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Death Of Rifleman James McCormack

Mr. and Mrs. James McCormack, of New Zealand, received detailed information from the Department of National Defence with regard to the death of their son, Rifleman James McCormack, who was killed Oct. 30, 1944, on the Western Front. His death was caused by the R.A.F. bombing of a certain sector of the Allied position which was mistakenly supposed to be occupied by enemy troops.

Rifleman McCormack enlisted at Charlottetown in 1941 and received his training at Beach Grove, Albert, N.S., and in British Columbia. He went overseas in 1944 and saw action in France, Holland, and Belgium.

Besides his parents, Rifleman McCormack is survived by four brothers and ten sisters. The brothers are L.A.C. Joseph McCormack, Summerside; Elmer in Nova Scotia; and Bernard and Evelyn, 7 Summer St., St. John, N.B.; Sister Mary M. McCormack, 251 West St., St. John, N.B.; Mrs. Lillian Helen, Viola, Sade, Wilton, Ysabel, and Doris—all of New Zealand.

Mr. J. L. Dewar Elected Head Of Dairymen's Ass'n

Mr. J. Lincoln Dewar of New Perth has been re-elected president of the Prince Edward Island Dairymen's Association. It was announced yesterday. The annual meeting was held last week but was cancelled because of the weather. The directors who met later in the week are: president, J. L. Dewar; vice-president, E.C. Holm of Desable; secretary-treasurer, W. Wright, re-elected, Charlottetown. Members of the board of directors include: Elmer Gamble, Tryon; R.A. Proffit, Freetown; Queen's County, Walter Buntain, Rustico; St. John's, Norman McLeod, E.C. Holm, Desable; King's County, Lincoln Dewar, New Perth; and Northumberland, Bridgetown.

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proceeds of the supper the Corps of Cadets, and the Red Cross. He also thanked the directors for the use of the hall, W. Scantlebury for his extensive work with the brush, the remainder of the executive and all of the workers for their great support.

A very happy feature was the presentation of an Irish blackthorn stick, decorated with a green ribbon bow, to Chairman Lowther by the veteran campaigner J.F. Leighton. The stick was presented to the sixth or seventh of the members of the Red Cross, who was unavoidably absent from the Province during the first days of the campaign, and who had again put the city and province ahead of all the rest of Canada, and voiced a word of particular praise to the chairman.

Mr. King said that he had been invited to give the address at the meeting of the Red Cross, but that he was unable to do so because of a cold. He expressed his sympathy for the Red Cross and its work.

Expresses Sympathy To Poles In London

AUCKLAND, N.Z., March 8 — (CP Cable) — Most Rev. Thomas O'Shea, metropolitan of the Roman Catholic Church in New Zealand, in a cable today to the president of the Polish Government in London.

The archbishop and the bishops of the Catholic Church in New Zealand offer you the Polish Government and people sympathy in this bitter hour of injustice and indignity and pray God for the liberation of your brave country, our ally.

The message presumably was prompted by the Big Three agreement reached at last month's Crimea conference for the future of Poland, with her eastern frontiers following the so-called Curzon Line.

PLANES FROZEN IN SEA

BELFAST — (CP) — Sunderland and Catalina flying boats were frozen in their Northern Ireland base when the sea froze over for the first time in 50 years, and would result in the election of a reactionary government.

Mr. Lewis, in Ottawa, said the C.C.F. would be strong and more united when such members of the party as Dr. Johnson and Mr. Richards find their true political resting place. Mr. Harmer said in the Legislature the statement by Mr. Richards and Dr. Johnson represented "the typical communistic tactics deemed to discredit the leadership of the C.C.F."

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CENTRAL GUARDIAN Heads National Advisory Council of Service Clubs

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CENTRAL PARISH — Sunday, March 11th; Canon Cove 3 p.m.; S. School 8:15; Clyde River 8 p.m.; T. W. Goodwill, minister, 3-9-11.

BORDEN TRAIN — Due to traffic congestion on the mainland the regular Borden train was about three and a half hours late last night, arriving in the city at 10:15.

FIREMAN HOME FROM OVERSEAS — Leading Fireman Harry G. Laphorne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Laphorne, Longworth Ave., arrived home on Monday after twenty seven months overseas service in England.

FUNERAL THIS MORNING — The funeral of Matthew Ryan who passed away suddenly at 142-2 Great George St., will be held this morning from Frank Hennessy's Funeral Home at 8:30 to St. Dunstan's Basilica, thence to the Roman Catholic Cemetery.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT — Mrs. Lester B. Mellish, Montague, wishes to announce the engagement of her daughter Vera to Donald of Charlottetown, son of Mrs. W. H. and the late Mr. MacDonald, Mermaid, marriage to take place in the near future. 3-9-11.

