



OLD TIMES ARE RECALLED

Glenn Pepper, RR3, Mitchell, Ont., brings out a team of heavy work horses to clear a snow-clogged Logan Township farm lane in Western Ontario's Perth County. Horse drawn snow plows were used in smaller towns and cities as late as the 1930's. (CP Wirephoto)

Long Silence Is Broken By Controversial Priest

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DETROIT (AP) — Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, one of the most controversial American figures in the 20th century, broke a 20-year public silence Saturday.

And the once-famed Canadian-born radio priest insisted in an exclusive interview he was right in his caustic denunciations of president Franklin D. Roosevelt in the days during the rise of Hitler and the world's move toward world war in the 1930s. He said:

"I still think I was right, for instance, in breaking with Mr. Roosevelt for recognizing Russia. I still think I was right when I opposed him for giving the Russians \$11,000,000 to set them up in business. And I still think I was right in opposing our entry into the war on the side of Russia."

He had not granted an interview since his broadcast disappeared from the air in 1940, and his newspaper, Social Justice, was closed in 1941.

Father Coughlin was born in Hamilton and taught at Assumption College, Windsor, Ont., from 1916, the year he was ordained a priest, until 1923. He also was a teacher at Toronto St. Michael's College and ran the dramatic society there.

STILL VIGOROUS
He showed much of his old vigor as he made these points in the interview:
Despite his defence of his own actions, he now believes that presidents should not be criticized.

same, and I felt we should let them fight it out among themselves."
Although once accused as an anti-semitic, he concluded "bigotry is passe" and is today the private pursuit of professional bigots.

He listed obedience to authority as the primary duty of men in all walks of life, a virtue he himself demonstrated in according to the wishes of his archbishop.

HAD HUGE AUDIENCE
Although Father Coughlin has continued as an active preacher in his own pulpit at the Shrine of the Little Flower in suburban Royal Oak, his oratory has been but a pale echo of the flamboyant and often vitriolic radio addresses that won him an estimated 30,000,000 Sunday

Wheat Prices Said Cut For Sale To China

WINNIPEG (CP) — A Canadian grain spokesman suggests that the Canadian wheat board has lowered the price of wheat in order to complete a sale to Communist China.

James Richardson and Sons Limited said in its daily grain market letter Monday that this may be the reason for a decrease last week of 2½ cents a bushel for milling grades of wheat to four cents for lower grades.

Recalling his pre-Second World War castigation of the British Empire and coining of the phrase "international bankers," Father Coughlin said: "I was strongly opposed to the British empire for its political imperialism, and to international business for its economic imperialism."
"In the meantime, however, British, French, Dutch and Belgian imperialism are all gone. Their colonial empires have disappeared, and if you think the economic imperialists aren't on their way out, just you watch this common market. They'll soon be gone, too."

"The Canadian delegation which has been in Hong Kong for several weeks negotiating another sale of Canadian wheat and possibly barley to Communist China returned to Canada this week and, while no official comment has been made, it is reliably reported that a sale has been arranged."
"There were also rumors that the time of payment may have been extended to 12 months from nine which would be the same basis as recent Australian sales."
A spokesman for the Canadian Wheat Board, government marketing agency for Western Canadian wheat, said he could make no comment of the report.

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COMMANDER AT DIEPPE

Famous Canadian Soldier Dies in Channel Is. Home

FAUVIC, Jersey (CP)—Major Gen. John Hamilton Roberts, 70, a career soldier who served in both world wars and led the Dieppe raid, died at his home in the Channel Islands Monday.

Gen. Roberts will probably be best remembered as commander of the Canadian force in the controversial 1942 Dieppe raid, in which some 3,269 men of force of nearly 5,000 were killed, wounded or captured. Shortly after the raid he assumed command of Canadian reinforcement units in the United Kingdom.

Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton of Ottawa, commander of the first Canadian Army in 1942, today paid this tribute to Gen. Roberts: "As a leader and as a gallant, devoted, determined soldier, Gen. Roberts will long be remembered by the Canadian Army and, I hope, by the Canadian people."

Many observers held that the Dieppe raid, carried out without sufficient fire-power against a heavily defended harbor, provided valuable lessons that saved thousands of lives in later seaborne frontal attacks. **WROTE ABOUT RAID**
Just three months ago, in a letter to the Canadian Canadian War correspondent at Dieppe and now publisher of the Winnipeg Tribune, Gen. Roberts wrote:

"I consider Dieppe was well worthwhile as we learned a lot about what not to do. Our later successful landings in North Africa, Italy etc., could scarcely have been carried out without it."

Gen. Roberts won the Distinguished Service Order for his part in the raid. During the

first World War he received the Military Cross for bravery. France made him a commander of the Legion of Honor and awarded him the Croix de Guerre with palms.

He was born in Pipestone, Man., but lived for many years at Kingston, Ont., and also at chief administrative officer for the Northwest European district of the Imperial War Graves Commission.

He is survived by his wife, three sons and a daughter.

REMAINED IN ARMY
Gen. Roberts remained in the army following the war and was a lieutenant-colonel when the second world war broke out. Part of his creed was that no equipment should be sacrificed. Withdrawing in June 1940, from France with the artillery regiment under his command, he

brought back every field gun in the unit. The unit was the only one in the withdrawing forces to save all its guns.
After the war Gen. Roberts retired to his home here and served from 1945 to 1950 as chief administrative officer for the Northwest European district of the Imperial War Graves Commission.

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