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DEFENCE MINISTER RALSTON RESIGNS

Allied Ships Reported Heading For Antwerp

British And Canadians Battle To Knock Out Remaining Nazi Guns In Schelde Estuary.

Navy Will Raise Pacific Force On Re-Voluntary Basis

OTTAWA, Nov. 1 (CP)—The Canadian navy contingent that will go to the Pacific will be raised on a re-voluntary basis with a case on demobilization after the defeat of Germany being made on a "first-in, first-out" basis.

It was disclosed here today by Gen. H. McMaster, naval director of personnel, as he outlined the navy's plans.

The re-voluntary basis is the picture—1,100 naval officers until the defeat of Germany.

It was also ascertained what categories and what number of personnel are required for the contingent will be selected from men who re-volunteer.

These men will enjoy a leave of unspecified length in Canada before going to the Pacific. Certain key men will be retained in the service "regardless of their wishes."

The remaining naval personnel will be released on a general "first-in, first-out" demobilization plan.

There will apparently be no special Canadian pay but navy statements point out that those who are in the Japanese command will be given additional length of service for higher rank.

The R.C.A.F., which like the navy is believed ready to use a direct assault on the Pacific, has already announced the re-voluntary plan and that those who are in the Japanese command will be given additional length of service for higher rank.

Saint John K. Of C. To Observe Birthday

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Nov. 1 (CP)—Knights of the Order of the Maritime Provinces, other Canadian points and the United States are expected to attend observances here Nov. 14 and 15 marking the 40th anniversary of the Saint John K. of C. Council No. 927.

Coming Events

- *Show—Canoë Cove Friday, 11-1-21.
- *Show—Murray Harbour South, Saturday, 11-2-21.
- *L. O. B. A. Coese Supper Zion Hall, Prince Street, Tuesday, Nov. 7, 11-2-21.
- *Annual Bazaar, Rollo Bay, Tuesday and Wednesday, November 7th and 8th, Don't miss it, 10-26-94.
- *Masquerade Dance, St. Peter's Bay, Friday 3rd, Good prizes, Clifford's Orchestra, 11-1-21.
- *Card Party and Lunch at Even Mile Bay Hall, November 11-2-21.
- *Masquerade Dance at Fort Augustus Hall, Nov. 3rd, Good music, 10-31-2-21.
- *Annual meeting Rural Mail Couriers Association will be held in the City Hall Saturday, Nov. 4 at 8 o'clock, 11-2-21.
- *Come to the Social evening in Victoria Hall, Friday, November 4th, Good music, 11-2-21.
- *Collecting the hogs for Davis & Fraser as usual, Thursday and Friday this week, At Albany and Kentville, G. C. Green and A. C. Green, 10-31-31.
- *A quantity of pressed hay is wanted immediately. Paying highest market price. Knud Jorgensen, Fredericton, Phone 27-22, Hunter River, 11-2-31.
- *Livestock Marketing Board will be loading an allotted quota of hogs at the following shipping points during week of November 6th, Monday, Montague, Cardigan, Elmira, Souris, St. Peters, Morell, Murray Harbour, Melville, Digby, Charlottetown, Tuesday forenoon until 11 a.m., North Wilshire, Hunter River, Kensington until 2 p.m., Albany until 3 p.m., 11-2-21.

P. E. I. Pilot Officer Interned In Sweden

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. A. D. MacLennan, Weymouth, P. E. I., that their son, Pilot Officer Douglas Hayden MacLennan, is reported to have been interned in Sweden, following air operations overseas. Mr. MacLennan went overseas in February 1943 and has completed one tour of operations. He is attached to an E. A. F. Squadron, which recently attacked the giant battleship "Tirpitz" at Alten Fjord, Norway. This operation took place from a Russian base where the young fliers spent ten days. This was one of the most daring operational flights of the war and involved a round trip of 3000 miles.

On a broadcast early Thursday, the Berlin radio said Allied shipping already had entered the three-mile-wide estuary bound for Antwerp.

Loan Total 57.9 Per Cent Of Objective

At the close of business yesterday 57.9 per cent of the Province's \$3,300,000 objective in the Seventh Victory Loan had been subscribed, it was learned from figures released by headquarters.

Actual subscriptions reported totaled \$1,922,550.

