

U.S. Considers Better Route To Alaska

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—Private Fred MacInnis of the Westminister Regiment who for the past two weeks has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacInnis of Borden left on Monday to rejoin his unit.

—Mrs. Clinton Howatt and children Bonnie and Fay spent the week-end in Charlottetown, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jules Gaudet.

—Mrs. Otis MacAsay who has been a patient in the Prince County Hospital returned to her home in Borden on Saturday.

—Mr. Prosper Bernard C. N. R. employee at Charlottetown spent the week-end at his home in Borden.

—Mrs. Sampson Walsh of Albany, is visiting in Borden guest of her son, Charles and Mrs. Walsh.

—Mrs. William Ozon and son Keith who have been visiting relatives in Charlottetown returned home on Saturday.

—Mrs. Russell Bell and Mrs. Colin Love of Borden were visitors to Summerside on Saturday.

—Miss Audrey Stewart of Borden was the guest of her sister, Miss Pearl Stewart of Charlottetown on Saturday.

—Mr. Frank Dorsey, R. C. A. F. is spending his leave with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dorsey of Borden.

—Master Harry Lowther of North Cape spent the week-end in Borden with his sister, Mrs. Oscar Campbell.

—Miss Catherine MacCallum, teacher at Borden spent the week-end at her home in Summerside.

—The regular auction party of the Borden Women's Institute was held on Thursday evening in the town hall with six tables playing. Ladies prize was won by Mrs. C. MacDonald, guests by Mr. Thomas Gallant with consolation prizes going to Mrs. Willard Leard and Mr. James MacAleer. After lunch had been served playing was resumed for the freizeout which was won by Henry Cereht. —A.

—Largest individual subscription reported today was that of \$3,000.00 from the Ontario Paper Co., L. Throld, Ont. For purposes of reporting on Quebec subscriptions the loan committee list this bond order as a subscription by the Quebec and North Shore Paper Co., affiliate of Ontario Paper Co.

—Other big orders included Bell Telephone Co., \$1,500.00; Canadian Celanese Ltd., \$1,000.00; and City of Westmount, \$1,120.50.

—A number of companies in Manitoba were reported to have achieved anywhere from 100 to 260 per cent of their unit quotas.

—Mr. and Mrs. James Houghton of Cobalt, Ont., both 69 and both Northern Ontario pioneers, bought \$10,000 worth of Victory Bonds with their life savings.

—At Hamilton, 93 naval cadets paraded and 43 of them volunteered to buy Victory Bonds. Their pay is \$1.30 a day.

—In Challenge Race More than 100 tugboats are competing in a challenge race along the British Columbia coast. Each boat has been given a quota, and will receive victory loan pennants or successful achievement.

—Feature German Banknotes The loan campaign in New Brunswick is being featured by bundles of worthless German banknotes with a nominal value of 50,000,000 marks, and worth about \$13,000,000 prior to the Great War of 1914-18. They are being displayed around the province in conjunction with placards emphasizing what commonplace articles cost in marks after that war, such as 100,000 marks for newspaper.

—Sectional rivalry inspired competition in New Brunswick. Victoria County subscribed twice as much, on a per capita basis, as its largest neighbor, Madawaska, during the last Victory Loan. Madawaska has purchased a large silver trophy for competition this year and the year

Kensington And Vicinity

Captain R.D. MacNeill of the staff of the Military Hospital at Muirgrave, N.S., spent the week-end at his home here.

—Mrs. Benjamin Champion and small son is spending a few days in Summerside with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Larkin.

—The Messrs. David Ramsay, Oedro Owen and Ewood Clark of Kensington spent the week-end in Charlottetown.

—Mrs. John MacFadyen and daughter Elsie of Kensington spent Saturday in Freetown the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Warren.

—Miss Erma Campbell returned to her home in Irishtown after spending the past month in Charlottetown.

—Miss Grace Semple was a visitor to Summerside recently.

—The friends of Mrs. Robert Chisholm are sorry to learn that she is very ill in the Prince County Hospital.

—The Kensington Juvenile Hockey team played the Borden Juveniles at Borden on Friday evening. The Borden team came out on top by a score of 7-0. The local team are now awaiting a return game when they hope to have their team members who were unable to make the trip to Borden on account of illness. Better luck next time, boys!

—Mrs. Haden Dixon of Charlottetown is spending a few days in Irishtown the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Campbell.

—Her many friends are glad to hear that Mrs. George Davison has improved greatly and was able to return to her home from the Prince County Hospital.

—Mr. Theo Ling, vice-principal of the Kensington High School, spent the week-end at his home in Wheatley River.

—Mr. Robertson Mann of Burlington was a visitor to Summerside on Saturday.

—Mr. James Cousins of Park Corner was a business visitor to Kensington on Friday.

—The Misses Lucy Kilbride and Margaret Handrahan of Kensington spent Friday evening in Freetown.

