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### Forward in Italy, Too . . .

The flames of the grand Allied offensive have now spread to Italy. To many people the Italian front has come to mean either a forgotten war or the remnants of a campaign that fizzled out. Regardless of its place in the news, militarily it has been neither.

The conquest of most of Italy was an essential part of opening the Mediterranean to Allied operations. It thus made possible the landings in southern France. It restored the short supply routes to Russia and to Burma. It led to the liberation of Greece and to

effective contact with the forces of Marshal Tito in Yugoslavia. Allied airfields on Italian plains put Austria, Czechoslovakia, and southern Germany within bombing range long before D-Day.

Since the Battle of France determined that Germany could be attacked and defeated along the Rhine, the Fifth and Eighth Armies, pared down to a minimum, have immobilized 25 of Germany's best divisions.

The new Italian offensive can hardly be concerned alone with the liberation of the Po Valley. Nor can it immediately hope to drive through the easily defended Alpine passes into Austria or Bavaria. It can be expected, however, to destroy the German armies south of the Alps or at the very least to pin them down while the Russians push up the Danube and the Americans and French move south to the Austrian line. Either accomplishment would help in checkmating any large-scale Nazi stand near Berchtesgaden.

## AIR TRANSPORTS LINK CANADA TO LABRADOR BASE

Regular "Berry Runs" Carry Millions of Pounds of Freight and Passengers to Far Northern R.C.A.F. Stations

By JACK BRAYLEY  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

GOOSE BAY, Labrador, April 20 (C)—A visitor can get to this Canadian base in the white northern fastness if he has a priority and doesn't mind sitting for three or four hours on a bucket seat designed for paratroopers and dangling his legs over a mail bag.

If you make the trip you'll be part of the million pounds of passengers and freight carried each month by the big Dakota transports of the R.C.A.F. Transport Command that have hauled everything from pigs to snowplows.

Focal point of the R.C.A.F. T.C. eastern activities is Moncton, N.B. It is from here that passengers and freight originating in Canadian and United States points are routed to R.C.A.F. stations in Goose, Iceland, Gander and Tor Bay.

The various lines are called "berry runs." The original berry—the Blueberry—goes to Moncton by way of Montreal and flies over the blueberry plains of New Brunswick. The "Ganderberry" goes to that big Newfoundland base and the "Gooseberry" of course has this station as its destination.

A passenger for Goose can board the "Blueberry" at Rockcliffe and be in Moncton in three or four hours riding comfortable, regulation airline seats. Plt. Lt. John Fitzpatrick, formerly supplying the British 14th Army in Burma, may be the pilot.

The passenger transfers at Moncton to the "Gooseberry" and bucket seats and in another three or four hours, depending on headwinds and weather, he arrives here. Sqdn. Ldr. Don Forbes of Fredrickton may be at the controls of this run over the ice-cluttered Gulf of St. Lawrence and vast Anticosti Island.

Moncton is a hub and there you meet members of every service and civilian government personnel bound for some distant outpost on vital war missions. Here they are issued with Arctic clothing and kit.

Pilots' Problems Many  
Busiest man here is Plt. Lt. Roy McCarthy of Regina, a former accountant, in civilian life, who says that any mathematical problem he ever faced in civilian life is dwarfed in size to some of the difficulties confronting him when a spell of bad weather piles up a backlog of passengers at Moncton.

Then he has to sort out colonels, group captains, commanders and dollar-a-year men and try and match priorities with available plane space. "And what a lousy job it is at times," he said with a rueful smile.

On a recent Saturday McCarthy cleared 151 service passengers in an hour and three-quarters—including documentation, baggage checking and other formalities.

The transports follow regular commercial line procedure and questions are anticipated as they are on the big trans-continental air liners. Hourly bulletins, signed by the captain, tell you position, altitude, temperature, air speed, ground speed, estimated arrival time and weather conditions at terminal.

But the informality, encouraged by the bucket seats and litter of cargo at your feet, is

## Novelist Scores Officers Taste

LONDON, April 20 (C)—Novelist Pamela Frankau, senior commander of the Auxiliary Territorial Service which is the British equivalent of Canada's C.W.A.C., doesn't think servicemen give the women a fair deal.

