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—W.M.S. OFFICERS INSTALLED — The North Bedeque United Church Auxiliary of the W. M. S. met at the home of the Secretary Mrs. Clarke MacQuarrie on January 6th for the first meeting of 1942. The opening period was conducted by Rev. D. F. Hoddinott who installed the newly elected officers by using the authorized installation service. The remainder of the service was conducted by the new President, Mrs. D.F. Hoddinott who used the program as outlined in the Missionary Monthly with the following readers, Mrs. Harry Simmons, Mrs. Robert Baker, Mrs. Edwin Taylor, Mrs. A. G. MacCaull, Mrs. James Taylor, Mrs. Edgar Sobey, Mrs. Benj. Jardine, Mrs. Percy Marchbank and Mrs. John Marchbank. The Community Friendship Secretary reported 18 home calls and 7 hospital calls had been made also 8 letters written to shutins. Departmental reports for the past year were given which showed the Society to be in a healthier condition than it was in 1940. Included in the music was a solo by Mrs. D. F. Hoddinott. The meeting for February will be at the home of Mrs. James Clarke. Meeting closed with prayer by the President. —S.

—PHELAN — MacDONALD NUPTIALS.—A very pretty wedding was solemnized at Seven Mile Bay Church on Monday, December 29th at 8 A. M. when Dolarena Maude, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank MacDonald, Searletown, became the bride of Hazelton Philip, son of Mr. Ambrose Phelan and the late Mrs. Phelan, Morell. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. V. MacDonald, who also celebrated the Nuptial Mass. Mrs. Herbert Mulligan, Middleton, very sweetly rendered the wedding march. The bride was very lovely in her floor length wedding dress of white lace and net. With it she wore a chapel veil of net which was held in place by a cluster of white roses. She carried a pearl Rosary and silver slippers completed her costume. Mrs. Austin Roberts was matron of honour for her sister and was wearing blue sheer with matching accessories. Mr. Reginald Phelan, Morell, ably supported the groom. Following the ceremony a wedding dinner was served at the bride's home to the immediate relatives and friends. Among the invited guests present was Rev. W. V. MacDonald.. The bride and groom left in the afternoon on a short honeymoon trip to Charlottetown and Morell. For travelling the bride wore a Royal Blue velvet dress with hat and shoes in corresponding shade and black coat. Previous to her marriage the bride was tendered a miscellaneous shower at her home in Searletown where she received many beautiful gifts for her new home.. The happy young couple left on Friday morning for Halifax where they will reside and are followed by the best wishes of a host of friends for a long and happy wedded life.

—ANNUAL MEETING W. M. S. OF TRINITY UNITED CHURCH —The annual meeting and installation of officers of the W. M. S. of Trinity United Church was held in Epworth Hall on Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Hammond Johnson, the retiring president presiding over the business meeting. The reports of the different secretaries were submitted and showed that the year had been a satisfactory one. The financial report showed that the society had met their allocation in full. A very interesting letter was read from Miss Alice Gordon, missionary at Gibsonville, Ontario, telling of her work in that part of Canada. The officers for the coming year were installed by Mrs. George A. Bowness in a most impressive ceremony. Mrs. A. P. Jamieson the newly elected president then took the chair. A very interesting program was carried out. Mrs. Lucy Gordon, read an article on "Faith." Miss Ethel Strong and Mrs. A. S. MacKay were heard in a pleasing duet "Have you been in the Garden of Jesus" which was very much appreciated. Mrs. Johnson gave the concluding prayer; and Mrs. Jamieson pronounced the Benediction. Following are the officers:—Pres., Mrs. A. P. Jamieson. 1st. Vice, Mrs. Victor Travers. 2nd. Vice, Mrs. Loman Adams. Treasurer, Mrs. Geo. Sheen. Rec. Sec'y, Mrs Llewellyn. Cor. Sec'y, Mrs. L. R. Allen. Christian St. Sec'y, Mrs. T. M. Linkletter. Temperance Sec'y, Mrs. John Johnstone. Press Sec'y, Mrs. C. D. McCallum. Literature Sec'y, Mrs. Geo. Bowness. Missionary Monthly, Mrs. John Campbell and Miss Ethel Strong. Mission Circle, Mrs. Jas. Hunter and Mrs. Stirling Gillespie. Ass. Helper's Sec'y. Mrs. Hammond Johnson. Supply Sec'y's, Mrs. A. Woodside and Mrs. H. Nicholson. Mission Band, Mrs. Geo. Meikle and Mrs. Travers. Baby Band, Mrs. John Scott and Mrs. Clark Robertson. Community Friendship, Mrs. Maud Crockett. Mrs. T. H. Freeman, Mrs. Archie Sharpe and Mrs. J. Campbell Organist—Mrs. B. R. Sharpe.

