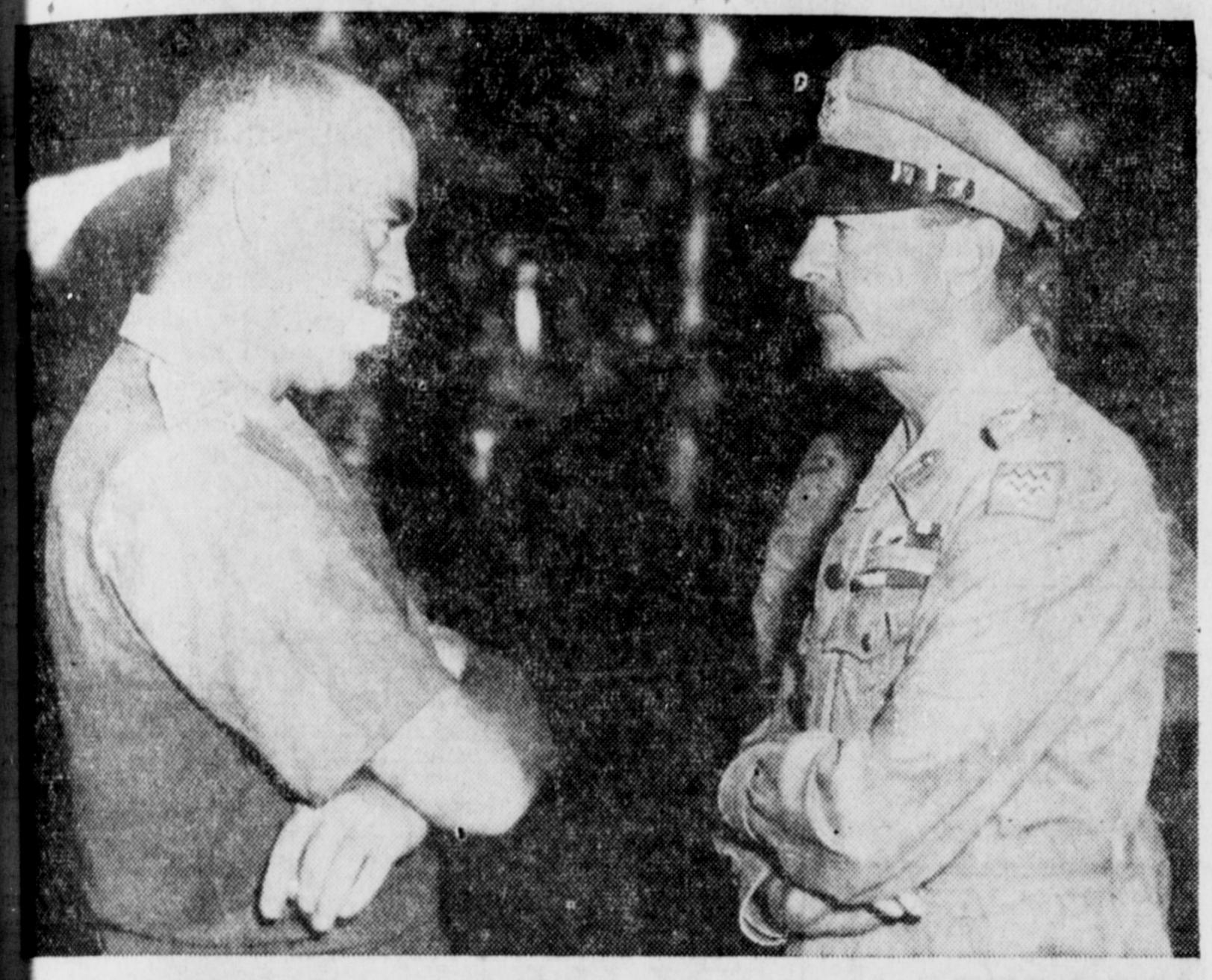
PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 1945

PRICE FIVE CENTS

Tomorrow's Tides (Pacific Standard Time)

Wednesday, August 8, 1945

Jokyo Miked Next For Atom Bomb Attack



ANADIANS SERVED UNDER NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL-Field Marshal Sir Harold Alexnder, newly appointed Governor-General of Canada had the First and Fifth Divisions of the Canadian Army, and the First Armoured Brigade, under his general command during the campaigns which conquered Sicily and Italy. The Canadians were part of the British Eighth Army, among the forces directed by Field Marchal Alexander as Supreme Commander in the Mediterranean theatre. Field Marshal Alexander praised the fighting ability of the Canadans on different occasions and visited their headquarters several times. He is pictured here ith Maj.-Gen. Chris. Vokes of Ottawa during one of these visits. Gen. Vokes was then commanding the Canadian First Division. (Canadian Army Overseas Photo).

