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—BIRTHDAY PARTY —Miss Roberta Gorrill entertained recently on the occasion of her birthday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gorrill, Harvard Street. Party games were played during the evening after which refreshments were served. The guests extended birthday greetings and Miss Roberta was the recipient of some lovely gifts. —S.

—S'SIDE CURLERS FOR CHARLOTTETOWN— These Summerside curlers leaving on the morning train for Charlottetown to compete with Charlottetown and Montague for the Gaboury and MacArthur Cups. Morley Bell, Premier Campbell, Corpl. Stevens, Austin Brooks, Ralph Bishop, Edwin Estey, Harry Dickie, Earl MacDonald, E. P. Foley, W. R. Brooks, Lea Linkletter, George Bishop, T. D. Morrison, Fred McRae and Arthur Corney.—S.

—DEATH OF ARTEMAS LEARD OF SPRING VALLEY — There passed away at his home in Spring Valley on Monday, Mr. Artemas Leard, a well known resident of the district. Mr. Leard had been in failing health for some time. Before his retirement he had operated a succe sful grist mill at Spring Valley. Mr. Leard came from the well known Leard family of millers. He was the son of the late George Leard of Crapaud, who had operated grist mills all his life and taught the trade to his eight sons who were all successful millers and settled in widely cattered parts of the Isand. There is only one son living now Mr. Warren Leard of Alberton. The late Artemas Leard was 76 years of age. He married Mary Elizabeth Duggan, daughter of Mr. Jacob Duggan of Spring Valley. The following sons and daughters are left to mourn: Leith Marshall, Vernon, Rena and Clara, all residing in the United States; one granddaughter resides with her grandmother in Spring Valley. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved family. The funeral took place on Thursday afternoon from his late residence to Kensington Cemetery. —S.

BLITZ BLANKETS FROM CARDBOARD

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 —An industrial waste product is being put to a new use in keeping many a Briton warm and dry during stretches in an air raid shelter.

In the last two months, the Maple Leaf Fund, Inc., Canadian-United States relief organization here, has sent close to 3,000 giant (90 by 72 inches), pure wool blankets to England. A $1 contribution sends one blanket. The fund plans to send a minimum of 50,000 blankets this year.

How this is possible is explained by the organization's president, Victor Goggin, a civil engineer.

The cloth from which the blankets are made is a waste product of the cardboard industry and is contributed by about 100 members firms of the United States National Paper Board Association.

In the making of cardboard, Goggin said pulp is mixed with water and spread over a screen, through which water drains off.

The soft, wet pulp sheets must then be picked up and run through rollers. Manufacturers have found that the most successful material for picking up the sheet-pulp is a 100 per cent pure woolen material with a rough nape. Because the material must be subjected to great strains and immersed in water of all temperatures, wood that is used costs as much as $14 a pound and the cloth must be immaculately woven, Goggin said.

—SNOWSHOES all sizes to arrive at Brace's. L-833-2-13-2i.

—NATOLA with vitamin D only 65c at Taylor Drug Co., Kensington. L-674.

—JOSEPH READ & Co. Ltd., are still buying seed and feed oats and potatoes at their west end warehouse, Water Street West, Summerside. L-846-2-13-2i.

—QUIET WEDDING — A quiet wedding was solemnized on Thursday morning at the Baptish Parsonage, Rev. C. W. Cook officiating, when Mrs. Blanche Magee was united in marriage to Mr. Frank Huestis. The contracting parties are both well known residents of Summerside and have the best wishes of their many friends for their future happiness and success. —S.

Personals

—Miss Betty MacAssey and Miss Marjorie Gorrill, students at Moncton are expected home this evening to spend the weekend at their homes in Summerside. —S.

—Lac. Raymond Mokler has returned to Moncton after spending his furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mokler in Ebbsfleet.

String of bases Will link up With Alaska

OTTAWA, Feb. 13 — (CP) —A chain of strategic airports, forming part of Canada's general defence plans, will be set up by the Dominion Government in Alberta and British Columbia to link up with existing facilities in Alaska, Air Minister Power announced today.

The program, which the Minister said was a purely Canadian undertaking, will involve an outlay of approximately $9,000,000 with two-thirds of the expenditure devoted to works within the interior of the two provinces and the remainder on Pacific coast bases.

