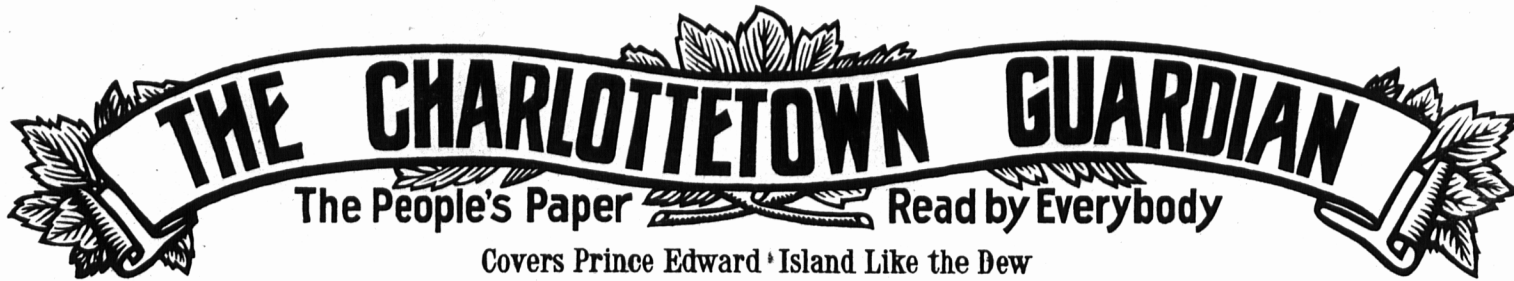


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# FINNS RESIST STUBBORNLY

## WAR SUPPLY BOARD AWARDS BIG CONTRACTS

WIDE VARIETY  
OF ARTICLES  
ARE INCLUDED

Bulk Of Orders Are  
Placed With Canadian  
Firms.

OTTAWA, Dec. 8—Orders totalling \$2,800,000 for the week ended Dec. 5 have been awarded by the war supply board, it was announced tonight by Transport Minister Howe in his first statement as minister responsible for war supply purchases.

Among the articles the board is buying are such items as clothing, tools, machinery, hardware, aircraft supplies and accessories, motor vehicles, surgical supplies, medical stores, marine equipment, lumber and building products, coal and coke, gasoline and oil, kit bags, gas masks, knives, soap and leather mitts.

Wide Variety

Several large construction jobs are to be undertaken and one contract listed at \$154,000 is to the Stewart Construction Company Limited for construction materials for use at Dartmouth and Sydney, N. S.

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## Coming Events

Rate for Notices in this column  
2 cents per word.

- Talkies—Murray River Monday. Special show. L-183-12-7-33.
- Reserve Thursday, December 21st for Vernon School Xmas Concert. L-131-12-6-31.
- We buy goose and duck feathers, not mixed. Henry MacFarlane & Co. L-204-12-7-11.
- Suffolk School Concert Monday night, Dec. 18. Admission 15 cents. L-268.
- Come to Millview School Christmas Concert, December 20th. L-260-12-9-11.
- Wanted! Dressed geese, ducks, turkeys, chickens and fowl. P. B. Conrad. L-271-12-9-61.
- Don Messer, Oddfellows Hall, Montague, December 12th. Concert. Dance. L-255-12-9-21.
- Paying top prices dressed poultry. Dillon & Spiller. L-253-12-9-12.
- Come to Hampshire School Concert in Kingston Hall, December 14th. If not here the following evening. L-184-12-9-11-13.
- Pleasant Valley, S. School Concert, December 22nd. If stormy, December 23rd. L-241-12-9-11.
- Queen Square School Annual Concert, Tuesday—Wednesday, Dec. 12-13. L-164-12-7-9-11.
- Geo. Leightizer Co., Water Street buying dressed poultry all kinds. Top prices. Try us. L-20-12-2-171.
- Basile of Christmas cake in aid of Basile Ular Society at Prowse Bros., Saturday afternoon. L-115-12-5-51.
- Special goose and chicken dinner. Poodle's Hotel, Montague, Sunday Dec. 10th. Hours 12 to 2 and 5 to 7. L-265.
- Reserve Saturday, December 9th for Rummage Sale in the Holy Name Hall under the auspices of the Nurses of City Hospital, starting at 2 P. M. L-223-12-8-21.
- Buying dressed poultry daily. Two special buying days December 14th and 15th. Signed Giltedge Creamery Co., Vernon. L-184-12-9-12-13.

