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| Sunday, July 23 | |
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| Low | 9:26 3.0 feet |
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To German Army Generals Shot

WOMEN M.D.'S BEING USED

Canada Has Three FMO's At Work in Army Hospital in Britain and They Are Anxious to Go to France

By MARGARET ECKER
Canadian Press Staff Writer

WITH A CANADIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL IN ENGLAND, July 22 (CP)—Canada may send some of the first FMO's—women army doctors—across to serve in Normandy.

With a Canadian General Hospital that has already done a considerable amount of moving about England since its arrival in May are three Canadian women medical officers, as well as a bacteriologist. All four want to go overseas.

Meanwhile, in this large unit, they are privileged women. When the nursing sisters eat in their own mess, the four who wear khaki instead of blue use the spacious medical officers' mess and have other rights accorded previously only to men of the medical corps.

"The fact that the army has accepted women doctors on equal terms should be a big help to the future of women in the medical profession," Maj. Violet Rae commented as she bent over a microscope in the hospital's pathology lab.

Major Rae, who can claim Hamilton, Ont., Toronto and Calgary as past homes, is in charge of the lab and under her the biochemical testing is carried out, blood tests are made as well as tissue examinations and the occasional post-mortem.

"A lab in a military hospital is never dull," said the kindly, variety woman doctor.

VARIETY OF WORK

"We don't see many patients, but we have a wide variety of work."

Major Rae majored in pathology at the University of Toronto after she completed her medical training at the University of Alberta in Edmonton. Later, she worked in the lab at the Mount Sinai Sanatorium, Hamilton, Ont.

Working with the major was Lieut. Jean Arnot who before her marriage to Capt. Fred Arnot of the dental corps, was Jean Bonnell of Victoria. Being one of the first women bacteriologists from Canada to serve overseas gave Mrs. Arnot a chance to see her husband for the first time in more than a year. Mrs. Arnot was getting ready to move with her hospital unit but she would be followed in the lab by Lieut. Mary Gibson of Vancouver, who also attended U.B.C. at the same time.

The fact that Capt. D. Hannay of Kitchener, Ont., was skilled in internal medicine gave her a chance to come to England to carry on her job and see her husband. Capt. J. Hannay, after a long separation. She is on the general medical staff. She received her degree at the University of Toronto and later did postgraduate work in England.

Capt. Shirley Fleming of Toronto is the anesthetist here and spends most of her time in the operating rooms. She is also a graduate of the University of Toronto.



BRITISH PASS "HOTEL DE ROSES" IN CASSINO — British troops of the 8th Army file past the ruins of the "Hotel de Roses" in battered Cassino after the long-besieged town fell May 18, trapping part of the first parachute division who surrendered.

TANK EPITOMIZES FURY AND HUMDRUM OF BATTLE

Joys and Cares of Hardy Canadians Symbolized in Tale of Veteran Land Battlewagon on Italian Front

By DOUG HOW
Canadian Press War Correspondent

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN ITALY, July 22 (CP)—The "Commando" sat under a great, sprawling tree, every steel inch of her the battlehorse. She had seen things, done things, the "Commando," in the year since they sent her snorting into her first actions in the dust of Sicily. Months ago she had done her 1,000th Italian mile and now she is better than halfway to another 1,000.

Sicily, the pursuit through the south, the Moro Valley and then that five-day brawl in the few miles between the Rapido river and Pignataro, the German's Gustav Line. The "Commando" knew them all, had pitched and bucked and killed in them all until she had that same, sure, oaken look that comes to a great battleship that has known frequent trial and recurrent success.

The shock of an exploding mine beneath her solid belly, the feel of the fitter's tools about her treaded feet, the changing crews, the changing squadrons, the clear, unfettered voice of the colonel over the intercommunication system that gave guidance and leadership to the five harried men within her. The colonel was gone now, gone back to England to have an operation on the leg he'd had in a leather brace all through the doings in the Gustav Line.

She had known men, the "Commando." She had known most of them that were shot, one another here in Italy, the durable, happy little Gurkha who chattered to her crew in

and one of her troopers, E. L. Henderson, Carleton Place, Ont. said "won't be long now." The he turned and asked "how far are we from the front?"

Another one, A. L. Williams, Olds, Alta., cursed, "those damn guns. I hate every one of them."

It was nine o'clock, BBC news time and Tpr. C. J. Heath, Montreal, climbed inside the "Commando's" turret and snatched on her wireless set. Everything was clear until nine sharp, then the Germans jammed the air and Heath climbed down and cursed them.

The "Commando" listened to them talk. Words like that of the trooper who chuckled about the miles he was going to run "if there's any of those 75s or 88s blattin' around up there" and the wistful voice that told about the sergeant who had lost some fingers this day and would probably "get his ticket home."

They didn't want to go into action again. They'd been in action a year and that was long enough. But come the morning and these three and Sgt. J. Orson of Prince George, B.C., and Tpr. L. F. McLean, Conrich, Alta., would fight her in the same hard, true way she had always been fought.

