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—WIRE, galvanized staples and nails in stock at Brace's. 8-6-21.

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—RETURN FROM VACATION—Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Barrass and daughter, Shirley, have returned from a month's vacation, spent for the most part at Stavert's Beach. During their vacation Mr. and Mrs. Barrass had the pleasure of visits from their son, Sgt. Major G. R. Barrass and his wife, and their daughter Janet. L.A.W. Dorothy Barrass, stationed at Victoria, B. C., spent two weeks with her parents. Mr. Barrass will conduct the union Sunday service of the Baptist and Presbyterian congregations for the month of August. S

—FUNERAL OF MRS. ARTEMAS FARROW—The funeral of the late Mrs. Artemas E. Farrow, Central Bedeque, took place on Thursday afternoon, beginning with a short service held at her home and continuing with service in the Central Bedeque Baptist Church, both services being conducted by her pastor, the Rev. C. A. Britten. The hymns were led by a male choir, Messrs. J. B. Lewis, Howard Thurman, Ray Lidstone and Roy Campbell. The pallbearers were: Messrs. T. J. Inman, Otto Doull, Earl Leard, Bruce Burns, Melville Johnson and Brewer Johnston. Burial was in the Central Bedeque Baptist Cemetery where she rests beside her husband and infant daughter. S

—TAKEN TO MONTREAL—Mr. Lloyd Webster of Bedeque, who suffered an unfortunate accident last Wednesday when he was struck on the back by a hoisting fork in his barn while unloading hay, has been taken to Montreal. Mrs. Webster and Mrs. William Mills, his sister accompanied him. S

—BIG SUCCESS—The lawn party held on Myrtle Street playground, Summerside, by the Acadian Service Clubs, the St. Thomas Aquinas and Assomption Societies, was a grand success. The booths were well stocked, the grounds well lighted, and the Club deserves much credit for the smooth working organization. The funds raised are to be used to sponsor scholarships to deserving students, the Acadian Society having this as their special work. Already five boys are being educated through this fund, one having graduated in arts this year with honors. The Society expect to award three new scholarships this year, thirteen boys competing for same. Great work our good Acadians. Keep it up. S

Personals

—Flight Lieut. and Mrs. Bert Hunter and Flying Officer Hack spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Mill, Clermont.

—Mrs. Clifford Boundy has arrived in Summerside from St. John, N.B., and is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Stanton. S

—Mr. and Mrs. George Gay and Master DeWitt Gay, of Westmount, Que., are visiting in Summerside, the guests of Mrs. Gay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. McCallum. S

—Mr. Ernest Wright, Summerside, left on Friday morning for Montreal where he will undergo an operation in the Royal Victoria Hospital. He was accompanied by his wife and was met in Moncton by his sister, Mrs. Robert Gordon, who will also accompany them. S

Minard's kills pain

Kensington and Vicinity

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Steeves and two children Janet and Peter of Moncton, N.B., returned to their home on Thursday after a pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. John Burns.

Miss Dorothy MacKenzie was a visitor to Charlottetown on Thursday.

Miss Eunice Campbell is spending her vacation with her parents at Long River.

Mrs. Wallace MacKay of Flushing, N.Y., and Mr. Fulton MacKay of Brighton, Mass., are visiting here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell MacKay.

The many friends of Mr. Hedley Paynter regret to hear of his continued illness.

Mrs. John Bond of Cambridge, Mass., and Miss Ethel B. Pillman of Colby College, New Hampshire, were recent guests of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Millman.

Mrs. Holbrook and Mrs. John MacFadyen are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Taylor.

The many friends of Rev. George L. and Mrs. Somers are delighted to welcome them back to the Island. They have bought a residence at Summerside and intend to reside there.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Rodd have returned to Moncton after a pleasant visit here. They were accompanied back by Mrs. Rodd's sister, Miss Shirley Kennedy.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Baldwin, Miss Mary Baldwin, Miss Frances Trynor and Mrs. George Trynor of St. George's, N.B., were guests this week at "Treeholme".

