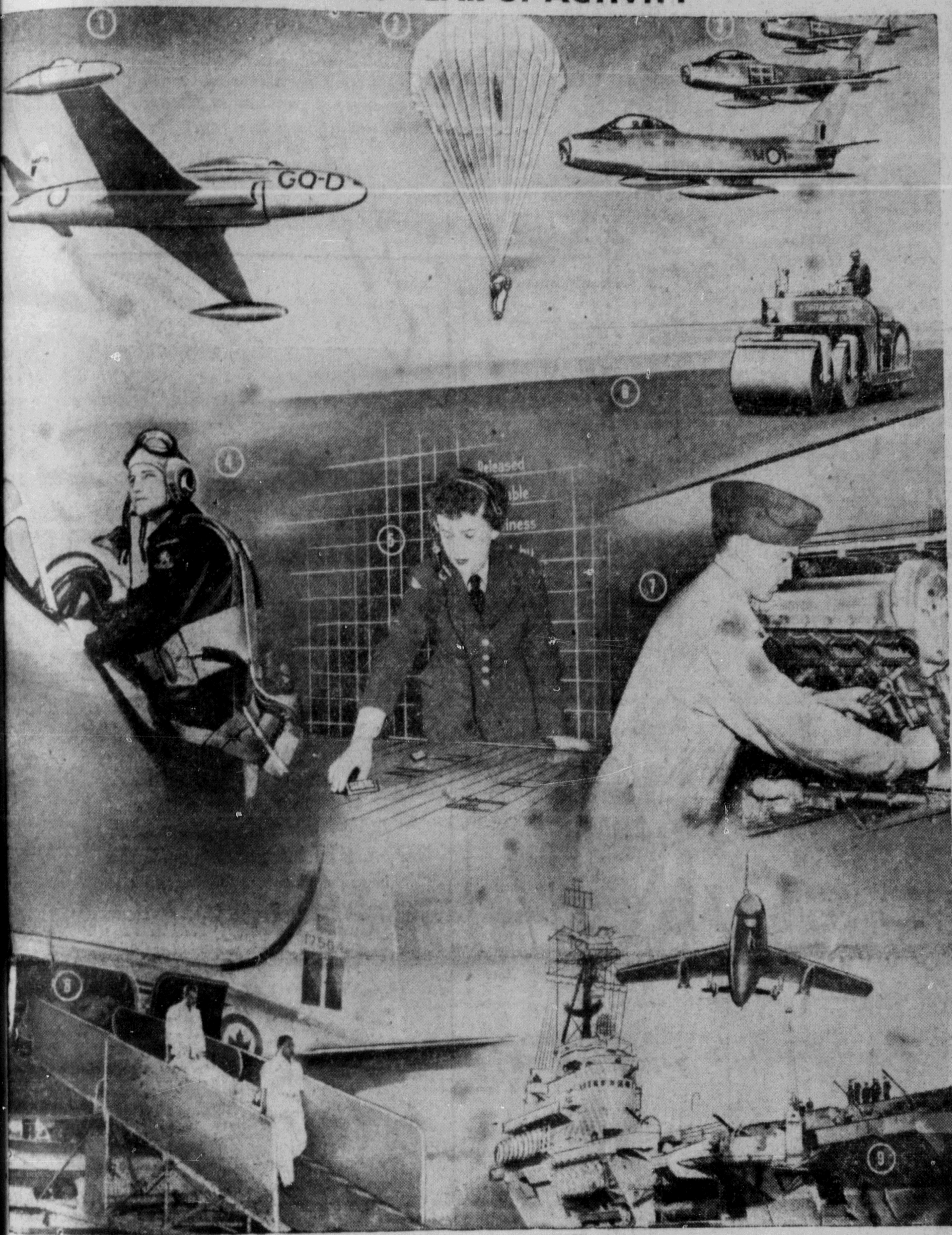


CHRISTMAS BUT NO PEACE IN KOREA

RCAF HAS YEAR OF ACTIVITY



Increases in air and ground training, airfield construction, contributions of training aid and operational units under NATO, and service on the Korean airlift, all depicted in the above photo-montage, helped to make 1951 the busiest peace-time year in RCAF history.

