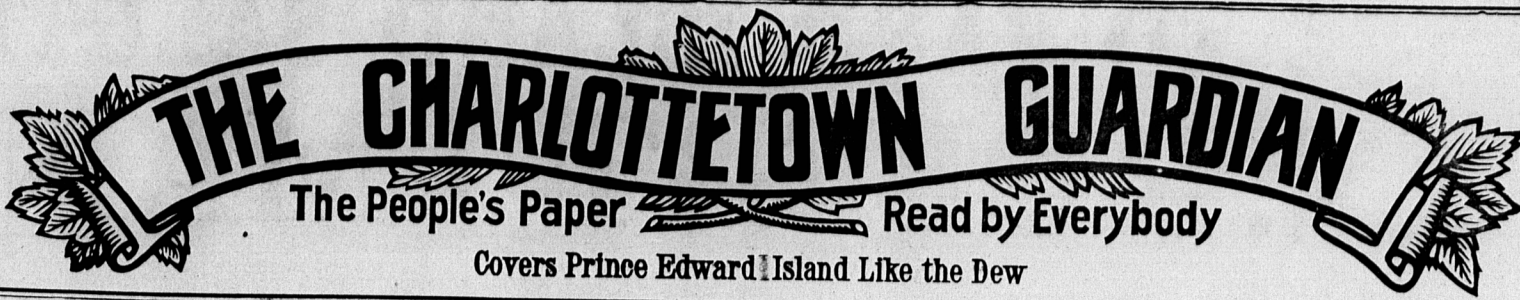


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Canada's Next Prime Minister



HON. DR. R. J. MANION, M. C.

Leader of the National Conservative Party and advocate of a National Government to prosecute Canada's war effort, who will address a public meeting at the Strand Theatre, Charlottetown, this evening

Offers To Prove Charges Before Proper Tribunal

Dr. Manion Answers "Parliament Scuttlers" In Scathing Terms.

By Canadian Press Staff Writer

SAINT JOHN, N. B., March 7.—Despite denials by Defence Minister Rogers, Conservative leader Manion tonight repeated his charges that the First Division of Canadian troops in this war overseas lacking modern equipment and he offered to produce proof to back up his accusation.

"I have made no statements about these matters which cannot be proved before a proper tribunal, which I challenge him (Mr. Rogers) to set up," Dr. Manion said, "or which could not have been proved in the Parliament which his leader scuttled in a way that the facts and proofs of which I am speaking."

Speaking over a national network of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation for the second time in his campaign, the Conservative leader pressed his criticism of the administration's handling of Canada's war effort and sketched the facts of the National government he proposes forming to deal with the war and post-war problems.

There had been a lot of "smooth propaganda" put out by various members of the government regarding the equipment of the first division, he said and Mr. Rogers "calls everyone who states the facts against this government irresponsible."

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Officers who would be thrown open to his petty political revenge." As an example of the government's "stupidity" in the war effort, Dr. Manion cited the sale of more than 2,000,000 pounds of Canadian wool to American dealers during the early months of the war delaying manufacture of woolen goods for the army here.

He recounted assurances by Justice Minister Lapointe and Works Minister Cardin during a Montreal by-election two years ago against the sending of Canadian troops outside this country.

"At a matter of fact, I doubt if any political leader Canada has ever had made and broken more promises than Mr. King," Dr. Manion went on.

He listed numerous Liberal promises of the 1935 election, quoting them, he said, "only to show how little attention should be paid to his (Mr. King's) statements."

King's Supreme Blunder

Premier Campbell To Speak In Ont.

OTTAWA, March 7.—(CP)—The National Liberal Federation announced tonight that Premier Thane Campbell of Prince Edward Island will make an election campaign address at Preston, Ont., March 11 and will speak at Windsor, Ont., March 13.

War Supply Board Seeks More Cheese

SUSSEX, N. B., March 7.—(CP)—An appeal of the War Supply Board for cheese factory operators to expand production was heard here at the annual meeting of the New Brunswick Cheese Board.

With cheese forming part of soldiers' rations, a strong demand for the product at good prices was reported from Great Britain. Storage stocks in Canada was said to be low at present.

