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—KENSINGTON, Talkies Wednesday night 8.45, June 9. 6-9-1i

—GENEROUS DONATION —The Young Peoples Society of Sherbrooke recently made a most generous donation to the Red Cross when they handed over the sum of $75.00 The money is to be used for prisoner of war boxes. These are packed at a cost of $2.50 per box so that this donation will supply boxes for thirty men.—S

—FINED FOR HUNTING FOXES —Yesterday morning at Summerside two men, one from St. Gilbert and the other from St. Phillip, appeared before Stipendiary Magistrate Walter E. Darby charged under the Game Act with hunting foxes in close season. Both pleaded guilty. One was fined $10.00 and costs or 10 days and the other was given 3 months suspended sentence and ordered to pay costs. The offence was committed this spring at St. Gilbert when two fox dens containing pups were dug out. The case was investigated and prosecuted by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Personals

—Mrs. Grace Waring, Summerside, underwent an operation in the Prince County Hospital last week. Her condition is reported as satisfactory.—S.

—Friends of Mrs. Arthur Corney of Summerside who has been a patient in the Provincial Sanatorium will be glad to know that she has returned home much improved. —S

—Mrs. Nicholas Ahearn of Tignish, who has been a patient in the Prince County Hospital has sufficiently recovered to return home.—S

MAKES PLEA

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only 420 in New Brunswick. The Nova Scotia numbers would be increased when the Deep Brook training centre was completed at a cost of $2,000,000.

Says N. B. Neglected

Nova Scotia had been "exceptionally well looked after" in the establishment of training centres, while New Brunswck had been neglected, said Mr. Hazen. There were three Nova Scotians in the Dominion Cabinet and it was "natural" to assume that province would have its fair share of training establishments.

"There is no justification, however, for giving it a share out of all proportion to the population, or the contribution it has made to Canada's war effort," he continued.

"It was hardly, of course, to be expected that New Brunswick would receive much consideration from the government, as it was represented in the Cabinet by Hon. J. E. Michaud (Transport Minister), who has failed since the beginning of the war to obtain for New Brunswick its fair share of the huge expenditures which were being made in connection with Canada's war effort.

" . . . We have been humbugged and hamstrung."

He quoted an editorial in the Saint John Telegraph-Journal stating that in naval matters New Brunswick "is definitely and intentionally cold-shouldered."

Mr. Hazen said the discrimination against New Brunswick existed elsewhere. The government had provided capital assistance to Canadian companies totalling $1,723,827,099 of which $821,042,913 was fixed capital. Of this amount New Brunswick companies received fixed capital amounting to about .6 per cent.

New Brunswick had done its share in enlistments and in other support of the war, and he questioned if it were unreasonable that the province should receive a fair share of the increased activities brought about by the war, with a fair share of government expenditures.

The House had been told last year that $635,500 was being set aside for the erection of buildings and other works at the port of Saint John. His understanding was that none of these buildings had been erected and the navy in the port was obliged to carry on under great disadvantages. Navy men were housed in "what might be termed a rabbit warren and have been forced to carry on training operations under considerable handicaps."

Answers Unsatisfactory

Mr. Lacombe said he had asked a number of questions and the answers he received from the Navy Minister were less than satisfactory.

Mr. Macdonald had said that water transport was considered less convenient in many instances in wartime, but Mr. Lacombe said the St. Lawrence waterway was not used because the government had an agreement with the railways in recent years.

Railways were enjoying favor from the government to an extent which could be condemned.

Mr. Graham said Canada now was the third strongest naval power among the allies.

"When I think of Canada's contribution through its army, its air force, its navy, its productive capacity, and through the immense supplies of war materials we have been able to contribute to the allied cause, I have a vision that Canada will come to the peace table as a fairly powerful voice," he continued.

"And more so because it is well recognized that Canada has not raised its army, developed its air force or its navy for purposes of aggrandizement, nor for the purposes of aggression or warfare, but the very opposite. We have that potential strength to stand at the side of those who agree with us in developing a world in which there will be that degree of liberty and of peace for which we all are hoping."

Anthony Hlynka (N.D. Vegreville) said some in the services were "narrow minded" and he cited a report in a Saskatoon newspaper (Star-Phoenix) on Oct. 21, 1942, which quoted a naval officer as saying a limited number of men would be accepted as probationary paymaster sub-lieutenants in the naval service provided they had suitable qualifications and were of British origin.

Mr. Hlynka said Canadians came from many different lands and there were no distinctions drawn on the battlefield.

