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STREET SCENE IN SAARLAUTERN-An LVT (landing vehicle, tank) moves down a street in otherwise peaceful Saarlautern shortly after the Saar river city was taken by the Allies. The LVT's, used with success in the Pacific operations, are now the European theatre.

WAR NEWS

Battle of Philippines

PEARL HARBOR-Allied aerial blows have been falling heavily on Japanese objectives on Luzon Island in the Philippines. General MacArthur is keeping quqiet on enemy claims that American invasion forces have attempted a landing at Lingayen Gulf, the invasion gateway to Manila. According to the enemy, Allied troops have been unable to secure a foothold on Luzon.

Anzacs Help MacArthur

MELBOURNE-General MacArthur's command has been considerably strengthened by the arrival of Australian and New Zealand soldiers in southwest Pacific island. The Australians have taken over from the Americans in British New Guinea. New Zealanders and Australians have also replaced American garrisons in the Solomons. In addition, the soldiers from Down Under are fighting the Japanese on New Britain in the vicinity of Raboul. The change-overs occurred last November but were not disclosed until now for security reasons.

German Stand In Italy

ROME—German forces in Italy are making a stand along the southern bank of the Reno River east of Lake Comacchio after withdrawing five miles from fallen St. Alberto during the last two days. The enemy withdrawal was made under pressure by Canadian troops of the British Eighth Army. Elsewhere in Italy, heavy snows have slowed the fighting down considerably.

Greek Rebels Retreat

ATHENS-Insurgent Greek forces are continuing their retreat into the hills west and north of Athens. A number of left-wing guerrilla troops have been killed by British soldiers, who now control practically all of Athens and its port of

The Eastern Front

MOSCOW-Russian troops have been gaining in their drive towards Komarom in southern CzechoSlovakia. Moscow announces that these Soviet units have driven to within fifty miles of the Austrian frontier. Other Russian forces are tightening their hold on Budapest, where a trapped Nazi garrison has been putting up a stiff battle. The Nazis have been attempting to relieve their garrison in the Hungarian capital, but have been repulsed about fifteen miles northwest of the city.

BROOKSBANK

Chamber of Commerce Tangibly Expresses Its Esteem and Appreciation

night's annual meeting of the Chamber. On the occasion of his retirement, tribute was paid all around to Mr. Brooksbank and it took tangible form in the gift of a handsome engraved silver tray. R. M. Winslow was galled upon to make the presentation and he expressed appropriate sentiments in so doing. Mr. Brooksbank replied suitably

The Chamber further expressed its appreciation and esteem Chamber.

and made it clear that the

pleasure and benefits he had de-

considerable.

Criminal Investigator In This Area Asked

burglaries in the city of late, have also received consideration the Prince Rupert Chamber of and they too will have improved BE BOMBED Commerce, at its meeting last interior designs. Commerce, at its meeting last interior designs. night, decided to request the The after war coach of the Attorney General's department Canadian National will include That the Prince Rupert Chom- to assign a properly qualified all of the principal features reber of Commerce is fully appre- and experienced criminal inves- commended in a number of just ciative of the fine service that tigation officer to this area. W. completed surveys conducted by authorities in the Maritimes has been rendered by Arthur M. Watts, in bringing the matter United States railways and the have also taken measures to en-Brooksbank as secretary- up, made it clear that no reflec- railway passenger car builders sure the safety of the Dominion's treasurer of the Chamber for tion was intended upon the pres- and through research conducted east coast it was disclosed after

23 DEAD IN CRASH MIAMI, Florida-Pan Ameriently killed Monday night in the crash of a huge Africawhile coming in to alight in a rived from his work had been flare-marked area.

TOOK A CHANCE

SOUTHEND, Eng., (P)-A wo- since the start of the war will by voting an honorary life mem- man fined \$4.50 for showing an also be provided in the combeing to Mr. Brooksbank, it unscreened light told the court: pany's post-war coach. They are being the first time that such "Because we thought the war reclining seats, foot rests, indian honorary membership has would be over in a few weeks I'm vitual light for each double seat. ever been conferred by the afraid we didn't black out pro- pull down window shades and

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., TUESDAY, SANUARY 9, 1945

Vancouver Walks

strike At Nip Heart

Principal Homeland Island of Japan Again Ttarget of Superforts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9 (9) Tokyo and industrial targets on the Japanese Island of Honshu once again have been smashed STRONG GALES by superfortress bombers from bases in the Marianas. The bombing planes could observe HALT SEARCH heavy damage. Even as these huge bombers were over Japan of Formosa.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 9 — John here. Bracken, leader of Canada's Pro- The Kyrielle left Saturday gressive - Conservative party, morning to return to Clifford visited General H. G. S. Crerar at | Cove after making the 17-hour Canadian Army Headquarters | run earlier in the week to report yesterday. No announcement was the drowning. Simultaneously, made on matters discussed.