—Pte. Edward Perry is spending a pleasant leave at his home in Kensington, the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry.

—Miss Patricia Pendergast, student of the Kebleton Convent, spent the week-end in Kensington with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Pendergast.

—Mr. Earle Dymont of Summerside spent the week-end in Margate with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dymont.

—Miss Elaine Campbell of Graham's Road was a recent visitor to Kensington the guest of Miss Lois Macdonald.

—Mr. Ensey Ramsay of Summerside spent the week-end in Kensington with Mr. and Mrs. Keir Clark.

—Mr. Gerald McLean of Halifax spent the week-end with his wife and family here.

—Mr. Ernest Robertson of Summerside was visiting Mr. Ingham MacNeill of Kensington.

—Miss Irene Underhill spent the week-end in French River the guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Harry Underhill.

—Mrs. Joseph Woodside of Margate spent a few days here recently the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Champion.

—The congregation of Kensington United Church had the pleasure of hearing the Rev. John Stirling at their services Sunday.

WILL CHURCHILL

(Continued from page 1) 1. Reduce the war cabinet to a small group freed of departmental worries, whose one job would be to get on with the war.

2. Appoint a separate minister of defence—although Mr. Churchill today told a questioner that he would not surrender that post.

3. Reconstruct the administration—a step regarded by many as likely.

Roosevelt Says Communications Should Be Faster

Several proposals under review; Conversations resumed with Canadian Government.

(By J. F. SANDERSON, Canadian Press Staff Writer) WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—(CP)—President Roosevelt declared today that communications between the United States and Alaska should be improved, in giving warning that an enemy attack on Alaska is a perfectly possible military operation and that attacks on New York or even Detroit are feasible under certain conditions.

He told his press conference that the United States War Department is nearing an end of an exhaustive study of the whole problem of communications with Alaska, and said that a decision to start must be made within the next two or three weeks if something is to be done by January 1943.

At the same time, the President renewed discussions with the Canadian government about the Alaska highway project, which he said would catch up by March 1.

When asked for comment on the strategic value to the United States of a proposed new \$1,000,000,000 loan to Russia, he said it should be considered in terms of dead Germans and smashed tanks.

At the same time, the President lashed out at what he called "Washington talk" and which he accused of starting preposterous rumors and lies in circulation.

He described as "rot reports" in Washington that the damage done by the Japanese at Pearl Harbor was greater than that reported by Navy Secretary Frank Knox after his personal investigation of the extent of the damage.

When he was asked about the Alaska highway the President replied that the War Department is engaged in the study of the project, including the different proposed routes. Until a few months ago, the War Department was opposed to the whole project but since the American declaration of war and the upheaval in the Pacific, it has changed its opinion.

At the present time, delegate A. J. Dimond of Alaska has before Congress a bill to build the road. It has been approved by the House of Representatives.

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MORE LIBERAL C. Yates McDaniel Reported Missing

(Continued from page 1) speakers in the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the Throne.

Among other participants were three French-speaking members from Quebec, all opposing conscription—Léon J. Gaspard, Roy (Ind. Gaspard)—declaring himself also against the conscription bill which the government intends to seek release from past anti-conscription pledges.

Raymond Eudes (Lib. Montreal) conscription contained a threat to national unity but did not oppose the plebiscite.

J. E. Ferron (Lib. Berthier-Maskinonge) took a similar stand on conscription and said he would stand by Prime Minister Mackenzie King on his plebiscite policy.

At the night sitting four other Liberals from Quebec supported the plebiscite but opposed conscription—Léon J. Gaspard, Maurice Gingras (Lib. Sherbrooke), Hector Authier (Lib. Châteauguay) and J. H. Leclerc (Lib. Shefford).

E. H. Corman (Lib. Wentworth) said he was in favor of conscription but "by the will of the people and not by the will of a little group of fast-minded people."

W. G. Weir (Lib. Macdonald) said the government had failed to use its propaganda facilities adequately to bring the war home to the people in all its reality. He said conscription was an issue in the election and he was glad the plebiscite was being held.

Burton M. Hill (Lib. Charlotte) questioned the value of conscription and said New Brunswick had neither failed nor faltered, he said. Besides Mr. Mackenzie and the three French-speaking members there were two other afternoon speakers.

A. S. Rennie (Lib. Oxford) advanced argument for government action to ensure a supply of farm laborers. He said the present system of conscription was unsatisfactory.

During the question period Finance Minister Tisley announced the excise tax on sugar will be reduced from its present rate of two cents to one cent a pound due to increased cost of imported sugar and the desirability of encouraging beet sugar production.

Mr. MacKenzie urged relaxation of the naturalization laws in Canada, which he said were too strict and could assume their responsibilities of citizenship and do their share in the war effort.

He also suggested that non-permanent residents in Canada be mobilized for active service or disbanded, saying they are of little use at present.