Alberton

Rev. S. J. Davies was a recent visitor to O'Leary.

Mr. Michael Ahearn, who has been employed in Quebec for the past year is visiting his home here.

Mr. Heber Hardy, was a recent visitor to O'Leary.

Mr. Alban Callaghan, was a week-end visitor to Summerside, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Merrimian.

Mr. L. C. Ramsay, was a recent visitor to Summerside.

Mr. Donald Curry, student at Windsor Academy, who has been spending the holidays at his home here left recently to resume his studies there.

Mr. James Marchbank, left recently for Halifax.

Mr. Justin Gavin, Tignish, was a recent visitor to Alberton.

In a wide open game of hockey the Alberton Light Horse Team defeated the Elmsdale team to the tune of 5—2 to raise the curtain on hockey in Alberton for the season.

Being the opening game of the season, and both teams lacking practice the hockey displayed was anything but smooth with passes going away and shots missing the nets by feet on numerous occassions, nevertheless heavy body checks were in evidence which tended to make up for the lack of polish in carrying the puck. Lineup: Alberton: —Goal, E. Nicolle; Defence, J. Rochford, G. Kerr, W. Wells; Forwards, E. Millman, L. Callaghan, A. Ramsay, M. Ramsay, J. Clark, A. Matheson.
Elmsdale: Goal, B. Campbell; Defense; G. Currie, C. Hardy; Forwards, D. Patterson, F. Whelan; E. Currie, L. Currie, A. Rix.
Referee: Leslie Perry.

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BORDEN

Miss Pearle Stewart of Charlottetown, spent New Years at her home in Borden.

Mrs. W. A. Field of Borden was a visitor to Charlottetown on Tuesday.

Two more Borden boys have gone in training for the Navy the past week. They are Francis Bernard and Edmund Campbell. This makes fifteen that have enlisted in the Navy from Borden besides a large number of soldiers and a few airmen.

Wynne Chappel, Glen Sharpe, and Gordon MacTavish, students at F. W. C. returned to Charlottetown on Tuesday following the Christmas holidays.

Many friends here regret to learn of the illness of Mr. George Burch, mate on the S. S. Prince Edward Island.

Mr. Thomas Gallant of Borden was a visitor to Summerside on Saturday.

Miss Pauline MacIsaac of Borden left on Tuesday morning for Charlottetown where she will spend the next two months.

Mr. Blair Burch of Borden left on Tuesday morning to visit friends in Toronto.

Mrs. John R. Williams who has been confined to his home in Charlottetown for some days owing to infection in his hand has returned to his duties as water-tender on the S.S. Prince Edward Island.

The death occurred at her home in Borden on Saturday, January 3rd of Mrs. Archibald MacCallum after an illness of a few months. Mrs. MacCallum formerly Miss Minnie Ramsey was born at Port Hill 64 years ago. She married Archibald MacCallum in 1917 and since then they had resided at St. Eleanors, later at Kinkora and for the past two years at Borden.

She was a woman of sterling character, devoted and loving wife and mother, ever considerate of the welfare of others. She leaves to mourn her husband and one daughter, Margaret, Mrs. Charles Walsh of Borden; also a sister, Mrs. Margaret Ramsey, of Northam and three brothers, David of Port Hill, Charles of Bradalbane and Brewer of Vancouver. To all of these, friends here wish to convey very sincere sympathy.

