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Big Baltic Army Guns Within Range of Vitebsk

By JAMES M. LONG
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LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP)—The Russian Baltic Army, forcing its way across an important water barrier North of the Nazi base of Vitebsk, has wheeled its big guns within range of that city, killed several thousand Germans and captured 20 more populated places despite newly-reinforced German resistance that in one sector alone launched 16 counter-attacks, Moscow said tonight.

Moscow dispatches said Gen. Ivan Bagramian's Army was only 15 miles North of Vitebsk in its nine-day-old Winter offensive and told of crossing the water barrier—perhaps the branch of the Obol River which runs just North of the town of Gorodok.

Here, the dispatches said, several key strongpoints in the German defence system were captured and one large German formation was surrounded, losing 1000 men in a vain effort to break the trap.

The Moscow midnight communique said 1600 other Germans were killed in the fighting as Nazi defence troops sent 16 counter-attacks one after the other against Russian forces.

"All these counter-attacks were repelled with heavy losses to the enemy," the communique said. "Advancing on the heels of the retreating enemy our troops captured several populated places."

The Russian advance in this area was markedly slower as the Germans were reported moving in fresh tank units and large forces of planes. Previous Russian announcements said the advance had taken almost 100 populated places daily since the offensive began with a major break-through on Dec. 13.

In three other sectors of the 800-mile front the Germans were counter-attacking with strong forces.

Twenty-five thousand German troops and more than 100 tanks struck out on a narrow sector in the Zhlobin area of Southern White Russia but wilted against the determined fire of Russian artillery and anti-tank riflemen. More than 1800 Germans were killed in this unsuccessful surge and 45 German tanks put out of action.

To the South, in the Kiev bulge, a large force at first succeeded in breaking into a Soviet-held populated force after three hours fighting. The Russians replied with a counter-attack and routed the Nazis, destroying 48 German tanks and leaving hundreds of dead on the battlefields.

On another sector of this front the Russians said they succeeded in taking "very important positions," killing 600 Germans in the process.

The third German attack was Southward in the Dniéper bend where in the Kirovograd area they succeeded at first in driving a wedge into the Red Army position.

"Our troops first cut them off and then by a decisive blow completely liquidated the enemy group which had broken through," the communique said.

In another sector repeated attacks by large forces of tanks were flung back and the Germans retired after the loss of 13 tanks.

The communique said 148 Nazi tanks were destroyed in Tuesday's fighting, 45 of them Southwest of Zhlobin and 60 in the Korosten area—an indication of the intensive fighting in those areas.

In the drive on Vitebsk Red Army ski troops swung behind German lines and chopped defending units into pieces.

A Moscow radio commentator said the main defence line before Vitebsk was cracked by Red Army and Russian troops, tanks and guns poured through "like an avalanche."

However, the German defence was stiffening on the battleground covered with fog and snow. The Russians now are approaching the inner belt of fortifications outside the city as they were reported fighting in the suburbs of the railway station of Gorodok, 20 miles to the North.

The Russians moving along the Nevel-Vitebsk railway also were advancing farther West toward the Vitebsk-Polotsk railway and highway, Moscow said.

Set Pay for Army Men Engaged in Railway Work

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (CP)—Army personnel engaged in railway maintenance work are to be paid not less than $4 a day, it is provided under an order-in-council published today.

The Government recently authorized the use of troops as an emergency measure to assist in essential railway maintenance work.

Men detailed for the work will be paid through National Defence and are to receive either the prevailing rate for the work they are performing, which is not to be less than $4 a day in any case, or their regular pay and allowances, whichever is the greater.

CIVIL SERVANTS WORK ON MONDAYS

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (CP)—Federal civil servants will be given a half holiday Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve but will have to work on the Monday following each of the holidays, it was announced today.

Progress Reported on Settlement of Railroad Dispute

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP)—Railroad management representatives and leaders of the five operating brotherhoods failed today to reach an agreement but reported progress toward settlement of the wage dispute which has brought the threat of a strike on Dec. 30 by all organized rail workers in the United States.

The carrier representatives caucused privately during the afternoon, presumably to discuss the Employees' counter-demands for a wage increase of 64 cents a day, vacation pay, overtime after 40 hours for the yardmen and away-from-home expenses for the men who ride the trains.

Meanwhile, the government refrained from intervening in the dispute involving more than 1,100,000 non-operating employees who also have authorized a strike on Dec. 30.

Revolution Axis-Inspired!

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP) — State Secretary Cordell Hull warned today that Axis sympathizers are still at work inside the Western Hemisphere, and indicated that recognition of the new Bolivian government will be withheld until the question whether they inspired the revolution is settled.

Hull said hemisphere security and the United Nations' war effort come first where recognizing the regime of Maj. Gualberto Villarroel is concerned.

"Included in the relevant considerations is the question whether outside influence unfriendly to the Allied cause played any part," he went on. After emphasizing the security of the hemisphere is the first consideration, Hull said:

"It must never be forgotten that the hemisphere is at present under sinister and subversive attack by the Axis, assisted by some elements within the hemisphere itself."

Benes Confident Agreement With Poles to Come

MOSCOW, Dec. 22 (AP)—President Edouard Benes of the Czecho-Slovak Government expressed confidence today that Czecho-Slovakia and the Soviet Union, newly linked in a 20-year treaty of friendship, mutual aid and post-war collaboration, would reach an agreement with Poland in the near future.

The Moscow radio announced in a broadcast recorded in London that the treaty—the first step toward putting up a barrier against future German aggression in Eastern Europe—was formally ratified in the Kremlin Wednesday night by Soviet Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov and Col. Zdenek Fierlinger, Czech Ambassador at Moscow.

Japs Cleared From Lin River Area

CHUNGKING, Dec. 22 (AP) — The Chinese High Command announced tonight that Japanese forces had been cleared from the area South of the Lin River, thus restoring half of the rice growing district to China.

Enemy remnants on the North bank of the Lin also were said to have been cleared. The communique indicated the Japanese withdrawal was continuing with the Chinese "pursuing the fleeing Japanese on various routes, making considerable progress."

Judge Forin's Son Reported Wounded

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22 (CP) — Lt.-Col. Douglas Forin, Officer Commanding the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada, has been reported wounded in action in Italy. He is the son of Judge J. A. Forin of this city.

Col. Forin was second in command of Vancouver's Seaforth Highlanders during the Sicily campaign and was recently placed in command of the regiment. He went over seas with the Seaforths in December 1939, and was mentioned in dispatches two months ago for conspicuous bravery in Italy.

LONDON (CP) — The Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes (NAAFI) have suffered 633 casualties among personnel since the war began. Of these 288 were killed, 53 died, 41 are missing and 251 are prisoners of war.

CANUCKS WIN HALF OF ORTONA

GRAND ALLIED COMMAND DIVISION SEEN

Eisenhower May Head Invasion, British the South

ALEXANDER?

By WILLIAM SMITH WHITE
Associated Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP) — A grand division of the Allied Command appeared possible tonight, with Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower Commander-in-Chief for the Western European invasion, a British officer commander-in-chief for the Mediterranean and Gen. George C. Marshall retaining a high staff position connected with both the war in Europe and the Pacific.

Gen. Eisenhower's emergence as likely top commander for the leap from the West coincided with disclosure of Gen. Marshall's tour of the Southwest Pacific War Theatre.

This inspection, on which Marshall went directly from the Middle East conferences of the Supreme Allied Leaders, sharply emphasized his global position, and particularly his responsibility for the war on Japan.

Marshall initially had been headed for the command in the Western European theatre.

But the impression here tonight was strong that Eisenhower was accepted at Teheran as an alternative and that he finally will be designated—perhaps after complete recovery of Prime Minister Churchill from his illness — barring some change of circumstances, to which the whole situation is of course subject.

The matter of assembling a grand Allied command has been one of tremendous complexity and delicacy.

Just as the demands of the Pacific War on Marshall's professional ability appear to have been involved in consideration of the appointment of a Western European Commander, so the demands of the Mediterranean campaign had beyond question arisen as to Eisenhower's future.

When his name was first mentioned for the Western Command post, the point arose as to whether his transfer would not give rise to a feeling that the Italian campaign had been sidetracked.

Today, however, it was pointed out competently that Gen. Sir Harold Alexander, Eisenhower's Deputy Commander, is intimately familiar with Eisenhower's plans and purposes.

It was pointed out, too, that the Mediterranean area is of greater long-term British interest than of American interest, and that the main weight of military force there is British.

In Western Europe the situation is the reverse. As to subsidiary invasion commands, however, all indications are that they are going to be British—both on the sea and in the air.

U.S. Warned to Expect Heavy Losses

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP) — Hinting at offensives far greater and more costly than any yet undertaken by Anglo-American arms, one of the United States Government's highest executives predicted tonight that American battle casualties in the next 90 days would more than triple the total for two years of war.

That would push the total of dead, wounded, missing and prisoners, which now stands at around 132,000 well past the 500,000 mark.

The forecast appeared to contemplate a full-scale assault on the European continent within a matter of weeks and perhaps additional smashes at Japanese strongholds in the Pacific, where softening up processes already have been applied.

Seven Found Guilty in Motion Picture Extortion Conspiracy

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (AP) — A Federal jury tonight returned a verdict of guilty against all seven defendants charged with conspiring to extort more than $1,000,000 from the motion picture industry.

The convicted men are:

Louis Campagna, Philip D'Andrea, Francis Mariote, Charles Gios and Paul De Lucia, all of Chicago; John Roselli of Los Angeles and Chicago, and Louis Kaufman, Business Agent of the Newark, N.J., local of the A.F.L. International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees.

Judge John Bright set Dec. 30 as the date for sentencing and continued each man in bail until that time, over the opposition of the prosecution, to let them go home for Christmas.

Nazis Hurl Giant Tank Offensive Against Russians

LONDON, Dec. 23 (Thursday)—(AP)—The German High Command has hurled a gigantic new tank offensive against the Soviet forces on a 400-mile front between Zhlobin in White Russia to the Southern Ukraine as Russian Baltic troops in the North wheeled within artillery range of Vitebsk, Moscow dispatches said today.

The new attack was described as one of the war's heaviest armored assaults.

First reports from the front, a Moscow dispatch said, told of Russian forces holding firm.

Russian heavy artillery and big mobile guns were said to have shot up 148 of the attacking tanks throughout yesterday.

TROOPS EXTEND POSITIONS IN NEW BRITAIN

At Least 16 Jap Planes Downed in Arawe Sector

AUSSIES ADVANCE

By C. YATES McDANIEL
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ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NEW GUINEA, Dec. 23 (Thursday) (AP)—United States ground forces have extended and consolidated their positions at Arawe, New Britain, in the face of stubborn night and day Japanese air attacks which cost the enemy at least 16 planes.

Lt.-Gen. George C. Kenney's 5th Air Force dropped 205 tons of bombs on the Japanese airdromes and supply dumps in the Cape Gloucester area, Western New Britain, hoisting the total of explosives laid on this vital enemy centre across Dampier Strait from New Guinea to more than 2,000 tons since Dec. 1.

Nearly 100 enemy dive-bombers and fighters participated in the attacks on Arawe from before dawn Tuesday to mid-afternoon. The Allied communique today said that besides the 12 divebombers and four fighters downed, one more divebomber and two fighters were probably destroyed.

Commanders on the spot reported only slight damage by the attacking planes which were met by fighters.

POUND SHIPPING

United States Navy flying boats bombed enemy cargo vessels off Kavieng, New Ireland, Tuesday night, sinking one 6,000-ton ship and scoring direct hits on another, and a heavy bomber from the South Pacific Command damaged an enemy destroyer in this area.

Australians flying Catalinas bombed the Kavieng airdrome and other Aussie fliers in fighter planes hit the airdrome at Cape Hoskins on the North Coast of New Britain and downed an enemy fighter and destroyed a coastal vessel in the Gasmata area.

Heavy bombers with fighter escort attacked Madang, North of the Huon Peninsula on the Northeast New Guinea Coast, causing fires and explosions in supply dumps.

Australian ground troops on Huon Peninsula advanced a mile and a half to occupy Hubika, 15 miles Northwest of Finschhafen, Tuesday.

Australian and American bombers and fighters attacked Japero and Ceram in Dutch New Guinea, hammering the Amahai airdrome at the latter place with 20 tons of bombs and causing fires visible 50 miles.

United States destroyers shelled shore positions in the Tinputz area on the Northeastern Coast of Bougainville Island and Allied medium bombers hit airdrome and supply centres at Buka, on the Northern tip.

Fifteen Japanese bombers raided the United States positions at Empress Augusta Bay, on the West Coast of the Island, causing slight casualties. One enemy floatplane was shot down.

The Japanese, reported pulling out of their bases and airdromes in the Buin-Faisi area on the Southern tip of Bougainville, received a spur in the bombing by medium American units of bivouac and supply points there.

Russ Call Lewis Fascist Sectarian

MOSCOW, Dec. 22 (AP)—The Soviet labor publication "War and the Working Class" today called John L. Lewis, American labor leader, "that Fascist sectarian" and also accused "reactionary leaders" of the American Federation of Labor of making political war against both Soviet labor unions and the Soviet Union.

38 HUN PLANES SHOT DOWN DURING RAIDS

Big Allied Attack May Have Hit Rocket Gun Area

NEW NIGHT RAID

By W. W. HERCHER

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP) — A United States 8th Air Force communique announced tonight that large formations of fighter-escorted heavy bombers attacked "targets" in Northwest Germany today and that 38 enemy aircraft were destroyed against a loss of 21 bombers and four fighters.

The bombers, bent on bombing Northwest Germany out of the war, destroyed 23 of the 38 enemy fighters while the fighter escort accounted for the balance. It was the 10th smashing daylight blow against the strongly-defended industrial area in less than two months.

At the same time R.A.F. Mosquitoes, Bostons and Typhoons, escorted by R.A.F., Dominion and Allied fighters in great force crossed the Channel for a separate attack on what was officially described only as "military objectives." The planes, which went out in such numbers that it appeared to be one of the greatest sustained cross-Channel assaults of the war, returned with four missing.

Some sources suggested they might have been attacking the Nazis' secret rocket-gun emplacements for the third consecutive day as they streamed into France and back until dark.

The Air Ministry issued its first official report on damage to Berlin since the R.A.F. began its sustained assault Nov. 18. It told of widespread destruction in the German capital, with the central Government and outlying industrial areas the worst hit.

The report said that "photographs leave no doubt that damage during these six attacks goes far beyond anything done before the night of Nov. 18."

Previous reports had shown that perhaps half of Berlin had been blasted in an assault which has far exceeded the London blitz of 1940-41.

Photographs accompanying the new report showed that the Rheinmetal Borsig Armament Plant, the largest works of Germany's second biggest armament makers, were severely damaged.

The worst-hit districts were the Tiergarten, Mitte and Charlottenburg areas. The War, Interior, Justice, Food and Propaganda Ministries were seriously damaged, the report said, as well as the residence of Propaganda Minister Goebbels, the new Reichsbank building, Hitler's Chancellery and the central office of the Gestapo.

A continental radio blackout tonight indicated that the R.A.F. might be continuing the aerial bombardment after dark.

Size of the losses on both sides indicated that today's operation was comparable with the 8th Air Force's 300-bomber blow at Bremen Monday when 40 Nazi planes were knocked down and 25 United States bombers and eight fighters lost.

BLACK SEA PORT CLOSED TIGHT

ISTANBUL, Dec. 23 (AP) — The Bulgarian Black Sea Port of Varna was closed from the world and its residents were confined to their homes under penalty of death from early Sunday morning until noon Monday.

The news reached here from Varna radio broadcasts.

Later the Varna radio said the "investigation" was proceeding well At noon Monday the radio said the restriction had been lifted and "the investigation has been a success."

It is possible the police made a house to house search for Communist or revolutionary elements, or that the port was used for disembarkation of German units evacuated from the Crimea.

BBC Bans Wodehouse Comedy Lyrics

LONDON, Dec. 22 (CP)—The BBC today banned the airing of musical comedies with lyrics by P. G. Wodehouse, on the ground that the "Jeeves" author, interned by the Nazis, "broadcasts for the enemy."

The action drew a protest from Comedian Leslie Henson, who has been reviving some of Wodehouse's works.

"There is a very great controversy about him and under English law no man is guilty until proved so to the satisfaction of a jury," Henson said. "We shall not know the facts until Wodehouse has been released from Germany—his broadcasts no doubt are made at revolver point, with the Gestapo behind him."

