

Entire British Defence Set-up Is Being Examined

By WATSON SIMS
LONDON (AP) — The entire line of Britain's military establishment is undergoing a searching examination in the light of the invasion of Egypt which proved a failure to prove.

Important changes in the nation's concept of how it should go about defending its interests abroad, it could also affect Britain's role in NATO and in the defence of Western Europe.

Two considerations are outstanding in unofficial discussions as to what the Egyptian venture will mean to Britain's long-haul defence plans:

1. The staggering cost of maintaining such an orthodox force as was used in Suez and the hope that atomic weapons could do the job more cheaply and effectively.
2. The broad question of what any nation's defence posture should be in the age of the United Nations, when non-United Nations military action might be countered

by an international police force. **SMALL NUCLEAR FORCE**
Views of government officials on both issues have been the subject of much speculation.

The Sunday Express pictured Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd and two other senior ministers as favouring "a defence structure which would end forever the possibility of independent military action of the scale of the Suez intervention."

Lloyd, Defence Minister Antony Head and the chancellor of the exchequer, Harold Macmillan, said the newspaper, are thought to believe Britain should concentrate her defence effort in two channels.

One would consist of air and ground forces armed with nuclear weapons, small in number but armed with firepower of the highest order. The other would be a mobile military police force, with some armored support, organized and equipped to deal with subversion but incapable of an operation of Suez dimensions.

Such an arrangement could

slash Britain's defence budget of \$4,300,000,000 by a third within two or three years, the newspaper said.

ACTED SLOWLY
The Sunday Times saw the Suez invasion as proof of the inability of Britain's present military establishment to act quickly.

"Political factors had their share in the responsibility for this. But basically we took eight days to mount our actual attack because the army, its airborne component, transport command, the RAF and the navy could not, for hard factual reasons, accomplish it in less."

The Sunday Times also saw as a solution a much greater reliance on atomic devices and also a reduction of Britain's role in NATO, to which she now contributes four divisions.

The newspaper maintained that Britain's contribution to NATO was drawn up under "a strategy now long out of date."

"It is a wasteful use of limited resources."

Notre Dame Academy Viewed In Retrospect

The old saying that "There is nothing really new under the sun" grows truer day by day. The retreat-movement of our time is indeed praiseworthy, but it is not a modern institution as we can see from the early annals of Notre Dame Academy. In June 1858 the pupils of Notre Dame made a three day retreat "with great recollection and piety." And again we read that the Sisters finding the children under their care so poorly instructed particularly in their holy religion proposed to His Lordship that a special retreat be given to their mothers. Reverend Angus MacDonald opened the retreat on November 5, 1865, with the singing of the Veni creator. His words of inspiration, zeal and charity made a deep impression on the eighty good mothers who profited by these days of recollection and prayer. On the last day of the retreat His Lordship Bishop MacDonald offered Holy Mass.

It has been a far cry from the day these school girls and their mothers trained in the ways of the convent in the spiritual life in Charlotetown, to this year of 1956 when five different groups — C.W.L. Members, College Student, Junior Alumnae and High School Students, at different times, throughout the year held their annual retreats at Notre Dame. To the writer and the reader is this not a healthy indication that Alma Mater has continued to hold high the banner of progress hoisted by its early missionaries in the field of the lay apostolate?

the limited contents of his purse. After his death it was found that he had left scarcely enough to pay for a burial suitable to one of his rank; he died as he had lived after the example of His Divine Master.

Every spare moment of the final two years of his life was spent making secure the establishment of his last and most favored project — a girls' school under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin. How often he visited the classes attended school functions, and encouraged both Sisters and pupils, when dark hours of uncertainty and doubt threatened the future of the young and feeble undertaking.

FINAL LABOURS
Only two more dates before his passing record his last activities. On June 29, he erected the Stations of the Cross in the Convent Chapel. Though tired and feeble after the ceremony, he insisted on seeing all the pupils assembled in the "grande salle." After they had entertained him with music and song, he spoke to them of the happiness that was his to see them enjoy and benefit by their privilege of living in a house dedicated to the Blessed Virgin and directed by women whose piety he had patterned after this august Queen. He spent two hours with the children that morning — his last visit to Notre Dame. A month later, on July 30, Bishop MacDonald confirmed 600 children at the Cathedral.

On October 27, His Lordship with extreme regret consented to leave his episcopal residence in Rustico. He chose Saint Dunstan's College for his last dwelling place. Soon he became so weak that he was obliged to remain in bed. For two months he suffered intensely, but in silence. Shortly before his death he sent a gift of \$30 to the Convent "for the sustenance of the Sisters and their Community." This last act of kindness touched the Sisters deeply for it came from a person who lived in complete poverty denying himself, even in his last illness, every comfort. He died on December 30th.

The Ira McCoubrey's Are Honored At Party

A happy event took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira S. McCoubrey on the evening of Nov. 20th, when the immediate families of this young couple gathered as a surprise, to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary in advance. The actual date is in February, 1957.

