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8TH ARMY WINS VICTORY IN ITALY

Allied Bombers Raid Berlin Again, Nazis Report

Britain Seeking To Obtain More Canadian Bacon

LONDON, Dec. 2—(CP Cable)—Negotiations between Britain and Canada concerning the amount of bacon the Dominion will export to Britain after the end of the year still are under way, it was learned today.

It was understood that efforts are being made to obtain more bacon from Canada than the 450,000,000 pounds which Canada intends to export to Britain in 1944 and 1945.

This is a reduction from the 675,000,000 pounds sent this year and an effort is being made to amend it because of the vital importance of Canadian bacon to Britain where three ounces of the four-ounce weekly ration comes from Canada.

Taggart Comments On British Bacon Supplies

EDMONTON, Dec. 3—(CP)—Hon. J.G. Taggart, chairman of the Canadian meat board and minister of agriculture for Saskatchewan, said in an interview today that Canadian exports to Britain now are running at 1 1-2 times the volume required to maintain the British bacon ration.

May Be Another Heavy Blow At Battered City

LONDON, Dec. 3 — (Friday) — (AP) — Allied bombers raided Berlin again last night and 30 were shot down, a Nazi radio broadcast said today, indicating that another heavy R. A. F. blow had been directed against the German capital.

Berlin had been raid free since last Friday after three massive assaults last week which wrecked a third of the city.

The first intimation of a new attack came when a radio blackout developed on the continent early last night after R. A. F. Mitchells, Bostons and Typhoons smashed at enemy targets on the Cherbourg Peninsula in daylight.

A Stockholm dispatch earlier said an alert had been sounded in Berlin, and for 90 minutes telephone communications between Stockholm and the German capital were broken.

The daylight bombers, escorted by fighters, carried out their missions without loss. The operations followed the second successive United States heavy attack on the Rhineland industrial city of Solingen and a sweep by medium

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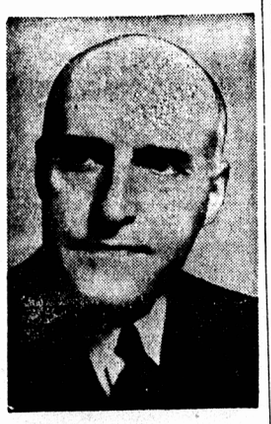
Ralston Slated As Canada's Next Chief Justice?



DEFENCE MINISTER RALSTON

OTTAWA, Dec. 2 — (CP) — The Ottawa Journal said today that "according to reports circulating around Parliament Hill it seems fairly certain" Defence Minister Ralston will succeed Sir Lyman Duff as Chief Justice of Canada.

The Journal added:—

"In this eventuality the Journal learns on good authority that Gen. (Lt.-Gen. A.G.L.) McNaughton, commanding the Canadian army overseas, is the logical choice to replace Col. Ralston as Defence Minister."

War Situation Last Night

By Kirke L. Simpson, Associated Press War Analyst

Put on the alert by the North African conference which passed death sentence upon Japan, world attention now is focussed upon the more immediate results expected to flow from the long awaited personal meeting of Prime Minister Churchill, President Roosevelt and Premier Stalin.

Military decisions of the trio, made or being shaped, mean intensified war upon Germany now, not at some remote future time. Twin crises are developing now for battered Nazi armies in Russia and in Italy to match that on the roofless and bomb-blasted Nazi home front.

The opportunity for concerted action to turn Nazi two-front retreats into disastrous routs and lop months off the duration of the war in Europe is clearly depicted in current bulletins from the fighting fronts. It cannot be ignored by the super war council. Time is of the essence in the problems confronting the triumvirate of Allied war captains, and it waits on no man.

Here is the situation on the southern and eastern flanks of Nazidom:—

In Italy British 8th army veterans have crashed through to seize the heights of the Sangro. The Nazi left wing is officially reported in precipitate retreat after heavy losses, unhinging the desperately defended German winter front south of Rome.

There is evidence that their 5th army comrades now are striking at the Cassino portals of a valley route to Rome.

In Russia the red army drive that started a year ago on the Volga was being slowed west of the Dnieper but not halted.

And unless the Germans can stop the Russian advance, a new continent-wide retreat from Russia must ensue. That, too, as another Russian winter moves into action across the whole battle line.