At the same time Maj. Power disclosed that altogether $20,000,000 would be expended this year on new projects and improvement of home defence bases for the Royal Canadian Air Force. He declined, however, to discuss the nature of these works or in what part of the country they were being carried out.

The minister was also reticent regarding details of the plans for the system of airports in northwestern Canada. Formal announcement of the project had been anticipated for some time.

From well-informed sources, however, it was learned that the plan provided for construction of seven bases, extending from Edmonton to Whitehorse in the Yukon. At this terminus the service would connect with Pan-American Airways which operates along the coast from Seattle to Alaska. Southward, Edmonton is already linked by air to the United States border.

Maj. Power declared that shortage of training aircraft as the result of restricted deliveries from the United Kingdom and the United States had temporarily retarded the flow of graduate air crews under the Commonwealth Air Training Plan.

NEW "PLUMBING" FOR FLOWER-POT

ITHACA, N. Y., Feb. 13 —(CP)— Wick like those used for oil lamps can be used to water potted plants.

The wick is placed in a dish of water with one end stuck through the hole in the bottom of the pot. There it "draws" water, just as a lamp draws oil. Furthermore, the rate the wick feeds water into the bottom of the flower pot is regulated by the plant itself. As fast as roots absorb water, the wick replaces it, and the moisture rises critually to the top of the soil.

This new method was developed by Dr. Kenneth Post of the Cornell University Agricultural Experiment station. Some pottery firms are to make water pots to fit beneath the usual flower pots.

The wicks, instead of being the usual cotton fabric, are made of either glass or asbestos--materials which do not rot in water or in damp earth. They are drawn far enough through the hole to lie across the bottom of the pot. The method was offered free and no patents were taken out.

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Reveal Exploits

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The idea for the unit was born in the brain of Sir Archibald P. Wavel, commander of the British forces in the Middle East, when he learned the three explorers were in the Middle Eastern army.

Within six weeks, the three had formed and trained the unit of Britons and New Zealanders whose first assignment was to find out if, as rumored, the Italians planned to attack the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan and the Nile valley from the Kufra Oass in southeastern Libya.

The column spilt into three patrols, each setting off on a 1,000-mile reconnaissance through sandstorms the like of which they never met before.

Nothing more was heard of the unit for days and a garbled wireless message led to the belief it was lost.

A month later, three bearded men appeared with a batch of Italian prisoners and several bags of Italian documents seized when the patrols ambushed an Italian column on the Sahara caravan route.

Other expeditions followed throughout the autumn. Once the party appeared before the Fort Augila Oasis and seized the Italian sentry before he completed his challenge..

Three shells fired point-blank into the mud walls of the fort then drove the garrison out the back door, enabled the raiders to remove at their leisure all the post's equipment and supplies, and disappear again into desert wastes.

On the same day, 600 miles away another of the patrols raiding Uweinet Oasis killed and wounded a dozen bewildered Italians.

Two more oases were attacked by the patrols on their return to Egypt. At one, Traghen, Bedouin tribesmen marched out en masse in surrender, with banners flying and drums beating.

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only about $13,250,000. The total cost of direct relief to all three types of government this year would be about $32,000,000.

For the fiscal year starting April 1, the minister estimated the total cost at $17,000,000. If the Dominion continued to pay 40 per cent its share would run to about $7,000,000 but the total cost would be less than last year's contributions by the provinces and municipalities.

Thus, he said, these governments would have to pay less even with the Dominion out of the picture.

"Unemployment is down now to the point where only reallly unemployable and partly unemployable men are out of work in the main," said Mr. McLarty.

He said that generally speaking if a man is adaptable he can get work. There may be instances where men able to work at some jobs are out of work because they can not perform other jobs which are available.

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the war cabinet was Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, commander of all British forces in the Far East, with headquarters in Singapore, who arrived here yesterday by plane.

Informed persons in London suggested that the motivation for the Fadden-Curtin statement was a report that Japan and Soviet Russia were on the brink of making an accord — the sort of accord which Japan presumably would make to protect her rear before starting any new movement to the south.

Jap Thrust Coming?