By districts, with the quota in brackets, subscriptions were as follows: Summerside, \$243,350 (\$330,000); Prince County outside Summerside, \$272,300 (495,000); Charlottetown, \$782,350 (\$1,000,000); Queen's County outside Charlottetown, \$275,350 (\$425,000); King's County, \$148,100 (\$350,000).

Crash Victim Had Been Recommended For Commission

MONTREAL, Nov. 1 (CP)—LAC. Joseph Odome Rodolphe Girard, who was killed in the crash of an aircraft at Mount Pleasant, P. E. I. Oct. 29, has been recommended for posthumous commission as a Pilot Officer, it was announced by C. A. F. headquarters here today.

LAC. Girard, whose wife lives in Regina and who was a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in Montreal before he joined the R. C. A. F., was to have graduated from No. 10 Bombing and Gunnery School at Mount Pleasant Nov. 3. He had placed third in his class and was recommended for commissioning the day before the crash.

Quadruplets Born At Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 1 (AP)—Quadruplets—three girls and a boy—were born today to the wife of a securities and exchange commission financial analyst.

Mrs. Joseph Cirimello gave birth to the children in two minutes by caesarian operation, the first ever performed for a quadruplet birth. X-ray examinations had shown that quadruplets were expected but the news had been kept from the mother.

A doctor told her while the caesarian was being performed. She received spinal anesthesia. Her husband walked a corridor outside the delivery room during the births.

War Situation Last Night

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON (Associated Press War Correspondent)

Powerful Red armies in the Tisa-Danube corridor in Hungary advanced to within two score miles of Budapest in a three-day-old renewed offensive aimed at the vital southern gateway to Austria and Germany.

No strong natural barriers bar swift Red army approach to the Hungarian capital from the south and east. And the fall or isolation of Budapest would expose Vienna itself to Russian pressure. It is even now less than 200 miles from Russian-occupied Iraq, midway of the Tisa-Danube corridor.

Whether a Russian march on Vienna is to await capture of Budapest, which could prove a slow and bloody business, remains to be seen. The Hungarian city has been long called the gateway to Vienna, but Russian deployment in the Tisa-Danube corridor is on a scale now to suggest it may be encircled and by-passed while the advance against Vienna is carried out.

Militarily, Budapest is of prime importance. It has been converted by the Nazis into an important war industry centre, more important probably than Vienna. It also is the southern pivot of the great communications triangle, Berlin-Warsaw-Budapest, upon which the Nazi continental conquest concept very largely rested. In addition to traffic on the Danube, a dozen or so railroads and many broad, hard surfaced roads centre there.

However, there could be far greater political and military value in bringing Vienna under close threat than in storming the strong interior defences of Budapest. The Russians have shown a genius for exerting their pressure in the whole southeastern theatre where it could yield the greatest results at the least cost and a Red army crossing of the Danube below Budapest to implement the potential threat to Vienna would cause no surprise.

The Austrian attachment to Hitler's war chariot was achieved by force and left smouldering resentment against him and his Nazi followers. It might be fanned to flame by an immediate Russian advance on Vienna. At least such reserves to guard all fronts at the moment when the signs are pointing strongly toward a powerful Allied attack in the west and a Russian drive at the same time against Warsaw.

Red Army Within 40 Miles Of Budapest

LONDON, Nov. 1 (AP)—The Red Army thrust armored spearheads within 40 miles of Budapest today, capturing more than 100 communications, including the big railway centre and major defensive bastion of Keckesmez, in an offensive rolling northwestward between the Danube and Tisza rivers.

Tonight's Moscow communiqué, which announced that the Germans had been completely cleared from the Pecs region of Arctic Livonia, East Prussia and West Latvian sectors of the long eastern front. It made clear, however, that the Red Army was progressing steadily towards its goal, Budapest.

Keckesmez was the last important barrier in that open country.

Potato And Apple Yield Increases

OTTAWA, Nov. 1 (CP)—The apple crops in Nova Scotia, Ontario and British Columbia are expected to total 18,467,499 bushels this year compared with 12,842,000 in 1943, an increase of 3,995,200 bushels, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics said today in its latest survey of fruit crop yields.

The potato crop was estimated at 47,540,000 hundredweight compared with 43,541,000 in 1943. The increase of 3,999,000 hundredweight was due both to an overall increase in acreage and a higher average yield per acre.