## The Trusting Child Must Not Be Disappointed

The Child is the Prophecy of Days  
That May Still be — Days of  
Strength and Victory, Days of  
Richer, Rarer Peace and Joy

In these days of bloody war, strife, and much uncharitableness, the child in the midst of us is the symbol of what life at its highest ought to be. When at this season we look at what is called by theologians the Incarnation, what do we see? asks Dr. Leslie F. Church in his recent book "In The Quietness." Just a babe lying in the straw. Nothing miraculous about that, save that every birth is a miracle. Let us look a little closer, for we want to understand. You see the story has lasted so long, and every year it accomplishes the strangest of transformations, brings temporary wealth to the poor, and an almost universal recognition of humanity's right to food and shelter, indeed, to a certain measure of luxury. When you look at this Babe you will feel near the beginning of all things.

It is always a wise policy to look into the face of a child when you are perplexed about life, and yourself, and God. As Mr. Chesterton says: "The sharp return to simplicity, as the expression of the fiery thirst for happiness—that is the one remaining fact of all history." Whatever else one may find, there is simplicity and innocence in the face of a child—and this is a comforting discovery for us poor pilgrims, who are overwhelmed by complexities and have lost our innocence long years ago. What do you see in Bethlehem, then? The commonplace—yet it is strangely transformed. Somehow, we feel near the beginnings.

The other day, Dr. Church goes on to say, I stood in an ancient abbey with its priceless relics of the past. History was written in the old stones, and the beauty of its carving was like the "frozen music" of Cologne. Amidst all its treasures one thing seemed to stand out. It was an inscription on a tomb to a plain man without any great historic record. It said: "His heart was rich of such fine mould that if you sowed therein the seed of hate it blossomed charity." That might be paraphrased—his heart was as the heart of a little child, for it is a strange truth that little children love but do not hate.

Are you sorrowing because you remember other happier days? The Child is the prophecy of days that may still be—days of strength and victory, days of richer, rarer peace and joy.

In Bethlehem there is more than the transformation of sorrow into joy; there is the transfiguration of sorrow, the sublimation of suffering, the elevation of pain to great and noble purpose. The poverty of the shepherds and the agony of the mother are transfigured by the presence of the Child. All that seems grotesque and futile and dull is changed by the hand of God into the splendour of the Eternal when we have the eyes of faith to discern.

Yes at this Christmastide, we will get ready for the pilgrimage. We will become as little children and metaphorically play with them, but let it not end with filling a stocking and wearing a paper cap. Why should it end at all? Let us go to Bethlehem—yes, if you will—let us go to our own hearts and see. Maybe the Christ is there. Surely the Christ is there, and when we realize this it is not a far step to become a Santa Pal.

Remember the time is short and the list long. Hurry with your gifts for what may otherwise be an empty stocking and grievous disappointment. Scan the appended list, adopt a little one for the joyful season, and the Guardian will do the rest. Please do not delay.

## YESTERDAY'S SANTA PALS

- Miss Margaret Coffin.
- Mr. Arthur Coffin.
- Miss Laura Hughes.
- Miss Sandra Currie.
- Miss Lena McLure.
- Mrs. C. H. Black.
- Mrs. McCready.
- Mrs. Mark McGuigan.
- Master Mark McGuigan (Jr.)
- Miss Roberta Ann McGuigan.
- Miss Isabella Goodwin.
- Master Maurice Goodwin.
- Major and Mrs. F. P. May, St. Eleanor.

In memory of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Power.

Mrs. J. M. MacPadden.

Officers and other ranks of the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals, Sydney.

Detachment of the Charlottetown 8th District Signals, per John T. Smith A/ Sgt. Major.

## SANTA PALS TO DATE

"An Old Friend of the Little Child"

- Miss E. Burnett.
- Miss Elizabeth Anderson.
- Miss Margaret Irving.
- Mrs. Barlett.
- Mrs. Cooh.

In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McEwen.

Misses Marion and Edith Hume.

Mrs. W. R. Aiken.

Miss Lila M. Coles.

Master Earl Dunning, Kensington.

