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Historical Conference In Africa

RATIONS ON MEAT

Not Because of Canada's Shortage But Because of Demands of United Nations

OTTAWA, Jan. 27 (CP) — If production goals are attained, Canada will have sufficient beef, veal, mutton and lamb for its own requirements in 1943 but an over-all deficiency of pork products is in prospect, Department of Agriculture officials said yesterday.

Food authorities say that the rationing of meats is a possibility for Canada in the near future, not because of the extent of Canada's requirements but because of the needs of the United Nations drawing on North America for supplies.

Steel Strike Nearly Over

OTTAWA, Jan. 27—End of Canada's steel strike appears to be definitely in sight. Three thousand only of 13,500 striking workers were still out today. Trenton, Nova Scotia, is the only plant still idle.

DESTROYING MARSEILLES

Desperate Steps Taken by Nazis to Prevent Allied Invasion

VICHY, Jan. 27 — To prevent their being used in the event of an Allied invasion attempt, harbor installations of Marseilles are being destroyed at the order of the Nazis and with the consent of Pierre Laval.

Errol Flynn Takes Stand

Moving Picture Star to Give Evidence on Own Behalf Against Girl Accusers

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 27 — Errol Flynn, noted moving picture star, is taking the stand this afternoon to give evidence in his own defence against allegations of two underage girl accusers.

AID TO RUSSIA

Previously acknowledged	\$4,181.15
Steve Pugnik	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. Jacobsen	10.00
Murdo MacArthur	10.00
Paul Olson	5.00
Miss A. Peachey	5.00
Queen Mary Refugee Club	15.00
Deep Sea Fishermen's Union	50.00
T. Trotter	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Harrison	5.00
A. Anderson	5.00
Dr. J. M. S. Loubser	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Simpson	5.00
Mrs. T. N. Spencer	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Davidson	5.00
Chris. Olsen	5.00
Mike Walkiw	5.00
H. Nervill	5.00
George Ross	5.00
H. & L. Lakie	5.00
Shedd's Grocery	10.00
M. Fladset	5.00
A. Pestyk	5.00
E. R. Leek	5.00
J. Storseth	5.00
R. Storseth	5.00
Sundry donations under \$5	5.00
Total to noon this date	\$4,286.15

The public are advised that every authorized collector carries official credentials in the Receipt Book.

Tighten On Bunkhouses

Civic Health Reports to City Council on Matter

The city authorities have decided to tighten up on the health regulations in regard to bunkhouses being operated by contractors carrying out work in Prince Rupert. The contractors will be required to submit plans of such bunkhouses. The matter was dealt with by the health committee of the city council during the past week and a report upon it was made at tonight's council meeting.

This is one means of safeguarding against epidemics which are often due to overcrowded living conditions.

Complaints had been made that a tent camp on Beach Place presented a fire hazard and was unsanitary. The fire chief said that there was no undue fire hazard. The contractors themselves have undertaken to improve sanitary conditions.

Excavation In Sand Pit Held To Be Menace

Attention was drawn at Monday night's council meeting to an excavation in the sand pit on Conrad Street near Ninth Avenue which was a menace to the public safety and would become even more dangerous under the impending dim-out conditions. There seemed to be some uncertainty as to just who was responsible. However, steps are to be taken to have it filled up.

Public Library Had Busy Year

Annual Report Presented to City Council Shows Substantial Number of Active Borrowers

The annual report of the library board was presented to the city council last night through Ald. N. E. Arnold. There are now 3,900 books in the library and borrowers number 2,075.

During the year there were 738 new borrowers and the 2,075 now enrolled were all active.

City expenditure on the library for 1942 amounted to \$3,098.23 whereas it was estimated that the expenditure during the year would have been \$2,500. The salary of the librarian had been increased. Estimates for the coming year would be about the same as last year.

From 1933 to 1941 the library received no money from the city, the report said, but in 1941 it received an allowance for binding and in 1942 received \$225 for binding old books and \$200 for purchase of new books.

The report referred to the need of a new motor for the iron fireman of the library. It will be endeavoured to obtain this.

Ald. Arnold was thanked for the report which was filed.

Fit Men Shortage

OTTAWA, Jan. 27 (CP)—Compulsory mobilization delivered 107,678 fit men to the Canadian Army from March 20, 1941, to December 26, 1942, as against army requisitions for 150,390. It was shown in a substantial analysis of mobilization machinery operation released last night.

