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heart, a clean heart, and faith  
in God.

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any price; in peace even at the  
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## RED THE 30 MILES EAST OF BERLIN

### Superforts Deal Jap Navy Big Blow

#### Mother St. Ignatius Loses Life In Fire At Montreal College

Was Former Mother Provincial At Notre Dame Convent In Charlottetown—Three P. E. Island Nuns Are Among Survivors.

#### Say Air School Still Under Consideration

Navigation School still under consideration. Hope for final decision in due course. This was the text of a telegram received yesterday afternoon by Mayor J. E. MacMillan from Hon. Dr. Guy MacMillan, M.P., at Ottawa. The telegram had reference to the reported intention of the Hon. Dr. Guy MacMillan, M.P., to transfer the No. 2 Air Navigation School from Charlottetown to Summerside on Wednesday.

#### Cairo Says Big Three Conference Started

(By Associated Press)  
NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The Cairo radio said the Big Three conference, anticipated by the "whole world started today."

#### Bracken Issues Challenge To Defence Minister

(By The Canadian Press)  
MONTREAL, Feb. 1.—John Bracken, Progressive Conservative leader, today challenged Defence Minister McNaughton to show that a single reinforcement demand sent from Canadian Military Headquarters at London to the Department of National Defence, since the Minister's weak, has been met to the extent requested.

#### Many In Ottawa Look For Early Federal Election

(By FRANK FLAHERTY)  
OTTAWA, Feb. 1.—(CP)—As the resignation of the members of Parliament who came to Ottawa yesterday completed their errands, the feeling here today is that a general election will not be long delayed.

#### Coming Events

- Buying live and dressed poultry. Paying top market prices. 11-17-44.
- Leading hogs every Thursday for Davis & Fraser Ltd. 1-2-44.
- Card party and dance in Ottawa. 1-2-44.
- Women's Institute. 1-2-44.
- Rummage sale. Salvation Army, Friday, Feb. 3 at 1:30 P.M. 2-1-44.
- Presed hair is wanted immediately. Phone 27-22. Knud Jorgensen, Fredericton. 2-1-44.
- New choice feeder pigs for sale. Also open to buy five ton good pressed straw. Livestock Marketing Board. 2-1-44.
- Come to the dance in Kelly's Cross Hall Thursday, Feb. 1st. Free lunch. 1-31-44.
- Leading hogs for Davis & Fraser Ltd. every Monday until March. 1-2-44.
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- Queen's William L. O. L. meets in King William Lodge, Kingston, February 6th at 7:30 P.M. 2-1-44.
- Leading hogs every Thursday for Davis & Fraser Ltd. Keith McNaughton, Montague. 2-1-44.
- Threading choice bulk cats 3 OW at Corville Station Saturday and Monday. Bring bags. George C. Kilson. 2-1-44.
- The Annual Meeting of the Wildlife Drying Co. will be held in the hall on Monday, February 13th at 3 P.M. Roland G. Secretary. 2-1-44.
- Livestock Marketing Board leading hogs during week of February 1st as follows: Monday, Bourke, St. Peter, Morris, Montague, Carleton Place, Toronto, Melville, Osgoode, Prince County and all points that day. Tuesday forenoon until 11:30 A.M. Thursday, Charlottetown, Summerside, Summerside, Summerside, Summerside. Further particulars ask our local shipping agent your locality. 2-1-44.

### Smash Huge Drydock At Singapore

#### War Situation Last Night

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON, Associated Press War Analyst

Coupled with unconfirmed intimations of a general retreat in the west behind the Rhine, enemy reports that Russian forces had broken into Kustrin on the Oder River—a base 41 miles from Berlin could be significant. It could mean that the final German stand is being prepared in the great central plain of Germany that lies south of Berlin and that the bomb-wrecked capital itself has been written off as lost except for delaying action.

