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Thousands Flee From Helsinki After Bombings

LONDON, Feb. 7 (AP)—Thousands of Finns fled from Helsinki today, their capital still smoking from a Russian bombing which wrote for their Government a fiery notice to get out of the way now.

The crisis for Finland appeared nearing a showdown.

The Russian raids—involving by official Finnish estimate a total of 200 planes—were among the strongest thrown against Finland in the two wars with Russia and were generally accepted as the beginning of the direct action by the Soviet Union to wipe out her Northern frontier problems as she already is proceeding to settle in her own way the political problem of Poland.

The Moscow radio announced officially tonight that a "large group" of Soviet bombers had hit hard at the central part of Helsinki in a "mass raid", pounding industrial, rail and port targets. Four bombers were lost, it added.

Telephone communication between Stockholm and Helsinki was disrupted early tonight, perhaps indicating another Russian attack.

While it was felt in London that the Finns were anxious to get out of the war, it also was believed that the Finnish Government was hopeful of receiving terms.

The Helsinki radio and press more than once have indicated that it was unconditional surrender at which the Finns balked but the British view is that Finland is as much a German satellite as Bulgaria and probably that country can expect no terms except those of the Casablanca conference.

That Russia holds a similar view seemed underlined Sunday when Moscow officially denied that peace negotiations are proceeding with Helsinki or that an ultimatum for surrender had been delivered.

Stockholm dispatches said fires were still burning in Helsinki at noon from bombs which hit 200 buildings and killed 38 persons Sunday night and Monday morning.

Another alert sounded at noon Monday, but no bombs were dropped.

A Finnish communique said 232 persons also were injured and that other parts of Finland had been bombed.

The German radio declared the Finns "must remain as hard as steel."

Princess Juliana Given Gold Key to Vancouver City

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7 (CP)—A military guard of honor awaited Princess Juliana of the Netherlands when she visited Mayor J. W. Cornett at the City Hall this morning.

After inspection of the guard, Her Royal Highness was taken to the Mayor's office where she was presented wth a gold key to the City of Vancouver on which were represented Canada's Maple Leaf and the Tulip of Holland.

NAZIS SLAMMED BACK IN ANZIO ATTACK

'Some Concern About Battle—Say Lack of Daring First Week'

By RICHARD G. MASSOCK
Associated Press War Correspondent

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN ITALY, Feb. 7 (AP) — Slammed back in their latest attack on the *Anzio beachhead, powerfully-reinforced* Nazi division recoiled today and prepared to launch still heavier onslaughts against the sweat-stained Britons and American holding the shell-raked area South of Rome.

"Each local attack that has been launched by the Germans was a feeling-out blow for a real test of the beachhead's security," wrote Daniel de Luce of the Associated Press in a dispatch from that front.

Pointing out that the beachhead consisted of low, rolling hills and cultivated plain unsuited for defence, De Luce added that "the beachhead's security depends on its men and guns."

(Ross Munro, Canadian Press war correspondent who covered earlier phases of the Italian campaign, wrote from London that "there is some concern here about the bridgehead battle South of Rome . . . the Allied follow-up of the easy surprise landing at Nettuno appears to have been too slow . . . some military observers here believe there was lack of daring during the first week after the landing not by the troops but by the Commanders.").

Reinforced by elements of the 715th Motorized Infantry Division from Southern France, the Nazis rammed through American lines West of Cisterna to a depth of about 500 yards early Sunday, but were driven back by a counter-attack shortly after dawn. Artillery was given much of the credit for repulsing this thrust some nine miles Northeast of Anzio.

Grim house-to-house fighting still was in progress at Cassino on the main 5th Army front 50 miles Southeast of the beachhead. Allied artillery pounded enemy positions along the Monte Cairo Heights and in Cassino in a day-long gun duel.

Allied troops battled up the slopes of Mount Cassino, which overlooks highway and railway routes into Cassino from the North along which supplies must pass to the last-ditch Nazi fighters in the town.

British 8th Army troops inland from the Adriatic Sea drove into the villages of Pizzoferrato, 2½ miles Northwest of Santo Angelo, and Montenerodomo, four miles South of Torricella.

The Nazi-controlled Rome radio asserted that an Allied force had been surrounded and wiped out in the Carroceto (Aprilia) area, 21 miles Southeast of Rome, with 1000 taken prisoner, and that German planes had destroyed an Allied tank column in the Pontine Marsh area, East of the Anzio beachhead.

De Luce wrote that German artillery kept up a constant, day and night harassing fire on the beachhead, with shells dropping regularly into the harbor where Allied ships were unloading reinforcements and supplies.

"Events of the past week appeared to have persuaded the command of Gen. Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, Allied Commander-in-Chief in the Mediterranean, to present a sombre picture of the Anzio operation to the public," he wrote.

Medium and fighter bombers *hammered Nazi transportation lines* in the Rome area, while Allied fighters four times ripped into German planes which were intervening in the fighting about Cassino. Important highways converging at the Frascati on the Appian Way nine miles Southeast of Rome were heavily bombed. Thirteen Allied planes were missing for the day, against 10 Nazi craft destroyed.

By DANIEL DE LUCE
Associated Press War Correspondent

AT THE 5TH ARMY BEACHHEAD, Feb. 7 (AP)—Tightly ringed by growing enemy forces on land and with their sea communications under air and artillery attack, Allied beachhead troops checked and threw back two minor German attempts to break through their outposts early today.

British infantry, after a two-hour engagement, wiped out an enemy pentration and United States infantry dealt quickly with one German sortie across no-man's land.

McNaughton Sees Mackenzie King; No Statement

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Lt.-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, former Canadian Army Commander overseas, spent more than four hours with Prime Minister Mackenzie King today but when the meeting ended neither the General nor Mr. King had anything to say to newspapermen about their talks.

"Sorry, boys, I have no statement; nothing to say at this time," said Gen. McNaughton as he stopped momentarily at the door of his car.

"I must ask your courtesy again not to ask me any questions."

He declined to say what was on his program for the rest of his visit to Ottawa.

An unidentified woman, walking past, apparently recognized Gen. McNaughton and told him "My boy was in the 1st Division" which the General took overseas in 1939. He put an arm on her shoulder, spoke to her a few seconds, then waved both arms to newspapermen and drove away.

The Prime Minister was at the doorway to Laurier House, waving goodbye to Gen. McNaughton. To a newspapermans' request for any possible information on the meeting, Mr. King said only:

"I have nothing to say either, not a thing. It was just a confidential talk."

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (AP)—The Japanese passenger steamer Suisui Maru foundered with 700 persons aboard Sunday near Kagoshima and 500 of them are missing, the German news agency DNB said tonight in a broadcast recorded by the U. S. foreign broadcast intelligence service.

HART OUTLINES GOV'T POLICY

NEW U. S. BLOW CATCHES JAPS NAPPING

Blasting Kurile Islds. Brings War to Enemy Homeland

GUNNERS RATTLED

PEARL HARBOR, T. H., Feb. 7 (AP) — United States warships have pushed the war into Japan's home waters, 1200 airline miles Northeast of Tokyo striking as other forces forged new bases in the Marshall islands from which to hammer Japan's inner defence ring.

The new naval blow fell last Friday on Paramushiro at the Northern tip of the Kurile Islands, the Navy announced in Washington. It was the first U. S. Naval bombardment of the enemy's homeland and it caught the Japanese napping.

A task force commanded by Rear Admiral Wilder B. Baker, penetrated to within five miles of Paramushira's shores. It blasted the South and East coasts of the Island, starting fires among installations.

Enemy coastal defence guns fired wildly and not a single warship was hit in the moonlight attack.

Far to the Southeast, the commanding Atoll of the Central Pacific Marshalls was in the firm grip of United States forces. Construction engineers worked to complete an air and naval base at the Northern end of the Atoll, Kwapalein. That base, on Roi and Namur Islands, will be the springboard for new attacks on the Japanese.

Japanese gunners on Paramushiro became rattled by the blistering attack, reported Norman Bell, Associated Press War correspondent aboard a destroyer of the striking force. They fired along their own beaches, at the Pacific Ocean to the East and at the Sea of Okhotsk to the West.

Tracer bullets from enemy guns spurted along the shoreline, seemingly aimed at shadows or imaginary landing barges. Apparently, reported Bell, the Nipponese thought a ground force was landing.

The bombardment was followed by another raid by American aircraft, which have been striking with increasing frequency. All planes returned.

SNOW ON THE EIGHTH ARMY FRONT: Infantrymen of a famous British regiment, part of the British Eighth Army, are shown advancing toward the front through snowpacked roads on the Eastern Italian front. In foreground a Bofors gun and its crew, prepare for action.

ASK ALLOWANCE FOR GROWN MEN, NOT BOYS

Esling Says Blind Pension Not Enough for Family

AIRMAN SPEAKER

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) —Rehabilitation allowances for war veterans should be on the scale of a living for grown men, not for boys attending school. The House of Commons was told today by a young airman back from the fighting fronts.

The speaker was Flt. Lt. James Sinclair who served in the Mediterranean area and in Italy as an administrative officer with an R. C.A.F. squadron.

Speaking in the throne speech debate, he said the present rehabilitation allowance of $44.20 a month payable to discharged men undergoing vocational training, continuing higher education, awaiting employment or returns from business, should be $75, with family allowance on the scale of service dependents' allowances in addition.

"These are not boys struggling ahead for themselves but men who have earned men's wages, who have hazarded their lives and sacrificed the best and most formative years of their lives, on very meagre pay and who deserve well by their country," Flt. Lt. Sinclair said.

He suggested the veterans' Land Act should not require a 10-per-cent cash deposit and that men going on the land should be given their farms outright if they remained on them for five years.

The clothing allowance of $65 should be higher and on a sliding scale, depending on lenght of service. Men should be allowed to retain their uniforms on discharge.

"There's far too much self-satisfaction and complacency in this country," said Flt. Lt. Sinclair.

The war tide had just begun to turn. The fighting had become dogged and bloody. There was talk of sacrifices in Canada but they were only 'minor hardships' The men who suffered and died on the battlefield, the bereaved wives and mothers, and those who grieved for men overseas—they made the sacrifices.

This year demanded that every conceivable support be given to the fighting men, no matter what the cost.

Federal financial assistance for education in the provinces is necessary if Canadians are to get the educational opportunities they deserve, said J. W. Noseworthy (CCF) a high school teacher by profession.

He said federal assistance could be given without interfering with provincial autonomy; at least, it could be given in a direction which would increase national understanding and duty.

Angus MacInnis (CCF Van. East) said other Hitlers would arise unless social improvements long overdue were achieved in association with the war program.

Labor organizations across Canada had "denounced" the new wage control order. Members of parliament who saw such things as the labor order made effective without protest "have something to account for."

The worst feature of the order was the clause which provided that the price structure was the paramount consideration, said Mr. MacInnis. This meant that inequalities in wages might be frozen. It was unjust to put the burden of price stabilization on the shoulders of the underpaid worker, who was least able to bear such burden.

W. K. Esling (PC—Koot. East) said the limit set for the income of a blind man when married and in receipt of pension was $805 a year—not enough to permit a man to bring up a family. He suggested blind pensioners be permitted to earn more without having deductions made from their pensions. This would encourage blind persons to make themselves self-supporting or relieve the state of some of the cost of pensions.

Many persons suffered from the handicap of deafness. Immense sums of money were being made from the manufacture and sale of hearing devices which were beyond the means of the average deaf person. He urged that steps be taken to determine a fair price for these devices.

A satisfactory instrument sold for $60 in the U. S. against $150 to $200 charged for instruments in Canada, he said.

Harry Leader (L-Portage La Prairie) wanted the government to investigate and support the work on cancer research and treatment being done by Dr. J. R. Davidson of one of Dr. Davidson's patients who spoke from personal knowledge of its value.

Gen. McNaughton's Statement Puzzles the Army

TORONTO, Feb. 7 (CP) — The Toronto Telegram today published a cable from Clifford M. Sifton, Winnipeg Free Press Correspondent at London, which referred to the statement of Lt.-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton that there was nothing wrong with his health and said:

"Informed Army circles were at a loss to explain Gen. McNaughton's statement, as it is known that the document of resignation bearing his signature gives bad health as his reason for relinquishing command of the Canadian Army overseas.

Polish Case Is Regarded as Test of Unity

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 (AP) — Fresh evidence that Soviet Russia may be about ready to spring a new Polish Government on the world has thrown Allied diplomatic quarters here into an advanced state of jitters.

The Polish case is coming to be regarded as a severe test of United Nations unity—not unity in winning the war, but in maintaining the peace after victory.

The chief cause of alarm comes from apprehension that Moscow, apparently determined to play a lone hand in Eastern Europe, may set itself up at some point in unshakeable opposition to courses to which Washington and London have previously committed themselves.

1458 Die in Quake

LONDON, Feb. 7 (CP-Reuters)—By noon Sunday 1458 persons in the Turkish village of Boli, 140 miles East of Istanbul, were known to be dead as result of earthquakes, the Turkish radio reported tonight.

RUSS MOPPING UP TRAPPED GERMAN TROOPS

Two Battles Roaring to Climax; Army Crashes Into Bikopol

ESCAPE BLOCKED

LONDON, Feb. 7 (AP) — The Red Army crashed into the suburbs of the manganese centre of Bikopol on the Lower Dnieper River today and also wiped out entire German garrisons in the Cherkasy pocket 200 miles to the Northwest in a merciless extermination of the 175,000 Axis troops trapped in both areas, Moscow announced tonight.

Dispatches filed at midnight in the Soviet capital by The Associated Press said both battles were roaring to a climax with the Russians effectively blocking the escape of five German divisions at Nikopol.

In the Cherkasy "death ring" where the Russians are steadily beating down the savage resistance of the survivors of 10 German divisions, these dispatches said the Red Army's artillery now is within shelling range of Axis airfields inside the pocket.

That development possibly accounted for the fact that the Russian communique did not mention the destruction of any more German transport planes in the area after destroying 142 of them in three days. The Germans had been trying to evacuate officers by transport plane.

Moscow dispatches said the Germans in the Cherkasy pocket had been hurled into a tight little knot of exhausted men fighting a losing battle in an area reduced to 40 square miles.

The Germans lost 800 killed, 32 tanks, 22 anti-tank guns, and other equipment today, while North of Zvenigorodka, inside the ring, one Soviet formation killed 600 Germans as it methodically hacked its way into the circle.

At Vyazovok 11 miles Northeast of Shpola, an entire German garrison was wiped out and 200 survivors taken prisoner, the bulletin said.

The Russians converging on Nikopol pushed on South of Apostolovo today to seal the trap on the Germans there, the midnight communique disclosed.

The two big Soviet traps in the Dnieper Bend threatened to collapse the entire Southern front, and in addition Soviet mobile columns were lunging deep into pre-war Poland more than 400 miles to the Northwest, and were hammering into Estonia.

Moscow's communique did not mention the Estonian or Polish fronts but said Gen. Markian M. Popov's 2nd Baltic Army had captured more than 80 villages North and Northwest of Novosokolniki.

On the front South of Leningrad the bulletin said that Gen. Leonid A. Govorov's Army pushing down the Vitebsk railway had taken Cholovo, 22 miles North of Batetskaya Junction.

Hen Lays Eggs on the Double

COURTENAY, B.C., Feb. 7 (CP)—A hen owned by E. Millard on Denman Island laid an egg 7½ inches in circumference and 3½ inches long. Inside this large egg was an other complete with shell.

Hints Japs Might Not Return to Coast After War

VICTORIA, Feb. 7 (CP)—A hint that Japanese evacuated from coastal areas of British Columbia may not return after the war was given by Premier Hart today when he announced the Federal Government has purchased lands formerly occupied by Japanese for carrying out the Veterans' Land Settlement Plan.

Mr. Hart, speaking in the Throne Speech debate which expected to be completed Friday, outlined the Coalition Government's policy.

The Premier presented a 27-point program, 23 points of which were for definite and immediate action. The other four dealt with enquiries. Action on connection with these matters will await the presentation of findings.

The highlights of the premiers policy and address are as follows.

Bureau of post war rehabilitation and reconstruction to be established under supervision of Minister of Education, as Chairman Provincial Secretary and Minister of Labor, minister of public works and minister of trade and industry — $50,000 provided in estimates for operation of bureau.

Province has accepted invitation to attend Ottawa conference to discuss with Dominion and other proplans.

Government implements gift of 1,000,000 acres of land to provide settlement for veterans qualifying under the Dominion veterans land act, 1942, and who are desirous of doing so. Investment of nearly $30,000,000 by Dominion Government expected in this province under the Veterans Land Settlement scheme. Dominion Land Settlement Board has purchased lands, including those occupied by Japanese in the Fraser Valley, for carrying out of veterans land settlement plan.

Assist prospectors to uncover the mineral wealth of the province through the medium of grubstaking $50,000 provided for this scheme.

Government provides $50,000 grant in conjunction with smaller grants of Dominion and private industry to operate forest research laboratory for development of forest resources at University of British Columbia.

Special annual grant of $370,000 provided to lighten burden of education on cities, district municipalities and rural areas. Increased aid, including latest provision since 1940 total approximately $1,000,000.

Enquiry to be conducted into entire field of provincial-municipal relations and more particularly cost of education.

