BOLSTERING UP DEFENCE OF CANADA

OTTAWA, Aug. 25: (CP)—There is considerable improvement in Canada's defence position. The Dominion is steadily acquiring more aircraft and other equipment, while at the same time pushing ahead her coastal fortifications.

Nearly 35,000 members of the nonpermanent militia—the force which corresponds to the British Territorials — received training in summer camps. Practically all units were at full peace time strength, and, responsive to appeals from the defence authorities, employers of labor in Canada co-operated generously in allowing the citizen-soldiers to undergo camp training without loss of pay.

A problem which has to be faced is the weakness in personnel of the Permanent Force—Canada's small regular army. Next parliamentary session legislation will be introduced to increase it, with most of the increase probably taken up by artillery. The Permant Force also works as the instructional cadre for the militia.

Sea Defences

Canada is giving thought to the arming of her merchantile marine in the event of war. A start will be made with the government's own ships—a fleet of passenger and freight carriers which ply between Canadian Atlantic ports and the West Indies. Arrangements are being made to equip these vessels with gun mountings and to train officers of the mercantile marine in those duties which would have to be performed in the event of war.

The Royal Canadian Navy will be strengthened at the end of September when the British Admiralty delivers a destroyer flotilla leader H.M.S. Kempenfelt, to the Canadian government. The ship will not be released until the naval manoeuvres in September are ended. It will be employed on the Pacific station, based at Esquimalt.

There is a shortage of naval officers and the government is offering temporary commissions to officers of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve.

New Aircraft

Aircraft deliveries to the Royal Canadian Air Force have begun in substantial numbers. For the past two years the aircraft factories have been undergoing the necessary preparatory period; but they are now turning out standard machines. In a few months Canada will have 150 first line fighting planes, exclusive of a considerable number of trainers.

Deliveries of heavy guns are slow. These are made in the United Kingdom and the Mother Country is concentrating on her own needs first.

DOG CATCHER BITTEN

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Aug. 25: (CP)—When Dog Catcher Stanley Bryan was bitten in line of duty it was not by a dog. When he attempted to catch a stray dog, a group of men hanging around a street corner jumped upon him and beat him, one of them biting him on the neck.

DOUBLE TROUBLE

YARMOUTH, N. S., Aug. 25: (CP)—A bluefin tuna had double trouble when it was caught by Sam LeBlanc off Yarmouth. A big shark bit the fish in halves as LeBlanc was playing it. A few boat lengths away another fisherman caught the shark which weighed 500 pounds after its meal of tuna.

ROYAL AIR FORCE PILOTS BECOME ARTISTIC

Pilots from the Duxford, Cambrideshire, Eng., Royal Air Force station became artistic while practising smoke-screen creation during a rehearsal for the Hendon, Middlesex, air display recently, as may be seen above. Thousands of persons, including King George, witnessed the display of speed and skill, climaxed by a massed flight of 250 aeroplanes.

QUICK COLLECTION

ST. ANDREWS, N. B., August 25: (CP)—In a ten day period for a ten percent discount rate the town of St. Andrews collected $30,461 or 80 percent of a total warrant of $37,923. Last year, when the warrant was $1,100 less, 72 percent was collected in a similar period.

Q. C. CITY

Mrs. Gordon Joliffe, accompanied by Mrs. B. T. Munro, left lest Saturday for Sandspit, where they will spend a holiday. They will occupy the house of Gust Skog who has moved to Queen Charlotte City with his family.

Dr. R. Johnston of Knox Presbyterian Church, Ottawa, was the preacher at the evening service at the United Church here last Sunday. He gave an inspiring and much appreciated sermon in which the needs of the present day world were discussed and the great necessity for brotherly love stressed.

Mrs. Bert Roberts and family were the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. Turner at Skidegate Oilery for several days last week. On Thursday evening Mrs. Turner entertained with a few tables of bridge in honor of her guest.

The gratifying sum of fifteen dollars was raised by the Ladies' Auxiliary to the United Church here on Saturday when the evening was spent enjoying amateur movies shown by Dr. D. T. McColl. There was a good attendance and refreshments were served at the close of the program by members of the Aid. The money will go towards purchasing shingle stain for the church.

The service boat Mary Roberta, belonging to the T. A. Kelley Logging Company, was in port this week having brought up a patient suffering from burns to the hospital here.

