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France More

Canada's Railways Play Part In Dominion's War Effort; Hungerford Reviews Year

MONTREAL, December 27.—With steadily increasng force, the impact of the war is being felt in every phase f the Dominion's industrial and commercial activities aid S. J. Hungerford, Chairman and President, Canadian Vational Railways and President, Trans-Canada Air ines, today in reviewing the railway year. The needs

hich the world has yet known. By dded to our manufactures a long st of items which a year ago were actories and mills.

gross the agricultural areas of the heaters, and roller bearings. ountry, serving every principal manufacturing centre, ocean and aland port of the Dominion-is

dian National Railways' opera- transportation service. ions in 1940. While the audited 1940 has also seen the expan-1938, 1939 and 1940 are shown:

Operating

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Forces Are Moved The safe and expeditious hand- ned to speed up the commerce of ing of special wartime movements the country. materials, and carrying to ocean Steamships fleet. growing munitions industry, the Canada. The preservation countries of timber, metals, grain, th Board of Directors.

quate. Its shop programs on re- maximum of service to the nation. planes over Libya.

numerous and so great, the cost pair and rehabilitation have day. a labor and materials so immense, brought the number of units hat there is created a greatly in- available for service up to a very reased demand for commodies and high percentage figure. During nost expensive in consumption of express and baggage cars, 150 balaterial and equipment of any last cars, and 25 heavy duty steam locomotives were added to racks. he close of the war we will have the equipment of the railway. The box cars are of all-steel construct turn. tion, 90,000 lbs. load limit, similar comparatively new to Canadian in design and equipment to those purchased during recent years. The flat cars, 52 feet long and 125,000 Canada's railways made possible lbs. load limit, are supplementing he very important expansion in the equipment being used in handling ariety and volume of the Domin- airplane sections and also lumber on's commodity production which from Pacific Coast sawmills to Atook place in the twenty-five years lantic Coast ports. Locomotives preceding 1939. The same railway purchased are of the "6100" class, etwork is making possible the primarily designed for freight serresent expansion in our produc- vice but also suitable for heavy on, and the expansion which is to passenger service. In working orollow. The Canadian National der, locomotive and tender weigh allway System-its 22,000 miles of 343 tons; over-all length is aphe traversing the Northern forest proximately 94 feet. These engines elt, tapping the mineral riches of are equipped with mechanical stokhe Canadian Shield, spreading out ers, superheaters, feed water

Improvements Made

Increased traffic due to war proving itself able to provide Can- conditions made it advisable cerdian industry with the efficient tain additions to track facilities ransportation service required to by way of passing tracks, sidings ffect this expansion in our produc- and yards. Further additions to on of materials and equipment. physical facilities are under study The increasing demand for rail- and consideration to meet growing ay service is reflected in the Can- wartime demands for railway

figures for the month of December sion of Canada's national air serare not yet available, carefully es- vice, the Trans-Canada Air Lines, imated results for that month add- spanning the Dominion and formed to the known figures for the firsting an important link in Empire eleven months of the year show communications. Additional pasthat the system had in 1940 net senger, air mail and express ser-Levenue of \$42,000,000 after the pay- vice was provided between Montment of operating expenses. For real, Toronto and Vancouver, makcomparative purposes, results for ing two flights daily in each direction. There were also inaugurated services between Toronto. London and Windsor, and between \$203,820,186 Montreal and Moncton, the latter connecting with planes to Prince 182,965,768 Edward Island and to the Atlantic ports of Halifax and Saint John. a total route mileage of nearly 4,000 miles, the T. C. A. planes are now flying 15,000 miles! 89.76% every day, carrying passengers, mail and express in regular ser- crew of forty-two had been lost. vice. Further extensions are plan-