The Russian offensive in the Kelv sector thus will be resumed under conditions of winter manoeuvre in which the red army has always outmatched its foes. That it will come against Nazi troops exhausted after two weeks and more of costly counter-attack which has regained Zhitomir and Korosten, but nowhere broken through the Russian defence front in the rough country east of those points, seems certain.

Reported Missing

LIEUT. JOSEPH A. BLANCHARD

Prof. J. H. Blanchard of Prince of Wales College, received a telegram yesterday from Ottawa advising him that his son Lieut. Joseph Alfred Blanchard, is officially reported missing in action, Nov. 25th. Further information will follow. Lieut. Blanchard who is 22 years of age is the oldest son of Prof. J. H. and Mrs. Blanchard and signed up the day war was declared. He was attached to the West Nova Scotia Highlanders since last March, after graduating in Brockville, Ont., where he received his commission.

Nazis In Full Retreat From Winter Line

By Noland Norgaard

ALGIERS, Dec. 2 — (A P) — Demoralized German troops streamed back toward Rome in full retreat today from their defences near the Adriatic which were shattered by Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery's British 8th army. They also began demolishing the key city of Cassino in the central sector as Lt.-Gen. Mark Clark's Allied 5th army joined in splintering the enemy's "winter line."

The four-day-old battlefield of Sangro ridge at the eastern end of the line was littered with enemy dead and wounded and wrecked equipment. Gen. Montgomery's victorious troops hammered at the withdrawing Nazis in comparatively open country while hundreds of Allied warplanes worried the enemy from the sky.

"The Germans are in full retreat," declared a special Allied announcement that revealed the extent of the disaster to Field Marshal Albert Kesselring's forces. "Reinforcements are being brought up by the Germans from northern Italy."

Gen. Montgomery's warriors were pushing forward on approximately a 25-mile front in one of their greatest assaults since El Alamein which started the Germans on the way to disaster in North Africa.

An indication of the serious plight of German troops fleeing before 8th Army forces near the Adriatic was seen in reports that they were abandoning great quantities of equipment Previously in their stubborn retreat up Italy the Nazis have left little that could be of value to the Allies. They already

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AIR VICE MARSHAL COLLISHAW

LONDON, Dec. 1 — (CP Cable) — Air Commodore Raymond Collishaw, famous Canadian flier of the First Great War and commander of R. A. F. units in the Western Desert offensive of this war, has retired with the rank of Air Vice Marshal, the London Gazette announced today.

Collishaw, 43 year old native of Nanaimo, B. C., shot down 60 enemy planes in the First Great War. Among Canadian pilots only Air Marshal W. A. (Billy) Bishop, V. C., and the late Capt. W. G. Barker outranked him in this respect. He was among the first six most successful pilots of the war.

For the past year, following his transfer back from the Middle East, Collishaw has held an important but undisclosed post in the R. A. F. in Britain.

Following the close of the First Great War Collishaw remained in the R. A. F., serving at many stations in the Middle East.

As a wing commander, he had charge of the flying personnel of the aircraft carrier Courageous before 1939 and earlier commanded the station at Heliopolis, Cairo. He was appointed on July 4, 1939, to command the Egypt Group of the R. A. F.

His fighters and bombers went into intense activity when Italy entered the war in June, 1940, giving close support to the British and other Empire forces that eventually cleared the enemy out of Africa.

Collishaw as a youth was employed in the Government Fisheries Protective Service on the Canadian Pacific coast. He joined the Royal Naval Air Service in 1916.

House Committee Hears Maritime Demands From N. S. And N. B, Premiers

OTTAWA, Dec. 2—(CP)—Decentralization of industry in Canada, to bring a better balance to the economic life of their provinces, was urged before the House of Commons Reconstruction Committee today by Premier A. S. MacMillan of Nova Scotia and Premier J. B. McNair of New Brunswick.

Mr. MacMillan, who spoke during the morning and early afternoon sittings, outlined a possible $79,985,000 reconstruction program of works for his province in the post-war period.

Mr. McNair said his province had not obtained a fair share of industry and the per capita income of New Brunswick people was low in comparison with the other provinces. The Province was not in a position to bear the costs of a reconstruction program.

Both premiers suggested the Dominion Government make known its policies of financial assistance to provinces in the post-war period.