A 20 per cent rebate will be given all owners of passenger cars effective March 1. Rebate represents saving to car owners of $400,000 and will affect 99,000 car owners.

Farmers will be granted total exemption on all improvements. Assessed value of improved amount to $24,102,684.

Government decides to continue policy of allowing farmers to pay taxes by working on public highways. Since inception of scheme tax amounting to $1,742,000 have been worked out by farmers.

All taxes on land and buildings will be rebated to all those serving in the armed forces during their period of enlistment.

Remission of succession duties payable by the estate of a member of the forces who lost his life as a result of the war, will be granted.

Further review of the operations of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, Ltd., assured. Further relief expected to be given consumers this year.

Public utilities policy enunciated as follows. After a great deal of consideration I firmly believe it is in the best interest of the development of this province for the people to control the entire hydro electric and light services now being used and which may be used for sale to the public.

Interim report of hydro electric committee submitted and assurances given that investigation will be continued into feasibility of rural electricification.

Position of government with respect to proposal that municipalities acquire transit. Light and power distribution systems of B. C. Electric Railway Company, clarified. Municipalities asked to hold conference and state their decisions in connection therewith.

Peace River outlet to Pacific Coast assured by provision of $250,000 in estimates to undertake location and construction work this year. Route will be Prince George to Dawson Creek by way of Pine Pass, a distance of 274 miles.

Legislation to be introduced providing for regulations promoting the development of potential coal and oil resources.

Provision of funds for a large program of public works including highways and buildings, included in this program is the sum of $2,000,000 for institutional buildings.

Total of $1,500,000 provided for program of extraordinary road maintenance. This sum is in addition to the regular maintenance vote of $2,300,000 thus providing an aggregate of $4,000,000 for maintenance work.

Allowances to unemployables to be substantially increased.

Representations made to Ottawa for increase in old age pensions. Increase in permissible income and lowering of age limits.

Create an industrial research council designed to expand our secondary industries and make wider use of our natural resources.

Provision of funds to establish vocational training in conjunction with the Dominion to equip our men and women for peace time occupations.

To give preferential treatment to British Columbia veterans in connection with employment in the government service.

Widening of the policy of free text books to include all grades from one to six inclusive.

Maintain the financial policy that is giving the province a high credit rating.

The policy outlined above, together with achievements of past two years, were presented by Premier as the policy of the present administration.

Assurances were given that the Government would continue to pursue this policy and render the fullest cooperation to Dominion in all matters designed for general welfare of the nation with respect to post war rehabilitation and reconstruction and when the time arrives would be prepared to discuss the readjustments of Dominion-Provincial relations.

Brig. Foster Will Take Senior Overseas Post

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Defence Headquarters tonight announced that Brig. H. W. Foster, 41, of Montreal, Commander of the Canadian troops which participated in the Kiska operation, is returning to the United Kingdom to take over a senior appointment, and that Brig. W. H. S. Macklin, 43, of Ottawa, has been appointed to command a brigade in Canada.

Brig. Foster, a permanent force officer, served in staff appointments in the 1st Canadian Division overseas until in 1941 he became lieutenant-colonel in command of a mechanized cavalry regiment. Less than a year ago he was re-called to Canada and took command of the troops then preparing to go to the Aleutians.

Brig. Macklin has been a permanent force signals officer and staff officer since 1925, going overseas with the 2nd Canadian Division. He returned to Ottawa in 1941 to become Director of Staff duties at defence headquarters and was appointed brigadier in 1942.

Until his present appointment he served on the Pacific Coast as brigadier general staff, Pacific Command.

Coal Miner Fined for Quitting Job

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7 (CP) — Convicted of quitting his job in an essential war industry without permission of Selective Service, Mitchell Bain, coal miner, was fined $25 and costs in Chilliwack police Court.

Evidence showed that Bain, refused permission to leave his job with Middlesboro Colliers Ltd. at Merritt, had later left of his own accord and obtained employment near Chilliwack.

Hart Notes Winch Change to Soft Pedal Socialism

VICTORIA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Premier Hart, speaking today in the throne speech debate in the B.C. Legislature expressed surprise at the "change of attitude" adopted by Harold Winch, CCF opposition leader, in the latter's speech last Thursday.

"I listened with a great deal of interest to the address of the Honorable the Leader of the Opposition the other day, and was greatly surprised at the change of attitude regarding the institution of the policy of socialism in this province should his party attain power," Mr. Hart began.

"I wish to quote a statement reported in the press in which the Honorable the leader of the opposition said

"A CCF government, be it provincial or national, would not institute socialism immediately, as our opponents would lead people to believe but we would definitely immediately proceed with the first steps designed to meet the requirements of the people and to lay the foundation which will mean the ultimate establishment of an economy based on socialist principles."

"This is so entirely different from speeches he has made on previous occasions that I should be very perplexed had I not been aware of that very important meeting of his party in Regina presided over by the Dominion leader, when, no doubt, he laid down the policy that the CCF platform should be discussed only on a national basis. Unquestionably, the honorable the leader of the opposition must have been greatly impressed with the importance of the National Leader's statement on that occasion because he has departed from his former stand and brought to this House a six-point program which is definitely national in character."

"Five of these six points already have been taken care of by the Dominion and Provincial Governments as indicated in the speeches from the throne presented to both Houses. I can assure the honorable the leader of the opposition that there is the fullest cooperation between the two governments with regard to the measures outlined therein.

"Point number three of the six-point program alludes to 'democratic participation by the people in control of economy'. This no doubt is the kernel of the socialistic policy of the CCF party. The leader of the opposition, however, failed to develop this theme more specifically. Consequently, it is impossible for us to deal with it. On general principles, however, this government is opposed to that portion of the policy outlined because it means socialism."

ays Allies Losing Initiative 'o a Certain Extent, ut It's Not All Lost Either"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—A ember of the Allied High Com- and reported today that Anglo- merican forces in the bridgehead uth of Rome are losing the ini- ative "to a certain extent" but essimistic expectations about our ing driven into the sea" are un- arranted.

The military leader declined to rmit use of his name allowing entification of himself only as a ritish officer.

"Everything hasn't gone accord- g to the book," he said, "but it's ot all lost either."

The officer spoke frankly to re- orters about the lunge of Allied oops which outflanked the main erman line across Italy.

He said that operations started plendidly with such complete sur- rise to the enemy that the first ermans met were "five drunken taff officers in a staff car."

The objecive was to cut the two ain roads running from Rome to e enemy front lines to the South nd Southeast but in this, the officer aid, "there has been some disap- ointment, and the initiative tends ow to pass to a certain extent to e Germans."

Why the forces in the bridgehead did not push on 30 to 40 miles in- land will be answered when all the facts are known, he added.

He gave one hint, though, by talking of the freedom with which Russian and German commanders may use their forces to take a long chance—and the lack of freedom available to British and American commanders when they may have to risk grave setbacks.

He said that either Russian or German field commanders can be told to dispatch a force into a vir- tually hopeless position provided the objective to be gained is great enough but that "we are not pre- pared to do that." He added that "public opinion must be ready for such things in this tough year ahead."

"It may be that in the months to come we shall have to show ability not to criticize the Generals when they take risks for very great ad- vantage even if they come to grief."

Much of the difficulty encounter- ed at the Italian beachhead was at- tributed to bad weather which has hampered aerial operations ex- tremely and it was said that an im- provement in the weather would bring a great improvement in Allied chances to recoup the position.

Reduce Canadian Rediscount Rate

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) — The Bank of Canada rediscount rate, charged by the Central Bank on advances to chartered or savings banks, will be reduced from 2½ to 1½ per cent, effective Feb. 8, it was announced late today fol- lowing a meeting of the Bank's Board of Directors.

In announcing the reduction in ate, Graham Towers, Governor of he Bank, said it was a step design- d to assure the continuance of the Bank's low-interest policy after the ar. It did not imply any less need or people to save now.

"The utmost effort to maintain nd increase our saving is still nec- essary," he said, "and the first and oremost concern of financial pol- y must be with winning the war, he stage has come, however, when any are also having to give thought o the economic problems which will rise after the war."

"One factor which will affect de- isions is the prospective cost of borrowing. It therefore seems ap- propriate that the bank should, by ducing its rate, signify its in- tention to continue the kind of mon- etary policy which has brought about the current level of interest rates."

"Admittedly, the rate of interest is only one of many factors influ- encing Canada's economic position, and it is probably not as important an instrument of control as was once supposed. It remains true, how ever, that the prospect of unstable interest rates could make it ex- ceedingly difficult for business to formulate long-term plans.

Financial circles in Ottawa expres- sed the view the action of the Bank of Canada in reducing its redis- count rates would give considerable assurance to the public that interest rates would not soar when the war is over.

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U.D.L. Curling In Full Swing

Curling in the UDL competition of the Nelson Curling Club started on Friday night.

Friday's results were:
S. Haydon 10, R. Foxall 9.
R. Hickey 8, J. Thom 7.
J. J. McEwen 8, A. S. Horswill 8.
S. Jemson 12, T. H. Waters 6.

Monday's results were:
G. Fleury 8, A. Jeffs 11.
S. Bostock 6, R. Sharp 7.
G. Godfrey 10, R. E. Horton 14.
H. Farenholtz 7, J. Teague 8.
E. Dewdney 7, W. Laishley 10.
A. Gilker 9, R. Wallace 7.
F. Ewing 7, C. Marshall 9.
F. Smith 8, R. Hickey 9
E. C. Hunt 11, S. Hayden 18
D. Cummins 6, J. B. Gray 11.

Sailors In Court on Snowball Charge

HULL, Que., Feb. 7 (CP)—Eleven sailors who were alleged to have snow-balled patrons leaving the Standishall Hotel here Saturday night were remanded today in court to trial next Friday on charges of interfering with police in performance of their duty and using abusive language.

War Information Officials Resign

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 7 (AP) — Screen Actor Donald O'Connor, 16, left for Army induction at nearby Fort MacArthur today after disclosing he and Gwen Carter, 17, eloped to Tijuana, Mexico, early Sunday and were married. The bride is the daughter of a Hollywood orchestra leader.

Mother Not to Blame for the Children's Colds

Despite all the mother can do the kiddies will run out of doors not properly wrapped up; have on too much clothing; get overheated and cool off too sud- denly; get their feet wet; kick off the bed clothes, and do a dozen things the mother cannot help.

Half the battle in treating children's colds is to give them something they will like; something they will take without any fuss, and this the mother will find in Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, a remedy used by Canadian mothers, for the past 48 years.

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Kootenay Pioneer, Mrs. Ehlers, Dies

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7 (CP)—Mrs. Elise Ehlers, 90, widow of Charles Ehlers, pioneer of the Kootenay area, died at home here today. After emigrating from Walla Walla, Wash., Mr. Ehlers operated a hotel at Rossland. Survivors include a daughter, May, in Vancouver, and a son, William, at Okanogan, Wash. The body will be sent to Walla Walla for burial.

Bombers Pound Rabaul Again

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Feb. 8 (Tuesday) (AP)—One hundred and fifty planes from the South Pacific Command hit Rabaul, New Britain, Saturday, in one of the hardest blows at this enemy base in recent weeks, the High Command announced today.

The bombers dropped 36 tons of bombs and shot down seven enemy intercepting planes, against a loss of four of the attacking aircraft.

Australians continued their ad- vance up the Coast of the Huon Pen- insula, New Guinea, and are within 16 airline miles of the United States 6th Army invasion force at Saidor. The Aussies reported that Japanese dead littered the coastal trails.

Other Allied aircraft hammered Wewak, the Japanese base on the Upper Northeast Coast of New Gui- nea, destroying 30 barges and four planes.

Blame Freezing for Rotten Meat

QUEBEC, Feb. 7 (CP)—An offi- cial of the Municipal Health Inspec- tion Department told the Canadian Press here tonight that "improper freezing in a Federal Government downtown warehouse caused con- tamination of hundreds of thous- ands of pounds of meat."

It was announced last week that 500,000 pounds of meat had been de- clared unfit to eat.

He said the meat had been put in an immense room where the tem- perature was 22 degrees and added: "A complaint with the City Health Department was entered three weeks ago by a Quebec butcher about calves he had brought from a meat firm.

"As the meat had come directly from the Federal warehouse, an in- spection of all the meat there was ordered and it was discovered that many hundred thousand pounds of meat were in the room."

The official said "a temperature of five to zero degrees would have been required to preserve the meat and we immediately ordered that the meat be transferred to a colder room."

Last Friday, Federal, Provincial and municipal inspectors ordered that none of the meat be sold.

ROOSEVELT MAY NOT SIGN SLICED TAX BILL

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP) — Congress sent a $2,315,200,000 tax increase bill today to President Roosevelt, who had asked for $10,- 500,000,000 and had criticized the smaller measure as unrealistic.

There is considerable speculation that he may show his disapproval by letting the bill become law with- out his signature.

A Senate-House of Representa- tives conference report, embodying the final draft of the measure, slid through the Senate quietly, on a unanimous voice vote, but it en- countered considerable opposition before it was approved by the House, on a roll-call vote of 238 to 101.

Hitler Summons Governor of Poland

LONDON, Feb. 8 (Tuesday) (CP) —Tass, Soviet News Agency, said today that according to Stockholm reports, Dr. Hans Frank, German Governor General of Poland, had been summoned to Hitler's head- quarters to report on the political situation.

DOG BITES BOY'S EAR OFF

MERVILLE, B.C., Feb. 7 (CP)—Five-year-old Buddy Berken- stock's ear was bitten off by a collie dog with whom the lad was playing.

ABOUT 2000 PRISONERS WORK IN CAMPS

PORT ARTHUR, Feb. 7 (CP) — Between 1,800 and 2,000 prisoners- of-war are at present employed in pulpwood and timber camps in the Thunder Bay area.

Germans Can't Make Tires From Synthetic Rubber

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (AP)—Sci- entists of Nazi Germany, despite years of research, cannot make au- tomotive tires entirely of synthetic rubber, four American scientists re- ported today.

Testing captured tires supposedly made entirely of synthetic rubber, the scientists reported these findings today in the analytical edition of the magazine industrial and engin- eering chemistry:

Natural rubber—up to 100 per cent—is being used by the Germans in various parts of their tires;

Of 10 tire treads, one was wholly of natural rubber, and nine were pure bunas, the synthetic butadiene- styrene type.

Each of 10 tire carcasses contained from 20 to 100 per cent plantation rubber.

Tubes contained from 75 to 100 per cent natural rubber.

W.L.B. Dismisses Appeal Against B. C. Board Ruling

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP)—The Na- tional War Labor Board today dis- missed an appeal by the Interna- tional Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (A. F. of L.) against a Brit- ish Columbia War Labor Board de- cision refusing an application for an increase of 12½ cents a day in the basic rate of electrical workers employed by British Columbia Elec- tric Railway Co.

Mr. Justice C. P. McTague, Chair- man of the National Board, in re- porting a unanimous decision said the Board felt the Union had failed to meet the requirements of the wage-control order by showing the rates now paid to be low in com- parison with substantially similar work in comparable localities.

British Columbia Electric linemen now receive a basic rate of $8.25 a day.

Tram Driver Saw Only a Flash

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7 (CP) —A recommendation that the B. C. Electric Railway Co., Ltd., be forced to instal automatic swipes on all front windows of street cars was re- turned today by a coroner's jury in- vestigating the deaths of Dolly Jean Spragg, 13, Diana Fletcher, four, and Caroll Fletcher, two. The chil- dren were killed when struck by a street car Saturday as they crossed Hastings Street at Clark Drive.

The six-man jury which returned a verdict of accidental death found that the motorman, James Marshall might have exercised more caution in driving the heavy vehicle which mangled the three children.

Marshall testified the only way he could account for the fact he did not see the children was there is a blind spot on the driver's view. He said he was travelling between four and five miles an hour and the only thing he saw was a flash of move- ment which caused him to apply the brakes.

McLaren Wins Jeffs Cup

J. P. McLaren's curlers won the Jeffs Cup final match Friday night, from the L. S. Bradley crew, whom they defeated 10-6.

Trail Curling

TRAIL, B. C., Feb. 7 — In Mon- day's play in the primary section of the new competition of the Trail Curling Club, the Dockerill and Miller rinks won their way into the eights. Baldrey broke a tie with McIntyre by drawing to the but- ton.

The evening's results were as fol- lows:

W. J. Baldrey 9, P. F. McIntyre 8.
W. Rae 6, W. B. Hunter 8.
R. Stone 9, C. D. Stuart 6.
R. P. Dockerill 9, F. Hudocklin 5.
J. H. Leckie 7, G. Bumphrey 9.
E. W. Hazelwood 12, A. Crichton 13.
H. H. Miller 9, R. J. MacKinnon 7.
W. P. Robertson 14, M. M. Bu- torac 11.

REPORT NAVY BAND TO GO OVERSEAS

VICTORIA, Feb. 6 (CP)—Naval circles here tonight reported that Lt.-Cmdr. H. G. Cuthbert, R.C.N., had been ordered to proceed over- seas and to take with him some 30 members of the Royal Canadian Navy Band, now stationed in this district, as the nucleus of a new mu- sical organization.

It was also stated unofficially that a number of bandsmen would be taken overseas from an Atlantic station.