MARJORIE LAWRENCE HOME

SYDNEY, Australia, July 22 (CP)—Marjorie Lawrence, Australian soprano, has arrived here from the United States. She will spend four months here with her husband, Dr. Thomas King, of New York, and hopes to be back in the States for the Metropolitan Opera season beginning in November. Her main object in returning to Australia is to sing for members of the fighting services, but she will also give a series of public concerts.

The first Spanish explorers brought the peach to the new world.

The guns beat the distant sky

New Japanese Premier Named

NEW YORK, July 22 (CP)—The Tokyo radio announced today that General Kuniaki Kishi, former Governor General of Korea has been named premier of Japan to succeed Hideki Tojo, whose resignation followed a series of Japanese military setbacks. An earlier broadcast said that Kishi expected to submit to the Empire today a list of names for his new cabinet.

FACE DISASTER ON EAST FRONT

MOSCOW, July 22 (CP)—Making a supreme bid to capture the Polish capital of Warsaw the Russians have rolled back the Germans today on a 200-mile front, and are less than 90 miles from the former Polish city. Brest, Litovsk and Lwow, are also in grave danger of being taken by the Red Army.

In the Baltic area the Russians have taken Ostrov, and have nearly surrounded Pskov. The Red Army has poured through breaches in the makeshift German line, onto the Polish plains, and enemy troops appear to be facing disaster.

N. M. McLean, Pioneer, Passes

Norman Murdoch McLean, pioneer resident of Prince Rupert, and operator of a boat building business at Seal Cove for many years, passed away in the Prince Rupert General Hospital shortly before noon today after an illness which had kept him in hospital for the last three weeks. He was 53 years old.

The late Mr. McLean was born at Murray River, P.E.I., and came to this district in 1909, working as a building contractor at Stewart, Smithers and Prince Rupert. He built many of the houses which now stand in the city.

In 1916 he started a boat building works at Cow Bay, working there until 1926, when he moved to the present site at Seal Cove. Many of the boats operating out of this port are his handiwork. He was a well known and popular figure in the city.

He is survived by his wife and three brothers, Archie and Peter in Vancouver, and Allan at Murray River, two sisters, Mrs. John Giddings of Vancouver, and Mrs. Will Giddings, Trenton, N.S., two sons, Wilfred and William, and a daughter, Mrs. Rita Rogerson, all of Prince Rupert. There are three grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Leslie Parkes returned to the city on Wednesday from a trip to Edmonton, Calgary and Banff. At Edmonton he visited with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thrupp.

Naval Uprisings and Establishment Of New Government Reported

LONDON July 22 (CP)—A welter of reports leaking through the German censorship indicate that the Reich is in a virtual state of seige as Himmler's Gestapo men sort through the German officers' corps picking out members suspected of disaffection to Hitler. Through Switzerland come unfirmed reports of the slaughter of some of the most illustrious figures in the army, including generals von Brauchitsch, von Rundstedt, List, and Manstein. In all, 5,500 officers are said to have been taken into custody.

Cleavage within the army is indicated by an order-of-the-day by Hitler, in which he credited army officers and men with putting down civil war.

Other unfirmed reports tell of unrest in the navy as well. Stockholm dispatches speak of uprisings at the naval bases of Kell and Stettin. Mass arrests are reported in Berlin.

Dr. Robert Ley, Nazi labor chief, told a thousand armament workers today of "an idiotic nobility that has nothing better to do than plot against our feuhner."

Ley attacked the Jews, plutocrats and foreigners as the instigators of the plot on Hitler's life.

"The fact that he was saved does not mean that the battle is won," Ley shouted.

Adding to the confusion, the German underground radio station "Atlantic" broadcast that army officers who had escaped Hitler's net had established a new Imperial government.

Trueman Wins Nomination

CHICAGO, July 22 (CP)—Senator Harry Truman of Missouri was nominated for Vice-President on the second ballot by the Democratic National Convention Friday night. The Missouri senator has replaced Henry Wallace as running mate for President Roosevelt for the fourth term. Wallace led on the first ballot, but one after another the state delegation swarmed behind Truman on the second vote.

M.L.A. WITNESSED DESTRUCTION ON ALASKA HIGHWAY

PRINCE GEORGE, July 22 (CP)—Mrs. Dorothy Steeves, C.C.F. member for North Vancouver, in an address here charged that there was "a horrible wastage, including the destruction of foodstuffs" occurring along the Alaska highway.

"Through the seemingly laxity of the Canadian government huge piles of foodstuffs including sugar, are burning away," she said.

She charged that hundreds of trucks and stoves had been abandoned, and that near Carcross she had seen a huge pile of tires burning.

FIGHTING ON GUAM LIGHT

PEARL HARBOR, July 22 (CP)—United States forces have established good beachheads on Guam, and additional troops are landing against light initial Japanese resistance. Fighting began Friday morning for the first reconquest of an American former base which had been softened up by weeks of shelling the Marianas. The soldiers met little opposition in the main landing.

He also attended the Calgary Stampede, an event which he found of much interest and of which he brought back a number of pictures.