Funeral service was held at the home here on Monday afternoon, at 1.30 o'clock Mr. Herbert Harris of Charlottetown officiated and took his text from Ecclesiastis 7: 2. Favorite hymns of the deceased were sung.

The pallbearers were: Nathan Bell, Fred Bell, Budd Bell, Walter Bartlett, Russell Cairns and Floyd Cairns.

Interment was in the United Church cemetery at Cape Traverse —A.

WOODVILLE SCHOOL BURNED

KENTVILLE, N. S., Jan. 8 —(CP) —Fire broke out while classes were under way today in the Woodville school and levelled the building, eight miles from here, but all 60 pupils escaped without injury.

Damage was estimated at $15,000. Most of the school's equipment was salvaged.

TO HEAD SAINT JOHN TRADE BOARD

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Jan. 8 —(CP)—T. C. Macnabb, general superintendent of the Canadian Pacific Railway's New Brunswick district, was nominated today for the presidency of the Saint John board of trade and will take office Jan. 20. No other nomination for the position was reported.

There are seven towns in the United States named Harvard; 24 named Princeton and eight named Yale.

—HALIVER OIL Liver Capsules prevent colds. Taylor Drug Co., Kensington. L-2-6i.

—BUY Magic Black Roasters and all kitchen utensils at Brace's. L-399-1-8-2i.

—BEDEQUE UNITED CHURCH. —The services for Sunday, January 11th are as follows: Bedeque 11 A.M. Cape Traverse 3 P.M. Albany 7 P.M. Rev. Ralph W. Barker, Minister. L-424-1-9-1i.

—KENSINGTON and Freetown Presbyterian Churches — Services next Lord's Day as follows, conducted by Rev. Dr. C. H. Brown of Cliff College, England: Kensington 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Freetown 3 p. m. L-447.

—FORMER S'SIDE RESIDENT INJURED IN CAR ACCIDENT— Mr. and Mrs. Walter Callbeck, S'-Side have received the news that their son, Gordon, resident of Denver, Col., has been seriously injured in a car accident. The telegram stated that his leg was badly crushed. Mrs. Callbeck, leaves this morning to go direct by plane to Denver to be with her son. Gordon, with his brother, Bruce, have resided in Denver for some years. They have frequently visited their home town and friends here will be anxious to know the full particulars of the accident and trust the injuries are not too serious.—S.

—IS SERIOUSLY INJURED— Mr. George Doucette, pressman for the Pioneer Publishing Company at Summerside, received serious injuries to his right hand in an accident yesterday. His hand became entangled in the machinery of the press as he attempted to free paper caught in the rollers. Medical authorities said the hand was "very badly smashed". He was taken to hospital for treatment. Mr. Doucette had been employed with the company for probably 30 years, it was learned.

Personals

—Mr. Steward Ferguson spent the week-end in Park Corner.

—Mr. Vernon Paynter and Mr. James Brown have the contract of keeping the Park Corner road open this winter for the mail man.

—Mr. John H. Pidgeon of Park Corner is spending the winter months with his sister Mrs. E. Bennett, Sayles Ville, R. I., also visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. Mace and Mr. Herbert MacLeod, while there.

PO. LEFURGEY

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Another brother John, died about four years ago. Deepest sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

Letter From Pilot Officer Lefurgey

Mrs. Clark MacQuarrie, secretary of the Read's Corner Red Cross, received the following letter of appreciation from Osbourne Lefurgey, the latter arriving the day of his death.

Dear Mrs. MacQuarrie:

Words will not express my appreciation for the lovely parcel I received from your unit. Over here where people have felt the war a lot, and where most articles are rationed these come to us as a great treat and we "pounce" upon a parcel from Canada with the same joy that a little boy gets from his stocking on Christmas morning. It means so much to us, too, in this land across the ocean, to know that people at home are thinking about us. I can tell you little about my work, except that I am Captain of a bomber and have five Canadians and five Australians in my crew. Have done quite a number of raids on Germany and although we were hit on some trips always managed to get back.

We are hopeful of seeing the end of the war and getting back to Canada to our loved ones and friends.

Please convey to all the members my many thanks.