Large Crowd Applauded Beauty Candidates at Carnival Opening

lected

Landslide Majority Given lackenzie King in lengarry Yesterday

TTAWA, Aug. 7 — Historic tiny of the judges. ngarry riding, in the federal yesterday, gave eral opponent, 327 votes. In tery of judges sitting on the en of the 43 polls, Dr. Mona- right side of the stage.

ers of Glengarry.

failed to receive a single

. Monahan loses his deposit

SMITHERS

cropolis Baseballers Seek ew Field of Conquest

leave Prince Rupert tonight "Miss Prince Rupert." the Canadian National Rail-

ning and afternoon will be the third to be introduced.

Hutchinson.

Kearney, 3b; Lancaster, 1f;

The brief stage show which who also played for the dance which followed.

The glamor and beauty of "Miss Northern B.C." contestants from Prince Rupert and the interior was lavishly applauded by one of the largest crowds ever to assemble in the carnival grounds at last night's lan Strike opening of the annual Civic Centre Carnival when the four interior candidates were presented from the stage and the six contestants for the titled of "Miss Prince Ru- CITY URGES

ROAD ACTION

Another Unconditional Sur-

LONDON, Aug. 7 (CP) — A

new surrender ultimatum to

Japan, backed by the threat

of the atomic bomb, was fore-

cast in the British press to-

day and the question was rais-

ed whether Britain and the

United States would see not

to share their secret with other

Japan will receive another

ultimatum with a forty-eight

hour limit threatening to

bomb her into oblivion with

the new weapon unless she

character who charmed the

audience with his quick wit and

troduction to Miss Evelyn Bussey,

surrenders unconditionally.

Allied nations.

render Demand Now to

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tenance.

pert" underwent the first scru-Presented to the audience and judges by D. C. Stevenson, all me Minister W. L. Mackenzie ten girls wore evening dress. The the largest majority ever four interior queens were introrded in the history of the duced first, then retired to the The prime minister re- rear of the stage while the Prince ed 4,623 votes and Dr. Rich- Rupert girls appeared singly to Monahan, his Independent undergo the judgment of a bat-

An estimated crowd of 2,000 or more thronged the area in front usy in Ottawa with the of the pavilion to see the stage linion-provincial conference, show and beauty pageant. Per-King asked Hon. J. E. Chev- fect summer weather made it to extend his thanks to the one of the best attended carnival nights in several seasons.

> T. Norton Youngs, president of the Civic Centre Carnival committee and master of ceremonies, introduced Mayor H. M. Daggett who officially welcomed the citizens to the grounds when the stage presentations began at 11' o'clock. Earlier in the evening the crowd swirled happily about the merry-go-round and

games and refreshment booths. Waves of applause greeted the ith twelve wins and one loss introduction of the four interior the season, the Acropolis Hill candidates, Georgina Patterson, was of the Prince Rupert "Miss Prince George;" Mary Port of Embarkation will be Fowler, "Miss Smithers;" Virfor their thirteenth and ginia Keefe, "Miss Tweedsmuir teenth victories when they Park;" and Iris Edlund, "Miss Smithers town team in a Burns Lake.' The enthusiasm duled double-header tomor- continued during the presentain Smithers. The Browns tion of the six contestants for

