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Remember Ludendorff . . .

General Ludendorff once said the presence of Canadians in the front line was sufficient evidence of an impending Allied offensive to warrant bringing up fresh reserves.

In his memoirs of the last war, the old General voiced a healthy respect for the offensive power of men whom he referred to as shock troops of the Allies.

Today, in Britain, a new generation of men from the Commonwealth's senior dominion are nearing the end of the rigorous offensive training which began when their post-Dunkirk defensive role fizzled out in Hitler's failure to pull off an invasion.

Wehrmacht men standing guard on Hitler's European "fortress," barring those who faced 1st Canadian Division when it steam-rolled through mountainous central Sicily, cracked the Etna line and shortened the campaign, have still to learn exactly what Ludendorff meant.

Canadian soldiers in Britain are among the war's veterans in assault training. They know assault landing boats as well as yachtsmen know their peacetime pleasure craft. And they know, too, that the technique in these practice assaults, as in the actual operation, is based on lessons learned in that bloody and bitter, largely-Canadian, Dieppe raid.

Canadians have covered hundreds of miles of British coastal waters in assault boats and then returned to land on rocky wind-swept strips of English or Scottish beach.

And today's assault planning exercises are not cake-walks or school boys' play. Realism is as necessary to soldiers on assault landing practice as stage effects to actors in a play.

Although the "enemy" may shoot high and off-range, his Bren gun bullets and two-inch mortar shells are real, and there's nothing faked about the T.N.T. charges which are detonated on the beach as the men land.

On a recent exercise involving a famous Canadian Highland unit, the boys had "the works" thrown at them—the whole bag of assault landing tricks.

Senior officers wanted them to have a taste of what it would be like to form the spearhead of an invasion—the much-touted role of the Canadians when Europe finally is invaded—to land and capture, then consolidate, a bridgehead, before following waves of infantry with armored and artillery support were landed and nourished through.

Each rifle company in turn made a landing, preceded by a night raid designed to worry the "enemy" and locate strongly-fortified positions.

All assaults were made with the support of the Royal Navy, and naval personnel and Royal Engineers formed the "enemy" side, preparing Bren gun and two-inch mortar positions, and laying charges of T.N.T. in the sandy beaches.

It's an old story to Canadians, after more than two years of hard knocks in the school of modern war. But when they engage in the next invasion of Europe, with British, American and probably other Allied troops, Canadians will know what to expect and what to do.

And perhaps, this time, the memoirs will be written by von Rundstedt.

SPORT NEWS

CURLING IS UNDER WAY

Skating Rink at Smithers Is Also in Action Now.

SMITHERS, Jan. 12.—Smithers Curlers took to the ice on Sunday "wi' besom and stane" and started the first bonspiel of the season with twelve mixed rinks of two ladies and two men. The ice which had just been built up by Percy Davidson, was in excellent shape and the games were much enjoyed. The bonspiel has now progressed to the finals which will be played off this evening.

In the first competition the Simpson rink defeated the Kenney rink in the semi-finals to meet the Triplett rink, which had won a bye, in the finals on Tuesday evening.

In the consolation competition the Arnold rink defeated the rink skipped by E. Hann to play off the finals with the Len Evans rink, making it a sort of "Home Oil vs Imperial Oil" contest.

Owing to the extreme mildness of the winter so far and the lack of any volunteers for contracting to build the ice the game is later than usual in getting under way this year but, if the weather remains steady throughout the winter, there will still be time to play off the various tournaments, these being contests for the Hanson Cup, the Imperial Oil Cup and the E. T. Kenney trophy.

The ladies' club has six rinks in their organization this year and they will start playing immediately for the Home Oil Cup.

The annual meeting of the club will be held this evening when election of officers will take place and the teams lined up for the winters play.

Many of the old players of last winter and past years are absent from Smithers this year and, while there are a number of new players coming in, it is not likely that there will be as many rinks this winter as there have been in other years.

Skating Rink Is in Action

The local skating rink also got into action last week, under the management of John Howe and it is being extensively patronized by the younger element and to some extent by the grown-ups. The prospects for amateur hockey in this outstanding hockey town for this year, however, do not seem very good.

Basketball Buzz

Five women's basketball teams are expected to participate in a playing schedule to be drawn up shortly. It is revealed by S. P. Woodside, president of the Area Basketball League, at a meeting of the league executive held in the Empress hall. Teams which have signified their willingness to take part are the Air Force Women's Division, Canadian Women's Army Corps, High School and two teams from the workers in the United States administration building. A meeting of the Women's basketball committee is to be held today to arrange a schedule of play. Co-operation from the men's league has been assured.