There were about 80 or 90 of these units of infantry and probably nearly as many artillery units, he said, each with several full-time officers ranging from corporal to Lieutenant-Colonel.

"I say that they are an added expense and are not making any worthwhile contribution," he said.

SHIFT OF NAZI

(Continued from page 1) and Gneisenau—had been so heavily hit as to be cut of action "for some time to come," and that as he spoke there was evidence in other quarters that these vessels already had been brought under attack in their new shelter in the North Sea.

This was suggested as an unamplified communique from the Air Ministry reporting British raids overnight on certain unidentified ports in northwest Germany.

It was supported by a German communique stating flatly that there had been a bomb attack on Helligholm Light, probable berth of the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, although this attack was claimed by Berlin to have been ineffectual.

More important than all this, however, as coming from a former First Lord of the Admiralty and a political leader who has made it one of his chief functions to put no varnish on bad news, was Mr. Churchill's expressed view that the German incident had been "decidedly beneficial to our war situation," however gnawing the British disappointment that the whole pack had not been killed.

As to this, he offered, not only his own opinion but that of the Admiralty, a surprise which it might be to House and public.

The main point of all, he said, was that the Germans—the Scharnhorst and Gneisenau, the 10,000-ton cruiser Prinz Eugen and many smaller vessels—had abandoned the Brest France, a much better position than they had gained.

Were On British Flank At Brest, he explained, the German ships had lain on the flank of the British convoy route to the east and in position to leap at any time into the Atlantic or Mediterranean, thus necessitating a costly 10-months intermittent British bombing campaign to keep them immobilized—a campaign that, however necessary, was nevertheless somewhat wasteful.

Moreover, he added, it had been necessary to go along with certain "ad hoc" measures, such as the bombing of Germany proper.

But now, he summed up: "A threat to our convoy routes has been removed and the enemy has been driven from an advantageous position (this latter based on the view that the German command had no longer been willing to let the ships lie at Brest under British bombing). The diversion of our bombing effort is over and a heavier scale of attack is possible in which all the near misses fall

DRAKE-BROCKMAN To Camp Borden

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—(CP)—Trooper G.P.L. Drake-Brockman, a former tank brigadier in the British army who was court-martialed for striking a German officer prisoner, will go to Canadian tank training headquarters at Camp Borden with a commission, it was reported today.

Defence department officials said a commission had not yet been received for the one-time high-ranking British officer but other quarters predicted he would hold the rank of Major. He reached Canada only recently.

Following his retirement from the British army he spent a year in civilian life, finally enlisting in the Canadian army overseas.

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Aussies Mobilize For Total War Premier Curtin announces every one in Dominion is in service of Government.

By J. E. Holdsworth (Canadian Press Correspondent) SYDNEY, Feb. 17.—(CP Cable)—Australia mobilized for total war today and her 7,000,000 inhabitants were told bluntly by Prime Minister John Curtin that "this means that every human being in Australia, whether or not he or she likes it, is in the service of the government."

Egg shipping Methods to be Fully revised

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—(CP)—A complete revision of methods of shipping to the United Kingdom under which tens of millions of eggs being sent overseas will be sent in their original shells, was announced today by the Agriculture Department.

In their dried form, the eggs will require one-seventh as much shipping space as when shipped in the shells and packed in protected cases.

Under an existing contract Canadian plans to ship about 20,000,000 dozen eggs before the end of May. Beyond that another 15,000,000 cases may be provided later in the year.

Officials said it was planned to ship all these eggs in dried form. "All that is lost in the drying process is the water, and this means of economy in transport without loss of the food values has been accepted by the United Kingdom," said a spokesman.

The drying of eggs has been undertaken in Canada for many years and it was not expected extensive expansion of facilities would be required.

One case of 30 dozen eggs is required to make 10 pounds of dried eggs which appear in a yellow flour-like form and can be packed conveniently and securely in barrels.

Six-weeks Dispute Ends At Boston

BOSTON, Feb. 16.—(CP)—Forty fishing trawlers, tied up by a six-weeks dispute over war risk insurance, were prepared today to move out to the fishing grounds under a staggered system of departures after 500 men of the Atlantic fishermen's union (A.F.L.) voted ratification of a settlement.

Boat owners agreed to a national war labor board ruling ordering them to pay a \$5,000 insurance premium for each man for three months pending final arbitration.

About 800 fishermen were ready to return to work as groups of boats prepared to move out at intervals to avoid overloading the market.

The boat owners had previously argued that as the fishermen are partners, not employees, under a "share the catch" system, they should pay their own insurance premiums.

With 800 men idle here the dispute had reduced New England's fish catch 40 per cent.

IRISH MOONSHINE SCARCE

BELFAST.—(CP)—There are trying days for thirsty Irishmen. On top of a shortage of whiskey, some word that Potem, a "fire-water" made in mountain hideaways is scarce because of a shortage of materials.

Ganong's CHOCOLATES THE WEST IN THE LAND