Mr. Macdonald said that if an article like that mentioned by Mr. Hlynka had appeared it was unauthorized. Regulations required simply that a man be a British subject.

Mr. Hlynka said departmental officers should check on statements such as he had mentioned and correct them as soon as they appeared.

—WANTED Reliable maid to go to Halifax. $30 a month and found. Floor work only. References required. Apply Nan E. Rhodes, Summerside. Telephone 90. 6-7-3i

—FUNERAL THIS MORNING — The funeral of the late Mrs. Thomas Smith of Kinkora, who died June 6, will be held this (Wednesday) morning from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stephen Johnson, to St. Malachi's Church, Kinkora at 8.45 a.m.—S

—SIMPSON — CROZIER NUPTIALS — A quiet wedding took place at the Dartmouth, Nova Scotia United Church Manse at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of June 2nd, when the Rev. R. D. McIntosh officiated at the marriage of Miss Georgina Mary Crozier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crozier of Wilmot, to Robert Simpson, R.C.N.V.R., son of Mr. James Simpson and the late Mrs. Simpson of Kirkland Lake, Ontario. Attired in a tailored navy blue suit with matching hat and corsage of pink and white carnations with maiden hair fern, the bride was attended by her friend, Miss Aletha Dockendorff of Cove Head, P.E.I. The groom's attendant was Owen Olsgard, R.C.N.V.R., of Saskatchewan. The following morning the bride and groom left for the home of the bride where on Friday evening a family party and reception was held in their honor. Many lovely gifts were presented together with good wishes for their future life together.—S.

BORDEN

Ptes. Russell Ahearn and Emery Richard C.A.T.C. of Aldershot are spending leave at their homes in Borden.

Mr. Gordon Jay, R.C.N.V.R., and Mrs. Jay and little daughter Mona Jean are visiting with Gordon's parents Capt. and Mrs. Albert Jay of Borden.

Mr. Earl MacEwen, C.N.R. employee at Borden spent the weekend at his home in Morell.

Pte. Louis MacInnis of Dartmouth is spending a short leave at his home in Borden.

Women's Social Club met on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Reginald Rodgers. Meeting opened with prayer followed by roll call and minutes of last meeting. The sick committee reported sending fruit to two sick in the community. The afternoon was spent in planning and continuing work for the coming bazaar. Lunch was served by the hostess and meeting closed with the Mizpah benediction. Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. George Sharpe.

The regular auction party of the Borden Women's Institute was held on Thursday evening in the town hall with seven tables playing. Ladies prize was won by Mrs. Julian Herring, gents by Mr. Peter Nicholson with consolation prizes going to Mrs. A.P. Ceretti and Mr. Earl MacEwen. The freezecut prize was won by Mr. Aloysius Croken. A.

Second List Of Canadians At Changi Camp

OTTAWA, June 8 (CP)—The External Affairs Department announced tonight it has reeived through the International Red Cross at Geneva a second list of Canadians and non-Canadian British subjects interned by the Japanese at Changi camp, on the Island of Singapore.

(The list contained no names with relatives listed in the Maritime Provinces.)

The departmental announcement said the list names 13 Canadian and non-Canadian British subjects who have relatives in Canada known to the department or who are employed by Canadian companies. The companies and near relatives known to the department have been notified.

Further lists, the announcement said, are expected in the near future. The list contains the name of N. G. Roberts, a police officer, of whose relatives in Canada the department has no knowledge but who appears to have some connection with Canada.

Anyone having information concerning him or his next-of-kin is asked to communicate with the department of external affairs, Ottawa. A list of persons whose names begin with the letters A, B, or C, was issued by the department May 14.

MANCHESTER, June 8 (CP)—The first all-woman aircraft salvage team has been formed in England among the W.A.A.F. They can dismantle any type of plane, from a Moth to a Fortress bomber.

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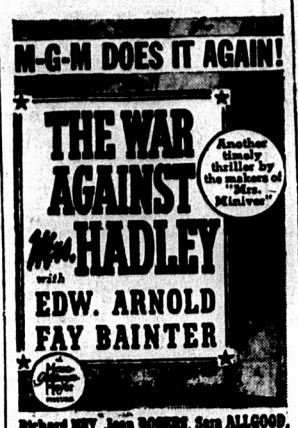

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doubt to any of our enemies contemplating a resort to such desperate and barbarous methods that acts of this nature committed against any one of the United Nations will be regarded as having been committed against the United States itself and will be treated accordingly.