To the strains of the Wedding March played by Miss Doris Andrews, Dora and Ira were escorted to seats of honour by Mrs. S. Edwards and Mr. Wm. Andrew. Miss Elizabeth Brookings then led in singing "When you were a tulip".

Good wishes and the names of all those present and absent were read by Mrs. Geo. Bookins just then Miss Harold Smith and Miss Nellie Andrew pinned a corsage on each. While Mrs. George McCoubrey and Mr. Aubrey Brookings presented the bride and groom of twenty years with a chest of community silver and an electric clock.

Mrs. George Andrew was the joint chairman, and led in singing, "For they are jolly good fellows," Dora and Ira very fittingly replied, with further remarks by Messrs. Harold Smith, J. S. Edwards, George Brookings, George McCoubrey, Mrs. Andrew, the chairman and others, followed by a sing song and reminiscence. A lovely evening was brought to a close by all gathering around a beautiful table centred by the cake flanked by white tapers in silver candelabra. This was presided over by Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Brookings. After all had given the inner man justice, each took their departure leaving best wishes for Dora and Ira and their two lovely boys Dan and Allan.

NEW GLASGOW

The writer is happy to report, "This district has been accident free on the highways during Safety Week. But as the saying goes "Let us tap on wood."

Friends will be glad to know Mrs. Gordon Laird has returned home from the P.E. Island Hospital "where she had been under observation", and that she is steadily regaining her former good health.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Bell entertained at a pre-Christmas family dinner recently. About seventeen gathered to partake of a beautiful turkey dinner, prepared by Mrs. Bell in her most capable manner.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Orr were guests at the Taylor and Morrison wedding reception.

Friends of Mr. Ernest Cousins are glad to see him about again, after his sojourn in the P.E. Island Hospital. Also Mr. Veivin Cole, the popular proprietor of the meat market, who spent some time in the hospital.

Friends were saddened to learn of the sudden passing of Mr. Ben Taylor. Although not in robust health, his passing was a great shock. Deepest sympathy is extended to his widow.

Rev. and Mrs. A. Haley have had as their guest their nephew, Mr. Taylor, who was on his holidays.

Mrs. Wm. Andrew is spending a few days with her friend, Mrs. B.W. Taylor.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. James Brown gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Smith on the

POWNAI

Mr. and Mrs. J. Layton Jones, Pownal, were recent visitors to Sydney, N.S. They were guests of the Rev. D. Bruce Moore and Mrs. Moore.

Mrs. James Smith and son, Paul, have taken up residence in the home of Mrs. F. Reeves at Cross Roads. Mrs. Reeves has gone to Florida for the winter months.

Mr. Gordon Moore of Pownal, N.S. He was the guest of his brother and his wife the Rev. D. B. and Mrs. Moore.

Among the visitors to Moncton, the past weekend were the Misses Doreen and Sylvia Carver of Alexandria, Patsy and Heather Stewart and Mr. Percy Gallant, Charlotetown.

Friends are sorry to hear that Mrs. Parker Ings of Pownal has entered the Prince Edward Island Hospital to undergo an operation. All hope that she may have a speedy recovery.

evening of Nov. 30th, to bid farewell and express regret at losing them as residents of this district. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have taken up residence in the Capital.

Miss Elsie Laird, Mrs. Eric Bell and Mrs. Blair Andrew attended a meeting in Kensington United Church, which was addressed by Dr. Smyth of the M. and M. dept.

Mr. Eric Stevenson has recently installed an oil furnace in his home.

Miss Ella Semple was a recent visitor to the Capital.

Mrs. Ian McMillan was hostess to the local institute on Monday evening. A very enjoyable meeting with a large attendance was reported. A.Y.

GLEN VALLEY NOTES

Mrs. Arthur MacLean and Sharon and Blair are at present at Mrs. MacLean's mother's, Mrs. Norman Matheson, Emerald. Mrs. Matheson is recovering from a recent operation.

Mr. Robert Hickox, who is presently employed in Charlotetown spent the weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hickox, Glen Valley.

Mrs. Ivan Frizzelle and little daughter Linda were visitors to Charlotetown on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Frizzelle and Betty and Garth visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Woodside, Margate on November 18th.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Gillis and daughters, Joan and Eleanor, were recent visitors to Charlotetown.

Mrs. Alton MacLean entertained the annual meeting of Glen Valley W. I. on November 7th.

Mrs. Irene MacDowell, Hunter River, spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and

PLANE AVOIDS HAMLET

FOOLOW, England (AP)—Eyewitnesses said a pilot nursed a disintegrating plane away from this small hamlet Friday just before the plane crashed, killing its four-man test crew. One of the victims was test pilot Jack Wales, 39, who pioneered in testing delta-winged planes for the Avro Aircraft firm.

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Coming Events

Christmas Concert, Kingston, December 19.

Springfield School Concert Springfield Hall, December 20 at 8 p.m.

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Come one, come all, to New Argyle Shore Concert, at Long Creek Hall, December 12th.