Yours sincerely,
Osbourne Lefurgey

Harass Jap rear In Malayan area

MELBOURNE, Australia, Jan. 9 —(Friday)—(AP)—Australian commando units are harassing Japanese troops from behind the enemy lines in Malaya, and have killed a Japanese Major-General and his entire staff without loss, it was disclosed today in a report from an official war correspondent with the Australian Imperial force in Malaya.

Describing the attack on the Japanese officer and staff, the correspondent said the action took place far back in Perak. The commandoes ambushed the Japanese and escaped into the jungle without a single casualty after every man in the enemy group was killed.

One Australian soldier was reprimanded for waste after he poured an entire drum of Tommy-gun ammunition into the ranking Japanese officer.

BROKER DIES

TORONTO, Jan. 8—(CP)—Harry J. Ahern, 68, of Toronto, costs broker for 30 years with the firm of Thompson and Ahern, died here last night. Mr. Ahern is survived by his widow and one daughter, Mrs. Kathleen Macermott, Halifax.

Made Plane Trip Boston To S'Side

LITTLE SHIRLEY HARRIS, AGED 4, A VETERAN IN TRAVEL

There arrived by plane in Summerside on Saturday evening direct from Boston Mrs. LeRoy Harris of Cambridge, Mass., and her charming little four-year-old daughter Shirley LeRoy Harris. They made the trip from Boston to Moncton, transferring there from the large 25-passenger liner to the regular plane which crosses to the Island.

They had a delightful trip all the way, the weather being all that could be desired at this time of year.

Mrs. Harris is a native of this province, being the former Dorothy Boulter, of Victoria. She will remain here for two or three weeks and is at present visiting her mother, Mrs. James Rayner, Summerside.

Little Shirley is one of the youngest travellers to make the trip by air between Boston and Prince Edward Island. Travelling is nothing new for her for she has been making trips by automobile and train ever since she was a small infant, one trip being South to Florida by the famous "Orange Blossom Special" a diesel engined train de luxe which is the smooth travel.

Only 38 Japs In Canada Are interned

OTTAWA, Jan. 8—(CP)—Out of the approximately 25,000 Japanese nationals in Canada only 38 have been interned, it was learned here today as discussions opened on the security problem in connection with Japanese concentrated in British Columbia.

Action against Japanese, as against Germans and Italians resident in Canada, has mainly been based upon direct culpability or knowledge of subversive intent. Only a few hundred Germans and Italians have been interned.

Today's discussions between high officers of the army, navy, Royal Canadian Mounted Police and External Affairs officials, with the standing committee on Orientals in British Columbia, are being conducted for an exchange of opinions.

No official statement was expected until the conferences end, probably tomorrow afternoon. It is expected some recommendations will be made to the government.

Labor Minister George Pearson of British Colubia, a member rof the standing committee on Japanese in British Columbia told newspapermen that British Columbians were "disturbed" at the Japanese moving around the Pacific coast. He added the people were anxious to have all Japanese moved well inland to prevent them linking up with their countrymen in the event of Japanese attack.

London completing Air conditioned "Subway City"

LONDON, Jan. 8—(AP)—An air-conditioned "subway city" soon will house a nightly population of 5,000 as the largest sleeping bomb shelter in the world.

With its own police force, governing committee, library, movies, rest rooms, tea canteen, recreation centre, hospital and church services established 85 feet underground, this self-sufficient war-created community in the heart of London offers nightly security to charwomen, shopkeepers, students, clerks, children, plumbers and chimney sweeps.

The inhabitants—some 3,000 to 4,000 are already established—sleep side by side in tiered bunks in unfinished tubes of the Liverpool street underground station.

One bedroom will be more than two miles long.

For more than a year the 1,200 early settlers have watched with growing interest while an underground city has been built around them with American, municipal and volunteer aid.

Most prized possession of the community is the air-conditioning system consisting of large intake and outlet fans which maintain a constant temperature of 68 degrees.

EDEN SAYS

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the defence of those vitally important places rather than expend time and material in creation of the bases which we leased them in the West Indies and Newfoundland."