(1) Additional training aircraft were obtained as the crew training program was increased. Among the new trainers was the T-33 jet, an American aircraft which is to be built in Canada by Canadair Ltd. A small number were obtained direct from the U.S.

(2) The RCAF's Search and Rescue organization continued its work of saving life, and received recruits in the form of 14 medical personnel who were graduated as para-rescue specialists, ready to parachute those in distress. Among them were four nursing sisters, the first to be given this training in Canada.

(3) The first Canadian-built Sabre jets went into operational service with RCAF fighter squadrons.

4 RCAF training aid to other NATO nations took shape as the first aircrew graduates from abroad received their wings at Canadian training schools and returned home.

(5) The RCAF began recruiting women, many of whom have already completed their training and are filling key spots in Canada's aerial defence system.

(6) Runway construction, such as shown above, was a common sight at many RCAF stations.

(7) Ground training was stepped up to meet expansion requirements and turn out the men who keep the planes in the air.

(8) 426 Thunderbird Squadron continued its work on the Korean airlift, flying troops, supplies and wounded across the Pacific.

(9) 410 Fighter Squadron from St. Hubert, P.Q., was the first operational unit to leave for the newly-formed RCAF Fighter Wing at North Luffenham in the U.K. One of its Sabre jets is shown being unloaded from HMCS Magnificent at Glasgow, Scotland. (National Defence Photo)

U.S. Airmen Convicted

Golden Disposal by Hungarian Court—\$30,000 Each for Three Months

BUDAPEST (CP)—A Hungarian military court, in a sudden trial, convicted four American fliers for violating Hungary's borders and fined them each \$30,000 for about \$30,000 Sunday.

The government announcement said they had confessed to the crime, and that they could not or will not pay fines, the announcement said the airmen will have to go to jail for three months.

It was a complete surprise to the United States Ministry of Defense. "We had no idea when the trial would be held, I really cannot give any comment now."

Gold Brick Per Month at Tulsequah "Smelters" Plan

Field Operations From Prince Rupert Being Extended Next Year

Pouring a gold brick a month is to be a regular by-product of the Tulsequah operations of Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. Ltd., and, to officially open the mine, first brick was poured December 17.

Although the main products of the mine are base metals—lead, zinc (some silver) gold is found in the residue following concentration of the ore.

One gold brick weighs 500 ounces.

According to company engineers, present rate of base metal production will result in a gold brick a month.

Meanwhile, Prince Rupert operations of CM&S are expected to be extended next year by 50 per cent over last year. Returning Saturday from a two-week company conference at Trail, Engineer Neely Moore of the local exploration office said several prospecting parties were planned in the Tweedsmuir Park area next year.

White Xmas For Rupert

It looks like a white or slushy Christmas in Prince Rupert.

Of six and a half inches of snow on the ground this morning, half fell over the week-end and this morning, reports Digby Island weather station. It is one of the heaviest early snowfalls in recent years.

Temperatures, however, have been extremely moderate with an average of 31 degrees. Minimum reading was 28.2, Saturday night.

Heavy snow this morning delayed air service in and out of the city.

Trains are reported heavy with passenger traffic, mail and express. No delays are expected in trains going east. However, the transcontinental train is reported to have been delayed on the prairies.

Snow is heavy along the Prince Rupert-Jasper line, says C. A. Berner, CNR manager here, just returned from the eastern junction. Snowplows are covering the route regularly, but he says, "there seems to be more snow in Prince Rupert than in the in-

Soldier on Air From Korean Front Tonight

A Prince Rupert soldier serving in the wintry hills of Korea with First Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, will be heard in a Canadian Army Christmas broadcast from the front which will be carried by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation network, including station CFPR of Prince Rupert at 8 o'clock tonight.

He will be Pte. William Kinley, son of Rev. Samuel Kinley, Anglican Church missionary at Alyansh on the Naas River, and Mrs. Kinley.

Pte. Kinley has been in Korea for a year now and was recently transferred from the Second to the First Battalion of the Princess Patricia's. He should be coming home before long on rotation leave.