"We promise to any perpetrators of such crimes full and swift retaliation in kind and I feel obliged now to warn Axis armies and Axis peoples, in Europe and in Asia, that the terrible consequences of any use of these inhumane methods on their part will be brought down swiftly and surely upon their own heads.

"Any use of gas by any Axis power, therefore, will immediately be followed by the fullest possible retaliation upon munition centres seaports and other military objectives throughout the whole extent of the territory of such Axis country."

The statement, although no more specific than previous declarations on the same subject by Prime Minister Churchill, was regarded as peculiarly significant because of its timing. It was issued while an invasion of European territory seems imminent and when the whole course of the war in Europe may be approaching a crisis, not only in the Mediterranean but on the Russian front.

The President declined to amplify his statement in any manner, particularly to indicate what Axis power he had uppermost in mind, or to disclose the localities indicated in the intelligence reports.

St. Lawrence Is

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Gulf and River area. In view of the anticipated recurrence of submarines this season there was a question for a time as to whether the St. Lawrence route would be used by merchant ships.

Shore Watching Set-up

Mr. King's announcement of the new set-up for shore watching, communicating alarms and counteraction by Canadian forces followed a statement by Navy Minister Macdonald that more ships and aircraft would be available for defence of shipping in the River this year than last.

Organization of the civilian end of the set-up has been in progress for some time, Mr. King said. Meetings have been held in many communities and local committees set up. Arrangements are in progress for educating farmers, fishermen and lumbermen around the rocky shore of the Gaspe Peninsula in the technique of watching and transmitting reports by telephone, radio, and telegraph.

The "aircraft detection corps" already organized in the area is to be expanded and trained to function equally as a submarine detection corps. The Reserve Army in the area is to be tied into the picture. In addition to standing by with weapons to take action on land, if necessary every reserve soldier will be a member of the detection corps.

Rumors and exaggerated reports about submarine sightings, landings from submarines, and sinkings of ships flew through the area last year, often gaining new detail as they passed. Authorities, it is believed, expect one result of the new system for bringing large numbers of people into the defence set-up, with opportunities for speedy communication, will be a lessening of the flood of rumors and of popular anxiety.

Improved Arrangements

Among the arrangements to improve communications listed by Mr. King are provision for all-night stand-bys at rural telephone offices, provision for instant clearing of lines to a reporting centre when any one asks for "aircraft detection corps," and direct connections between reporting centres and operational units.

When a U-boat is reported sighted, aircraft and ships on patrol in the vicinity will immediately be directed to the point indicated and army shore guns will be brought into play if they can be effective. The same report will be transmitted to higher authorities for information and to permit of the dispatch, if necessary, of additional forces from other districts.

Radio and telegraph communications will also be available 24 hours a day and may be used where telephones are not installed.

The Royal Canadian Mounted and Provincial Police, in their function of watching for enemy agents and saboteurs, will be tied into the system and assisted by active and reserve army units at isolated points.

Installation of the new system would mean no lessening of service activity. All three fighting forces of the region.

CENTRAL GUARDIAN

This column is reserved for news of local interest, but advertising of a newsy nature may be inserted at five cents a word, strictly pay able in advance.

CONFEDERATION LIFE INSURANCE.

THE RED CROSS EMERGENCY Nursing Reserve will not meet this Thursday night. 6-9-1i

JUST ARRIVED, Shipment of No. 6 dry batteries. Toombs Music Store. 6-7-9-2i

THERE WILL BE a Recruiting Meeting for the 17th Reserve Armored Regiment at Oyster Bed Bridge School this evening at 8 P.M. 6-9-1i

POLICE COURT — A female drunk and incapable who appeared at the city police court yesterday morning, was remanded until June 15.

TRAIN ARRIVAL—The evening train reached the city at 9.05 with 47 passengers, being two and a-half hours behind schedule. The delay was caused on the mainland.

ON ROUTINE VISIT — Mr. Thomas Fenton, of the Department of Pensions and National Health, Halifax, arrived in the city by plane last evening on a routine visit in connection with the department. He leaves on return tomorrow.

CAR FERRY MOVEMENTS—The car ferry S. S. Prince Edward Island made five round trips yesterday. On these crossings 37 car loads of mixed freight and 11 empties were carried to the Island. On the return trips 19 car loads of produce and 31 empties were transported to the mainland.

