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ROMMEL REGAINS SOME LOST GROUND

6 Airmen Killed At Yarmouth

Island Airman Is Injured In Explosion After Plane Crashes.

YARMOUTH, N.S., March 24—(CP)— An explosion that followed the crash of an R.C.A.F. bomber on the Yarmouth airport today killed six airmen and injured three others, and also injured a woman who was driving by the field at the time. The explosion shook houses a mile away.

Names of the dead airmen were released by R.C.A.F. officials here tonight. They are:

FO. Charles LeRoy Tripp, Mrs. C. David Tripp (mother), Montreal.

Sgt. Alexander John Baillie, George William Baillie (father), River John, Pictou County, N.S.

Flt. Sgt. Mervin Elwood Tarrant, H. Tarrant (father), New Westminister, B.C.

Flt. Sgt. Robert Franklin Cavers, Almonte, Ont. (next-of-kin unknown here).

Lac. Lloyd Edward Briggs,—Edward Briggs (father), R.R. No. 8 Moncton, N.B.

AC1 Frank Hallek, Konstantin Hallek (father), Winnipeg.

Seriously Injured:

AC1 William Gordon Ryan, George Ryan (father), Winnipeg.

Cpl. Leo Alexander MacDonald Leo J. MacDonald (father), Mermaid, P.E.I.

The other man was only slightly injured. He was Lac. James Russell, whose wife Mrs. Daisy Russell, has lived in Hamilton, Ont., and Woodstock, Ont.

The plane cracked up while taking off from the field, and ground crew servicemen rushed to the aid of the four crew members, Tripp, Baillie, Tarrant and Cavers.

While they were working over the wreckage, the aircraft suddenly exploded.

The explosion killed Briggs and Hallek of the ground crew and injured the others. It is believed the four in the plane were killed instantly when the plane nosed over and crashed.

Mrs. William H. Lent of Tusket, N.S., is in hospital here with a cerebral hemorrhage suffered as a result of the explosion. Her condition was described tonight as critical. Attending physicians said the hemorrhage resulted from shock, since she suffered from high blood pressure.

She was talking to another occupant of an automobile driving past the airport at the time of the explosion, when she suddenly fainted.

Cpl. Leo A. MacDonald, who is listed among the injured is the son of Leo J. MacDonald and Mrs. MacDonald of Mermaid. His father was a Lieutenant in the last war and was seriously wounded, losing his leg, while on active service in France. The young airman's uncle Hillard Cameron of Summerside was killed while on active service overseas in June 1941.

Previous to his enlistment in the R.C.A.F., in 1940, Leo Jr., who is 22 years old, was a student in Saint Dunstan's University.

Latest reports received by his parents from the commanding officer of his unit stated that his condition showed improvement.

80 To 5 For U.S. Bombers

U.S. 8TH AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS IN BRITAIN, March 24 —(AP)— American heavy bombers destroyed 80 Axis planes at the cost of five, probably shot down another 29 and damaged 32 others in particularly effective bombing attacks on Vegesack near Bremen last Friday and Wilhelmhaven Monday, Maj.-Gen. Ira C. Eaker, who commands the 8th U.S. Air Force, announced today. He emphasized that these figures were but a sample of things in store for Germany.

He declared that the raid on Vegesack, an industrial waterfront centre near Bremen, marked the end of the experimental stage of high-altitude precision bombings by daylight and that the U. S. assaults on the German war potential would be stepped up.

Moreover, he said the heavy bombers are being equipped for night bombings to join the saturation attacks of the R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. New bombers coming off U. S. production lines shortly will be "bigger and faster and carry three to four times the bomb load and they will be better defensively," Eaker said.

Americans Learn Details Of Meat Ration

WASHINGTON, March 24— (AP) —Americans facing meat and fats rationing for the first time got the news today that each will have to get along on an over-all total of two pounds a week, or less, if only such items as butter and the better grade meats are purchased.

But one who is willing to take oleomargarine instead of butter, beef livers instead of beefsteak, or pork spare ribs instead of pork chops can have a larger share.

Giving final details of the far-reaching rationing program to begin Monday, the office of price administration announced that each person—adults and children of any age—will be allowed 16 ration points a week, and issued a list of point values for the products to be rationed.

This list puts butter, sliced bacon, cheese and most of the better cuts of beef together at eight points a pound but other meat products range on down to as low as one point a pound for pigsfeet and pigs ears.