Liquidation of Shattered Remnants of Stalingrad Force Nears Completion

LONDON, Jan. 27 (CP)—For the bulk of Adolf Hitler's siege armies trapped before Stalingrad, originally estimated at 220,000, the hours of defence were all but ended today as a Soviet victory bulletin declared that only 12,000 remained in tightly sealed pockets and "their liquidation is only a question of two or three days." Wholesale surrender by the Nazis in that area is claimed by Moscow. A German radio commentator admitted that each Axis soldier still trapped at Stalingrad "probably has forfeited his life" and declared that "the great winter battle on the eastern front is raging with undiminished force and spreading to new areas."

The Russians are now only fifty-six miles away from Rostov, the gateway of the Caucasus, and eighty miles from Kharkov, the capital of the Ukraine.

PASSING OF ISLAND MAN

James Royal Simonds of Huxley Island Logging Camp Succumbs To Heart Attack

James Royal Simonds, an official of the J. R. Morgan Logging Co.'s Huxley Island camp on the Queen Charlotte Islands, succumbed to heart failure and the body was brought to the city yesterday afternoon by aircraft, accompanied by the widow who is a sister of B. E. Morgan of Billmor. The remains will be taken on tomorrow night to Vancouver where deceased regularly resided and where interment will be made.

Mr. Simonds was fifty-five years of age and was born in the United States.

Sewers Must Be Satisfactory To City Engineer

All contractors putting in private sewers in the city will hereafter have those sewers passed upon by the city engineer before they are covered, it was decided by the city council Monday evening on motion of Ald. Robert McKay, seconded by Ald. James S. Black. It was felt that if such sewers were not of satisfactory construction they might soon be causing trouble.

LEAD IS TRIMMED

Boston Bruins Defeated Last Night By Second Place Detroit Red Wings

DETROIT, Jan. 27 (CP)—The second place Detroit Red Wings took a five to three victory from the leading Boston Bruins in the only scheduled game in the National Hockey League last night. The Wings are now but three points behind the Bruins in the standing. Tomorrow night the New York Rangers and Chicago Black Hawks are scheduled to battle at Chicago. The league standing to date is as follows:

John Bremner returned to the city today from a trip to Vancouver.

John Bulger returned to the city this morning from a trip to Vancouver.

W. V. Scrivener, local representative of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, returned this morning from a trip to Vancouver.

HOLD IS CLINCHED

British Eighth Army Resumes Contact With Rommel—Tunisian Pass Captured

LONDON, Jan. 27 (CP) — On the North African front British headquarters announced that the British Eighth Army resumed contact yesterday with Axis rearguards west of captured Zauia, 30 miles beyond fallen Tripoli.

In Tunisia tank-led American infantry were reported to have clinched their hold of strategic Ousseltir Valley, 65 miles below Tunis, after capturing a mountain pass commanding a valley plain.

Isolation Hospital Under Discussion

City Council Sympathetic But is in no Financial Position to Undertake Project

The city council sympathizes with the necessity of an isolation hospital being provided here but the health committee has advised the council that it cannot recommend the expenditure at present in view of the city's financial position.

Ald. J. S. Black, chairman of the health committee of the council, agrees that the old isolation hospital is useless but to build a new one according to provincial requirements would run the city into a very considerable expenditure. Mayor W. M. Watts has said that the Municipal Act is not very specific as to whether it is the city's responsibility to provide an isolation hospital.

LORIENT, BORDEAUX

French Ports Were Objectives of R.A.F. Last Night—Canadians Take Part

LONDON, Jan. 27 (CP)—The French port of Bordeaux and the U-boat base of Lorient were bombed last night by the Royal Air Force which lost two aircraft in the assault, it was announced today. The Air Ministry said that the dock area at Lorient was set afire. The Royal Canadian Air Force took a big part in this attack.

Smithers Man Passes Here

Death in Prince Rupert General Hospital of Charles Shields After Three Weeks' Illness

The death occurred at the first of the week in the Prince Rupert General Hospital, where he had been a patient for three weeks, of Charles Shields of Smithers. Deceased followed the calling of a cook and had been 35 years in the province. He was sixty-five years of age and was a native of Sweden.

Administrator Of Food Returning To Saskatchewan

OTTAWA, Jan. 27 (CP)—J. G. Taggart, food administrator for the Wartime Prices and Trade Board since December 1941, is returning to Regina to give full time to his regular job as minister of agriculture for Saskatchewan. Taggart was loaned to the board on the understanding that he would retire after the organization had been completed.