2000 Montreal Workers Continue Strike

MONTREAL, Dec. 22 (CP)—A strike of 2000 municipal clerks and stenographers wound up its second day tonight, with a solution as far away as ever.

Hopes of a settlement were dashed in late afternoon when it was announced in Quebec that other matters were discussed at a meeting between members of the Provincial cabinet and representatives of the Canadian and Catholic Confederation of Labor.

The C.C.L. is the parent body of the National Syndicate of Municipal Workers, spearhead of the strike that started yesterday morning as the workers sought to back up demands for wage increases. Two smaller unions officially joined with the syndicate in calling the strike.

ORDERS PETER'S GOV'T DEPRIVED OF ALL RIGHTS

Forbids His Return to Yugoslavia Until Liberation

FIGHTING RAGES

By ROGER GREENE
Associated Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP)—With the forces of Marshal Josip Broz (Tito) battering the Nazis on all Yugoslav fronts, Tito's National Council of Liberation tonight ordered King Peter's Government-in-Cairo deprived of all rights, and "forbade' the King from returning to his homeland until it is liberated.

The Council issued a manifesto in which it declared that the Government in Cairo has maintained "a hostile attitude" toward the battling patriots and has spread "lies and slanders" about Tito's guerillas.

Meanwhile, Tito's outnumbered men, spurred by an Allied pledge of greater supoprt, were on the offensive on all sectors after having beaten off big-scale German assaults in Croatia.

The manifesto, broadcast by the Yugoslav radio accused the Cairo Government's Minister of War, Gen. Draja Mihailovic, who has been at odds with Tito, of having "organized civi strife in Yugoslavia" and making a "lasting" deal with the Germans and their satellites.

The Council said the King "showed full confidence" in both the government and Mihailovic and had "decorated traitors and criminals."

"Under the protection of the royal flag and the monarchy," the Council was quoted as saying "the most abominable treacheries and crimes have been committed and still are being committed."

Therefore, the broadcast said, the Council declared "null and void all international treaties and obligations" undertaken by the King's regime.

The manifesto was announced shortly after Tito had been raised to the status of a full Allied Commander of patriot forces.

Meanwhile, the fighting raged with evergrowing fury, dispatches said, with the Germans seeking desperately to clear their Balkan flank, where they were said to have suffered 40,000 casualties in October and November alone. This total was given in a Moscow broadcast which said it included 16,000 killed and 11,000 prisoners.

Conferences between Tito's representatives and Allied military chiefs at Alexandria were expected to result in the extension of Allied air raids against enemy targets not only in Yugoslavia but also in Albania, Greece and Bulgaria. Other important talks with Balkan Army leaders were forecast in Cairo perhaps heralding an early 1944 offensive.

Victoria Stand-to Order Not Called by A.R.P.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22 (CP) — British Columbia's civil defence organization had no connection with the shelling of Vancouver Island Saturday night and at no time issued instructions for an A.R.P. alert or "stand-to," W. C. Mainwaring, Chairman of the Provincial Civilian Protection Committee, said today.

"The military authorities at no time asked us to call an alert and as a matter of fact we don't yet know officially that the shelling took place," he said.

A stand-to was called in Victoria Sunday night 24 hours after the reported shelling. This was done without any authority from Provincial Headquarters, Mainwaring said.

Western Troops Fight Fanatical Hun Paratroopers

By WILLIAM STEWART

WITH THE CANADIANS IN ITALY, Dec. 21 (Delayed) (CP Cable)—Canadian forces occupied the Southern half of the Adriatic coastal town of Ortona today after an all-day battle with German paratroopers.

The paratroopers were established with machine-guns in the solid buildings of the town, which perches on a 200-foot shoulder above the sea.

Western Canada troops who worked their way into the outskirts of the town late Monday, gradually drove the Germans toward the Northwestern exit on the coastal road to Pescara, strategic Adriatic port 11 miles Northwest of Ortona.

The Westerners cleared much of the town, practically a building at a time.

The Nazi paratroopers fought fanatically. Many remained at their machine-guns until the last round of ammunition had been expended.

A few of the paratroopers surrendered and at the end of the day the Canadians had taken only 10 prisoners.

Tanks supporting the infantry silenced the fire from a number of buildings with shells from their 75-mm. guns. Anti-tank guns brought up Monday night also were used to smash houses in which the Germans were installed.

There was little enemy shelling of Ortona during the day but harassing machine-gun and mortar fire from an enemy position on high ground to the West played along the main approach of the road from Orsogna, about 10 miles inland.

During the day there was considerable air activity, with fighters and fighter-bombers attacking anti-aircraft posts and transport in the area of Tollo, about three miles back of the German lines on a secondary road paralleling the Coast, and Maglianica and Ripa, farther along the road from Tollo.

The battle for Ortona is expected to go on for another day at least unless there is a sudden enemy withdrawal.

The battle area from the Moro River all the way to Ortona resembled a scene from a nightmare after the two-weeks battle.

I walked a mile through the area to the edge of the town with a company of a Pacific Coast battalion (Seaforth Highlanders of Canada) which was going in Tuesday morning to join the fighting in the streets.

By WES GALLAGHER
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ALGIERS, Dec. 22 (AP) —Two widely-separated strongholds in the Germans Italian defence line —the Adriatic coastal town of Ortona and the fortified village of San Vittore, six miles Southeast of Cassino on the main inland highway to Rome—were under intense assault by Allied troops tonight and capture of either or both was expected momentarily.

Canadian tanks and infantry of the 8th Army have been fighting through the streets of Ortona, Adriatic anchor of the Nazi line, since Monday.

Normally a town of 9000 population perched on a shelf 200 feet above the sea. Ortona was turned into a veritable fortress by defending Nazis. Until Western Canadian troops fought their way into its Southern edge from two directions Monday the Germans had repulsed almost continuous attacks for two weeks.

Ortona is only 11 miles Southeast of the coveted port of Pescara and with its fall the 8th Army was expected to make short work of Pescara's less formidable defences.

From that port a main highway cuts across the waist of Italy to Rome.

SMASH COUNTER BLOW

In an effort to relieve the pressure on Ortona, the Nazis sprang a surprise counter-attack led by flame-throwers against New Zealand forces holding the lateral inland road from Ortona to Orsogna but the attack was completely smashed.

United States infantry of the Allied 5th Army was reported to have fought its way into the outskirts of San Vittore.

Seizure of San Vittore would open the way to Cassino and for the first time in many weeks give Lt.-Gen. Mark W. Clark's 5th Army tanks a chance to take some of the terrific burden off the weary infantry, which has been struggling forward foot by foot through mountains. A low plain spreads out beyond Cassino toward Rome, 70 miles away.

Preceded by heavy artillery and mortar fire, U. S. troops were methodically wiping out enemy pillboxes around San Vittore.

A flanking drive on Cassino from the Northeast by United States and French troops made progress in rugged terrain West of Filignano.

For the first time in five days, muggy weather kept heavy bombers grounded But Allied fighter-bombers and medium bombers kept up their attack on German ground positions and communications. One enemy and one Allied plane were destroyed during the day.

United States medium and fighter-bombers attacked Terracina, 38 miles Southeast of Rome, while the fighters exploded a building believed to be a munitions factory near Colle Ferro, also Southeast of the Italian capital.

R.A.F. Spitfires destroyed two locomotives and destroyed or damaged 16 trucks near the 8th Army front. United States mediums again spanned the Adriatic to support Yugoslav Partisan forces.

Returned Men to Get Extra Leave

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (CP) — Defence Headquarters today announced an increase in the disembarkation leave granted to certain officers and other ranks returning from overseas.

In the past officers and other ranks returning to Canada were normally granted up to 14 days' disembarkation leave regardless of whether they were returned from duty or repatriation.

Now, defence headquarters said, the following rules apply:

"Officers and other ranks of the Canadian Army returning from overseas for duty, repatriated prisoners of war and repatriated sick or wounded may, subject to the exigencies of the Service, be granted disembarkation leave under the following conditions:

1. To those who have been overseas for a period of two years, or who have served in a theatre of operations regardless of length of over seas service—30 days' leave.

2. To those who have been overseas for at least six months but less than two years and who have not served in a theatre of operations—14 days' leave and one additional day for each completed month served in excess of six months, up to a maximum period of 30 days' leave."

FIRE DESTROYS ROUNDHOUSE

POINT TUPPER, N. S., Dec. 22 (CP)—Five locomotives and other equipment were destroyed early today as fire razed the Canadian National Railways roundhouse, here causing damage estimated unofficially at $500,000. Three other locomotives were hauled to safety by a shunting engine before the flames halted salvage work.

Also destroyed in the fire which broke out about two o'clock this morning, was a new enginemen's resthouse. Cause of the blaze has not been determined.

As flames roared through the roundhouse, explosions shook the building, impeding fire fighting efforts, as oil drums and other inflammable material ignited.

Calgary Army Team Turns Tables on Smokies for 10-5 Victory

Currie Army, twice beaten at Trail, uncorked a scoring attack on Civic Centre ice here Wednesday night, to overwhelm the Smelter City's Smoke Eaters 10-5, and wind up a three-game exhibition series in victory. A smashing, passing assault that showed to advantage on the big sheet had 1000 fans cheering, and fazed the Trailites.

The Smokies, conquerors on their home ice, were spotty in their passes, and Currie seized every opportunity to turn breakaways into scores. They made the count 4-1 at the end of the opener, and stretched it 7-2 by the second. The orange and black stemmed the tide in the final, however, and pressing to the attack, matched the soldiers goal for goal.

ANDERSON, BENTLEY STAR

Anderson and Max Bentley were standouts for Army. Bentley marked up three counters, and was in on three others. Anderson, though he figured less on the score sheet, turned in a hard play-making and checking game. Biggest chores in Trail's stand against the winners fell to the Kelly-Cronie-Buckna combination. Haight and Dame, both of the former world champion Smoke Eaters, showed well.

Summary:

First period—1, Calgary, Carse (Lane, Max Bentley) :18; 2, Calgary, Max Bentley (Anderson) 1:00; 3, Trail, Cronie (Kelly), 7:58; 4, Calgary, Carse (Reg. Bentley) :14; 5, Calgary, Kelly 17:06.

Penalties—None.

Second period—6, Calgary, Max Bentley (Lane) 2:00; 7, Calgary, Desmarais 9:00; 8, Trail, Buckna (Haight) 12:30; 9, Calgary, Carse (Max Bentley) 14:40.

Penalties—None.

Third period — 10, Calgary, Max Bentley (Carse) :30; 11, Calgary, Reg. Bentley (Carse, Max Bentley) 8:30; 12, Calgary, Desmarais (Rimstad), 9:30; 13, Trail, Dame (Stainton) 9:50; 14, Calgary, Desmarais, 15:20; 15, Trail, Kelly (Buckna) 17:50.

Penalties — Benoit, Anderson, Buckna and Lane.

Lineups:

Calgary—McAneely; Lane, Anderson; Stewart; Rimstad, Reg. Bentley. Subs: Sullivan, Max Bentley, Carse, Grant, Klein, Desmarais.

Trail — Seaby; Morris, Haight; Dame; Benoit, Stanton. Subs: Christensen, Cronie, Buckna, Kelly, Turik.

Officials — Ty Culley, Referee; Mickey Brennan, Trail, Judge of Play.

Nakusp Board of Trade Discusses Road to Arrowhead

NAKUSP, B.C. — The members of the Nakusp Board of Trade held their dinner meeting at Pine Lodge when two new members joined. The Board will cover all expenses for the community Christmas party. Members of the Dramatic Club will put on several plays for the entertainment.

A resolution from the Nelson Board of Trade on the Japanese removal plan after the war was tabled for one month.

A letter of appreciation was to be sent to E. M. Munn, who is transferred from the job of Senior Road foreman to be superintendent of logging operations for the Big Bend Lumber Company.

A letter of thanks is to be sent to J. Taylor of New Denver, Road Superintendent, for his efficient management of district roads. As a post war rehabilitation plan the road through to Arrowhead was again discussed and steps are to be taken in the near future. The matter of Public ownership of the Local Electric Light Plant was again under discussion.

A committee was appointed to act with the recreation Association and the 071 Club to see to having the skating rink in operation for this season. J. H. Dolan will be guest speaker at the next meeting.

Salmo Pythians Elect Officers

SALMO, B.C. — The Pythian Sisters met Dec. 14 and Officers were elected to preside during the coming year as follows: Past Chief, Edith McDearmid; Excellent Chief, Ines Larson; Senior, Irene Bescha; Junior, Edith Lund; Manager, Gertrude Moore; M. of R. & C., Marjorie Dilling; M. of F., Alice Hearn; Protector, Nettie Dodds; Guard, Gladys Jensen.

Parcels were reported sent to Girls and Boys in the Armed Forces in Canada.

After the meeting a delightful supper was served by the hostesses, Edith Lund and Villa Gibbon.

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THE ANTISEPTIC LINIMENT

SALMO CURLING

SALMO, B. C., Dec. 22—M. C. Donaldson's rink with a score of 17 put the Salmo Vice-Presidents way out in the lead in the Presidents vs. Vice-Presidents curling series games played Wednesday night. With two more games to go the Presidents score is 30 and Vice-Presidents is 43.

Scores were M. C. Donaldson 17, F. A. Curwen 3.

W. Salisbury 11, R. W. Adams 8.

Kimberley Red Cross Plans Meeting to Show Work Extent

KIMBERLEY, B.C. — With additional sewers and knitters required by the Red Cross Ladies' works committee here to maintain the rapid pace it has set, efforts will be made in January to hold a special meeting of representatives of all community ladies' organizations to show them the work the branch undertakes. The Kimberley branch is recognized as one of the most active in the province, and its rate and standard of work requires constant efforts.

This was decided at the executive meeting of the branch. The secretary outlined at the meeting the efforts which have been made concerning two local prisoners-of-war, Earl Scott and Alfred Armstrong, and requested more local information to help in locating them.

The treasurer reported that $867 had been remitted during the past month an provincial headquarters of the Red Cross.

South Slocan Church Aux. Hold Meeting

SOUTH SLOCAN, B.C. — The Women's Auxiliary of St. Matthew's Church met on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Murray, who acted as hostess for tea in the absence of Mrs. Turner Lee. Mrs. P. O. Bird presided. The Treasurer's report showed a balance of $105. The general pledges for the year were voted on and passed and $15 towards the Bloc Assessment of the Church. 1¼ dozen hymn books were ordered for the Church.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22 (CP)—Dr. L. S. Klinck, President of the University of British Columbia, announced today that Dr. C. E. Dolman, head of the Department of Bacteriology and Preventive Medicine at U. B. C., has been appointed a Fellow of the American Public Health Association.

CORRECTION

The price of Linen Handkerchiefs in yesterday's advertisement should have read:

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Heavy Bombers Again Hit Germany

LONDON, Dec. 23 (Thursday)—(AP)—R.A.F. heavy bombers blasted undisclosed targets in German-occupied Europe last night, following up heavy daylight blows against Northwest Germany by hundreds of American big bombers.

LONDON, Dec. 22 (CP)—German planes crossed the Southeast English coast twice tonight and a bomb was dropped on the outskirts of a coast town, but no casualties were reported. Damage was slight.

Eagles Give 60 Kiddies Xmas Party

Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie 23, Nelson treated 60 children of Eagles to a Christmas party in Eagle Hall, Wednesday night. Wives of members assisted.

After dinner Santa Claus appeared to distribute candy to the children. A lighted Christmas tree and evergreens effectively decorated the hall.

Games were enjoyed by the young guests, 14 lucky ones winning prizes. The children all seemed to be enjoying themselves.

PLAN POSTWAR PROGRAM AT CRANBROOK

CRANBROOK, B.C. — Post-war rehabilitation plans continued to occupy the attention of the Board of Trade at its December meeting, Lowering of the level of Moyie Lake a few feet to make available many acres of good farm soil in that section was a new suggestion. Eric MacKinnon and Harold Bennett were appointed a committee to investigate the practical aspects of this project.

More thorough development of existing industries in the district was advocated. H. A. McKowan and Oscar Jostad were appointed a committee to prepare a resolution that a vigorous reforestration policy be carried out in East Kootenay to insure lumbering will continue as a perpetual industry. Improved farming and livestock methods were advocated, as well as highway development.

Dr. P. W. Green, M.L.A., addressed the meeting and said he would do everything within his power to advance the welfare of the district. He suggested the resolutions presented by the board in connection with post-war rehabilitation should make practical demands within reasonable bounds.