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Caron and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fletcher of Montreal, were visitors to Kensington on Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher being over night guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Chappell.

Mrs. Neil Marks is the guest of her sister Mrs. Gussie Cameron and Mr. Cameron.

Miss Annie Cole is spending her vacation in New London with her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Cole.

Pte. Wm. Gill returned to his unit on Monday. He was accompanied as far as New Brunswick by his daughters, Misses Thelma and Erma.

Rev. Benjamin Fream is spending his vacation in Kensington, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Toward.

Mr. James Millman and young son, are guests of Mr. Millman's mother, Mrs. John Townsend and Mr. Townsend.

Mrs. Perry Cann and daughter Ruby were guests this week of Mrs. Dan MacKay, New London.

The annual S. S. picnic of St. Mark's church was held at Seaview on Wednesday. Under the direction of Rev. O. E. Noel, races and other contests were enjoyed, after which about 50 pupils, parents and teachers ate supper in the open.—C.

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Extension Of Command To MacArthur

MANILA, Aug. 5 — (AP) — Gen. MacArthur announced Saturday extension of his Pacific Army Command to the Ryukyu Islands thus for the first time assuming control of conquered Japanese soil in his drive "On to Tokyo."

The announcement declared that the Ryukus, with the Philippines, "form a great semicircular base from which a mighty invasion force is being forged under the primary responsibility of Gen MacArthur for the final conquest of Japan."

The United States 8th Air Force, to be based on Okinawa, will be under Gen. Spaatz' United States Army strategic air forces, which remain separate from the MacArthur command.

The extension of command, which became effective Tuesday midnight, was not a sudden shift. Gen. MacArthur previously had announced the appointment of Gen. Stilwell to succeed the late Lt.-Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, Jr., as Commander of the Okinawa-conquering 10th Army.

Admiral Nimitz, under whose over-all command Okinawa and a dozen smaller islands were occupied, presumably remained in command of naval forces in the Ryukyus.

The Ryukyus, extending from Formosa to the Japanese mainland, form the natural invasion bridge which Gen. MacArthur would follow in the "on-to-Tokyo" declaration he issued Feb. 6 in proclaiming the fall of Manila

The Ryukyus change apparently was made under the United States joint chiefs of staff assignments of April 5, dividing Pacific commands.

Gen. MacArthur was then named commander of "all army forces and resources in the Pacific theatre" and Admiral Nimitz was given command of all naval forces and resources.

Veteran Crewmen Will Be In Charge

OTTAWA, Aug. 5 — (CP) — Veteran aircrewmen, most of them with two tours of operations to their credit, will be in charge of the six Lancaster bombers of the Canadian Bomber Group which will begin Trans-Canada tours at different points Aug. 11 in aid of the R.C.A.F. benevolent fund, Air Force Headquarters said tonight.

The Lancaster "R for Roger" is captained by pilot Sqdn. Ldr. John Hudson, D.F.C., Victoria and his crew includes Flt. Lt. Walter G. McLellan, Economy, N.S.; FO. Basil E. Shaver, Ottawa; FO. Richard Boyer, Montreal and FO. Pierre G. Doucet, Petit Rocher, N.B.

Flt. Lt. J.B. Short A.F.C., Moose Jaw, Sask. captains the veteran Lanc "X for Xterminator." Others are FO. Herbert S. Lewis, Danvers, N.S., and St. Thomas, Ont.

When the bombers make their tour, Canadians across Canada will be able to meet the crewmen and hear some of their experiences in the skies over Europe.