In London, it was stated, there is a growing belief that Japan — which now is tied in closely with Germany and Italy — might be preparing thrusts against Malaya and the Dutch East Indies. This view has been supported by reports that the Japanese are seeking bases in Southern French Indo-China and Thailand in reward for their mediation of the Indo-China -Thailand border dispute.

In Washington, some diplomatic quarters exhibited concern at the possibility Japan is getting ready to hit in the far east against either British or Netherland possessions.

State Secretary Cordell Hull declared he had no late advices from United States diplomats in that area; nevertheless he confirmed that renewed notice had been given to Americans in some sections of the far east to head homeward.

A Japanese advance upon the British naval stronghold of Singaport was mentioned as a possibility by some diplomats in Washington.

MOVIE FOR SAFETY

LONDON —(CP) —For five years a man had not been out of his house at night, but the night his wife coaxed him out to a movie, their house was destroyed in an air raid.

BEQUEATHS MANSION

LONDON, Feb. 10.—(CP) — The late Marquess of Lothian, British Ambassador to the United States, bequeathed Blicking Hall, his 17th century Norfolk mansion with its 6,000-acre estate to a national trust organization which preserves historic buildings and noted beauty spots.

Minard's relieves sprains.

RELATIONS

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Yugoslavia to his Berchtesgarten retreat and, by plane, they hurried to Germany.

Those grey-clad thousands in Rumania might use Yugoslavia as a military roadway to Greece; they might, simultaneously, pour through Bulgaria to the Dardanelles, Turkey, the Mediterranean, even try to go all the way across the land ridge to the Levant and the Suez. Indeed, it is reported the German troops, disguised none too well, already have infiltrated Bulgaria by the thousands.

At the other end of the sea that has become so hostile for Italy, Franco of Spain, acting somewhat like a messenger of state, talked with Marshal Petain, Vichy government chief of state, and no doubt relayed to him the things which Mussolini told him are expected of France and Spain in the making of what Berlin and Rome like to call the "new world order. He saw Mussolini on the Italian Riviera on Wednesday.

It may be that Spain and France —the one war-weary and hungry, the other conquered and getting hungry—may be expected to form a Latin bloc to bolster the Axis offensive in the Mediterranean with benevolent neutrality in both southwest Europe and North Africa. Or it may be that they are expected to provide a roadway for a German land attack on Gibraltar and even supply African bases for Axis planes and ships.

More immediately important to Hitler and Mussolini, however, is that the unbeaten French armies in Africa and Syria, on both sides of the Suez Canal, stand immobile, and refrain from aiding Britain.

All these possibilities were plain to the war-battered people of Europe, but vastly more intriguing was the spread of alarm in the South Pacific. Few, however, could doubt there was a definite connection with the German plan to beat Britain to her knees before United States help could make Britain invincible.

The facts were these:—

The Australian War Advisory Council met, and Acting Prime Minister A. W. Fadden joined with John Curtin, leader of the Labor opposition, in a statement to the people of the Commonwealth, that "the war has moved into a new stage involving the utmost gravity."

At least one Netherlands merchant ship, which had cleared for Hong Kong, put back posthaste into Manilla because of the reported presence of mysterious Japanese ships in the China Sea.

Increasing anxiety has been shown by the United States and Australia in Japan's steady progress southward. The latest manifestation of this is Japan's mediation of the French Indo-China-Thailand war and her reported desires for territorial reward in South Indo-China, lying some 500 miles from Singapore the British fortress of the East. Already, Japanese warships maoeuvre far south in the China Sea, off Saigon.

Now it is suggested that indications of an accord between Japan and Soviet Russia the Sphinx may have heightened the Pacific alarm.

BORDEN

Miss Dorothy Matthews of O'Leary is visiting in Borden with Mr. and Mrs. William Ozon.

Mr and Mrs. James MacNeill and son Wendell spent the week-end with Mrs. MacNeill's sister, Mrs. Roy Gamble of St. Nicholas.

Miss Jean MacIsaac spent the week-end in Charlottetown, guest of her friend, Miss Jean Muttart.

Miss Olgo Love and Miss Patricia Chappel, U. C. C. students spent Saturday at their homes here.