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Allies Seek Billion Dollars Worth Of Planes

WASHINGTON, March 7.—(AP)—The Allied purchasing mission announced today it would begin negotiations next week with United States airplane manufacturers for the purchase of possibly \$1,000,000,000 worth of aircraft.

Heaviest Drift Ice Delays Carferry Hours

Heaviest drift ice of the year was giving the powerful icebreaker carferry, Charlottetown heavy going yesterday on the nine-mile crossing between this province and the mainland. Last night the boat was almost completely stuck for two hours not far from the Tormentine pier.

Passengers and mails for this province did not reach Borden until almost 8:30 p. m. Canadian National Railways officials said they expected the boat train in Charlottetown about four hours behind schedule.

The Charlottetown has been having increasing difficulty this week. Continued easterly winds have been crowding ice into the bottleneck between Borden and Tormentine.

Plane Noses Over In Take Off Try

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Likely the party will be marooned at Reddington for some time because of lack of transportation during the winter in the Canada Bay section.

Only injuries received in the crash were dashed by the pilot who was gashed in the forehead and shaken up.

Will Reply:— Britain To Be Firm With Italians

By J. F. Sanderson
Canadian Press Staff Writer
LONDON, March 7.—(CP Cable)—The British government will reply within three or four days to Italy's brusquely-termed note of protest over the detention of Italian ships carrying German coal.

SIX OUT OF 85

The people of Canada have been told and will probably be told again and again during this election campaign that appointments to key positions in connection with the Dominion's war effort have been made on a strictly non-partisan basis.

To 85 positions of chief importance on the 18 main boards set up by the Liberal government since war was declared last September only six known Conservatives have been appointed, excluding permanent civil servants who, whatever their politics may once have been, cannot now be considered adherents of any political party.

This fact is illuminating. It disposes eloquently of the Liberal claim that the best brains in Canada will be and have been used by the party administration in power, irrespective of political allegiance, in the prosecution of the war.

The King government's idea of a united national effort is that Liberals must come first, that the best way to bring Canada through the war as a united nation is to confine the administration of the war effort almost exclusively to party stalwarts.

Here are the names of the 18 boards surveyed: War Supply Board, War Time Prices and Trade Board, War Time Advisers, Voluntary Service Registration, War Times Charities Administration, Transport Control, Dependents' Allowance Board, Agriculture Supplies Committee, Bacon Board, Canadian Shipping Board, Censorship Co-ordination Committee, Prisoners of War Information Bureau, Commonwealth Air Training Plan, Court of Appeal under the Enemy Alien Act, Custodian of Enemy Property, Department of Public Information, Foreign Exchange Control Board and Naturalization Certificates Board.

U. S. Negotiating Conciliation Pacts

Treaties Planned To Include Canada, Australia, South Africa and New Zealand.

(By Andree Berding, Associated Press Staff Writer)
WASHINGTON, March 7.—(AP)—The United States, it was learned today, is negotiating treaties of conciliation with Canada, Australia, South Africa and New Zealand.

The treaties will provide that any dispute arising between the United States and a Dominion shall be referred to a permanent conciliation commission, to be composed of five members. There will be a separate commission for each Dominion.

The treaties may become of more than ordinary significance because all four Dominions are at war with Germany. Hence, it is possible that difficulties arising out of the present economic warfare will create disputes requiring conciliation.

ALLIES EXCEED IN WARPLANE PRODUCTION

Commons Votes Air Estimates — Hear Encouraging Report From Air Secretary.

LONDON, March 7.—(CP)—Great Britain and France told Germany today that British-French aircraft production had surpassed the Reich's both in quality and quantity and that the British and French navies have broken the back of Germany's cruel sea warfare.

In the House of Commons, Sir Kingsley Wood, Air Secretary, presenting air estimates for "the greatest expenditure" of its kind in British history, said, "I would sooner have 100 Wellingtons (bombers) or 100 Spitfires or Hurricanes (pursuit ships) than a much larger number of their German counterparts."

And across the channel, in the French capital, the French navy minister, Cesar Campinchi, in a survey of six months of war, proclaimed that "the Allied naval supremacy is better than ever."

