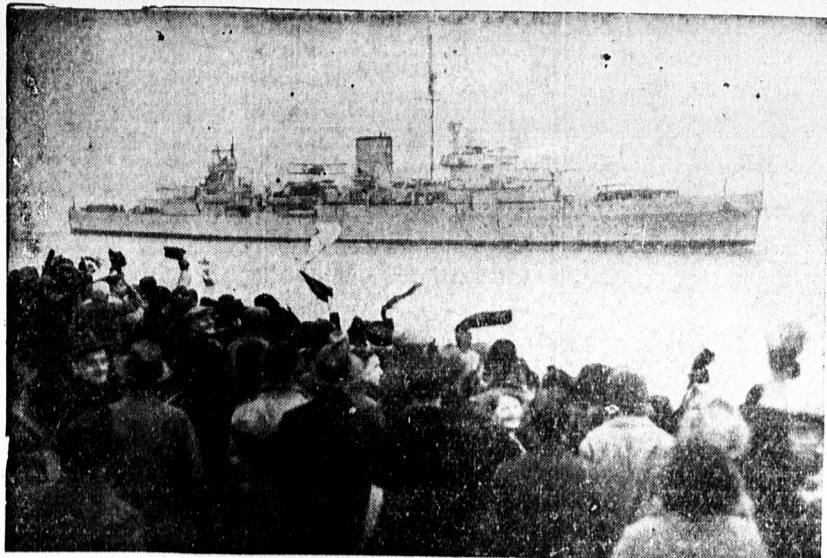
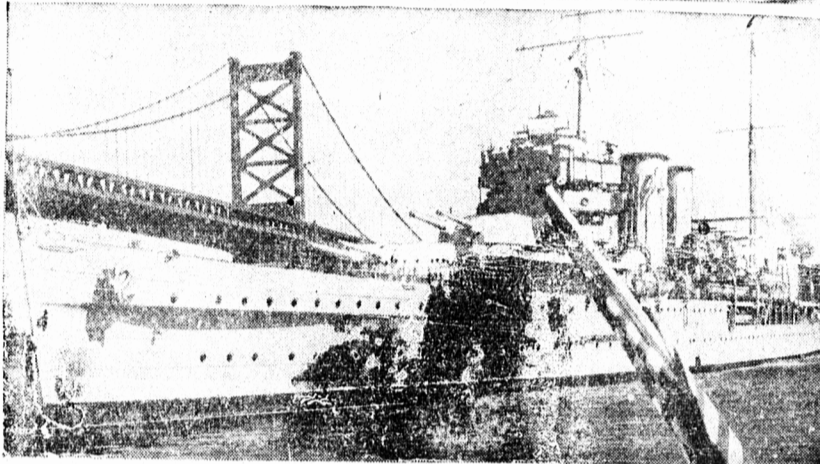


# NEWS of the WORLD in PICTURES



To the proud battle record of the British cruiser Ajax, one of the Admiral Graf Spee's conquerors at Montevideo, has been added a singlehanded victory over two Italian squadrons. First she tackled three destroyers, sinking two of them. A few hours later she attacked a force of one heavy cruiser and four destroyers. One destroyer was badly damaged, and the rest of the Duce's warship fled. The Ajax is shown (LEFT) as cheering throngs welcomed her home after the Graf Spee victory. "St. Vincent, 1780," is the first battle commemorated on the record of the Ajax (RIGHT). The last name on the plaque is "The Plate, 1939," the battle in which the present Ajax helped defeat the Graf Spee. Now the Ajax can add another victory to the list. Significant of the British navy's lack of respect for the Duce's war fleet is the terse language of the admiralty communiqué which tells of the Ajax victory. The Ajax had twice encountered and defeated Italian squadrons, both of them more numerous and one considerably stronger than herself, before the cruiser York (LOWER) came to her support. The York's commander, says the communiqué, "believed H.M.S. Ajax was in touch with considerable enemy forces."



**RUNS FOR PARLIAMENT**  
Pls. Alex. Denomme, of the Governor-General's Post Guards, Ottawa, president of East Ottawa Social Credit association, has announced he will contest the coming by-election in East Ottawa as a Social Credit candidate. He has been granted leave for the campaign.

Britain's hero today is Capt. E. D. B. McCarthy, pictured before the guns which helped spell the end of the pocket battleship Graf Spee last December, and which now have sunk two Italian warships and crippled a third. Capt. McCarthy took the cruiser Ajax into battle Oct. 12 against two Italian squadrons in the Mediterranean, decisively beating both and suffering only minor damage in return.