Mr and Mrs. William MacIvor, who on acccunt of Mr. MacIvor's illness have been away for some months, returned to their home in Borden on Monday.

Mrs. Gordon Constable of Borden was a visitor to Summerside on Friday.

Mr. Charles Love of the R. C. N. V. R. Halifax is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Colin Love of Borden.

This week the ice is being stored at the C. N. R. ice-house for the Borden Line under the management of Mr. Bert Cudmore of Wheatley River. Assisting him are Messrs Walter Ling, Wheatley River, Cedric Seaman of Bradalbane, Ewen Todd of Pleasant Valley, Elmer Wigmore of Elliotts and John Hickox of Bradalbane.

An interesting game of hockey was played in Borden Rink on Saturday afternoon between two midget teams the Spitfires and the Bulldogs which ended in a 3-3 tie.

SUMMARY

First period: 1.Bulldogs L. Richard, 2. Spitfires J. Dorsey, 3. Bulldogs L Richard, 4. Spitfires K. Ozon Second period: 5. Bulldogs L. Richard. Third period: 6. Spitfires K. Ozon. There were no penalties in the game. Referees: F. Oatway and A. Rodgers.

Lineups, Bulldogs: Goal: I. Paquet; defence: W. Oatway, V Howatt; Forwards: A. Jay, L. Richard, W. Pickering.

Spitfires: Goal: J. Dalziel; defence S. Leard, J. Sherry; Forwards: J. Dorsey, K. Ozon, A. Howatt. A.

See Muskrats Big yield, 1943

OTTAWA, Feb. 11 —(CP) —Harvest of 250,000 muskrat pelts at Two Islands Preserve, near The Pas, Man., is predicted for the spring of 1943 by the Department of Mines and Resources.

This production, department officials forecast, will result from a wild-life conservation project undertaken in the spring of 1938 for the benefit of Indian and half-breed trappers. At the time the project was launched there were only muskrats on the entire 160,000-acre area.

The department then closed the area to trapping and appointed a staff of game guardians. Extensive physical developments, including creation of dykes and dams and building of a large intake canal, was started in the summer of 1939.

Although no new water was admitted to the preserve in 1939, the census that year showed 719 muskrat houses, or approximately 3,300 muskrats.

Flooding of two-thirds of the reserve was completed in 1940. The third census, taken in November and December, showed 5,948 houses or more than 30,000 muskrats.

This year the entire area will be flooded and the department says conditions appear "ideal" for even more rapid development.

S'side girl Becomes life Sec'y of class

WOLFVILLE, N.S., Feb. 13.—(CP)—Ruby MacNeil, of Summerside, P.E.I., was elected life secretary of the senior class of Acadia university today.

International At A Glance

(Canadian Press)

SYDNEY — Australian Government issues extraordinary warning of new, grave war stage; cruiser Sydney returns after year in far seas; United States renews request to Americans in China, French Indo-China and Japan to go home.

MANILA—Sudden return to Manila of Netherlands ship en route to Hong Kong adds to fears in Philippines, American army families hasten plans to leave, officers and men remain.

BELGRADE —Yugoslavia's Premier and Foreign Minister fly to Germany to see Hitler; Germans in Belgrade expect Yugoslavs in Axis lineup in 10 days; diplomatic quarters hear King Boris of Bulgaria to go to Germany Friday for conferences with Hitler; Bulgaria said to try to persuade Turkey not to fight.

MONTPELLIER, France— Franco of Spain ends Spanish-Italian-French conferences with three-hour talk with Petain of France.

ROME — Fascist commentators claim Spain and Italy have reached accord and Axis diplomatic offensive in full development in the Mediterranean and Balkan areas.

LONDON — Nazi bombs smash houses in district during brief night raid.

ATHENS—Greeks report three mile advance toward Valona, Albanian port.

CAIRO—Announce progress in drive to take Italian Eritrea: Royal Air Force bombs Island of Rhodes.

Dodged Dangers Trailing Hubby

By DOUG HOW
Canadian Press Staff Writer

HALIFAX, Feb. 13 —(CP) —After months of tracing her husband through bombs, torpedoes and disappointments, life in the home of a kindly Canadian family looks good to Mrs. Armand Goossens.