A few products carry even a higher value. At the top, 12 points a pound, is dried beef. Boneless ham slices and Canadian bacon call for 11, and boneless whole hams or pork loins for 10. In the nine-point class are boneless sirloin steak, dry salami, and hard dry sausages.

All canned fish is seven points a pound.

HIS 750TH VICTORY

DOVER, England —(CP)— Squadron Leader Donald E. Kingaby, 23, D.S.O., D.F.M., and two bars, noted Battle of Britain pilot, has scored the 750th victory in the Fighter Command. His personal score is 21 German aircraft destroyed, many others damaged. In 1941 he was a sergeant pilot.

Coming Events

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**Talkies—Montague Saturday. 3-24-3i.

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**Madam Doyel, Readings, 112 Prince. 3-23-3i.

**Zion Guides Pantry Sale Holman's Saturday, April 3rd 2 o'clock. 3-25-1i.

**Loading hogs this week. Albany Thursday afternoon: Emerald Friday until 11.30 A. M. G. C. Green and A. C. Green. 3-4-W-T-tf.

**Dairy Farmers—Arriving immediately, Purena Milk Chow. 16 per cent. $45.00 a ton off car. Act quickly. Dillon & Spillett. 3-24-4i.

**Variety concert, pie social and ice Sea View Hall, Thursday, ch 25 at 8 o'clock. If not fine y evening. 3-24-2i.

Tributes Paid To Retiring Chief Justice

Memebrs of the Law Society, the Judiciary and the Legislature tendered to Chief Justice J.A. Mathieson yesterday expressions of sincere regard and best wishes on the occasion of his retirement from the Bench, which takes effect March 31. The ceremony took place at a special session of the Supreme Court, at which the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Arsenault presided.

The following address to His Lordship was read by Mr. R.R. Bell, president of the Law Society:

"To the Honourable John A. Matheson, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Prince Edward Island:

"The members of the Law Society of Prince Edward Island have learned that your resignation from the highest judicial position in the Province has been forwarded and accepted, and that the Government of Canada has consented that you be released from the further performance of the high and honorable duties of your office from and after the 31st March instant.

"It may be recalled that on the first day of Trinity Term, in the year 1917, an address was presented on behalf of the members of the Law Society in which expression was made of appreciation of your energy and ability while at the Bar, and of the belief that those qualities would distinguish your occupancy of the Bench.

"After twenty-six years it is a pleasure to know that the expectations of the Law Society have been fulfilled.

"The members of the Society realize that advancing age brings its rights and its privileges from which there is no appeal. They therefore express the hope that in the freedom from responsibility which His Majesty's Government has graciously extended, your Lordship may be granted many years of satisfaction and enjoyment.

(Sgd.) R. R. Bell, President
(Sgd.) W. E. Bentley, Sec'y-Treas.

Mr. Justice Arsenault

The following address was read by Mr. Justice A.E. Arsenault:

"It is with a considerable degree of regret that I realize that the Chief Justice and myself have

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Expects Rush Of Volunteers

OTTAWA, March 24—(CP)— Lt.-Col. A.L. Normandin, Ottawa area recruiting officer, said today he anticipates a rush of volunteers as a result of the army's plan to enlist men who can be cured of hernia, defective vision, varicose veins and other remediable disabilities.

Nearly 25 per cent of army rejects in Ottawa area are men who suffer from remediable defects, Col. Normandin said.

While he expressed belief many such men would apply voluntarily, he said recruiting office files would be checked and men previously turned down for such disabilities would be asked if they would enlist under the new plan.

Predicts Meat Rationing In May

OTTAWA, March 24—(CP) — The Ottawa Evening Journal said today it was informed today that "in three weeks to a month the Prices Board's plan for meat rationing will be presented to the cabinet.

The Journal story continued:—

"That the decision has been made to ration meat was confirmed in both the finance and agriculture departments.

"Only the mechanics of the ration plan remain to be settled.

"Considering everything, meat rationing should become effective early in May.

Nine Jap Bases Are Attacked

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, March 25 —(Thursday) — (CP) — Allied planes attacked nine Japanese bases, hitting a merchantman off New Guinea, the high command announced today.