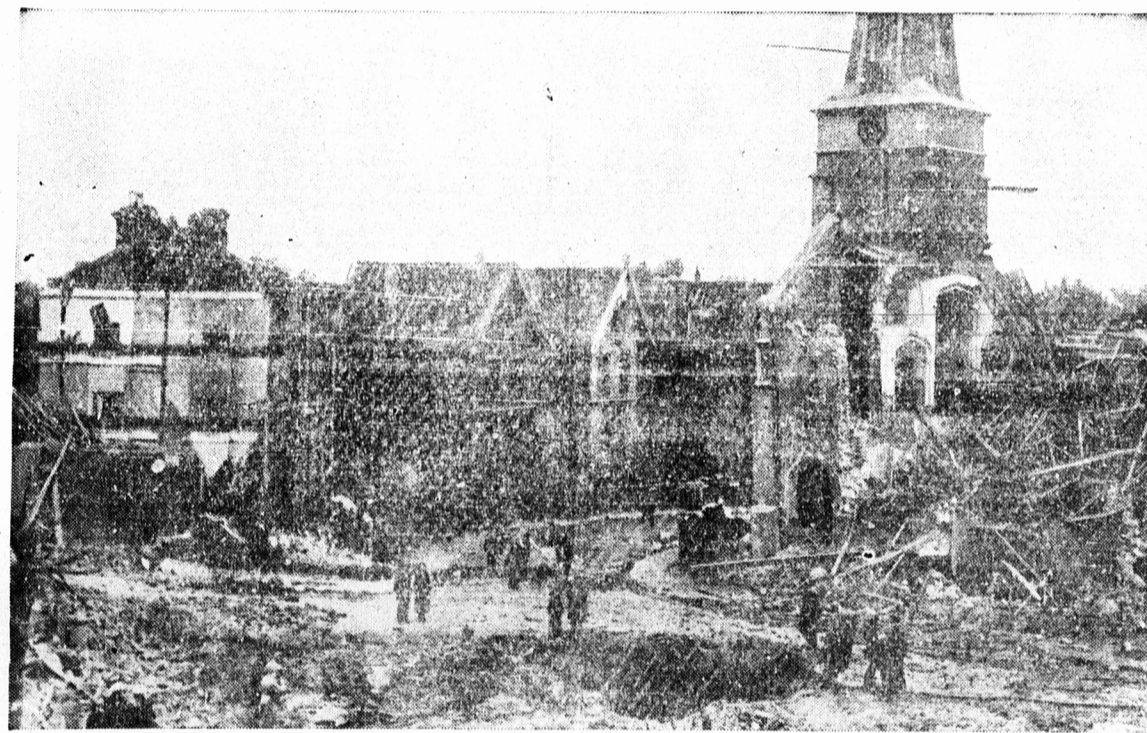
CANADIAN KILLED ON AJAX

Less than five months after he left on special duty with the Royal Navy, Sub-Lieut. George Henry Kirkpatrick "Pat" Strathy, 22, of Toronto, died in action aboard H. M. S. Ajax off Sicily. His body is now reported at Gibraltar. Strathy was one of 29 top-ranking Canadian mathematicians and physicists sent to England at the request of the British admiralty to work with leading English mathematical experts on new means of detecting enemy aircraft, submarines and "smaller bodies."

the Lafayette Escadrille and long a soldier of fortune is honorary commander. His nephew, golfer Robert Sweeney, recently squired the former Barbara Hutton before volunteering.



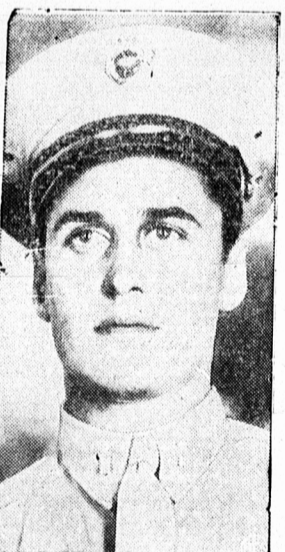
Widely divergent phases of the war effort had the attention of Hon. C. G. Power, minister for air (CENTRE), when he visited the St. Thomas area. With Air Vice-Marshal L. S. Bredder, chief of air staff (LEFT), and J. S. Duncan deputy minister (RIGHT), he inspected the air training school at St. Thomas and the new school of bombing and air gunnery at Fingal. Then he attended a banquet in connection with the international plowing matches at Port Stanley.



Four hundred persons, including the vicar, were huddled in air raid shelter beneath this church in southeast London when Nazi bomb struck. Bomb smashed church to complete ruins, shattered roofs and windows of surrounding houses. All 400 in shelter escaped injury.



**TO LEAD THIRD DIVISION**  
Brig. E. W. Sansom of Ottawa has been appointed officer commanding the 3rd Division, assigned to defence of the Atlantic area. Brig. Sansom will return to Canada from overseas and take over his command at an early date, with the rank of major-general.

