

# RUSSIANS FAIL IN ATTEMPT TO LAND TROOPS

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OF A  
MERE MAN

Would you live with ease, do  
what you ought, not what you  
please.

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# SECURITY PATROLS ARE ACTIVE

## Parachute Plan Fails As Finn Marksmen Score

### Dozen Cities Are Damaged As "Red" Warplanes Carry Out Most Intensive Attacks Of War.

By Wade Werner  
Associated Press Staff Writer

HELSINGFORS, Jan. 12 (AP)—Soviet Russia's air force today subjected southern Finland to one of the heaviest bombings in the month and a half of war, breaking Helsinki telephone communications with the outside world and inflicting damage on a dozen other cities.

The violent attack came a day after a Soviet attempt to land parachute troops on the Karelian isthmus was reported to have ended in mass death in the air.

Lathi, 60 miles north of the capital, received the heaviest damage. The radio station in this important railway junction was put out of commission by bombs. Elsewhere the damage was not so heavy although there were some casualties. Thirty planes raided Abo (Turku), southwestern seaport through which one much foreign material and many volunteers for Finland are passing. Other cities under the glare of bothna were pounded.

Bomb telephone lines  
Bombs which broke Helsinki's telephone connections with foreign lands fell on islands some 30 miles south of the capital. Vibrations were felt here. Riihimaki, a rail junction 40 miles north of Helsinki, also was bombed. Telephone communication was expected to be reestablished shortly.

Air raid sirens screamed in Helsinki.

## International At A Glance

(By The Canadian Press)

**LONDON**—British airmen bomb German island of Suhl, reconnoitered far 1 1/2 de German territory; planes anti-aircraft fire a tie of German aerial scouts on England's east coast.

**HELSINGFORS**—Soviet Russian planes bomb southern Finland; break Helsinki's outside telephone communication; Lathi radio station silenced.

**BUCHAREST**—King Carol gives ministers confidential report on recent conference with Regent Prince Paul of Yugoslavia.

**GUAYAQUIL**, Ecuador—Handful of army sergeants and soldiers uprising started by defeated presidential candidate.

**TOKYO**—Japan faces cabinet crisis; Domei News Agency quotes Premier General Abe as saying he would resign Sunday.

## Coming Events

Rate for Notices in this column 3 cents per word.

\*Reserve February 13th for Zion Church Valentine Tea. L-490-1-13-11

\*Opening skate Cornwall rink tonight. Good ice. L-512

\*New Glasgow rink tonight Rangers vs. Imperials 8 p. m. L-520

\*We buy new goose and duck feathers not mixed. Henry Mack-Farlane & Co. L-204-12-7-14

\*Loading hogs Tuesday January 16th, Murray River. W. E. Jenkins. L-501-1-13-11

\*Rovers vs. Maple Leafs Milton rink tonight. League game, skate after. L-508

\*Card Party and Dance, Toronto School, Monday, Jan. 15. If not fine Thursday. L-506

\*Card Party and Dance, Toronto School, January 15th, Monday. If not fine Thursday, January 13th. L-489-1-13-11

\*Poultry—Buying live and dressed poultry all kinds. Paying top market prices. Island Cold Storage Co. Ltd. L-341-12-13-11

\*The Annual Meeting of the New Perth Dairying Co. will be held on Tuesday, January 16th at 1 o'clock. L. George Dewar, Secretary. L-438-1-12-21

singfors at 2:15 p. m. (8:15 a. m. AST) for an hour and 35 minute "aerics" but no planes were sighted over the city itself. The Russian bombers ranged over a wide section of southern Finland, however.

### Shoot Dangling Russians

Finnish marksmen on the isthmus were reported to have frustrated the attempt to land troops of the Red army's parachute corps by picking them off as they dangled in the air. While workers set about repairing the capital's shattered long-distance lines, to points abroad, war correspondents with Finland's Arctic army reported that the Russians, armed with books of instructions on how to ski had begun a tremendous twin attack from the Salla and Petsamo fronts seeking to penetrate Finland from the icy north.

So far, however, they had managed to build strong fortifications in only one Salla district town in the north, Southward to below Suomussalmi in Finland's narrow waistland. Finnish frontiers are of any appreciable enemy forces.

It was in the snows at the edge of this wasteland that Finnish armies cut a piece of the 163rd and 44th Red army divisions.

### New Evidence

New evidence of the peculiar efficiency of the white-shirted Finnish woodsmen came in the course of an 800-mile trip by Thomas Hawkins, Associated Press war correspondent with the Finnish armies in the field.