of thousands of men of the navy, At sea the vessels of the Canaarmy and air forces has been the dian National Steamships (West concern of all departments of the Indies) Ltd. and of the Cana-Canadian National System—rail- dian Government Merchant Marway transportation, sleeping and ine Ltd., are doing important work dining car, steamships, air lines, in the import and export activity notels, express and telegraphs. Less of the Dominion and in passenger In the public eye but extremely carrying. The vessels now oper-Important has been the task of ated by the C. G. M. M. include! moving thousands of trainloads of some steamships formerly managed construction materials, machinery by French and Danish interests. and equipment to the new manu- Engaged in the naval defence of lacturing plants. As these plants the Dominion are the "Prince Robare completed there comes the ert," the "Prince David," and the Work of transporting to them large "Prince Henry," formerly of the connages of many kinds of raw Canadian National Pacific Coast

shipping points the production of some seventeen hundred emwar material and equipment. Be- ployees of the Canadian National sides meeting the transportation System are on active service with requirements of Canada's fast the Navy, Army and Air Forces of country's railway transportation seniority and continuity of service facilities must maintain the flow on the railway for these employees to the United Kingdom and other has been the subject of action by Mexican authorities at the in-

Meeting the increased demand On land, at sea, and in the air or railway transportation service the Canadian National System means the expansion of rolling and its personnel face the tasks tock and other facilities. The which lie ahead with confidence Canadian National early took steps and with a determination to leave, and locomotives would be ade- nothing undone to contribute a

HIT HARD

Away at Invasion Attempt

LONDON, Dec. 28: (CP)-Continuing the vigorous campaign to smash an invasion attempt, British bombers made two attacks on the Air Ministry announced to-

The Royal Air Force has been hitting hard from Norway to Normandie, attacking such places as of bombs have been dropped on line has been decreed.

Royal Air Force Busy Smashing Special Precautions Ordered By De Valera As Prospect Appears Of Being Drawn Into War

DUBLIN, Dec. 28:- With the threat facing Eire of being drawn into the war as a result of the docks of Lorient, submarine base into the war as a result of the OFFENSIVE in Nazi-occupied France today, American proposal to land war OFFENSIVE materials there from United States bottoms enroute to England, Premier Eamonn de Valera today ordered further defence precautions. onflict gives promise of being the cars, 100 refrigerator cars, 30 mail, bourg and St. Nazaire. Hundreds ation of the distribution of gaso-

docks, shipping, guns and bar- A Dublin newspaper said yesterday that Italy had assured Two British planes failed to re- Eire of Italian assistance in case of British aggression.

German Raiders Are Said To Be Operating Out Of Japan: Travelers' Tales

SHANGHAI, December 28: (CP)-Two German merchant vessels, equipped as raiders, are said to have sailed recently from Kobe, Japan, and it is believed that small German freighters, which left Shanghai last week, may have been carrying supplies for the raiders.

Travelers returning from Hong Kong said that Nazi raiders had sunk more than twenty Norwegian ships and attacked a number of British vessels recently in the Indian Ocean but only one sinking was confirmed independently.

Passengers aboard the Empress of Asia on the last voyage to Hong Kong reported that the vessel took four days instead of the customary two, going far off her course and zig-zagging constantly.

AMERICAN TANKER SUNK

NE WYORK- Capt. Eric R. Blomquist of the Standard Oil Co.'s Panama-registered oil tanker Charles Pratt cabled the company's New York office last night that only two American seamen had been lost in the sinking of his vessel on December 21 off the West African coast. Sinking details are not revealed. It was originally reported that two of the

APPROACHED DUNKERQUE BERLIN-It is stated here that British war vessels approached the port of Dunkerque but were

forced by big German army and naval guns to veer off.

ETHIOPIANS RISING . that thousands of Ethiopian reb-Haile Selassie is "extremely ac-

TO LEAVE TAMPICO

TAMPICO- One German and been in refuge here, are, appar- Stock Market ently, preparing to make a dash for home against the possibility Tone Is Strong of being seized or interned by the stance of United States.