SUPREME COURT JUDGMENT — In the case of Scates vs. Auld a written judgment was delivered by the Chief Justice recently, in reference to the plaintiff's application to strike out the jury notice. The Court ruled that the case could not properly be decided by the general verdict of a jury.

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adian Armes were beating the Germans back into a west-bank pocket not eight miles long and at most only five miles wide. The Canadian Army launched a new attack on the northern anchor of Karl's German forces were fighting bitterly to keep open the last crossings of the Rhine.

On the south, the United States Army was locked in a struggle for the town of Osenerberg, two miles north of the fallen crossing point of Rheinberg.

Wes Gallagher, an Associated Press war correspondent from Cologne, said the Rhine crossings had changed to the Western Front situation overnight and opened the possibility of shortening the war months earlier than calculated by the Allied High Command only a short time ago.

He declared it was apparent that the Germans had no time to reorganize their scattered forces east of the Rhine. Field Marshal Karl von Rundstedt was too short of troops to hold the whole river line.

The fact that the Supreme Headquarters in announcing the crossings referred to a bridgehead, instead of good progress had been made, was a crossing becomes a bridgehead only when it moves "out of direct, short-range fire."

Gen. Hodges chose to cross where the Rhine is about a quarter mile wide and its banks steep, with a population of 10,000. The German position was a flat plain to the east of the river, with a stream meanders toward the Netherlands.

The development overshadowed combined 1st and 3rd Army blows farther south, which by account of the population of 10,000. A steel trap on possibly 2,000 mountainous square miles of the 9th Army division.

In this push, the 1st Army had smashed half way through Bonn, Rhineland traffic nerve centre with the population of 10,000. The same distance through Bad Godesberg, three miles south of Bonn, was the late Prime Minister Chamberlain since in military operations in 1938 in a futile "attempt to arrange 'peace in our time'."

The German communiqué said the 9th Army division was engaged across the Ahr River, possibly 15 miles from where the 3rd Army's main attack was being launched against Koblenz and the west bank of the Rhine.

Blow To Morale

For the Germans, the crossing of the Rhine would come as a blow to their morale. The Nazis were silent for more than 24 hours after the first crossings. Luxembourg radio made the news reached even the weakest German radios by trumpeting: "The German army has begun to cross, and the German's lone firm hold on the west bank southwestward to Karlsruhe—was being undertaken by the blitz drive of the United States 3rd Army."

By official account, the 1st Army's 9th Armored Division last week reported 10 miles south of Bonn, birthplace of Beethoven and a cultural centre, which was under assault by the 1st Division and raked by shells from both German and American guns.

A front dispatch said that for the first time German civilians had joined the battle, and Bonn was proving even tougher than Cologne. The Germans said the 9th had landed on into Remagen, site of a Rhine bridge 12 miles southeast of Bonn.

YOUTHS PLEAD NOT GUILTY

QUEBEC, March 8 — (CP) — Two youths, Jean Baptiste Huot, 20, of Gaspé, and Philippe Jones, 18, of nearby St. Romuald, pleaded not guilty in sessions court today to charges of beating up at nearby Monday a Chinese laundry man. Wah was taken to the rounds in jail pending preliminary hearing March 16, next.

Junior Musical Recital Held At Notre Dame

Last night the "Little Ones" of Notre Dame Music Department gave a delightful and skillful musical recital to an interested audience of parents and friends in the Academy auditorium.

Well selected and graded pieces were played by heart by children from Gr. I to Gr. VI. Not only are these juniors to be congratulated on their successful performances but also on the poise and ease which they displayed throughout the entire recital.

Apart from the musical treat enjoyed by the audience, special mention must be given to the recitalists who were so ably assisted by a gifted young speaker and to the choral numbers which were so harmoniously rendered by the youthful singers.

Program

Quartette: Trailing Moon Vines (Blake)—Helen Boudage, Beverly Dillon, Teresa Prestley, Sylvia Soper.

Little Folk Song (Thompson)—John Wilson.

Air (Haydn)—Naomi McGulgan, Chums (Thompson)—Carol Wiloughby, Jennie McDonald.

Twinkle Little Star (Mozart)—Mary Claire Smith.

In a Wigwam (Thompson)—Eugene Wylie.

Raindrops (Thompson)—Alan Campbell.

Drifting (Williams)—Roger Gardiner.

John Peel (Folk Song)—David McCormack.

Song: Wack and Jill.

Night Sounds (Carew)—Norma Jean Gay.

