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Weather Forecast
Issued by the Meteorological Service of Canada
For period up to 6 p.m. tomorrow. North Coast and Queen Charlotte Islands — Light to moderate winds. Partly cloudy and mild today becoming cloudy and mild Thursday.

Tomorrow's Tides
(Pacific Standard Time)
Thursday, September 7

High	4:20	19.9 feet
	16:39	20.4 feet
Low	10:21	5.0 feet
	23:09	4.0 feet

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Russians Are 312 Miles From Berlin

ANS WARNED TO QUIT—

Be Too Late Unless s Downed in Few Day

TTAWA, Sept. 6 (CP) — The Bri d- Corporation, in a broadcast direc r- today, warned the Germans that, u fighting within the next few days, " n be e to save the German nation from total col-

ulletins

NDON IS QUIET
ON — As London en- quiet night, the fifth w, broken only by one lurry of robot bombs uesday. The Germans they would turn their gainst Allied armies on tinent now that most buzz bomb coast has st to the Canadians itish. Londoners are to return to the city.

GFRIED LINE EASY
ON — An Allied staff said today that there be no difficulty in the Siegfried Line s no stronger than the Wall.

W WAR STARTED
ON—War is reported broken out between and Rumania.

CKS IN INVASION
WA—One hundred and nadian war vessels and fficers and men took the recent invasion of

Flee—

MANS QUIT H FRANCE

h and American s Converging Trapped Enemy

, Sept. 6 (CP) — French hasing the Germans out hern France, are ap- g Chalon - sur - Saone, re than ninety air miles Americans in northern Allied headquarters dis- day.

mericans in the south ptured Loughans and unier in the area be- e Saone Valley and the rder.

erman garrison in Mo- r the Italian border fled American cruiser and rs shelled Nazi batter- e Germans destroyed fences and took to the

DAY'S STOCKS

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Rock	4.05

HAIDA SINKS GERMAN SUB

LONDON, Sept. 6 (CP)—H.M.C.S. Haida, veteran destroyer, played a large part recently in helping to sink a German submarine and capture all its crew, the Admiralty disclosed today. The submarine was forced to the surface by depth charges.

Sugar Situation In Canada is Bad

OTTAWA, Sept. 6 (CP) — The Wartime Prices and Trade Board describes Canada's sugar position as bad and says it may become worse as demands of liberated Europe eat into the United Nations stockpile. No increase in Canada's sugar ration can be looked for before the end of the year at least.

BATTLESHIP IS BOMBED

British Naval Planes Active Against Enemy Recently

LONDON, Sept. 6 (CP)—British naval planes scored hits on the 35,000-ton German battleship Tirpitz and damaged at least 16 other enemy vessels in a series of recent attacks on enemy shipping in northern waters, the Admiralty announced Tuesday night.

British planes shot down nine German planes and damaged a number of others. Eleven British planes were lost.

Harold Hodgson Hurt Overseas

Trooper Harold Hodgson, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hodgson, 728 Fraser Street, was wounded in action overseas on August 23, according to a cable received by his parents.

Trooper Hodgson enlisted in the Canadian Army in February, 1943.

Navy Busy—

Takes Care Of Convoys

Provides One Hundred Per Cent of Atlantic Escorts

OTTAWA, Sept. 6 (CP)—Canadian navy ships have provided one hundred per cent of close escort for all trade convoys from North America to the United Kingdom during the summer months of this year, Minister of the Navy Angus Macdonald announced today.

One hundred and nine ships, manned by approximately ten thousand officers and men, took part.

Mr. Macdonald also disclosed that the largest convoy ever to sail the seas arrived recently in the United Kingdom entirely under close escort of the Canadian Navy. The convoy consisted of 150 merchant navy ships, carrying more than one million tons of cargo.

Bulgaria Quitting

Appeals to Moscow for Armistice After Reds Declare War

LONDON, Sept. 6 (CP) — Bulgaria appealed hastily to Moscow for an armistice to-today only a few hours after receiving a declaration of war from Russia. Bulgaria bolstered up the plea by declaring that the government had ordered strong measures against the Germans whom she accused of attacking Bulgarian army units. There was no immediate reaction from Moscow. It was last night that Moscow radio announced that Russia had declared war on Bulgaria.