Hawkins drove for as much as two hours without seeing any sign of an army unit until he saw a sentry who slipped silently from the woods on skis.

He crawled on hands and knees through the low entries of the wigwam hidden in a snow-coated forest to find the headquarters of the victorious Finnish Suomussalmi command.

## COL. LOWTHER APPOINTED TO 1ST. DIVISION

### Charlottetown Man To Be Attached To Staff Of Major-General McNaughton.

Lieut. Col. L. T. Lowther, Commanding Officer of the Prince Edward Island Light Horse, has been appointed to the staff of the First Canadian Division Overseas, commanded by Major-General A. G. L. McNaughton, it was announced here yesterday.

Lieut. Col. Lowther, who has been Principal of Prince Street School here since 1929, served overseas in the first war. He enlisted in the 8th Battalion at Sackville, where he was a student at Mt. Allison University. He went overseas in the same battalion as Col. J. L. Ralston, now Finance Minister of Canada.

Lieut. Col. Lowther received his commission as Lieutenant in the field and saw action during the greater part of the war. He was wounded at Bourlon Wood in 1918 and was invalided to the United Kingdom.

After the war he was appointed Squadron Commander of the re-organized Light Horse. After the retirement of Col. F. I. Andrew, Lieut. Col. Lowther was made commanding officer of the unit.

Since his return to this Province after the war he was appointed advanced militia staff course and later conducted a staff course for other officers in Charlottetown.

Lt.-Col. R. N. Luton, Halifax, senior military officer, is the only other Maritime attached to the first division staff.

**OTTAWA**, Jan. 12—(CP)—Labor minister McLarty announced tonight a decrease of 26 per cent in the number of people on urban and agriculture relief in Canada in November, 1939, as compared with November of the previous year, the 1939 total being 582,000.

Compared with November, 1937, this figure was down about one-third, the minister's statement said.

## This Is A Strange War!



Here you see artillery on sleighs and troops on skis! It is not long ago that the jungle of sleigh bells meant that Santa Claus was on his way. Now, in Finland, it means that death is on his way for Red troops who are engaged in the bestial assault on that little country. The "ski cavalry" has penetrated Russian territory in several spots and is reported to have cut the railway line to Murmansk over which supplies for that Arctic port and the troops attacking Finland are carried.

## Air Service Is Bettered Under New Schedule

### Reduced Passenger Rates And Additional Service Between Ch'town & Moncton.

Improved air transportation service to Charlottetown will result from a new schedule of Canadian Airways which goes into effect on Monday, according to word received here yesterday by P. S. president C. N. Bisset of the Charlottetown Board of Trade from Mr. H. S. Jones superintendent of the Airways who is now in Moncton.

Under the new schedule, the first class is from the Eastern states and Montreal will be carried to Charlottetown from Moncton, and outgoing mails to such points from Charlottetown to Moncton, at regular letter rates.

Single passenger fares from Charlottetown to Moncton will be reduced from \$9.00 to \$6.54, and return fares from \$16.00 to \$11.70.

In addition to the present schedule leaving Charlottetown at 12:45 p. m. and arriving here on return at 5 o'clock there will be a plane arriving here in the morning at 8:45 with through air mail from Montreal, which plane will leave Moncton at 7:30 and will bring a mail closer than Montreal up to mid-

night of the previous night. An additional plane will also leave Charlottetown in the afternoon at 3:30, arriving at Moncton at 4:49 and connecting with an outgoing airmail service to Montreal.

There will be no reduction in passenger fare from Summerside to Moncton from Summerside to Charlottetown, it being maintained the distances are too short and that the \$2.00 minimum fare is reasonable compared with railway rates.

Under the new arrangement the daily return flights from Halifax and St. John to Moncton are being discontinued. These centres will be served only by the early morning plane leaving Moncton at 7:30 and returning to Charlottetown at approximately 4:45 p. m. There will be no direct air connection between Halifax and Saint John to Charlottetown.

The new service is regarded as very satisfactory by the Board of Trade, which has received the copy of the new schedule from the Department in pressing the Province's claims on the transport authorities.

## Death Toll High As Hope Abandoned For Entombed Coal Miners

BARTLEY, W. Va., Jan. 12—(AP)—Hope was abandoned tonight for the entombed men in the blasted swept Bartley no. 1 mines and the company officials put the death toll at 22, the worst mine disaster since 1917.

Governor Homer A. Holt and representatives of the Workmen's Compensation Office came here to aid in the settlement of compensation claims and the company announced the victims' pay cheques—due tomorrow—would be distributed to families.