Lt.-Cmdr. Cuthbert declined com- ment. The band was to have been moved East several weeks ago but following a number of protests against its removal from the Pacific Coast the transfer order was can- celled.

Nick Gmieoff Is Arrested

Nick Gmieoff, temporary fireman on the Main Lake ferry Steamer Nasookin, was arrested Saturday afternoon. Cpl. John White of the Nelson detach- ment of the B. C. Police, on a charge originating at Cranbrook.

Main Lake Traffic Light

Traffic on the main lake ferry is at present very light.

It is reported that fewer vehicles are crossing Kootenay Lake than in recent months. Crossings are limited to essential traffic.

SET ASIDE PARK LAND ON ALASKA HIGHWAY

VICTORIA, Feb. 7 (CP)—Site for a new Provincial Park along the Alaska Highway has been set aside by the Government, Hon. A. Wells Gray, Minister of Lands, said to- day.

The reserve contains approximate- ly 2,775 square miles and is situated in the valley of the Liard River, bei- ng traversed by the Alaska Road.

Nazis Fire Into Beachhead Growing Hotter

ANZIO BEACHHEAD, Feb. 7 — The Germans intensified their ef- forts today to wipe out this beach- head, increasing their artillery fire to the highest degree yet, also re- suming sneak raids in the daytime.

Last night the enemy also air- bombed the beachhead several times, while maintaining a constant check- er-boarding of the beachhead with shells.

In the last 48 hours I've seen, heard, and dodged more shelling than all the rest of the time I've been here, said a correspondent.

From the mountain range between the beachhead forces and Rome the enemy stares down into every secret military spot. To put it face- tiously, this beachhead army is liv- ing in a goldfish bowl.

The Germans are pouring many thousands of shells into the beach- head day and night, with some con- centrations in a single small area receiving as many as 700 or 800 shells within 15 minutes. Much of this shelling obviously is intended to be harassing. Compartively little dam- age has been done to military ob- jectives.

Outlines New Finance Plan

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Estab- lishment of a new financial tech- nique in the British Commonwealth to lead the world into an era of peace and prosperity was urged to- night by Lord Sempill, member of the British House of Lords.

Under the plan he outlined in an address prepared for delivery to Ottawa Board of Trade, the govern- ment would spend "new money" created "interest free" by the banks, as agents for the government.

"Substantial improvements are called for in the economic system, not only of the empire and common wealth but of the world," Lord Sem- pill said. "It is clearly absurd that men in the need of the necessaries of life should be denied the money with which to buy them because there is a superabundance of those necessaries and therefore, their ser- vices are not required to produce more.

Unemployment is in fact a by-pro- duct of under-consumption."

Under a revised monetary system it would be one of the main func- tions of the Treasury to put into circulation without creating a debt just sufficient new money to bal- ance the increase in goods and ser- vices resulting from full utiliza- tion of manpower and materials.

Criticizes Catholic Terms for Mixed Marriages

DURHAM, England, Feb. 7 (CP) —In an address at Durham Cathed- ral, Dr. William Garbett, Archbish- op of York, criticized the Roman Catholic Church for the "humiliat- ing terms" he said it imposed on mixed marriages.

Condemning "passive loyalty" of some members of the church of England, he said:

"They will for no adequate rea- son transfer their allegiance to some other religious body. For instance, they will yield easily to the de- mands of the Roman Catholic Church that in the case of a mixed marriage the non-Roman should promise that any children should be brought up as Roman Catholic.

"It is a hard and cruel choice pre- sented to a man or woman deeply in love. A loyal member of the Church of England would unhes- itatingly refuse to assent to such humiliating terms."

NO REPORT ON AIR ACTIVITY

LONDON, Feb. 7 (CP)—A lull in the Allied air offensive on Europe, apparently due to unfavorable weather, continued tonight with no report of any activity since Sunday raids on the French invasion coast and Nazi airfields in Northern France.

BLACKHEADS

go quickly by a simple method that dis- solves them. Get two ounces of peroxine powder from your druggist, apply with a hot, wet cloth gently over the blackheads— and you will wonder where they have gone.

School In Boundary, Siding In Slocan Valley, Burn Simultaneously

Early Sunday morning was the time of two simultaneous fires at widely separated points. The station-shelter at Appledale was burned to the ground and the school at Gilpin was simil- arly razed.

The Appledale structure was worth $150. Cpl. J. White of the Provincial police, Nelson, and Guy Mayo, C.P.R. Investigator, are inquiring into the cause of the fires. The fire was not- ced at 12:45 a.m. Sunday when it was too late to save the building.

The police are investigating the cause of the fire at Gilpin, which des- troyed the school house. The school is an old one, and the settlement has had only a small school population latterly. There is a Doukhobor set- tlement on the further bank of the river.

Appledale, in the Slocan Valley, is in a section that has had a number of supposedly incendiary fires.

Former Commander Fined for Leaving Light on

HALIFAX, Feb. 7 (CP) — Maj.- Gen. W. H. P. Elkins, Assistant Ad- ministrator of Atlantic ports and former officer commanding of the Atlantic Command, was fined $5 and costs in police court here to- day for violating blackout regula- tions.

The former Commander, through counsel, pleaded guilty to having his porch light on during a blackout at his unattended Dutch Village Road home.

B. C. Forestry Inquiry Opens

VICTORIA, Feb. 7 (CP) — An in- quiry into all phases and aspects of the forest resources of British Co- lumbia and the legislation relating to it, and policy followed in its administration, opened in the Court House today with Mr. Justice Gor- don McG. Sloan, Puisne Justice of the Court of Appeal for B.C., Roy- al Commissioner, presiding.

The first sitting was a brief one in which Mr. Justice Sloan and H. W. Davey, Counsel to the Com- mission outlined scope of the in- quiry and 11 representatives of groups and organizations concern- ed, introduced themselves. The in- quiry was adjourned until Feb. 21.

"The Government is desirous that all possible methods and means are, or will be taken, to secure the per- petuation of our forest wealth. That is, as I read the terms of the Com- mission, the most important item to which our attention must be giv- en", Mr. Justice Sloan said in mak- ing his observations.

In conclusion Mr. Justice Sloan said that it was not his intention to accept written briefs, but added that briefs migh be accepted, if the author of them qualified as a wit- ness and took the stand to support his thesis, by the sworn testimony of himself or his experts.

With regard to the question of sittings in various parts of the Prov- ince, the Commissioner stated that it was better to have witnesses come here instead of taking the entire staff of the Commission to different centres, unless there were repre- sentations from those centres in sufficient bulk to warrant a hear- ing. In reference to possible hear- ings in Vancouver, he reminded the inquiry that Vancouver was now only half an hour's flying time from Victoria.

Willkie Willing to Accept Offer

SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 7 (AP)— Wendell L. Willkie, Republican stan- dard bearer in 1940, tonight made it plain he would accept another opportunity to seek the Presidency but had no intention "to enter any popularity contests."

"If the Republican Party in 1944 has the courage to stand for con- victions and principles," he said at a Utah Republican diner, "it may not win, but in the great process of keeping this a free America, it will make a great contribution."

Willkie made it clear he will wel- come a nomination for the Presi- dency if he can achieve it by "speak- ing out on what are my beliefs."

In confirming reports he plans to enter the Nebraska preferential pri- mary April 11, Willkie spoke of reports, "that I have no strength in the Middle West. I want to make a test of that and see if that's right."

Col. Astor Will Come to Canada

TORONTO, Feb. 7 (CP) — Col. J. J. Astor, President of the Em- pire Press Union and owner of the London Times, will come to Canada to address a dinner marking the 35th anniversary of the Canadian section of the Union at Toronto on March 29.

Making the announcement to- night, officials of the Canadian sec- tion said Col. Astor was invited to be guest speaker and that his ac- ceptance had been received by cable.

The dinner, held during "News- paper week" when the Canadian Press and the Canadian Daily News- paper Association hold annual meet- ings, will mark the 35th anniver- sary of the union itself as well as of the Canadian section.

LONDON, Feb. 7 (CP Cable) — Col. J. J. Astor, President of the Empire Press Union, said tonight he was "honored and delighted by the invitation I've received to speak at the anniversary dinner of the union's Canadian section" at Tor- onto March 29.

"I am keenly anticipating the receedrB——Pqplea-friends pleasure of meeting my many old friends and seeing something of Canada's magnificent war effort," he added.

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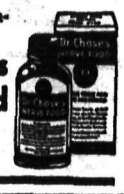

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The moment you rub VapoRub on the throat, chest and back at bedtime it starts to work two ways at once— and keeps on working for hours—to ease coughing spasms, help clear con- gestion in cold-clogged upper breath- ing passages, relieve muscular soreness or tightness. It promotes restful sleep. Often most of the misery of the cold is gone by morning! That's why VapoRub is so good to use when colds strike. Try it!

74TH ANNUAL STATEMENT
1943

INSURANCE IN FORCE	$680,026,296
NEW ASSURANCES PAID-FOR IN 1943	$ 63,366,773
ASSETS	$235,191,289
PAYMENTS TO POLICYHOLDERS AND BENEFICIARIES IN 1943	$ 13,369,092
SURPLUS EARNINGS, 1943	$ 5,212,876

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Says No Excuse for Strikes When Servicemen Sacrifice Lives

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 7 (AP)—With the lives of fighting men at stake and victory hanging in the balance, there cannot be any justification or excuse for any strike or stoppage of work, William Green, American Federation of Labor President, today told delegates to the International Boilermakers' Union convention.

"At this moment," Green said, "vast military movements are in progress and even greater drives are in preparation. Millions of American boys will be called upon to risk their lives in action against the enemy. Our soldiers, sailors and marines will fight courageously, unyieldingly and incessantly.

The workers of America must work in the same spirit. When the lives of our sons and brothers and loved ones are at stake, when victory in this war against hated tyranny hangs in the balance, there cannot be any justification or excuse for any strike or stoppage of work.

"No matter how unjust conditions may become no matter how sharp an aggravation may be, the members of the American Federation of Labor should realize that they must stay on the job and keep producting to the limit of their ability until final victory is won."

The Labor leader said "the national and international unions affiliated with the A.F.L. have made a 100 per cent perfect record in fulfilling their no-strike pledge to the Government." He called upon local unions to match that record.

AIR CASUALTIES

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 — The R.C.A.F. issued its 799th casualty list of the war tonight as follows:

OVERSEAS

Killed on Active Service:

Rogers, William John, Fo., Coaticook, Que.

Previously Missing on Active Service, Now Reported Prisoner of War—Germany:

Garrett, Clifford Henry James, Wo., Halifax, N.S.

Kiteley, James Roger Joseph, Fo., Mimico, Ont.

Previously Reported Missing on Active Service, Now for Official Purposes Presumed Dead:

Arlen, Anthony, Flt.-Sgt., Dunnville, Ont.

Cogger, Walter Leonard, Flt.-Sgt., Hastings, Ont.

Collins, Hamish Gordon, Flt.-Sgt., North Vancouver, B.C.

Coulter, Richard Leslie, Fo., Sardis, B.C.

Fowlie, Robert Grant, Po., Vernon, B.C.

Goodfellow, James Richard, Wo., Forest, Ont.

Seriously Ill as a Result of Injuries Sustained on Active Service.

Skinner, Victor Sidney, Fo., Winnipeg, Man.

CANADA

Killed on Active Service:

Carter, Philip Arthur, Lac., London, England.

Died From Natural Causes:

Boddy, Hutson Alexander, Cpl., Calgary, Alta.

The 1943 bread grain production of the British Empire was the highest of the war years.

PROMOTE ARMY MEDICAL OFFICERS

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Promotion of two Senior Officers of the Canadian Army Medical services to the rank of acting major-general was announced today by Defence Headquarters.

The promotions:

Brig. George Brock Chisholm, C.B.E., M. C., 47, of Oakville, Ont., Director General of Medical Services at Defence Headquarters, to be acting Major-General, effective Feb. 1.

Brig. R. M. Luton, C.B.E., M. C., 52, of Halifax, Director of Medical Services, Canadian Army overseas, to be acting Major-General, effective Feb. 7.

Tax Amendment Given First Reading

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) — First reading was given today in the Commons to a bill amending the income war tax act to permit certain information obtained under income tax regulations to be given to the House.

Stanley Knowles (CCF-Winnipeg North Centre), sponsor of the bill, said the secrecy now imposed on information given under the act prevented ministers from giving information asked by members and which could be legitimately given.

Progressive Conservative members called "wait a minute!" before the bill was given first reading but Speaker J. A. Glen said the matter was not debatable.

Woman Shot to Death in Shipyard

PORTLAND, Feb. 7 (AP)—The report of a gunshot rang out above the clak of steel against steel in Henry J. Kaiser's Swan Island shipyard today and Beulah Smith, 51, fell dead, a bullet through her head.

Another shot punctuated the clamor and B. B. Smith, 57, her husband, slumped to the ground seriously wounded, police said, from a self-inflicted bullet. Hospital attendants said he was not expected to live.

Mrs. Smith worked in the yard's bolt salvage department and Smith in the pipe shop. Police said the couple was married a few months ago and separated recently.

BLACK SUCCEEDS BURCHILL ON FORESTRY BOARD

MONTREAL, Feb. 7 (CP)—Henri Kieffer of Quebec, today was elected Chairman of the Board of the Canadian Forestry Association at its 45th annual meeting here.

Robson Black of Montreal was elected President succeeding T. Percival Burchill of South Nelson, N.B.

Claims Women Fall for Sick Looking Men

CALGARY, Feb. 7 (CP) — "Strong men with muscles never did have a chance against a 'sickly' lad with an appealing voice who whispers to the women that he can't live without them."

That is Arthur Rubinstein's theory of the success of Frank Sinatra — current crooner passion of the bobby-sock girls.

Mr. Rubenstein, who plays in Calgary tonight, is recognized as one of the world's greatest pianists.

For him, he said, in an interview today, boogie-woogie just doesn't exist.

"Women have always had an attraction for sick-looking men with nice faces and appealing voices," he said. "So Sinatra kills them . . ."

Want Ickes on Carpet to Explain "Treaty"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—Senator E. N. Moore, Rep., Okla.) asserted today the Government's plan to build a 1250-mile pipe line in Arabia is a "treaty" that needs approval of Congress, and Interior secretary Harold Ickes should be called on the carpet to explain.

Ickes has announced that the Petroleum Reserves Corporation plans to build a pipeline under an agreement with the Arabian-American Oil Company and the Gulf Exploration Company to tap Arabian and Kuwait oil reserves. State Secretary Cordell Hull told his press conference the U.S. has not reached the point of actually making formal negotiations for rights of way, however.

"Before that contract could be effected, it would require the consent of the Government of Sauli Arabia, and that's a treaty," Moore said in a statement.

"It's the commitment of the Government to a large expense (estimated cost from $130,000,000 to $165-000,000) without the approval of Congress or any appropriation."

German Plane Drops Bomb Within Vatican Walls

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 7 (AP)—A German plane which attempted a forced landing in Vatican City after an air battle with Allied planes dropped one bomb inside the Vatican walls and another a short distance outside, a Rome dispatch to the *Goteborg newspaper Handels Sjoefarts Tidningen* reported today.

The plane crashed and the crew was killed.

One hundred pounds of old newspapers can be processed into 200 containers for blood plasma.

177 Polish Hostages Shot in Warsaw

LONDON, Feb. 7 (CP)—The Polish Telegraph Agency said today that 177 hostages were shot by the Germans in Warsaw the last two weeks in October, Janina Aszkenacy, daughter of Dr. Simeon Aszkenazy, Polish historian and delegate to the League of Nations, was listed as among those executed.

"The hostages were shot on Warsaw's main streets in bunches of 10, in full view of the rest of the populace," the Agency said. "The shootings were ordered by Hans Frank, Governor General of the occupied country, as reprisals for guerilla sabotage.

"Two women, who kneeled in prayer over the bodies of one group of victims, were also shot down."

Japs Attempt Denial Atrocities

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (CP) —Sadao Iguchi, spokesman for the Japanese Board of Information, sought today to reply to British and United States charges of wholesale atrocities committed by Japan against captive civilians and prisoners of war—by citing what he said was the record of "numerous outrages" against Japanese.

"The Anglo-American campaign to spread hatred against Japan has been motivated by the desire to cover up their own crimes," Iguchi asserted in a statement broadcast by the Berlin radio. He charged that "many of the 2400 Japanese women who were confined at the Japanese primary school in Davao (in the Philippines) were raped."

He added that "on Jan. 20, 1942, as Japanese forces were about to land at Davao Americans resorted to the most bestial treatment of 10 Japanese who were preparing food for their fellow internees. The men were bound with ropes, boiling water was poured upon them, their ears were cut off, their eyes gouged, their noses slashed and their arms and legs amputated— a sadistic torture that defies description. Enemy troops fled as Japanese forces advanced but before that they left as many as 56 Japanese murdered."

This was a more detailed version of a charge which the Japanese made soon after they launched their attack on the Philippines but which has never been verified by Allied or neutral sources.

Iguchi charged Japanese internees were confined in dilapidated tents under adverse weather conditions at *Fort Bliss, Texas*, "in utter disregard of their suffering."

He declared Hatsuki Wakahp, suffering from tuberculosis, and Kota Isomura, suffering from a spinal disease, were shot to death by guards at Topaz relocation centre in Utah, on the pretext that they were trying to escape.