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WANTED — TO BUY STUDIO couch in good condition. Write M. F. care of Guardian. 8-6-11

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LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S clothing made at F. G. Kelly, tailor, 178 1-2 Gt. George St. 8-6-11

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Everybody Welcome

Famous Bomber Will Visit S'side

A veteran of the European war is the famous "R for Roger", the Canadian-built Lancaster bomber which will be visiting Dartmouth (Halifax), Sydney, N.S., Summerside, P.E.I., and Montreal, during the forthcoming trans-Canada display of Lancaster bombers in aid of the R.C.A.F. Benevolent Fund.

"R for Roger" is considered one of the "newer" Lancasters but although it is young in years it is old in experience. The huge four-engined bomber has chalked up 22 operational sorties over enemy territory, a total of over 160 hours. It has been badly shot up on two occasions, and holds an outstanding record. "R for Roger's" targets have included Manneheim, Hannover, Leipzig, Hildesheim, Hamburg, and Marsburg, which are an imposing array of Nazi strongholds for any bomber to attack and return to tell the tale.

The famous Lanc is a member of No. 434 Squadron, known as the Bluenose Squadron and its crew on the tour are all former members of this squadron which was adopted by the Halifax Rotary Club. The crew are proud of their bomber which on one occasion carried a bomb lead of 14,000 pounds on a 7 hour bombing mission. The load consisted of one 4,000 pounder, four 500 lb bombs, and eight 1,000 lb. bombs. "R for Roger" has undoubtedly had its share in the destruction rained on Germany.

The Canadian bomber bears the insignia of a slightly wacky rabbit holdng out a carrot at paw's length. The colour scheme of this work of art is a combination of futurism and the natural talents of one of the crew. Although the rabbit succeeds in wearing a highly belligerent expression, the artist's choce of hues renders the onlooker slightly bilious after the first glance. The aircraft is consequently known as the "The Crazy Rabbit." On one occasion after a particularly rough landing, the base control tower slightingly referred to the aircraft as "The Jumping Rabbit."

The Bluenose Squadron was one of the squadrons of the famous No. 6 (RCAF) Bomber Group, which was based in Yorkshire, England. Both the crew and the Lancaster itself have taken part in the outstanding success of the Group, which started its career on Jan. 1st, 1943. At first the Canadian squadrons were operating with twin-engined Wellingtons. The conversion to Lancasters and Halifaxes cae later in the year. Pilots chosen to pilot the big four-engine aircraft had chalked up to 500 flying hours before taking over as captains of the crafts and the squadron dropped a good proportion of the 13,639 tons of bombs which were unloaded over Germany that year by the Group. In 1944 all the squadrons in the Group, more than quadrupled their efforts and together dumped 86,504 tons of high explosives on the Nazi strongholds. "R for Roger" was a cog in this mighty machine which played such an important part in the final destruction of Germany.

The famous Lancaster, recently flown to Canada, and its crew of veteran aircrew, all of the Bluenose Squadron, will start their tour at Dartmouth (Halifax) on August 11th and the aircraft will be on display at Dartmouth, Sydney, Summerside and Montreal where the exhibit will end on August 19th.

EXTENSIVE VIEW

From the highest peak of the 30 by 12 mile Isle of Man five kingdoms can be seen—Ireland, Scotland, Man, Wales and England.

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 3 — (AP)—The first contingent of 70,000 Germans moved through Sweden from Norway for repatriation today — in box cars. Sweden put only hot water at their disposal. They fed themselves, with food obtained in Norway.

Minard's Liniment again

Celebration At Lennox Island Yesterday

The celebration, held yesterday at Lennox Island in honour of the Indians' patron saint, St. Ann, broke all existing records for attendance. Thousands of people from all parts of the Province, and many from the United States as well, were present.

Solemn High Mass was celebrated by the Rev. M. Monaghan of Miscouche assisted by the Rev. Nazaire Porier of Mount Carmel as deacon and the Rev. Oswald Murphy as sub-deacon.

The Lieut.-Governor J. A. Bernard and Mrs. Bernard were present at the service and remained at the reservation for several hours afterwards.