CORRECTION—In Tuesday's press despatches covering the deliberations of the United Church Conference at Sackville, now closing, it was stated that four ministers had on application to the settlement Board been left without being placed, the fourth of which was the Rev. H. K. Wright of Charlottetown. This is erroneous as Mr. Wright some weeks ago was tendered a unanimous call to Pointe De Butte, N. B. and accepted the same week.

SENIOR OFFICERS COURSE—The senior officers of the units of the 42nd Brigade are leaving for New Glasgow, N. S., this week-end. There a series of lectures will be given them under the direction of Col. G. E. Full and Major D. F. Tierney. The 42nd Brigade comprises the 17th Reserve Armoured Regiment, the 6th District Signals, the 204th Battery and several units from Nova Scotia.

ON COURSE—Four assistant instructors of the 17th Reserve Armoured Regiment are at present taking a course in Aldershot, N. S. They are: R.S.M. W. R. Duggan, Sgt. J. M. Lee Sgt. K. B. Webster and Sgt. D. H. Coffin. This course is being given in preparation for the summer camp being held here early in August by the 42nd Brigade.

QUEEN'S COUNTY COURT — Only a small docket, two debt cases, came before the June term of the Queen's County Court which opened yesterday morning at 11.30 with His Honour, Judge C. Gavan Duffy presiding. Both these cases were set down for hearing June 14. Two other debt cases, also scheduled to come up yesterday were settled out of court. In the two actions that were before Judge Duffy yesterday only small amounts were involved. The next regular term of the County Court is in August.

SHOW FREE MOVIES—National Film Board free sound movies were shown in York Hall last evening by Miss H. W. Gillis to a large audience. Rev. J. A. Nicholson capably performed the duties of chairman. A hearty vote of thanks was extended to Miss Gilis and appreciation of these educational films was expressed by Rev. Mr. Nicholson on behalf of the people of York and vicinity. Wednesday the show will be in Georgetown; Thursday, Cardigan; Friday, Souris; Monday, Mt. Stewart (instead of Saturday).

SEVERAL SEEK TO JOIN WRENS—Yesterday at the "Queen Charlotte" 3rd Officer A. M. Irving interviewed several prospective recruits for the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service. Most of the girls were interested in clerical and domestic services. "We will be able to train a much larger number of Wrens from now on" the recruiting officer stated, "as the training facilities have been greatly increased." Officer Irving said they had not yet enlisted many Island girls but what was lacking in quantity was made up in quality. She will be at "Queen Charlotte" today and Thursday.

CROP OUTLOOK — Frequent rains for almost two weeks now have been delaying seeding operations on Island farms but the balance sheet is not all one-sided. Dr. J. A. Clark, superintendent of the Charlottetown Experimental Station said yesterday that farmers could take comfort from the thought that a late spring season usually is followed by a good yield. The experimental station head said the recent rains would benefit the hay crop greatly, although it might still be below average because of heavy winter killing of clover. Last year's hay crop, too, was below average, due principally to dry weather. At the Experimental Station here practically all the seeding of grain has been completed and planting of potatoes is underway. Grain sown on May 10 is growing very well, it was learned.

Personals

The many friends of Mr. Roy D. Woolner of North Rustico will be glad to learn that he is making a satisfactory recovery from his recent operation.

SAVE IN HOME BANK IN BONDS

LONDON, June 8 — (CP) — One sure way for a housewife to hang on to whatever money she is able to save from her housekeeping budget is to help the war effort, Husbands take warning. Sir Kingsley Wood is the authority for this statement. He said a woman who buys War Savings Certificates or bonds has a sure grip on money to the value of the purchase because she alone can cash them in.

Mr. King said, had been "considerably strengthened" during the winter months. They would now have additional help from residents

Dr. J. T. Croteau To Head Local K. Of C. Council

Decision to sponsor an Orphans' picnic and to contribute to the St. Dunstan's Educational Fund were the highlights of the annual meeting of the Charlottetown Council of the Knights of Columbus held last night. Reports of the executive committee and of the standing committee chairmen covering the year's work were received and the election of officers was held.

The report of the executive stated: "As in the previous year, our work has been organized around a five-point programme. The five committees and their chairmen are: Catholic Activity Bro. H. L. Johnston; Council Programme, Bro. R. A. MacDonald; Membership, Bro. J. Alfred Doyle; Publicity, Bro. Charles McLellan; Insurance, Bro. W. J. Brawders; Sick Committee, Bro. Rod MacDonald." It then reviewed the main features of the work of each committee, and this was followed by a detailed report by each of the chairmen. Of public interest was the work of the Catholic Activity and Programme Committees.