She got so incensed about it that she wrote an open letter to the service newspaper Crusader.

"I have become used to this type of speech from colonels downwards," she said. "Let's see now, what is the name of the group commander at . . . ?" I supply the name. "That's right, terrible legs, poor thing," or "That district officer of yours—you know, the one with the face like a horse."

"And quite recently, 'Why on earth did you post her to us?' She's the plainest young woman I've ever seen."

The senior commander said she has never yet heard any member of the A.T.S. complain that her employing officer has a bald head and queer teeth.

"We came into the service to back you up," she concluded. "I don't think we have done the job too badly. All we ask in return is that you should back us up."

## Tommies Make Good Dying Man's Plea

BRIGHTON, Eng., April 20 (C)—The grandmother who brought up Cpl. Brown when he was left an orphan was not forgotten when that soldier died in Stalag VIIB prison camp after being shot through the head in an escape attempt.

"Promise to see that Grannie is all right," he whispered to a chaplain as he lay dying—and now Mrs. Lydia Brown is richer by \$3,150.

Men of Cpl. Brown's regiment and fellow prisoners heard of the story and contributed that amount to be forwarded to his grandmother.

more marked in these service flights than on the commercial lines. It is not unusual to see a passenger rise from his cold metal seat, guide himself along the static line—put in the plane for paratroops—to a pile of mail bags and stretch himself out comfortably for a snooze under heavy service blankets.

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Department of Finance

## AUSTRALIA TO TAKE 51,000 YOUNGSTERS

Young Migrants to Be Wards of State at Cost of £20,000,000

CANBERRA, April 20 (C)—Australia is to bring in 51,000 child migrants in three years at a cost between £20,000,000 (\$72,000,000) and £30,000,000.

The children will be wards of the state. The government will arrange for their passage to Australia, and this is the most formidable of the immediate problems because of the shortage of shipping. They will probably travel in parties of 500, accompanied by nurses, doctors, dentists and linguists.

On arrival they will be housed in garden homes, probably converted military establishments close to large towns. Here they will be cared for and educated through the primary school stage. There are many administrative difficulties including the provision of probably 1500 school teachers and many nurses, but the government is confident that these can be overcome.

When they reach the secondary school standard they will

be placed in country centres under careful and sympathetic supervision and thus absorbed into the community.

Considerable experience has been gained in caring for the British evacuee children who arrived early in the war, and this will be of great value.

Conferences with state governments have already begun. The Commonwealth government is also in touch with other governments on adult migration, but wishes to know what can be expected from Britain before it makes a decision regarding aliens.

It has sent its plans to the British government, and the proposals include servicemen who wish to migrate or to be demobilized here. Legislation will be involved and will include reciprocity of rights in social security benefits. The final agreement will be subject to a survey of the post-war economic situation of both countries. The British government has not yet decided its policy.

### VALUABLE TO JAPS

It is estimated that between 40 and 50 percent of the professional Japanese soldiers have studied English and that 25 percent can speak it efficiently.

## LETTERBOX

BEGIN YOUNG

Editor, Daily News:

The Terrace Board of Trade sponsored a competition among the pupils of the high school for a slogan suitable for the head of a pamphlet which is to be got out advertising the district. Miss Roberta Lambly carried off the first prize with the very appropriate slogan "Sun Valley of Central B.C."

The large and growing city of Vancouver did not need any such competition, public opinion is crystallizing one that fits like a glove and it is "The hog city of the south;" this arises from the fact that Vancouver keeps howling for a cash donation from provincial taxes of half a million.

As it is they get five million for the university, most of the power plan millions, most of the road repair money and new construction money, the same with school grants, hospital new construction, and yet it squawks for another half million.

The Junior Junior Board of Trade by their delegate to a recent meeting announced that the formation was being encouraged of a junior junior junior board in order to enroll persons of both sexes who have not yet reached school age; a motion was also carried with shrill unanimity to grant membership without voting rights to expectant mothers so that newly arrived infants might be instantly enrolled.

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Terrace.