LOGGER IS ACE

LONDON- A British Columbia logger who joined the Royal Air force in 1938 is credited with

Native Halibut Fishermen Form New Organization

PORT SIMPSON, Dec. 23.- A halibut fishermen's branch of the Native Brotherhood of British Columbia has been organized by W. R. Sampson of Port Simpson, the aims being to protect the interests of the natives of this industry.

James McKay is president and Herbert Bryant, secretary. Other officers will be elected at the next

Survivors Of Ship Landed

Arduous Experiences by Men From Freighter Arakataka-Suffered Exposure and Hunger

LONDON, Dec. 28.—After having LONDON- A dispatch to the had arduous experiences and many Daily Telegraph from Nairobi says suffering from the effects of hardship and exposure as a result of els are rising in guerrila warfare having been on the stormy and against the Italians. Emperor | wintry sea without adequate food and clothing in the lifeboats, survivors of the British freighter Arakataka have been landed at a west coast port. The Akakataka had been torpedoed.

Turnover Heavy But Prices In New York Held Up

NEW YORK, Dec. 28:-The New York stock market was strong in tone yesterday despite a heavy Geological surveys in Lapland this turnover totalling 1,270,000 shares, year have revealed resources of The industrial average at closing zinc, nickel, copper and gold ore. yesterday was 129.51, up .49; rails, One section would yield at least Industrial Manchester produced bringing down eight Italian 27.58, up .26, and utilities, 19.75, 750,000 tons of copper ore, the more than 400 tons of potatoes last

Petain, Still Defiant, Said To Be Planning Withdrawal To Africa To Resist Hitler

Italian Port Proceeding Smoothly

been taken in the great offensive tions." against Italian Libya, this number There are also reports that a FULL FORCE having been officially counted. German ultimatum which gave harass the Italian garrison."

Bardia is reported to have received unoccupied France. a "die rather than surrender" or- The possibility of General Maxat Tobruk, evidently with the idea French" army is also discussed. of establishing a second line of Berlin admits a deterioration in defence there.

TODAY'S STOCKS

Vancouver Big Missouri, .041/2 Bralorne, 10.50. Cariboo Quartz, 2.30. Dentonio, .001/2A. Fairview, .0058. Gold Belt. .29. Hedley Mascot, .56. Noble Five, .001/4. Pend Oreille, 1.80. Pioneer, 2.20. Premier, 90. Privateer, .55A. Reeves MacDonald, .15. Rene, .13. Relief Arlington, .023/4. Salmon Gold, .021/4. Sheep Creek, .85. Cariboo Hudson, .01.

A. P Con., .081/2. Calmont, .24. C. & E., 1.38. Home, 2.32. Pacalta, .04. Royal Canadian, .091/2A. Okalta, .70. Mercury, .06A. Prairie Royalties, 071/2. Toronto

Aldermac, .15. Beattie, 1.17. Central Pat., 1.89. Con. Smelters, 38.1/8. East Malartic, 2.85. Fernland, .05. Francoeur, .45. Gods Lake, .39 Hardrock, 1.04. Int. Nickel, 34.00. Kerr Addison, 3.95. Little Long Lac, 2.05. McLeod Cockshutt, 2.26. Madsen Red Lake, .63. McKenzie Red Lake, 1.20. Moneta, .60. Noranda, 56.1/2. Pickle Crow, 290. Preston East Dome, 3.50. San Antonio, 2.62. Sherritt Gordon, .82. Uchi, .32. Bouscadillac, .023/4. Mosher, .061/2. Oklend, .09. Smelters Gold, .011/2. Dominion Bridge, 26.00.

SWEDISH MINERALS

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 28: (CP)survey indicated.

