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NON-CONFIDENCE VOTE IN KING IS DEMANDED

Battle In West Roars Into 7th Day

Tokyo Bombed

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23—(AP)—Tokyo was attacked today by Superfortresses in daylight missions launched from bases in the Mariana Islands.

The War Department announced that "a sizeable task force of B-29 aircraft of the 20th air force today attacked industrial targets in Tokyo."

The mission was conducted by a newly-established 21st bomber command operating from bases in Satpan approximately 1,500 miles to the south and east.

Liberal Members Bolt Ranks

OTTAWA, Nov. 23—(CP)—Charles E. Parent, Liberal member for Quebec West, said tonight he had bolted government ranks in protest against the proposed order-in-council which opened the way for the sending overseas of 16,000 Home Defence drafts.

Mr. Parent said that he had signed a petition at the time of the House of Commons debate on the bill for the sending overseas of 16,000 Home Defence drafts.

He said that after the plebiscite the government had passed bill 100 making available for overseas service if necessary "but so long as they did not enforce that law he was able to support the government on other legislation."

He said he would join no other party, but would take the status of an independent member.

Mr. Parent first won his seat in 1935 when he defeated the late Maurice Dupre, former Conservative solicitor general.

In a brief speech at 11 p.m. just before the House adjourned, Mr. Parent said that he had no longer support Prime Minister Mackenzie King.

Paulout said he felt his first duty was to his constituents and he regretted he must leave the government side.

BACK TO NORMAL
SAINT JOHN, N. B., Nov. 23—(CP)—Traffic on Canadian Pacific Railway Lines was back to normal today following the arrival of a freight train at Miramichi yesterday and consequent lengthy delay in schedules. No one was injured in the derailment.

Coming Events

- *Show - Crapaud Tuesday, 11-23-11.
- *Chicken Supper, Bristol School, Tuesday, November 28th, 11-23-11.
- *Dance Kinkora Hall, Friday, 11-23-11.
- *Borden Friday, National Film Board Shows, 1:30 and 8 P. M., 11-16-21.
- *Buying live and dressed poultry. Paying low market prices. Island Cold Storage Ltd., 11-17-11.
- *Hunter River farmers will be loading dressed hogs Dec. 1, 11-23-11.
- *Pantry Sale at Maritime Electric, Saturday, November 26th at Hampshire W. S., 11-16-21.
- *Red Cross Blood Donors Clinic will be held in Belfast Hall, Saturday, November 26th from 9 to 5 P. M., 11-24-11.
- *Livestock Marketing Board will be loading hogs at Bradshaw every Tuesday forenoon until further notice. Alex McDonald, Agent, 11-23-11.
- *The annual meeting of the Mt. Allison-Hazelbrook Telephone Co. will be held in the Mt. Allison Hall on Wednesday, November 29th at 8 P. M., 11-24-21.
- *Livestock Marketing Board loading hogs at Hunter River, Kennington, Albany each Monday until further notice. Any overloads will be taken Tuesday forenoon as usual, 11-23-11.
- *Livestock Marketing Board loading hogs at St. Teresa Monday evening, November 28th. Please list stock with Joseph McCarthy, Agent, 11-23-21.
- *Dealers and buyers of grain and grain products in carlots are invited to contact our representative in Charlottetown, Mr. J. A. Bailey, for prices on wheat, oats and barley. Quality goods and satisfaction guaranteed on every shipment. The Atlas Grain Company, Montreal, Que., 11-24-21.

Expected Home This Evening



Word has been received here by his wife and by his parents, former Chief Justice J. A. Mathieson and Mrs. Mathieson, of the expected return this evening of Capt. David L. Mathieson, C.M.C., who served overseas in January 1940 and served with the shock troops in Sicily and Italy as well as on the Italian front.

The disclosure gives substance to the Chiang Kai-shek shake-up which earlier stirred hopes of impending Chinese unity of action against the Nipponese invader.

Local Soldiers Receive Awards

Major W.W. Reid, Charlottetown has been awarded the Canadian Efficiency Decoration. Sgt. Major J.M. Lee, also of Charlottetown, has been awarded the Canadian Efficiency Medal with the Clasp and L. Sgt. J.C. Strain, Sgt. M. Matheson and Cpl. W.D. Brennan—all of Charlottetown—the Canadian Efficiency Medal.

The medals have also been awarded to P. L. Howard of Kennington.

Short Weight Tuber Loading Causes Trouble

A serious situation with regard to the loading of short weights of potato and turnip shipments from the Province has developed, according to a circular issued by one of the leading shipping organizations here. The firm complains of having suffered losses, running as high as \$100,000 on a tonnage of potatoes, and equally high on turnips.