Serious attention is being given to the matter of payment to referees. Carlton Clay of the Y. M. C. A., is of the opinion that, since the local league is not a class "A" conference, referees should not be paid. This view supported by Lieut. B. Chambers and viewed favorably by others. It is thought that the choice of a referee should be a matter of decision for the competing teams.

The question of tardiness has been raised by Lieut. Glasebrook of Port Edward who holds that 15 minutes be allowed after the time the game is called for the players to appear. It has been decided that, if a team fails to arrive within that time, or does not explain the reason for the delay, it will be forced to default the game. The defaulting team may protest the decision to the executive committee.

mittee, whose judgment on the matter will be final.

It has been decided to leave the preparation of the second half of the winter's schedule to president Woodside who prepared the first half of it. There will be a series of exhibition games between the Yanks and the Port Edward All-Star teams. A vote of credit was extended to Captain McRae who arranged the exhibition game in the Navy Drill hall before Christmas and of which proceeds went toward the children's Christmas tree.

Attending a basketball meeting Monday night were President Sid Woodside, Secretary G. Webb, and representatives Capt. Tuttle, Port Edward, Lieut. Glasebrook, Port Edward, Captain Peek and Corporal Willoughby, of the Yanks, Flying Officer McIntyre, and Corporal Blore, R.C.A.F., Carl Clay, of Y.M.C.A., Gunner J. Sutton, Lieut. B. Chambers, and Corporal McMarchie, each representing an army unit, Petty Officer Brookman, Navy, and Lieut. W. V. Manson Reserves.

Sport Chat

Dart baseball, which Norion Youngs and Sam Currie have organized to take the place of some of the other forms of social entertainment now unavailable for civilians, is a game the appeal of which would be great even if it had to compete with bowling and the like. Its appeal lies in the fact that it allows group participation just like bowling and fan interest in the manner of baseball.

The equipment for the game is similar to that required for darts. The difference is that the board at which the darts are thrown is marked off similar to a baseball diamond and is four feet square. It is divided into areas each marked for a baseball play.

The darts are thrown underhand, from a distance of 20 feet, and, if they hit the target, which in beginners is said to be unusual, the thrower will have achieved anything from a foul ball to a home run, including fly-balls, base hits or balls.

The game is played by teams. In the east it is played with nine on a team but here it

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is thought that six would make for a faster game. The scores usually approximate those of regular baseball.

SMITHERS

Among members of the military at home in Smithers for the holiday are Sgt. Gordon Williams, visiting his sisters here and who will return to his station at Lachine P.Q. immediately.

Pte. Guy Ludgate who is serving in the army in Nova Scotia is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Ludgate.

L.A.C. Harry Kenney, from Saskatoon, who is visiting his

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA IN PROCEEDINGS IN THE MATTER OF THE "ADMINISTRATION ACT"—AND—IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE WILLIAM DAVIS DECEASED

TAKE NOTICE that by order of Honour, W. E. Fisher, made on 6th day of January, A. D. 1944, was appointed Administrator of the Estate of George William Davis, deceased, all parties having claims against said estate are hereby required to furnish same, properly verified, on or about the 15th day of February, A. D. 1944, and all claims not so verified and filed shall be deemed to be barred. Dated at Prince Rupert, B. C., 10th day of January, A. D. 1944. NOHRMAN A. WILSON, Official Administrator, Prince Rupert, B. C.



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To the Health Seeker

Perhaps, a "Belief" exists that "everything has been tried and failed"? Has "faith" subsided to the low ebb of accepting as a fact, the belief that a disease is incurable? Meanwhile, a vague misgiving persists that: Somehow, somewhere there must be an answer to incurability.

Chiropractically, the greatest handicap to health restoration is: So many cherish a traditional faith or belief to the bitter end. Meantime, a simple disease descends into an indefinite and complicated realm of incur-ABILITY. Thus faith and belief hinders, and denies, the natural self-CURABILITY within themselves the rightful duty to remedy (meaning: to cure again).

Such statements, of disease, special or general are verified by an exhaustive survey. Over 93,000 persons turned, when disillusioned and disappointed, to Chiropractic (Nature) as a LAST resort.

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A critical reader may question this astonishing record. For the needy there are two basic considerations: The belief that a condition is obstinately incurable as, against the Chiropractic record with thousands of varied, incurable cases. Both cannot be right.

When faith and belief fails to move mountains, Mahomet must go to the mountain. Possibly, the earnest Health Seeker discerns, by the mountainous record, that everything has not been tried; that, high odds yet remain in his favor.

As Mahomet would resolve: If Chiropractic eventually, why not . . . NOW!

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