Recorded at the meeting was a Farmers' Institute resolution protesting about the number of dairy cattle killed on railway tracks during recent months because of improper fencing, and deploring the delays in settlement by the railway for these animals.

The board plans a public meeting in January to which representatives of all organizations of Cranbrook, Kimberley and all parts of the district will be invited to prepare a coherent progressive post-war program for the entire district.

Rain Drives Fog Away From Coast

VANCOUVER, Dec.22(CP)—Rain dispersed Vancouver's latest fog visitation today, but not before traffic accidents in the murk took two lives.

Oscar S. Walker was found fatally injured on a downtown street last night apparently after having been struck by an automobile and a few hours earlier on the outskirts of the city Harold Stewart of Cloverdale, B.C., was killed when struck by a truck.

SLOCAN CITY

SLOCAN CITY, B. C. — Rev. W. H. Gale, superintendent of Anglican Church Oriental Missions in British Columbia is visiting the Japanese Mission. While here he is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Parker

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Cooper, Mrs. D. Ewing, and Innis Cooper were visitors to Nelson.

Ed. Clough was a visitor to Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clough returned Monday from a visit at Vancouver.

Mrs. W. E. Warner spent the weekend in Nelson.

Mrs. M. Cameron and Mrs. D. Nichol were visitors to New Denver.

Mrs. William Kline was an honor guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Heslip on Friday evening when the members of Floral Rebekah Lodge No. 15 I.O.D.E., entertained on the eve of her departure to make her home in Procter. A dainty luncheon was served during which time the guest of honor was presented with a small gift. Those present were Mrs. B. Canniff, Mrs. D. Hood, Mrs. S. Perkinson, Mrs. A. Y. Rae, Mrs. D. Ewing, Mrs. T. Cooper, Mrs. D. Nichol, Mrs. E. V. Graham, Miss Nulty, Mrs. L. Fife, Mrs. R. G. Warner and Mrs. W. Heslip.

SLOCAN CITY, B.C. — Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Forbes were visitors to Nelson.

Pte. M. Liebrien of Chilliwack is here on furlough, a guest of Mrs. Olafson and family.

W. Kline of Procter was a visitor here.

Miss A. Storgard of the Rossland teaching staff is holidaying at her home here.

Mrs. D. McKeon, left on Friday to spend the holidays at her home in Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. O'Neill, Mrs. B. E. McMillan, Mrs. E. V. Graham and Mrs. D. B. O'Neill were visitors to Nelson on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hicks, and Alderman William Hicks were visitors to Nelson on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Lundell of the Creston teaching staff were guests on Friday of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bertrum and children Sherley, Sally and Marshall spent the weekend in Nelson.

Mrs. T. Imming and her brother Leslie Sherwood spent a few days in Nelson and were accompanied home by Peggy Imming.

Mrs. D. Sherwood who has been a patient in the Slocan Community Hospital, has returned home.

Doreen Marchi left to spend the holidays visiting relatives in Nelson

Mrs. S. Popoff and Mrs. W. E. Graham were visitors to Nelson.

Veterans Guard Men Home on Xmas Leave

Many members of the 27th Company, Veterans Guard of Canada, which is stationed at Medicine Hat on internment duty, have arrived home in Nelson and District for the holidays. Two contingents have arrived so far, respectively Tuesday and Wednesday, and they will leave for their duty station on the morning of Boxing Day. The balance of the 27th Company will be home for the New Year holiday.

Those who arrived Tuesday were Sgt. Joseph Holland, D.C.M.; Cpl. Dan McInnis; Cpl. W. R. Middleton; Pte. Joseph Habegard, Pte. Sam Bentley, Pte. Joe Lafontaine, Pte. Arthur Cathers, and Pte. R. J. Cathers, all of Nelson; L.-Cpl. Davis, Riondel; Pte. George Palmer, Kaslo; Pte. Gus Minnaert, Winlaw; and Pte. Kenneth Walsice, Boswell. All these men except Pte. R. J. Cathers are originals of the Nelson unit.

D. Nichol Buried at Slocan City

The funeral of Daniel Nichol, who passed away in the Slocan Community Hospital, New Denver on December 14 in his 74 years, was held from St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Friday. Rev. K. Hansen conducted the funeral services. Hymns sung were "Abide With Me" and "Nearer My God to Thee". Mr. Nichol was one of a family of 11, coming here with his parents in 1897 from Listol, Ontario. He followed mining and prospecting for a number of years and then took up farming in the Peace River country. He returned here about seven years ago and had resided here until his death.

He is survived by his wife and one sister, Mrs. Malcolm Cameron of Slocan City. The pallbearers were W. E. Graham, R. E. McMillan, Pat Maguire, A. Madden Mayor Swan, and R. D. Lee.

Waldo Stock Sale Date for 1944 Set Earlier

CRANBROOK, B.C. — September 15, some six weeks earlier in the season, has been chosen by the Waldo Stock Breeders Association for their third annual stock sale in 1944. The 1943 date, late in October, was at a time when prices had dropped slightly.

Addition of bleachers and improvement of facilities at their Elko stock auction yard was authorized, and tenders have been called for construction of a dining hall. Corral facilities will accommodate about 1000 head of cattle.

The Association has filed a protest of the revised mail schedule for its district, from Elko to the Montana boundary. This district has no telephone, no train or bus service, and mail has now been reduced to twice-a-week. If no improvement of communications is forthcoming the Association plans to circulate a petition in the district.

Longbeach Students Present Concert

Miss J. Horner's pupils, of Longbeach School, finished the term with a very good concert on Thursday. Some splendid singing, recitations and a comic play entertained the parents and friends of the students. Lunch was served, gifts distributed by Santa, and community singing made a nice social evening. Mrs. A. Feller assisted Miss Horner, accompaining the singers on the piano.

MacPHEES OF PROCTER MOVE TO BEAVERDELL

PROCTER, B.C. — After five years residence in Procter, where they owned their store, Mr. and Mrs. A. MacPhee have left for Beaverdell where they will make their home. Their business was purchased by S. Malahoff, formerly of Tye.

CASTLEGAR

CASTLEGAR, B.C. — Mrs. T. Schison and daughter Geraldine were Trail shopper.

Mrs. G. Santano has returned to Trail after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Fraser.

Mrs. A. Olsen was a Trail shopper.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Popoff and family were weekend visitors to Nelson.

Mrs. J. Toogood has left for Vancouver. She will be accompanied home by her son, Rodger, who has been a patient in hospital.

Mrs. G. Gibson and sister, Anne Romas, of Trail spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Romas.

Miss Mona Shields of Trail spent the weekend with her parents, Mr and Mrs. R. Shields.

Mrs. M. McPherson was a Trail shopper Tuesday.

Mrs. L. Simons is a patient in Kootenay Lake General Hospital, Nelson.

Miss Beatrice McKinnon of Vancouver is spending a holiday with her father, J. McKinnon.

Trail Airman Flys With Leasides

WITH THE RCAF SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND, Dec. 22 (CP)—Leaside, Ont., has every reason to be proud of the Canadian Bomber Squadron it adopted and which bears the name of the municipality. The squadron commanded by Wing Cmdr. W. A. McKay of Vancouver, has not only blossomed forth with a new name but also with new aircraft. Flight commanders with the Leasides include Sqdn. Ldr. W. W. Strachan, D.F.C., of Trail, B. C.

Ratepayers of Cranbrook Line Up Program

CRANBROOK, B.C. — The Cranbrook Ratepayers Association, reorganized prior to the city election, plans to meet each month prior to the City Council meeting and to have a delegation in attendance at each council meeting.

A seven-point program, drawn up by L. P. Sullivan, was approved point by point at a recent meeting. Initial point concerns the water seepage problem and emphasizes that expense should be considered secondary to remedying it. Its suggestion that an engineer not associated with the government be consulted has already been acted on by the city.

A second point advocates remuneration of mayor and aldermen. Two points deal with policing, the first advocating better enforcement of the curfew bylaw, and the second with appointment of an Indian Constable. Turning back of surplus revenue from water and electric departments to improvement of these facilities rather than investment is a fifth policy.

Final two points are close cooperation between community and schools with the aim of constructing a new high school building and posting by the city of the complete list of candidates prior to the city election.

The Association chose James Lunn as its President, J. A. Genest Vice-President, George Kirwin Secretary, William Pritchard Treasurer, and Mrs. H. E. Osborne, Mrs. Archie Finley, Rev. A. L. McIntyre, F. J. Dooling, W. J. Wilson, William Robinson and L. P. Sullivan, Executive.

Mrs. Foxlee Heads Robson Women's Institute

ROBSON, B.C. — Mrs. H. R. Foxlee was reelected President at the annual meeting of the Robson Women's Institute at the home of Mrs O. B. Ballard. Others elected were Mrs. W. R. Campbell, Secretary; Mrs. O. Sutherland, Mrs. A. Saunders and Mrs. T. Martin, Directors.

Various reports showed the year had been a successful one. Clearing and registering the cemetery deeds in the name of the Institute was accomplished. Presentation of life membership was made to Mrs. Foxlee, Mrs. Irwin, Mrs. Squires and Mrs. Mitchell. Mrs. C. E. Tutt's Red Cross work report also showed a successful year. The usual contribution to the Olhoa Scott fund was made and the cent-a-week box brought in $7 for the Queen Alexandra Solarium. Two war savings certificates were bought from the tea money taken at each meeting.

Concert Program Held at Slocan Park School

Slocan Park School was closed for the Christmas holidays by an enjoyable concert which was well attended. Highlights of the program were "A Letter to Santa" by Alex Ceachoff and "A Quiet Evening with the Radio" a dialogue by Marjorie Greavison as "Grandma", Nick Zaytooff as "Grandpa," Doris Greavison as "The Married Granddaughter" and Fred Shukin as "Jim", daughter's husband. Another striking feature was the "Helping Hand" dialogue produced by John Polonikoff and Billie Polonikoff.

Santa arrived with the presents and a very lively time followed.

KASLO

KASLO, B.C. — W. L. Billings and J. R. Tinkess were recent visitors to Nelson.

Miss Lorna Speirs, who is on the staff of the Bank of Montreal at Williams' Lake, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Speirs, over the holidays.

Mrs. George Rasmussen left Saturday for Vancouver to visit her sister and her daughter, who is a nurse-in-training.

Alderman G. K. and Mrs. Sutherland have as guest over the holidays, their daughter Doris, who teaches at Alberni.

Miss Tiny Driver, who is on the staff of the Bank of Montreal in Nelson, is home for the holidays and is a guest of her parents, Constable and Mrs. H. T. Driver of Mirror Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Dunn shopped in Nelson at the weekend.

Fred Speirs was at Grand Forks on a hunting trip, accompanied by his daughter, Lorna, who was enroute to her home in Kaslo from Williams' Lake.

Miss Eva Hendren of Lakefield, Ontario, who was a guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hendren, has left for Nelson.

Mrs. L. Beseckor of Nelson, was in Kaslo at the weekend.

Rossland Social . . .

By MRS. HARVEY FLEURY

ROSSLAND, B.C., Dec. 22 — Mrs. J. H. Flett of Vancouver arrived in Rossland Wednesday night to visit an indefinite length of time with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. Mitchell, LeRoi Avenue East.

Ross Saundry of the R.C.A.F. is spending the Christmas vacation in Rossland visiting his wife and family.

Miss Margaret Wright who attends U.B.C., has arrived to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Wright, 2101 LeRoi Avenue.

A merry Christmas dinner party was held Saturday night in the Armories when 40 attended, made up of members of the Veterans Guard, Legion Members and their wives, and Women's Auxiliary members and their husbands. The banquet table was decorated with Christmas motifs, including bells and greetings. Games, cards, and dancing rounded out the evening. Mrs. J. R. Conroy won ladies' first prize in Court Whist while Mrs. Fertig got consolation, Joe Gill and Pte. Melville were awarded the Gentlemen's first and consolation respectively.

West End Circle of St. Andrew's United Church held its December meeting at the home of Mrs. O. Bisson, 2305 Washington Street, last week, when this year's officers were reelected—Mrs. William Bulick, President; Mrs. Brada Henderson, Vice-President; Mrs. Harry E. Smith, Secretary-treasurer. The Vice-president gave a report on the recent meeting of the Women's Association. Mrs. Belinder, a member of the Circle, gave a true story illustrating "Impressions". Mrs Smith read excerpts from a letter written by a sick soldier, on what Christmas meant to him. Other members present were Mrs. H. Anderson, Mrs. Herb Lowes, Mrs. T. P. Sommerville, and Mrs. Charles Daly, and one visitor, Mrs. Wallace, who is spending the winter in Rossland, attended.

The Eagles Lodge held a successful card party Tuesday evening when 11 tables were in play. J. Russel acted as Master of Ceremonies. Ladies first, second, and third prizes were won by Mrs. J. Bourget, Mrs. G. Rolejoit, and Mrs. George Hamilton respectively. Gentlemen's prizes went to Pte. J. Melville, Pte. J. P. Bruce, and E. Draper.

Rush Penicillin by Plane, Car to Kimberley Girl

KIMBERLEY, B. C., Dec. 22—The condition of little Marlene Byrne has improved since the administration of the drug penicillin, which was rushed here by car this week.

A hurried trip was made by Bill Rainor and Geordie Scott by car to Lethbridge for the package of penicillin which was shipped to that point by Trans-Canada Airways, from an Eastern city.

They left here Tuesday morning and arrived back at 2:40 a.m. Wednesday. Marlene has been a patient in McDougall Hospital for several weeks suffering from pneumonia. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Byrne.

Trail Curling

TRAIL, B. C.,—In the Trail Hodge Cup curling series, two of the games, H. A. McLaren vs M. Morrison and H. H. Miller vs Reg Stone, did not come off when the players agreed to go to the Calgary Army vs Trail hockey game in Nelson.

Scores follow:

A. B. Clark 6, R. P. Dockerill 7.
D. McDonald 7, W. Robertson 7.
F. Strachan 6, D. Forrest 7.
E. W. Hazelwood 8, T. H. Weldon 9.
A. E. Allison 11, R. Somerville 5.
D. S. Wetmore 8, G. Bumphrey 9

PATRON CUP

A. E. Allison 9, F. Wendell 11.

Say Japanese Asked Increased Living Allowances

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22 (CP)—The Sun said today increased living allowances for unemployables, more comfortable accommodation, free and improved wood fuel supplies and provision of a recreation hall available at all times were sought by spokesmen of Japanese evacuees at Tashme, B.C., when they appeared before a Royal Commission investigating treatment of Japanese in Canada.

Hearings of the Commission, under Dr. F. W. Jackson, Deputy Minister of Health for Manitoba, are in camera and none of the evidence will be released until it has been reviewed by Labor Minister Mitchell, but the Sun said it had obtained a "bill of complaint" from Tashme residents.

Tashme, near Hope, B.C., about 100 miles East of Vancouver, houses some 2,000 Japanese. The Sun said a reporter visiting the camp found its occupants apparently "healthy, warmly-clad and fully nourished" and returned with the impression that all things considered "grounds for complaint appeared to be remarkably meagre."

Mrs. A. Watson President Crawford Bay W. I.

CRAWFORD BAY, B.C. — At the Annual meeting of the Women's Institute, the annual reports were read, the financial statement showing a balance on hand of $85.95.

The following directors were nominated: Mrs. G. Heywood, Mrs. W. King, Mrs. D. J. McLachlin and Mrs. A. Lymbery. Mrs. A. Watson was elected President, Mrs. Heywood vice-president and Miss L. Lytle secretary.

A hooked rug was won by Mrs. King, over $7 being added to funds. Tea money realized $1. and the sale of corsages and white elephants $5.80

NEW DENVER

NEW DENVER, B.C. — Mrs. C. Wolfram of Grand Forks was in town on Tuesday enroute to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Boates in Sandon.

Capt. C. S. Leary of Nakusp was in town on Wednesday enroute from Kaslo to his home in Nakusp.

Mrs. Ole Erickson and daughter, Eeline arrived on Wednesday from Drumheller, Alta., and have taken up residence here. O. Erickson has been here for six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fairhurst and family of Silverton were visitors here

George Avison of Zincton visited his mother, Mrs. Thomas Avison.

Mr. and Mrs. Joy and family of Rosebery were visitors in town.

Mrs. G. Santer of Retalic visited relatives.

Constable Butler of Nakusp was a visitor on Wednesday.

A. G. Begg of Trail was here during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Leveque and daughter, Audrey of Rosebery were visitors here.

J. H. M. Greenwood of Nelson was in town on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Munn of Nakusp were in town.