Weekly card parties Corran Ban Hall, Wednesday, 8 o'clock. Prizes. Free lunches.

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Dance West Royalty Hall, Wednesday, Rollie MacKenzie's Orchestra. Canteen service, 9:30 to 12:30.

Dance Cardigan Legion Hall every Thursday night. Websters Orchestra. P. A. System and Canteen service.

Clark's Feed Service, will now be open during noon hour, also Saturday nights until 9 o'clock. F.W. Clark.

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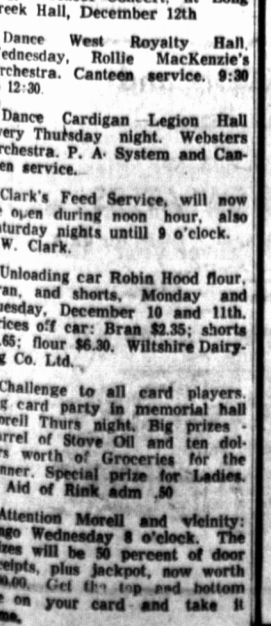
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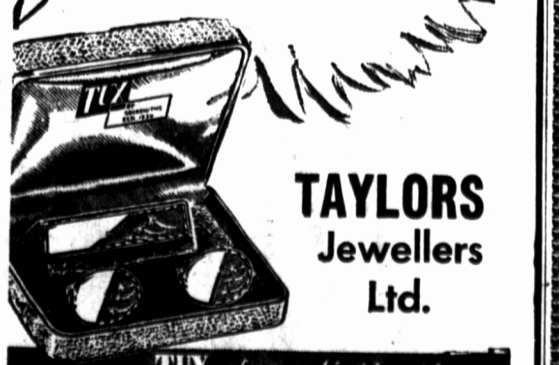


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Minutes of last annual and regular meetings were read and approved. The President then thanked all members and officers for their help in making the past year such a success.

Reports of committees were then given, followed by financial report of Secretary-Treasurer who reported a balance of 76.61 on hand.

The election of officers then took place, with all officers re-elected. President, Mrs. Wm. Graham (re-elected); Vice President, Mrs. Angus Gillis (re-elected); Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Elton Somers; Directors, Mrs. Allan Hickox, Mrs. Millage MacLeod; Auditors, Mrs. Colin Matheson, Mrs. L. S. Seaman; Card Secretary, Mrs. Hedley Woodside.

It was decided to give to March of Dimes, and Cancer Fund. This was followed by appointments of committee for next month. Sick, Mrs. L. S. Seaman; Mrs. Angus Gillis; Luncheon, Mrs. H. Woodside, Mrs. L. S. Seaman and Mrs. Elton Somers.

Bills were presented and moved and discussed. Red Cross articles were passed out. Mrs. H. Woodside invited members to her home for next meeting. Roll call to be answered by exchange of Xmas gift. Mrs. Stanford Glover was appointed to take charge of Birthday Box. Collection was received and meeting closed by the Queen. After this a dainty lunch was served by hostess, assisted by committee and a social hour enjoyed.

Another 105th Veteran Dies

Mr. Russell H. Campbell passed away suddenly at his home at St. Peter's Road on Sunday evening, Dec. 9th, 1956. He had been retired from duty due to ill health, for the past 10 years. He was a veteran of the first World War and served with the 105th Battalion. He was also a member of Trinity United Church, having served on the board of stewards.

He leaves to mourn besides his wife, three of a family: June, Mrs. (Clifford) and Harvey, each members of the Firm of the Rite-way Cleaners, Limited; also a sister, Miss Gladys Campbell of Quincy, Mass., and a brother, George Campbell, of Souris.

Amalgamated Choirs Have Sacred Concert

The Choir of Hunter's River, New Glasgow Road and Wheatley River, Cavendish, and New Glasgow Christian and United Churches gathered in the Christian Church on Sunday evening, Dec. 2nd, for a Hymn Festival.

And although the weather wasn't very bright throughout the day and the roads slippery, by evening the clouds had cleared away, and the beautiful church was filled to capacity to glorify God in the singing of hymns.

Rev's. C. A. Moase and Allison Haley presided, at the wish of Rev. B. James, pastor of the church, Prayer and Scripture reading was offered. Rev. C. Moase explained the purpose of the meeting saying, "It was not intended to be on the basis of competition, exhibition etc., but solely for

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this one purpose. "It is a good thing to sing praises unto the Lord."

The choirs rendered, each piece with sincerity and beauty while Mrs. George Dickieson, Mrs. Reg. Simpson, Mrs. Ivan Bowman and Mrs. Philip Matheson were organists. The congregation joined in the singing of several hymns.

All offerings were received for the Hungarian Relief Fund. Thanks was extended to Miss M. E. Campbell for making the House of God so comfortable.

Rev. Bryer Jones pronounced the benediction. All wended their way homeward with the feeling: "It was good to have been here" and with the words of repeated, we should meet in this manner more often. A.Y.

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