Until 5 A. M. today the company had held hopes of finding 50 or 60 of the miners alive, but the crews broke through then to the centre of the blast area and found five bodies. That meant, crew leaders said, that all in the area probably were killed instantly.

Cause of the explosion has not been determined.

**CALGARY**, Jan. 12—(CP)—The Duke of Windsor, who holds a 99-year lease on his southern Alberta ranch property, may be asked to permit drilling for oil.

The 99-year lease was granted by the Alberta government to prevent oil companies from entering the property and beginning drilling operations without consent of the Duke.

## FIRST BRITISH VALOR AWARD TO INFANTRY

By Bernard Lacoste  
Havas Staff Writer

WITH THE BRITISH EXPEDITIONARY FORCE IN FRANCE, Jan. 12—(CP)—Havas—First British decorations for bravery in action to be awarded infantry members of the British expeditionary forces were conferred today by Viscount Gort, commander of British forces in the field, on the captain and corporal of a patrol which ventured deep behind enemy lines to obtain important information.

Several members of the Royal Air Force have been decorated since the beginning of the war, some by the King during his inspection tour of the British sector last month. Today's awards were the first, however, to member of the regular army.

Captain F. Barclay of a Norfolk regiment received the Military Cross and a citation crediting him with having "shown remarkable courage and calm while directing a night patrol which he led deep behind the enemy lines and during

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## Brings Cabinet Quarrel Rumors Into Open

LONDON, Jan. 12—(CP)—Colonel Sir Lambert Ward, Conservative member of Parliament, today brought into the open rumors of quarrels within the War Cabinet, centring around Leslie Hore-Belisha who resigned Jan. 5 as Secretary for War, and Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty.

Addressing his constituents at Hull, Sir Lambert said that at one cabinet meeting it took all Prime Minister Chamberlain's tact to "damp down the conversation." He asserted Mr. Hore-Belisha and Mr. Churchill quarrelled over the news of the landing of the First Canadian Contingent in Britain.

The War Office had arrangements set up for release of the story for a certain time and Mr. Churchill jumped the gun by about a full day in his broadcast.

Sir Lambert said the former War Secretary was "not too easy a man to get on with" in spite of his ability and organizing powers.

Mr. Hore-Belisha made it painfully plain he thought he and not Mr. Churchill should have announced the Canadian news, Sir Lambert said.

He described Mr. Hore-Belisha as "one of the live wires of the Government but not the only live wire."

"The trouble is that when live wires are brought into contact they are apt to spark. The only thing under such circumstances is to get rid of the most highly charged wire of them all. I am afraid it was inevitable."

**HAMILTON**, Bermuda, Jan. 12—(CP Cable)—A British prize crew called the 930-ton German freighter Duesseldorf into harbor here today, the British flag at her jackstaff and her name changed to S. S. Poland in honor of the man who captured her.

The Duesseldorf was taken by the British cruiser Despatch commanded by Commodore Poland, off the Chilean Coast several weeks ago. A prize crew was put aboard, and she was brought to Bermuda via the Panama Canal. Canal zone authorities permitted her to pass against Nazi protests.

The ship was under British Registry when she arrived here.

## British Planes Bomb Germany's Island Air Base

### Enemy Activity Over Britain's East Coast Continues But Damage From Raiders Is Slight.

By PAT USSHER  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Jan. 12—(CP Cable)—British planes bombed a German island seaplane base and flew over Western German cities, it was announced today, as Nazi airmen continued their reconnaissance flights over the British East coast.

One Royal Air Force plane flying over the Island of Sylt during the hours of darkness dropped six bombs on a row of lights in Rantum Bay. The lights, which were believed to be a flare path to guide German mine-sowing aircraft, were extinguished immediately. The Bay is known as a useful base for enemy seaplanes.

### BRITISH BOMBERS RETURN

Bombers on their security patrol flights over German bases were subject to anti-aircraft fire as their movements were traced by searchlight but all returned safely. Two aircraft on a patrol of this type cover 1,700 miles equivalent in distance to a Trans-Atlantic flight from Newfoundland to Ireland.

The Royal Air Force also flew over the seaports of Hamburg and Bremen and the town of Frankfurt in the busy industrial Ruhr district Thursday night. It was stated they obtained much useful information.

### HEARD IN LONDON

German planes flew over the British East Coast at five points in the second day of intensive aerial activity. The sound of anti-aircraft gunfire was heard in London as one raider was given a warm reception over the Thames Estuary.