"But to cap it all," the circular states, "we have been cleaning up, discharging at Norfolk, Virginia, with the sacks running so much below weight that there is doubt as to whether the American government authorities will release the cargo to the buyer until the sacks are properly filled. Can you imagine what this means to our growers? Never before have we been faced with such disgrace and humiliation. To say nothing of the financial loss involved, begun running anywhere from five to ten pounds short weight."

The only way this condition can be corrected, the letter states, is through the loaders. According to new regulations now effective, all bags must carry the grower's identification mark and henceforth each grower's short weights will be charged back to the loader who in turn may collect from his grower. There will be added to the price he received the cost of freight, duty and sacks, and he will be liable under wartime prices and trade Board regulations, to legal action for shipping short weight.

According to word received from the fruit and vegetable division at Ottawa, the enforcement of the identification marks will be necessary on and after Dec. 1st. Instructions have been issued to inspectors accordingly, and loaders have been instructed to provide tags in advance in order that delays in shipping may be avoided.

With regard to the refrigerator car situation, shippers report cars as being still "extremely hard to get."

NOTTINGHAM, England—(CP)—Canon Permentier of St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Church has asked parents not to name their children after soldiers or sailors in the war but after saints of the church.

War Situation Last Night

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON
(Associated Press War Analyst)

Hampered but not halted by bad weather, the six-army Allied offensive against the German west-wall is soaring toward its crisis at both ends of the 400-mile battlefield.

Coupled with the vast Russian sweep over the whole Hungarian plain west of the Danube and the long and significant lull in Red Army offensive operations in Poland, it bodes for Germany a Christmas season black with portents of complete defeat soon.

That within days, not months, the foe will have been forced back behind the high Rhine in the south is certain. The battle of the Vosges has been lost and that defeat bids fair to levy a heavy toll on German power. The enemy's ability to continue organized resistance was fast fading away everywhere west of Germany's Rhine-Saar frontiers reflecting a German flight for safety within the fortifications along the east banks of both streams. Armored columns of the French Army with American aid were waging blitz warfare against its southern flank in the Rhine valley.

Poled at Colmar in the south and Strasbourg in the north, they seemed ready to complete the encirclement of the whole Vosges range. There was Allied progress, too, in the north despite the clogging mud and chilling rain that sharply limited full scale air support for the Allied advance.

Favorable word came from the other side of the world with disclosure from China that new American-Chinese dispositions to deal with Japanese invaders had been initiated. Gen. Wedemeyer, successor to Gen. Stilwell as American Commander in China, announced from Chungking acceptance by Gen. Chiang Kai-shek of his joint operations plans though he gave no hint of what they involved.

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McNaughton Confesses Failure To Obtain "Adequate Results"

OTTAWA, Nov. 23—(CP)—Defence Minister McNaughton today said that he had failed to obtain "adequate" results from his plans to call on the Defence Army of 89,000 so-called Zombies for up to 16,000 infantry soldiers to reinforce the army being organized overseas as Command-in-Chief.

He announced the first application for overseas service for Canada in this war as he made his first Parliamentary speech, saying that the British Commonwealth since he is not yet a member.

He disclosed that in three weeks of intensive effort since he succeeded Col. J. L. Ralston as Defence Minister he failed to obtain the original orders of this unit voluntary system to meet the need for overseas infantry reinforcements.

Over and above the men expected to be forthcoming as volunteers he needs 5,000 trained infantry men for overseas movement in December, another 5,000 in January and 6,000 in the succeeding months.

He said that these men are available, he announced, the Government has passed an order-in-council under the National Resources Mobilization Act authorizing the dispatch of 16,000 drafted soldiers overseas.

"This order-in-council will be used only to the extent necessary to make up the number of reinforcements," he said.

Later, under questioning from members he said there were some signs of a voluntary conversion of R. M. A. men (draftsmen) to general service men (volunteers) and he would be the most thankful man in the room if it developed to the extent that he does not need to use the powers given him.

But, he also declared, "I have been vested with authority which I shall use to see the army is kept up."

Death In Winnipeg Of Lt.-Col. A. E. Ings

Word has been received of the death in Winnipeg yesterday morning of Lt. Colonel A. Ernest Ings, a prominent Prince Edward Islander with an outstanding record in the training of military forces during the First World War. He had lived in Winnipeg for the past year or more.

Colonel Ings first went overseas as Major and second in command of the Canadian Mounted Rifles in 1915. After service in France he returned in 1916 and was appointed to the command of the 10th (Prince Edward Island) Battalion in England in June, 1916. Later, on the amalgamation of the 10th and 105th Battalions, he assumed command of the new unit, which was known as the 104th. In March, 1918, this battalion was broken up for reinforcements and Colonel Ings returned to Canada. For a time, he acted as Brigadier in command of various Brigades of the Fifth Canadian Division.