LITTLE ACTION IN NORMANDY

GHAFF, July 22 — Action on the Normandy front has been virtually brought to a standstill by mud as heavy rains continue. General Eisenhower's headquarters today issued the shortest communique of the campaign. "Nothing to report." However, correspondents' dispatches say that small local actions continue in advance positions, with troops fighting from water-filled slit trenches.

Air action along the front also has been paralyzed by clouds and ground fog.

German reports say that the British are taking advantage of the lull to prepare for a major attack along the Orne River.

ARRESTED FOR PREMIER THEFT

British Columbia police Friday arrested Ronald John West, 20, formerly of Premier, and charged him with theft of money and cheques from the store of Silbak-Premier mining company at Premier. The theft which also involved break and entry, was alleged to have taken place on July 14.

West left Premier a few days after the theft took place and came to Prince Rupert, where he was working for a fish packing company when taken into custody by Sergeant O. L. Hall. The amount of money involved was not disclosed.

It was said that West, whose home is at New Westminster, had worked for the mining company for only a short time.

He will be taken to Stewart for trial.

Smithers Gets New Fire Pump

SMITHERS, July 22—Smithers fire equipment was recently augmented by the arrival of a 150-gallon-per-minute Bickle pump sent here for the use of the Civilian Protection Committee. Accompanying the pump was 2000 feet of hose and three nozzles. This addition to fire fighting apparatus should be of good use during the periods of the year when water is available in the local canal.

HALIBUT SALES

American
PortlucK, 50,000, 15c and 13 1/2c.
B.C. Packers.

Treat V.D. At Digby Hospital

Attorney General Asks Old Building Be Re-opened to Treat Native Cases

VICTORIA, July 22 (CP)—Attorney General R. L. Maitland has written the Federal Minister of Pensions and National Health, Hon. Ian Mackenzie, suggesting that the Digby Island hospital now vacant at Prince Rupert, be used for treatment of venereal disease cases.

Maitland told the minister that during a recent trip to the Prince Rupert area he had learned of the serious problem arising from the presence of many Indians, and that the Department of Indian Affairs had no place to take care of Indian cases.

Provincial Secretary George Pearson has approved the plan to use the Digby hospital for treatment.



NAZI ROLLING STOCK IS BOMBED TO JUNK—Striking evidence of the efficacy of Allied bombings of German railroads and German-operated railroads in occupied countries in this picture, taken from a captured German film and incorporated in "March of Time's" newsreel "underground report." Multiply this by a thousand and you may have an idea of what Allied bombs have done to rail centres in pre-invasion bombings of Nazi communications.

Highway Interest

Big Topic of Discussion in Interior Now—Tells of Crops

One of the principal subjects among the people of these days is the improvement of the Skeena Highway reports G. R. S. manager of the local Bank of Montreal, returned to the city Thursday after spending two or three weeks at his summer home at Kathryn. Everybody is interested in when the road will be opened and quite a few motorists are saving up on their gas as to be able to drive through as soon as they can. The idea of being able to drive to Smithers in six to eight hours intrigues the people. Many years have had to go upon the long rail to get there.

Mr. Blackaby was away, and the drought conditions during the early part of the season stunted the hay and just as much of it is lying in the fields as cut, a big rain and storm came up and it so the hay situation is good. However, prospects for the grain and field are still satisfactory.

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Kathryn has quite a good colony this summer. Flaten will be returning to the city Sunday night and D. Ritchie next Thursday. The families in each case are remaining until later in the season.

Produce and Fisher

Produce Is Sold

HERE, July 22—One of the best and oldest ranches in Bulkley Valley changed hands recently when the property formerly known as the "Produce and Fisher Farm" was sold to Mrs. A. V. Fisher to be run by Mrs. J. C. Keller of Oregon. The farm of 662 acres, of which 100 acres are under cultivation and is well equipped with the necessary buildings for a fine dwelling.

Keller is enthused with Bulkley Valley and foresees a bright future for the district. He is also appreciative of the hospitality of all the British Columbians that he had met crossing the border and he is looking forward to the local scenery was excellent.

Mrs. Keller left soon after the deal to return to her home and will arrive here in the future date to take up her new home.

The Fisher farm overlooks Tye and is about 10 miles from Bulkley.

A transfer took place in the real estate firm of H. Kenney.

Wistaria Army

Missing

Bombardier Hugh Morison, of Wistaria, is missing while serving with the Royal Canadian Artillery, according to the Canadian Army casualty list released today.

Smithers Airmen

Returning Homes

SMITHERS, July 22—LAC J. Kenney arrived home at Smithers on Saturday after having completed his Elementary Training course in the military station at Abbotsford, B.C., which he graduated as a Student. Upon completing his training today he will return to continue his training in the R.C.A.F. at Camp Borden, Ontario.

Mr. Kenneth Collison and Mrs. Collison have just arrived from Ontario on a visit with Mr. J. M. Collison, parents of Mr. Collison.

Corporal Johnny Dunlop of the R.C.A.F. in New Brunswick, and Chas. Botham, who has been taking a course of training in the R.C.A.F., also arrived home on Saturday to visit with their relatives here.