No bombs were dropped on land. The German scouting planes flew over London's outskirts, the southeast coast and the Suffolk, Norfolk and Yorkshire coasts. They were quickly forced back to sea by British anti-aircraft fire and pursuit planes.

Today was the 47th birthday of Germany's air minister, Field Marshal Hermann Goering, and the press here described the raids as his "celebration." They called them a "flop."

Over the Thames three British Spitfires struck from the clouds at a lone raider which appeared to have been hit and was last seen trailing smoke and heading out to sea with the chaser planes in pursuit. Persons on the Kent and Essex sides of the Estuary saw the fight, with anti-aircraft shells bursting near the raider.

The plane which reached the Suffolk coast was a Heinkel. Another Heinkel flew over Yorkshire. A Doxler "flying pencil," a bi-motored bomber with an unusually long and narrow fuselage, was seen near the Norfolk coast. She was believed to be a mine-sower.

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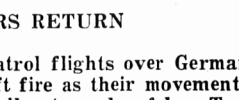
## Eight Miners Rescued From Watery Grave

LIEVIN, France, Jan. 12—(CP Havas)—Eight men given up for lost Thursday when a torrent inundated a mine-gallery near this Northern French industrial city were found alive tonight, standing on tiptoe in water that had reached their necks and was slowly rising.

Collapse of a gallery blocked off the full force of the flood, but the men in pitch darkness had no hope of escape as the water crept slowly higher. Rescue crews working frantically to break through into the flooded area expected to find eight bodies.

An 11-man gang was surprised by the sudden rush of water. Three found their way to safety immediately. Rescue crews located the others 17 hours later.

## THEY SAY FISH MAKES BRAINS—WELL, THAT'S FOOD FOR THOUGHT



## Flier Returns To Learn Of Reported Crash

LONDON, Jan. 12—(CP)—A British flier returned to his base today after an encounter with a German Heinkel over the North Sea to learn that the German radio had announced that his plane "went up in smoke and crashed."

"I did not go up in smoke—no fear," the pilot said. "A lucky bullet from the Heinkel hit one of the exhaust pipes and a stream of cooling liquid that poured out behind me, have looked like smoke. Anyhow it wasn't and I got back easily enough. I am perfectly okay and have been flying all day. The machine will be airworthy again soon."

The pilot, who has been in the Royal Air Force for about 10 years, was one of three Sergeant pilots who routed the Heinkel after it had attacked a merchant ship off the coast of Norfolk.

## Michaud Sees Fishing Industry In Big Boom

TORONTO, Jan. 12—(CP)—Hon. J. E. Michaud, fisheries minister, said in an interview today that Canada's fishing industry is to enjoy its biggest boom in years because of the war. British trawlers are doing war work and consumers are depending more than ever on Canadian fish, he said.

There is a large demand at the present time for frozen fish as cod, halibut and haddock. These are the Englishman's staple food and you can't change their tastes overnight," he said.

Mr. Michaud is in Toronto in connection with "eat more fish" campaign.

## Airmen Missing

LONDON, Jan. 12—(CP CABLE)—Two Canadian airmen were listed as missing tonight in the latest casualty communique issued by the Air Ministry.

They are Flying Officer J. T. I. Charles, St. Catharines, Ont., and Pilot Officer R. M. Ross, Winnipeg.

The list announced 18 men were killed in action, 19 missing, believed killed in action, 23 missing, eight believed killed on active service, one missing believed killed on active service, and eight died on active service.

The period covered in the list was not specified; the last previous list was issued Jan. 1.

## Thermometer Extremes

High Low



TORONTO, Jan. 12—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson 6B 22, Vancouver 34 42, Edmonton 15 24, Regina 10B 15, Winnipeg 2B 14, Toronto 32 37, Ottawa 15 33, Montreal 11 32, Quebec 16 23, Saint John 3 23, Halifax 12 27, Charlottetown 12 29

High tide this afternoon at 1:30 and tomorrow morning at 1:11. Sun sets this afternoon at 4:40 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:36.

First quarter moon, Jan. 17, 2:21 p. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Maritime East: Moderate to fresh easterly winds; mostly cloudy with much the same temperature; probably followed by light snow.

Synopsis: The weather has been mild in Ontario with light snow occurring in eastern and northern districts, while in the western Provinces the weather has been fair with moderate temperatures.

Yesterday's highest and lowest thermometer readings are indicated above.

## THE CAR FERRY SAILINGS

Leaves Borden 9:45 A.M. 1:00 P.M. Leaves Tormentine 11:00 A.M. 3:05 P.M.