### Robbers Get \$3,000 In Montreal Bank Hold-Up

MONTREAL, Feb. 1.—(CP)—Armed bandits who held up an anti-aircraft store on St. James Street east today escaped with \$3,000 in the sixth robbery at the store since last night. Police said they were faced with the biggest epidemic of hold-ups since the start of the war.

### Former Island Man Killed In Calif.

Mrs. Peter Sinclair, Charlottetown, yesterday received the sad news that her brother, William Mason Campbell, was killed in a train accident in California. No details of the accident were received.

### International At A Glance

#### EASTERN FRONT — Germans make new landings on Oder River 30 to 40 miles northeast of Berlin; Moscow places nearest Russian forces at Dursinghof, 59 miles northeast of Capital; Soviet announce capture of Torun, encircled stronghold in North Poland, and encirclement of Schneidemuhl, Pomeranian city.

#### WESTERN FRONT — U.S. 1st and 3rd Armies, plume through outer Siegfried Line defenses, gaining up to 1-3 miles; resistance negligible in places; French 1st Army gains in Colmar sector; U.S. 7th Army establishes bridgehead north of Moser River, north of Strasbourg.

#### AERIAL — More than 1,000 R.A.F. planes — some from E.C.A.F. — hammer at three key German rail centres and Berlin Thursday night.

#### PHILIPPINES — U.S. 8th Army makes new landings on Luzon south of Manila; 6th Army forces reach Anzai River 22 miles north of Philippine Capital.

#### PACIFIC — U.S. 5th Army captures bomb Japanese naval installations at Singapore, sink giant drydock.

#### PLAYWRIGHT DIES

LONDON, Jan. 31.—(CP)—The death of Louis Goodrich, noted actor, author and playwright, at his Hampshire home was announced today.

### Report Soviet Patrols Reach Edge Of Capital

BY W. W. HERSCHEE  
LONDON, Feb. 1.—(CP)—Russian troops topped the northern Polish stronghold of Torun and encircled the German Pomeranian bastion of Schneidemuhl today as Berlin said that other Soviet forces had reached the ice-pocked Oder River 30 to 40 miles northeast of the German capital.

### Nazi Retreat In West Is Puzzle

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR  
PARIS, Feb. 1.—(AP)—The United States 1st Army broke into hitherto unbreached fortifications of the Siegfried Line south of Aachen today, plunging as deep as 2-1-2 miles through tank traps of dragons teeth and pillboxes before striking the first fire of opposition.

### Appointed To P. W. C. Staff

Mr. Earl LePage Wannacott has been appointed temporary instructor of mathematics and physics on the staff of Prince of Wales College to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Miss Hugh weeks ago.

### Absentees Reduced From 6,300 To 4,631

OTTAWA, Feb. 1.—(CP)—The Defence Department announced tonight that the number of absentees from the armed forces had been reduced to 4,631 from 6,300.

### British Submarine Reported Lost

LONDON, Feb. 1.—(CP)—The submarine Stragel was reported lost in the Atlantic on Thursday night. The Admiralty announced tonight.

### Rumble Of Guns Can Be Heard In Berlin

LONDON, Feb. 1.—(AP)—The low, ominous rumble of heavy guns could be heard in Berlin tonight as workers stripped the Capital of its once terrifying concentration of anti-aircraft guns to bolster the faltering German army in the east, dispatches to neutral capitals said.

### Newsman Says Something "Screw" Going On Along Westwall.

An Associated Press dispatch from the quiet United States 9th Army front on the Roer north of Aachen said that there was something "screw" on the Western Front—that whole sections had been abandoned by the Germans and not yet occupied by the Allies.

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### Chairman For N. B. Prog.-Conservative

(By The Canadian Press)  
SAINT JOHN, N.B., Feb. 1.—Retirement of Col. A. J. Brooks from the army, to take over a new appointment as Progressive Conservative chairman for New Brunswick in the forthcoming Dominion election, will become effective in about a week, Col. Brooks said in an interview here today.

### Reich Capital Is Being Stripped Of Anti-Aircraft Guns To Bolster Army In East.

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