

Montgomery Says Regular Forces Not Reserves First

PARIS (Reuters) — Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery has told a group of parliamentarians from the 15 NATO countries that he believes emphasis in defence budgets should be placed on regular forces, rather than building up reserves, sources close to Supreme Allied Headquarters (SHAPE) said here Wednesday.

Montgomery gave the group a private briefing at SHAPE Tuesday, according to the sources. He told them the intensive initial phase which would characterize future war made it essential to concentrate on regular forces. "Ready at the word go," Montgomery did not advocate the abolition of reserve forces, the sources said. He said he believes they might be especially valuable in civil defence work.

Montgomery told the parliamentarians, however, that he thought the paramount importance of regular, ready-to-go forces should be taken into consideration in budgeting for defence in NATO countries.

The field marshal reaffirmed his own expressed belief that no NATO country could fully meet its defence obligations without two years compulsory military service the sources said.

Replying to a question, Montgomery said his reference to a period of military service in the briefing Tuesday was intended to apply to European countries, not Canada or the United States.

He told the parliamentarians the complicated nature of modern weapons necessitated a long training period. If national service-

Retirement Of Army Chief Good For Army, He Says

By JACK BRAYLEY
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CAMP GAGETOWN, N.B. (CP) Lt.-Gen. G. G. Simonds told the men of Canada's 1st Division Tuesday that his retirement as chief of the general staff is right and necessary and a good thing for promotion in the army.

Speaking at an impressive divisional review of 14,000 troops, the man who commanded the 1st Division of the Second World War during the invasions of Sicily and Italy in 1943, said his retirement at 52 was "a severe wrench" but retirement at the top made way for those coming up through the ranks.

He had served his full period in office and if the important policy of providing regular promotion was to be carried out his retirement was necessary.

As a junior officer before the war he had remembered his own frustration when senior officers seemed to "play musical chairs" succeeding themselves in the senior jobs, with little or not promotion in sight for younger men. That was why he subscribed so fully to the present policy.

Gen. Simonds, in his first public statement since an announcement June 8 of his retirement, said he was sure his successor, Maj.-Gen. Howard D. Graham, 56, who will become chief of the general staff Aug. 31, will get the same loyal and able support he had always had from the army.

The retiring chief, who earlier in the day warned Canada to keep its powder dry even with all the talk of peace, took his farewell salute to Canada's biggest military review of its kind.

About 14,000 men of Maj.-Gen. J. R. Rockingham's 1st Division marched past after "Rocky" told them the formation was largely his own creation. And the army chief gave an especially close scrutiny of the three straight-backed battalions of the new Simonds-designed Canadian Guards Regiments—with their scarlet berets.

He said peaceful signs emanating from Moscow and Geneva could create a "dangerous situation." The Geneva conference had been made possible because of strength and cohesion of the West era powers. "And now isn't the time to abandon our policy of military strength just when it's beginning to bear fruit."

And he took a look ahead as new military weapons, methods and concepts that would be tried out at Gagetown during the next few years. The new weapons would include the use of the Belgian FN rifle and a light machine gun. He also foresaw air supply right to the front lines by new planes with short take-off ability and helicopters, all taking the place of lorry columns with their tell-tail of dust.

He called the new air supply facilities "air trucks" and he said they would be able to outmanoeuvre faster-attacking jets. However, he thought an enemy would develop some sort of an attack plane to be launched against the "air trucks" and these in turn could be handled by a development of anti-aircraft fire power.

Airborne troops in the future would use new developments in aviation and there would be a consequent decrease in the use of paratroops. Gagetown would also teach the army to adopt itself to atomic war, but at the same time to continue to improve its effectiveness in its traditional role of seizing, holding and administering territory—or, as he called it, "real estate."

He saw no increasing importance for tanks and armor because they require bridgeheads that had to be established by the infantry.

On a question about the Canadian Guards taking precedence over other and old infantry units, Gen. Simonds said people who were noisy on this score had not bothered to study military tradition. A precedent for this situation was in the British army where the guards were junior in history to many other regiments.

Meanwhile, at the Blissville airstrip on the western perimeter of the camp, the convoys had been moving in from distances up to 30 and 40 miles. About 4,000 civilians watched the impressive turnout.

The troops were drawn up in companies for about a mile along the main runway.

Gen. Simonds reminded the men they inherited the tradition of the Red Patch in the last two wars and whether this tradition continued to be an inspiration for them depended on how each man deported himself.

Boarding his jeep again he moved to a reviewing stand far down the runway. As soon as he stepped into position the band struck up an artillery march in his honor as a former gunner and the first troops in the long column began moving past 12 deep.

All the infantry carried rifles and bayonets, at the slope for possibly the last time in such a big parade because of the adoption of the new FN rifle which will be carried in a more upright position.

Premier Hugh John Flemming of New Brunswick, members of his cabinet prominent citizens and members of the other armed forces were in a special enclosure to watch the stirring march past.

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Montreal Island Mayor Elected Amidst Violence

MONTREAL (CP) — A new mayor reigned in tiny St. Leonard-de-Port-Maurice Tuesday after riding to power in an election that startled the Island of Montreal with sound and fury.

The some 1,300 eligible voters of St. Leonard, the island's one remaining rural municipality, Monday gave Florian Desormeaux, a grocer, 303 votes, compared to a combined vote of 120 for his two opponents.

In other developments, the chief of the two-man police force was arrested and fired, newspaper men were manhandled and a 100-man band of "special constables," hired by the municipality, roamed the unpaved streets on foot and in cars.

The constables many of mighty physique, wearing open-necked shirts—arrested some 40 persons and held them for varying periods during election day.

The latest St. Leonard incident was the latest of three disorders during suburban municipal elections in recent weeks, the others being at Laval West and Riviere des Prairies.

At St. Leonard, whose total population is some 3,000, three of the six council seats were contested, all won by supporters of the new mayor.

Former mayor Albert Leonard, who resigned recently, did not seek re-election. Ernest Crepeault, town secretary and presiding officer of the election, swore in the extra police, who were placed under the command of Tony DiCrochi after Police Chief Richard Raymond was arrested. Raymond was fired after the election by a hastily-summoned meeting of the new council. Crepeault said the special constables were hired to handle "strong arm trouble-makers" from Montreal.

Raymond was arrested for alleged "partisan" conduct during the election. No reason was given immediately for the chief's dismissal.

Rev. Roger Jeannotte, parish priest, told a reporter during the disorders: "Strange things are going on in the parish. It is terrible."

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