Iguchi charged numerous instances of Allied air attacks on Japanese hospital ships and said these were 'totally incompatible with the professed humanitarianism" of Britons and Americans.

One attack on the Buenos Aires Maru, sunk off New Ireland, on Nov. 26, resulted in the death of 174 persons, including nurses, he said, although "due notice concerning this hospital ship, as in the case of all others, had been given to the enemy countries in accordance with the *stipulations of the Hague* convention, and the vessel bore the required markings as called for by that convention and in addition special markings visible from aircraft and by night."

Nurses in lifeboats and on rafts also were machine gunned after the sinking, he charged.

TOPAZ, Utah, Feb. 7 (AP) — Countering Tokyo reports that two Japanese had been slain "on the pretext they were trying to escape" from the Topaz relocation centre, Director Charles F. Ernst said today only one evacuee had been killed, and he was shot in April, 1943, while fleeing from a sentry.

Army headquarters at Salt Lake City said a court martial which followed the shooting decreed that the sentry's action was justified.

LONDON, Feb. 7 (CP) — The Berlin radio broadcast a DNB dispatch from Tokyo which said the Swiss Minister to Japan had handed the Japanese Government a note from the U. S. protesting against the treatment of American war prisoners. The dispatch added a spokesman for the Japanese government told the Swiss minister a reply would be forthcoming "at a suitable time."

On The Air

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

CKLN AND CBC PROGRAMMES

MORNING

7:45—O Canada
8:00—CBC News
8:15—Front Line Family
8:30—Something Refreshing
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Stars of the Week (CKLN)
9:22—Musical Magic (CKLN)
9:30—On Parade (CKLN)
9:45—Music While You Work
9:59—Time Signal
10:00—Morning Visit
10:15—Chapel in the Sky (CKLN)
10:45—They Tell Me
11:00—Music in Waltz Time
11:15—Smilin' Jack (CKLN)
11:22—Voice of Memory
11:30—Soldier's Wife
11:45—Dancing Till Noon

AFTERNOON

12:00—B. C. Far Broadcast
12:25—The Notice Board
12:30—News
12:45—Music We All Remember
1:00—Stanley Hoban, Songs
1:15—Interlude
1:18—Talk
1:30—To Be Announced (CKLN)
1:45—Joint Recital
2:00—School Broadcast
2:30—Talk
2:45—Between the Bookends
3:00—Western Five
3:15—Headline History
3:30—Sweethearts (CKLN)
3:37—Hit Parade (CKLN)
3:45—BBC News
4:00—Voice of Memory (CKLN)
4:07—Wendell Hall (CKLN)
4:15—Songs by Simone
4:30—CBR Presents
4:45—CBC News Round-Up
5:00—Varieties in Modern Rhythm (CKLN)

EVENING

6:00—Spirit of the Vikings (CKLN)
6:15—Treasure Chest
6:30—Peerless Presents (CKLN)
6:45—People Enjoy Facts
7:00—CBC News
7:15—Talk: "News From Occupied Europe"
7:30—Organ Recital
8:00—Of Things to Come
8:30—Drama Hour
9:00—BBC News
9:15—Talk by J. B. McGeachy
9:30—Nocturne
10:00—CBC News
10:15—CBC News Roundup
10:30—Dance Orchestra
11:00—God Save the King

CASUALTIES

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 — The Canadian Army issued its 424th casualty list of the war today as follows:

OVERSEAS

OFFICERS

Killed in Action:

Royal Canadian Artillery—Coatsworth, John James, A.-Capt., Calgary, Alta.

Wounded:

Canadian Armoured Corps—Wells, Alan Reginald, Lieut., Calgary, Alta.

British Columbia Regiment — Storrs, Andrew Talbot, Lieut., Vancouver, B.C.

Missing:

British Columbia Regiment—Pellant, Ernest Roy, Lieut., Vancouver, B.C.

WARRANT OFFICERS, N.C.O.'s AND MEN

Killed in Action:

British Columbia Regiment — Turnbull, Hugh David, Pte., Comox, B.C.

Underdown, Gerald Percy, Pte., Penticton, B.C.

Alberta Regiment — Tithecott, Frederick John, Pte., Carstairs, Alta.

Died of Wounds:

British Columbia Regiment—Jardine, Albert, Pte., Fraser Lake, B.C.

Wounded:

Lakusta, Harry, Spr., Edmonton, Alta.

British Columbia Regiment — Taylor, Phillip Woolley, Pte., Cardston, Alta.

Saskatchewan Regiment—Bondy, Leonard, Pte., Walsh, Alta.

Alberta Regiment—Helfrich, Henry Cornelius, Pte., Viking, Alta.

Hingsburger, William Jerome, Pte., Sundre, Alta.

Lennerton, Hermon Cameron, Pte., Lethbridge, Alta.

British Columbia Regiment — Moir, Kenneth, Pte., Vancouver, B.C.

Alberta Regiment—Land, Charles Franklin, Pte., Lindale, Alta.

Massey Visits Canadian Troops

LONDON, Feb. 7 (CP Cable)—Rh. Hon. Vincent Massey, Canadian High Commissioner, today spent a full day with Canadian invasion troops in Southern England, visiting a number of units and talking with scores of officers and men.

Nominate Films for "Oscars"

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 7 (AP) — Nominations of motion pictures and individuals for 1943 "Oscar" awards in the 16th annual competition have been announced by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

Winners of the famous gold trophies will be chosen by vote of approximately 10,000 film industry workers. Walter Wanger, Academy President, said ballots will be mailed Feb. 11, and winners will be announced March 2.

Ten films, from which one will be designated as the outstanding of the year, are: "Casablanca," "For Whom the Bell Tolls," "Heaven Can Wait", "The Human Comedy," "In Which We Serve", "Madame Curie" "The More the Merrier," "The Ox-Bow Incident," "The Song of Bernadette", and "Watch on the Rhine."

Actors nominated for the "best performance" honor were Humphrey Bogart in "Casablanca," Garry Cooper in "For Whom the Bell Tolls", Paul Lukas in "Watch on the Rhine" Walter Pidgeon in "Madame Curie" and Mickey Rooney in "The Human Comedy."

Academy nominees for best performance by an actress were Jean Arthur in "The More the Merrier" Ingrid Bergman in "For Whom the Bell Tolls," Joan Fontaine in "The Constant Nymph"; Greer Garson in "Madame Curie," and Jennifer Jones, in "The Song of Bernadette,"

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A. LEVI BURIED AT CRANBROOK

CRANBROOK, B.C. — Arthur Levi, age 42, who died in Spokane, was interred here. He came to Yahk about twenty years ago and married a Cranbrook girl, Lena Brogan. They moved to *Kelso, Wash.* and later to Spokane where they have lived for the past several years.

He was a carpenter and a member of the Carpenter's Union as well as a lodge member at Fairview, Wash. Surviving him are his wife and daughters, Lois and Barbara of Spokane, his mother, Mrs. Marie Levi, and four *brothers and three sisters in Ontario.*

Navy Band Will Remain at Coast

VICTORIA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Rumors of the impending transfer of the *famous* Royal Canadian Navy band were not substantiated today by Navy Officials either here or in Vancouver.

"They will remain here, temporarily at any rate," said Lieut.-Cmdr. K. Fosbery, Press Relations Officer who said that as far as he knew no further signals on the band's transfer had been received.

CHIPPENHAM, England (CP) — Five war reserve policemen were each fined $50 here when they pleaded quilty to receiving controlled foodstuffs.

"Mistake to Think War Nearly Over"

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7 (CP) — People who think the war is just about over are "making the greatest mistake in the world," said Rt. Hon. Edward Leslie Burgin, British member of Parliament and former Cabinet Minister, in an interview here today.

Great Britain's former minister of Transport and first Minister of Supply, Dr. Burgin said he saw no possible breakdown in morale of the German people as long as they have an army. And that army, he thinks will take some beating.

"We are inclined to underestimate the Germans," he said. "I don't think we need worry much about secret weapons, but the Germans are very clever people."

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The Political Changes in Russia

It will probably be some months before we know the exact significance of the Russian internal political developments.

Superficially, the granting to the republics or states which make up the Soviet Union of Socialist Republics of the power to raise their own military formations and to appoint diplomatic representatives to foreign countries suggests a form of de-confederation.

We can hardly imagine anything of the sort in Canada. In this country for Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia, as well as the rest of the nine provinces, to possess their own military formations and their own diplomatic representatives in foreign countries simply would not work.

In the United States, while the States until a year or so before Pearl Harbor each raised and controlled its own militia, known as the National Guard ,the organizations were composed almost entirely of men who drilled in their spare time, similarly to our Canadian militia. Their function, outside of ceremonials, was practically confined to maintenance of order in cases in which the police force was inadequate. When the European war developed, the American National Guards were federalized and taken into the national army, where their peacetime training proved invaluable, as was the case with our Canadian Federal militia units. American state National Guards, like our militia, were always subject to call for national defence in case of need.

No American state possesses any regular full time military force, nor any diplomatic representation to foreign countries. No attempt at either has been made since the Civil War.

The extent to which Moscow intends to allow power actually to devolve to the 16 republics of Russia is not known. It may be that Stalin realizes that the weakness of dictatorship is that there usually is no competent individual to succeed to the dictatorship. It is nevertheless doubtful if any real decentralization of power will take place, except in matters of local government. In that respect there may be a gradual weakening of central Communist party control in favor of more democratic power for local leaders.

The experiment will be watched with interest. It can carry Russia farther from Communism, bringing it closer to democracy, but it could also lead to Balkanization.

Probably one of the main purposes at the moment is to make absorption of the Baltic republics, Bessarabia, Poland East of the Curzon line, and perhaps other areas adjacent to Russia, less unpalatable to world opinion which does not believe that territorial aggrandizement for the victors should be a consequence of this war.

Time to Get Ready for Victory Gardens Again

Weather conditions may not be conducive to thoughts of Victory Gardens but this is the time of year at which plans should be made for the coming season.

There were many inclined to scoff at the Victory Gardeners when the movement was mooted last year, but its success confuonded the critics. Literally millions of dollars worth of foodstuffs were produced by those who cultivated vegetables in their back gardens or on vacant lots.

Kootenay people made an exceptionally good showing. Climatic and soil conditions make it easy to grow vegetables in this district and if at times pests are a nuisance they do not seem to have the same devastating effect as in some other parts of the country.

There is talk of seed shortage, but the gardener who orders early enough probably will not have any difficulty in getting what he needs.

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.

Porcupine Answers J. C. Harris Letter

To the Editor:

Sir—May I take some of your space to take friendly issue with Mr. J. C. Harris on some of the points in his letter. I think myself that the tendency of Business is to merge into large and larger organizations. But when he says that none of us like competition—the reply must be that the Consumer enjoys real benefits from business competition for his money. Goods are made more attractive—more simple to operate—more worthwhile in value just by that grinding-down of competition for the Consumer's patronage. The Consumer's interest and the Producer's interest are not identical, and a system where both can operate in some sort of fair-play is the proper business system.

How Government ownership on a large scale will operate, remains to be seen, and I, for one, hope it will not be tried in any wholesale fashion. What about the losses—the waste—the general free-and-easy way in which Government concerns so often operate. People who would never cheat their neighbor, often cheat the 'impersonal' Government by sloppy work, petty graft, etc. Politics hinder strict business accounting. This is all so well-known that it is trite.

The most effective fighting of the War IS being done in Russia at the present time, but this is largely due to geography. The German Army is right IN Russia. Sea transport doesn't come into the picture, except as we are doing the running of arms to the Russians. To mystically ascribe the excellent Russian performance to their Communist form of government seems altogether to overstrain the matter. There is nothing wrong with the record of the R.C.N. or with that of the Canadian Army fighting in Tunisia for Mackenzie King—or with the Indian Gurkhas—picked fighting troops—who live under a caste system. The Russian Army's heroism is not enough to convince us that we should copy Russia in other respects.

A few blots on the history of the Russian U.S.S.R. not often mentioned nowadays—are the Agpu or secret police—the famine, when thousands of peasants starved to death so that Russia could preserve her balance of trade by exporting wheat—and the Blood Purges. I will not comment on these happenings except to say that they are thoroughly un-Canadian.

Any system that advocates Atheism and abandonment of the moral law is living in the past. We have gone through all that with the French Revolution and its lingering repercussions. The atheism which still lingered on in France made possible the extreme corruption of her political life. It is true that Russia has now seen fit to install the Holy Synod. She has changed her mind, either from conviction or for political reasons—ergo, she is not infallible.

Russians naturally like a communal, sharing sort of life with plenty of talk, as one can see by reading Russian novels, and from the Doukhobor habits. Canadians like to have a house to themselves. Let Canada—let all the Dominions work out their own problems in their own way. Any Government vested with absolute power such as Communism and Nazi-ism have possessed and do possess, scorns all individual rights to life, to thought, to private ownership. It has to do this for complete efficiency and control.

The more resources any Government controls, the more power it has, and any Government ownership at all should be equipped with a strict system of checks and balances.

PORCUPINE.

Gray Creek, B. C., Jan. 31.

Gems of Thought

"However learned or eloquent, man knows nothing truly that he has not learned from experience."—Wieland.

"In all instances where our experience of the past has been extensive and uniform, our judgment as to the future amounts to moral certainty."—James Beattie.

"Experience is victor, never the vanquished; and out of defeat comes the secret of victory. That tomorrow starts from today and is one day beyond it, robes the future with hope's rainbow hues."—Mary Bakery Eddy.

"To most men experience is like the stern lights of a ship, which illumine only the track it has passed."—Coleridge.

"Nor deem the irrevocable Past,
As wholly wasted, wholly vain,
If, rising on its wrecks, at last
To something nobler we attain."
—Longfellow.

Test Yourself

1. What famous poet was the founder of a University in Bengal, India?
2. For what is Nicolo Amati famous?
3. What are Marjorca and Minorca?

TEST ANSWERS

1. Rabindranath Tagore.
2. For his marvelous violins.
3. They are Balearic Islands off the coast of Spain.

Safe Driving Quiz

Q.—How would you approach and round a curve where your view of highway ahead was curtailed?

A.—With car under control, right side of road.

Etiquette Hints

When you use a public lounge or dressing room it is patriotic as well as good manners to leave it as tidy as you find it—or more so.

?? 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.

Y. L.—I would like to know where the line "This above all; to thine own self be true," comes from, who wrote it, and if there is more to the quotation?

The line is from William Shakespeare's play, Hamlet, Act I, Scene 3, Line 75:

"Neither a borrower, nor a lender be;
For loan oft loses both itself and friend,
And borrowing dulls the edge of husbandry.
This above all; to thine own self be true,
And it must follow, as the night the day,
Thou canst not then be false to any man."

G. H. J., Nelson—I would like to know something about the Canadian Boy Air Cadets Association, can you tell me where to write for information, also will you please give me the name of the Air Cadet Chief?

This is a non-commercially sponsored, non-military, non-political, and non-sectarian youth training movement, for white Canadian boys of from 12 to 18 years of age. For information write Dominion Headquarters, 31 Millbrook Crescent, Toronto, Ont.; or to the Air Cadet Chairman of the Provincial Committee, R. E. Stanfield, 553 Granville Street, Vancouver, B. C. The Air Cadet Chief is Lieut. C. H. McKinnon, R.A.F., Dominion Headquarters, Toronto.

Student, Nelson—Will you kindly supply me with the name of the Ministers in Prime Minister King's Cabinet?

Hon. Thomas A. Crerar, Minister of Mines and Resources; Hon. James H. King, a member of the Administration and Minister without portfolio; Hon. James L. Ralston, Minister of National Defence; Hon. Ian A. Mackenzie, Minister of Pensions and National Health; Hon. C. G. Power, Associate Minister of National Defence and Minister of National Defence for Air; Hon. James L. Ilsley, Minister of Finance; Hon. J. E. Michaud, Minister of Transport; Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions and Supply; Hon. James G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture; Hon. Norman A. McLarty, Secretary of State; Hon. James A. MacKinnon, Minister of Trade and Commerce; Hon. William P. Mulock, Postmaster General; Hon. Colin Gibson, Minister of National Revenue; Hon. Angus L. MacDonald, Minister of National Defence for Naval Services; Hon. L. S. St.-Laurent, Minister of Justice and Attorney-General of Canada; Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labor; Hon. Alphonse Fournier, Minister of Public Works; Hon. Ernest Bertrand, Minister of Fisheries; Hon. L. R. LaFleche, Minister of National War Services.

Looking Backward

10 YEARS AGO
(From Daily News, Feb. 8, 1934)

W. Roy Hunter, Nelson Avenue, has returned from a week's visit to Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Pitts returned yesterday from a visit to Robson.

William Manson, Superintendent of the C.P.R., attended the banquet in Rossland given by the B. C. Curling Association.

J. Kerrigan has returned from a two months visit to Vancouver.

25 YEARS AGO
(From Daily News, Feb. 8, 1919)

H. P. Thomas and J. P. Forde are in Vancouver attending the Convention of the Dominion branch of the Navy League.

More than 200 persons attended the I. O. D. E. Ice Carnival held at the Nelson rink last night.

Among visitors in Nelson last night was C. F. Cadwell of Kaslo.