Yellow Butterfly (Thompson)—Susan Roddin.

Dimples (Wolfe)—Marion Hynes.

A Dream (2 pianos) (Aubry)—Helen Cameron, June Doyle.

Musette (Bach)—Helen P. McDonald.

Swan Song (Brahms)—Patricia Gains.

On Parade (Gaynor)—Billy Phillips.

Recitation: The Night Wind—Catherine June McDonald.

Jolly Roger (Eckstein)—Nancy Walz (Dunhill)—Mary Leah Doyle.

Waltzes (Gaynor)—Lorraine McCormack.

Merry-go-Round (Berlin)—Catherine June McDonald.

Yellow Butterfly (McLachlan)—Catherine Smith.

Song: Dancing in The Moonlight.

Rains (Eckstein)—Joseph Revell.

Playful Breezes (Hellard)—Louise Presley.

Cantata: Soldiers (Hopson)—Florence Callaghan.

The Swallow (Burgmueller)—Evelyn Smith.

Duet: Fowers Fairies (Crosey)—Catherine Smith, Florence Callaghan.

God Save the King.

Probe Opens Into Conditions At N. B. Mental Hospital

(By The Canadian Press)

SANT JAMES, N. B., March 8 — "It seems to me from every word Mr. Johnston has said this afternoon about the attendants that if the patients these conditions are not 'disappear' declared Chief Justice Royce, chairman of the Royal Commission into the investigation of the mental hospital in Saint John, N.B., which took place yesterday afternoon in the Province of New Brunswick.

Chief Justice Royce opened the proceedings by reading the Royal warrant for the investigation, which was signed by the Governor in Council, and which would determine whether sufficient attendants were employed at the hospital and whether or not more money was needed to conduct the investigation. He also read the three-man commission are Rev. L. M. Pepperdine, rector of the St. John's Cathedral, and Judge of the city's juvenile court, and E. B. Sweeney, manager of the Montreal Hotel and chairman of the board of commissioners of the Saint John General Hospital.

Mr. Johnston, superintendent of the institution, was called by E. J. Henneberry, K.C., counsel for the Provincial Government. Other lawyers appearing in the case are F. J. Hughes, K.C., personal counsel for the hospital, and E. J. Henneberry, K.C., also appearing for Dr. Mendis; E. D. Milton, Montreal, and Peter M. Laing, Montreal, appearing on behalf of the Montreal Standard.

Johnstone's Story

Mr. Johnston told the commissioners in answer to Mr. Henneberry's questioning that he had been employed by the Standard to seek a position as an attendant in the Provincial Hospital. Previous to coming to Saint John for this purpose he had shown three declarations from former attendants at the hospital concerning conditions here and had instructions to stay until he was given a satisfactory answer. He worked at the institution eight days, with the exception of one holiday, in ward 2, commencing work Tuesday, Dec. 18.

On being engaged for the job Mr. Johnston said he was asked to go to the institution on Monday, but he had had that day of employment before it was clearly stated that he was taken on full time.

As to training for the job of attendant, Mr. Johnston said that he was given no definite instruction, but was taken on the rounds with the attendant Phillips for two days until he "caught on" to the routine. There were, he said, 110

Two Killed

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Kearney, 39; David Barker, 43; William Judd, 65; Edwin Dapper, 17, all of Hamilton, and William F. Gudgeon and Eric Gudgeon of nearby Port Nelson.

The explosion rocked the area north of Borden Street in the city's oldest industrial district, shattering windows in the City Jail nearby.

Employees of nearby plants and eyewitnesses told of hearing three explosions originating in the northwest lower corner of the dye plant. Force of the blast lifted the factory roof, they said, 50 feet into the air.

Shortly after noon, a 50-foot galewind from chimney stack at the northwest corner of the wrecked plant toppled with a crash. It fell away from four firemen who were only 20 feet away.

This War—Four Years Ago

By The Canadian Press

MARCH 9, 1941—German airmen made second successive heavy night assault on London. British troops captured Gahre-Darra on the Oga-den plateau in Ethiopia. British rejected former U. S. President Hoover's plans to establish soup kitchens in Belgium.

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Appointed Acting Principal Of McGill University

Hon. Dr. Cyril MacMillan has been named as Acting Principal of McGill University during the absence of Dr. Cyril F. James, it has been announced. The Hon. Dr. MacMillan carries the story and pays the following tribute to Dr. MacMillan:

"Dr. F. Cyril James, principal and vice-chancellor of McGill University, has arrived in Great Britain by plane and will remain in the United Kingdom for several weeks. It was announced officially today at McGill University.

