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FOX FUR PRICES IN SHARP ADVANCE

Home From Overseas



These three airmen from Prince Edward Island were among the Maritimers to disembark from the troopship "Mauretanica" at Halifax early Tuesday morning. Pictured here just prior to disembarkation, they are, LEFT TO RIGHT: Opl. W. E. Rayner, of North St. Eleanor; Ldg. E. F. Clark, of Cavendish; and Ldg. H. D. Bell, of Carleton Place. (RCAF photo by Opl. C. H. Buckman.)

20th Parliament Is Prorogued

Suez Canal Blocked For Time By Nazis

PARIS, Dec. 18.—The Suez Canal was blocked for 76 days during the war and the Mediterranean lay landlocked to the east, stockholders of the waterway learned today.

A dry worded report said two sunken hulks still narrow the channel 20 times and the last of 26 ships sunk in the canal in 64 German air attacks.

The Germans bombed ships in the channel 20 times and laid mines in the canal on 17 other occasions. Canal ports were raised and for more than eight days and was knocked out for shorter periods on numerous occasions.

Coming Events

- Dance — Montague Saturday, 12-18-31.
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- Kingston School Concert, Thursday, December 20th, 12-15-21.
- Springfield School Concert in Springfield Hall, December 20th, 12-15-21.
- Crushing grain every Wednesday, 9 to 5, starting December 12-18-31.
- Box Social and Dance, Emerald Hall, December 24th, C. W. L., 12-19-24-31.
- Cornwall Christmas Concert, Thursday, December 20th, 12-19-20-21.
- Christmas Concert, North Pine School, December 20th, 12-17-19-21.
- Christmas Concert, Cross Roads School, Wednesday Dec. 19, 12-17-20-21.
- Christmas Concert, North Willow Hill, Friday, December 15, 12-17-21.
- Christmas Concert and Dance, Orwell Camp Hall, December 21st, starting 7:30 P. M., 12-19-21.
- Kinkora Concert, Thursday, December 20th, at 8:15 P. M. if not fine, Friday night, 12-19-21.
- North Milton School Concert, Wednesday, December 19, if not fine Thursday, 12-17-19-21.
- Buying daily all kinds of live and dressed poultry. Paying top market prices. Signed Davis & Fraser Ltd., 11-28-21.
- Christmas Concert and Dance in Green Bay School, Thursday, December 19, if not fine, the following night, 12-17-20-21.
- Next loading date for hogs, Monday, December 20th, at Albany from 1 o'clock until 5 P. M. At Emerald Friday, 21st, until 11:30 A. M. G. C. Green, 12-14-21.
- Unloading cars wheat and oats, whole or ground. Our stock pens, Wednesday, Dec. 19. Special price at our Livestock Feed Agency, 12-18-21.
- Every day during this season we'll be wanting large quantities of poultry, especially milked chickens as well as the lower grades. We'll buy on the basis of dress than for you at 7c per bird and pay you on a dressed graded basis. Fall trading, good prices and prompt returns. Eastern Poultry Co., 12-18-21.

Storm Sweeps European Coast

Island Claims Gaining Ground At Ottawa For Better Transportation

Island Soldiers Expected Home

(By The Canadian Press)
HALIFAX, Dec. 18.—Troops returning to Prince Edward Island aboard the Lady Rodney Dec. 25 include Capt. C. N. Grant of Montague and Spr. G. G. Ramsay of Central.

The H.M.S. Punter will bring Pte. T. B. Cusack of North Wiltshire, P.E.I., back on Dec. 21.

Colder Weather Expected Here

(By The Canadian Press)
Eastern Canada, already in the throes of a near-zero cold wave, faced the prospect of a further drop in temperatures as frigid winds raced eastward across the Prairie Provinces, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba saw sub-zero temperatures in many centres and there was no promise of an early let-up.

A snowstorm which has left as much as 70 inches of snow across the Buffalo area is not expected to touch Canada, as it has turned south, but Frank O'Donnell, chief forecaster of the Dominion Meteorological Bureau at Toronto, said the Toronto district could expect a snowstorm late Wednesday night.