Ridge and in Paris will see Major search. Gaulle. After a few days in Paris police here have been informed. Mr. Bracken will return to Britain and then travel to Italy for a visit with the men of the First PRESS FOR Canadian Corps.

Ten Million Feet Of Timber Is Cut

The log scale in Prince Rupert forestry district for December last year aggregated 10,088. 078 board feet including 657, 781 board feet fir, 3,869,020 cedar, 3,356,555 spruce, 1,915,179 hemlock, 227,061 jackpine, 60, 954 balsam and 1,528 miscellaneous. Pole and pile production in the interior amounted to 241, 798 lineal feet-234,815 lineal feet cedar and 6,983 hemlock Cordwood amounted to 68 cords and no ties were recorded

Coaches to Have Fine Improved Features After War

MONTREAL, Jan. 9-Post-war plans for new passenger equipment have been completed by the Canadian National Railways and many improvements which will be particularly prominent in the interior of day coaches are included. Most of the improvements have been developed from suggestions made by the travelling public. They will be introduced into regular service as soon after the war as conditions In This Area Asked will permit. New Canadian Na-In view of the frequency of tional sleeping and dining cars CANADA MAY

conditioning systems. In addition passenger preferences which were introduced on Canadian National Railways push type door handles.

Step Up Air Blows 1944 In Prince Rupert

enced during the war years due to increased population, construction, shipping and passenger movement was again marked visibly during 1944," said the annual report of W. J. Scott, retiring president of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce at last looking more favorable than for

today, other superforts took off Kristiansen, elderly Prince Rupfrom a China base to attack ert fisherman, lost from the enemy objectives on the island halibut boat Kyrielle on January 2 at Clifford Cove, Aristazable Island, has been halted by fierce GENERAL CRERAR pounding the coast, according to

the provincial police launch P.M. year a marked endeavour to plan and Freisenheim and drove north declaring the battle is far from All trams are tied up with the

NEW SHIPS

Not satisfied with a communi cation received from R. Vaughan, president of the Canadian National Railways, in regard to the railway company's of southeastern Alaska at the plans for coastal steamship services and construction after the war, the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, at the instigation of W. M. Watts, decided to enlist the support of the city council in a move to form a point committee to follow the matter

The local Chamber had written general survey be made of the requirements for steamships after the war to replace the Prince Rupert and Prince George and that the company take steps to build the necessary vessels at Prince Rupert.

Mr. Vaughan's reply stated that the matter of coast steam. ships was before the company but he was not in a position yet to say what the requirements would be in regard to the maintenance of service.

Mr. Watts considered that Mr. Vaughan's reply was in the nature of a "brush-off."

Maritimes Are Taking Precautions Against Robots

OTTAWA, Jan. 9 (P)-Canadian amply demonstrated at last was seconded by W. R. McAfee. The proposal by committees appointed to the space which they formerly blunt warning yesterday that in the company, failed to reach blunt warning yesterday that of American Railroads. Among the Germans may be planning to a settlement. The meeting with C. A. Berner, H. A. Breen, Arnold that it was not the policy of occupied in the Federal Building dows, larger washrooms, enlarg- against the east coast within the can Airways reported today change being prompted by the der of the United States Atlantic that 23 persons were appar- greatly increased number of in- Fleet-Admiral Jonas Ingramdividuals who indulge in this declared that it is likely the en- or so. habit: larger overhead racks emy may hurl mechanical bombs bound clipper at Port of Spain, with the addition of a smaller against Washington or New York Trinidad. No Canadians were rack below for newspapers, within 30 to 60 days. He said, aboard. The clipper, appar- magazines and other articles, however, that precautions are ently, crashed in darkness and improved heating and air- being taken to meet such action on the part of the enemy.

AUSSIES IN ACTION

SYDNEY—Austrialian newspapers splashed under banner three southwest Pacific war zones since November.

PAST YEAR ONE OF BENEFIT TO CITY; Nazi Doom ROAD OPENING OUTSTANDING EVENT Hour is Near "The unprecedented activity our city has experi-

connecting Prince Rupert for the the south.

ing example. Although built highway, when available to unrestricted traffic it will be of inestimable value." Mr. Scott saw during the past