Letitia Is New Hospital Ship

MONTREAL, Nov. 1 (CP)—The former Anchor—Donaldson liner Letitia had shed her crab war-time camouflage for a coat of gleaming white, boldly decorated with red crosses, but the new garb is only outward sign of alterations within, which have transformed the Letitia from a transport—cruiser to a moderately-equipped 762-bed hospital ship.

Split In Federal Cabinet Reported

Sq-Leader Traipor New a Prisoner



HON. J. L. RALSTON

OTTAWA, Nov. 1 (CP)—Defence Minister Ralston has resigned from the Federal Cabinet, it was learned reliably tonight.

Sources close to the government would go no further than to say the Minister had resigned on "the question of reinforcements for overseas."

While it was understood that final decisions had not been made, there were persistent reports that Col. Ralston would be replaced by Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton, former commander of the Canadian Army overseas.

Gen. McNaughton could not be reached for comment tonight.

Repercussions Likely

Political observers saw far-reaching repercussions as likely to follow Col. Ralston's resignation.

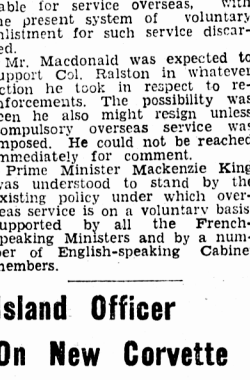
It is known that Navy Minister Macdonald has been a strong advocate of men called for compulsory military service being made liable for service overseas, with the present system of voluntary enlistment for such service discarded.

Mr. Macdonald was expected to support Col. Ralston in whatever action he took in respect to reinforcements. The possibility was seen he also might resign unless compulsory overseas service was imposed. He could not be reached immediately for comment.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King was understood to stand by the existing policy under which overseas service is on a voluntary basis, supported by all the French-speaking Ministers and by a number of English-speaking Cabinet members.

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Island Officer On New Corvette



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Belgium Liberated

NEW YORK, Nov. 1 (AP)—The whole of Belgium has been completely liberated from the Germans and the last enemy stronghold in the country has been a trucked, Belgian interior minister, Ronsse said today in a statement.

The crest adopted by the province of Humberstone in Scotland when it was found that the town's namesake in Ontario had no crest.

Moscow Paper Attacks Canadian College Teacher

MOSCOW, Nov. 1 (CP Cable)—The Moscow newspaper, "Trud" today attacked Watson Kirkconnell of McMaster University, Hamilton, Ont., as a "satellite of Goebbels" and charged that Ukrainian Fascists maintained a propaganda centre in Canada.

An article by a well-known Soviet writer, David Zaslavsky, spread over four columns of "Trud," called Prof. Kirkconnell "a protector of Ukrainian Fascism in Canada and their real Fuehrer."

He asserted, Prof. Kirkconnell, whom he described as a member of the council of national minorities in the department of national military services, used his position to spread anti-Soviet propaganda.

Loan Drive In Dominion Going Well

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METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE, TORONTO, Nov. 1 (CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson 2, B. Vancouver 49, 54; Edmonton 21, 24; Regina 36, 33; Winnipeg 37, 51; Ottawa 45, 67; Montreal 45, 62.

FORECASTS

Maritimes East and West: moderate to fresh winds; fair and mild.

High tide this afternoon at 1:11 and tonight at 1.

Sun sets this afternoon at 5:48 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:40. Last quarter moon November 7th, 3:26 P.M.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

DAILY AIR SERVICE

Charlottetown—Summerside—Moncton

Leaves Charlottetown 7 A.M. 11:30 A.M.; 6 P.M. Arrives Charlottetown 12:45 P.M. 5:45 P.M., 8:40 P.M.

SUNDAY SERVICE
Leaves Charlottetown 11:30 A.M. and 4 P.M.
Arrive Charlottetown 2 P.M. and 5:45 P.M.

CHARLOTTETOWN—NEW GLASGOW (Daily except Sunday)
Leaves Charlottetown 5 P.M. Arrive Charlottetown 1:50 P.M.

P.E.I.—N.S. FERRY SERVICE DAILY INCLUDING SUNDAYS
Leaves Wood Islands—10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.
Leaves Cariboo—12:00 noon and 4:00 P.M.