War Situation Last Night

By Glenn Babb, Associated Press War Analyst

When the Japanese seized Kiska in the Aleutians last June they renamed it Narukamijima, or Thunder Island, because one of the old Japanese names for June is thunder month. The Japanese Garrison there, which surely must have spent one of the most wretched winters in military history—Arctic cold, almost unending night, little food and incessant air attacks—probably is convinced that thunder month has arrived ahead of schedule.

During the first three weeks of March United States air forces raided the Island on an average of once a day. One single day, March 15, saw 47 tons of bombs rained on this tiny toehold on American territory to which the Japanese have clung at great cost apparently out of considerations of "face."

Improving weather is one explanation for the increasing pace and weight of the American assault. Another is that the Japanese are working feverishly to level a landing strip for fighter planes. Kiska's position being what it is a fighter strip there could hardly be for any other purpose than defence of the Island. The steady bombing and strafing by American planes suggests strongly that the American command does not want the Japanese to gain that defensive asset, in other words, that it has offensive intentions. The Japanese on their part give evidence of a conviction that the Americans are about to try to recover this bit of land.

The reason for Japan's determination to maintain its toehold is something of a mystery unless the "face" theory is accepted. It means much to the Japanese High Command to be able to remind its people that their forces hold territory belonging to the proud American Republic.

When the Island was seized last June 3 it was believed this might be a preliminary to a Japanese attack on Russia, that Kiska might be used as an outpost from which planes and submarines could harry convoys carrying American aid to Russia. But nine months have passed and Japan appears further from war with Russia than ever. Russian ships carrying American lend-lease aid follow the great circle route to Kiska and reach Siberian ports unmolested.

There is the possibility that the Japanese made their lodgment in the Aleutians as a preventive measure. For nearly two decades—since American Army fliers made the first Pacific crossing by air in 1924 by way of Aleutians and Japan's own Kuriles—the Japanese Command has had nightmares of an air and sea attack from the northeast.

Public Accounts Tabled in House

The Public Accounts, showing a surplus on ordinary account of $2,547.18 and a decrease in liabilities of $163,612.17, were tabled in the Legislature yesterday by Premier Campbell. Following is the general statement of revenue and expenditure.

PROVINCE OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

ORDINARY REVENUE

for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1942

Source			
DOMINION GOVERNMENT			
(A) Subsidies		$372,181.88	
(B) Old Age Pensions		201,234.63	
(C) Blind Pensions		14,524.36	
(D) Relief to Enemy Aliens		240.00	$ 588,180.87
DOMINION-PROVINCIAL TAX AGREEMENT			
Grant due from Dominion		$691,811.46	
Less Suspended Tax Reserve	$ 7,667.66		
Additional Reserve for 1941	4,028.54	11,696.20	
		$680,115.26	
Gasoline Tax Guaranteed by Dominion		58,850.75	738,966.01

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Red Troops Continue Advance On Smolensk

LONDON, March 24—(CP) — Red Army troops fighting stubborn battles through long-established and strong German fortifications on the western front captured several more inhabited points today in a continuing advance on the big Nazi base of Smolensk. Moscow announced tonight.

In the Caucasus, where the Russians apparently now have renewed their offensive after a several weeks lull, Soviet forces captured the district centre and railway station at Abinskaya, only 20 miles northeast of the former Soviet Black Sea naval base of Novorossisk, around which are compressed the remnants of a Nazi Caucasus Army which once numbered 200,000 men.

In a third area of heavy fighting — the Belgorod sector north of Kharkov—the Russians were on the defensive against powerful continuing Nazi assaults, although, according to the Soviet midnight communique recorded by the Soviet Monitor the attacks were beaten back with losses to the invaders.

SAINT JOHN, N.B., March 24 —(CP)—George R. Baxter, 84, for 42 years a member of the Saint John Police Department and a Sergeant at the time of his retirement in 1928 died in hospital here tonight, following a brief illness.

Mine Subsidence Threatens Town

PITTSTON, Pa, March 24 —(AP) —A new $400,000 high school and some 150 homes in a six-block area rocked and trembled and began to disintegrate in a rumbling mine subsidence "pull" that threatened to draw a whole section of this Pennsylvania anthracite mining town into the earth tonight.

The Red Cross Disaster Service moved into the area and state police set up a guard outside the city to warn all traffic away. Police and firemen evacuated all residents within a quarter-mile radius of the school.

A hundred and twenty miners working in a section of the No. 9 mine of the Pagnotti Enterprises which underlies the section were ordered to leave the shaft by the nearest exit.