Immediately after the church service, the Lieut.-Governor was presented with the following address by the Indian Chief, Jacob Sark:

To the Honorable J. A. Bernard, Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island,

Your Honor:

We, the natives of this well-known reservation, perhaps the eldest in the Maritime Provinces, gladly welcome you, the very worthy representative of our beloved Sovereign, to our Island Home on this day which we proudly reserve to ourselves—St. Ann's Day.

Your elevation to the highest office of our land, we assure you, has been received with great satisfaction, because your best known characteristic has always been your keen interest in the welfare of all your fellow citizens in every walk of life. We can therefore very readily assure you that your appointment, is a strong incentive urging us to greater loyalty and allegiance.

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your kindness in coming to join us in our simple and humble day of honor to our Patron Saint.

In turn, our continual prayer will be that the Almighty God will bless you and Mrs. Bernard mousi abundantly during your term of office as Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island and Lennox Island.

Signed on behalf of the Parishoners of St. Anne's Parish.

Urban Mitchell, Chairman,
Mathew Peters,
Jacob Sark, Trustees.

Two Important Conferences To Open In London

BY ROSS MUNRO
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Aug. 5 — (CP Cable)—Two important international conferences, the first dealing with relief for shattered Europe and the second with the birth of an international peace agency, open in London this week and Canada will be represented at each meeting. The Dominion has a vital interest in both.

The third council meeting of the United Nations relief and rehabilitation administration, faced with tremendous problems in Europe in the months ahead, opens its session Tuesday in the London County Council building. The meetings are likely to last for 10 days or two weeks.

The 14-nation executive committees of the United Nations preparatory commission, which prepared for the setting up of the world organization drafted at San Francisco, begins its deliberations Thursday in Church House, near Westminster Abbey, and this conference will continue for months.

L.B. Pearson, Canadian ambassador at Washington, is the chief Canadian delegate to the U.N.R.R.A. meeting and he and three other Canadian representatives now are in London. It is believed that Mr. Pearson also will represent the Dominion at the first few meetings of the United Nations executive committee although it is probable that Escott Reid of the External Affairs Department at Ottawa will arrive in England shortly to take over this responsibility.

Behind the scenes at the U.N.R.R.A. meeting will be another Canadian—George Mooney, temporarily on loan from the city of Montreal where his normal role is director of the Industrial and Economic Bureau.

As secretary of the general committee and secretary pro tem of the council, it will be his task to guide the council's deliberations and direct U.N.R.R.A.'s international secretariat.

The question of increasing supplies and financial assistance to U.N.R.R.A. and the problem of dealing with displaced personnel in Europe who are unwilling to return to their homelands bulk large on the conference agenda.

War Crimes Trials Open September 1

By ALEX SINGLETON

LONDON, Aug. 5 — (AP) — The four-power war crimes conference approached agreement tonight upon an historic document indicting aggressive war as an international crime.

The document will blueprint procedure for an unprecedented mass trial of Germans listed as arch criminals—men who formulated Nazi policy, high military chiefs who executed it, ranking diplomats who intrigued for it, industrialists and financers who gave it substance.

The trial itself will be held in Nuernberg, for years the scene of the Nazi party's annual congress. It will open before an international military tribunal Sept. 1, with representatives of Britain, France, Russia and the United States prosecuting.

The prospective list of defendants was reported by a responsible American source to include Herman Goering, Joachim Ribbentrop, Franz Von Papen, Alfred Rosenberg and members of the German general staff such as Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz and Field Marshals Gerd Von Rundstedt and Wilhelm Keitel.

Simultaneously, the high tribunal will be asked to convict the Nazi terror-atrocity organizations. If a guilty verdict is returned, it will mean a blanket conviction as war criminals of all Germans who can be established to have been voluntary members of the Gestapo or the S.S.