Fredrick Greer arrived on Thursday from Vancouver to spend the Christmas holidays visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Greer.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Isackson and son Eddie of Rosebery were visitors here on Thursday.

Mrs. B. Nyman of Rosebery was in town on Wednesday.

Mrs. Frank Mills of Silverton was a visitor here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Avison of Zincton visited the former's mother, Mrs Thomas Avison.

ACI. Miss Flora Boates, C.W.A.F. of Hagerville Ont., was in town on Tuesday enroute to spend her furlough visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Boates, Sandon.

NEW DENVER, B.C. — Rev. and Mrs. F. Browne, Miss M. H. Butlin and Miss F. Hamilton were visitors to Slocan City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Fahrni have left for Vancouver to spend their holidays.

Fred Peachy of Hazelton was a visitor to town.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Peachy of Silverton were in town.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hass and daughter Mary Joy of Silverton were visitors to town.

Miss Owen Suttis is spending the holidays in Vancouver with relatives

Mrs. H. Elsmore of Silverton was a recent visitor here.

Wm. George is a patient in Slocan Community Hospital here.

Miss Helen Lawson left Monday for Vancouver to spend the holidays with relatives.

John Rowe left by bus for Castor Alta., where he will spend his holidays guest of his parents, Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Rowe.

Allen Francis has arrived from Vancouver to spend the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. Francis

Mr. and Mrs. W. Jupp of Nakusp were visitors to town.

James Draper was a recent visitor to Slocan City.

Dr. and Mrs. A. Francis were visitors to Nelson.

Mrs. L. R. Campbell spent the weekend in Nelson.

Rev. and Mrs. F. Browne and Miss M. H. Butlin were shoppers in Nelson on Monday.

Pte. Lillian St. Thomas is in town, visiting her brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kenneth.

Miss Jennette Hahn has left to spend the holidays with her parents in Bruskal, Sask.

Sister Pauline and Sister Lucy of Edmonton were guests of the sisters DeAngeo.

Miss Marguritte Campbell arrived Monday from Moosomin, Sask., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr and Mrs. L. R. Campbell.

Mrs. T. R. Flint and son, Ivan were recent Nelson shoppers.

Miss Catherine Gunn has arrived from Vancouver, being called home owing to the death of her father Hugh Gunn.

W. K. Gunn of Nelson has been called here owing to the death of his brother, Hugh Gunn.

E. Leveque and his daughter, Audrey of Rosebery were Nakusp visitors.

Miss Marion Leveque of Victoria is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Leveque of Rosebery.

Mrs. A. L. Harris was a visitor to Nakusp Sunday.

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Constant Stream of Bombers Pour Across the Channel

By ROBERT N. STURDEVANT
Associated Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP).—For the fifth time in two weeks American heavy bombers supported by fighters ranged into Northwestern Germany in daylight today while a constant stream of medium and light bombers poured across the Channel for the third straight day headed for mysterious targets in Northern France.

Big bombers of the U. S. Air Force after a one-day layoff, headed back for the same section where on Monday 800 bombers attacked Bremen, submarine and shipbuilding centre.

In addition, wave on wave of Allied bombers swept out in what looked like one of the greatest sustained cross-Channel assaults of the year toward the Pas de Calais region, presumably to attack the same targets which have been hit successive blows in the two preceding days and which have been described only as military installations. Neutral reports have suggested that the Germans may have extensive rocket-gun emplacements in that French area.

All morning and during most of the afternoon the big formations of medium and light bombers, escorted by masses of fighters, flew through the brilliant sunshine across Dover Strait, returning on average 30 minutes later.

Today's activity followed a series of blows by R. A. F. Mosquito bombers against unspecified targets in Western Germany last night.

The U. S. Air Force announced its planes unloaded approximately 900 tons of high explosives and incendiaries on Kiel Dec. 13, causing severe damage to shipbuilding yards. The target for that day's attack previously was unidentified.

The latest Mosquito blow was carried out without loss, a communique said.

Their load of explosives was added to the approximately 4000 tons of bombs dropped by more than 3000 Allied planes on key Nazi targets in Germany and Occupied France Monday and Tuesday in the greatest combined air operations carried out in 36 hours against any country since the war began.

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By CLYDE A. FARNSWORTH
Associated Press Staff Writer

HEADQUARTERS OF A CHINESE ARMY, Somewhere in Northern Hunan Province, Dec. 18 (delayed) (AP) — Green and red marked cylinders of tear and sneezing gas which the Japanese are accused of using on this front were exhibited today to visiting Allied officers and correspondents.

As interested as any correspondent was Lt. Col. P. P. Voronin, Assistant Military Attache of the Soviet Embassy at Chungking, who jotted down the complete details in a little black notebook as Lt. Gen. Liang Han-Ming, commanding this army, talked about the cylinders.

Among the samples was a yellow marked, two foot long cylinder, resembling a fire extinguisher, which Liang's chemical warfare expert said once contained mustard gas. There was no claim, however that the contents of this particular cylinder ever were used against the Chinese.

The tear and sneezing gas was used recently on the Hunan front, the chemical expert said. The most violent form of gas used by the Japanese in this theatre, according to Gen. Hsueh Yeuh, Governor of Hunan and Commander of the ninth war area and his subordinate, Liang, was suffocating gas from which no fatalities were reported. The effect of this gas is to incapacitate for an hour or more.

The mustard gas cylinder was seen to drop from a Japanese plane last May along the Yuna River, Maj. Fu Heg-Yu, the chemical expert said. It was empty when found, he added, but he asserted that mustard gas had been used by the Japanese on other fronts.

Liang disclosed yesterday that this Army had taken only 10 Japanese prisoners since fighting started Oct. 29, but estimated that his forces had inflicted 3600 casualties on the enemy.

Asked about disparity between a casualty claim and his report on the number of prisoners, the General replied simply, "It is not easy to take Japanese prisoners." On the other hand, he said there was no evidence that the Japanese committed hara-kari in any great number.

Accepting these statistics, this seems to suggest that in at least one sector of the Northern Hunan front the Japanese retreat was well organized, although the casualty figure would represent more than 10 per cent loss by the Japanese force estimated at 30,000.

(This dispatch did not indicate whether "casualties" referred to killed or wounded or both.)

New Five Cent Steel Coin to Replace Copper

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (CP).—Issuance of a new 12-sided five-cent coin made of chromium steel, to replace the present 12-sided coin of copper and zinc alloy, has been authorized under an Order-in-Council published today.

Under the Canadian Currency Act the five-cent piece coined by the Royal Canadian Mint is required to be of pure nickel, but because of nickel requirements for war an order dated Aug. 5, 1942, made provision for the coining of the coin of mixed metal.

The first 12-sided five-cent piece had a beaver design and was made of mixed copper and zinc.

The second 12-sided nickel, issued early in 1943, had the "V for Victory" symbol and the Victory Torch "by way of symbolizing the sacrifice which is being made to achieve victory."

The new steel coin will have on one side the King's effigy and on the other the character V and torch conjoined, "emblematic of sacrifice and victory," between two maple leaves.

The new issue may be made on and after Jan. 1.

Explaining the change, the order said Finance Minister Ilsley had reported it was impossible to purchase coinage blanks ready for immediate striking on the coining presses, and that the various processes involved in producing the copper-zinc coin, including casting the bars, rolling them to gauge and cutting the blanks, placed an undue strain on the limited plant and equipment of the mint, making it difficult to keep up with the growing public demand for coins.

The change to chromium steel would facilitate production, the order said.

A resident of ancient Athens could be exiled for five or 10 years if 6,000 citizens voted for his removal.

Ugly Threats of Reprisals Against Allied Prisoners Is German Reaction to Kharkov Trials

LONDON, Dec. 22 (CP) — Dark threats of reprisal against allied war prisoners came flying out of Germany today as Nazi propagandists worked up indignation against the Kharkov trials and Paul Joseph Goebbels called British and American aviators "huns of the air."

DNB, the official German news agency, said in a broadcast statement on the Soviet trials that Nazi military courts would "soon deal with those British and American prisoners who are guilty of a serious breach of international law."

Goebbels told Berlin police and air raid protection officials that further attacks on the German capital must be expected but that "one day our evergrowing anti-aircraft defences and future retaliation will make an end to the activities of the huns of the air."

Ugly hints of measures to be taken against captured airmen were closely connected with a German Press campaign against American fliers imprisoned after the Nov. 30 raid on Bremen and accused of having "murder incorporated" written on their uniforms."

A Berlin dispatch to the Swiss newspaper Neue Zurcher Zeitung claimed that the planes of an entire squadron were so lettered and that another squadron called itself the "home block busters."

This referred to the practice of American airmen giving their bombers names, often facetious.

The bombed and battered Nazis are complaining that the names of some of the planes prove that gangsters control the American Airforce.

In seizing on the Kharkov trials for further justification of German brutality, a Nazi foreign office spokesman claimed the trials were agreed upon in principle at the Teheran conference, so the "British and Americans share the responsibility," Swedish Press reports said.

DNB's official statement specifically accused President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill of associating themselves with the Kharkov proceedings and likened those proceedings to "Medieval witch trials."

Jap Evacuees Ask for More Money

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22 (CP) — The Sun said today increased living allowances for unemployables, more comfortable accommodation, free and improved wood fuel supplies and provision of a recreation hall available at all times were sought by spokesmen of Japanese evacuees at Tashme, B. C., when they appeared before a Royal Commission investigating treatment of Japanese in Canada.

Hearings of the Commission, under Dr. F. W. Jackson, Deputy Minister of Health for Manitoba, are in private and none of the evidence will be released until it has been reviewed by Labor Minister Mitchell, but the Sun said it had obtained a "bill of complaint" from Tashme residents.

Tashme, near Hope, B. C., about 100 miles East of Vancouver, houses some 2600 Japanese. The Sun said a reporter visiting the camp found its occupants "healthy, warmly clad and fully nourished," and returned with the impression that all things considered "grounds for complaint appeared to be remarkably meagre."

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Father Works to Clear Son Who Was Executed as Darlan's Slayer

ALGIERS, Dec. 22 (AP). — An anguished father, seeking to clear the name of his son who a year ago Christmas Eve ended the life of Admiral Jean Francois Darlan in a flurry of gunfire, has lifted some of the secrecy thrown over the death of the little man who tried to be all things to all men.

One year of untiring effort by Eugene Bonnier de la Chapelle, newspaperman, has won partial vindication of the name of his 20-year-old son, Fernand Bonnier de la Chapelle, a frail university student who died before a firing squad.

As the result of the father's appeal, the Justice Ministry of the French Committee of National Liberation has issued a communique saying a reexamination of the case revealed that the youth had not been connected with the Axis.

If leaders of the French underground movement have their way, the youth soon may be hailed as a martyr in the fight to liberate France.

Gradually through the year, these facts have become self-apparent, although the full story may not be told until the many persons involved in the plot are dead:

1. The fierce emotional idealism of the young student, who was an ardent follower of Gen. Charles de Gaulle, was used by older men who never have been brought to trial.

2. These men supplied young Bonnier de la Chapelle with a gun, and the opoprtunity to shoot Darlan.

3. The youth was tried hurriedly and shot within 48 hours of the assassination.

4. A story spread around Algiers, to the effect that the assassination was a Royalist plot to install the Prince of Paris, a Morocco pig farmer, as the king of North Africa, was a smoke screen raised to confuse the situation.

One half-hour before the young student was led into the prison yard at dawn the day after Christmas to be shot, he wrote a letter to his father in which he said:

"If I must die, it cannot be helped. The chief thing is that we must be certain that it is not useless. I felt that if now my crime seems to be stupid, it will be found later on that it was inspired by the finest sentiments."

In the swift-changing political events that followed, the gray-haired father, who won the Croix de Guerre in the last war at 17, remained silent, but early last month he addressed a letter to Gen. de Gaulle, Gen. Henri Giraud and French Minister of Justice Georges Catroux.

This letter cited a communique put out by Gen. Jan Marie Bergeret, then Darlan's chief assistant, and at present charged with treason by order of the National Committee. The communique stated that Darlan was a victim of an assault inspired by those who did not pardon him for taking up arms against Germany.

Bonnier de la Chapelle protested strongly against the implication that his son was a tool of the Axis.

"I knew all that was false," he wrote.

Asking that his son's name be restored to a place of honor, the father outlined the youth's life:

Fernand as a Boy Scout had helped in the Ambulance Corps during the fall of France, and after the Germans occupied Paris he joined the French Underground Students' Movement, first in Paris and then in Algiers.

He joined the Chantiers de la Jeunesse, a youth organization which helped the Allied landings of Nov. 8, 1942.

"For his country, he was ready to do anything," the father wrote.

Would Restrict Trade to Canadian Ships

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22 (CP) — Delegates to Vancouver, New Westminster and district Trades and Labor Council meeting here last night endorsed a petition to Prime Minister King asking legislation restricting Canadian coastal trade to "vessels now registered in Canada or hereafter built in Canada."

Delegates to the Council also endorsed a resolution from the street railwaymen's union "definitely opposing the recent Government wage law and that we recommend to our respective locals that they refuse to be governed by the law."

B.C. PIONEER DIES

VICTORIA, Dec. 22 (CP) — A link with the early history of this Province has been severed by the death here Monday of Miss Brenda Peers, 78, granddaughter of J. Murray Yale, one of the powerful figures of Hudson's Bay Company days in the Central Interior of British Columbia a century ago.

Paris was the largest city in the world for 1,000 years.

Spain Regrets Attack on U. S. Consulate

MADRID, Dec. 22 (AP) — The Spanish Foreign Ministry expressed deepest regret today to Ambassador Carlton J. H. Hayes of the United States over an attack by two Falangists on the American consulate in Valencia Saturday.

Punishment of the two party members was promised. Secretary-General Jose Luis Arrese also apologized in the name of the Falange.

COVENTRY, England (CP) — The bells of Coventry's ruined Cathedral tolled for the first time during the war at the election of Councillor Alec Turner as mayor. The edifice was blasted during a raid three years ago.

Two Boys Die in Candy Plant Blast

TORONTO, Dec. 22 (CP) — Two teen-age boys were burned to death today and four others scorched and cut about the head when an explosion followed by a two-alarm fire trapped a dozen workers on the top floor of Kerr Brothers, Ltd., Candy Manufacturers.

The two youths, who started to work only yesterday, were identified as Steve Hrychuk and Michael Hudy, both of Toronto.

The 12 youths trapped on the top floor were rescued and more than 60 other employees fled from the building.

Damage was estimated at $30,000.

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Has Faith in Decisive Influence of Bombing of Germany

The gigantic development of the United States Army Air Force, whose raids on Germany are now becoming almost as frequent and powerful as those of the R.A.F. and R.C.A.F., is emphasized in announcements that General "Hap" Arnold, its head, has been awarded Collier's Aviation trophy for 1943.

In 1938, the year of Munich, the United States Army had an Air Force of 1800 officers, 19,000 enlisted men and 3900 planes. Today it is near the goal of 2½ million officers and men and 100,000 combat duty planes.

Arnold was taught to fly by the Wright Brothers in 1911. He became as earnest an advocate of the importance of bombers in warfare as the late "Billy" Mitchell, and like Mitchell, suffered for his enthusiasm. For years he was not popular with the brass hats who had much to say as to promotions.

The award comes as a crowning triumph to General Arnold's struggle for air power since the days back in 1925 when he unsuccessfully championed Billy Mitchell's cause. Even after Pearl Harbor, when the army began getting bombers and fighters in appreciable numbers, the white-haired General had to fight for what he considered the right employment of his air forces, says Devon Francis in an article in Collier's and who cites this instance:

"The African offensive forced the diversion of bombers from the Eighth Air Force (based in England) to the support of troops hard-pressed by the stubborn German legions in Tunisia. General Arnold saw a crisis developing—the Eighth was making token raids on selected targets in Germany. The public's faith in the bomber as a means of eroding German resistance would begin to wave.

"He did some table-pounding at Casablanca. By April of 1943 the strength of the Eighth again definitely was on the rise. By June, Gen. Eaker, the Eighth's Commander, could say at a press conference that his bomber strength had doubled since March and would again by October. For the first time, Germany began feeling the full weight of American bombs."