Later the Nazi-controlled Oslo radio said that the Russians had begun a march into Bulgaria.

Of all Hitler's one-time Balkan allies only Hungary still appears to be still within his grasp.

The Berlin radio said today that bitter fighting was raging between Hungarian and Rumanian troops inside the Hungarian border.

HIT CELEBES, PHILIPPINES

Shipping and Airports Blasted by Bombs

ALLIED HQ. IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Sept. 6 (CP)—Allied air patrols have sunk or damaged thirteen small craft in the Celebes and other flying boats sank or damaged eight freighters and thirteen barges at Halmahera.

At the same time the Celebes were blasted with 140 tons of bombs last week in strikes aimed at shipping and air fields.

Additional freighters were sunk off the southern Philippines and another was driven ashore at Amboina.

SIX JAP ADMIRALS ARE SLAIN

LONDON, Sept. 6 (CP) — The Tokyo radio said today that a Japanese vice-admiral and five rear admirals were killed by Allied action, presumably submarine attacks, against Yokosuka naval station near Yokohama.

Council to Appeal Police Court Case

City council has instrurted W. O. Fulton to proceed with an appeal against a decision handed down in city police court dismissing John Moser of a charge of building a garage on city property on 5th ave. west.

Council recommended that Mr. Moser be requested to remove the garage which, they say, was built without their consent.

Hot Weather Down Coast

VANCOUVER, Sept. 6 — Victoria and Vancouver had their hottest September days since 1885 yesterday. It was 89 at Victoria, equalling the warmest July day, and 81 in Vancouver. There is a new forest fire hazard and the most serious blaze so far reported is at Youbou in Lake Cowichan area.

HALIBUT SALES

American

Spray, 37,000, 15c and 13½c, Atlin.

Canadian

Seamaid, 23,000, 18¼c and 16½c, Atlin.

SURPRISE!—This German captain knew the Canadians were chasing him, but little did he know that they had bypassed his outfit and landed in St. Lambert Sur Dives first. The Germans walked right into the arms of the waiting Canadians; not a shot was fired. Picture shows the German surrendering to the Canadians.

Crerar Men Move North

Allied Entry Into Netherlands Increasing

ALLIED SUPREME HQ, Sept. 6 (CP)—Penetrations of Germany by patrols of the American Third Army were announced officially today but these were described as operating perhaps 20 to 30 miles in front of the main forces. The patrols later withdrew.

A dispatch from the battlefront disclosed Third Army troops driving toward the German west wall across the strategic Moselle River, tributary of the Rhine, had established a bridgehead against fierce resistance.

Canadian patrols pushed to the Channel coast on either side of Calais, other Canadians reaching to within a mile of the great port of Boulogne.

The British, under Lieut. General Crerar, probed LeHavre from the north and east as another ultimatum went to the German commander.

One ultimatum sent to the German garrison has been rejected.

Once over the Somme at Abbe- rapid progress into Pas de Calais where they overran many ville, Canadians and Poles made more robot bomb launching sites.

United States forces are reported to have crossed the Moselle between Nancy and Metz, fifty miles from the Reich.

A French-Swiss frontier report says that Fighting French and Allied forces are battling the Germans at Maumel Les Dames, last serious obstacle before Belfort gap, leading into southwest Germany.

Polish forces are reported to have entered Ypres.

Headquarters report that the Allied penetration into the Netherlands is increasing in depth.

There is no confirmation of a Paris radio report that British troops have advanced to within sight of Rotterdam.

SALVATION ARMY HOME FRONT DRIVE STARTS SEPT. 18

The annual Salvation Army Home Front appeal to raise funds for civilian and military services within Canada will be held from September 18 to September 30.

The Prince Rupert committee is under the chairmanship of Dr. R. G. Knipe and G. R. S. Blackaby is secretary-treasurer. Objective of the drive is $4,000.

SWANSEA, Wales (CP) — Alderman William Harries, mayor of this city, died in hospital after an automobile accident.