Voice Fears

Two members voiced their fears that the British Isles eventually might become merely an American outpost in Europe, that Australia was drawing closer to the United States, and that British seamen would not relish the idea of serving under Admiral Thomas Hart, commander of the allied south Pacific fleet.

Both Mr. Attlee and Mr. Eden justified the thinness of Malayan defences because of the need for concentrating strong British forces in Africa and the Near East, and the speeding of equipment to Russia.

Dispatch of British troops to Greece last spring, Mr. Eden declared, was not a "sentimental" decision. That move, coupled with the continued resistance in Yugoslavia against Germany, delayed the German attack on Russia for six weeks, he added amid cheers.

Germany's setback in Russia was not "to any extent due to chance," said Mr. Eden, listing these factors:—

Russia's "fighting retreat," her "scorched earth" policy; the steady wearing down of the Nazis by Red guerillas operating behind the lines; allied aid in equipment; and finally, the hurling of newly-trained Russian divisions into the big Soviet counter-offensive.

Thus Russian resurgence on the snow-covered plains he said "is a far more remarkable achievement than in 1812."

Built New Armies

"Whilst a fighting retreat was going, the Russians were beginning to build up their new armies behind the lines and it is those new armies which are now coming into action," Mr. Eden said.

Discussing his recent Moscow conference with Soviet leaders, Mr. Eden took an opportunity to assure non-belligerent Turkey that both Britain and Russia want to see that country "strong and prosperous."

He said the British Ambassador to Turkey and the British minister to Iran were summoned to Moscow "because I thought it probable that the Germans would try to make mischief, in Turkey in particular, out of my visit to Moscow, and in that I was not disappointed."

Mr. Attlee said "the fact that the United States has entered the war on our side has determined the result of the war, but does not offset Japan in the beginning."

Concerning the reverses in the east the Lord Privy Seal emphasized that it is beyond Britain's resources to be strong everywhere.

Mr. Attlee indicated the impending removal or transfer of Alfred Duff Cooper, resident commissioner for Far Eastern affairs, now at Singapore. He said in a written reply to a question that "the appointment of a supreme commander in chief in the southwest Pacific has necessitated a review of functions" assigned to Mr. Duff Cooper.

The Lord Privy Seal said commanders must not be blamed for results in Malaya, and that the government accepts full responsibility.

In the House of Lords, Lord Addison, Labor party leader, called Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, recently replaced commander in the Far East a "nincompoop."

Mr. Attlee, discussing the Churchill-Roosevelt talks in Washington said a degree of co-operation with the United States had been achieved which could not have been possible otherwise.

Establishment of a unified command in the Far East was a considerable achievement for the war effort, he added.

"The entry of the United States into the war demanded that as quickly as possible and as authoritatively as possible plans should be concerted to bring the greatest possible co-ordination into efforts of the two great democracies on either side of the Atlantic," he added.

He said the decline in shipping losses continues but it would be a "grave mistake" not to realize the strain which the extension of the war to the Far East would place on the navy and merchant marine.

It was Richard Stokes, Labor, who said "I hate to think of the military centre of control shifting to Washington."

Saying he did not wish to be "churlish", in view of Prime Minister Churchill's successful Washington conference, Mr. Stokes continued:—

"It gives me a nasty feeling—I have had it for many months, indeed I might say for years—that we may find ourselves reduced to what I term occupying the position of America's Heligoland off the coast of Europe."

Mr. Granville also suggested that there was an eventual choice facing Britain—whether to become "a western outpost of totalitarian Europe or the eastern outpost of an American-controlled civilization."

He added: "In a world of deeds it is the Russian cockerel which has saved the necks of the few chickens."

Criticism over failure to obtain more war support from India was countered by Col L. S. Amery, Secretary for India, with the statement that Britain "cannot make further progress" in solving India's status "until there is some willingness on the part of the leading parties to work together."

While Mr. Attlee and Mr. Eden were facing criticism in Commons, Lord Moyne, Colonial Secretary and Government spokesman, answered critics in the House of Lords.

LLord Moyne acknowledged that British and American naval reverses had tipped the seapower balance in Japan's favor temporarily in the Pacific but declared "prompt measures are being taken to counter her initial advantage."