In addition to Mr. McNair's brief the New Brunswick position was outlined in a brief read by Prof. N. A. M. MacKenzie, chairman of the provincial reconstruction committee. The New Brunswick witnesses will appear before the committee again tomorrow.

"Chronic Unbalance"

Mr. McNair said the "chronic unbalance" of New Brunswick economy had been due to forces beyond provincial control. War developments had increased the "abnormal" concentration of industry in the central provinces.

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N. B. Leading In Dairy Production

FREDERICTON, Dec. 2—(CP)—The 1943 production record of New Brunswick farmers wes praised yesterday by Agriculture Minister A.C. Taylor, who said the Province had led Canada in the ratio of increase in creamery butter output. He addressed the New Brunswick branch of the Holstein-Friesian Breeders Association. T. L. Hanson Lower Millstream, was elected president of the branch

U. S. Sub Wahoo Is Presumed Lost

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2—(AP)—The navy announced today the U. S. submarine Wahoo is overdue and presumed to be lost.

(The Berlin radio earlier today had announced the loss of the Wahoo. The report was broadcast under a New York dateline and said the Wahoo, commanded by Cmdr. Dudley Morton, was reported to have sunk 19 Japanese ships.)

A submarine the size of the Wahoo carried a crew of about 65 men.

Loss of the Wahoo brought to 15 the number of United States submarines sunk, presumed lost or destroyed to prevent capture.

IS PROMOTED

LONDON, Dec. 2 — (CP Cable) — Promotion of Lt.-Col. D. G. (Ben) Cunningham of Kingston, Ont., who won the D. S. O. as a brigade major of an infantry brigade at Dieppe Aug. 19, 1942 to the rank of Acting Brigadier was announced tonight by Canadian Military Headquarters. Brig. Cunningham will command an infantry brigade.

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China's President, Mme. Chiang Home

CHUNGKING, Dec. 2—(AP)—China, welcoming President Chiang Kai-Shek home from Cairo, rejoiced today over the three-power pledge to crush Japan and restore all Chinese territory lost in half a century of struggle with the Japanese.

Through a mix-up in release arrangements, the Chinese people, who were to be the chief beneficiaries of the Cairo declaration, were not officially informed of its contents until approximately 12 hours after it had been broadcast all around the world and until long after Gen Chiang and his party had returned from the conference.

But once the import of the pact became known it was hailed everywhere as a great diplomatic and political triumph for China that would establish the country's position as a major world power.

N. S. Premier Demands "Real" Help From Ottawa

OTTAWA, Dec. 2—(CP)—Premier MacMillan of Nova Scotia said today before the House of Commons Reconstruction Committee that the Dominion Government should make clear what assistance it proposes to give the provinces in the post-war reconstruction period.

He said "real assistance" from the Dominion is hoped for, but that Nova Scotia will carry out a proposed program in any event, though it might have to be on a reduced scale.

Nova Scotia was anxious to know if the Dominion would take the lead in expenditures.

Mr. MacMillan said it was a question whether the Dominion proposed to compensate the less fortunate provinces for the large expenditures made in the central provinces during the war.

Nova Scotia had seen one of its old steel industries, at Trenton, closed and the men laid off. There was little prospect it would open again.

"It seems utter folly for us to consider rehabilitation when our old-established industries are closing down and moved to the central provinces," said Mr. MacMillan

Disastrous Effect

"Nova Scotia feels it has a right to look to the Dominion for aid. The effect of closing the Trenton plant has been disastrous."

Rehabilitation proposals of the province, if it were able to finance them, would cost a total of $79,985,000. This program of roads, aid to the fishing industry, public buildings and other projects, would take five years with Dominion assistance or 10 years if financed by the province alone.

The program would involve expenditures of $34,074,000 for labor and provide 7,773,000 man days of work in five years.

Mr. MacMillan said if there were to be centralization of industry in Central Canada, "the sooner we know it the better."

"We believe there should be decentralization," he said.

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Dec. 2 — (CP)—An imperial service medal, awarded for "long and faithful service," has been presented here to B.H. Morrell, who retired last year after serving as engineer at the Brier Island Fog Station for 41 years.