Final Concert—

100 BANDSMEN GIVE MUSICAL THANKS FOR LOCAL HOSPITALITY

Twelve hundred civilians and servicemen thrilled to a delightful massed band concert Sunday afternoon on the Court House green. It was the last in a series of musical programs by locally-based bands.

They applauded enthusiastically when Mayor H. M. Daggett officially expressed the thanks of the city and citizens to those responsible for the concerts.

Commander C. M. Cree, officer commanding the Royal Canadian Navy establishment here, said credit for the programs went to the musicians themselves. The programs were a spontaneous effort — a token of esteem and thanks of the men for the hospitality extended them by citizens of Prince Rupert.

Both men acknowledged the work of the Y.M.C.A. War Services in arranging the concert series, paying special tribute to Gordon Webb.

The 12 musical numbers by the 100 bandsmen provided a well-balanced program. Marches, overtures, popular numbers, characteristic numbers, waltzes, a hymn tune and excerpts from the musical comedy score, "The Desert Song," were included. A cornet solo, "Perfect Day," played by Bandsmaster Delamont was well received.

Bandmaster W/O 1 Frank Delamont, of Garrison Band; P/O Guy Noakes, of H.M.C.S. Chatham Band, and T/Sgt. Allen Manning, of U.S. Army Port Band, shared directing honors for the day.

Praises Programs and Co-operation

Mayor Daggett was high in his praise of the programs and the spirit of co-operation shown by all services. He expressed appreciation to the three commanders, Col. D. B. Martyn, Col. T. J. Weed and Commander Cree for permitting the bands to participate. He also thanked the conductors, acknowledging the hard work they had put into preparing the concerts, and went on to praise the musicians for their part in the excellency of their music.

Norman A. Watt, Government agent, and J. C. Brady, B.C. district public works engineer, were thanked for permitting use of the Court House green. His worship added that the public had responded well to Mr. Brady's request that they take care not to damage the gardens and plants. The Daily News, the Evening Empire and radio station's publicity for the concerts also brought praise from Mayor Daggett.

Commander Cree said it had been a privilege to be associated with the summer concerts. He recalled it was just five years ago to the day—Sept. 3, 1939—that Great Britain had declared war on Germany.

"A great deal of water has gone over the wheel since then," he said, referring to early dark days, to the fall of France in 1940, the Nazi march against Russia and the bright picture today.

"The Germans are not singing the 'Horst Wassel' song so loudly now," he added with a chuckle. "It is more like the 'Burst Vessel' song."

Credit For Concert Goes to Bandsmen

It had been a great pleasure to the bandsmen to provide the concerts, Commander Cree said. He emphasized that credit for the program must go to the men themselves for the concerts were a spontaneous effort—a token of esteem and thanks extended by them to the citizens.

His call for a big hand for the bandsmen drew enthusiastic response.

T/Sgt. Walter Montgomerie, who handled the comentary and announcing for all programs, also was thanked for his work.

Council Likes Street Work

Describing 6th Avenue East between Hays Creek and Seal Cove as "the finest piece of road the city ever had" Alderman Elliott introduced a motion to city council last night that a letter of appreciation be sent to the R.C.A.F. officer commanding Seal Cove air base for the work of his command in rebuilding the street.

The motion was passed unanimously.

Order New Boat For Utilities Dept.

A row boat ordered for use by the utilities department will be shipped from Vancouver within the next few days, the utilities committee reported.

This committee also adopted the report of its chairman, Alderman Elliott, on the report on the telephone system, which was submitted to Council.

Report of the Fire Chief for the month of August was received and considered.

NEGOTIATING PEACE TERMS

LONDON, Sept. 6 (CP)—A Finnish mission departed from Moscow to Berlin, radio said, to negotiate peace terms under an armistice which ended hostilities on the Finnish-Russian front Monday.

SURVIVED WAR, ARMISTICE DAY SHOULD BE CINCH

Indications of an early Allied victory over Germany caused City Council members last night to ponder the wisdom of taking steps to control enthusiasm on Armistice day so that it would not result in personal and property damage.