Catholic Activity

Although it was not sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, there was a large attendance of Knights at the lay retreat held last fall at St. Dunstan's college. During the winter months Dr. Johnston conducted a fine study club on Catholic social problems; this was thoroughly appreciated by all who attended. The Knights held a corporate Communion during founders' week, attended holy hour in a body a number of times and went to the memorial Mass for the deceased of our Order in November. We were also privileged to watch at the vigil on Holy Thursday.

Council Programme

An active programme was carried on by the lecturer and his committee. The following activities were conducted: Orphans' picnic; softball league; boys' track and field meet; two sacred concerts in aid of the social service; 24 bowling nights with an average attendance of more than 40 members; bowlers' banquet at Charlottetown Hotel; boys' banquet at the V-Club; anniversary week celebrations; communion breakfast at the Charlottetown Hotel; bingo in aid of the recreation centre; equipping, maintenance and repair of recreation centre; nine raffles; twelve card parties; annual banquet at Charlottetown Hotel; four council parties; two dances; public lecture by Father Daly; good of the Order programme at six meetings, including lectures, debates, entertainments, lunches, etc.

Mr. Daniel Noonan reported from the State convention at Summerside and announced that the major degree would be exemplified at Charottetown on Sunday, June 13th.

The following officers were elected to serve during the coming year: Grand Knight, J. T. Croteau; Deputy Grand Knight R. A. MacDonald; Chancellor, Rev. R. Ellsworth; Recorder, R. E. Bradley; Financial Secretary, W. J. Brawders; Treasurer, T. B. Creighan; Advocate, J. Alban Farmer; Warden, D. E. Noonan; Inside Guard, W. McKenna; Outside Guard, Eugene Kelly; Trustees J. J. MacDonald, Leonard MacDonald and T. Ledwell Doyle.

Chinese Block Jap Threat To Rice Bowl Area

By SPENCER MOOSA
Associated Press Staff Writer

CHUNGKING, June 8 (AP)—The successful Chinese counter-offensive which thwarted a Japanese drive toward Chungking has eliminated the danger to the great rice bowl area of central China, an army spokesman disclosed today as the Chinese high command announced the complete occupation of Itu, Yangtse river port 18 miles below Ichang.

The high command communique said some remnants of the Japanese force which formerly held Itu had fled southeastward but that all enemy troops remaining in and around the town had been rounded up by the Chinese.

Further progress in the Chinese advance toward Sungtze river port between Shasi and Ichang, was reported in the communique, which announced the recapture of several strategic points to the south.

Chinese attacks on Japanese positions in Chekiang Province to the east were said to have resulted in the capture of six strategic points around Kinhwa, 80 miles southwest of Hangchow. At least 300 enemy troops were killed. The Chinese were continuing an attack on Pukiang in western Chekiang.

One spokesman said that in order to recapture more important points than those already taken in the Yangtse battle the Chinese needed a larger air force and heavy armaments, including tanks and artillery.

Another in the group, Chang Ping Chun, counsellor of the executive Yuan, said fears abroad over China's economic plight were "a little bit exaggerated," but emphasized that "we have no need to hide our great need of outside help not only in arms, but for all kinds of supplies."

MIDWIVES AND MENTAL

LONDON, June 8 — (CP) — So urgent is the demand for midwives and mental nurses in Britain that the Labor Ministry is offering emergency courses to retired nurses and women who want to take up midwifery.

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Local Talent Heard In Fine Entertainment

A delightful concert of familiar music was heard by an appreciative audience in the Heartz Memorial Hall last night. Given in aid of I. O. D. E. war work under the direction of Mrs. G.E. Full, F.T.C.L. and Miss E. Lillian McKenzie, Mus. Bach., it proved a revelation to many of the excellent quality of local talent.

A highlight of the programme was the splendid performance given by the Prince Street School Chorus under Miss MacKenzie's direction. The girls were in the apt phrase of one listener, "a pleasure to look at and a joy to listen to." They were perfect in pitch, expression and diction. Their rendition of old English, Welsh and other airs showed not only careful and skillful training, but remarkable interpretative talent as well. Future appearances of this youthful chorus in concerts of this kind will be looked forward to with much interest.

Well known to Charlottetown music lovers are the Serenaders, who also gave an excellent performance last night. This fine choral organization consists of Miss Margaret Sterns, Mrs. F. M. Nash, Miss Dilys Owen, Miss Doris Tait Mrs. R. T. Holman, Miss Mary Lawson, Miss Berna Heustis, Miss Lillian MacKenzie, Miss Pearle Burns, Mrs. N. D. MacLean, Miss Norma Lawson, Miss Suzanne Brenton pianist, and Mrs. Full, director.