The basic outline of procedure for the trial was advanced by Justice Robert Jackson of the United States Supreme Court, shrewd and able former Attorney General who was assigned by the President as chief United States prosecutor of war criminals.

The first hurdle which he confronted was the wide divergence of criminal law in the four major countries. As a solution, he suggested procedure should be based upon military law in which there are fewer differences.

To overcome another major obstacle—the possibility that time-consuming individual trials would take so long that witnesses would disappear and evidence be lost—he suggested a collective trial.

But for a collective trial Justice Jackson had to find a blanket charge. For this he turned to the American charge of "conspiracy"—a crime under which collective trials long have been held in the United States for a variety of offences ranging from sabotage to gambling frauds

Even as Justice Jackson and opposite numbers from the other three major powers wrestled with the legal aspects of the coming trial, teams of legal and criminal experts—some of them former G-men, others drawn from Scotland Yard—scoured Europe in general and Germany in particular to amass evidence

Tons upon tons of documents have been collected, translated, analyzed and digested by the legal experts. Collectively it will trace the history of the Nazi rise to power, tell the story of its intrigues in a dozen different capitals, and review the economic and military pressure it used to gobble up most of Europe

Saved Former Premiers From Firing Squads

Pierre Laval Claims He Prevented Gestapo Murder Of Leon Blum And Paul Reynaud.

By RELMAN MORIN

PARIS, Aug. 5—(AP)—Pierre Laval, picturing himself as an unwilling tool of Germany, claimed Saturday at the treason trial of his Vichy chieftain, Marshal Henri Philippe Petain, that he had prevented the Gestapo murder of two former French Premiers.

The arch-collaborator, who has been sentenced to death by a Marseille court, asserted he saved Leon Blum and Paul Reynaud from German firing squads and professed ignorance of the murder of Georges Mandel, celebrated martyr of anti-German resistance.

Though acknowledging in effect that he was the "most hated man in France," the swarthy, white-tied ex-fugitive contended he and Marshal Petain saved France from "asphyxiation" and asserted he twice refused to enter a military alliance with Germany, once at the time of the Anglo-American landings in North Africa.

Digging into the secrets of the Vichy regime, Laval maintained that French forces in Africa resisted the Allies "to prevent a German attack" and revealed that two American diplomats—one of them the former ambassador to Vichy, Admiral William D. Leahy — had demanded explanation for Laval's notorious "I desire a German victory" speech.

Laval, who wound up his two days of testimony only a few minutes before the 12th day of Marshal Petain's trial ended, declared he saved M. Blum and M. Reynaud from German firing squads by protesting to the Germans.

He said that, as chief of the Vichy Government, he learned the two former premiers of the third republic "were going to be shot by the Germans in reprisal for the condemnation in Algiers of Pierre Pucheu (Vichy minister of the interior)."

Laval asserted he also protested to the Germans and demanded an investigation when he learned that Mandel had been murdered. He said he heard about the murder from Joseph Darnand, chief of the Vichy Gestapo, who Laval asserted was "imposed upon us" by the Germans.

Laval, asserting that the Vichy Government made the best of a bad situation after the Franco-German armistice, declared the worst actions of Vichy resulted from direct orders of the Germans. Since France was prostrate, the Germans could have "asphyxiated" her. Hence, he claimed, he and Marshal Petain could only negotiate, trying wherever possible to dull the edge of German demands.

Referring to the sending of 150,000 French workers to Germany—for which French public opinion holds him mainly responsible—Laval said that in return he obtained the liberation of 50,000 French prisoners of war.

"I realize those who were sent to Germany feel nothing but hatred for me," he said. "And more who stayed behind also hate me for this. But is it the aim of a chief of government to seek popularity, or is it his duty to serve his country?"

CENTRAL GUARDIAN

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PRESENTATION OF ROSES TO MRS. BERNARD—A nice compliment on the part of the women of St. Anne's Parish, Lennox Island, was accorded Mrs. J. A. Bernard, wife of the Lieut.-Governor yesterday, when she was presented with a basket of American Beauty roses by Miss Evelyn Tuplin on their behalf. The occasion was the annual celebration in honor of St. Anne, the Indians' patron saint.