In the air itself, British pursuit pilots shot down a German warplane in the afternoon off Scotland and drove off two others to-night off eastern England. Long-range escorts during the night flew over German naval bases, ports and cities without loss despite anti-aircraft fire.

Sir Kingsley gave the House a highlight survey of the Royal Air Force in presenting estimates whose total figure was hidden behind the request for a £100 (about \$44) "token" appropriation in keeping with wartime secrecy.

The House approved the air es-

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TORONTO, March 7.—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	8	20
Vancouver	42	45
Calgary	28	41
Regina	28	31
Winnipeg	26	34
Toronto	22	28
Ottawa	22	23
Montreal	26	30
Saint John	33	35
Halifax	30	32
Charlottetown	30	36

FORCAST

Maritime East: Fresh easterly winds with snow or part rain.

Synopsis: The weather has been moderately cold in Ontario with light snowfalls or flurries in some districts. It has been for the most part fair and comparatively mild throughout the west with snow-flurries in Manitoba.

High tide this morning at 10:42 and tonight at 10:36

Sun sets this afternoon at 5:57 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:25.

New moon March 8, 10:23 p.m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY (SAILINGS)
Leaves Borden, 9:45 A.M., 1:00 P.M., Leaves Tormentine 11:00 A.M., 3:05 P.M.

ARMISTICE NEGOTIATIONS ARE RUMORED

COPENHAGEN, March 7.—(AP)—Closely-guarded negotiations toward an armistice and possible settlement of the Russian-Finnish war are definitely under way with Stockholm the centre of discussions, it was learned reliably tonight.

The Soviet government's conditional demands for peace, in the form of an ultimatum calling for acceptance by midnight tomorrow, have been submitted to the Finnish government which thus far has not given any indication of its attitude, informants stated.

(Informed Moscow observers discounted the possibility of success for any peace moves at this time.) The latest Russian demands were reported to include surrender of the Karelian Isthmus, Viipuri, capital of Karelia and Finland's third city; Lake Ladoga Hanko, naval port in southeastern Finland; the Hanko peninsula and part of the far northern Petsamo region.

These demands are far more inclusive than those presented by Russia in Kremlin negotiations which broke down and preceded the Red army's invasion of Finland on Nov. 30.

Earlier Demands

In the pre-war negotiations the Russians asked for cession of a strip of territory north of Leningrad on the Karelian Isthmus in exchange for a part of Soviet Karelia; naval bases on Finland's southern coast; some concessions on the Arctic coast and demilitarization of the Finnish-Russian border. The Soviet premier, Joseph Stalin, specified that Russia was not asking for Viipuri, now objective of the main Russian offensive.

Informant opinion tonight was that the Soviet demands are excessive but might serve as a basis for negotiations leading to an armistice. The Soviet ultimatum, if the Russian demands were so phrased, was believed to give the alternative of continuance of the war on an increasing scale.

Not only Finland believed ready to appeal to the western powers for direct assistance but the expected arrival of a greater flow of foreign volunteers—specially British—has led to reports of a German warning to Sweden that such volunteers must not be allowed to pass over Swedish territory.

ANTI-MINE DEVICE MAY BE ANSWER

NEW YORK, March 7.—(AP)—The Queen Elizabeth's run across the Atlantic with a new and mysterious anti-mine device set in operation by merely turning an electric switch may prove the answer to the magnetic mine Germany has sown in European waters.

Captain John C. Townley spoke tonight in guarded terms about the device and in answer to a question about its effectiveness replied: "I have known it only for five days."

The electric impulses are supposed to counteract the magnetic qualities that explode mines when a steel hull nears.

Company officials said the mechanism is being placed on all new vessels and many old ones.

Coming Events

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Prince Edward Island Hospital
Cafe for the ladies of the Hospital
Saturday, March 10, 11:00 A.M.
March 9th at Moore & McLeod Ltd.
L-231-3-8-21.

Hunter River Shipping Club
loading hogs Tuesday, March 12,
Ernest Houston, Secretary.
L-219-3-7-31.

Summerfield Hall — Monday,
March 11th, Emerald Players present
four-act Drama, sponsored by
Springfield Women's Institute.
L-235-3-8-31.

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