It was not known how far it would push into Canada, but it was possible it would extend into Quebec.

The coldest centres in the Prairies were Regina, Dafoe and Yorkton in Saskatchewan where temperatures fell 22 degrees below zero. Lethbridge and Edmonton were somewhat warmer at 11 below.

Clear and cold weather predominated east of the Great Lakes with temperatures about 15 in Toronto, 10 in Ottawa and around 12 above in Montreal. There was no snow in immediate forecasts from weather bureau.

To Spend Tenth Christmas In Jail

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Mrs. May Sears, 53, expects to spend Christmas in jail for the 10th time.

She is charged with violating the law which prohibits knob-poke-pockets from loitering in public places.

Police said Mrs. Sears was in jail at Yuletide in 1913, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1930, 1937, 1941 and 1942 on charges ranging from petty larceny to grand larceny.

British House Of Lords Approves Loan

LONDON, Dec. 18.—(CP Cable)—The House of Lords tonight voted 90 to 8 in approval of the agreement for a \$4,400,000,000 loan from the United States after a two-day debate which held Whitehall in suspense with fear that they would reject it.

When the count came after harsh condemnation of the loan provisions including the requirement that Britain adhere to the Bretton Woods monetary agreements, 50 of the 150 lords attending declined to vote either way.

Immediately afterwards the House approved the Bretton Woods monetary agreement bill. The Bretton Woods agreement is expected to receive Royal assent Thursday.

Among those voting in opposition to the loan were two former Conservative, Viscount Bennett and Lord Beaverbrook, who were leaders in criticising the loan terms. They were joined by Lord Bedford, noted for his pacifist views; Lord Redesdale; the Earl of Halifax; and Lord Stanley of Alderley.

Two Former Canadians Among Eight Who Voted In Opposition.

By JAMES MCCOOK
Several of those who condemned the loan's provisions failed to vote, heading the counsel of Viscount Cranborne, leader of the Conservatives, the largest group in the Upper House. Labor Peers, who total only 35 in a house with a total membership of nearly 300, listened to Viscount Addison, Labour leader, who said the Peer who voted for destruction of the loan agreement is taking a terrible responsibility. Liberal Peers supported the Government.

Lord Bennett, Prime Minister of Canada when the Ottawa trade agreements were signed in 1933, said he could not be a party to acceptance of the agreement as it appeared to be the intention to discuss imperial preferences at a forthcoming international conference. The lack of courage respecting the Empire would be regretted later when an economic crisis came, he said.

He charged that since 1933 and 1934 the United States has consistently endeavored to destroy the Empire preferences. He said the preferences saved Canada from bankruptcy and were of great value to the Empire as a whole.

Lord Beaverbrook did not protest the loan terms as such but questioned the need for the loan. Britain had turned to the Empire for supplies in the dark days of 1940 and 1941, he said. This could not be repeated in peacetime. Only the Empire could be depended on.

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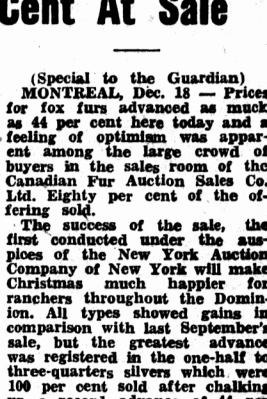
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Forecast: Lake St. John: Generally fair and cold.

Forecast: Bay Chaleur and North Shore: Fresh or strong westerly winds; generally fair and cold.

Forecast: Maritime East: Fresh north-west and west winds; generally fair and cold.

Forecast: West: Fair and cold; probably followed by some snow by Thursday; fresh shifting winds.

Forecast: High tide this morning at 11:11 and tonight at 10:23.

Forecast: Sun sets this afternoon at 4:23 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:52.

Forecast: Last quarter moon December 28 3 A. M.

Forecast: CHARLOTTETOWN — (Daily Except Sunday)

Forecast: Leave Charlottetown 1:10 4:00 p.m. Arrive Charlottetown 2:35 5:20 p.m. N.S. — P.E.I. FERRY SERVICE

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