The Trinity Male Eight was also heard effectively, particularly in "Ye Banks and Braes", with Mr. A. R. Gillis taking the solo part. Their unaccompanied singing and unusual rendition of familiar airs was a feature of special interest. The singers were Messrs. George Johnson, William Davis, Lyle Robinson, Harvey MacPherson Roy Smallman, George Tweedie, P. W. Small, A. R. Gillis, with A. Roy Kendall as director.

Following was the programme in detail, each number of which was received with warm applause:

Prince Street School Chorus, Miss Lillian MacKenzie, director: (a) Vesper (Russian tune) (b) Hunting Song (old English) (c) Prayer (Nansel and Gretal) Humperdinck.

Soprano solo—Il Bacio (Arditi) Miss Dilys Owen.

Violin solo—Czardas (V. Monti) this is a Russian dance. Miss Nan Reay accompanied by Mr. Kendall.

Trinity Male Eight, Mr. Roy Kendall director: (a) Ye Banks and Braes of Bonnie Doon; (b) A Perfect Day (Carrie Jacobs Bond).

Soprano solos (a) Aria (Marriage of Figaro—Mozart); (b) Danny Boy, an Irish air arranged by Weatherley—Miss Margaret Sterns.

Piano solo—Miss Marion Morris.

Vocal duets (a) Where'er you Walk—(Handel); (b) Barcarolle (tales of Hoffman—Offenbach)—Miss Margaret Sterns and Miss Pearle Burns.

(Intermission)

Prince Street School Chorus—(a) The Blacksmith—(Brahms); (b) Bells of Aberdovy (Welsh air).. (c) All Through the Night (Welsh folk song).

Soprano solos (a) I hear you calling me—(Charles Marshall); (b) Carmena—(Wilson) Mrs. Frances Holl Trainor.

Piano solo: Reflets dans L'Eau—(Debussy) Miss Suzanne Brenton.

The Serenaders: (a) Passing By —(Edward Purcell) soloist, Mrs. Nash; (b) Sylvia (Speaks-Deis).

Contralto solos (a) None but the Lonely Heart—(Tchaikovsky); (b) Homing—(Teresa del Riego) Miss Pearle Burns.

Ensemble "Now the Day is Over"; The National Anthem.

The proceeds of the concert, which was arranged and prepared by Mrs. Full and Miss MacKenzie under the auspices of the Royal Edward Chapter, I. O. D. E., are donated to the war activities of the Order.

Wide Experience For Nurse Staff At Eastern Base

STAFF AT EASTERN BASE . . .
By GLADYS LENNON
Canadian Press Staff Writer

AN R. C. A. F. BASE IN NEWFOUNDLAND, June 8 (CP)—It was a quiet day in the women's ward of the Sir Frederick Banting Hospital. Only two of the 10 beds were occupied. Cpl. Ruth Kelly of Toronto, hospital assistant of the R.C.A.F. (Women's Division), turned smiling from the eight-year-old mite whose blue eyes danced over a still-unopened parcel.

"We get experience here that we'd never get in any other R.C.A.F. hospital," she said. "We get all kinds of cases. I've learned an awful lot since coming here." Cpl. Kelly said she liked her civilian work as bank stenographer, but "for wartime, this is the job to have."

The corporal was right about the experience the assistants get. The 150-bed Banting hospital, built in 1941 and named after the Canadian scientist who lost his life in a plane crash not far away is something special in R.C.A.F. hospitals.

Treat All Ages

Here Wing Cmdr. E. N. Ferguson of Weymouth, N. S., Chief Medical Officer, and his staff treat cases that include "everything people get from birth to old age." And the hospital has modern equipment to handle them.

There are two bright operating rooms. One small room with connecting dark-room holds equipment that "can X-ray anything." In another, physiotherapy treatments are given. A laboratory in the basement is equipped to handle all sorts of pathological tests.

There are civilians as well as Air Force and Army personnel among the patients. Because there is no other hospital for hundreds of miles, the R.C.A.F. could not turn away the sick who came looking for help. They kept coming until during the past year civilian business brought a revenue of more than $10,000.

Under supervision of the small staff of R.C.A.F. Nursing Sisters headed by Matron Frances Anderson of Winnipeg, Women's Division, hospital assistants work in wards and operating rooms, nursery, X-ray room and laboratory. "You couldn't ask for better girls," said Wing Cmdr. Ferguson.