He said there was no foundation in a report that Japan already is getting oil from the destroyed wells in North Borneo.

The Government took cognizance of rising complaints of lack of airdrome defences by Lord Moyne's announcement that a special corps will be maintained by the Royal Air Force under the army's direction for that purpose.

Maj.-Gen. O. F. Liardet, 61, who has been in command of London's territorials, will head this new defence group in Britain.

Week of Prayer Service, Trinity Church, S'side

Mr. Verwolf took for his message to the congregation assembled in the second night of the Week of Prayer services three texts from Luke Fourteen in speaking on the theme "True Discipleship." Each one of the texts he said, was a term of discipleship.

"I am a disciple of Christ," he said. "I sat at the feet of Jesus in His classroom as a learner. I found that I must let Him speak to me. I found that if I would continue to be His disciple I must be willing to let all my own opinions be overturned."

"Then I found, when I listened, that His lessons were very hard, sometimes severe and uncompromising. I found that some conventional Christians who had been attending His classes did not return again. His classroom was too uncomfortable for persons who wanted to hang on to their old ideas, or habits, or practices."

"Once in a while,' Mr. Verwolf continued, "some good intentioned souls inform me that I am too strict in my preaching; and that my outlook is too narrow. So I go back to the classroom feeling badly, and listen again to my Master. He tells me, 'If any man come to Me and hate not his own father, and mother, and wife and children, and brethren and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple.' And again He tells me, 'Whosoever doth not bear his own cross, and come after Me, cannot be My disciple.' And for the third time He tells me, 'So therefore whosoever he be of you that renounceth not all that he hath, he cannot be My disciple.'"

"So I go back to my pulpit. I say Christ was strict. He was hard, He was uncompromising. He set the gates, who am I to broaden them? He made the gate narrow. He said, 'Repent, Repent.' He said, 'Except a man be born from above he cannot see the Kingdom.' He said, "Except ye become as little children ye cannot enter the Kingdom of God.'"

"In the Scripture we read of three terms of discipleship which cut straight across conventional Christianity. Conventional Christians have a different standard than Christ. Conventional Christianity is easy. It demands nothing; it costs nothing; it follows nothing."

The speaker explained the three terms of discipleship laid down by Christ. As to the first he said, "Whoever entices another from Christ must be regarded with a sense of alienation. It is sometimes hard, and heartbreaking, but it must be done." As to the second to bear the ridicule and physical and mental persecution of the world." As to the third he said, "We must forsake, renounce all our sins first, then other things as worldly pleasures, questionable amusements. We must be ready to renounce wealth if need be for Christ."

An offering was taken to defray certain expenses the balance to go to the British and Foreign Bible Society. The Rev. K. G. Sullivan, minister of the church conducted the service.—S.

N. Y. clears parked Cars off streets

NEW YORK, Jan. 8 —(AP) — Magistrate Henry H. Curry, philosopher and dispenser of bon mots, peered out of his office windows today.

"Why you can actually see the street," he said. "It's the first time in memory."

Curran exaggerated a little, perhaps, but long bare sections of curbing could be seen, the result of a drive the magistrate inaugurated Sunday night to clear Manhattan of illegally-parked automobiles. The campaign was in conjunction with national defence efforts to keep the streets clear in event of an air raid or other emergency.

Double fines, $4 instead of $2, were ordered. Sunday's overnight parkers found they had been tagged. Monday morning the five traffic courts took on the semblance of a bread line.

During the first three days, 8,183 illegal parkers appeared before the five courts paying fines totalling $34,732. The fines averaged about $4.23 but one man paid $18. He had suffered a mental lapse on several tickets dating back to 1940.

NEW COMMANDER

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Jan. 8—(CP Cable)—Brig. Philip Ernshaw, who has commanded the Canadian forces in Newfoundland since they took up defence of the colony early in the war, left for Canada today.

He has been succeeded here by Maj.-Gen. L. F. Page, formerly commander of the 4th Canadian Division.

OLD MARTINIQUE

Martinique, French island in the West Indies, with an area of only 385 square miles, is the home of about 250,000 people.