Tactical Nimbleness

In its offensive against German cities, the R.A.F. Bomber Command has demonstrated its tactical nimbleness, with the "introduction of two new techniques. First there was the "twin target" technique, in which large raids on two separate targets were launched on the same night, thus splitting up the Luftwaffes' fighter defences and preventing the Germans from concentrating their mobile anti-aircraft guns. Then, on the dawn attack of December 4, the feint tactic was tried out with notable success. The bomber force headed straight for Berlin and, just as it was reaching the city, suddenly changed its course toward Leipzig, the real objective, leaving only a few planes to continue towards Berlin and draw off the enemy fighters.

The tactical inventiveness of Bomber Command has been evident ever since it took the offensive in March of 1942, with the raid on Lubeck. In this raid it introduced the "saturation" technique which has been in use ever since. This concentration of huge numbers of planes over a target, during a short space of time, reduces losses by swamping the enemy's anti-aircraft and searchlight organization. Since Lubeck ,the method has been continually improved by constant increases in the tonnage dropped and decreases in the time taken to drop it.

A few weeks later daylight hedge-hopping by heavy bombers made its appearance, with the daring raid on the Diesel factory at Augsburg. This method is reserved only for very special targets.

The new "Pathfinder" force has established for itself already a permanent place in Bomber Command's organization. The flares it drops to guide the bomber force enable even greater concentration of explosives, and make it possible for raids to be carried out over targets so cloud-bound that previously they would have been regarded as operationally impossible. The flares can penetrate almost any cloud.

These are just a few of the methods Bomber Command have developed in the last two years. During this period about the only new German offensive technique is the quite futile low-level, hit-and-run raid, which has had no military significance whatsoever.

India a Future Market for Canada

If the purchasing power of India's millions could be increased by only five cents a day, a new market of $7,300 million a year would be created. In this market, as stated in the Royal Bank of Canada Monthly Letter for December, there would be room for great Canadian participation, as well as for India's own industrial development.

In these days it is a good idea to take a broad world view, to ascertain what other countries are doing and what their war acceleration will mean to their post-war potentialities.

The Far East has always roused the curiosity of the Western world. The East has a vast area, with great natural resources, growing populations, and startling low standards of living, education, and industrial development. How much these Eastern nations will develop in the white heat of battle, no one can yet tell. It is possible, however, to predict that when Japan has been defeated and pinned within its frontiers, India will have emerged as a commercial power to be reckoned with by all the world.

Letters to the Editor

Letters may be published over a nom de plume, but the actual name of the writer must be given to the Editor as evidence of good faith. Anonymous letters go in the waste paper basket.

Sure, Women Should Be Free, Says "Uncle Bill" Sticking Out His Chin

To the Editor:

Sir—Maybe the lady from Kimberley is right! Women should be free, free as birds in the air.

They should build their own homes, dig and haul their own coal. Cut, haul, split and pile their own wood.

They should be free to earn their own living as the men do and support a family, not their own for they haven't the time for such drudgery.

They should be free to stand the noise, strain and sweat of industry in mills, mines, factories, forest and farm.

They should be free, with no favors shown no chivalry, no protection in law, no marriage vows, nothing but equal pay for equal work.

They should be free, to take all these grand opportunities—or—should they?

UNCLE BILL.

Chapman Camp, B. C., Dec. 16.

Christianity as Remedy for World's Troubles

To the Editor:

Sir—Ever since Christ's appeal to live according to the Truth, which he tried to make plain—above all—with his deeds, nations have been wondering about it, and not a single nation has yet grown brave enough to accept it. What is there so dreadfully frightful about Christianity?

The only thing that's frightful about Christianity is that it's something new; especially to those that are in power, being so used to the "old system" are afraid to part with it entirely, although everyone tends to feel (which is a natural feeling) that Christianity is truly something divine. Some people are so afraid of Christianity that they even go as far as perverting same and above all try to make it sound complicated when it really is simple and clear; nothing can be clearer than Christianity (when one of the main concerns were to suppress it) and just for "fear" alone thousands of Christians were martyred.

A CHRISTIAN.

Brilliant, B. C., Dec. 16.

Test Yourself

1. What is the largest expanse of water in the world?
2. What is the largest artificial lake in the world?
3. What is the only country with which Denmark has physical connection?

TEST ANSWERS

1. The Pacific Ocean.
2. Lake Mead, at Boulder Dam.
3. Germany.

A TUSSAUD DIES

John Theodore Tussaud, great-grandson of Marie Tussaud, founder of the famous Tussaud's Waxworks in London, died there the other day at the age of 87. For 178 years there has been a Tussaud at the head of the exhibition, and the dynasty is likely to continue for many years more, John Theodore having left seven sons and three daughters.—St. Thomas Times-Journal.

?? Questions ??
ANSWERS

Open to any reader. Names of persons asking questions will not be published. There is no charge for this service. Questions will not be answered by mail except when there is obvious necessity for privacy.

Reader, Nelson—On what tree does the mistletoe grow?

Apple, thorn, maple, poplar, locust, linden and occasionally oak.

Why and how did mistletoe become associated with kissing?

Authorities differ somewhat concerning the origin of the custom of kissing under the mistletoe. Walsh is of the opinion that it is an innocent survival from the Saturnalia of the ancients when riot and licence ran loose. Other authorities claim that it is a survival from the ancient Druids of Britain. The mistletoe is believed to have been given to the Goddess of Love to keep, and everyone who passed under it received a kiss to show it was the emblem of love. The Druids cut the sacred mistletoe and hung it over doorways to propitiate the woodland sprts. According to myth, only happiness could enter under the mistletoe; hence the traditon of the kiss.

B. H., Trail—Can you state what privileges are gained when a British subject is honored with a knighthood?

The conferring of knighthood does not imply any privilege other than the social one of precedence. A knight ranks next after a baronet. The title cannot be transmitted to the heirs.

G. McK., Rossland—On what date did Singapore fall to the Japs?

Feb. 14, 1942, the Singapore area was completely encircled and on the 15th it was announced by the Japs that Lieut. General A. E. Percival, Commander of the British Army, and Lieut. General Tomoyuki Yamashita had signed the surrender terms. On the 17th, Domei, official Japanese news agency, reported from Singapore that 15,000 British, 13,000 Australian and 32,000 Indian soldiers had been interned at Singapore.

F. T., Nelson—Will you please give me a good recipe for shortbread?

Sift into a bowl half a pound of flour and a quarter of a pound each of rice flour and castor sugar. Add a pinch of salt and a few drops of vanilla. Then rub in a half pound of butter or other good shortening, and knead with the hands until a smooth paste is formed. No liquid must be used. Turn on to a floured board, form two neat round cakes, flute the edges, and prick the centres. Place the cakes on a greased tin, bake in a hot oven for ten minutes, then more slowly till firm and a light brown. Cool on the tin.

Looking Backward

10 YEARS AGO
(From Daily News, Dec. 23, 1933)

Work at the big slide at Blake Friday continued apace, and it was believed the slide would be cleared up sometime today.

Kimberley has had the worst snow storm in years, the heaviest snowfall, and it still is snowing.

Friday afternoon the Nelson Christmas Cheer Fund took a jump when receipts were received bringing the total to $2246.27.

Rossland Miners took first place in the West Kootenay Hockey League Friday when they defeated Nelson's Red Wings 3-2 in a game at Trail.

25 YEARS AGO
(From Daily News, Dec. 23, 1918)

Capt. A. H. Wallace has been awarded the Military Cross for bravery in the field. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wallace of Nelson.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Keeley of Nelson a son, Dec. 20.

Funeral services for F. J. M'Crohan, Nelson business man, were held Saturday.

40 YEARS AGO
(From Daily News, Dec. 23, 1903)

Additons are being made to the plant of Payne Mine, and two carolads of machinery were sent up from Nelson.

The hopes of the skaters and curlers for ice for Christmas Day seem doomed to disappointment.

Another large barge load of cordwood reached the city yesterday, and a trainload came in at the same time from ranches West of Nelson.

A daughter was born Dec. 22 to the wife of Henry Wallach of Nelson.

Today's Horoscope

The person born today is gifted with valor, determination, intuitive judgment and a good memory. You have many talents, are dependable and prudent in action. You are a student of human nature. You will choose your mate carefully and have a contented life. This afternoon do nice things for others. Invite a few friends for an informal house party. This evening write letters and make telephone calls to pay your social obligations.

War — 4 Years Ago

By The Canadian Press

Dec. 23, 1939—United States and 20 other American republics protested to France, Great Britain and Germany against activities of their warcraft in American waters. Russians claimed important successes in Russo-Finnish war but stated that Finns' defences ruled out a lightning blow.

Etiquette Hints

A man in civilian clothing tips his hat to a woman in the service just as if she too were in civvies.

Words of Wisdom

Laughter is day, and sobriety is night; a smile is the twilight that hovers between both, more bewitching than either.—H. W. Beecher.

Prisoner Uses Mail Bag In Escape Attempt

NORTH BAY, Ont., Dec. 22 (CP).—A mail bag in which he had been hidden, presumably by fellow prisoners, was the key to freedom used by Eckert Brosig last night in his third escape from the prisoner-of-war camp at Monteith, Ont., 40 miles East of Timmins in sparsely-settled Northern Ontario. The 23-year-old former Nazi flier was recaptured early today in North Bay.

Skip Andrews, North Bay mail clerk who with Henry Berry, mail inspector, captured the German in the railway mail car, said today the mail bag taken on the train at Monteith was "extremely heavy, a fact upon which we commented several times before we heavel it into the mail car. When we finally did load it, it took two of us to lift it into the car.

"We threw it on the floor of the car and loaded the lighter bags on top of it, right up to the ceiling. When the train arrived in North Bay and was still moving, I barged into the storage car where the Western mail was piled. I saw a swift shadow move across the car, ducking behind the mail bags. It was a man, obviously trying to hide from me.

"I asked him where he was going and he replied he was going to North Bay. He pronounced North as 'Norss' and I began to get suspicious of him."

Andrews said Brosig was dressed in a heavy sheepskin-lined windbreaker, a leather helmet with earmuffs also lined with sheepskin, and brown shoes.

"When the train stopped at the station he asked me if we were in North Bay," Andrews said. "I told him we weren't and he should make himself comfortable. At that time the train had stopped in North Bay.

"When we unloaded the bags we had piled on top of the heavy one we found it was empty, except for a blanket. That was the one our man had been in. He must have cut himself out with a knife of some kind."

That Borsig had been studying the Japanese language was evident in books and papers he carried with him in a large parcel. In addition, he had numerous sheets of paper on which he had been practising making Japanese characters, with the German equivalent written in an adjoining column.

He also had a German-Russian lexicon, but there was no evidence he had been practising writing the Russian language.

Brosig was equipped with a false registration card and other papers in the name of Rodriguez Alfonso Aways. His address on the papers was given as 177 Colher Street, Toronto.

It was Brosig's third escape from the camp since June, 1942. North Bay police said today he was handed over to the Provost Corps who released him after questioning but later picked him up again. He was held in the city jail.

'War Scare' Hits Istanbul; Nazis Seen on Streets

By FRANK O'BRIEN
Associated Press Staff Writer

ISTANBUL, Dec. 21 (Delayed) (AP).—A first-class "war scare" hit its full stride in Istanbul today as many families living n the European part of Turkey moved over to the opposite side of the Strait of Bosporus.

Gold prices, which took a long jump upward when President Inonu went to Cairo for conferences with Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt and which dropped after his return, reached new highs today.

The widespread scare developed despite Foreign Minister Numan Menemencioglu's announcement that Turkey's foreign policy remained unchanged and newspaper advice that there was no reason for panic.

The sight of columns of troops outfitted for a field campaign moving in considerable numbers through the streets for the first time since the Spring of 1941 may have helped crystallize public anxiety over the Cairo conference.

During the past fortnight, scores of new German faces have appeared in Istanbul, apparently with no visible occupation. In the words of one Allied official, they "look like the usual strongarm boys."

Dewdney on Craft Baffling Heavy Seas Saves U.S. Ships

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (CP).—A 24-year-old Canadian naval officer who went without sleep for nearly 72 hours battling a gale and 60-mile-an-hour wind while towing an American rescue vessel in the Caribbean area, has been cited by the United States Navy for an "outstanding feat of seamanship."

He is Lieut. John J. McLaughlin of Winnipeg, whose skill and devotion to duty were praised in a letter of commendation from the Admiral, Gulf Sea Frontiers.

McLaughlin was in command of a motor launch attached to a Canadian Fairmile Flotilla, which was working with U. S. naval forces in the Caribbean. His executive officer was Lieut. Peter Dewdney of Nelson, B.C., and the third officer aboard Sub-Lt. Bob Graves of London, Ont.

The launch was assigned to accompany an American diesel yacht carrying stores and the rescue craft gunner to the Cayman Islands. The storm rose after they had sailed from Key West, Fla., to La Fe, where they refuelled.

The yacht took the rescue craft in tow, but after two hours the lines parted and the launch took the Gunner in tow for eight hours. In face of the driving gale and storm-tossed seas the lines again parted. Gunner, in constant danger of foundering, asked the Canadians for fuel.

McLaughlin, using a 100-foot length of garden hose, pumped aboard her 300 gallons of gasoline in about 45 minutes. He then volunteered to set out on an independent search for the tiny Cayman Islands and swept over a 30-mile area, testing the seaworthiness of the Fairmile to the utmost.

Though the Fairmile stood up to the battering seas, its quest was unsuccessful, and on the third morning the Canadians took up the hunt, again without success.

Meantime, out of fuel, the Gunner was broaching seriously in the heavy seas, and the Ensign in charge, with water rapidly filling the craft, decided to abandon her, and swam to safety with two seamen.

An American reconnaissance plane later spotted the missing ships and directed them to harbor.

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R.A.F. Bombers Blast Salamis Dockyards

CAIRO, Dec. 22 (AP) — R.A.F. heavy bombers attacked dockyards at Salamis in Southern Greece on the night of Dec. 19, it was disclosed today in a Middle East air communique covering a week's operations.

Two enemy aircraft—a Heinkel 155 and a Junkers 88—were destroyed during the period. No Allied planes were lost.

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ABOUT PACIFIC MILK

Enquiries about the Prices Board ruling concerning Pacific Milk have come in.

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The operators know how important these Christmas calls are to people, but despite everything they can do there are bound to be long delays on calls between some points on Christmas Day—particularly on calls to the prairies and the east. There are not enough circuits to handle this big load quickly and wartime restrictions prevent the necessary circuits being added.

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Musicians' Union Objects to R.A.F. Broadcast

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22 (CP) — The Musicians' Union of Vancouver (AFL) said today it had objected to broadcasting of the "Smiles Show" put on by R.A.F. personal in British Columbia because the union had not received a request for the broadcast "through the proper chanells of Western Air Command."

In a statement the Union said non-military matters pertaining to air force musical units "must be cleared through the said headquarters to us" and added "there is no doubt that had the request come through the proper channels of the Western Air Command we would have given a diffecent answer."

Seek Compensation Board Coverage for Hospital Staff

Fuller information on a scheme under the Workmen's Compensation Board, to cover all members of Kootenay Lake General Hospital staff for disability due to tuberculosis infection will be obtained for study, it was decided Tuesday by the Board of Directors. It was felt such coverage would be beneficial and steps should be taken to obtain it if possible.

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By MRS. M. J. VIGNEUX

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• Ac. 1 Robert Brown arrives today from the Coast to be married to Miss Doris Lemmon and to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Brown.

• H. Hanson of Ainsworth was a recent visitor to town.

• Mr and Mrs. H. Nixon of South Slocan visited Nelson Tuesday.

• Miss Isabelle DelPuppo of the nurse-in-training class of St. Eugene Hospital, Cranbrook, has arrived to visit her parents on Innes Street.

• Herbert Grutchfield of Salmo spent Tuesday in Nelson.

• Miss Jean Fornelli, Baker Street, plans to leave tomorrow for Fife to spend Christmas at the home of her mother.

• Captain and Mrs. J. Ferguson of Sunshine Bay visited town yesterday.

• Miss Doris Bergstrom, Silica Street, has left to spend the holidays at Sylvan Lake, where her parents reside.

HONORED AT SHOWER

• Honoring Miss Doris Lemmon prior to her marriage, a kitchen shower was given by Mrs. W. A. Weatherhead and Mrs. Norman Fawcett at the home of Mrs. Weatherhead. The guests were Mrs. George Massey, Miss Kay Massey, Mrs. J. J. French, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. W. J. Silverwood, Mrs. George Clerihew, Mrs. Wilfred Laishley, Miss Dumont, Mrs. J. A. Curran, Mrs. Norman Brown, Mrs. Allan Harper, Mrs. Edward Rothery, Mrs. H. Morton, Mrs. Roy McKenzie, Mrs. George Stead, Miss Agnes Allison, Miss Virginia Hendricks, Miss Jean Harvey, Miss Dorothy Fawcett, Miss Thelma Heddle, Miss Emily Lemmon, Miss Muriel Weatherhead, Mrs. George Brown, Mrs. J. H. Lemmon, Mrs. Stanley Horswill, Miss Mary Homersham, Miss Gerry Carr, Mrs. W. Towzer and Mrs. H. Morris.