First of the local girls to be introduced was Miss Lois Mache twin bill, arranged by Joe Leod wearing a black and white onald and Ken Werner, evening gown, whose talent sident of the Smithers Ath- amateur theatricals. She was Association, will provide followed by Miss Doris Morgan, of the entertainment of in white, whose talent is singthers' annual Sports Day, ing. Miss Pat Love, a dancer, in by his proficiency with a rope the company is refusing to two games scheduled for pale green evening dress, was

efit games with all proceeds | Eileen Feasby, wearing a pale ig to the Athletic Associa- blue evening gown was introduced as a dancer. Vicky Michaoach Lt. Bob Farmer has an- luk, wearing white, is a dancer, nced that he will start Meyer, as is Gwen Peskett, who, wearst southpaw, on the mound ing a gown of pale pink, was the first session with Kali- the final contestant to appear.

tch receiving. Bob Kiener The judges were E. T. Applehurl for the afternoon whaite, Alderman Nora E. Ar- Rotary Queen candidate. nold, Arthur Brooksbank, Mrs. Musical background for the tarting line-up for the W. J. Nelson, G. A. Hunter, Mrs. stage performances was supplied whs will be as follows: Bart- Drummond Hay and Mrs. Joel by an orchestra composed of

Elevator Blast DEATH LIST MAY BE EVEN GREATER SASKATCHEWAN PLANT

Nine Killed By

AS RESULT OF CATASTROPHE IN

PORT ARTHUR, Ont., Aug. 7 (CP)—A terrific explosion shook the big storage elevator of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Ltd. on the waterfront here today and the early death list totalled nine. Many other workmen are missing. There were a number injured. Company officials said the toll might reach 20 or 25.

Seventy men were employed at the elevator, one of a group of giant storage elevators located on the waterfront some three miles from the centre of Port Arthur.

All four walls of the elevator were blown out. Eye-witnesses said that workmen were hurled through the air. Four bodies were found two hundred feet from the elevator.

Cause of the explosion was not immediately known. Accumulation of grain dust, source of explosions in grain elevators, may have caused the

A ship was loading at the elevator docks but whether it suffered damage was not known immediately.

Fire was reported to be sweeping the wreckage but first reports said nearby elevators were not in danger.

The explosion occurred at 9:34 a.m. and ripped off the four top floors of the elevator, the structure bursting into flame and smoke.

Downtown Fort William and Port Arthur were rocked.

CITY TO AID

IN MOVE FOR

At the instigation of Ald.

building of new homes by pros-

pective builders. The mayor,

city engineer and city clerk were

named a committee to collabor-

ate with the Association which

recently was advised that two

life insurance companies — Mu-

tual and Canada—were inter-

ested in financing homes here

This committee has also been

active in connection with the

getting out of information in

Continuing

More Plants Down Coast May Be Forced to Close

VANCOUVER, Aug. 7 (P)-Can-Implementing a suggestion by Ald. Thomas B. Black, the ning company officials in Britcity council decided last night ish Columbia are expressing to call upon both the federal concern over the failure of the and provincial governments to disputant parties to settle the get together and settle the isten-day-old strike at the Amsure of jurisdiction of the new erican Can Company plant in Prince Rupert Highway and Vancouver. The officials say institute a program of mainthat many canning plants will be forced to close if they do not get fresh supplies of cans

> Two canning companies already have been forced to close as the situation has reached a stage which is described of ficially as "critical."

The federal government yes- regard to possible building sites. terday announced the appoint- It had been stated some time ment of Mr. Justice S. E. Rich- ago that a representative of the ards of Winnipeg as conciliator National Housing Act was com in the strike dispute and asked ing to Prince Rupert in connecstriking workers of the Ameri- tion with extending the benecan Can Co. at Vancqueer to fits of the Act to this city bu

return to their jobs immediately. he had never come. Striking workers at the plant last night at a meeting said they welcomed the appointment of Mr. Justice Richards as mediator in the dispute "without this being contingent on a resumption of work." They decided they would not return to work unless granted a union shop.