Colds and influenza cases are comparatively few, the Medical Officer said. "There's no reason why we should have them. When we do it's usually through someone who has been away on leave." But fractures average about one a day.

Sickness rate among the Women's Division, he continued, is lower than it would be in civilian life, and neurotics are much rarer.

"That doesnt mean that neurotics don't enlist. They would be among the first to join, wanting a chance. There is no way to stop them—they are perfectly healthy. But once they get in they are too busy to think about themselves."

ALL IS READY

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Canadian and American armies in Britain as "more numerous and powerful forces."

The Russian Front

The Russian front, as is nearly always the case, stood to the front of the Prime Minister's address, for, as he said, "it is here that the greatest battles seem to impend."

"I am very sorry," he declared, "that we have not yet been able to bring into counsel Marshal Stalin or other representatives of our great ally, Russia, which is bearing the heaviest burden and paying by far the highest price in blood and life.

"But I can assure the House that taking some of the weight off Russia and giving more speedy and effective aid to China and giving a stronger measure of security to our beloved Australia and New Zealand — these are never absent one moment from our thoughts."

Again and again the Prime Minister emphasized the brotherly association of the two great English-speaking powers in this greatest test of history and, momentarily ranging beyond the struggles of the day, he declared that when the victory came the English-speaking democracies "shall be stronger than ever before, in force and, I trust, also in faith." And, he added:—

" . . . There can be no doubt that whatever world organization is brought into being after this war, that organization must be richer and stronger if it is founded on the fraternal relations and the deep understanding prevailing and now growing between the British Commonwealth of nations and the United States."

It was of the war against the submarine that Mr. Churchill spoke with particular pride, for, as he said, "we British must continue to place the anti-U-boat war first because it is only by conquering the U-boats that we can live and act."

Defeating U-Boat

He went on to say that "very long-range air power—V.L.R. as it is called"—had been thrown effectively into the battle of the Atlantic, and added:—

"The month of May has from every point of view been the best month we have ever had in the anti-U-boat war since the U.S. was attacked . . sinkings have been greatly less than we apprehended and buildings have more than made good the prodigious programs undertaken by the American Nation.

"This month of May has been one of the very best for imports carried safely into this Island since the end of 1941. Our combined new buildings have exceeded our losses by more than three to one.

"The first week in June could not possibly be taken as a criterion, but as a matter of fact it is the best ever for many, many months past . . . new weapons and new methods and close co-ordination of effort between surface and air escorts have enabled us to inflict casualties which have surpased all previous records.

" . . . In May for the first time our killings of U-boats substantially outnumbered the U-boat output. That may be a fateful milestone. The Germans seem to be staking their hopes upon the U-boat war . . . they are encouraged to bear the evils—the terror as they call it, perhaps not an ill-chosen word —of the air bombardment by the hope that on the sea the U-boats are taking their revenge.

"If it should be made clear that this hope has failed them they may be seriously disappointed and they are a people who when seriously disappointed do not always find resources to confront approaching disaster once their reason tells them it is inevitable.

"Again I say—I make the observation in passing—do not let us build on such deductions."

Tunisian Campaign

Recapitulating the Tunisian campaign, Mr. Churchill reported that the British 1st and 8th armies had suffered 35,000 in killed, missing or wounded, whereas the Axis had lost more than 248,000 men in captured and 50,000 or more killed for a total loss of aout 300,000. Only 638 Axis personnel escaped from Tunisia, he said.

As to the political situation in North Africa, the Prime Minister saluted the new French National Committee of liberation jointly headed by Generals De Gaulle and Giraud and remarked that its creation meant that British financial and other dealings previously carried out direct with De Gaulle "will henceforward be with the committee as a whole."

Airborne Lifeboat New Idea

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LONDON, June 9 —(CP)— Latest rescue device for airmen forced down in the sea is an airborne lifeboat, complete with sails, food and wireless. The first time it was used it was a success.

That was immediately following the 2,000-ton bomber raid on Dortmund when the crew of a Halifax bomber was forced to ditch their aircraft in the North Sea, 50 miles from land.

About the time crews of other planes on the Dortmund raid were being interrogated a coastal command Hudson on patrol sighted rockets from the dinghy in which were the men from the disabled Dortmund aircraft.

The patrol plane signalled the position back to base, then circled the position until the air-sea rescue Hudson arrived. It had been waiting for just such an occasion as this, its life-boat all ready for launching.