TENDERED FAREWELL PARTY — Miss Thelma O'Donnell of Vernon River leaves this morning for Richmond, Quebec where she will spend a week before leaving for Montreal. Previous to her departure she was tendered a farewell party at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Bruce, Douglas St., at which a large number of her friends were present Included in those present was Miss Agnes Glover of Murray Harbour, a close friend of Miss O'Donnell.

Personals

Mr. W. L. Clark of the Windsor Star, accompanied by Mrs. Herman and her sister, Mrs. Lawson, is expected to arrive in the City Wednesday. While here, they will stay at the Charlottetown Hotel.

Mr. William S. Bernard and his son, Joseph, who have been the guests of Lieut.-Governor J. A. Bernard and Mrs. Bernard at Government House, left by plane at noon yesterday for their home in Boston. Mr. William Bernard is a brother of the Lieut.-Governor.

Leave For Odd Fellows Convention

The following representatives from the Odd Fellows in Charlottetown to the Grand Lodge session in Moncton leave this morning to be in attendance. Vernon T. Howatt, David L. Bethune, A.O.F. Gill, Percy G. Acorn, George S. Ryan. The session will be held on the 6th, 7th and 8th of August.

Alpha Rebekah Lodge, No. 10 will also be represented at the session. Among those attending will be Mrs. Ruth Enman, P.N.G., Mrs. Ruth White, P.N.G., Mrs. Mae Adams, P.N.G., Mrs. Lulu Nicholson, P.N.G., Mrs. Annie Garnhum, P.N.G., Mrs. Beatrice Lapthorn, P.N.G. and Mrs. Ruby Houle, past president.

The following ladies will also leave for the conference tomorrow morning and will travel by motor-car: Miss Helen Finlayson Mrs. Jean Crockett, Mrs. J.F. Lafferty, Mrs. Fred Smith, Mrs. Pound. At the conclusion of the session, the ladies will make a tour of New Brunswick before returning home.

PARIS, Aug. 3 — (AP) — The Foreign Affairs Committee of the French Consultative Assembly adopted a resolution today demanding that the French Government break diplomatic relations with the Spanish Government of Gen. Franco.

Nothing came of the Committee's request May 25 that France break relations with Spain. The Spanish Foreign Ministry announced June 1 the French Government had notified it that the manifesto would be disregarded.

BIRTHS

PINEAU—At North Rustico, Aug. 2, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. George A. Pineau, a son.

CONSTABLE — At the P. E. I. Hospital, Aug. 3, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Constable, City, a son, Sterling Blanche.

HARDING — At the P. E. I. Hospital, Aug. 2, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. James Harding, a daughter, Lilla Marie.

RICHARDS — At the P.E.I. Hospital, Aug. 1, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. James T. Richards, nee Martha Hancock, a son, James Edward.

NUNN—At the P. E. I. Hospital, Aug. 3, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Nunn, Harrington, a son.

LUND — At the P.E.I. Hospital, Aug. 4, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Lund, Bethel, a son.

McNEILL — At the P.E.I. Hospital August 4, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. Neil McNeill, Milton, a son, John Wallace.

MARRIAGES

DALZIEL - MURPHY — On Aug. 3, 1945, at the Salvation Army Citadel, Charlottetown, by Major W. Mercer, Marjorie Florence, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dalziel, Charlottetown, to Alexander Lingard Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Murphy, of Murphy's Cove, N.S. (Halifax papers please copy).

DEATHS

BERNARD — At Baltic, August 5, 1945, Mrs. Johnson Bernard, in her 77th year. Funeral from her residence, Tuesday at 2.30 p.m. Interment in Malpeque cemetery.