Churchill - Roosevelt Parley Boosts Hopes For Final 1943 Blow

Announcement of "Complete Agreement" May Mean Detailed Plans for Defeat of Axis on all Fronts

LONDON, Jan. 27 (CP) — The rendezvous between Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Franklin D. Roosevelt of the United States in Morocco has sharply boosted British hopes that a final blow at the heart of Hitlerdom will be struck in 1943. The word that "complete agreement" has been reached between the two leaders is accepted in military and diplomatic circles as meaning that detailed plans for the defeat of the Axis on all fronts have been shaped far into the future with blows on Hitler-held Europe almost certain for the current year.

Confirmation that "unconditional surrender" of enemy governments remained a basic objective was hailed as powerful reassurance to the British public which has taken too many blows to accept a lesser victory. Co-incident with the announcement last night that the historic conference between Churchill and Roosevelt had taken place in a French-Morocco villa near Casablanca came word that General Charles De Gaulle, Fighting French leader, and General Henri Giraud, North African High Commissioner, had "met and talked" in Africa at the insistence of Roosevelt and Churchill but well informed sources said any definite settlement between the two would be a long process. Out of a two-day conference of the two French leaders at the same time as the Churchill-Roosevelt meetings at Casablanca has come little more than agreement to liberate France but nothing was decided as to who would lead the Frenchmen or what the policy in regard to Vichy was to be.

An official statement announced to the world last night in regard to the Churchill-Roosevelt conference said that complete agreement had been reached on war plans and unified strategy including a general offensive against the Axis. Unconditional surrender of Germany, Italy and Japan must be the basis of any peace terms. Maximum material aid to Russia and China was again pledged. In regard to destruction of Axis military power and "philosophy of conquest" it was explained that this did not imply threat against the civilian population. There was historic precedent in connection with the attendance of President Roosevelt at the conference. It was the first time that a chief executive of the United States had visited a foreign country while his own nation was at war. It was the first time that a President had flown while in office. He crossed the Atlantic by clipper plane. It was the first time since Lincoln that a President had visited a war theatre. Their active war duties made it impossible for Premier Joseph Stalin of Russia and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek of China to attend.

The utmost secrecy guarded the holding of the conference. There were also elaborate precautions to guard the safety of its principals. Leading representatives of all the fighting forces of both Great Britain and the United States accompanied the two leaders of the nations. These included General George C. Marshall, chief of staff of the United States Army; Admiral Ernest J. King, commander-in-chief of the United States Navy; and Lieut. General Henry H. Arnold, head of the United States Air Forces; General Sir Allen Brooke, chief of staff of the

Highlights Of Parley

Here are the highlights of the Casablanca conference which Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain and President Franklin D. Roosevelt of United States agreed was unprecedented and will affect the course of the war:

1. Military and civil leaders of both countries agree on a 1943 plan designed to retain the initiative in every war theatre.
2. The Prime Minister and the President, perhaps in anticipation of Axis peace feelers, agreed that peace can come only through unconditional surrender of the three major Axis powers.
3. Generals Giraud and De Gaulle met for the first time to negotiate for an effective union of their two forces.
4. Premier Joseph Stalin of Russia was kept informed although unable to leave his country because of the big Red winter offensive.
5. Maximum material aid to Russia and China will be one of the prime aims of Great Britain and the United States.

Canned Milk Is Needed In City

Council Making Representations to Ottawa With a View to Seeing Supply Ensured

Dr. John MacDonald, medical health officer, has recommended that the city council make representations to the authorities at Ottawa with a view to guaranteeing that adequate supplies of canned milk be made available for those in Prince Rupert who need it. It is felt that this should be done in the event of rationing going into effect. The representations as suggested by Mr. MacDonald are being made.

British Army; Admiral Sir Dudley Pound, Admiral of the Fleet; Sir Charles Portle, Air Marshal in chief, and Lord Louis Mountbatten, commander in chief of British commando forces.

Mr. Roosevelt was also accompanied by Harry Hopkins and J. Abel Harriman.

Unanimous satisfaction has been expressed in London and Washington over the conference although it was observed by some quarters in London that conclusions on question of Allied strategy were "on a very broad scale." There seemed to be some disappointment that there had been failure to reach complete agreement in regard to the French North African political situation.