Stating that they will not return to work unless they are granted a union shop, the workers, who are members of the United Steelworkers of America tions contained good quality en- in a telegram to Labor Minister tertainment by Coastguardsman Humphrey Mitchell, said that Ted Lewis, a rope artist and the only issue at stake is the juggler who claimed he came union shop and they added that from his "grandpappy" who budge from its original position

liked them so well that he on the question. eventually died in one, and by The strike, which is in its 12th Ventriloquist Johnny Sheflin, day, has now forced the closing R.C.N.V.R., and his problem child of nine British Columbia can-Tommy, a solid navy ning plants.

was himself charmed by an in- CARNIVAL QUEEN STANDING

130,000 Bea Didrickson 66,000 Lillian Knutson

Ruth Giske

Evelyn Bussey

J. J. Little is now vice-president as well as general manager of the Northern British Columbia Power Co., according to advice received at the company local offices. J. B. Woodyat of Montreal is president of the Northern British Columbia Power Co.

Weather Forecast Light variable winds, exten-

sive fog and low clouds over open water and exposed land areas. Elsewhere partly cloudy, clearing by evening. Little change in temperature.

LONDON,—An article in Soviet News said that 40 percent of to Storage. blinded soldiers treated by Russian doctors during the war left to Royal. hospital with their sight restored to a considerable extent.

MORE LIQUOR IS EXPECTED

As Result of Decision of Federal Government to

there would be an increase in the liquor ration in British Columbia in September was the hope expressed yesterday by W. F. Kennedy, chairman of the Liquor Control Board of British Columbia, following news of the dropping of federal restrictions. A survey of liquor stocks will be made immediately, said Mr. Kennedy.

In Ottawa it was felt that more liquor would soon be available and that it might not be long before rationing could be discontinued.

AMERICAN ACE DIES IN CRASH

Major Richard Bong Loses Life in Explosion of Jet Plane

BURBANK, Calif., Aug. 7 (P) -The flaming explosion of a jetpropelled plane has brought death to a top American fighter ace, Major Richard Ira Bong. The 24-year-old fighter pilot died Monday afternoon when his jet-propelled P-80 plane exploded four minutes after it left the Lockheed air terminal in Bur-

Bong, who had 40 Japanese planes to his credit, was taking the plane out on a test flight. Apparently he made an attempt to a spe through the pilot's escape hatch. His parachute was partly opened. One witness says she saw the curly-headed ace leap from the cockpit with his hands over his head. But one instant later, she saw the plane explode, catching the pilot in the

Major Bong joined the U. S Army Air Corps in 1941 and serv ed for nearly two years in the Pacific theatre. In addition to the Congressional Medal of Honor, which is the most coveted of American decorations, he also held the Distinguished Flying Thomas B. Black, the city coun- | Medal which was presented to cil decided last night to offer him by the King. On his reits co-operation to the Prince turn from overseas, he was as-Rupert Housing Association in signed to testing the new efforts to get the National 550-mile-an-hour jet-propelled Housing Act sponsorship in op- Lockheed "Shooting Stars."

eration in Prince Rupert for the Bulletins

FRANCE NOT FORGETFUL

ambassador to Canada—Count : France. work for the good of mankind. received an official welcome.

DELEGATES AT MONTREAL MONTREAL - Some American and British delegates to the International Civil Aviation Organization conference in Montreal already have arrived in the city. At the same time, Norway has announced her representative to the conference. He is Major A. Huem who left Norway on Sunday by air for Canada.

GLENGARRY BY-ELECTION ALEXANDRIA, Ont. - All forty-three polls in the Glengarry federal riding of Ontario are in. Prime Minister Mackenzie King was elected by the biggest majority ever recorded in the riding. The Prime Minister received 4,623 votes. His lone opponent-Independent - Liberal Candidate Dr. Richard Monahan - received only 327 supporting ballots.

Fish Sales

(Canadian, 1814c to 161/2c) Dolina II, 64,000 lbs. Fisher Lassie, 50,000 lbs., sold

Prosperity A, 31,000 lbs., sold

Domino II, 18,000 lbs., sold to Whiz.

Terrific New Instrument Of Aerial Warfare To Be Drop Restrictions VAINCOUVER, Aug. 7—That Unleashed on Jap Capital

Atom Bomb

Plant in Northern Ontario Has Played Part in Its Making

OTTAWA, Aug. 7 (CP)-Munitions Minister Howe has disclosed Canada's part in the development of the deadly atom bomb. In a statement, Mr. Howe discloses that a pilot plant for investigating one of the methods of making materials from uranium for the bombs operates near Chalk River, Ontario, which is northwest of Ottawa.