She fled her native Belgium May 13, three days after Hitler's invasion of the Lowlands, because she knew her seafaring husband could never come to see her in a German-controlled homeland.

She travelled hundreds of miles since, by land and sea, and has seen him twice, once in France, once in Canada. Now, she has settled down. His ship will probably come to Canada as often as anyone else.

Mrs. Goossen's story is typical of those of hundreds of European refugees. She made her way from Antwerp to the French frontier by rail, taxi and on foot, pushing through thousands of terrified people. Bombs fell almost continually.

She finally reached the coastal port of LePallice where she believed she might find her husband. Her hunch was right but his vessel sailed May 29 after they had had a brief rendezvous.

TO SEA IN SHIPS

France was still fighting and on June 18, Mrs. Goossens fled again, this time by sea. A Belgian ship had slipped out the night before when an aerial attack indicated approaching peril.

With nearly 80 other Belgians she boarded a small fleet of motorboats and went after her. After three hours, they were taken aboard and the ship started for Britain.

But quick-changing events brought a change in course. There were reports of numerous torpedoings in the waters ahead and one explosion was so close it shook the Belgian boat. So, they headed for Lisbon. There, perplexed Portugese authorities refused to allow anyone to go ashore for three weeks and it was months later that the vessel pulled anchor in the middle of the night and slipped away.

By this time, only four of the original 80 refugees were left. Many had gone to England, others to Belgium. Mrs. Goosen's people wrote her to return but she refused. The ship eventually sailed and two days later reached Gibraltar. The day they arrived enemy planes appeared overhead but dropped no bombs. That night either Berlin or Rome broadcast that The Rock had been under bombardment that day.

The day the vessel pulled anchor for Jamaica with 394 members of Gibraltar's civilian population aboard, two Italian submarines entered the harbor. One torpedo narrowly missed the Belgian ship.

HOSPITABLE CANADA

The ship, with Mrs. Goossens now serving as stewardess, reached Jamaica and finally arrived at an East Canadian port. H. B. Wade of The Canadian Immigration Department became interested in her determination to leave the vessel and remain somewhere she might eventually meet her husband. He suggested to his wife that they invite her into their home. They found her at the Y. W. C. A., sick, and eager to accept their invitation.

Mrs. Goossens liked the Wades so well she changed plan to leave several times. They find her a highly interesting addition to their household.

Soon Goossens' ship also arrived at an East Coast Port and Mrs Goossens was reunited with her husband. He was amazed to find his wife in Canada but pleased to have her settled in one place.

After all, both the Goossens figure, one stagoring member of the family is enough.

Miss Mona Wilson At wartime post In Newfoundland

A Toronto woman has been appointed an assistant national commissioner to the Canadian Red Cross in Newfoundland and she is the only woman in Canada to hold such a position. Miss Mona Wilson has been loaned by the Government of Prince Edward Island to fulfil a wratime role in Newfoundland and she is already at her post, Dr. Fred W. Routley, national commissioner said yesterday.

Miss Wilson, a nursing sister in the last war, is leading a soldier's life once more, this time wearing khaki and travelling constantly from the Red Cross depot to St. John's to the military camp and back to the sea base. In each of these places, co-operating with other relief groups, she keeps constant watch on the welfare of Canadian troops, distributing woollen comforts and supplies, visiting flu victims in military hospitals and rushing aid to victims of ships torpedoed at sea which arrive in port with the surviving members of convoys. The army, the navy and the hospitals are her responsibility as representative of the Canadian Red Cross and already substantial amounts of woollen comforts and hospital supplies have been shipped to Newfoundland.

Toronto-born, Miss Wilson is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Wilson. She is a graduate of Havergal College and took her nursing deree from Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. She has been twice decorated by the King and once by the Government of France for her nursing service during the Great War. In the last conflict, Miss Wilson joined the American Red Cross and was stationed in a military hospital in Siberia. Her unit was one of the last to be evacuated before the Russian Revolution. Later she nursed soldiers in France receiving her award of merit from the French Government at that time. When the American Relief Commission went to Albania, Miss Wilson went along for the American Red Cross and was stationed at Tirana near the spot where the Greeks are now making a heroic stand again t the Italians. From Albania she went to Montenegro, now part of Jugoslavia, and continued relief work there.