• Mrs. Joseph Holland, Silica Street, has as guests her husband, Sgt. Joseph Holland, D.C.M., of Medicine Hat, her son, Sgt. W. J. Holland of London, Ont., and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Maud Gallpen of Chapman Camp.

• Ian Fisher, who attends North Shore College in North Vancouver, has arrived home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Fisher, Second Street.

• Miss Shirleigh Waterstreet, resident pupil of St. Joseph's Academy, is spending the holidays with her mother in Salmo.

• F. Aydon of Kaslo visited the city yesterday.

• Mr. and Mrs. T. Mansell of Brilliant spent yesterday in Nelson.

• Mr. and Mrs. J. Glen Grant, Silica Street, have as guest their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Monro Grant of Nanaimo.

• Mrs. Harvey Hills of Brilliant spent Tuesday in Nelson.

• Miss Violet Miros, who attends Nelson Business College, has left to spend the holiday at her home at Castlegar.

• Miss Margaret Henderson plans to leave today for Creston to spend the holidays with her mother.

• Miss Edith Lawson of Michel has arrived to spend the holidays with relatives.

HOME FROM COAST

• Miss Inez Dodman, graduate nursery aide, is home from Vancouver to spend Christmas and New Years with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Dodman.

• Miss Evelyn Gauvreau and her sister, Miss Yvonne Gauvreau, resident pupils of St. Joseph's convent have left for Rossland to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gauvreau.

• Rondalph Harding of Burton City visited Nelson yesterday.

• Mis Bertha Ridge of Bonnington, who attends Nelson Business College, has left to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ridge of Bonnington.

• Miss Kay Storey returned last night from the Coast.

• Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Jewett, Rosemont, left yesterday to spend the holidays with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Jewett of Vancouver.

• Miss Lolly Tournier, resident pupil of St. Joseph's Academy, spent a few days as guest of Miss Mary Keough, before leaving to spend the holidays with her mother at Needles.

• Miss Isabel Guidan of Burton visited Nelson yesterday.

• Mrs. Lewis was in the city from Castlegar yesterday.

• Miss Rita Wall of La France Creek has been a guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pollard, Silica Street.

• Miss Nora Rosinkin, who attends Nelson Business College, has left for Salmo to spend the holidays at her home.

HOME FROM COAST

• C. B. Garland, Kerr Apartments, has returned from a few days spent at the Coast.

• Reginald A. Howe, Gordon Road, is a patient in Kootenay Lake General Hospital.

• Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pollard, Silica Street, have as guests Mrs. Pollard's sister, Miss Nellie Wall of Los Angeles.

• Donald Brown, Silica Street has returned from a few days spent in Calgary.

• Lac. K. O. Fish and Mrs. Fish, who visited Mr. and Mrs. Guy Browell in Kaslo, are expected home tonight from Trail, where they have been guests of Mrs. Fish's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John McLean.

• Miss Kathleen Manahan, nurse-in-trainng at St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver, has arrived to spend her vacation with her parents, Major and Mrs. Roy M. Manahan, Carbonate Street.

• Mr. and Mrs. George Hennessey, Hoover Street, have as guest Mrs. Hennessey's brother, Thomas McAstocker, of Penticton, who plans on leaving for home today.

• Miss Lucy Broadmann has returned to Castlegar to reside with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Broadman, after attending St. Joseph's boarding school.

• William Salisbury of Salmo was a city visitor yesterday.

• Visitors in town yesterday included Mrs. McClure of Kaslo.

• Mr. and Mrs. Vanderleith of Creston spent yesterday in Nelson.

• Mrs. John McPhail, Silica Street, leaves on the Eastbound train today to spend Christmas and New Year, with relatives in Calgary, Cochrane and Strathmore, Alta.

• Miss Margaret Nelson and Miss Nancy Olson, who attend Nelson Business College, have left to spend the holiday at their homes at Arrowhead.

• Sgt. Ray Crahan, who has been a guest of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. J. Riesterer, Innes Street, has returned to Dauphin, Man., enroute to Montreal.

• Percy Goggin of Terrace, B. C., arrived last night to visit his family on Hendryx Street.

• Shoppers in town yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. J. Nixon of South Slocan.

• Miss Gertrude Martin of the New Denver Sanatorium staff spent yesterday in town.

• Mrs. W. R. Foster of South Slocan shopped in town.

• Miss Edith Tattrie, who teaches in Kimberley, is a city visitor.

• Gunner R. G. Ludlow is here from Brandon, Man., visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ludlow, Cedar Street, over the holidays.

• Mr. Skinner of the Slocan City Japanese Commission spent yesterday in town.

NEW DELHI — So far, 85 officers and men of the Royal Indian Navy have received awards in this war—One D.S.O., Six D.S.C.'s and ten I.D.S.M.'s, all earned for acts of gallantry in engagements at sea. Twenty have been mentioned in dispatches.

On The Air

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23

CKLN AND CBC PROGRAMMES

MORNING

7:45—O Canada
8:00—CBC News
8:15—Front Line Family
8:30—Call of Calvary (CKLN)
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Stars of the Week (CKLN)
9:25—Musical Magic (CKLN)
9:30—On Parade
9:45—Dance Time in England
9:59—Time Signal
10:00—Morning Visit
10:15—Chapel in the Sky
10:45—They Tell Me
11:00—Musical Americana
11:15—Sweethearts
11:22—Voice of Memory
11:30—Soldier's Wife
11:45—Dancing Till Noon

AFTERNOON

12:00—B. C. Farm Broadcast
12:25—The Notice Board
12:30—CBC News
12:45— To Be Announced
1:00—Recital
1:15—Interlude
1:18—Talk
1:30—Joint Recital
2:00—What's Doing Ladies
2:30—Musical Programme
2:45—Actuality Taste
3:00—Western Five
3:15—Headline History
3:30—Magic Chord
3:45—BBC News
4:00—Wendel Hall (CKLN)
4:07—Voice of Memory (CKLN)
4:15—Music
4:30—Carl Kalash & Orch.
4:45—CBC News Roundup
5:00—To Be Announced
5:30—Songs at Sundown
5:45—Dance Music

EVENING

6:00—Once Upon A Time
6:30—Songs at Twilight (CKLN)
6:45—Rhythm of Romance (CKLN)
7:00—CBC News
7:15—CBC Concert Hour
8:00—Drama
8:30—We Shall Have Music
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Talk by J. B. McGeachy
9:30—In A Few Words
9:45—The Three Shades
10:00—CBC News
10:15—CBC News Roundup
10:30—Recorded Greetings for the Troops
11:30—God Save the King
8:30—CBR Symphony Orch.

Hospital Seeks Permit for $8000 Baby Wing

Anticipating the construction of a baby wing to Kootenay Lake General Hospital in the Spring, the Board of Directors Tuesday night decided to make application to the Building Controller for a permit. Specifications will be prepared by the Building Committee for submission to the controller.

Estimated cost of the construction is $8000.

Soroptimisis to Undertake Hospital Project

Offer of the Nelson Soroptimist Club to accept as a new project the furnishing of curtains for the 12-bed women's public ward was accepted with gratitude by Kootenay Lake General Hospital Board Tuesday night.

The undertaking was conditional on the Club being provided with full particulars as to cost for the individual bed screening and on its ability to meet the cost. The Soroptimists have already furnished and equipped a children's ward at the hospital.

In the event of the Soroptimists being able to undertake the provision of rods and screening for only six beds of the ward, the executive was empowered to take up with the Hospital Auxiliary the completion of the project. The screening would provide a measure of privacy for each bed.

The Soroptimists' offer was contained in a letter from Mrs. L. McPhail, Welfare Committee Chairman.

Two Nurses Leave, One Joins Hospital Staff

Two nurses had left Kootenay Lake General Hospital staff and one nurse had joined the staff, Miss Honor Tregear, Superintendent, reported to the Board of Directors Tuesday night.

Miss G. Utley, member of the staff for a year and a half, had received a call to the Canadian Women's Army Corps; while Miss L. Smart, on the staff for 15 months, had returned to her home in Toronto. A graduate of a Medicine Hat hospital, Miss U. Buckland, was the new arrival.

A system of training older women as nurses' aides had been inaugurated and was operating to advantage, Miss Tregear said.

Aurelio Series Winner at Cathedral Whist

The Cathedral Whist Drive series wound up Tuesday night, D. Aurelio, with a score of 207, being winner for the year.

Tuesday night's winners were: First, Mrs. N. Choquette with 45 points, and second, D. Aurelio with 44 points.

There were five tables in play.

Christmas Bonus for Hospital Staff

Christmas bonuses of $10 each for heads of departments and of $5 each for all other members of the staff was decided upon Tuesday night by the Kootenay Lake General Hospital Board. Appreciation of the gesture was expressed on behalf of the staff by Miss Honor Tregear, Superintendent.

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Delicious Fancy, 3 lbs. 25c
Sweet Potatoes, lb. 15c
Cranberries, Eastern, lb. 50c
Lettuce, 2 for 25c
Celery, Utah, lb. 15c
Brussells Sprouts, lb. 39c
Turnips, 8 lbs. 25c

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And our thanks, also, to the *wholesale* and *retail grocers*. Shortages of goods and of help have made it difficult for them to keep their businesses running smoothly. They have had difficulty getting certain products for you—including some of ours.

We would not miss this opportunity of also expressing our appreciation of the loyalty of the large group of *General Foods employees* who have worked untiringly and faithfully to help overcome our problems. To those of our employees who are serving in the armed forces we extend hearty greetings and look forward to their early return.

Along with our thanks for help in the year past, we ask from public and trade, continued patience with the shortage of some of our products. To all we wish as much happiness as possible . . . and a much brighter future, *soon*.

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TODAY'S News Pictures

SWISS PRESIDENT: Dr. Walter Stampfli, member of the Swiss Federal Council since 1940, and head of the Department of Public Economics, who has just been elected President of Switzerland for 1944.

ROYAL AIR FORCE RAIDS CAUSE HAVOC IN CITY OF BERLIN: This picture was made at the Brandenburger Tor, at the end of Unter den Linden, Berlin. It shows bombed-out German housewives seeking food for their families in metal containers set there for that purpose.

BULGARIA RESTIVE: Bulgaria may be near a break with its Axis partner, Germany, according to reports received in London. General Bulgarian mobilization has been ordered and a cabinet shake-up is in progress. Former Bulgarian Premier Georgi Shishmanov, above, has criticized the Sofia government, saying it should be overthrown if it cannot prevent Germany using Bulgaria as a war base.

Berlin buildings on fire after a Royal Air Force raid. The German caption fails to mention military targets which were also smashed.

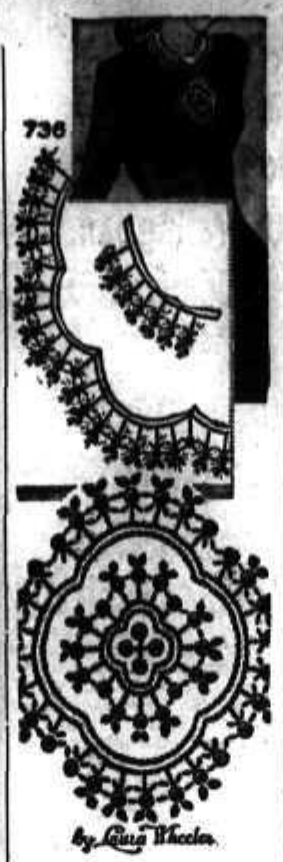
HINDOO TREND: Georgia Carroll models this turban revealing the Hindoo influence in fashion designing.

COMMANDERS IN MIDDLE EAST: Air Chief Marshal Sir Sholto Douglas, A.O.C.-in-C.R.A.F. Middle East, right, and Gen. Sir Maitland Wilson, C.O.C.-in-C. Middle East. The picture was taken recently somewhere in the Middle East.

AMBASSADOR: William Strang, above, Council school boy, who has risen to be one of the British Foreign Office's leading experts, has been appointed British representative on the European Advisory Commission set up by the Moscow Conference. He assumes the rank of Ambassador.

SALLY'S SALLIES

"It's odd you girls have so many blind dates."



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by Anne Wheeler

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Marion Martin

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By ROBERT QUILLEN

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North: ♠ K 6 4 3 ♥ K Q J 8 7 3 ♦ A ♣ A 3

West: ♠ 7 ♥ 9 2 ♦ K Q J 9 8 6 ♣ 10 8 6 5

East: ♠ J 10 9 5 ♥ 10 6 5 4 ♦ 10 5 4 ♣ 7 2

South: ♠ A Q 8 2 ♥ A ♦ 7 3 2 ♣ K Q 9 4 3

(Dealer: North. Neither side vulnerable.)

North	East	South	West
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♣	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
5 NT	Pass	6 ♦	Pass
7 ♠	Dbl	Pass	Pass
7 NT			

That bidding was in a match-point duplicate game. If East had remained silent, his pair would have obtained top score for East-West pairs, with the only plus scored by anybody against the strong North-South holdings, as he was certain to beat the contract with his spade sequence, a positive producer of one trick when that was trump.

Against the No Trump grand slam, he didn't have a chance, so his double caused his pair to get a tie for bottom and this particular North-South pair a tie for top. Six tricks in hearts, three in spades, one in diamonds and three in clubs gave the declarer his sweep.

Proper bidding would have been about as given, if North-North-South had the Blackwood convention in its equipment, except that North should have chosen 7-No Trump for the contract, instead of spades, without having to be pushed into it by East's double. With the virtual certainty of six heart tricks after he learned about South having the A, and with South having shown five clubs by bidding the suit before spades, and a king in answer to the Blackwood, it was almost positive that 13 tricks would be in sight if either clubs or spades broke, and possibly even if they didn't, as proved to be the case.

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Tomorrow's Problem

North: ♠ K J ♥ A 10 ♦ K 5 4 ♣ K Q 10 7 6 5

West: ♠ Q 7 3 2 ♥ K J 8 5 4 ♦ A 8 ♣ 3 2

East: ♠ A 10 8 6 ♥ 9 7 6 3 2 ♦ 9 7 ♣ 8 4

South: ♠ 9 5 4 ♥ Q ♦ Q J 10 6 3 2 ♣ A J 9

(Dealer North. East-West vulnerable.)

What is correct play of this deal at 6-Clubs by North after East leads the heart 3 to the Q, K and A?

DAILY CROSSWORD

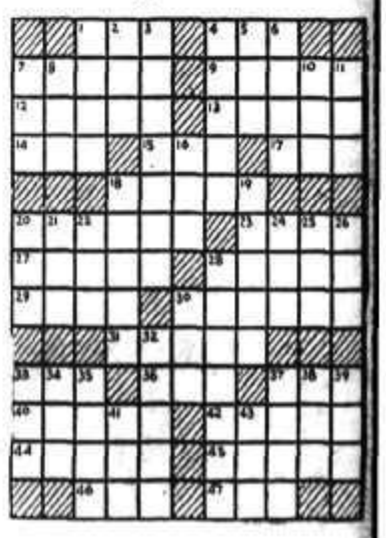
ACROSS

1. Short haircut
4. Perched
7. Coronet
9. Weary
12. Foreign
13. Banishment
14. Morsel
15. Female deer
17. Animal's foot
18. Country property
20. Imposed, as taxes
23. Secure
27. Accumulate
28. Variety of willow
29. Flat-bottom boat
30. Corrects
31. Stay for
33. Sleeveless garment
36. Sea eagle
37. Highest card
40. Wheel on a spur
42. Calking material
44. A judgment
45. Distinct parts
46. Affirmative reply
47. River (Poland)

DOWN

1. Lure
2. Metallic rock
3. Discusses
4. Metal
5. French town
6. Journey
7. Label
8. River (Russo-Turkestan)
10. Guido's highest note
11. Moisture
16. Ancient
18. Long view
19. Thing of value
20. Fold over
21. Ostrich-like bird
22. Carting vehicle
24. Hebrew letter
25. Nourished
26. Bitter vetch
28. Portentous
30. Swiss river
32. Unites, as metallic parts
33. Macaw
34. Arch
35. Off
37. Related
38. Slice
39. Type
40. Measures
41. Before
43. Curious scraps of literature

Saturday's Answer



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Gold Belt	.20	.22
Hedley Mascot	.40	.41
Island Mountain	.90	—
Kootenay Belle	.31	.34
Pend Oreille	1.35	1.45
Pioneer Gold	2.30	2.40
Premier Gold	.91	.95
Privateer	.35	.38
Reno Gold	.04	.04½
Sheep Creek	.90	.95
Silbak Premier	.73	—
Whitewater	.03¾	.04½
Tmir Yankee Girl	.03	.03½
OILS		
Anglo Canadian	.58	.60
Calgary & Edmonton	1.90	1.95
Commoil	.21	.24
Dalhousie	.31	.37
Foothills	1.25	1.30
Home	3.30	3.45
Model	.20	.25
Pacific Pete	.43	.45
Southwest Pete	.23	.30
United	.05½	.06½
Vanalta	.07½	.08½
INDUSTRIALS		
Coast Breweries	1.50	1.52
Capital Estates	3.00	3.50
United Distill	2.45	2.80

Billion Bushels of Wheat Ready if War Ends 1944

OTTAWA, Dec. 23 (CP) — At least 1,000,000,000 bushels of wheat, half of it in Canada, will be available for shipment to the hungry people of Europe if the war there ends in 1944, The Dominion Bureau of Statistics said today in a review of the Wheat situation.