Two other Prince Rupert soldiers had been in Korea but both are back in Canada now—Pte. George Evans, now visiting in the city with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Evans, and Corp. Kenneth Johnstone, son of Col. and Mrs. S. D. Johnson, who returned from Korea several months ago and is now at Camp Ippewash.

IN EUROPE

Christmas sees at least two Prince Rupert soldiers at Hanover, Germany, with the Canadian 27th Brigade—Cpl. Harry Calderwood, son of Capt. and Mrs. Harry Calderwood, and Pte. George Yule, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Yule.

Former Sheriff and Bride Of Seventy Years Observe Their Wedding Anniversary

Most people consider themselves lucky enough to live out the prescribed "four-score-and-ten" years, but the parents of well-known Prince Rupert merchants were married that many years ago last Saturday.

There isn't even a name for the 70th wedding anniversary—it is so unusual. The last named anniversary is the Diamond, celebrating 60 years.

The nonagenarians, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Nickerson, who live with their daughter, Mrs. B. M. Newell, at Sandwick, Vancouver Island, are still spry and active, even though aged 92 and 90. Both were residents here for more than 15 years.

Mr. Nickerson is well-remembered here as sheriff, a position he held here from 1926 to 1942. From Nova Scotia, he represented his constituency in Parliament from 1911 to 1915 and still today takes a keen interest in public affairs.

The couple were married at Ceak's Harbour, Nova Scotia. Children in Prince Rupert are Gene, Mike and Art Nickerson. There are 13 children in the family, all living; also 29 grandchildren, 34 great-grand children and at least two great-great-grandchildren.

Prince Rupert Nickersons have often thought of having a family reunion here, they say, but are afraid of the housing shortage here. It would likely be impossible to accommodate all the immediate relatives—which number more than 80.

No Paper Tuesday And Wednesday

The Daily News will observe the double Christmas and Boxing Day holiday so will not appear again until Thursday afternoon.

Queen Mary Has Quick Turn-Around

NEW YORK—Two days late on account of Atlantic storms, the great Cunard liner Queen Mary arrived here yesterday and making a record turnaround in 20 hours and two minutes, was away again today.

Negotiators Are Still Deadlocked On Terms

MUNSAN.—Christmas dawned in Korea with truce negotiators still far apart in their efforts to bring about an armistice. They are still at deadlock over the matter of exchange of prisoners and settlement seems as far off as ever.

Today's Stocks

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co. Ltd.)

VANCOUVER	
American Standard	28
Bralorne	6.00
Cariboo Quartz	1.15
Cronin Babine	.50
Giant Mascot	.97
Indian Mines	.24
Pen2 Oreille	9.00
Premier Border	.33
Silbak Premier	.63 1/2
Silver Standard	2.45
Oils—	
Anglo Canadian	8.80
Calmont	1.65
C & E	13.50
Okalta	3.40
TORONTO	
Bevcourt	.75
C M & S	177.50
Conwest	3.90
East Sullivan	9.05
Giant Yellowknife	10.75
Joliet Quebec	.41
Madsen Red Lake	2.05
McLeod Cockshutt	2.90
Noranda	80.75

TIDES

Tuesday, December 25, 1951

High	10:19	20.9 feet
	23:35	17.7 feet
Low	4:04	9.0 feet
	17:16	4.2 feet

Christmas Tree Fight Kills 40

TIA JUANA, Mexico.—Forty persons were burned to death in a Christmas tree party here yesterday. Hoodlums in a fight upset the tree and started the conflagration.

Winston Realistic

LONDON.—Prime Minister Winston Churchill had a grim message for Briton's Saturday night when he told them that hardships are ahead if Britain is to avoid national bankruptcy.

Churchill's address from his country home at Westerham was reminiscent of his "blood, sweat, toil and tears" speech of the early war years. He told Britons:

"I have nothing to propose to you that is easy." Apart from aid for defence and rearmament you must not expect the Americans to solve our problems for us."

He warned that his forthcoming visit to the United States and Canada should not give rise to "any exaggerated hopes."

"No one else is going to keep the British lion as a pet," he said.

Vishinsky Not Trusting Egypt

CAIRO.—A Cairo newspaper said today that "comprehensive secret" talks were being held between the Egyptian and Soviet Russia governments. The subject is believed to be the possibility of Egypt getting arms from the Soviet. The Russian foreign minister, Andrei Vishinsky, is reported, however, to be fearful such weapons might eventually be used against Russia.