To Drill For Oil In Three N. S. Counties

HALIFAX, Dec. 2—(CP) — Extensive oil-drilling operations are expected to start in three Nova Scotia counties within the next few months, it was announced here last night by Hon. L D Currie Minister of Mines and Labor. Three companies are prepared to begin active prospecting as soon as spring weather permits the sinking of shafts

Research work over a period of three years has given strong evidence of the existence of oil in paying quantities in the province, said Mr. Currie.

Two major United States oil companies and a Western Canada firm are planning to drill in Inverness, Hants and Cumberland Counties.

Soviets Claim Fresh Gains

LONDON, Dec. 2—(AP)—Powerful red army forces smashing northwest of Gomel and threatening Zhlobin swept up more than 80 villages today, Moscow announced tonight, while to the north the Germans reported a fresh Soviet offensive rolling down the Smolensk road to Orsha, apparently aimed at Minsk from the northeast.

The Russians were silent concerning a northern drive upon Minsk, White Russian Capital, but a German radio dispatch said it had pierced the German line at two points, cutting into secondary defences.

While the Russians were silent on the German counter-attack on the front west of Kiev, the Germans were equally cautious in reports on this salient. Some dispatches from Moscow declared the Germans had hurled a reserve force of 2,000 tanks into this battle in renewed attempts to break Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's defences.

SAINT JOHN, N.B., Dec. 2 — (CP)—Appointment of Capt. Howard W. Bayer, Saint John, as superintendent of lights in the New Brunswick agency of the federal transport department was announced today. Employed by the department since 1941, he has been master of the government steamship dollard since 1921.

Agriculture And Food Machinery Committee

OTTAWA, Dec. 2—(CP) — Formation of an "agricultural and food machinery committee" to assemble facts and recommend necessary action on "all problems concerning requirements, supplies, production and distribution of agricultural implements and machinery and food processing machinery" was announced today.

J S Duncan of Toronto, president of Massey-Harris Co. Ltd., is chairman of the committee for the combined production and resources board of the United States, United Kingdom and Canada which made the announcement. Herbert H. Bloom, administrator of farm and construction machinery for the prices board, represents the Canadian section of the combined food board.

Juvenile Delinquency Problem Emphasized By Children's Aid Society

The need of supervised playgrounds as an aid in preventing juvenile delinquency was strongly emphasized at the annual meeting last night of the Children's Aid Society. A resolution urging the City Council to give consideration to providing grounds for this purpose was passed unanimously.

Other resolutions urged that children be discouraged from begging on the streets, and that the bylaw prohibiting children under fourteen from attending theatres without their parents be enforced.

Hon. Dr. W.J.P MacMillan, O.B.E., who presided at the meeting, was re-elected President.

Other officers were elected as follows:

Vice-Presidents: Rev. G. Carlyle Webster, Rev. Father McCardle.

Hon. Solicitor, Donald MacKinnon, K.C.

Secretary-Treasurer, T. Edgar MacNutt

Council: Rev. A. LeDrew Gardner, Rev. Canon E. M. Malone, Rev Archibald MacDonald, Rev. I. Judson Levy, William Moran (Auditor), Captain Mercer, Mrs. J. J. Hornby, Mrs. W. J. MacIntyre Miss Jessie Fullerton, Mrs W. G. Bruce, Mrs. H. S. Henderson, Sister Camillus, Mrs. J. D. MacGuigan, Miss Eva Beers, Mrs. S. G. Peppin, Rev. T.H.B. Somers, Rev. T E. MacLennan, Mr. Milton Stewart, Mr. Leonard McDonald Mr. Frank MacPhee.

AGENT'S REPORT

Main features of the Society's work during the year were thus outlined by Mr. W. J. Brawders:

At the beginning of the year we had ninety six boys and girls wards of the Society. Six of these have been since taken off our list, three of them having reached the age limit one died and two being absent on military duty. Twenty five

Veteran Bush Pilot Missing

TORONTO, Dec. 2—(CP)—Capt. Guy Record, 28, of the R.A.F. transport command, is missing in a trans-Atlantic flight his father, T. Record, of nearby Long Branch, has been informed.

Capt. Record and crew left Greenland Nov. 8 on the next leg of the trip to Iceland. Fifteen minutes after the take off the engine caught fire and the plane was forced down into the ocean, distress signals were heard in Iceland and a search made by plane and ships but to date there has been no trace of the missing men.