"During the absence of the principal, Dean Cyril MacMillan, of the faculty of Arts and science will be acting principal. This appointment was made by the Board of Governors.

"Dr. James' trip was arranged for the purpose of discussing with the British authorities, and the educational services of the Canadian armed forces overseas some of the post-war problems that will arise in the field of education."

An information received from Dr. James will be the guest of Sir Harry Brittain at a lunch in London on March 10. It is expected that a large number of the Canadian forces in the United Kingdom will be present. Dr. James received the degree of L.L.D. from McGill in 1920, is the honorary secretary of the Canadian Students' Society in Great Britain.

"Dr. James, who made the trip overseas by plane in just over 12 hours, arrived in London this morning, according to word received here at McGill University.

"Dr. MacMillan who will serve as acting principal during his absence, is one of the best known personalities in the campus. He has been Molson professor and chairman of the department of English language and literature for several years. He has a wide range of arts and science since 1940.

Elected to the House of Commons from his home constituency of Quebec, Prince Edward Island in 1940, he has since been an active personality at Ottawa where he is presently serving as assistant to the Minister for Air, as well as a Privy Councillor. He served for two years as a member of the Commons committee on social security and is highly regarded as an authority in matters of rehabilitation.

He is in the admittance ward, in which he was working.

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Two-Thirds U.K.

LONDON, March 6 — (CP Cable) — War Secretary Sir James Grigg informed the House of Commons today that only 30 per cent of the British troops formed two-thirds of the 1st Canadian Army "at the present time."

He said he could not give the full composition of the Canadian Army now engaged in an offensive against the Germans.

He added that some of the better patients were perhaps more concerned with keeping the ward clean and in order than were the attendants.

Describes Attic

Speaking of the attic in which some of the ward 2 patients slept, Johnston said that as far as he could determine this was entirely without heat. He had not noticed any heat registers in the upper part of the ward, he replied to a question from Mr. Henneberry.

"It was the coldest place I had to go, and seemed as cold to me as the weather outside," he stated. Patients slept there naked, he said, with bedclothes over them that varied from one thin blanket to two sheets and a army-type blanket. The congenial idiots were left in the beds all night without the covers and the bedding was soiled in the morning. The straw ticks and their covers were changed every day, in such cases, he said.

Commissioner Sweeney asked the witness whether he had been told that patients in ward 2 were allowed clean outer and inner clothing every day, and Johnston answered that he had never heard this before.

"I would gather that they got clean clothing on bath day, but I was not in the ward then," he added. Concerning the beds, he said they were not cleaned during the day, and he knew of no rules or

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Lost Feet At Casino

LONDON — (CP) — Maj.-Gen. Howard Kippenberger, who as commander of the 2nd New Zealand Division lost both feet at Casimo when he stepped on a mine, had been awarded the C.B. in recognition of "gallant, distinguished services" in Italy.

Deaths

REEVES — At the Prince County Hospital, on March 2, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reeves, Freetown, a daughter, Laura Ann.

CUDDMORE — At Winsloe North on March 8, 1945, John C. Cuddmore in his 78th year. Funeral home of Ross — At Eldon on March 2, 1945 Mrs. Hugh MacKay Ross, aged 75 years.

BERNARD — At French River on March 8, 1945, Mrs. Alice Bernard, aged 72 years. Funeral from Geddes Memorial Church Saturday at 1:30 P.M.

LANNAN — At New Westminster, B.C., March 2, 1945, Andrew J. Lannan, aged 83, son of the late James and Katherine (Kelly) Lannan, Montague.

DUNSTAFNAGE — On Thursday, March 8, 1945, Mrs. Joseph Dover in her 71st year. Resting at the MacLean Funeral Home until noon today, then at the residence of her son, William Dover, Dunstafnage. Funeral notice later.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of Mrs. Peter McGonnell who died March 9, 1942.

A precious one from us is gone
A voice we loved is stilled
A place made vacant in our hearts
Which never can be filled.

Lovingly remembered by Mother, Ed and family.
3-9-11

In Memoriam

In loving memory of Mrs. Frank McKenna, who departed this life March 9th, 1943.

Her smiling way and pleasant face
Are a pleasure to recall
She had a kindly word for each
And died beloved by all.

Some day we hope to meet her
Some day we know not when
To clasp her hand in the better
land
Never to part again.

Sadly Missed by Husband and Family.
3-9-11

In Memoriam

In loving memory of Kenneth Stewart who passed away 2 years ago today, March 16th, 1943.

Deep in our hearts you are fondly remembered
Sweet happy memories cling round
Your name.
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deepest affection
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