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## Take Toll Of Soviet Bombers



Anti-aircraft guns like the one pictured above mounted on a Finnish war vessel are said to have taken heavy toll of Soviet bombers.

## Successes Against Under Water Craft Brighten Allied Shipping Losses

LONDON, Dec. 8—(CP)—The press association said tonight that the German submarine which yesterday damaged the 1,690-ton destroyer Jersey had been sunk, bringing to three the number of submarines apparently accounted for by Great Britain's defence forces in a 24-hour period.

Earlier in the day the air ministry announced that two submarines had been sunk by Royal Air Force planes which scored direct hits on the U-boats.

Reports of these successes topped what had at first been regarded as a black Friday for shipping, in which a destroyer and five merchantmen were victims of sea hazards. Eighty-four lives were lost in the intensified sea warfare.

News of the continued role of the Air Force in the U-boat warfare came as naval circles revealed that Great Britain has managed to deal with the magnetic mine menace, thus reinforcing the conviction that slowly but surely Germany's attempts to break the Allied blockade are being systematically frustrated.

Authorities disclosed also that they were investigating what may have been an attempt to bomb the Firth of Forth bridge near the big Rosyth naval base. A train from Dundee to Glasgow was slowly crossing the high bridge when an object was thrown from one of the cars on to the structure and caught fire. The remains of the object are being examined to determine whether it was an incendiary bomb.

Some rumours said the outlawed Irish Republican Army may have had something to do with the incident.

Two officers and eight of the crew were killed and 12 injured when a torpedo struck the destroyer Jersey on Thursday. The damaged warship was able to reach an

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## HUNGARIANS RUSH DEFENCE FORTIFICATIONS

Fear Russia To Turn  
Southeastward In  
Spring.

By Edward Kennedy  
Associated Press Staff Writer

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Dec. 8—(AP)—Fortifications are being constructed at top speed in the Carpathian mountains by Hungary as the countries of southeastern Europe watch Soviet Russia's campaign in Finland for an indication of what its own future may be.

The mountains form one new frontier between Hungarian Rumania—the easternmost province of Czechoslovakia before that republic's dismemberment—and the Russian-occupied part of Poland.

Cement is almost unobtainable in Budapest because of the defence work.

A strong feeling runs through southeastern Europe that if Russia should attain her ends in Finland she may turn in this direction in the spring. Steps therefore are being taken to meet any such possibility.

Sympathy for Finland has been exhibited throughout the region, especially by the Hungarians who in addition to strong anti-communist feelings are racially related to the Finns and have maintained cultural contacts with them.

In Bulgaria alone—traditionally bound to Russia by ties of race and culture—has there been defence of Russia's actions. Bulgarian newspapers say Russia's move toward the east is necessary to assure her security.

This attitude caused uneasiness among Bulgaria's neighbors. It was suspected of counting on Russia to help her regain her losses at their expense.

In Hungary there was talk about the possibility of the Magyars assuming the "historic task" of "defending western civilization" from eastern invasion and predicting that Hungarians might be compelled to bear the brunt of a possible Russian thrust westward as they once stood against the Turks.

The Budapest newspaper Magyar Nemzet said:

"It is written in the book of destiny that we must prove ourselves in our historic role once each century. We must arouse the Hungarian people to arm themselves with unity and courage for this great hour."

## No Enemy Parachutists

By Godfrey Anderson

WITH THE ROYAL AIR FORCE IN FRANCE, Dec. 8—(CP)—Kite targets, towed by British airplanes for machine gun practice and giant balloons used in security police.

They have given rise to a crop of fantastic rumors, but authorities state no enemy parachutist has yet made a landing in the R. A. F. air-ground areas of France.

Each alarm received at R. A. F. headquarters has however, been carefully investigated by special armed units of security police.

In his first public pronouncement on the conflict, Daladier echoing British leaders, termed the Russian invasion of Finland "an abominable outrage" which had created "universal disgust."

He told a cheering chamber of deputies that "France salutes Finland with its assurance of profound and strong sympathy."

On France's own war front German reconnaissance planes, according to military quarters, failed last night in an attempt to reach Paris. It was said the planes flew in at a great height, but it was not explained how they were turned back.

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TORONTO, Dec. 8—(CP)—Decks awash from mountainous Lake Ontario seas, the steamship Norman P. Clement docked today from Port William after its stormy trip of the year.