In 1919, Miss Wilson was back in Toronto seeking new fields of nursing and as a result she became a graduate in public health nursing. She took up this service in Prince Edward Island with the Canadian Red Cross and built up such an efficient organization that the government of P. E. I. in 1931 took it over. Miss Wilson continued as Director of Public Health Nursing and also as director of crippled children's work with the Red Cross. In her ten years there, Miss Wilson won wide recognition for her unique department which included establishment of clinics, special treatments for crippled children, Junior Red Cross groups, and rural public health service.

The late King George V presented Miss Wilson with the Jubilee medal in 1935 and she was made a Member of the British Empire at the time of the Coronation.

Temperature Control Keeps Grade In Eggs

Producers in many parts of the country are observing improvements which are being made in the premises of egg dealers. These changes are being made under the new requirement of the egg grading regulations, that eggs may be graded only in Registered Stations and that, for registration, they shall comply with certain specifications regarding premises and grading equipment.

These Registered Egg Grading Stations may be in pretentious or modest quarters. Some will use basement premises to meet the requirement that they must be cool during the summer months. Others, doing a larger business, are installing mechanical refrigeration. All, large or small, will help to achieve the main objective which is to stimulate the production and marketing of eggs of the best possible quality.

The egg grading regulations that have been in operation since 1923 have performed a valuable service to the Canadian poultry industry by improving the quality of eggs and thereby building up a greater demand for them. But the highest possible quality in eggs and the greatest benefit to the industry have not yet been attained, for the simple reason that facilities for keeping eggs at the requisite coolness, particularly in hot weather have not always been available Heat over 67 degrees Fahrenheit has been the greatest enemy of quality in egg. This fact is generally known and many producers have taken a deal of trouble to act up to this knowledge, only at times to see their work undone by careless handling at grading stations.

Now, with the establishment of egg grading stations, eggs will be kept at the requisite coolness, that is, 67 degrees F. maximum, and thus encouragement will be given to those producers who regularly kept their eggs cool and an example set to those who paid little attention to the matter. Also, in the past, some producers suffered loss through the grading of their eggs by inexperienced persons or in places where there was no proper equipment for grading. Under the amended egg regulations, this will not happen, because it is laid down that all people employed as graders must pass a Departmental test. Further, the grading equipment at the station must be satisfactory; the arrangement of the egg room must permit proper handling, and, as eggs are particularly susceptible to damage through strong odours, the egg rooms must be separate from any business which might be harmful to them; and the egg rooms must be kept cool during warm weather.

The position of country merchants is that no doubt some will establish registered egg grading stations. Where they do not, or in towns where stations are not established under other auspices, merchants may act as "first receivers". That is, they will pass on the eggs they receive from the producers to the registered station for grading after they have identified the producers eggs to that station. When the eggs are graded, the grading returns will came back to the "first receiver" who will make settlement with the producer.

Egg producers may grade their eggs for sale to retailers or to private customers, but must put their names and addresses on the grade tags on the containers. This is for protection to the producer and also to help eliminate the practice of egg peddlers who are not producers but pose as such when selling to retailers. In short, the registered egg grading stations will benefit and protect both the producer and the industry as a whole, and will cause a greater demand than ever for high quality eggs, to the increased prosperity of the industry.

Canadian Bushmen Set for action

LONDON, Feb. 11 —(CP)—They'll be missed in the Northern Canadian bushlands--many of the veteran Canadian woodsmen have discarded jackets and jack-boots for battle dress.

A call was sounded last spring for recruits for the Canadian Forestry Corps, organized by Maj.-Gen. J. B. White of Montreal, Skilled and stalwart bushmen operating around the head-of-the lakes responded and a company was formed at Port Arthur.

Now they are Somewhere in England--Canada's first forestry detachment on the home front. Other companies of the forestry corps are expected to join the advance party shortly.

The "Chick-a-dees," as they are fondly called by the commanding officer, Maj. G. J. Dawson of Port Arthur, are all skilled shots. They needed little training in rifle fire. Years of living in Canada's forests with an axe on one shoulder and a rifle over the other gave them the necessary experience.

While on active service they will work in close co-operation with the Royal Canadian Engineers and will take part in demolition work.