From 1,000 feet it floated gently down and such was the work of the "boat aimer" that it landed less than 20 yards from the dinghy.

The boys scrambled into it in no time but were surprised indeed when they saw it had engines.

The boat was designed to be dropped to "ditched" aircrews who are too far at sea or too close to the enemy coast to be reached by air-sea rescue or Royal Naval ships easily. It is a compact motorboat carried under the fuselage of an aircraft and its development is largely due to research work of Group Capt. E. F. Waring, D.F.C., A.F.C., Deputy Director of Air-Sea-Rescue.

No matter how it strikes the water the boat will right itself and special buoyancy tanks keep it afloat and uncapsizable even in roughest weather. It has wireless, changes of clothes, medical supplies, food, signal rockets and enough gasoline to travel a considerable distance.

PUBLIC FORUM

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FARM IMPLEMENT PRICES

Sir,—I have before me a list of prices from the Internal Trade Branch, Dominion Bureau of Statistics, on some farm implements.

I would like for you to publish these, so that the public in general will know and understand what farmers are up against. If the advances in prices of farm products were equal to the advances in price of farm implements we would have an opportunity to make good. The following is the list with comparative prices for the year 1913, 1938 and 1942, all based on cash price:

Item	1913	1938	1943
Walking plow	$14.50	$21.50	$23.50
Single disc drill	80.00	167.00	187.00
10 ft. hay rake	30.00	56.00	63.00
Grain binder	156.00	261.00	300.00
Hay mower	56.00	110.00	124.00
Drag harrow	15.00	25.00	30.00
Disc harrow	25.00	56.00	62.00

Information currently available indicates 1943 prices practically unchanged, although some machines are no longer being manufactured.

The above items are just a few of the list of farm implements required, but it shows the rapid increase of the cost of machinery for farming and it also shows when comparing the price of farm production, that the farmer has a great problem to make good.

I am, Sir, etc.,
FARMER

Economic Conditions Improving

OTTAWA, June 8 (CP)—Economic conditions recorded marked betterment in the first four months of 1943 over the same period of 1942 the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported today, and because of the gain in economic activity and a slightly higher level of commodity prices, the monthly estimate of national income rose to a new high in April.

"The national income has shown an upward trend without important interruption since 1938," the Bureau said. "The estimate for April was nearly $736 000,000, equivalent to an annual rate of about $8.832.000,000.

"During the first four months a tentative computation of the national income was $2,850,000,000 against $2,298,000 000 in the same period of last year, a gain of 24 per cent.

"The totals for the months of January, February and March of this year were $637,000,000, $700,000 000 and $727,000,000 respectively. The totals for the first three months of last year in the same order were $560,000,000, $556,000,000 and $583,000,000."

The continued advance in productive operations was due mainly to the stimulus of war demands said the bureau. The index of the physical volume of business advanced from 193 in the first four months of 1942 to 230, a gain of 19.3 per cent.

The index of wholesale prices was 98.0 in the first four months of the present year against 94.8, a gain of 3.4 per cent over the same period of 1942. The gain in the cost of living was of "even lesser proportions." The index was 117.2 against 115.7, an increase of 1.3 per cent.

MARRIED TWICE AND DECORATED

LONDON, June 8 — (CP) — Lieut. Andrew Geay, R.C.N.V.R., given a few days' leave to receive the D.S.C. from the King, celebrated the occasion by getting married — twice. His bride had hoped for a church wedding, but his leave was so unexpected the couple compromised on wedding at Hampstead register office. The bride's wish for a religious ceremony was gratified by a clergyman friend who performed an informal wedding ceremony in the drawing room of the bride's home.

clogs IN London

LIVERPOOL, June 8 (CP)—Lancashire lassies have set a fashion—the wearing of clogs—which will be adopted in London, and even fashionable Mayfair. The Board of Trade announced civilian leather supplies are being so restricted that in a few months wooden-soled shoes will be a familiar London sight.

DEATHS

SMITH— At Kinkora on June 6 1943, Mrs. Thomas Smith in her 84th year. Funeral this (Wednesday) morning at 8.45 from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stephen Johnson, to St. Malachi's Church Kinkora.

McFADYEN—At 236 Grafton street June 7, 1943, James C. McFadyen in his 71st year, formerly of Churchill. Remains resting at Cutcliffe Funeral Home until this afternoon; then to the home of Lemuel Lamont Churchill, where a funeral service will be held Thursday a 1.30. Interment in Argyle Shore cemetery

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