D. N. Mann and H. Duncan of Balfour were in Nelson yesterday.

40 YEARS AGO
(From Daily News, Feb. 8, 1904)

Importance of the immense coal fields of the Crow's Nest Pass region in the East Kootenays cannot be over estimated.

John F. B. Rogers, M.D., of Kaslo, has been appointed coroner for B. C. according to the last issue of the B. C. Gazette.

Japan broke diplomatic relations with Russia last night, she will seize Korea, and proceed to safeguard her Manchurian interests.

Today's Horoscope

It is easy for you, if this is your birthday, to absorb a universal knowledge without much effort, because of your keen memory. You are very practical and not inclined to take things for granted in your home, business or even in love. You are capable of a deep and lasting love, but inclined to hesitate to accept either at their apparent worth. The year ahead will be a memorable one. Strangers, older people and employers will be helpful. The time is excellent for all engaged in the service of their country, especially in engineering and uncommon vocations. The child born today will be abounding in energy, vitality and high spirits. He or she will be remarkably fortunate and gifted, but self-willed and exceedingly generous.

War—4 Years Ago

By The Canadian Press

Feb. 8, 1940—Third Canadian Army contingent arrived in Britain. French authorities disclosed that 275,000 French troops were in the Middle East as a precaution against possible enemy moves there and in the Balkans.

Words of Wisdom

Jesus throws down the dividing prejudices of nationality, and teaches universal love, without distinction of race, merit or rank. A man's neighbor is every one that needs help.
—J. C. Geikie.

Col. Westbury, Well Known Kootenay Man, Tells of Adventurous Army Career, Until "Chucked Out"

A former well known Kootenay resident, Col. R. S. Westbury, once of Crawford Bay, has written an interesting account of his war experiences in a letter to A. W. Lymbery of Gray Creek, Col. Westbury is now attempting to get a place in the Navy.

In his letter he refers to several people also known in the Kootenay He is replying to a copy of a letter from Mr. Lymbery which had been sent to Mrs. Westbury in England. The "Wilmots" mentioned are Sir John and Lady Tardley-Wilmot of Gray Creek. Major Wilmot has been on A.R.P. work in London since 1938. "Reginald Beckett" is Col. Beckett, who married Mrs. Westbury's sister. They stayed in Gray Creek some years ago. "Patience" is Col. Westbury's daughter, "Richard" his son. "Nelson, the man", is a friend and neighbor at Crawford Bay.

The letter follows:

Thank you very much for the copy of the letter you sent me, I greatly fear for the original is probably at the bottom of the Indian or some other ocean, but not time to catch up yet.

I was so glad to hear the news and though I have heard from Old MacLacklin also O. B. Appleton, the former saying my cherry trees were all nearly dying or dead and the latter that the bears were completely destroying the few survivors. You give me some hope that perhaps it is not so bad as they say?

My military career came to an abrupt end this October. Everyone in M.E.F. had to make a return of all officers in the Corps. I had been C. O. of an Infantry Company for nearly two years (which suited me exactly)six British officers, six regular sergeants, all the remainder—officers, N.C.O.'s and O.R.'s, being Arabs, mostly Bedouin and Druce. Damned funny—I had two regular majors (brevet) under me but they discovered I was eight years over the age limit for the Command, I was chucked out and shipped home pronto.

I managed to get a special regularg commission in February, 1938, training a T.A.M.T. Company. Then they formed "Pioneer Corps" which sounded more my line and I obtained my transfer. I volunteered for N. E.F. in September, 1940, successfully, then after a brief "nightmare" at a sort of M.E.F. Aldershot, I was posted to command of my company.

I never had a dull moment thereafter and had many interesting experiences in Palestine to start with, then Syria, Egypt, and Iraq and was just beginning to talk Arabic when I was chucked out, much regretting my advanced years, as I loved the Arabs. Incidentally one of my Arab officers, Lt. Rachid El Fattah was the first man of the whole of Wavell's army either British or Arab to get the Military George Cross, (nothing to do with me) in the whole M.E.F.

On arrival in England I was offered a post in charge of "Internee Camp" on the Isle of Man—not my line at all.

I then tried to see if there were any jobs going that I could do and saw an ad for a Welfare Officer for a firm of contractors on an Air Ministry contract. It sounded rather like a country curate. I did not know what a welfare officer was. Now here I am at New York (close to Bunkers Hill and Boston) in charge of a camp of Southern Irish, their lodging, board, fuel and light and in case Censor should read this I will not express the opinion of my "charge" except that I have never known people who could 'raise hell' as quickly without provocation—I prefer Arabs.

Sorry for all this about myself but I feel that you may wonder what I have been doing the last three years—and I shall always believe that the W. O. got my name mixed up with someone else's but I "held the job down" and an very glad of the mistake if it was one and it is all really funny.

I could trot along in the desert with the sweat running into my boots and sit in the sun with no toopee at a hundred and anything in the shade(and there wasn't any) without batting an eyelash. I have shivered with cold and been utterly miserable all the last three months in spite of wearing three sets of thick underwear and a thick cardigan.

I wish the war was over but fear we have a long way to go yet. The Boche prisoners I have seen over here have been only slightly bent and by no means broken—still truculent and fanatically convinced that they were intended the Ruling Race.

However by the time this reaches you I hope we may have shortened things a bit.

I saw the Wilmots family recently and both looked very well and much the same as ever though we are all much older. As I expect you know my nephew was captured at the start of the war and has been a prisoner of war ever since, and his niece of whom they were most devoted to was killed in the London blitz.

I should have mentioned to start with that Reginald Beckett died after an operation only a short time ago.

I have only had one picture of Patience since I have been back, she has got her second pip and I believe the youngest in the R.A.F., as she added a year onto her age when she joined, thus being full pirvate at 17.

Thank you so much for the photos your family is a fine one and I hope it will be over before your boys' turn comes—nearly grown up, fancy.

Richard will be 'for it' shortly but wants to be. I was so glad to get your letter that I am afraid that I fear that I am showing my appreciation by overdoing my reply.

I hunger for news of my home, the log cabin, all my old friends, Nelson, the man and "City", state of prosperity in the country and of the Bings and Lamberts. I wish we could all get back now that I am out of it. I met hundreds of people in the M.E.F., who would like to go out to B. C., but—when it ends rather few possibility of there stopping anyone taking any capital out. I must dry up. All good wishes to Mrs. L., yourself, Clarkes and all those who remember me.

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Willkie Enters

OGDEN, Utah, Feb. 7 (AP)—Wendell L. Willkie said today he would enter the Nebraska Preferential Primary on Aprill 11 as a candidate for the Republican Presidential nomination.

Plan to Rebuild Coventry Cathedral

LONDON, Feb. 7 (CP)—In a move believed to be unprecedented in British ecclesiastical history, Coventry Cathedral, shattered during the Battle of Britain—will be replaced by a "People's Cathedral" in which free churches will join the Anglican congregation.

One of the main features of the design of the new church will be its altar, which will be placed in the centre of the Cathedral, in the early Christian and medieval manner.

The new structure, to be erected immediately after the war, will include a Christian Service Centre "for the whole community in full partnership with the free churches," the announcement said. The centre will be connected with the Anglican Cathedral proper by a "special chapel of unity" belonging to both.

An endowment fund is planned to staff both the Cathedral and the Centre.

JAPS CLAIM LARGE CRUISER SUNK

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 (AP)—The Tokyo radio quoted Imperial Headquarters today as saying a Japanese submarine sank a "large enemy cruiser" off Wotje in the Marshall Islands Feb. 3, and Japanese planes and anti-aircraft guns had shot down a total of 92 planes during bombing raids on the great Japanese naval base of Rabaul, New Britain, since last Thursday. American advices from the Marshalls have indicated the invasion was carried out without loss of a single warship.

Japs May Be Putting Hope In Fighters

SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA, Feb. 7 (AP)—Japan may have turned her aviation production almost entirely to the manufacture of fighter planes, for one purpose: defence.

Japan's bombers in the Southwest and South Pacific are becoming fewer. Bombing raids on American, Australian and New Zealand positions are diminishing in size and number.

While Japan's bombers become more scarce in the theatre, her fighter strength seems to be inexhaustible. Swarms of fighters rise to meet Allied bombers and fighters in daily sweeps over numerous enemy-held airdromes. They are knocked down in swarms by the Allies—sometimes two squadrons at a time.

Despite heavy losses, more enemy fighters are coming down from Truk their big base in the Carolines, and even from Japan to meet the next Allied attack.

Maybe she hopes to stave off defeat by putting up an umbrella of fighter planes over her entire empire.

BOY CYCLIST KILLED

LANGLEY PRAIRIE, B.C., Feb. 7 (CP)—Arthur Leonard Dawe, 13, was instantly killed Saturday, when he fell beneath the rear wheels of a logging truck trailer, while riding his bicycle.

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Sulphuric acid, made in Canada to supply an essential ingredient of manufacture for many widely distributed industries, works for the farmer also, because, when chemically combined with phosphate rock, the result is the super-phosphate so essential to mixed fertilizers. Again, there are the salt wells at Windsor, Ontario, from which, in addition to your table salt, Chemistry produces chlorine and caustic soda, both indispensable in many different industries.

Throughout the war Chemistry has served Canada well—just as in the years before the war. When peace comes, Chemistry will take its place among the factors helping to build a great nation. Present-day services to humanity of the products of Industrial Chemistry are but an indication of future services in providing new products, new materials, new processes, to meet the demands of a restless, progressive post-war world.

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INVERNESS, Scotland (CP) — The King has given permission for the regimental pipers of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders to wear Royal Stuart tartan kilts to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the raising of the regiment.

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Red Cross Shipment

Red Cross shipments to headquarters this week were as follows:

Brilliant Group, No. 5: 23 Handkerchiefs, 2 Boy's shirts, 6 sleepers, 3 Hospital bed gowns, 5 Boy's pyjamas.

Catholic W. L.: 36 Handkerchiefs, 24 Towels, 3 Sleepers.

Crawford Bay Woman's Institute: 1 Afghan donated. Mrs. M. Fleming, 1 quilt (partly donated).

Presbyterian Church: 1 quilt (partly donated).

Railway Trainmen Ladies Auxiliary: 1 pair men's pyjamas.

Service Club Church of Redeemer: 10 infant's nightgowns.

LEICESTER, England (CP) — Rev. J. R. Collins, vicar of St. Mary de Castro Church here, paying tribute to Allied airmen, said, "we owe a tremendous debt to them and I look forward to the time when they have wiped out Berlin and the other cities of that land of warmongers."

"Spirit" Subject of Lesson-Sermon

"Spirit" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churces of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday.

The Golden Text was: "We through the spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith" (Gal. 5: 5).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "So the realm of Jehosophat was quiet: for his God gave him rest round about" (II Chron. 20: 30).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "When the final physical and moral effects of Christian Science are fully apprehended, the conflict between truth and error, understanding and belief, Science and material sense, fore-shadowed by the prophets and inaugurated by Jesus, will cease, and spiritual harmony reign."

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Birthdays . . .

Gift to Soldier Is Quite Proper

Dear Miss Fairfax:

I have been corresponding with a young man in the service for several months, and whenever he has had a weekend leave he has come to see me and has given me several presents. He has a birthday soon and is coming over to dinner on that day, and I'd like to give him something.

I read in a magazine that a girl should not give a young man a present until they're engaged. Do you think this is fair? Would I seem forward if I gave him a little remembrance on his birthday?

I.S.

It's all right for a girl to give a man, who has been attentive to her and has given her presents, some sort of little return gift. Nothing expensive of course.

Give him a book if he's fond of reading, a toilet kit for his belongings, a money belt, furlough bag, or a box of homemade cookies if he has a sweet tooth.

Blind Girls Will Seek Sight in U.S.

REGINA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Two blind girls, from Saskatchewan, sightless for many years, but hopeful they may some day see again, will travel to New York this month when doctors there will try to help them regain their sight.

The one totally blind, Hazel Belbin, of Moose Jaw, will leave Feb. 14 for New York to undergo examination which may lead to the performance of a corneal transplant operation to restore her sight. She will be examined and treated by the prominent American eye specialist Dr. Ramon Castroviejo.

The other girl is from Regina, and has been under treatment for four years at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester.

NELSON SOCIAL

By MRS. M. J. VIGNEUX

Charge for Engagement Announcements on this page is $1.50

• Mrs. T. W. Slader, Kerr Apartments has as guest her daughter, Lieut. Nuring Sister Phyllis Slader who is stationed at Lethbridge and spending her furlough here.

• Mrs. Kurt Raht of Trail visited Nelson during the weekend.

• Mrs. L. G. McCallum, Stanley Street, received a cable yesterday that her son, A.A.B. Donald McCallum had arrived safely overseas.

• Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Rohde, Rhode's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Keener of Nebraska.

• Mrs. Malcolm McKay of Procter was a visitor in town Saturday.

• Shoppers in the city yesterday included Mrs. Ida Gray of Salmo.

• John Kline was a visitor from Edgewood over the weekend.

• Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ward, Nelson Avenue, Fairview, had as weekend guests their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. Turner of Trail.

• Mr. and Mrs. N. Dosenberger and family of Sunshine Bay visited Nelson yesterday.

• Mr. and Mrs. D. Maglio, Latimer Street, had as weekend guest their son, T. Maglio of Trail.

• Mrs. A. H. Noakes of Balfour left at the weekend on an extended visit to friends in Vancouver and Victoria.

• Mrs. Potter of Trail spent the weekend in Nelson.

• E. C. Brown of the staff of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Creston visited Nelson during the weekend.

Hints for Housewives

By BETSY NEWMAN

I hope you like stew as well as I do. Some turn up their noses at it—or used to. Maybe they have been converted during the war.

TODAY'S MENU

Veal Stew with Celery and Noodles
Cauliflower
Hot Biscuits — Lettuce Salad
Steamed Pudding — Lemon Sauce
Coffee or Tea

VEAL STEW

⅛ pound salt pork, 2 pounds veal breast, neck or shoulder, 2 cups water, 2 teaspoons salt, 2 cups cut celery, 2 tablespoons flour.

Cut salt pork in cubes and fry until brown, add veal cut in 2-inch cubes and brown well. Add water and salt, and simmer 1½ hours closely covered. Add celery and continue cooking ½ hour. Thicken gravy with flour stirred in a little water. Serve with cooked noodles and garnish, if you wish, with tiny pickles.

STEAMED PUDDING

2 tablespoons shortening, 1 cup flour, 1 teaspoon soda, ½ teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon each cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg, 2 teaspoons grated lemon peel, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup shredded raw carrot, 1 cup shredded raw potato, 1 cup dried fruit (raisins, apples or figs), 1 cup nuts.

Cream shortening, mix and sift dry ingredients and add to shortening; mix in remaining ingredients. Pour into greased pudding mold (2 quart size,) and steam 1½ hours. Serve with lemon sauce.

Rest . . .

Child Should Have Midday Nap

By Garry Cleveland Myers, Ph.D.

Every child should have a daily afternoon nap until school attendance interrupts; so should his mother.

In order to cultivate the nap habit proceed as follows.

If possible, always have the child home at naptime. Be always home yourself at naptime. Be always there yourself or have a competent substitute. See that the youngster goes to bed every afternoon at a regular time. A short, leisurely walk with him just beforehand may be helpful. Excepting some soft toy to cuddle, let him take no playthings to bed with him.

Make clear to the tot he must not get up nor even sit up, in bed till the clock rings or you call for him. In case he is likely to do so, station yourself outside his door with it ajar so you can see him and he can't see you. The moment he rises from a horizontal position, go to him and spank him. Tuck him in and take up your position again. Repeat until he is cured. It may take several afternoons. Let everything else go until good results are obtained.

LONDON, (CP) — A two-week campaign against rats in the 3,000 miles of London sewers has resulted in the killing of about 1,000,000. Sixty tons of sausage rusk baited with two tons of zinc phosphide were used.

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ORANGES: Calif., lge. size, lb. 10c
ORANGES: small size, 8 lbs. 59c
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LEMONS: Sunkist, lb. . . . 15c
GRAPEFRUIT: Texas Pink, lb. . . 11c
APPLES: Fancy Delicious, 3 lbs. 27c

APPLES — Fancy McIntosh — Box $3.25
POTATOES — Netted Gems Average — 100 lb. sk. $2.39

Prices Effective Feb. 8th to Feb. 12th

Note the low prices on these ration-free items

CRISCO, Vegetable Shortening, lb. 27c
PEAS, Sugar Belle, Sieve 4, 20-oz., 2 tins 29c
SODAS, I.B.C. Select, 2-lb. carton 37c
COCOA, Cowan's, 16-oz. tin 23c
CHIPSO, Giant pkt. 49c
MATCHES, Canada, 3 boxes 25c
PEANUTS, Roasted Blanched, ½-lb. 19c
RICE, Round Grain, 2 lb. pkt. 23c
KETCHUP, Heinz, 14-oz. bottle 23c
CUSTARD PUDDING, Dalton's Assorted, 3 pkts. 20c
PUREX TISSUE, 3 rolls 19c
SALT, Windsor, 2 lb. carton 9c
FLOUR, Five Roses, 7 lb. sack 23c
CREAM OF WHEAT, 28-oz. pkt. 22c
CLAMS, Clover Leaf, Minced, 16-oz. tin 27c
BANANA FLAKES, 4-oz. pkt. 22c

SAFEWAY FRESH MEATS

ROUND BONE POT ROASTS: lb. 25c
PLATE BRISKET: rolled, lb. . . . 23c
BREAST OF VEAL: lb. 15c
BRISKET BOILING BEEF: lb. . . 14c
PORK SAUSAGE: small link, lb. 25c

NON-RATIONED MEATS

WHITE FISH, Per lb. 24c
PORK LIVER, Per lb. 15c
SLICED BOLOGNA, Per lb. 20c
SMOKED JOWLS, Per lb. 21c
WEINERS, Per lb. 25c

FEBRUARY FOOD STAMP SALE
SAVE FOR TO-MORROW INVEST IN WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

SAFEWAY

Cranbrook School BoardReports $864.83 Surplus

CRANBROOK, B.C. — After expenses of $55,762.79 during 1943 for administration of Cranbrook schools, the school board announced a surplus of $864.83.