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Gen. Crerar Given A Noisy Welcome As Ile De France Docks At Halifax

By FRANK LOWE
Canadian Press Staff Writer

HALIFAX, Aug. 5—Nearly 10,000 of Canada's fighting men and women arrived at this port today with Gen. H. D. G. Crerar, the 1st Canadian Army, who was given a noisy welcome to Canada by the people of this port and an equally noisy farewell by his men aboard the big troop transport Ile De France.

The men aboard the trooper were home from the wars after the lengthiest period services volunteers from the Dominion ever put in on overseas fields of action. Most of them last saw Canada four, five or more years ago, and as the hilly outline of Halifax took shape when the transport nosed into the harbor there was a tension aboard that could almost be felt.

It was a feeling of "Well, we've made it---it never seemed possible, but here we are, home."

There was no cheering at first—but that came later, when the ship was tied up and the excitement of the long-awaited disembarkation gripped them.

A launch with an army band aboard escorted the bulging trooper into harbor and to the quayside, where a Scottish pipe band, civilian entertainers and hundreds of relatives and friends lined the sides of the weather-beaten pier to welcome the veterans home. R.C.A.F. planes roared overhead and ships' whistles blasted deafeningly to greet them.

With Gen. Crerar, retiring commander of the 1st Canadian Army, were four senior officers who served at headquarters: Brig. C. C. Mann, chief of staff; Brig. G. Walsh, chief engineer; Brig. W. B. Wedd, senior military government officer; and Brig. J. E. Genet, chief signal officer.

At the dock to meet Gen. Crerar as the trooper pulled in were his wife and his daughter, Mrs. H. Z. Palmer, as well as high military and civilian officials.

Defence Minister McNaughton, Lt.-Gen. J. C. Murchie, chief of the general staff, and Brig. D. A. White, district officer commanding military district No. 6, headed the military delegation. On hand to extend the civilian welcome were Lieut.-Governor H. E. Kendall of Nova Scotia, Acting Premier J. W. Comeau of the Province, and Mayor Alan Butler of Halifax.

Mayor Butler presented the returning General with a gold key to the city, while Mrs. Crerar received a jewelled replica and the assurance she and her husband were welcome whenever they wished to make a lengthier visit to Halifax. Then the General stepped back on the gangplank to doff his cap and wave farewell to his troops amid loud cheers.

This afternoon a motorcade headed by a car bearing the General and Mayor Butler toured the streets of the garrison grounds, beneath the slopes of the old citadel, where Gen. Crerar inspected a group of battle casualties and members of the C.W.A.C.

Gen. Crerar and his party leave by special train at 5 a.m. A.D.T. tomorrow for Ottawa, where Prime Minister King and other officials will extend the government's welcome. The train will halt for 30 minutes at Moncton, N.B., at 11.30 tomorrow morning, and another 30 minutes at Riviere Du Loup, Que., late in the evening, before going on to Montreal and Ottawa.

Among the airmen returning was FO. Al Foreman, Westmount, Que., former British Empire lightweight boxing champion who retired from the ring undefeated.

Only man on the ship to wear the Union Jack insignia on his sleeve, emblematic of service in Russia, was Maj. Nelson Darling of Vancouver, who spent five months in the Soviet helping released Canadian prisoners of war get home.

One of the best service records belonged to CSM. Bill Ireland, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. A tank recovery expert, he got his first taste of action when he went to North Africa with a handful of Canadian observers and later travelled with the Dominion forces on the road that led to Berlin.

Representative of what he calls the "retreads" who made a comeback was Maj. B. F. Gossage of Toronto. A Military Cross winner in the first Great War, campaigned through this one battery commander of the 6? Light Anti-Aircraft.

Heading the contingent of nursing sisters aboard was Principal Matron Helen Shanks of Montreal. Her assistant was Capt. Matron Catherine Lunn of Winnipeg, and others in the draft were Mary Styffe of Hamilton, Ont., and Doris Gemeau of Clementsport, N.S., the youngest nurse on the ship.