Islanders who served under Colonel Ings held him in the highest esteem, both as a soldier and a gentleman. His interest in military affairs dated back many years, his early service being as a militia officer with the Prince Edward Island Light Horse. He was one of the original officers of this unit when it was founded as a Squadron in 1901, and assumed command in 1911. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in 1913 when the Squadron was formed into a Regiment.

Drew Gets Report On Abitibi Company

TORONTO, Nov. 23—(CP)—Premier Drew of Ontario announced tonight that he has received the report of the Hughes Committee on the Abitibi Company, which asserts that British and Canadian military police were used to keep order in Brussels during last Sunday's anti-government demonstration.

The Journal described this "as the most disquieting thing that has happened since our armies began the liberation of the continent."

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Italian Farmer Gets Prison Term

ROME, Nov. 23—(CP Cable)—A general military court yesterday sentenced Giuseppe Ceccarelli, 24-year-old farmer from Frosinone, to five years' imprisonment for culpable homicide arising from the knife slaying of a Canadian Army engineer, L-Cpl. William J. Bell (hometown unavailable) last June.

A brother of the convicted farmer, Sisto Ceccarelli, was sentenced to two years for concealing the crime and for removing shoes and identifications from the body.

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Confusion Reigns In Liberal Ranks

Order-In-Council Passed To Send Limited Number Of Zombies Overseas--Air Minister Power Resigns.

By JAMES MCCOOK

OTTAWA, Nov. 23—(CP)—Conscription for overseas today was authorized for 16,000 Home Defence Army men but the Government's decision brought no easement in the vigor of controversy on Parliament Hill.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced that by order-in-council the 16,000 from the 60,000 draftees effective would be available for overseas. A moment later Gordon Graydon, Progressive Conservative House leader, said his party would move for total conscription, which would make all draftees liable to duty in the United Kingdom, European and Mediterranean theatres of war.

Defence Minister McNaughton, facing questions on the floor of the House after delivering a 5,000-word speech, said he still believed in the voluntary overseas service principle. The army would not take compulsory service men if volunteers could be obtained sufficient to meet reinforcement needs.

The 16,000 draftees would not go overseas as a group but in batches of 5,000 in each of the months of December, and January, with the remainder being provided as reinforcements by May.

Non-Confidence Vote

Mr. Graydon indicated that the Government must face a vote of confidence shortly.

He said his party planned to introduce a motion calling for the formation of a new Government led by a man with the confidence of Parliament and favoring total conscription.

Mr. King replied that he was confident of House support and would call in his power to prevent dissolution while Canadians still are at the front, subject to the limits on the life of Parliament.

(Announcement of a general election date is expected in April when the life of the present government expires.)

Anti-Conscription Parade In Quebec

QUEBEC, Nov. 21—(CP)—A group of 60 youths tonight staged an anti-conscription parade through the streets of Quebec carrying banners reading: "Down with conscription," and "March to the offices of the Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph where two windows were broken."

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German Oil Plant Bombed

LONDON, Nov. 23—(CP)—R.A.F. and United States heavy bombers struck today at the same target—the Nordstern South Sea Oil plant at Gelsenkirchen, which normally produces 30,000 tons of fuel monthly.

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Who'll Take My Place King Asks

OTTAWA, Nov. 23—(CP)—Prime Minister Mackenzie King tonight said members who talked of lack of confidence in the government should "consider what alternate government they will put in if I resign in the next two weeks."

John Bracken, Progressive Conservative leader, referring to their national leader.

Hon. R. B. Hanson (P.C.—York Sunbury) said that Mr. King had gone through a trying time but had brought it on himself. The Prime Minister was mistaken if he considered himself indispensable and there was a rising volume of opinion in the country that would dispense with Mr. King and his government.

In House Of Commons Today

OTTAWA, Nov. 23—(CP)—The Commons tomorrow will continue its questioning of Defence Minister McNaughton, and full-dress debate on the Liberal government's war policy will not begin until Monday, the Commons decided tonight.

8th Army Troops Advance Slowly

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Officer Commanding M. D. 10 Resigns

WINNIPEG, Nov. 23—(CP)—Brig. R. A. Macfarlane, officer commanding M. D. 10, tonight announced his resignation. In a statement issued to the press he said he had submitted it Nov. 21 in protest against the voluntary recruiting plans of Defence Minister McNaughton, who had accepted it.

Telephone Strike Is Called Off

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23—(AP)—The telephone strike in the United States was called off tonight.

Leaders of Ohio and Washington Unions told the War Labor Board they were asking striking members to go back on the job. They asked also that sympathy strikers, such as those at Detroit, be sacked.

METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE

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