Warships Already Said To Have Sailed From Toulon-Colonial Army May Go Over to DeGaulle

LISBON, December 28: (CP)—Travellers arriving from unoccupied France reported that they had been reervices of all kinds. The present 1940, 2,760 new box cars, 500 flat Bordeaux, Lorient, LeHavre, Cher- Among other things severe limit- Operations Against Beleaguered liably informed that Premier Petain had authorized a number of French naval officers to spend "vacations" in North Africa and that several French warships had already sailed from Toulon to North Africa. Travelers CAIRO. Dec. 28: (CP)-British connected these moves with Petain's

general headquarters announced "unabated decision to rule France RAIDING IN today that 38,114 prisoners had himself, free from foreign imposi- RAIDING IN

Authorities added that "concen- France seven days to collaborate tration of our forces investing with the Axis was expiring today Bardia is proceeding smoothly and that planes were in readiness to while our artillery continues to fly Petain and other Vichy government leaders to North Africa in the The force of 30,000 soldiers at event of Germany marching into Nazis Pound Hard At London Last

der from Premier Mussolini. The ime Weygand taking the French Italians are rushing work of colonial army in Africa over to Genstrengthening the fortifications eral Charles DeGaulle's "Free

negotiations between Germany and France over the issue arising out of the Nazi demand for reinstatement of Former Premier Pierre Laval.

Resistance Of Fascists

• the Italians with bayonet • the "all clear" was sounded. + charges and shellfire. Greek + A London hospital with 700 pa-· cisive stage. Italian artillery · no casualties in the hospital. • is said to be withdrawing from • Many houses were demolished

bulletins

FORMER CHIEF DIES son, who was chief of police here in 1921 and who retired in 1929, died in Vancouver General Hospital last night.

BULGARIA STAYS NEUTRAL SOFIA—Foreign Minister Ivan Popoff of Bulgaria says that this Funeral Of Mrs. country intends to remain neutral and continue friendly relations with Greece. King Boris has dismissed Army officers who insisted in co-operating with the Axis. Russia and Turkey are said to have assured Bulgaria of support in maintaining its neutrality.

SITUATION IN JAPAN MOSCOW- A serious internal situation is developing in Japan, according to reports given out here. There is deterioration both in domestic and foreign affairs and growing instability. The food situation is also bad.

MANCUNIAN SPUDS

year-on park land.

ONCE MORE

Night-One Of Heaviest Attacks So Far In War

SOUTHAMPTON TODAY

LONDON-Bombs were dropped on Southampton by a lone raider plane this afternoon. They caused "some damage," the Air Ministry announced.

LONDON, Dec. 28:-Fast flying · · · · · · · · · · · · · · relays of Nazi raiders pounded + London violently last night in a * resumption of the aerial warfare , in the Battle of Britain. Other areas of Britain also were hailed with showers of incendiaries and A high explosive bombs.

Office buildings in the centre * of the metropolis reverbrated with + the crash of bombs and anti-ATHENS. Dec. 28: - The * aircraft fire. It was one of the + Greeks, besieging Teplini on + worst bombardments to which the middle Albania front, are the London has so far been sub-· reported to have wrested · jected. Starting early in the eve-• domination of the town from • ning it tapered off and at 11 p.m.

+ dispatches said that crumb- + tients was damaged when two + ling Italian resistance had + high explosive bombs fell in a • brought the battle to a de- • nearby field. However, there were

+ positions behind the town. + and people were killed and in-• jured in various parts of the city. • • • Rescue workers were machinegunned in the streets.

large public shelter was going on in the course of a Christmas celebration. The showering of bombs nearby did not stop the dancing. Many windows were shattered

and fires started. The Associated Press building. VANCOUVER - James Ander- also containing the Canadian Press, was hit.

One southeast town was heavily showered with bombs as the Nazi planes passed over headed for London.

Walker Is Held

Many Old Friends Gathered This Afternoon To Attend Final Rites

Many old friends assembled this afternoon at the chapel of the B. C. Undertakers for the funeral of the late Mrs. G. C. Walker. Rev. H. G. Funston, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, officiated and Mrs. E. J. Smith presided at the organ. Pallbearers were S. E. Parker, Peter Cravetto, J. B. Mc-Kay, J. A. Curtis, A. J. Lancaster and F. W. Chandler.

400 NAZIS DOWNED LONDON-More than four hundred Nazi raiding planes have been brought down by night over Great Britain during six months.