However, they showed little desire to set up extraordinary controls over celebrating citizens, feeling that the situation ought to be handled by regular law enforcement authorities.

"If there is any damage, it will be less than is done if the war continues—so I'll take my chance," Alderman Hill commented.

BELGIAN GOV'T RETURNS HOME

LONDON, Sept. 6 (CP)—The Belgian government has left London for Belgium, it was officially announced today.

Nearest Approach Of Any Ally Army To Hun Capital

Warsaw Being By-passed as Soviet Continues Great Offensive Through Poland

MOSCOW, Sept. 6 (CP) — Russians, racing across western Rumania beyond captured Craiova, are within 50 miles of the YugoSlav frontier today. Other Russians northeast of Warsaw have cracked the tough German lines on the Narew River in a great offensive to by-pass the Polish capital. Advancing 70 miles in one day in Rumania, the Russians seized a strategic springboard for an immediate united front with Marshal Tito's partizans and invasion of the Hungarian plains.

In the Narew area, the Russians are 312 miles from Berlin. It is the closest reported approach of any Allied army to the German capital.

The Germans are throwing up the heaviest kind of opposition, concentrating four divisions in one 24-mile sector.

Commission Will Probe Electric Rates in Rupert

An investigation of light and power rates of the Northern British Columbia Power company will be instituted by the B.C. Utilities Commission, City Council has been informed by L. W. Patmore, acting Commission Chairman.

The investigation will begin when the Commission finishes its present job of appraising values of other light and power companies in the province.

The information was contained in a reply to a letter from City Council asking that an investigation be held with a view to the province taking over the privately-owned power company.

Date on which the investigation will be held was not given.

The doubts held by council members concerning the authority of the Provincial Public Utilities Commission to act in this part of the province were eliminated by the letter, which stated that the Commission now has the power to make such an investigation.

The letter was tabled for one month on the motion of council members who feared that if it were filed, it might remain forgotten for "too long."

CHIANG ASKS FOR UNITY

New Japanese Drive Making Further Progress

CHUNGKING, Sept. 6 (CP)—The revitalized Japanese drive in Hunan Province has made further progress while President Chiang Kai Shek has called upon the Chinese for national unity to win the war.

The Chinese indicated that Kiyang, 50 miles southwest of Hangyang and less than thirty miles from Lingling air base, has been engaged by the Japanese drive.

War In Italy—

EIGHTH ARMY IS ADVANCING

Coriano Penetrated—Allied Gains Around Florence

ROME, Sept. 6 (CP)—Powerful British Eighth Army forces, including veteran Canadian infantry, have captured an important ridge running from the key town of Coriano to the Adriatic Sea in furious battling south of Rimiti, eastern anchor of the Nazi Gothic line, but Coriano is still in German hands, headquarters said Wednesday. Allied patrols have penetrated the town but troops have not been able to enter it in force.

North of Pisa on the western end of the Italian front the Americans of the Allied Fifth Army continue to advance, driving the Germans from Altopascia and sending patrols deep into the important communications centre of Lucca, ten miles northeast of Pisa.

British columns have run into increasing resistance north of Florence but have scored important gains in high terrain overlooking Florence.

OLD TIMERS MOTOR FROM VANCOUVER

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Durran, for many years well known residents of Vancouver and Terrace but for the past eight years living in Vancouver, are revisiting the city, being among the first to make the trip through by motor from Vancouver over the newly opened Skeena River Highway. They made the trip in good time, leaving Vancouver Saturday morning and arriving in Prince Rupert bright and early this morning. Receiving a hearty welcome from many old friends, they are visiting during their week's stay here with Mrs. Durran's sisters, Mrs. J. G. Anderson and Mrs. Vic Menzie.

JAP BASE HAS FALLEN

KANDY, Sept. 6 (CP)—The Japanese Chindwin base of Hittaug from which the enemy invasion of India was launched, fell without a fight to British troops after it had become a graveyard for Japanese men and materials. Allied patrols have pushed on and reached Thaungdut, thirty miles farther north along the Chindwin River.