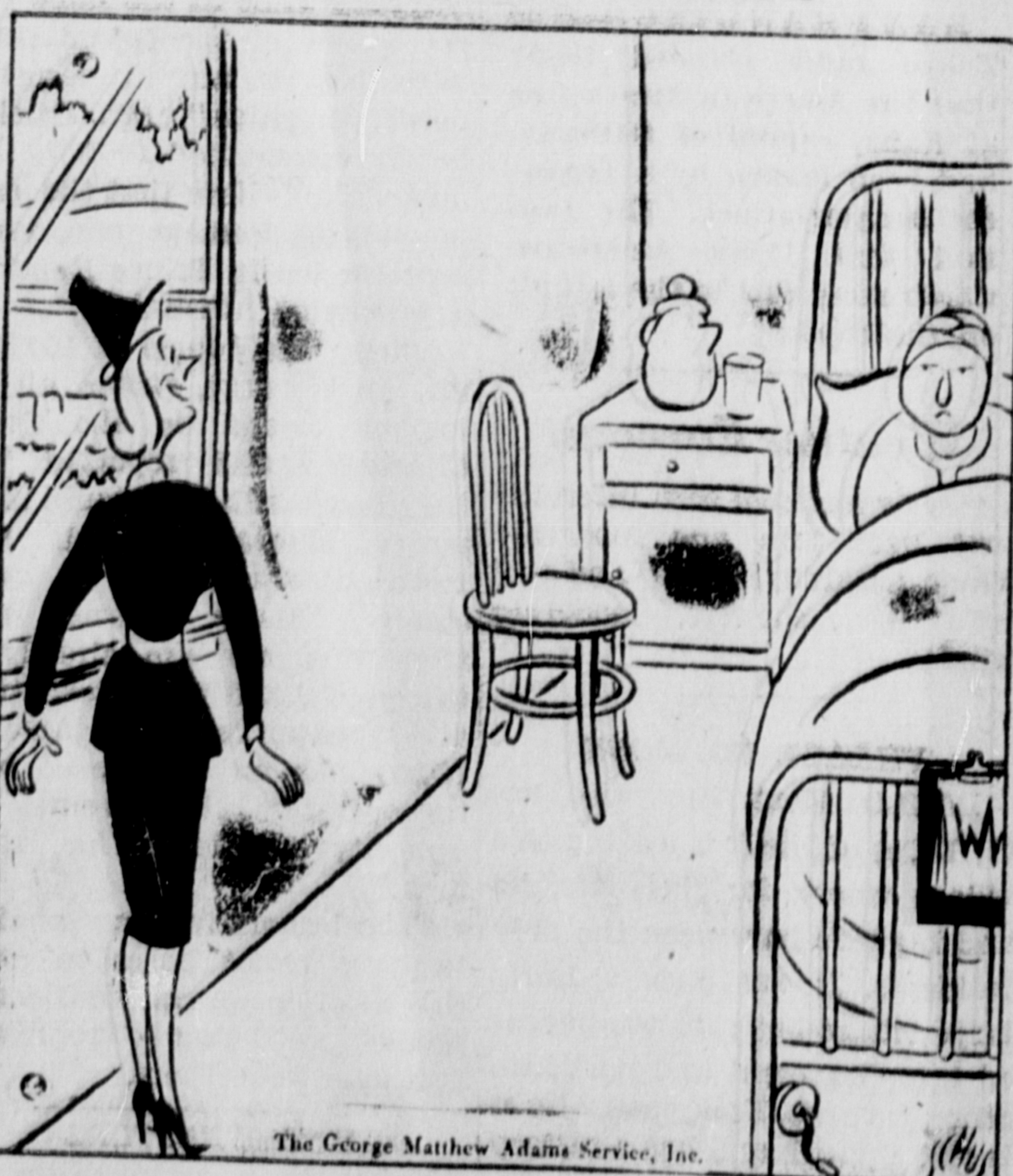
Editor, Daily News:

I notice in your paper of April 17 a report from Terrace, which says in part that for the last several weeks the road has been impassable because of a snow slide which no effort has been made to clear away. Have checked on this part of your report and find the department of mines and resources have spent \$3,000 already on this work. I understand word has come through cancelling the immediate withdrawal of the staff and machinery from this district.

HARRY KING,  
President of Board of Trade,  
Terrace.

ROMAN WAR AIDS  
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H. M. DAGGETT,  
Mayor.

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