Also to be used is a 10,000acre tract of land west of the Petawawa Military Camp. A town, laboratories and a factory are being built there and are nearing completion.

The taking over of the Eldorado mine is believed associated with the project.

Great Reception Accorded to Commander-in-Chief and Ten Thousand Men

WELCOMED AT OTTAWA OTTAWA, Aug. 7 (CP)-Lieut.-Gen. H. D. G. Crerar, First Canadian Army commander, arrived here today to complete his long journey home and touch off national welcoming ceremonies led by Prime Minister Mackenzie King and scheduled throughout the day. Crerar arrived on a special six-car train. On the platform with him were Mrs. Crerar and Defence Minister McNaughton. A state luncheon and public reception at Chateau Laurier was among the

events of the day. HALIFAX, Aug. 7-Ten thous-

home after disembarking Sun-WINNIPEG-The French day in Halifax from the Ile de

Jean de Hautcloque-says | Most of the men brought yesterday. All ten premiers stat-France will never forget the home aboard the former French ed ytsterday that they realize services rendered by Canadian liner wore khaki uniforms but that they must co-operate with troops in both World Wars. one man in particular was spot- each other in the reconstruction Speaking in Winnipeg, the lighted among the thousands. period. No specific comment on French ambassador urged He was General H. D. G. Crerar, the conference proposals as sub-French-speaking Canadians to former commander of the First mitted by Prime Minister Maccontinue their contributions to Canadian Army who is retire- kenzie King yesterday as yet has the unity of their nation so ment-bound. General Crerar ar- come from the premiers. that a strong Canada may rived in Ottawa today where he veterans were among the re- and those serving overseas have

at home as well as ourselves but, 'try."

Hiroshima, City of 300,000, First Target, May Have Been Completely Wiped Out SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 7 (P)_

The first enemy radio report on the destruction caused by the atomic bomb admits that the bomb dropped on Hiroshima did considerable damage. This is the first Japanese acknowledgement of the existence of the new weapon. Tokyo describes the bomb as apparently of a new type—adding that details now are under investigation.

The next city on the list for atomic bomb destruction is believed to be Tokyo itself or one of Japans other great war industry centres.

President Truman has disclosed that new and even more powerful atomic bombs are in the

Pending full reconnaissance operations, what happened on Sunday night to the Japanese city of Hiroshima can only be guessed at. The city received a destructive force comparable to 20,000 tons of TAT. It is remembered the 1,000-plane raids on Essen and Cologne unleashed about 1,500 tons of bombs-not 20,000 tons of explosives-and those German cities were several times larger than the 300,non population Japanese city, The belief is that the city was largely, if not completely, de-

There is a report by the London Daily Mail quoting what it calls reliable sources as saying that Japan will be served a new surrender ultimatum within 48 hours. There has been no confirmation of this from official

Considering rroposals

Provincial Premiers Agree on Co-operation in General Way

OTTAWA, Aug. 7 (P)—The nine and more Canadian Army, Air Canadian premiers, gathered in Force and Navy men are speed- Ottawa from across the domining across the Dominion today ion in the latest dominion-proaboard special trains bound for vincial conference, today are considering the federal government proposals outlined to them

Some two thousand Air Force though Canadians in Canada been widely separated by time As the retiring commander of and space, all can feel they have the Canadian First Army, Gen- unitedly shared this long bitter eral Crerar bade farewell to his struggle and mutually contribuservicemen fellow passengers ted to final victory." Then the aboard the Ile de France be- retiring Army commander defore leaving the dock. Speaking clared: "for my part, I wish over the ship's public address you all the best this life can system, the General declared: afford and which you so richly "I hope that each one of you deserve. If as citizens of Canwill find the welcome you look ada in peace you continue to for and happiness you deserve set the high example you did at your journey's end." He went as Canadians in war, there can on to say "these years of war be no doubt as to the grand have left their mark on people future which awaits our coun-

Meet Me at . . .

THE CIVIC CENTRE CARNIVAL

Tonight

7:00—Tug-of-War Preliminaries.

11:00—"Miss Prince Rupert" Bathing Beauty Contest, Second Preliminary.

11:30—Dancing.