Argentina and Australia have a total surplus of 500,000,000 bushels available for Export, while Canadian surplus stocks stood at 670,000,000 bushels on Oct. 1.

"This reservoir of wheat would seem to hold assurance that a Europe liberated in 1944 and provided with adequate ocean tonnage would not go short of bread," said the Bureau.

"Moreover, both Canada and the United States will harvest another wheat crop in the middle of 1944 and the United States is endeavoring to increase the acreage under wheat for the 1944 harvest by 14,000,000 acres."

U.S. Imports From Canada Will Be Largest on Record

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (CP) — United States wheat imports from Canada in the present crop year probably will be the largest on record, surpassing those of 1935-36 which exceeded 50,000,000 bushels, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics said today.

Almost 67,000,000 bushels of Canadian wheat were shipped to the United States in the 19 weeks ended Dec. 9, but this total included a substantial quantity in transit to the seaboard for export overseas and other supplies shipped into bonded warehouses for subsequent export.

MONTREAL STOCKS

INDUSTRIALS	
Assoc Brew of Can	21
Can Car & Ptg Pfd	26½
Can Steamship	9¾
Con Min & Smelting	40
Dom Steel & Coal	8
H. Smith Paper Pfd	107
McColl Frontenac	8¾
National Brew Ltd.	34
Quebec Power	12
Shawinigan W & P	14½
St. Lawrence Corp Pfd	14¾
BANKS	
Commerce	130
Dominion	155
Imperial	160
Montreal	157½
Nova Scotia	240
Royal	132
Toronto	231

NEW YORK STOCKS

Am Smelt & Ref	38½
Amer Telephone	155½
Anaconda	24⅞
Beth Steel	56¾
Canadian Pacific	8⅝
Eastman Kodak	163½
Gen Electric	31⅛
International Nickel	36⅞
Inter Tel & Tel	68⅝
Stan Oil of N. J.	54⅞
Union Pacific	92½
U. S. Rubber	42⅝
U. S. Steel	60¾

Market Trends . . .

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP) — Stock prices closed irregular today in quiet dealings. Industrials were firm, dividend payers held steady and Kaffirs closed lower.

Home rails and oils moved higher while Diamonds issues declined. International shares, British funds and Australian loans firmed.

NEW YORK, — A few stocks advanced today on special support but the majority of industrials and Halliaeders continued Tuesday's narrow and irregular drift.

Canadian stocks were firm.

TORONTO, — Gains of five cents or more were showing at the close for Lamaque, Macassa, East Malartic, Malartic Gold Fields, Madsen, San Antonio, Upper Canada and O'Brien Golds.

Sentiers, Noranda and Hudson Bay weakened small fractions, Waite-Amulet lost 10 cents and Steep Rock at 2.14 was down 6 cents.

MONTREAL, — Turnover in C.P.R. was 4,000 shares on today's market and the stock improved ⅛ and then turned back a bit.

International Paper was up 2⅝ and Price and MacLaren fell back.

Stronger were locomotive, up 1, and sugar and malting.

VANCOUVER, — Mines and oils were both quiet on the Vancouver stock exchange today.

WINNIPEG, — Wheat export business estimated at 2,000,000 bushels of No. 2 Northern was transacted today but other grain dealings were quiet with rye futures displaying losses of more than one cent a bushel at times.

Light southern and local selling brought rye into lower ground in early trading but stronger prices at Chicago later recovered some of the deficits

CHICAGO, — Grains fluctuated in a nervous and erratic manner today with traders watching price trends in the December contracts which go off the board at the close.

Toronto Stock Quotations

MINES		Pickle Crow Gold	1.80
Anglo-Huronian	6.00	Preston East Dome	2.18
Beattie Gold Mines	1.74	San Antonio Gold	8.50
Bidgood Kirkland	.27	Sherritt Gordon	.72
Buffalo Ankerite	3.55	Sladen Malartic	.69
Central Patricia	1.03	Sudbury Basin	2.00
Chromium M. & S.	1.50	Teck-Hughes Gold	3.30
Coniaurum Mines	1.54	Toburn Gold Mines	.85
Consolidated M & S	89.50	Ventures	5.80
Dome Mines	28.65	Wright Hargreaves	3.00
Eldorado Gold	1.22	Steep Rock	2.14
Falconbridge Nickel	3.50	Trans Conti Res	.50
God's Lake Gold	.17½	Golden Gate	.09¼
Hard Rock Gold	1.06	OILS	
Hollinger	11.50	Imperial	14.25
Hudson Bay M & S	28.00	Inter Petroleum	21.50
Internat Nickel	29.50	INDUSTRIALS	
Kerr-Addison	9.40	Abitibi Power 'A'	3¾
Kirkland Lake	.87	Bell Telephone	154
Lake Shore Mines	14.00	Brewers & Distillers	7½
Lamaque Contac	6.05	B. C. Power 'A'	23¾
Leitch Gold	1.19	Can Car & Foundry	7¾
Little Long Lac	.94	Can Pacific Rly	10½
MacLeod Cockshutt	2.35	Can. Ind Alcohol 'A'	8⅛
Madsen Red Lake	1.50	Dominion Bridge	23¾
Malartic Gold	2.50	Distillers Seagrams	37½
McIntyre-Porcupine	56.50	Ford of Canada 'A'	28¾
Mining Corporation	1.88	Goodyear Tire	36½
Nipissing Mining	1.64	Hamilton Bridge	5¾
Noranda	49.15	Imperial Tobacco	10⅝
Normetal	.81	Nat Steel Car	13½
Pamour Porcupine	1.30	Steel of Can	62

Cryptoquotes

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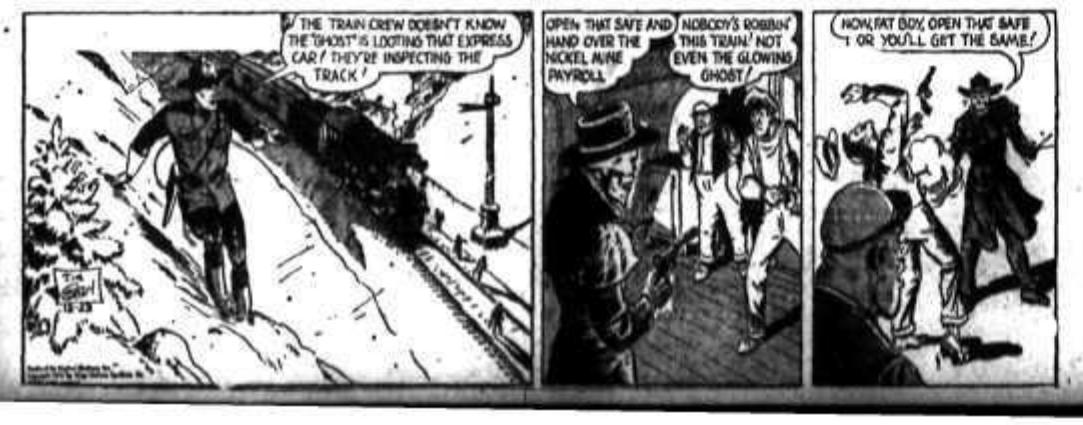
Saturday's Cryptoquote: I NEVER DID REPENT FOR DOING GOOD. NOR SHALL NOT NOW—SHAKESPEARE.

Cryptoquotes are quotations of famous persons written cipher A substitute character has replaced the original letter. For instance, an "R" may substitute for the original "E" throughout the entire cryptoquote, or a "BR" may replace an "LL." Find the key and follow through to the solution



KING OF THE ROYAL MOUNTED

New Network to Start Operating Jan. 1

By D'ARCY O'DONNELL
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Ottawa, Dec. 22 (CP) — More Canadian radio programs featuring more Canadian artists will be in store for listeners from coast to coast when the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation inaugurates a second network Jan. 1.

Dr. Augustin Frigon, Acting Chairman of the CBC, told the Canadian Press today the corporation will spend more money than ever next year on programs and artists, with artists fees alone amounting to $1,000,000, an increase of $100,000 over 1943.

The new network will be inaugurated on schedule but will operate on a temporary basis only until next Autumn when most of the program contracts expire. The network then will operate on a permanent basis.

Under the new set-up, the CBC will operate a "Trans-Canada" network and a "Dominion" network.

The new Dominion network, to be made up of 24 private stations and one of the six CBC stations now in existence, will operate for three hours a day until it is established on a permanent basis next Fall.

All the private stations will not remain continuously on the CBC network, nor on the same network. Some which carry national network programs during the day will switch to the Dominion network at night and at other times may carry their own features.

Trail's Oldest Pioneer Is Laid at Rest

TRAIL, B.C., Dec. 21 — Funeral services were conducted in the Knights of Pythias hall Tuesday, for Robert Harry White, probably the oldest pioneer of Trail, who died in hospital here Saturday. More than 130 members of the Lodge and Sisters attended the service a part of which was conducted by lodge officials, Rev. L. A. C Smith also officiated. Burial was in the K. of P. cemetery.

Mr. White came to Trail in 1894 at the age of nine and had lived here continually since. He was considered an authority on the early history of the city and surrounding district. At one time, before the government installed a ferry and long before the Columbia River bridge was built, Mr. White operated an official ferry from Trail across to where East Trail now is.

Pallbearers were Adam Connell, Gordon Balfour, D. J. McLeod, Daniel Williamson, Thomas Alty and Alex Laurie.

Members of the lodge who officiated at the funeral service were W. H. Casler, P. E. Taylor, Earl Young and Rolland Nelson.

Markets to Close Day Before Xmas

TORONTO, Dec. 23 (CP) — All leading stock and grain exchanges in Canada and the United States will close at noon the day before Christmas and New Year's Day, it was announced today.

At Toronto, the stock market will close at noon, Dec. 24 and remain closed both Christmas Day and Dec. 27, opening as usual, Dec. 28. The exchange also will close at noon, Dec. 31, opening again Jan. 3.

The Montreal stock exchange will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day and will close at noon Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

The New York stock exchange will remain closed Christmas and New Year's Day.

WINNIPEG GRAIN

WINNIPEG, Dec 22 (CP) — Grain quotations:

	Open	High	Low	Close
RYE:				
Dec.	121⅛	122⅝	121⅛	122¾
May	123½	123⅝	123½	123⅝
July	122⅝	122⅝	121¼	121¾
OATS:				
All futures at ceiling prices of 51½				
BARLEY:				
All futures at ceiling prices of 64¾				

CASH PRICES:

Rye: No. 2 C. W. 122⅝.

Oats: No. 2 feed 50; No. 3 feed 49; other grades at ceiling prices 51½.

Barley: No. 3 feed 63¾. Other grades at ceiling prices 64¾.

DOW JONES AVERAGES

	High	Low	Close	Change
30 ind.	136.53	136.05	136.15	up .29
20 rails	33.14	32.85	33.03	off .06
15 utils.	21.95	21.70	21.90	up .11

Interpreting The War News

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Associated Press War Analyst

The war in Europe crossed the 1943 Winter Solstice dateline under circumstances foreboding the close approach of the triple-front climactic attack on Nazi Germany which was mapped at Teheran.

Eastward, long-range Russian artillery is close enough to Vitebsk to lob shells into the half-encircled Nazi fortress, pivot of the whole Dnieper-Baltic flank of the German defence front. Its loss must lead to a Nazi Winter retreat which could prove more disastrous than was Napoleon's flight from Russia. Southward, Anglo-American troops in Italy, now fighting shoulder to shoulder with French and Italian units, are still far from Rome but the critical keys to Nazi outer defences to the Eternal City are cracking. Somewhere in the rear of Allied foot troops blasting their way inch by inch must be massed British and American armored power.

Westward, from Britain, the accelerating Anglo-American aerial attack is serving its own notice of coming events. Britain-based American heavy bombers initiated the official start of Winter with a sustained cross-Channel air attack that, coupled with simultaneous blasting by medium bombers of invasion-front targets in France, hinted at bombardment preparations for the long-awaited second front invasion itself.

At the same time, there are hints —and in Russia more than hints — of impending tremendous military developments.

In Russia the Christmas weekend could see Nazi footholds on Russian soil, already shrivelled to a shadow of what they were a year ago, broken from the Baltic to the Black Sea. There are intimations that a Nazi flight from the Crimea by sea and air may be in progress.

Special significence attaches also to indications that prime targets of recent Allied air raids have been largely U-boat building or servicing facilities. That lends color to London Press accounts of increasing heavy troop movements across the Atlantic now in progress and in continuous prospect as last preparation for a second-front invasion are completed.

The impression that it may come sooner than many expect is heightened by the warning from a high American authority that tremendous casualties must be expected within 90 days.

Hockey Scores

SENIOR O.H.A.
Toronto R.C.A.F. 4, Kingston Frontenacs 5.
Toronto Navy 4, St. Catharines 10.
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Indianapolis 3, Providence 3.
Hershey 2, Pittsburgh 6.

Chicago Blasts Out 7-1 Win From Red Wings

CHICAGO, Dec. 22 (AP)—Chicago Black Hawks packed five goals into the last period tonight to route the Detroit Red Wings 7-1 before a slim crowd of 7616 and consolidate their hold on fourth place in the National Hockey League.

The Wings, showing a sad lack of a scoring punch and failing to provide ample protection for their new goalie, Hal Lumley of Indianapolis, averted a shutout late in the last period when Don Grosso wheeled in a close-up shot with the aid of Joe Carveth and Adam Brown at 6:19 to mar the excellent net-tending job of Hec Highton.

Detroit: Lumley; Simon, Jackson; Grosso; Carveth, Brown, Subs: Lynn, Egan, Liscombe, Howe, Bruneteau, Quackenbush, Smith.

Chicago: Highton; Seibert, Johnson; Smith; Mosienko, Bentley. Gottselig, Dahlstrom, Heyliger.

Referee: Clancy; Linesmen: Steve Meuris and Joe Springer.

First period: 1, Chicago, Seibert (Dahlstrom, March) 6:30.

Penalties: Egan.

Second period: 2, Chicago, Heyliger (Gottselig, Purpur) 9:35.

Penalties: Bentley, Carveth, Johnson (2), Egan, Simon.

Third period: 3, Chicago, Bentley (Seibert, Mosienko) 1:26; 4, Chicago, Smith (Mosienko, Bentley) 10:19; 5, Chicago, Dyte (Dahlstrom, March) 10:39; 6, Chicago, Dahlstrom (Allen, Johnson) 11:37; 7, Detroit, Grosso (Carveth, Brown) 16:19; 8, Chicago, Bentley (Smith, Mosienko) 16:52.

Penalties: None.

Mrs. Bell, Widow of Former Mayor, Dies

Mrs. Emily Bell, widow of the late John Bell, prominent Nelson pioneer and a former mayor and alderman, died Tuesday at Slocan Community Hospital at New Denver. In late years she had made her home with her son, John, at Trail, and more recently with her son, Robert, at Silverton. She had been a Hospital patient for four days.

Mrs. Bell was a sister of the late Premier John Oliver. She was born at Sheffield, England, in 1863, and marked her eightieth birthday last August. Previous to coming to Nelson with her husband in 1891, she had lived in Ontario.