Gives ruling On regulations Concerning lights

OTTAWA, Jan. 8—(CP)—Any lights burning at night in business premises in Canadian areas considered subject to hazard of enemy attack must be in charge of some responsible person, officials said tonight in interpreting federal blackout regulations put into effect under the Defence of Canada regulations.

The aim of A. R. P. regulations is to ensure complete blackout when alarms come, these spokesmen said. Aside from street lights, no exterior lights may be burning between sundown and sunrise, under the blackout rules passed by Order-in-Council last month. This prohibition covers advertising signs as well as other exterior lights.

But officials said that to make it possible for business firms to carry on their work at night, another clause of the regulations permitted interior lights to be burned if someone is made responsible for seeing they are turned off in event of an air raid alarm.

Through a misunderstanding, it was at first believed this permission extended also to exterior lighting, but tonight in answering further questions the spokesmen emphasized that all exterior lights, except street lights, must be extinguished at night in designated danger areas.

One spokesman said that if interior lights are burning in business premises, it would nto be considered sufficient to assign to a janitor the task of turning them off in case of need.

"It is the duty of companies having such lights to see that there are no mistakes about who is responsible," he said.

The responsibility rested on each company to delegate the responsibility to some responsible person "apart from the janitor who probably has other duties which have to be looked after in the event of a raid."

In danger areas, no lights may be left burning in closed offices where no qualified person is on hand to turn them out in event of an alarm.

Intense cold Grips Maritimes

HALIFAX, Jan. 8—(CP)—Intense cold gripped the Maritimes tightly today, and the temperature was still dropping slowly in many previous low marks of the winter in the three provinces.

In Prince Edward Island, meterological officials reported the coldest weather in three years.

The cold wave started last night, slowly forcing the mercury down during the day. Only light winds prevailed generally, but the biting cold made itself felt sharply after a spell of comparatively mild weather.

The weather brought on an extra demand for household gas at Moncton, N. B., and the supply became insufficient. Cooking was curtailed to the minimum and restaurants had difficulty meeting the demand for meals during the busy daylight hours.

Going to the aid of firemen at McAdam, N. B., a fire truck from nearby Vanceboro, Me., was stalled enroute when its engine froze up.

A few weather oddities cropped up in Nova Scotia. Wolfville firemen battling a house blaze heard mewing emanating from what apparently was an odd-shaped chunk of ice. It turned out to be a cat that had got in the way of a stream of water and had promptly been frozen stiff.

Kitty was thawed out without any ill effects.

Three men from Port Latour, four miles from Shelburne through thick woods, tramped into Shelburne in bare feet and wearing only night clothes. They had lost everything else when fire destroyed the lumber shack where they were sleeping.

Believed French Would not act Without consent

OTTAWA, Jan. 8—(CP)—Canadian government officials who conferred with Admiral Emile Muselier before the Free French occupation of St. Pierre-Miquelon Dec. 24, were left with the impression that no such action would be taken without consent of the Canadian and United States governments, an External Affairs spokesman said today.

He was commenting on a statement given newspaper reporters at St. Pierre yesterday by Admiral Muselier who said the occupation proposal had been discussed in advance with Canadian authorities and the United States Minister in Ottawa, J. Pierrepont Moffat.

The spokesman said the important paragraph quoted in the St. Pierre despatch was that in which Muselier, after stating that secret orders from Gen. Charles De Gaulle had sent him to the islands before consent was received, said:

"Personally I was not satisfied because I thought they (the governments) had the impression that I would not act without their consent."

"That is entirely correct," the spokesman said, and he repeated that it was "a complete surprise" here when it was learned that the Free French forces had taken over the islands. He would not give any details of the actual discussions which preceded the occupation.

Mr. Moffat would not comment in any way on the Free French Admiral's statement regarding discussions with him before the occupation, taking the stand that any United States official comment should come from Washington.