Sick But Not Forgotten

Nobody wants to be in hospital on Christmas and no one is sent there unnecessarily. However, some people just cannot help it. Special arrangements are made to keep their sojourn as happy as possible and in keeping with the blessed season.

Miss Elizabeth Clement, R.N., and her staff have seen that wards in the General are attractively decorated with gaily decorated trees and other adornments. Nor will any patient be without a gift or remembrance. There will be Christmas fare, too, for those who can take it.

Out at Miller Bay, the scene is bright and gay for the native patients old and young. Preparations for the festive season have occupied the active interest of patients for weeks and many a fine gift had been produced from the handicraft of the sojourners to be presented to one another and to relatives and friends. Miller Bay is actually home for many of the folk who are confined there. Mrs. Eunice Davis, R.N. and her staff are seeing that it is really homelike.

Liner Yields 10 Bodies

ASTORIA, Oregon.—Ten bodies were recovered during the week-end from the still burning hulk of the Dutch motorship liner Erria which caught fire last week off the mouth of the Columbia River. One body is still missing.

Rescue workers extricated the bodies by drilling through the steel hull of the vessel.

WEATHER

Synopsis.

A minor disturbance moved over most of the province last night and will cross the Kootenays today. Over two inches of fresh snow fell in the Cariboo and lesser amounts elsewhere. Scattered showers were reported on the west coast of Vancouver Island.

Pressures along the coast are falling slowly and the outlook for Christmas Day must be rather pessimistic. Most of the southern part of the province will be dull and cold although not much snow is expected. Clearing is looked for in the northern interior but this will be accompanied by cold temperatures.

Forecast.

North coast region—Changeable skies, a few showers of rain or wet snow today, mostly along the mainland. Little change in temperature. Wind—westerly (15). Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—at Port Hardy and Prince Rupert, 32 and 38; Sand-spit 32 and 38.

Coal Mine Death Toll Put at 119

WEST FRANKFURT, Illinois.—Death list as a result of the week-end methane gas disaster in the Chicago, Wilmington and Franklin No. 2 mine was placed today at 119.

Christmas Eve, in this stricken city, saw bodies still being brought out of the workings.

Native Villages Celebrating Christmas In Ambitious Way

Christmas among the native villages of northern British Columbia rivals any celebration put on by their white brethren in more civilized surroundings—several villages may even exceed it. Celebrations begin tonight and last until the day after New Year.

In Greenville and Aiyansh, two principal villages on the Naas River, and B.C.'s northernmost organized native territories, preparations have been in full swing for several weeks for one of the biggest, most extravagant Yuletide celebrations in history.

One of the main reasons for this is a greatly improved economy this year due to success during the fishing season.

At Aiyansh—population 200—a week's festivities are outlined in a printed program circulated among the residents. The printing of the program is a unique story in itself, for it was done on an ancient hand press brought from England to the village in the '90s by Father J. B. McCullagh, first missionary there.

With the press, Father McCullagh printed several copies of the Scriptures into Nishki, translated phonetically.

Christmas is celebrated with a fervent religious theme and background and features predominantly carol singing and carol music by their bands.

In Greenville, a grand carol procession is planned which begins tonight and keeps on throughout the night into Christmas Day. The procession

is comprised of the village choir and the 60-piece concert band, largest Indian band in the world. Each home will be visited and then comes the musical climax—a presentation of Handel's "Messiah" by choir and band in the large public hall.

A large hall also is located at Aiyansh and that's the seat of activity. Societies and organizations such as women's auxiliaries, church armies, YMCA groups, athletic organizations—all present their own concerts, ending with election of officers for the coming year.

And Santa Claus is by no means lost to the Indian children. Although the Naas River, huge waterway on the banks of which these villages are situated, has been frozen over for some time, there will be a host of presents for everyone.

Shopping usually is done early before freeze-up—but a lot of it is done by mail order, too, and yesterday and today three flights were made into Aiyansh to deliver last-minute Christmas mail and parcels.

Aiyansh is the only Indian village to have airmail service. It is flown by Queen Charlotte.

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