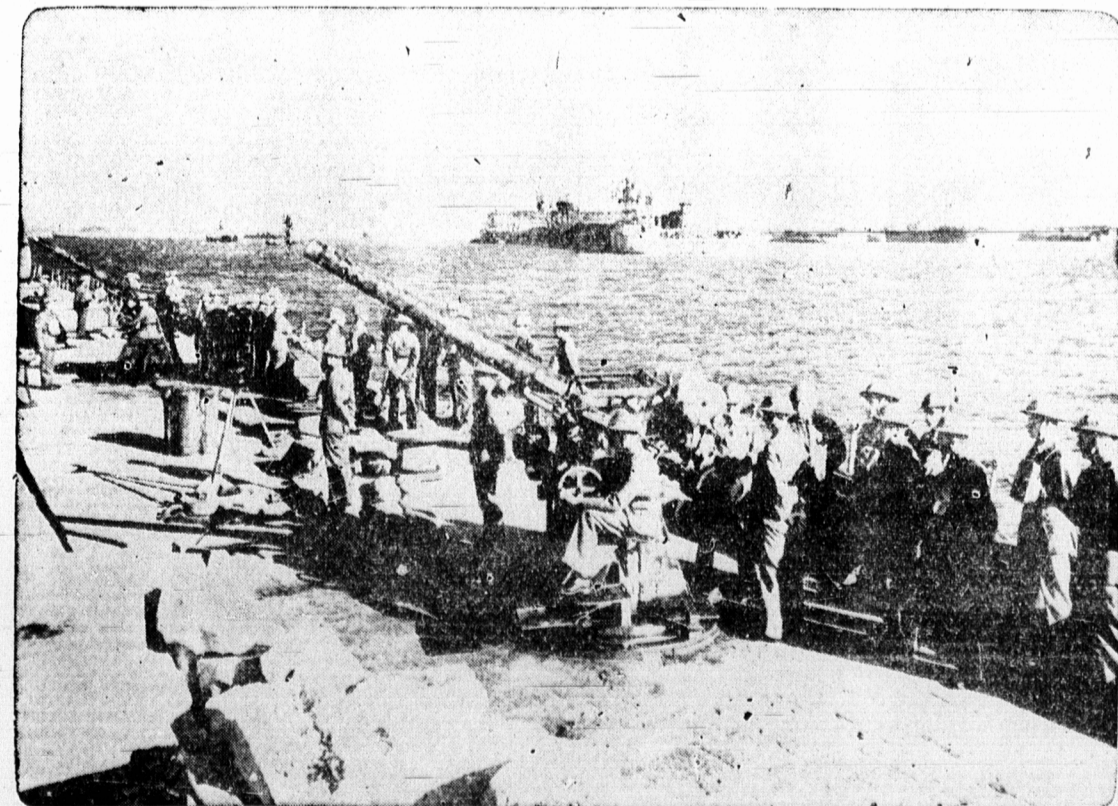


Commander Taylor



Col. Sweeney Robert Sweeney

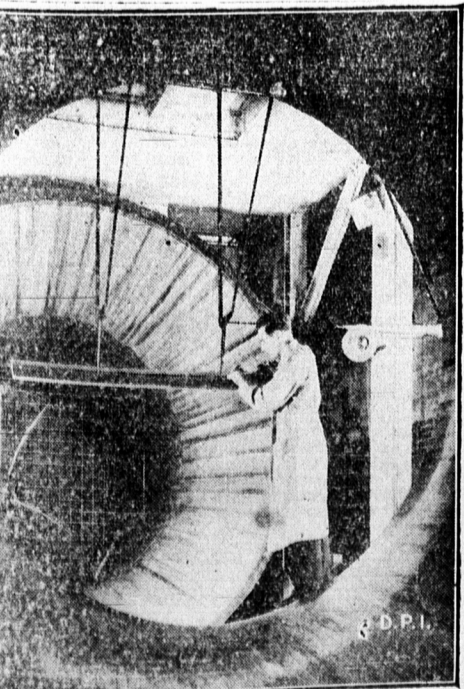
Their inspiration the last war's famed Lafayette Escadrille, 34 volunteer American fliers, whose former interests ranged from cafe society to crop dusting, recently organized an "Eagle Squadron" to fight with the R. A. F. In active command is William E. G. Taylor, former U. S. M. C. pilot and New York socialite. Col. Charles Sweeney, one of the organizers of



One of the first pictures taken on the Rock of Gibraltar since the war began, the photo above shows anti-aircraft units standing by their guns, with the shore of Spain looming in the background. Defenders of Britain's famed "lock" on the Mediterranean's western gate are increasingly on the alert for the day when sporadic Axis bombings of the fortress turn into a full-scale attack.



**EACH HAS TO BUY HIS OWN**  
Every member of Ontario's new volunteer constabulary pays \$60 for this uniform of blue tunic with khaki breeches. They receive no salary.



Wind tunnel at National Research Council in Ottawa, where models of war planes are tested.