Expenditures included $32,991.43 for teachers' salaries $1960 for nurse and medical salaries, $3,935.68 for janitors salaries, $2763.12 for debenture charges, $2,844.32 for repairs, $2222.70 for supplies, $1,700.33 for fuel, and the remainder for secretarial service, furniture, water, light, telephone, insurance, transportation, ground maintenance, and athletic activities.

Revenue was derived as follows: $37,595.66 from school tax levy, $18,216.13 from the provincial government grant, the 1942 surplus of $162.95, high school fees for out-of-town students of $343, and incidentals of $13.

Plant Gift Almonds at Gray Creek

GRAY CREEK, B.C. — Art Meers, formerly of the Kootenay Belle and Kaslo, sent five pounds of shelled Sicilian almonds as a Christmas gift to Mr. and Mrs. G. Oliver. They are longer and much plumper than the almonds locally available. Some of the nuts have been planted for souvenir trees.

ALL COATS, DRESSES and Hats now on SALE
Milady's Fashion Shoppe

Painful lips avoided!
Soreness Instantly Relieved
Sore, chapped lips make life miserable in cold weather. Painful and unsightly, their cracked, rough surfaces are easily infected. Don't run this risk! Prevent chapping with Lypsyl. Its wonderful emollient action protects the delicate membranes. Lips stay smooth and soft in all weather. When lips are already chapped, Lypsyl gives quick relief, seals the wounded membranes against dangerous germs, hastens natural healing. Get Lypsyl at your store today and use it regularly. Sold everywhere in handy stick form.
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BUILD B. C. PAYROLLS
There's Food For Children

Mothers continue to tell Pacific Milk how glad they are to have the new regulations which ensure a certain supply when their children require this form of nourishment. Last year, for a time, Pacific Milk was nearly all sent overseas.
Pacific Milk
Irradiated and Vacuum Packed

Problems . . .

Psychology Helps Soldier's Morale

By LOGAN CLENDENING, M.D.

Your conception of the average soldier or sailor is probably that of a fine, muscular, physical machine. Unless you happen to own one—a member of your own family and then you know he is also a bundle of mental and spiritual problems.

The authorities of the Armed Forces recognize this and have set up methods of trying to help out these troubles. For, while they are not sentimentally concerned over the personal happiness of Private A or Sailor Z., they are concerned with morale! And in order to keep it at a high level they apply what the man in the street very properly calls psychology.

Where can the soldier or sailor turn for help in his private problems?

The doctor, or psychologist, at a training center has about all he can do to tend to the severe neurotic patients among 6,000 to 15,000 men. So, as by present arrangement, a group of advisers has been appointed.

The advisers are given training by lectures in the nature of the services they can render, the regulations covering these situations and a fairly intensive course of instruction in mental hygiene.

Refugee Group Gives to I.O.D.E. and Kinsmen

CASTLEGAR, B.C. — Group No. 1 of the Refugee Knitting Club met at the home of Mrs. J. Dunlop. Two girls' dresses, 1 girl's skirt and 1 jerkin and 2 nighties were turned in. Work was started on a new quilt. The members decided to donate $5 to the I.O.D.E. Book Fund for servicemen and $5 to the Kinsmen Milk for Britain. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. R. Fletcher.

Refugee Group No. 2 met at the home of Mrs. Highland with Mrs. E. Reck as co-hostess.

Articles turned in were 2 pairs girl's pyjamas, 2 pairs boy's pyjamas, 5 pairs boy's mitts, 6 pairs children's socks and a baby's nightgown. Refreshments were served.

Refugee Group No. 3 met at the home of Mrs. W. Watson Thursday night. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Willow Point

WILLOW POINT, B.C. — The first of a series of Red Cross bridges was held last week at Mrs. B. Townshend's home. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Miss I. Denny. Four tables were played, Mrs. R. Bailey having the highest score.

Mrs. C. Johnson of Edmonton has been the guest of her sister-in-law Mrs. J. Horrigan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blunt who spent a few days visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. Dickson, have returned to Swift Current.

Among those attending the funeral of Frederick Niven were Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Middleton, Mr. and Mrs. J. MacDonell, Mrs. B. Heddle, D. L. Doyle, A. R. Moore, Lord Alymer, Mrs. I. C. Campbell, Miss I. Denny, N. Denny, Mrs. F. Holeson, Mrs. J. Gilroy and Miss Ross, Mr. and Mrs. B. Townshend, Mr. and Mrs. C. Shannon, Mr. and Mrs. M. Roberts.

HARROP RED CROSS GROUP MEETS

HARROP, B.C., Feb 5 — The Harrop Red Cross group met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. S. Ashby.

The tea receipts amounted to $1.75.

MANCHESTER, England (CP) — James Rowan, former General Secretary of the Electrical Trades Union and for many years a member of the General Council of the Trades Union Congress, died here. He was 72.

A Daily Dip in LUX cuts down runs 50%
A famous test laboratory washed rayon stockings three ways—washed some with strong soap, rubbed others with cake soap, and washed others in gentle Lux. When the stockings were pulled and strained as in every-day wear, results showed that washing with Lux cuts down runs 50%. Daily dipping in Lux preserves e-l-a-s-t-i-c-i-t-y, saves stocking money for other uses. Get Lux in the new, bigger package. And remember, the large size is an even better buy. JOIN THE LUX DAILY DIPPERS.
TONIGHT—dip your stockings in—LUX
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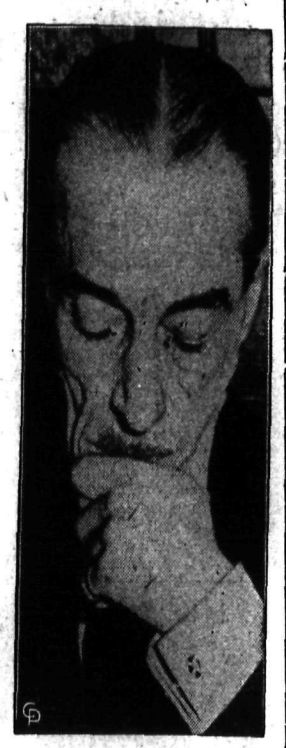
TODAY'S News Pictures

PRINCESSES IN PANTOMIME: Their Royal Highnesses, Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose, left to right, photographed as they appeared in a Christmas pantomime. Princess Elizabeth, heir to Britains' throne, appeared as "Aladdin" and her younger sister as "Princess Roxana." The cast also included local village children, evacuees and friends of the royal household. Dresses were made from scraps supplied by the children and sewn together by the royal seamstress. *King George VI supplied a number of the jokes,* and with the queen attended rehearsals.

SPAIN ON THE SPOT: Assurance that Nazi nationals would be moved at once from Spanish ports where sabotage might occur is believed to indicate that Spain has begun to veer from the Axis. Some reports say Spain will break *from the Axis in a few days.* At the same time the Duke of Alba, Spanish envoy to London, shown above, is reported about to return to Madrid with warning that England is about to "get tough."



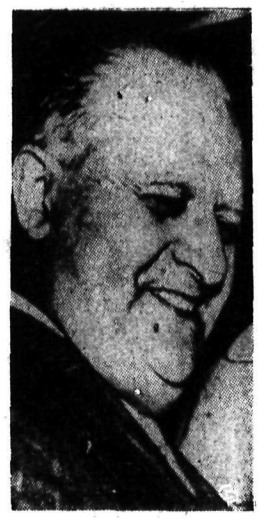
Kaslo Men in Services

Sgt. Arthur Morton, R.C.E., left, and Flight Sgt. Frank Morton, R.C.A.F., now overseas.

Instructor R. R. Butler, R.C.A.F. Patricia Bay, B. C.

Gnr. Walter Price, overseas *since 1939 with the Artillery.*

Stoker H. D. Butler, native *Kaslo lad, with his nephew,* Peter Elder, of Kamloops.



FROM ARGENTINE: Adrian Escobar, new Argentine Ambassador to the United States, as he arrived in Miami, Fla. The new Ambassador will remain in Miami several days before proceeding to Washington.

Lac. Frank Tonkin, who is training at No. 15, S.F.T.S., Hagersville, Ont., and his daughter Gloria.

SALLY'S SALLIES

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"Father, we don't care if we do beat you, now that Oliver has his own income."

by Laura Wheeler

ALL-YEAR PINAFORE: Embroidery lends the last word in style to your daughter's pinafore. She can wear this beruffled style the year 'round—with blouses or as a cool sundress.

Pattern 778 contains a transfer pattern of embroidery; necessary pattern pieces in sizes 2, 4 and 6 *(all in one pattern); directions.*

Send 20 cents for this pattern to The Nelson Daily News, Needlecraft Dept., Nelson. Write plainly pattern number, your name and address. Patterns will be mailed to your home in about 15 days. There may be some further delay in delivery because of the large increase in orders during the present season.

Marion Martin

TODAY'S PATTERN: This charming frock with slender, supple look is designed to fit any type of figure. Pattern 9058 has waist-slimming lines that prettily set off the soft bodice treatment and smooth princess panel. There's a pert tie-back belt. Collar may match the dress fabric.

Pattern 9058 comes in misses' and women's sizes 12 to 20; 30 to 48. Size 36 takes 3 1-8 yards 35-inch; ¼ yard contrast.

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AUNT HET

By ROBERT QUILLEN

"Clara is smart, but she couldn't take part in the conversation. She ain't got any servants, and that's all the others talked about all afternoon."

LONDON, (CP) — By saving approximately $3,352,500,000 during 1943, Britain's small savers broke all records. They saved $2,803,500,000 in 1942.

Contract... By Shepard Barclay

THEN SHOOT THE WORKS

WHEN YOU can't see any way to make your contract except by finding several suits divided in unlikely ways in the hands of your opponents, the only thing for the plucky declarer to do is "shoot the works." Go after exactly the break you need. If you don't get it, at least you have the satisfaction of having tried. And if it does work out as you hoped—oh, boy, isn't that a grand and glorious feeling?

North: ♠ A J 4 ♥ Q ♦ 10 9 8 6 4 3 ♣ A K 3

West: ♠ 9 8 6 ♥ K 7 4 3 2 ♦ A K 5 ♣ 8 5

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

South: ♠ K Q 7 5 ♥ J 10 6 5 ♦ 2 ♣ Q J 10 4

(Dealer North North-South vulnerable)

North	East	South	West
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	

You have shared laughs with us at "Saro" cartoons, but have you ever seen the artistry of their creator, Don Komisarow, exemplified at the bridge table? It was really pretty to see him do his stuff and make his contract with that doubtful trump suit.

After West led the diamond K and switched to the club 8, he could find only one hopeful way to bring in the bacon. That necessitated getting an even break of the outstanding cards in two suits, spades and diamonds. None dismayed, he went for it.

Taking the second trick with the club A, he began work to set up three diamonds, ruffing the 4 with the spade 5. To the dummy he went with the spade 7 to the J and ruffed the diamond 6 with the spade Q. The desired three diamonds were now established, so he was ready to try to dispose of the remaining four hostile spades. The K removed two of them. To *dummy he went then with the* club Q to the K and played the spade A. When both defenders *had to follow suit, he knew he* was safely home. On that trick he put one heart, and the three diamonds accounted for the others. He finished the hand by leading the club 3 to the J and 10.

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Tomorrow's Problem

North: ♠ A Q 10 5 ♥ Q 6 5 3 ♦ 7 6 2 ♣ Q 6

West: ♠ K 9 7 3 2 ♥ J 9 7 2 ♦ 5 3 ♣ 10 7

East: ♠ 8 6 ♥ K 4 ♦ J 10 9 8 ♣ J 8 4 3 2

South: ♠ J 4 ♥ A 10 8 ♦ A K Q 4 ♣ A K 9 5

(Dealer South. Both sides vulnerable.)

How would you try for 6-No Trumps on this deal after West leads the diamond 5?

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1. Shank (anat.)
5. Kind of meat
9. Stir up
10. Contract
12. City (Ger.)
13. Sheeplike
14. Hastened
15. Slips
16. Elevated train
17. Wild pig
18. Fastened with nails
21. Spheres
25. Sun personified
26. Move furtively
27. One who looks down on others
28. Church room
29. Bellow
31. Right Worshipful (abbr.)
32. Slanting
35. Continent
37. Highways
38. Change
39. Light boat
40. Whiskers
41. Saucy
42. Governors (Turk.)

DOWN

1. Grumble
2. Impolite
3. Employed
4. Coin (Jap.)
5. Stringed instrument
6. Surroundings
7. Tart
8. Crescent-shaped figure
9. Feels displeasure
11. Property (L.)
15. Turf
17. Boy's nickname
19. Famous statesman (Jap.)
20. North American peninsula
22. Soak flax
23. Obstacles
24. Toward the sky
26. Varying weight (Ind.)
28. Tub
30. Beginning
32. Portion of a curved line
33. Cleansing agent
34. Narrow roadway
35. Toward the lee
36. Remain
38. Warp-yarn

SPAT PASSE
POLAR AXIOM
IMAGE TILLY
TER SPELLED
STONE
EACH AT WAY
FLAYS STORE
TAM PO IOTA
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CHAGRIN ERA
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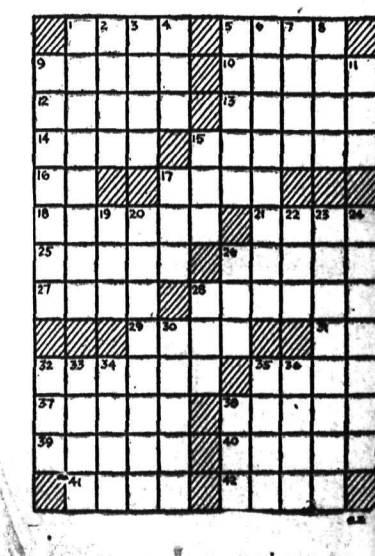
SAGER TEES

Yesterday's Answer



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Nelson, B.C.

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Model	.21	.24
Okalta Com	.65	.68
Pacific Pete	.46	.48
Royal Canadian	.04½	.05½
Southwest Pete	—	.36
United	.05¾	.06½
Vanalta	.07½	.08
Vulcan	.20	—
INDUSTRIALS		
Capital Estates	3.00	3.60
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United Distill	2.50	3.00

Calgary Livestock

CALGARY, Feb. 7 (CP) — Weekend Cattle 739; Calves 9; Hogs 1092; Sheep 1099.

No receipts today up to noon.

Handyweight lambs 10.75-11. Medium to good butcher steers 10.50-11.50. Good to choice butcher heifers 10.25-11.25. Good cows 7-7.50; common-medium 5-6.75; canners and cutters 3-4.50. Good bulls 7-7.50; common-medium 5.50-6.50.

Hogs Saturday 15.85 for B1 yards and plants.

NEW YORK STOCKS

American Can	84¼
Am Smelt & Ref	36½
Anaconda	25
Canadian Pacific	9
Eastman Kodak	157
Gen Electric	35⅜
Gen Motors	52
International Nickel	26⅝
Inter Tel & Tel	66⅞
Union Pacific	99⅝
U. S. Rubber	40

Market Trends . . .

LONDON, Feb. 7 (AP) — Stock market prices were irregular at the close today. Home rails were steady and Industrial shares finished higher.

Kaffirs were inactive and easier and International issue were down. British funds closed higher while Foreign bonds eased.

NEW YORK, — A few rail and specialty stocks managed to edge into the plus column but the general run of market leaders continued to languish in the losing ranks.

Canadian stocks were irregular with Hiram Walker up a fraction, Dome Mines, McIntyre and Distillers Seagrams down fractions and Canadian Pacific and Lake Shore unchanged.

CHICAGO, — A short-covering movement sent rye up for fractional gains but wheat and oats were little changed when compared with last week's close.

At the close wheat was ⅛ to ⅜ lower than last Saturday's close, May $1.70¼, Oats were off ¼ to ⅜, May 79⅝, Rye was ⅛ to ¾ higher, May $1.29⅞-1.30, and Barley was ⅛ to ⅜ lower, May $1.21⅞.

MONTREAL, — Easier in papers on today's market were Abitibi 6 per cent preferred, Donnacona, International Paper and Consolidated Paper. Price opened higher and at a new high but slipped below even.

Nickel was in arrears.