"We battled ice and water all the way," said H. L. Murphy, Captain of the freighter. "It took two days to cut the ice from the doors on the starboard side to get them open."

## Report 100 Red Tanks Destroyed In Fierce Fighting

Finns Hold Russians On One  
Front But Fall Back Elsewhere.

(By Lynn Heinzerling, Associated Press Staff Writer)  
WITH THE FINNISH ARMY ON THE KARELIAN FRONT, Dec. 8—(AP)—Stubbornly resisting Finns have halted 200,000 Russians and disabled 100 Red tanks hurled at their Karelian Isthmus defences but gave ground on two other fronts during the day, Finnish commanders reported tonight.

Red army troops trying to reach the Mannerheim Line, a water defence system across the Karelian Isthmus, were turned back. Especially heavy fighting occurred on the eastern sector along the Tapale River, an army communiqué said.

In the Gulf of Finland the Finns said the Russians occupied Suursaari (Hogland) Island after seven days of shelling and bombing. (A Moscow communiqué said the Russians occupied the island four days ago.)

Villages on the island were said to have been levelled by the Soviet big guns and air bombs. The island's defenders, however, made their escape, the communiqué said.

On the central front, the Finns announced that Finnish forces were forced to withdraw from Suomussalmi, village about 15 miles from the frontier.

Elsewhere, the communiqué said there was no activity "worth mentioning."

Heavy artillery thundered today on both sides of the front at Summa, a village only 20 miles from the ancient Finnish city of Viipuri and 40 miles within Finland.

Colonel Alexander Mellbloom, commandant of the Viipuri sector, said the Russian advance had been halted momentarily, but expressed belief Russia was bringing up fresh troops for a new assault.

Unusual Finnish success against the Russian tanks, Mellbloom said was due to Soviet use of old-fashioned models with thin armor.

HELSINGFORS, Dec. 8—(AP)—Russian calculations of Finnish weakness have miscarried because the Finns will "fight to the end—even after the end," Prime Minister Risto Ryti declared tonight in a nationwide broadcast.

"Russian action against Finland was based on incorrect information and an error in calculation," he declared.

"It was supposed that the defensive capacity and the spirit of the Finnish army and nation could be broken by savage destruction which the whole civilized world abhors. The result will be a disappointment to Soviet Russia."

plate and poor handling. A powerful new Swedish anti-tank gun made short work of them, he added.

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## FRENCH PLACE SYMPATHY ON FINNS SIDE

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## Body Of Princess Louise Cremated

LONDON, Dec. 8—(CP CABLED)—The body of Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, who died last Sunday aged 91, was cremated today at the Golders Green Crematorium.

The ashes of the Princess, who was the widow of a former governor-general of Canada will be taken to Windsor, where the funeral service will be held privately in St. Georges Chapel.

Last Tuesday Prime Minister Chamberlain paid tribute to the Princess, great-aunt of the King and daughter of Queen Victoria, calling her the first link in the long association between the Dominion of Canada and the Royal Family.

## 13 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

YOU STUDY  
HISTORY AT SCHOOL  
BUT FORGET IT  
AT HOME!



TORONTO, Dec. 8—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:  
Dawson 4 4  
Vancouver 46 56  
Edmonton 24 44  
Regina 23 59  
Winnipeg 23 39  
Ottawa 31 35  
Montreal 21 21  
Quebec 20 26  
Saint John 27 41  
Halifax 30 45  
Charlottetown 30 45

Gulf and North Shore: Strong northwest gales; partly cloudy and colder with snowflurries.

Maritime Provinces: Northwest gales; partly cloudy and colder with scattered snowflurries.

Synopsis: The weather has been fair from Ontario westward to Alberta, mild over the Prairie Provinces and somewhat colder over Ontario.

High tide this morning at 9.44 and tonight at 9.10.  
Sun sets this afternoon at 4.11 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.27.

New moon December 10, 5.45 1 m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

LEAVES BORDEN 9.45 A.M. 1.00 P.M.  
Leaves Tormentine 11.00 A.M. 1.05 P.M.  
SATURDAYS ONLY  
Leaves Borden 4.45 P.M.  
Leaves Tormentine 7.00 P.M.

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