The subsidence began at 7:30 P.M. and was still "pulling" hours afterward.

First reports indicated no one was injured, but several persons who were trapped in their homes by jammed doors and windows were rescued by police and firemen."

Question Of Sending Car Ferry Delegation Still Under Discussion

Further delay until the latter part of the week in sending a delegation to Ottawa on the subject of a new car ferry was urged in the Legislature yesterday by Premier Campbell. The Premier referred to the resolution which was passed unanimously by the Legislature on March 13, and was presented to the Lieutenant Governor last Tuesday to be transmitted to the Governor General in Council.

"Some suggestion," he said, "was made at the earlier session that the committee which drafted the resolution should be appointed as a delegation to go to Ottawa to supplement it by presentation or oral argument or written brief. The

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Speaks For Farmers Re Gasoline Ration

OTTAWA, March 24 — (CP) — Gordon Graydon, Progressive Conservative House Leader, placed before the House of Commons today the case of small farmers and market gardeners seeking gasoline rations for cars which are used for their work and being treated as ordinary passenger-car owners.

Munitions Minister Howe said he would speak to oil controller C.R. Cottrelle, and report back to the questioner.

WIN BAKING LAURELS use BLOSSOM OF CANADA THE ALL PURPOSE FLOUR

Budget Speech Friday Morning

The Budget will be brought down on Friday morning next at 11o'clock, Premier Campbell announced in the Legislature yesterday.

The House held a brief session yesterday morning, when the following departmental reports for the year 1942 were tabled: Public Accounts, Public Works and Highways, Department of Education, Department of Public Health, "L" Division R.C.M.P., Old Age Pension Commission, P.E.I. Travel Bureau.

After recess Dr. MacMillan presented a petition from the City of Charlottetown for authority to issue permanent work debentures to the amount of $25,000. A bill in accordance with the petition was

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Questions On Order Paper

Notice of the following questions directed to Government members appears on Order Paper in the Provincial Legislature:

Hon. Dr. MacMillan:

1. Does the Government propose to increase the retiring allowance to the nineteen old retired teachers on the list who are qualified to receive teacher's pensions?

2. Does the Government propose to amend the Public Health Act in order to include a physical examination of all teachers in Public Schools in reference to Tuberculosis?

Hon. Dr. MacMillan:

1. Who are the members of the Provincial Marketing Board?

2. What are their duties?

3. How many meetings did they hold in 1942?

4. Have they submitted a report of their transactions to the Government?

5. If so table the report.

6. State amount if any paid each member as remuneration and expenses.

Mr. Stewart:

1. Do the attendants at Falconwood Hospital receive cost of living bonus?

2. Give the names of the attendants at Falconwood Hospital during the month of November 1942 and the amount paid to each one

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Extracts Banned In Prohibition Act Amendments

Under provisions of a bill to amend the Prohibition Act which has been given first reading in the Legislature, the sale or purchase of all alcoholic essences, tinctures and extracts within the Province will be illegal after the first day of May. Such extracts required for legitimate pharmaceutical, manufacturing or dietetic purposes may only be purchased or imported on a permit granted by the Attorney General.

Provision is made to enable merchants to dispose of legally acquired stocks.

The bill also tightens up existing provisions for padlocking premises of offenders under the Act, ed by adding the following new

Sec. 48 of the Act is to be amended by adding the following new subsection:

(a) Any person who, in the course of any calendar week, receives, transports, or delivers intoxicating liquors prescribed by more than three prescriptions issued under Sec. 47 shall be presumed to have procured all such liquor in violation of the provisions of Sec. 51 and shall be liable to the penalties prescribed for such offence;

(b) Such presumption may be rebutted by evidence showing, to the satisfaction of the Court or Magistrate, that all such liquor was received, transported, or delivered for some person or persons actually requiring the same for medicinal purposes.

(c) If any liquor prescribed under the provisions of Sec. 47 shall be found in the possession of any person other than the person for whom the same has been prescribed, such other person shall be presumed to be keeping the same for sale contrary to the provisions of Sec. 51."

Nazi Bombers Raid Scotland

LONDON, March 25—(Thursday)—(CP)—For the first time in weeks Nazi bombers raided Scotland early today after a raid Wednesday on a southeastern English town where more than 12 persons were killed.

Incendiaries were dropped in southeastern Scotland as the German bombers cut through intense anti-aircraft fire toward central Scotland.