Trim, easy-on-the-eyes Lieut. Diana Spencer of Vancouver headed the W.R.C.N.S. draft headed home, assisted by Sub Lieut. Helen Booth, Vancouver. With them was Helen Henderson, a girl who came to Canada as a guest when the bombs made Britain unsafe for children, joined the W.R.C.N.S. and now, after a spell of duty in her homeland, is returning to her foster-home in Hamilton, Ont.

A one-time national swim champion, Flt. Lt. Bob Hooper of Vancouver was also aboard. In 1938-39 he was Canada's star free style swimmer at the British Empire games.

A basketball star and another Vancouver man returning was Wing Cmdr. Norm Gloag, and with him was Wing Cmdr. Doug Aggett, onetime star with the Hamilton, Ont. Tigers softball squad.

One of the most decorated men on the ship was Wing Cmdr. Mike Pollard of Montreal. Only 25 now, he went to Britain when he was 18, joined the R.A.F. and since then has collected the D.S.O., D.F.C. and A.F.C. He transferred to the R.C.A.F. nine months ago and is back to Canada to join his wife and son who preceeded him on the westward jaunt a short while ago. But—and any man or woman aboard will verify this—the bravest man on the ship, Sgt.-Major H. G. Nelson of Toronto. A veteran of five years and eight months overseas service, he was "joed" for the job of ship's M.P. on the trip back and one of his duties was to check on everyone not carrying lifejackets.

One day Gen. Crerar forgot to carry his, and Nelson had to tap him on the shoulder and remind him. It was a ticklish job, but, according to Nelson, the General used his lifejacket ever after.

Veterans Enthusiastic

HALIFAX, August 5 — (CP) — General Crerar received his first ovation from a Canadian crowd on Canadian soil since his return from overseas today when he inspected wounded veterans and members of the C.W.A.C. at the Garrison Grounds.

Intermittent thunder showers did something to reduce the throngs crowding the slope of Citadel Hill and spilling out around the rim of the inspection ground, but nothing quelled their enthusiasm.

As Mayor Allan Butler of Halifax called for three cheers for General Crerar, the crowd answered with a thunderous roar, and surged toward the microphone where the General stood, momentarily pressing back mounted police. The General was smiling as he accepted the ovation "on behalf of the Canadian Army as a whole."

Previously he had inspected members of the Canadian Women's Army Corps drawn up rigidly neat behind seated veterans of two wars.

The General's interest in the veterans was manifest. Many of them had been wounded while serving under his command in France, and he chatted informally with every man. Most were Maritimers.

To Pte. G. L. LeBlanc of Yarmouth, N.S., who was wounded while fighting in the Falaise Gap, Crerar remarked that his own plane had been shot twice through the wings while flying over that very spot.

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British Forces May Train Abroad

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LONDON, Aug. 5 — (CP) Large formations of the British Army may in the future be flown abroad to train in order to free them from the geographic limitations imposed on modern manoeuvres in the United Kingdom.

This is one of the questions which will probably be considered by the committee recently appointed by the Army Council here to review the future of the British Army.

With tremendous strides being made in transport and supply of troops by air, some influential British military authorities visualize British expeditionary forces flying out to North Africa, India, Canada or Australia to do annual training. Supporters of such a scheme say it would enable Empire forces to train together in an integrated plan.

During the European war, training of large British, Canadian and American forces in the United Kingdom imposed a heavy additional burden on the British people. Hundreds of square miles of agricultural land had to be turned into training areas. Civilians had to be evacuated from scores of towns and during battle training many of these towns received such severe damages they will never recover.

Exercises on an army level in England were generally unrealistic for it was impossible to have unrestricted, full-scale movement of troops without seriously dislocating the life and work of the people. This alone is likely to force the modern British army to go further afield for its training.