Mr. Bracken later visited Vimy L. 7 left Ocean Falls to join the for the future in both civic and along the Rhine-Rhone canal over. But he flatly states that the exception of a Marpole interbusiness affairs. A leading con-General George P. Vanier, the Both boats have sought shel- tribution of the Chamber to Canadian ambassador, and pos- ter at Borrowman Bay at the furthering the interests of the sibly also General Charles De- north end of Aristazable Island, city the retiring president felt population. The Germans claimhad been the goodwill tour of Strasbourg and said the Americal Strasbourg and said the American Strasbourg and Str tual interest were discussed at can positions inside the city was each point visited, thus develop- serious. ing mutual interesting and understanding of common prob-lems. It was to be hoped that of Wissembourg and the Belthe goodwill fostered on this tour gian bulge were holding firm. Chamber of Commerce Enlists | would not be allowed to wither. Co-operation of City Council With the early resurrection of PROMINENT MENT THE Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia contemplated, consideration should TO COME AGAIN be given to a joint meeting of

the Asociated Boards and those earliest opportunity. Mr. Scott's report acknowledged the support and assistance

which had been accorded him by the executive council, committees and members generally, particular mention being made of Arnold Flaten in this connection. Mr. Scott also expressed regret at the resignation of the secreto Mr. Vaughan asking that a tary-treasurer, Arthur Brooksbank, after a long span of 21

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Negotiations in Vancouver Island Coach Lines Dispute Result in Vote on Pearson Proposal

VANCOUVER, Jan. 9 (P-Vancouver Island Coach Line drivers are voting today on a proposed with union representatives and as elected at the annual meetthe Regional War Labor Board ing of the Chamber last night here yesterday as the tie-up of consists of the following: bus-line transportation on Van- | Honorary President, T. D. Patcouver Island continued after a tullo, M.L.A. three-hour meeting at the weekend of the management of the Hanson, M.P. Vancouver Island Coach Lines, employees' representatives and a delegation from the Saanich a council, which holds a franchise Applewhaite.

may delay announcement of fin- C. Mitchell expressed apprecia- revenue from which the com- in the court house building, al returns of the vote for a day tion of the honor in being elected pany had found was not com- where they were moved early in A picket line is stationed that the Associated Boards of The company, while admitting Building space was taken over around the main bus depot with Trade would get actively to- general agreement that Prince by Prince Rupert defence headunion members divided into two gether again this year and that Rupert was in need of hotel ac- quarters. When defence head-

operation. headlines today the disclosure | Canadian Brotherhood of Rail- | had been given. that the Commonwealth's land | road Employees who are protestforces had been in action in ing at the company's attitude towards negotiating a new agreement.

Panzers in Danger-

Danger to Allies in Strasbourg Area Is Not Removed As Yet

PARIS, Jan. 9 (9)-With the situation all along the front night's annual meeting. "Much some time, the hour of doom of the activity up to last year looms for three crack Nazi panwas far from beneficial, playing zer divisions still tied to the havor with city utilities, roads battle line at the nose of the and services and disrupting most all lines of endeavour. Although third of the bulge was all but TEAMWORK still far from normal during nipped off yesterday with one of Search for the body of Edwin 1944 so much more was of a per-Kristiansen, elderly Prince Rup- manent, nature that I feel the in three places by the Allies and manent nature that I feel the in three places by the Allies and year was one of great benefit to the other brought within easy the city and district as a whole. artillery range with the capture The completion of the highway of Flamierge, only two miles to

southeast gales which have been first time by road with the rest In Alsace American units are pounding the coast, according to of the province was an outstand- fighting around a reinforced and shal Sir Bernard Montgomery a settlement. stubbornly held German foot- has paid tribute to Allied team- | The strike went into effect at and completed as a military hold on the west bank of the work for halting the German 4 o'clock after a vote of 1889 to Rhine eight miles north of drive into Belgium. The colorful 150 turning down a compromise Strasbourg. The Germans re-|commander of four armies north plan offered by the company inforced Colmar pocket south of of the German bulge cautions based on the regional war labor Alsace, captured Witternheim against over-optimism, however, board's 41/2c per hour wage. within eighteen miles of Stras- Allies now are writing off the urban line which runs across bourg which was reported being foe and that the initiative has Point Grey to Marpole over Canevacuated hastily by French passed into Allied hands. serious.
The Germans said the Maginot ELECTED HEAD

PETERBOROUGH, Ont., Jan. 9 -An indirect benefit to Canada from the two great meetings held Brett, who held that office last system. by President Roosevelt and year. Robert Hanson was elected Prime Minister Churchill at Que- vice-president. bec will be the return to our shores of high ranking officers were C. Carlson and Harold News that he did not condone and members of the parties who Grindstrand. Mr. Carlson will the violation of Labor's "no accompanied those statesmen, also act as recording secretary. strike" pladge which he felt had said A. A. Gardiner, general pas- Trustees who remained in office made more difficult the solusenger traffic manager, Cana- from last year are H. Mork and tion of the problem as well as dian National Railways, in J. Kilby. speaking to the Rotary Club here | George Anderson remains sec- | fought war. However, it was Monday on his impressions re- retary-treasurer of the union. ceived at the two conferences. years of duty. He hoped that "The impressions which they fairs will be held next week with ment must see that there was a gained," said Mr. Gardiner, "of the arrival of George Miller of just settlement. our people, of our countryside the United Fishermen's Union and of our industry will be and Alex Gordon of the Cannery translated in peace in terms of Workers' Union. The two Vangreater understanding, greater couver men will arrive January sympathy and their coming back | 15, according to word received by Mr. Anderson Monday. to see us time and again."