During the last war it was found necessary to mobilize forestry units for front-line warfare. Many of them had not been trained as fighting troops.

"We will be prepared this time," said Maj.-Gen. White. "We are ready for trench or any other type of fighting. The men are experienced marksmen as well as skilled bushmen. Training in Canada included stiff rifle and foot drill as well as action on Bren and anti-tank guns."

Gaelic gets Semi - official Status in N. S.

By JAMES McCOOK
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA, Feb. 13.—(CP)—Gaelic, which Highlanders say was the language of the Garden of Eden, was honored with a semi-official status today.

This came about in an announcement that Gaelic telegrams will be accepted for transmission in Nova Scotia when accompanied by an English translation and certified by a civil or religious official.

Transmission of telegrams except in English or French, Canada's official languages, was forbidden in Nova Scotia after the outbreak of war as a defence measure. The regulation was to ensure that information which might be of value to the enemy could be checked immediately.

Thus Gaelic was classified with "foreign languages—to the disgust of the Cape Breton Gaelic foundation which set to work to have the situation rectified.

Word of the change in regulations was sent yesterday to Rev. A. W. R. MacKenzie, president of the Cape Breton Gaelic Foundation, by the Chief Telegraph Censor at Ottawa.

The new regulation provides an exception for Gaelic messages, which are accepted for transmission when properly certified. Thus it takes its place practically alongside the official languages of Canada.

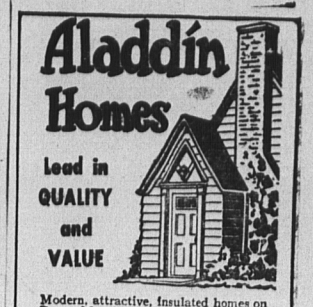
Authorities stressed that Gaelic messages were never refused for transmission except in Nova Scotia, and there only for reasons of security relating to defence of the Atlantic coast. The order providing that only English or French could be used "had no connection whatsoever with discrimination against a community of people or their mother tongue," one official said.

Ottawa authorities said that telegraphic messages in Gaelic when submitted for transmission must be certified by a clergyman, mayor, magistrate or some official of the same status as those permitted to certify passport applications. The certificate must include a statement that the official who gives it understands Gaelic (Scottish) and that the person whose signature appears on the original message is personally known to the official.

"This will greatly facilitate transmission of the message and will also be of great assistance in the Atlantic defence measures," said the statement issued here.

Navy Minister Angus Macdonald, and Pension Minister Ian MacKenzie are among notable Canadians who "know the two spokes."

Besides, says the Dominion Bureau, there are 31,000 in Canada who know the Gaelic, 23,650 of whom are in Nova Scotia, Ontario has 2,515, the Prairies 2,000, and British Columbia 802. Prince Edward Island has more than 1,000, and Quebec 905.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MAPLE PLAIN W. I.

The monthly meeting of the Maple Plain W. I. met at the home of Miss Louise Cairns on Feb.uary 7th. With seven members and four visitors present. The President Mrs. Parnell McCarville presided.

The meeting opened by singing The Institute Ode followed by repeating the Creed in unison.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, approved and signed. Roll Call was answered by "ways that Women can save money.

The different committees then gave their reports.

It was moved by Miss Inez Walsh and seconded by Mrs. Frederick Walsh that we draw money from the bank and pay all bills. Six Air Force Scarves were passed in. It was also decided to form Listening groups and listen to the Farm Broadcasts on Tuesday night. The following new Committees were appointed School Committee, Miss Inez Walsh, Miss Olga Walsh.

Sick Committee, Miss Mildred Campbell. Miss Louise Cairns.

Programme Committee, Mrs. Freeman Walsh, Mrs. Alva Walsh.

The Questionnaires on Legislation and Group Hospitalization were filled out. Miss Inez Walsh invited the members to meet at her home for the next meeting.

Roll Call to be answered by "a book that I have read."

The meeting closed by singing God Save The King.

The program Committee took charge which consisted of a reading "The Language of the lips" By Miss Inez Walsh, and another reading "When Mother Scrubs by Miss Olga Walsh. Then a Be contest was put on. It was won by Miss Louise Cairns. After which lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. John Cairns.

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