TORONTO, — The western oil share market was more active than usual and gains were netted by Royalite, Calgary and Edmonton, Home, Mid-continent, Anglo-Canadian, British-Dominion and Commonwealth.

Astoria Gold traded in volume of 300,000 shares or more and gained 3 to 4 cents.

Small losses showed at the close for Nickel, Hudson Bay, Smelters, Pend Oreille and Sherritt.

WINNIPEG, — Early losses in Rye were converted into gains.

Final quotations were ⅞ higher with the May future at $1.29¼, July $1.27⅛ and October $1.26.

VANCOUVER, — Mines and oils were inclined to be irregular .

MONTREAL STOCKS

INDUSTRIALS	
Assoc Brew of Can	21½
Can Car & Fdy Pfd	27¼
Can Celanese	147½
Can Steamship Pfd	11
Con Min & Smelting	40
Dom Steel & Coal	7½
McColl Frontenac	7¾
National Brew Ltd	34
Quebec Power	14
Shawnigan W & P	15⅝
St. Lawrence Corp	3⅛
St. Lawrence Corp Pfd	14¾

Toronto Stock Quotations

MINES	
Anglo-Huronian	6.10
Base Metals Mining	.11
Beattie Gold Mines	2.09
Consolidated M & S	40.25
East Malartic	1.87
Falconbridge Nickel	3.40
Golden Gate	.13
Hard Rock Gold	1.13
Hudson Bay M & S	28.50
Internat Nickel	29.50
Kerr-Addison	9.40
Kirkland Lake	1.10
Lake Shore Mines	15.75
Little Long Lac	1.07
MacLeod Cockshutt	2.35
Malartic Gold	3.60
McIntyre-Porcupine	58.25
McKenzie Red Lake	1.45
Mining Corporation	1.45
Noranda	50.25
Normetal	.77
Pamour Porcupine	1.34
Perron Gold	1.01
Pickle Crow Gold	2.14
Powell Rouyn Gold	1.45
San Antonio Gold	3.75
Sherritt Gordon	.75
Siscoe Gold	.49
Sladen Malartic	.68
Sudbury Basin	2.00
Sullivan Cons	1.72
Steep Rock	2.20
Toburn Gold Mines	1.00
Trans Conti Res	.50
Waite Amulet	4.75
Wright Hargreaves	3.20
OILS	
Imperial	13.75
Inter Petroleum	21.25
Royalite	21.00
Texas Canadian	1.10
INDUSTRIALS	
Brewers & Distillers	7⅜
Building Products	16½
Can Malting	43½
Can Pacific Rly	10½
Distillers Seagrams	34
Montreal Power	21½
Nat Steel Car	15½
Steel of Can	62

Cryptoquotes . . .

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: SAY WHAT YOU LIKE, THE ROGUE IS MORE OFTEN THAN NOT ONLY A FOOL—VOLTAIRE

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 "BB" may replace an "LL". Find the key and follow through to the solution.

CANADIANS IN ITALY: Private J. Y. Smith, of Victoria, B. C., left and Private R. M. Sowden, of Vancouver, B. C., stand in the rocky rubble near demolished St. Thomas' cathedral in Ortona, Italy, looking at a dead German paratrooper, shot as he fled from a machine gun post, he had set up in the upper storey of a nearby building.

SERVES IN ITALY: Pte. Alex (Pat) Johnston, who is serving with Seaforths in Italy, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnston, residents of Nelson for about four years who moved to Vancouver a few months ago.

Nazis Fear Official Goes Over to Allies

ISTANBUL, Feb. 7 (AP) — A high official in the German Embassy here, who has been under investigation by the Gestapo, has disappeared and the Germans apparently fear he has gone over to the Allies.

German Ambassador Franz von Papen interrupted a vacation in the Bursa Mountains to return to Istanbul and direct an investigation.

WINNIPEG GRAIN

WINNIPEG, Feb. 7 (CP) — Grain quotations:

	Open	High	Low	Close
RYE:				
May	128⅜	129¼	127⅝	129¼
July	126½	127⅝	126	127⅝
Oct.	124¾	126⅛	124¾	126
OATS:				
All futures at ceiling prices				51½
BARLEY:				
All futures at ceiling prices				64¾

CASH PRICES:
Rye: No. 2 C. W. 1.26¾.
Oats: No. 2 feed 50; No. 3 feed 49; other grains at ceiling prices 51½.
Barley: No. 3 feed 63¾; other grades at ceiling prices 64¾.

DOW JONES AVERAGES

	High	Low	Close	Change
30 Ind.	—	—	134.22	off .90
20 Rails	36.48	35.95	36.14	up .04
15 Utils	22.44	22.26	22.34	up .02

Dividends

Noranda Mine Ltd., $1.00 a share.

SPORTS

SEEKS BAN ON MAN. HORSE RACING

WINNIPEG, Feb. 7 (CP) — A ban on horse racing in Manitoba for the duration of the war will be sought by Lewis St. George Stubbs (Ind.-Winnipeg) at the third session of the 21st legislature opening here tomorrow.

Twice Mr. Stubbs has sought such legislation but each time his resolution was defeated.

Government legislation will include post war rehabilitation plans and a program for increased social services.

Seven Calgary Ice Stars to Skate Here

Seven skating stars from Calgary, including two Canadian silver medalists, will feature the Rotary Club Ice Carnival at the Civic Centre Arena in Nelson Friday night.

Margaret Mitchell and Barry Green, silver medalists, Mary Lou Moore, Glencoe Club Intermediate champion, Donna and June Arbour, precision skating pair, Glencoe Club, and Ellen Sweeney and Carol Irwin, Glencoe Club junior pair champions, are the Calgary skaters.

Noted Trail skaters will included Isabel Ross and Eddie Catalano, Trail Skating Club adagio team. A Trail Skating Club sexette will also be on the program.

Favorites of the Nelson Figure Skating Club will be on the blades, including Edna and Roy McKenzie, that comic pair of Ed. Kelter and Walter Wait, and other Club members.

Ice Carnival Held at Salmo

SALMO, B.C. — The Annual Ice Carnival was held Friday evening.

Prizes were won by: Best Dressed Lady, (Chinese) Sheila Moir; Best Dressed Gent (Indian) Terry Boterill; Comic Ladies (Pistol Packing Mamas) Marcelline MacDermid and May Larsen; Comic Gentlemen (Tramp) Norman Cosnett; Clown, little boy, Jimmy Pearson; Tired Little Tramp, Allan Grutchfield; A Play, "Three Blind Mice" was presented and those taking part were Farmer's Wife, Gordon L. Moir; Three Mice, Lewis Moir, Carl Druggie, Leonard Druggie. Other events were general skating for 10 minutes, Snake Parade by the School children led by Marcelline MacDermid. Winners of races were as follows: Boys under eight years — Leonard Druggie; Girls under eight years — Sheila Moir; Boys under 12 years — Lewis Moir; Girls under 12 years — Marcelline McDermid; Boys under 16 years — Charlie Christenson, Ymir; Girls under 16 years — Thelma Larsen. Men, open — Gordon L. Moir; Ladies, open — Thelma Larsen.

A hockey game between Ymir Midgets and Salmo Midgets resulted in a win for the Salmo team, score 2-0. Billy Gray was referee.

SALMO

SALMO, B.C. — E. Theil, who has been a patient in Kootenay Lake General Hospital for two weeks, has returned home.

Mrs. Jack Golightly was a visitor to the city.

Mrs. Carl Lindow spent a few days in Nelson.

Miss Melba and Mona McDonald and Miss Collen Dehnke visited Nelson for a few days.

Miss B. Auger of Waterways who has been visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leddicot is visiting relatives in Rossland.

Miss Dawn Sharp spent the weekend in Nelson, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Sharp.

Mr. and Mrs. Cawley had as a weekend guest the latter's sister, Miss Greta Curwen, Nelson.

Mrs. R. Halverson, Mary and Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. O. Christenson and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Towness and son, all of Ymir attended the Carnival at Salmo.

Visitors to Nelson recently were L. G. Moir, Archie Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Grutchen and family.

LONDON, (CP) — Lieut. the Hon. David A. Bethell, brother of Lord Westbury and heir to the title, has been awarded the Military Cross for gallant and distinguished service in the Middle East.

KIMBERLEY

KIMBERLEY, B.C. — Miss Arnetta Cann of Winnipeg, is visiting friends in town.

Po. Gordon Webb and Mrs. Webb of Calgary are visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bentley.

Po. Jack Morrison and Chief Po. Sid. White have returned to Calgary after spending furlough here.

Cpl. H. T. Potter with his wife and baby were here from Calgary visiting the former's mother, Mrs. L. E. Potter.

Seaman W. B. Higginson has arrived here to spend a leave with his parents.

Peter Thorliefson of the R.C.N. is home on leave.

Pte. R. Whebell arrived home this week from Kiska.

Mrs. R. Alexander of Canal Flats was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. Colledge.

Mr. and Mrs. Vince Downey were Cranbrook visitors Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Cleland of Windermere, was a recent guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Osterloh.

E. Horseman was a recent visitor to Yahk.

W. Rudrum spent the weekend at Moyie.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Eskog had as guest recently, Mrs. R. C. Stanton.

Mrs. H. Nicholson was recently called to Winnipeg by the serious illness of her son, Arthur who is stationed there with the R.C.A.F.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Card were visitors to Cranbrook Tuesday.

Mrs. Stanley Roberts, and daughter Mildred of Canal Flats are the guests of Mrs. Richardson.

Pte. Dick Allessio, who has recently returned from the Aleutians is spending leave at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Thomas and son have returned from Vancouver.

Mrs. Evelyn Hall has as guest, her daughter, Mrs. L. G. Porteous of Calgary.

Mrs. P. Bratton of Fernie, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Williams.

Pte. J. O. Gauthar has returned to his post at the Coast.

Mrs. Earl Coulter has returned from Portland where she was called by the illness of her brother.

Earl Johnson, of the U.S. Navy, has arrived to spend leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Johnson.

Ob. Donald Torgeson arrived in town this week to spend a furlough with his mother, Mrs. G. Shaw.

Mrs. Earl Johnson and son have arrived from Trail to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Leo. Johnson, and to visit her husband, Earl Johnson, who is with the U.S. Navy.

Mrs. M. B. Gill has returned from Banff.

Mrs. R. Bateman, of Saskatoon, was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. Lake, and Mr. and Mrs. Paulson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ross, have as guest, the latter's mother, Mrs. M. Charles.

Pte. J. Warnick spent a short leave in town recently.

Mrs. Richardson returned to her home here this week from the Coast.

Mrs. G. Shaw and son Od. Seaman, Donald Torgeson left Thursday for Nelson, where they will be the guests of Mrs. Turner.

Lac. Harvey Piete and Mrs. Piete spent several day's here visiting from Calgary. They left for Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Doderico have left for Banff.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Sgro was the scene of a pleasant gathering Saturday evening, when many friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. Riva gathered there.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Bonell were hosts to a number of their friends Saturday evening.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Armstrong was the scene of a jolly party recently in honor of Miss Irene Bentley, when her friends complimented her on her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rouleau were honored recently with a surprise party at their home, the occasion being their 16th wedding anniversary. Mrs. O. Fontaine, Mrs. Terriault, Mrs. A. Dufresne and Mrs. Garneau were the co-hostesses. After delicious refreshments were served, the guests of honor were presented with an English bone China tea-set, with the good wishes of the forty-eight friends present.

Mrs. L. Griffiths and son Bobby left for Vancouver Wednesday.

Squadron Leader E. G. Symonds of the Western Air Command, Vancouevr was in Kimberley this week, inspecting the local Air Cadet Squadron.

Roy Welloff and Lloyd Lindgren entertained at a party recently in honor of Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson, (nee Ingrid Erickson). During the evening Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were presented with a set of Kings Plate Flatware.

Bill Thomason, Jr., left last weekend for Calgary where he expects to enter the R.C.A.F.

APPOINT NEW AMBASSADOR TO BRAZIL

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 7 (AP) — The Argentine Foreign Ministry announce today that Felipe Espil had been appointed Ambassador to Brazil, succeeding Gen. Arturo Rawson.

Espil is a former Ambassador to the United States. Rawson was leader of last Summer's military revolution and was President of Argentina for 48 hours.

McSpaden Takes Two Stroke Win Over Nelson

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 7 (AP) — Harold (Jug) McSpaden of Philadelphia, the Winter season's top golf money winner, added a $1,000 war bond to his earnings by shooting a 70 for a two-stroke victory today over Byron Nelson of Toledo, O., in an 18-hole playoff to decide the Phoenix Open.

Deadlocked Sunday at the end of 72 holes with 273's, 11 strokes under par, Nelson and McSpaden were still even and still shooting better than par golf at the turn today.

McSpaden parred the first six of the last nine while Nelson took bogies on the 11th and 15th holes to drop two strokes behind.

Nelson, recent winner of the San Francisco Victory Open, in which McSpaden was runnerup, picked up a stroke on the 16th when McSpaden got into trouble and took a bogie. But the match reached the turning point on the 17th where McSpaden ran down a spectacular 35-foot putt for a birdie three.

Both came in for par fives on the 18th, McSpaden one stroke under par for the 18 and Nelson one over.

The Philadelphian was in difficulty only once on the first nine. His tee shot went into the rough on the 305-yard fifth. Although tree branches interefered with his swing, he pitched safely to the green.

Nelson took a birdie four on the first hole and a birdie three on the fifth, but lost a stroke to par on the seventh where he was trapped three times.

They ended the nine with cards of 35 each, one under par.

Nelson's prize for the second place was a $750 war bond.

Rotary Curlers Donate Win to Crippled Children

At the Rotary meeting held in the Hume Hotel Monday it was announced the Rotary Curlers have won $10 from City Curlers in the two games played so far in the City challenge series. Money will be donated to the Crippled Children's Fund.

Final arrangements were reviewed for the Ice Carnival, A. B. Gilker has received a wire stating time of Calgary ice artists' arrival.

Dr. N. E. Morrison in charge of entrances on Vernon and Hall streets told of plans for allowing spectators a speedy entrance. H. D. Dawson, head of decorations told all members to report for work at 9:30 Thursday evening. Mrs. R. A. Peebles is entertaining artists after the show.

Ticket sales are better than last year, according to Wm. Harold.

Playoffs Will Be In East

PORT ARTHUR, Feb. 7 (CP) — Both Allan and Memorial Cup finals will be played in the East this year, Frank Sargent, President of the C.A.H.A. said here tonight in announcing dates and venues for the 1943-44 senior and junior hockey playoffs. The National junior final is booked for Toronto and the senior final at Toronto, Montreal or Ottawa. Both series will start April 15.

Bantam Pool Has Hour Thursday

Slightly change in the ice hockey schedule for this week was made possible when it was found that ice time from 4 to 5 Thursday would be available to the Nelson Amateur Hockey Association, and since that hour is the customary Bantam Pool hour it was decided that the time would be allotted to the beginners as usual.

NEW DAYLIGHT AIR WAR RANGE: New and decisive phases in the aerial war are officially declared at hand. Until the raids on Oschersleben, Magdeburg and other points in that area, daylight raiders had remained within an area shown by the arc which swings from Bremen to Mannheim. Beyond that, bombings fell to British night bombers. Having now penetrated deeper into the Reich than at any other time, officials state that Berlin and targets in the area between the two arcs will be bombed by day as well as by night.

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McInnis Says Gov't Slow to Learn; Ask Future Role of Home Defence

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Angus MacInnis (C.C.F.-Vancouver East), said tonight in the House of Commons that co-operation of labor is sought in the war effort but that nothing is done to show appreciation of labor's endeavors.

Speaking in the throne speech debate, Mr. MacInnis said the story of labor relations since the war began indicates that the Government is slow to learn.

Mr. MacInnis said the proposed family allowances had the appearance of being substitutes for improved wages.

"That is not the purpose of family allowances," interjected Labor Minister Mitchell.

Mr. MacInnis said Gordon Graydon, Progressive Conservative House leader, had called his party the spearhead of the fight against Socialism; but both the spear and the head had been absent from the by-elections where Socialism could have been fought.

G. S. White, (P.C.-Hastings-Peterborough) said the present and future role of the home-defence (call-up) army should also be explained. If the men were to remain in Canada, he questioned the justification for the cost of maintaining 80,000 to 100,000 troops and more being called up. He said Col. Ralston also should give the House a frank statement of the reinforcement position for the overseas army—in secret session if necessary.

Figures on the call-up showed that "eight provinces are doing more than their share while one province is lagging behind." He asked if men were being called at the age of 18 in Quebec or at the age of 19.

F. D. Shaw, (N.D.-Red Deer) said persons responsible should guard against a recurrence of celebrations such as those which followed the capitulation of Italy, and in turn were followed by bloody fighting on Italian soil.

Mr. Shaw aid the present act covering old-age pensions should be replaced by "a christian act" or at least some measure to improve the pensioner's lot.

He said he approved of most of the clauses of the Progressive Conservative amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne, including the one protesting against Bureaucratic Controls and interference with Provincial Autonomy. He wondered, however, if "Mr. John Bracken has changed his views with regard to the recommendations of the Sirois report on Dominion-Provincial relations." If not, the clause in the amendment had no meaning."

P. E. Wright (C.C.F.-Melfort) expressed belief home-defence troops could contribute more to the nation in civilian life than in the army.