NEW OFFICERS OF COMMERCE

strike settlement presented by The complete list of officers Hon. George Pearson, provincial of the Prince Rupert Chamber Hon. George Pearson, provincial of the Prince Rupert Chamber BUILDING NO minister of labor, who conferred of Commerce for the year 1945

Honorary Vice-President, Olof

President, G. C. Mitchell. Vice-President, W. F. Stone. Secretary - Treasurer, E.

these features are broad win- launch robot bomb attacks the Regional War Labor Board Flaten, J. J. Little, S. E. Parker, the railway company to add to will be effected as soon as the continued last night. Difficulty W. M. Watts and R. M. Winslow. its already extensive invest- building are redecorated, Mr. ed facilities for smoker, this next two months. The comman- of reaching up-island drivers In assuming the presidency, G. ments in hotel facilities, the Gillett says. His offices are now to head the Chamber. He hoped mensurate with the investment. the war when the Federal shifts to maintain it in 24-hour there would be a caravan from commodation and would be glad quarters moved to Number Four here to the interior. Mr. Mitchell to see one constructed, preferred detachment quarters last month, Thirty-seven bus routes on the added his voice of regret at the to leave the undertaking to pri- the downtown offices again beisland which carry an average retirement of Arthur Brooks- vate interests. of 12,500 persons daily are sus- bank as secretary-treasurer but The proposal of a hotel at department. However, Mr. Gilpended by the strike of 63 driv- trusted that he would be accord- Prince Rupert as a postwar pro- lett says that he does not know ers, members of the Drivers' As- ed the same co-operation and ject has also been placed before when the redecorating work will sociation affiliated with the assistance as his predecessors

Local Temperature

Maximum Minimum

Street Railway Strike Starts As Compromise Proposal Voted Down

VANCOUVER, Jan. 9 (CP)—Thousands of workers plodded to their jobs today in Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster and it was expected many hundreds more would be unable to report as 2700 railway employees in the three cities began a walk-out in protest against the National War Labor Board's

Montgomery Says Allies in

Control But Warns Against

PARIS, Jan. 9 (P)-Field Mar-

Over-Optimism

the Union Hall Sunday.

Closer co-operation, and pos-

sibly amalgamation of cannery

and dock workers unions in

Vancouver and Prince Rupert

may be sought by Mr. Gordon, i

is understood. Specific purpos

closed.

of Mr. Miller's visit was not dis-

Chamber of Commerce Re-

R. C. Vaughan, president

the provincial government's be completed.

Postwar Rehabilitation Com-

43 cent visit here.

mittee and was discussed with

garding Local Project

rejection of their appeal for higher wages. Favorable weather, dry, warm and fogless, provided a minimum of dislocation in the three cities. Meanwhile at Ottawa Labor Department officials maintained close contact by long-distance telephone with the Pacific Coast but there was no indication of what action the department might take towards

adian Pacific Railway tracks.

The Prince Rupert Labor-Progressive Club sent a wire to Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, minister of labor, today "deeply deploring the provocative ruling of the National War Labor Board" as the major factor in causing the Vancouver strike and urging an immediate Royal Com-A new president, vice-presi- mission to investigate the disdent and two executive members pute and revision of PC 9384 if were elected by the Deep Sea necessary to meet the "just de-Fishermen's Union at the an- mands of then who have and nual election of officers held in great service under trying conditions." Meanwhile, the wire Erling Grindstrand was elect- added, cars must run even if the ed president, replacing William government has to take over the

Bruce Mickleburgh, president of the Labor-Progressive Club. Elected to the executive board added a statement to the Daily slowing the winning of the hardobvious that the men had had Discussion of inter-union af- a raw deal and the govern-

Survey of Salmon Fisheries On Pacific Coast Planned

OTTAWA, Jan. 9 - The Fisheries Research Board of Canada will undertake a survey of the salmon fisheries of the Pacific Coast, it was decided at the annual meeting of the board here. There will also be research work on the fisheries of the Yukon and Northwest Terri-

Dr. A. T. Cameron was reelected chairman of the board.

President of C.N.R. Writes to Indian Department Will Return to of Federal Building the Canadian National Railways.

Removal of the offices of Ininformed the Prince Rupert dian Agent James Gillett back came available to Mr. Gillett's

Constable S. A. Hamblin of Hon. H. G. Perry, chairman of the provincial police city dethe cabinet committee, on a re- tachment left this afternoon for Vancouver on escort duty.