Capt. Record was one of Canada's veteran pilots and once prospected for gold by air in the northwest territories.

Britain To Draft Men For Coal Mines

LONDON, Dec. 2—(CP) — Britain will start drafting men for the coal mines shortly, Ernest Bevin Minister of Labor announced in the House of Commons today.

Men selected will be from those born after Jan. 1, 1918, who are exempt from military service for physical reasons but who are able to dig coal.

COMING EVENTS

**"Play — Murray River Hall Monday. 12-2-3i.

**"Christmas Concert in Vernon Hall, Monday, December 20th. 12-4-18-2i.

**"Postponed auction sale of Wesley MacLean, Darlington, will take place Saturday 2 p.m. 12-2-2i.

**"Cherry Valley Y.P.U. presents a three act comedy "For Pete's Sake" in Pownal Hall, Friday, Dec. 3. 12-1-3-2i.

**"Wanted to buy live and dressed chickens and fowl. Paying top market prices. Island Cold Storage Co., Ltd. 8-26-tf

**"Murray Harbor Shipping Club, loading hogs Monday, December 6th. Taking orders for feed wheat. D. Ray Brooks, Secretary. 12-3-1i.

**"Alberton, December 9th. Drawing Matched Team Horses, etc. Tickets available Box 165 Alberton. Rush returns. 12-2-6i.

**"Y. P. U. Mirth and Music Concert in Heartz Memorial Hall, Friday, December 3rd at 8 P. M. Admission 35 cents. 11-25-27-30-12-2-3-6i.

**"Owing to the snow storm blocking the roads we will not be taking live hogs this week. Next receiving dates Albany December 9th and Emerald 10th. G. C. Green and A. G. Green. 12-2-2i.

Coal Situation Improves, Gasoline Tight, Howe Says

OTTAWA, Dec. 2—(CP)—Canadians stand a good chance of getting through the winter without facing an acute coal shortage, Munitions Minister Howe said at a press conference today, but at the same time he warned there can be no expectation of relaxation in gasoline rationing.

Important points he made were:—

1. War production is likely to "taper off" rather than come to an abrupt end;

2. Wartime industrial employment now is at its peak but there is no unemployment in sight.

3. Little material is yet available for civilian production;

4. Cargo ship construction has been cut by one third.

Speaking of the coal situation, Mr. Howe said a mild autumn reduced coal consumption up to Dec. 1 to 90 per cent of that used in the same period last year. The anthracite supply was down but it was hoped the conservation program would result in a saving of 1,000,000 tons. Expectations were that fuelwood needs could be met.

Reports on unemployment resulting from cancellation of war contracts was termed by the Minister "purely a newspaper fiction."

Harry J. Carmichael, Munitions department production co-ordinator who attended the conference, said there is immediate need in the top-priority industries for 65,000 men and 16,000 women.

Mr. Howe said the shipbuilding program now calls for one cargo-ship hull every 100 days instead of one every 60 days. In the merger of cargo and naval shipbuilding announced last night, H.R. MacMillan of Vancouver, president of government-owned Wartime Merchant Shipping Ltd., would resign but would remain on the board of the new company.

The gasoline situation showed no improvement but the supply of asphalt and heavy fuel oil had increased.

Sea Route To China First Goal In Pacific Strategy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 — (AP) — The Cairo conference is believed here to have agreed on a high strategy against Japan which provides, in its present phase, for recapturing the Philippines and opening a sea route to China.

Over this route the United States and Britain, principally, must arrange to ship more than 1,000,000 tons of supplies a month if they are to maintain and operate a minimum offensive force of as much as 100,000 men, and that would allow an air force of only 200 bombers and 400 fighters. Every multiple of these forces would require roughly another 1,000,000 tons of shipping a month to cover the thousands of miles to China.

Yet until this route can be established and an aerial assault launched from China, American military and naval men say, there can be no final grand offensive against Japan proper. It is for this reason, they add, that plans for stepped up action in the Pacific and Asia must always be balanced by an understanding of the time and the cost involved.

Developing this theme at his press conference today, War Secretary Henry Stimson, obviously having in mind the Cairo meeting, said he looked for an accelerated offensive against Japan but warned that the reconquest of enemy held territory would be long and expensive.

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