In establishing a basic price for farm products it should be made high enough to enable farmers to have decent homes and decent educational facilities. Large rural districts in Canada were without medical attention.

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Tax Collections $253,591,095 During January

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Revenue Minister Gibson tonight announced that the revenue department collected $253,591,095 in customs, excise and income taxes during January, a net increase of $61,960,145 over the $191,630,950 collected in January, 1943.

Income tax revenue alone accounted for $172,352,838, an increase of $36,515,754 over the figure in the corresponding month of 1943, while customs and excise collections totalled $61,238,257, an increase of $25,444,390.

Col Gibson said substantial gains in revenue were made by the three divisions in the 10-month period April 1, 1943, to Jan. 31, 1944, collections being $2,121,772,845, a net increase of $372,220,454 over the corresponding months of 1942-43, when $1,749,552,391 was collected.

Income tax collections rose to $1,360,795,297, a net gain of $216,766,311 while customs and excise revenue advanced to $760,977,548, a net increase of $155,454,143.

Collections from Western districts increases in brackets, follow:

Vancouver $131,659,362 ($38,968,939); Winnipeg $52,762,773 ($15,207,391); Calgary $22,241,842 ($6,175,413); Edmonton $16,989,250 ($9,459,592); Fort William $10,221,926 ($745,848); Regina $10,161,867 ($4,255,673); Saskatoon $5,108,717 ($1,682,435); Yukon $1,471,996 ($917,660.)

Western Canadian Pioneer Dies

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP)—Mrs. Emma Durante Perry, 81, a pioneer of early Western Canada and wife of Maj.-Gen. Aylesworth Perry, retired Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, died today.

She also was the mother of Brig. K. M. Perry, Deputy Director-General of the Reserve Army.

A native of Lachute, Que., she was married to Gen. Perry, then a young inspector in the North West Mounted Police, in 1933, and trekked over virgin trails to their first post, Fort Macleod, where she was the first white woman resident.

After the North West Rebellion, she and her husband made their way to his new post, Prince Albert, Sask., and later they lived at Vancouver, Calgary and Regina.

When the great gold rush started at the turn of the century, they went up to Dawson City, and then moved on to Vancouver where they lived until 1942, when they came to Ottawa.

Survivors include her husband, one son and two daughters.

DEATHS

PALM BEACH, Fla. — Will B. New York World Telegram who specialized in political satire and lampooning of current events.

LONDON—Victor D'Andre, husband of the late Anna Pavlova, Saturday, at the age of 74.

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By-Elections In Britain Hold Political Interest

By ROSS MUNRO
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Feb. 7 (CP Cable) — Political interest in Britain has shifted from the Brighton by-election retained for the Government by a narrow margin last week, to West Derbyshire where a youthful Marquis is opposing a shoemakers' son in the Feb. 17 by-election in that Conservative seat.

The close call of the Brighton Victor, Flt. Lt. William Teeling, Conservative, who defeated Bruce Briant, Independent, by 14,394 to 12,636 votes in a constituency that normally returned huge Conservative majorities, worries Party chiefs. As a result the Conservative machine will wage a stiffer campaign in West Derbyshire, with some cabinet ministers possibly taking part.

The 26-year-old Marquess of Hartington, a captain in the Coldstream Guards, heir to the Duke of Devonshire and future head of the Cavendish family, is the Conservative candidate seeking to retain the West Derbyshire seat held almost without a break by members of his family for 300 yars.

Hartington is opposed by 52-year-old Alderman Charles White, Independent Socialist candidate with a long experience in local government and a solid knowledge of farming. His shoemaker father wrested the seat from the Cavendish family in 1918 and held it until he died two days before election day in 1923.

The Feb. 17 by-election was necessitated by the resignation of Col. Henry Hunloke, Hartington's uncle. The infant Commonwealth Party, which has won two by-elections is supporting White.

There are four other byelections pending. In the Conservative seat of Bury St. Edmunds, an Independent candidate is opposing the Conservative. The other seats—Kirkcaldy in Scotland North Camberwell and Clay Cross in England—are held by Labor. There has yet been no indication whether the labor candidates will be opposed.

At the end of the First Great War 126,000,000 Europeans were reported destitute.

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Herridge Emphasizes Problems of West Kootenay; Urges Amendment to Industrial Act

VICTORIA, Feb. 7 (CP)—Problems of West Kootenay were emphasized by H. W. Herridge (C.C.F. — Rossland - Trail) while speaking in the Throne Speech debate in the Legislature today.

He discussed labor at Trail, school taxation, East-West road connection between Rossland, Trail and Grand Forks, clarification of jurisdiction over agriculture, improved service to farmers by the Department of Agriculture, soldier settlement, public works administration, farmer sportsman cooperation, and preservation of historical sites and records. He also discussed C.C.F. organization and objectives.

Members of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers at Trail were anxious that the three months membership "wait clause" in the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act should be removed. They believed it was unfair. The union had a majority of workers at the Consolidated plants at Trail but owing to this clause were unable to obtain recognition.

Mr. Herridge suggested the survey on education would find "an excellent undiscovered source of revenue" in the plants of the West Kootenay Power & Light Company Limited on Kootenay River, and suggested that the survey "investigate the situation" with respect to Consolidated plants at Trail.

The Rossland-Trail Member asked that Works Minister Anscombe deal as early as possible with the proposed "Victory Highway" between West Kootenay and the Boundary, which would swing South from Rossland through Paterson into Washington State to a depth of five miles and take a Westward course to Cascade or Laurier and thence to Grand Forks. American officials and public were cordial to this proposal, he said, because they wished a similar concession from British Columbia a little to the West of Grand Forks.

Such a route, Mr. Herridge stated, would reduce the distance to be travelled by six to 10 miles, and would eliminate two summits, one of 4400 feet and the other of 5400 feet. Highest point of the route would be 2200 feet lower than Rossland itself; the road could be built by bulldozer and truck, would provide good alignment, and would eliminate Winter blockade by slides and drifting. The present Rossland-Cascade road would cost a great sum to standardize and would involve heavy maintenance costs.

Mr. Herridge also urged standardization and paving of the road route from Trail through Salmo to Nelson, which with the Nelson-Castlegar-Trail section would provide a loop and would relieve congestion at the Castlegar Ferry, possibly to the point where a highway bridge at Castlegar could be postponed indefinitely.

He urged consideration of a public building at Trail to house police, public works, social welfare and other services.

In dealing with motor licence fees the Government, Mr. Herridge suggested, should consider such places as Deer Park and Renata, where the fees were the same as elsewhere, but where residents had no connection to the road system of the Province.

He suggested the Sirois Commission's recommendations for division of activities between the Dominion and Provincial Governments should be adopted. The Member urged that senior officials of the Department of Agriculture should travel the Province more to keep in closer contact with farmers organizations; and he suggested District Agriculturists should be called to annual conferences to discuss new methods and problems. Mr. Herridge also proposed periodic refresher courses to the nurses at universities at the Government's expense, particularly for men engaged in research.

Developed farms now occupied by elderly people who were ready to retire offered an opportunity for soldier settlement, he said. He proposed the formation of advisory committees of practical farmers to avoid mistakes of soldier settlement after the last war; suggested soldier settlers should have a choice of location and should be trained in the areas they selected; and urged that agreements with settlers should not be concluded until after a probationary period to determine whether the settler was likely to be a success. No settler could be successful, he contended, unless his wife also was interested in farming.

Mr. Herridge felt the agricultural course at U.B.C. was not providing satisfactory services for farmers' sons and daughters who wished to farm but was educating them for industry. He appealed for a two-year course, similar to those in Ontario, to train young farmers to become future cooperative leaders and managers.

From a settler at Trout Lake he brought the suggestion that after the war radio communication should be provided for settlers in isolated communities.

VICTORIA, B.C., Feb. 7 (CP) — Continuing the Throne Speech debate in the Legislature today, Mark Connelly (L.C.-Omineca) said settling veterans on bush farms was not good enough and that care should be taken to select good land adjacent to roads and schools.

The speaker said British Columbia should have had the Alaska Highway, but that Alberta had stolen the show. "If the highway is to be of any material value to this Province, it must connect with our West Coast and the only logical route is via Hazelton."

Cranbrook Bus Meets Truck

Sunday's Greyhound bus making the trip from to Cranbrook collided with a truck crumpling a fender at a narrow place in the road between Nelson and Fraser's Landing. Nobody was hurt.

The Southbound main lake ferry was detained one hour when it waited for the bus.

CREWMEN ESCAPE INJURY IN COAST LANDINGS

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7 (CP)—Six crewmen escaped injury when two twin-engined R.C.A.F. land craft made belly landings in the sea off Vancouver Island today. The planes came down in the Campbell River area about 130 miles Northwest of Vancouver.

The crewmen were rescued by a Canadian Pacific Airways float craft which had been flying in the vicinity and was called to the scene by a third R.C.A.F. plane which was not forced to land, according to a Western Air Command announcement.

The announcement said only meagre reports had been received but it was reported one of the machines was forced down by engine trouble.

U.S. Navy Nurses Arrive in Britain

LONDON, Feb. 7 (CP) — One hundred U. S. Navy nurses, the first to serve in Britain, have arrived here. A Navy hospital, soon to be opened in England, will be staffed by 65 doctors, four dentists and 500 to 600 hospital corpsmen in addition to the nurses.

Interpreting The War News

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
Associated Press War Analyst

Moscow estimates 15 German divisions have been caught in the double trap sprung by the Red Armies in the Dnieper Bend, but they represent a probable aggregate of only 175,000 men. That means the snared divisions are at half strength.

Whether Russian estimates are based on known Nazi combat losses not replaced or upon knowledge that some parts of all trapped divisions had already been withdrawn in retreat is not clear.

German "evacuation" of the Rowne (Rovno) and Luck (Lutsk) rail and road hubs in Poland redoubled the danger of a decisive Russian break-through in the centre to the Rumanian border or beyond. The Russians were quick to seize the opportunity. They are after bigger game there than anywhere else on the long East front.

Lwow, metropolis of Southeastern Poland, is directly connected by rail ith both Luck and Rowne. It is the prime distributing centre supporting the whole tottering German defence line East and South of the city and is in deadly peril.

Lwow is on the Warsaw-Odessa main line, the last rail trunk connecting the whole Nazi Black Sea flank with Germany direct.

Russian forces to the South on the Upper Bug River South of Vinnitsa have stood on the defensive almost within sight of the line for weeks, beating off furious German counter-attacks. The Nazi forces engaged in these operations now are threatened with being cut off from Germany.

The threat to Lwow as the Russians swing Southward from the Luck-Rowne salient is obvious. Moscow reports placed spearheads at Mlinov and Mizoch, South of Luck and Rowne, over the weekend. That represented about a 30-mile advance on Lwow, still some 80 miles to the Southwest.

It looks, however, as though Tarnopol, next major station South of Lwow on the Warsaw-Odessa trunk line, might be the real Russian objective in that sector rather than Lwow. Tarnopol is a critical doorway to the heart of Rumania.

A railroad leads due South from Tarnopol across the headquarters of the Dniester River into the valley of the Siret. That valley is the highroad from the North, passing East of the Transylvanian Alps, to Ploesti and to Bucharest, Rumanian capital. A Russian drive in that direction would threaten hundreds of miles in the rear of the whole German flank to the Black Sea. The Red push South from Luck and Rowne seems headed that way.

It is a threat the Nazi High Command cannot ignore. Some of the German forces holding the Upper Bug front nearest the Warsaw-Odessa railroad must be moving Northward to ward off the new Russian thrust. Yet any weakening of the Nazi Bug line must see the First Ukraine Army resume its offensive with every prospect of snapping shut the great trap at which the initial Kiev Bulge breakthrough was aimed from the start down the Kiev-Zhmerinka feeder of the Warsaw-Odessa railroad.

That South-Centre sector from Luck to South of Vinnitsa and Zhmerinka has been the most critical all along for the Germans. The fate of Nazi Balkan satellite states is hanging in the balance there.

WILSON CHIEF: Gen. Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, who is Allied Commander-in-Chief in the Mediterranean.

B.C. Employees to Seek Collective Bargaining Deal

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7 (CP) — Twenty-five British Columbia Provincial Employees' groups have combined under the constitution and will seek an amendment to the Industrial Conciliation Arbitration act to enable the new organization to be permitted to seek a collective bargaining agreement with the Provincial Government. it was announced today.

The amalgamation was announced following a two-day convention here over the weekend. Under present regulations civil servants are prevented by law from making such agreements with the government.

The executive of the new organization, to be known as the B. C. Provincial Government Employees' Association, will shortly approach the Executive Council of the Provincial Government to discuss the question of the Provincial Police organizing to join the Association.

E. P. O'Connor of Vancouver was elected President and J. H. Wilson of Essondale, B. C., Vice-President of the Association.

Claim Fascists Violate Papal Rights

ZURICH, Switzerland, Feb. 7 (CP-Reuters)—The Italian-Swiss border correspondent of the Basler Nachrichten said today that Fascist Police in Rome had violated the Papal exterritorial rights by surrounding St. Paul's College and searching the premises.

The correspondent, reporting from Chiasso, said that "65 persons who had fled to Vatican territory have been arrested" and that police confiscated gasoline, tires and trucks. He added that the College Rector was reported arrested in spite of a protest lodged by Vatican authorities."

Mitchell Answers on Military Call-Ups

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Cases of men already in the Armed Forces receiving call-up notices under the Mobilization Act now are "few and far between" as a result of actior taken to strengthen the mobilization organization, Labor Minister Mitchell said today in the Commons.

A few such cases were bound to occur due to errors, failure of recruiting offices to notify registrars of the enlistment of individuals, failure of some young recruits to state their correct age on enlistment, and other reasons, the Minister said.

Mr. Mitchell was answering Gordon Graydon, Progressive Conservative House Leader, who said he had met a man who had been in the Army since March, 1942, and who had just received his call-up notice.

Asks About Bad Meat in Quebec

OTTAWA, Feb. 7 (CP) — Mark Senn (P.C.-Haldimand) asked Agriculture Minister Gardiner in the Commons today whether it is true that there is a glut of meat in Canada at present.

Mr. Senn quoted a statement made last week by J. S. McLean, President of Canada Packers, who said the meat situation had switched from one of scarcity to one of surplus. He also asked Mr. Gardiner to explain what had happened in Quebec City where 500,000 pounds of meat had been found unfit for human consumption.

Harop Man Leaves $780

Letters of probate were granted by His Honor Judge W. A. Nisbet, in Chambers Monday to Mrs. Isabella Stevenson of Harrop regarding the estate of her husband, James Forbes Stevenson, valued at $760.48. Mr. Stevenson died at the Coast June 21, 1943. Land valued at $733 formed most of the estate. Mrs. Stevenson is sole beneficiary.

E. P. Dawson was the solicitor.

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Quebec C.C.F. Opposes New Labor Legislation

MONTREAL, Feb. 7 (CP) —The C.C.F. Provincial Council today announced its "opposition to the new Quebec Labor Legislation" and its intention "to cooperate with the Trade Union movement in securing proper labor laws for the people of Quebec."

(Two new labor laws were given royal assent in Quebec last week. They forbid public services employees to strike, and set up a labor relations board to supervise enforcement of the new legislation compelling employers to recognize any union of which 60 per cent of their employees are members. They also make collective bargaining compulsory.)

Hawken Pleads Not Guilty

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7 (CP) — Charles Hawken pleaded not guilty today at the opening of his assizes court murder trial. He will be placed in the witness stand to give his version of events leading to the gunslaying of Francis A. Boland.

Other Defence testimonies, not hitherto presented at preliminary hearings, may also be called.

Province Roll Revision Wed.

The Provincial Court of Revision for consideration of appeals against land assessments in the Nelson Assessment District, will sit at the Court House Wednesday morning to determine eight appeals.

The Judge is C. B. Garland.

Lt.-Col. Creighton Commands Seaforths in Italy

VANCOUVER, Feb. 7 (CP)—Lt.-Col. A. James Creighton of Vancouver has been placed in command of the Seaforth Highlanders of Vancouver in Italy, it was learned today. An airgraph received by Col. Creighton's wife told of his appointment and that of Maj. D. M. Clark of Vancouver as second in command early in 1944.

Col. Creighton went overseas with the First Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders, in December, 1940, and returned to Canada about a year ago to take over a post at the Royal Military College, Kingston, Ont., in October, he reverted to the rank of major in order to go overseas. His rank of lieutenant colonel was restored shortly after he arrived in Italy and took over command of the Seaforths.

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Mrs. E. M. Long has received a letter from Sgt. Howard Delmage of the Seaforth Highlanders overseas. He spent a summer in Nelson. His letter says in part:

"Was in hospital from July 21 up until two weeks ago. Spent the time in English hospitals and they really treated me grand.

"I've often thought of the summer I spent in Nelson and how much I enjoyed it there.

"Can't say I like North Africa much, too much dirt and flies to suit me. People are dirty in their habits. Have been in Tripoli, Tunis, Algiers and other places. Reason I've seen Tripoli and other places, transferring from one hospital to another.

"You know I'm in a bit of a pickle. When shrapnel hit me, caused an artery to break, so I happened to get six pints of Yanky blood in a transfusion. What am I now, Yank or Canuck?

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