In the southeastern English town the death toll was reported rising as more victims were being discovered in the debris of flattened buildings, homes and a school.

Seeks To Block Drive Through Mareth Line

Heavy Fighting Still Rages; Allied Gains Tend To Counteract Nazi Success.

By Daniel De Luce, Associated Press Staff Writer

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NORTH AFRICA, March 24 — (AP) — Strong Axis counter-attacks were reported today to have blunted British frontal assaults on the Mareth line, but another 8th Army column gained two miles in its threat to encircle the Germans, and United States troops already have begun shelling Mezzouna, only 22 miles from the enemy's coastal road far above the Mareth pocket.

(Prime Minister Churchill told the House of Commons Wednesday morning that Axis counter-attacks largely had erased the British breach in the Mareth line. Informed quarters did not know whether his information superseded today's Allied communique, which did not mention any reverses.)

An Allied communique said the 8th Army had "successfully repulsed enemy counter-attacks" in the Mareth village area of the Axis fortified line 20 miles below Gabes, and that prisoners now total 2,000.

Enemy counter-attacks also were beaten off by American troops east of El Guetar, the southernmost of two drives by American forces aimed at surrounding Marshal Rommel's Army.

(A German radio commentary recorded by the Associated Press said German counter-attacks had rewon the "first line of strongpoints" lost to the 8th army, but warned that the Axis position still is "not satisfactory" and that the fighting still is in full swing.)

A storm of enemy counter-attacks beat against the tenacious British infantry clinging to a narrow shell-torn salient in the coastal end of the Mareth Line; and the immediate outcome of the allied offensive appeared to hang on the fighting in this new "devil's cauldron."

For more than 36 hours Rommel struck back at this wedge driven by Gen. Montgomery's shock troops. German Grenadiers and tanks, as well as the best of Italian soldiers in Africa, fought to wipe out British week-end gains.

Axis artillery concentrated its fire on the Wadi zig-zag which British guns and armored vehicles must cross if the salient is to be

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P.E.I. Native Dies In N.S.

SYDNEY, MINES, N.S., March 24—(CP)—A native of Burns River, P.E.I., and a resident of the United States prior to coming here 12 years ago Mrs. William Hammond 64, died in hospital today. She had been ill for several months.

She was the former Sarah Finnighan. Well known in this district she was a member of Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church.

Surviving besides her husband are three sisters and three brothers, all residing in the United States.

Poultrymen Hold Sessions Here Yesterday

At an enthusiastic meeting of the P. E. I. Approved Flock Association and the P. E. I. Hatcherymen's Association held in the Agriculture room of P. W. College yesterday afternoon the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved that this meeting go on record as requesting that some assistance be given to encourage local producers to bring to this province sufficient R. O. P. cockerel chicks to take care of this season's needs.

Resolved that this meeting urge the Department of Agriculture to investigate the possibility of waste fish products at fishing centres being made available to take care of present poultry food requirements.

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News Briefs

LONDON, March 24 — (CP CABLE)— A Dominions trade union conference will open in London April 12 with Canada, New Zealand, Australia and South Africa represented, it was announced today.

RAVENA, O., March 24—(AP)—A blast which rattled windows 30 miles away killed at least three workers and injured two more at the $7,000-000 Portage Ordnance Depot today.

The dead "probably will not exceed 10," announced Col. Raymond A. Brown, Commanding Officer of the Government project.

WASHINGTON, March 24 — (AP)—Director Elmer Davis of the United States office of war information said today that the hot and heavy fighting in Tunisia is still some distance from decision in every sector.

High tide this afternoon at 2.05, and tomorrow morning at 2.50.

Sun sets this evening at 1.18 and rises tomorrow morning at 6.53.

Last quarter moon March 28, 9.51 p.m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

CAR FERRY SERVICE DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY

From Borden—Leave 9.05 a.m. 11.40 a.m. 2.00 p.m.. 4.30 p.m 7.00 p.m..

Leave Cape Tormentine — 10.30 a.m. 1.15 p.m. 3.05 p.m., 5.45 p.m. 8.15 p.m.

DAILY AIR SERVICE (EXCEPT SUNDAY) Charlottetown Summerside-Moncton

Leave Charlottetown 8.30 a. m. 12.30 p. m., 4.30 p. m.

Arrive Charlottetown 1 p. m. 5.45 p. m., 7.05 p. m.