Set date for S'side Board of Trade Annual

A general meeting of the Summerside Board of Trade was held last evening in the Town Hall, the President, Mr. A. R. Brennan presiding over a very good attendance. Jan. 29 was the date set for the annual meeting. The minutes and correspondence was read by the secretary. It was brought out at the meeting that Col. Ralston was instrumental in bringing the Victory Torch to Summerside and a vote of thanks was extended to him expressing the appreciation of the board in the matter. The motion was moved by Mr. A. S. MacKay and seconded by Mr. R. H. Leck.

A committee from the Public Relations Board of No. 9 S. F. T. S., R. C. A. F., waited upon the Board to place before the Board the matter of providing more amusements for the airmen during their leisure hours. Several other matters were brought up by the officials from the airport and after rsome discussion a committee or three men from the Board namely, S. G. Merris, L. R. Allen, and E. P. Foley, were named and appointed to join in a round table discussion with the R. C. A. F., to discuss the matter.—S

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southwest of Agedabia.

Further south, a flanking operation was attempted simultaneously by the King's Dragoon Guards and a South African armored force, but while this carried the offensive 20 to 40 miles deeper into territory previously held by the axis, it still left Rommel's flank intact.

"If the ground were firm it would be difficult for Rommel to get away because our tanks are faster than his and could have gone cross country to head him off," an official said

Rommel's decision to retreat possibly was affected, too, by Royal Air Force raids on his communications with Tripoli, preventing him from bringing up all the supplies he would have needed for a prolonged stand at Agedabia. Agedabia is about 300 miles west of the Libyan-Egyptian border.

(A London commentator suggested that Rommel, in retreat, might be exposed to bombardment from the sea but he pointed out at the same time that the bombarding ships would be exposed to submarine and air attacks as well as mine dangers.)

Still confronted by hold-out axis British and Free French airmen continued their hammering of gun emplacements while aground, British sources said, the axis die-hards were "closely invested."

The R. A. F. also announced hits on two medium-sized axis supply ships in the central Mediterranean —one brought to a standstill, its anti-aircraft fire silenced, and the other billowing smoke.

On the same night, that is of Tuesday-Wednesday, the R. A. F. smashed again at shipping in Tripoli and the South African air force battled a swarm of Messerschmitts over the Agedabia-El Agheila area, damaging several, the R. A. F. communique added.

It announced the loss of eight planes in all the actions under review.

VAST COLUMNS

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"The Russians still have untouched reserves of manpower which are now being tapped as fast as they can be armed," said these informants.

Specific information was scarce today as to the progress of the drive west of Moscow. It already had progressed to within 40 miles of the Germans' Vyazma-Bryansk line with the recapture of the town of Meshchovsk, 130 miles southwest of Moscow.

But there was news of fresh Russian successes north of the capital. On the Kalinin front, about 95 miles northwest of Moscow, the official organ of the Red army announced that Soviet troops in a day's action had thrown the Germans from 22 additional villages.

Tonight's Soviet communique said, with characteristic succinctness, only that the Red advance was continuing on various sectors, that more villages had fallen into Russian hands, and that the invader had again been driven back so fast that he could not entrench himself.

The struggle in the Crimea, where the Russians are threatening the isolation of all surviving German forces, was believed to centre about the port of Yevpatoriya, some 40 miles north of Sevastopol, where the Nazis still are trying to oust the Russian parties landed there. Whether the Black Sea fleet has been able to reinforce these original counter-invaders was not known here.

Associated Press dispatches from Kuibyshev, alternate Russian capital, reported that as of yesterday the Russian garrison of Sevastopol itself was breaking the German siege of that vital Black Sea naval base and had burst out to crush the German positions on the hilly approaches to the city.

In this action, it was added, the Black Sea fleet was co-operating, despite the prevailing storms.

The German high command itself reported that the Nazi air force was attempting to immobilize the port of Feodosiya, where the Russians landed to the east of Sevastopol in their manoeuvre of envelopment.

N. S. APPLES IN BRITAIN

KENTVILLE, N. S., Jan. 8 —(CP) —After a year's interruption, Nova Scotia apples again have made their appearance on the British market and are receiving an enthusiastic welcome, the provincial apple marketing board was advised today in a letter from an importer.

The importer said the arrivals "caused quite a sensation" and "received a royal welcome."