A few thousand salmon have been caught recently at Copper Bay, Moresby Island but so far there have been no big runs. The West Coast showed promise but latest reports are not encouraging.

The seiner Zenardi, Capt. Charles Haan, made a hurried trip from the mainland at the beginning of August, bringing one of the crew, Gus Skog, home to attend the funeral of his young daughter who passed away August 8 in the Skidegate Inlet General Hospital after an operation for acute appendicitis.

Joseph Marreau, proprietor of the local machine shop has returned aboard the "B.C. Packer 45" from Boswell cannery on the mainland after an absence of several months. He has been employed as machinist at the cannery. On his return he saw for the first time his baby daughter who was born this July.

Mrs. Charles Haan, wife of the owner and skipper of the Zenardi, left on the last south-bound trip of the Prince Charles for Pacofi Cannery where she will act as forelady. Several local girls left on the same boat for work at the cannery.

Some Prince Rupert people have been doing some interesting hybridizing. Arthur Bayne, the Court House gardener, has developed a number of new semi-double dwarf dahlias by making crosses with Baby Royal. While seeds from these would not be expected to come true at first it should be quite possible, by careful selection, to get some new hybrid gems that will be very valuable.

Frank Dibb last season crossed a Baby Royal with a Tiny, that delightful little apricot dahlia, and has produced a rather shaggy new type, quite different from anything seen before in Prince Rupert. The mother of the dahlia was Tiny and the progeny rather favors the mother. I hope Mr. Dibb will be able to continue with this flower until he has it fixed and named.

Mr. and Mrs. Dibb have a splendid garden and it is looking very well just now with Baby Royal dahlias as the outstanding feature. The begonias have been particularly fine this year. Also he has some of the finest asters I have seen anywhere. They are large and tall and well colored. They may be too far gone to enter in the show.

Entries for garden competition are coming in but a great many more are expected to enter before Saturday evening. The difficult weather has made it impossible to forecast what the show will be like. Judging from the inquiries there should be a great many entries.

Those interested in flowers are asked to remember that the show is to be held Wednesday and that it is to be upstairs in the Metropole Hall over Dyhhavn and Hanson's office. The hall is spacious and well lighted. Those paying the membership fee of fifty cents do not have to pay entry fees either for gardens, lawns or for the flower entries. Most people will find it cheaper to become members.

Tickets for the dinner next Thursday evening to Professor Buck may be obtained from any members of the committee. They are selling well. We should like to see seventy people at the dinner —H.F.P.

FINE COLOR FILM HERE

Shirley Temple in "The Little Princess" Showing at Capitol Theatre

Hailed as Shirley Temple's greatest triumph, "The Little Princess," adapted from Frances Hodgson Burnett's beloved classic of the same name, is the feature offering at the Capitol Theatre, having opened last night. It is a technicolor production and the cast includes such favorites as Richard Greene, Anita Louise, Ian Hunter, Cesar Romero, Arthur Treacher, Sybil Jason and Beryl Mercer.

Set in one of the most colorful periods of English history as Queen Victoria's reign was drawing to a close and the Empire was engaged in the Boer War, Shirley is cast as the little daughter of a devoted and wealthy father, an officer in the Boer War, who leaves the happy child in a girls' school. When the father is reported dead—a bankrupt—the little girl is turned into a little slavey. The "Little Princess" still firmly believes her father is alive and she determines to search for him. Unwinding of the tangled threads of the story lead up to a stirring climax in which Shirley meets none other than the august ruler, Queen Victoria.

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Queen Charlotte City Girl Dies

Many Attended Funeral of Miss Lorraine Skog Recently

QUEEN CHARLOTTE CITY, August 25:—Funeral services for Lorraine Skog, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gust Skog, formerly of Sandspit took place at the home of George Newberry, uncle of the child, at Queen Charlotte City.

A very large number of relatives and friends were present and the floral tributes were beautiful.

Rev. Basil Hartley conducted the service. Pall-bearers were Arthur Christinsen, Claude Duval, Derrold Stevens and John Carmichael.

Interment was made in the Queen Charlotte Cemetery.

Deceased is survived by her parents and a younger sister. Mrs. Skog is a member of the pioneer Rudge family and has many relatives on the Islands.

FIND OLD SEAL

BADDECK, N. S., Aug. 25: (CP)—A wax seal on a property deed has been turned up in the Victoria County clerk's office in this shire town. The seal, dated September 2, 1819, shows four yachts racing on the Bras d'Or Lakes.

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