John Bell in his early days here was a mill wright. Later he operated the Star Grocery for many years. He was elected to the Nelson City Council as alderman before World War 1, and in 1925 served as Chief Magistrate. His death occured here eight or nine years ago.

Mrs. Bell during her residence at Nelson was a member of St. Paul's United Church and an active participant in Church activities.

Besides her two sons, five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren, in Trail and Silverton, survive.

Burial is to be in Nelson Friday.

Trail, Creston Recruits to Train in Aircrew

Frederick J. Ivision of Trail and Ernest A. Turk of Creston were among recent Royal Canadian Air Force recruits, according to a report from the Calgary Recruiting Centre. Both will train for air crew.

Calgary Livestock

CALGARY, Dec. 22 (CP) — Cattle 94; Calves 3; Hogs 55.

As stockyards will be closed Dec. 25 to Dec. 27 farmers are advised to hold stock shipments.

No yard hogs sold this week to date; 15.85 for 81 yards and plants.

Good handyweight lambs 11-11.25; Good heavy lambs 10.25-10.75.

Common to medium butcher steers 8-10.50; common-medium butcher heifers 8-10 Good cows 7.25-7.75; common-medium 5-7; canners and cutters 3-4.75.

SPORTS

Students, Cawley Victors in Salmo Curling

SALMO, B. C., Dec. 21—Victory in the only game of the Secondary Competition of the Season-Opening Bonspiel fell to Thistlewaite's High School squad, Tuesday night. The students won 12-5 over L. Fogel.

In the only game of the President vs. Vice-President play, C. A. Cawley defeated F. R. Potter 10-9.

Queens Take First Fall From Savoy Bowlers

Savoys, unbeaten in all previous games this season, fell before the 1088-point bowling of Queens Tuesday night in the Junior Ladies 5-pin Club Christmas series. Savoys scored 1030 pins.

Top performers of the night were the U.I.C.'s, who in downing the Stars, rolled up a 1336 aggregate. Teams and scores were:

U. I. C.			
C. Wood	82	88—	170
C. Hamson	141	210—	351
J. Spratt	116	211—	327
H. Duclos	165	164—	329
L. S.	95	73—	159
Totals	590	746—	1336
STARS			
R. Stewart	124	131—	255
A. Stewart	107	126—	233
F. Prestley	86	73—	159
A. Tate	90	148—	238
J. Arit	118	94—	212
Total	525	572—	1097
CRUISERS			
V. Hendricks	164	151—	315
A. Nuyens	106	64—	170
A. Allason	175	117—	292
J. Harvey	158	65—	223
B. Robertson	156	87—	243
Total	759	484—	1243
NURSES			
J. Carr	110	110—	220
A. Agar	89	118—	207
W. Preston	46	35—	81
L. Lamb	66	86—	152
Low Score	106	64—	170
Total	417	413—	830
QUEENS			
J. Coleman	96	41—	137
J. Anderson	86	184—	270
N. Butler	109	124—	233
J. Hooker	103	80—	183
V. Lord	163	103—	266
Total	556	532—	1088
SAVOYS			
O. Monteleone	62	102—	164
L. Colotti	94	113—	207
G. Procter	145	79—	224
B. Moore	102	116—	308
Low Score	86	41—	127
Total	579	451—	1030
BANKERS			
D. Bergstrom	104	130—	234
O. Patterson	72	122—	194
F. MacIntyre	93	134—	227
B. Aldersmith	80	73—	153
B. Hickey	100	131—	231
Total	449	590—	1039
ROYALS			
M. Fisher	135	156—	291
F. Aldersmith	113	127—	239
J. Reese	106	114—	220
Low Score	72	73—	145
Low Score	80	122—	202
Total	505	592—	1097

F.A.C. Midgets Down Panthers

Duffy Brothers teamed up to score four goals for F.A.C. Midgets Tuesday night and defeat Panther Midgets 4-1 in a Midget Hockey League game. It was the second game of the day for the Panthers, who put up a hard scrap in the morning against the M.R.K. Earl Duffy and St.Clair Duffy each bulged the twine twice for F.A.C. St.Clair got assists on both of Earl's goals, and Earl passed for one of his older brother's counters, Colman getting the assist on the other. Earl Duffy and Colman got penalties for the F.A.C., while Perrier was off three times for the Panthers and Shrieves once.

Teams were:

F.A.C.: S. Larrett, goal; D. Colman, J. Holmes, S. Duffy, E. Duffy, G. Brett, A. Clark, H. Miller.

Panthers: A. DeGirolamo, goal; J. Leeming, T. Shrieves, R. MacDonald, L. Chaluck, J. Valentine, J. Perrier, L. Choquette.

Referee: Jack Whitehead, Jack Morris; Scorekeeper: Jim Donaldson; Timekeeper, Fred Leeming.

Dodgers Trim F.A.C. Bantams

Dodger Bantams Tuesday night gained their fifth win in five starts in the Bantam Hockey league when they defeated F.A.C. Bantams 9-1.

Bachynski was top sharpshooter for the Dodgers with four tallies, followed by Kennedy with two, and Staples, Miller and Sullivan each netted once. Miller however, rang up four assists in addition to his goal, Staples had three assists to add Goggin had two, and Kennedy and Stainton each collected one. Homey, the only F.A.C. scorer, netted an unassisted goal in the second period. Jack Todd collected two penalties for the F.A.C. and Carmichael one. Miller was off once for the Dodgers.

Teams were:

Dodgers—H. Nielsen; D. Stainton, A. Kennedy, J. Bachynski, K. Sullivan, V. Miller, J. Staples, L. Main, W. Goggin.

F.A.C.—Jim Todd; J. Sturgeon, C. Maglio, A. McDonald, I. Monroe, W. Langridge, W. Hughes, L. Homey, A. Hood, Jack Todd, R. Carmichael.

Referees—Jack Whitehead, Gull Brett; Scorer, Ian Currie; Timekeeper, Fred Leeming.

Todd Heads New Junior Rod and Gun Club

Youthful sportsmen of Nelson have undertaken the organization of Junior Rod and Gun Club, under the guidance of the Nelson District Rod and Gun Club. The youngsters elected Jack Todd as Chairman and St. Clair Duffy as Secretary.

Organization details will be worked out at a meeting early in the new year. In the meantime a membership drive will be carried out.

Formation of the junior club is the direct result of the Rod and Gun Club's program during the spast season, of encouraging and interesting youngsters in outdoor sport.

One of the plans of the new body is the holding of organized fishing parties next season. Senior members have promised that they would assist with transportation and guidance.

Cowley Five Points Up on Herb Cain

MONTREAL, Dec. 22 (CP) — Seems like it's going to be quite a chore for somebody to blast Boston's Bill Cowley out of the leadership in the National Hockey League scoring race.

Official figures released today show Cowley with a five point margin, his 40 points comparing with the 35 of teammate Herbie Cain.

The leaders:

Cowley, Boston	14	26	40	8
Cain, Boston	19	16	35	0
L. Carr, Toronto	10	23	33	0
Mosienko, Chicago	14	16	30	2
D. Bentley Chicago	12	16	28	8
C. Smith, Chi	9	18	27	2
O'Connor, Cdns	7	20	27	4
Pratt, Tor	10	15	25	14
Kennedy, Tor	16	11	26	0
A. Jackson, Bos	8	18	26	4
Lach, Cdns	5	18	24	8
Heffernan, Cdns	14	9	23	6
Bodnar, Tor	11	12	23	12
Davidson, Tor	9	13	22	10
Majeau, Cdns	10	11	21	8
Carveth, Det	8	13	21	0
Bruneteau, Det	15	5	20	2
Liscombe, Det	10	10	20	7
March, Chi	6	14	20	6
Hill, Tor	9	10	19	6
Hextall, Rgrs	10	8	18	10
Getliffe, Cdns	10	7	17	18
Dahlstrom, Chi	9	8	17	0
Boothman, Tor	6	11	17	8
Allen, Chi	10	6	16	26
G. Warwick, Rgrs	8	8	16	14
Guidolin, Bos	7	9	16	22
Calladine, Bos	4	12	16	6
Morris, Tor	4	12	16	14
Watson, Cdns	4	12	16	22
Egan, Det	3	13	16	34

Old Man Stagg Voted Tops

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (AP) — Football's old man river not only keeps rolling along; he keeps picking up new honors along the way.

Amos Alonzo Stagg, "too old" to coach at the University of Chicago a decade ago and since then coaching at the comparatively obscure college of the Pacific, last Fall turned up with a cracker-jack football team and by so doing is designated as the person staging the outstanding sports comeback of 1943 in the United States.

Polling 12 first-place votes and accumulating a point total of 65, the venerable mentor edged out Patty Berg, golf star who regained a victorious touch after being inactive nearly 18 months due to a knee fracture suffered in an automobile accident. Patty received 15 first-place votes, but her point total was only 60.

There was a wide variety of choices for the honor among the 77 sports editors taking part in the annual Associated Press poll. Bronko Nagurski, the pro footballer who returned to the Chicago Bears after a long absence, was picked by seven voters for the top honor, and the New York Yankees received a like number of first-place ballots.

Jacobs Still Has Million Dollar Touch in Boxing

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (AP) —For the year's fanciest job of getting "mileage" out of manpower with a $1,000,000 touch, take a look at Mike Jacobs, the fight promoter.

Using just 21 headline scrappers and one championship in 22 fight shows, Jacobs has come through the hottest financial year Madison Square Garden's boxing ever has enjoyed. Without the benefit of any titleholder over the lightweight class, he is about to close his books on a year that saw the largest average gates and crowds in the history of boxing in New York.

Topping even the 1942 mark when two heavyweight title tussles featuring Joe Louis swelled the pot the industry averaged a crowd of 14,637 and a gate of $31,646 at each fight this year. The average in 1942 was 13,223 customers and $40,333.

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A. J. Campbell, Prospector Since 1890's, Dies

A man who spent 30 years prospecting in the hills of Ymir-Salmo area, Arthur James Campbell of Nelson, died Wednesday morning at Kootenay Lake General Hospital. He was 76 years old on Dec. 2.

A native of Ontario, Mr. Campbell came West to the Okanagan at the age fo 17 years. Later he operated butcher shops at Vernon and Kelowna, before coming to Nelson district. From the early ninsties until about 10 years ago he prospected in the Ymir-Salmo region, and was connected with several successful mining transactions.

From 1926 he had made the Madden Hotel at Nelson his home, and on entering on semi-retirement about 1933 acted as furnaceman at the Madden as a part-time occupation ,and continued to make his home there.

A daughter, Mrs. Wade Calavan, thought to reside in Washington State, survives. A son, George, was killed in an accident at Seattle in 1916.

AIR CASUALTIES

OTTAWA, Dec. 22—The R.C.A.F. tonight issued its 760th casualty list of the war as follows

OVERSEAS

Killed on Active Service

Blair, Herbert Douglas, Fo., Montreal.

Chester, William Roy, Fs., Galt, Ont.

Foote, John, Sgt., Windsor, Ont.

Mitchell, Henry Osmond, Sgt., Alta.

Pilcher, Alan Swaine, Fl., Mrs. H. B. Pilcher (Mother) Fort Steele.

Redmond, Bernard Nicholas, Sgt., Calgary.

Schiller, Kenneth Robert, Fs., Toronto.

Thomson, James McNae, Fs., Milo, Alta.

Previously Missing, Now Reported Killed:

Boudreault, Joseph Roch., Wo., Ottawa.

Ferguson, Archie Earl, Fs., Fort Erie, Ont.

Fleck, Carl Thomas, Wo., Saskatoon, Sask.

MacDonald, Roy William, Wo., Toronto.

Died from Natural Causes:

West, William Samuel Henry, Sgt. Toronto.

Missing After Air Operations:

Berg, Carl Martin, Fs., Lougheed, Alta.

Cowieson, John Harrison, Fs., Brantford, Ont.

Grenier, Joseph Amadee, Fs., St. Catharines, Ont.

Toole, Edwin Archibald, Fs., Limavady N. Ireland.

Previously Reported Missing, Now Reported Prisoner of War in Germany

Hutchison, Alan Delamere, Po., Toronto.

Previously reported prisoner of war now reported safe in United Kingdom

McNichol, Ronald William, Fo., Grandview, Man.

Previously Reported Missing, Now for Official Purposes Presumed Dead:

Alderson, Ernest Henry, Fs., Peterborough, Ont.

Bell, Angus Hugh, Po., Regina, Sask.

Colvin, James MacKenzie, Fo., Tillsonburg, Ont.

Flatt, William Henry, Fo., Theodore, Sask.

Gipson, Aaron Henry, Fo., Toronto.

Gourde, Robert Russell, Sgt., Longview, Wash., U.S.A.

Hunt, Leslie William, Fl., Kinistino, Sask.

Lavallee, Thomas Edward, Sgt., Iroquois Falls, Ont.

Smallwood, George Kenneth Alfred, Sgt., Toronto.

CANADA

Killed on Active Service—

Normandin, Joseph Victor Pierre, Lac., Outremont, Que.

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Press Relations Officer Sends Greetings to Nelson

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Fisher, Fairview, have received Christmas greetings from a well known former resident of the Kootenays, now serving in Italy. He is Flying Officer R. A. (Bob) Francis, Press Relations Officer with the R.C.A.F., in the Mediterranean, who, before joining the Air Force, was a member of the Vancouver Sun staff.

Roman's Pressure Picketing Nets $35 Fine

Magistrate William Brown in the City Police Court Wednesday, after a five-day trial found Mike Roman guilty under Section 501 of the Criminal Code, and fined him $35.

Roman was charged by Mrs. Laura Kovach with "having wrongfully and without lawfully authority, between Nov. 9 and Nov. 25 watched her house at 128A Silica Street where Mrs. Kovach resided, with a view to compel her to do something, to wit, to permit the said Roman to reside with Mrs. Kovach, from which she had lawful right to abstain."

In summing up the evidence Magistrate William Brown stated that he found the evidence of prosecution witnesses, Mrs. Concetta Romano, Alfred George Berg, Pete Popow, and defence witnesses Paul Kool, Steve Senych, and Philip Suzan, creditable. The evidence of Mrs. Laura Kovach and Mike Roman was not wholly creditable, and in places where their evidence was conflicting he accepted the statements of the other witnesses.

In stating his decision, Magistrate Brown said: "I do not find the complainant without a great deal of blame, that will have material bearing on the penalty."

H. C. Irving was prosecution counsel, while W. W. Ferguson appeared for Mike Roman.

NEWS OF THE DAY

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Keep Monday evening December 27th free to attend Nelson Little Theatre's performance at Capitol Theatres, all members of his Majesty's forces are invited to be guests.

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BELL, Mrs. Emily — passed away Tuesday. Services will be held at Somers Funeral Home Friday at 2:30 p.m., Rev. H. Stewart Forbes officiating.

FUNERAL NOTICE
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CRANBROOK, B.C. — All arrangements for the entertainment of more than 40 Christmas guests, English, Scottish, New Zealand and Australian airmen training in flying schools in Canada, have been completed here. The guests come from No. 37 school, No. 3 Service Flying School and No. 2 Wireless school, all at Calgary. Twenty-two of them, including five officers taking further training after active service in the R.A.F. in Europe, are from Great Britain, and 18 from the south Pacific.

The Citizens' committee sponsoring the visit, will enroll the guests at the Armories Friday morning as they arrive, and will turn them over to their hosts there. Christmas Day plans are informal and the guests will be entertained privately at the homes to which they have been assigned. A dance has been arranged starting at midnight Boxing Day, and a luncheon is being given in their honor Monday by the Rotary Club.

Sports facilities have been arranged for these overseas visitors including kates and rink privileges, and skis, but so far the entertainment committee has not produced snow.

In addition to the new contingent being invited for the first time this year, several of last year's contingent still in Canada, have decided to spend the holiday leave at the same homes they visited here last Christmas.

This is the third Christmas the Citizens' committee has arranged this hospitality, and visitors, including those who have returned several times since their first call in 1941, now number well over 200. William Hume is chairman of the committee and Mrs. William Spence is secretary.

Christmas Gifts to Employees Likely to Pass

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (CP) — The Christmas practice of some employers of giving a turkey or some similar gift to employees is technically illegal under the Wartime Wage-Control order, but officials here merely raise an eyebrow when the point is raised and no action is likely to be taken against those who maintain the tradition.

The new wage-control order, announced recently, prohibits employers from making "any gratuitous payment or other gift of any kind whatsoever having a pecuniary value, other than a monetary gift in excess of $25."

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