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Korea Unit Check Reveals No Lack Of Sox, Gloves

By BILL BOSS
Canadian Press Staff Writer
WITH THE CANADIANS IN
KOREA—A "letter home" to
a father of a Canadian soldier in
Korea, ranged into cordoning
off a unit by military police,
a kit inspection and a check of
unit stores.

A story based on the letter
appeared in a Nova Scotia news-
paper in mid-January. It alleged
a shortage of socks and gloves,
said there had been an issue the
day Defence Minister Claxton
visited the unit, but that these
had later been withdrawn.

When the story came to the
attention of Brig. John H. Rock-
ingham he ordered the inspection
and check, with the unit cor-
doned to ensure an unquestion-
able result.

The soldier to whom the letter
had been attributed had eight
pairs of socks in his kit-bag
besides the ones he was wearing.
He had one extra pair of black
lined gloves plus one pair of
special Canadian army mitt-
with-trigger-finger, compete with
liners. He freely signed a state-
ment denying he had alleged
the shortages and adding that no

equipment he had ever been is-
sued with had been withdrawn.
The check of unit stores showed
enough spares to re-equip com-
pletely 60 per cent of the unit.
How does it happen that scat-
tered complaints of this kind
arise where there is no apparent
cause for complaint?

Says Big. Rockingham: "It
may be that the parents for some
reason or other are dissatisfied.
They may not like the govern-
ment, for instance. Or perhaps
they were against their sons
joining the army and have not
felt they were being as well cared
for here as they would be at
home. If it does come from the
soldiers' own letters, it may be
a way of ensuring that they get
credit for simply doing their
duty—goodness knows they are
entitled to credit—day after day
in trying conditions. If that's the
way a soldier wants to earn
credit it's his own business as
long as he does his job here. But
in view of the soldier's denial I
don't think the reports originate
here."

Says Lt.-Col. Norman Wilson-
Smith, C.O. of the Princess Pat-
rick's: "Some soldiers do feel
a need for sympathy; they want
their folks to understand that if
there isn't much in the papers
these days about fighting, they
still are not having a pleasant
life. They also may feel cheated
in not having got into more of
the fighting that made Korea
such big news at one time."

Norman G. C. Newman, Van-
couver fire insurance man, is a
visitor in the city making inspec-
tions of local properties on which
his companies have cover.

Better English

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "My salary has been raised."
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "longevity"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Hideous, courageous, contagious, tempoaneous.
4. What does the word "skeptical" mean?
5. What word beginning with ser means "slavery"?

Answer.

1. Say, "has been increased."
2. Pronounce long-jev-i-ti, o as in "on," e as in "let," both i's as in "it," accent second syl-
lable, and not long-jev-i-ti.
3. Contagious. 4. Pertaining to one who doubts or disbelieves. "His skeptical mind would not ac-
cept it." 5. Servitude.

Catholic Meet Hears Bishop

Monthly meeting of the Home
and School Association of An-
nunciation Church held last
night with President Walter
Lahti in the chair.

Bishop Anthony Jordan O.M.I.
spoke on the importance of the
school child and the necessity to
teach children when they are
young how to live with other
people. The Bishop presented
the Association with several
adult education records.

It was decided to hold a Home
Bake Sale on May 3.
President Lahti thanked all
those responsible for the success
of the open house at the school
last Thursday.

LONDON (CP)—Under new
prison regulations, persons fac-
ing execution in British jails
will be allowed 20 cigarettes a day,
double the previous allowance.

Huge Run Of Salmon Due 1955

VANCOUVER (CP)—When the
summer of 1955 rolls around
British Columbia fishermen ex-
pect a record catch of sockeye,
the prince of salmon.

A. J. Whitmore, chief super-
visor of fisheries here, said the
number of sockeye successfully
making their way to spawning
grounds of the Fraser River sys-
tem in 1951 was almost double
that of 1947, the previous cycle
year.

Sockeye salmon—the Number
One fish in British Columbia's
Number Two industry—are four-
year fish, returning to their
spawning grounds every fourth
year after roaming the sea.

Last year the fishing indus-
try reached an all-time-high
value of \$91,000,000—\$21,000,000
higher than 1950. Of this the
salmon haul was \$50,000,000, an
increase of \$12,000,000 over 1950.

There are five species of sal-
mon: sockeye, springs, coho,
pinkies and chums, all of great
commercial importance. Sockeye
is the most valuable because of
its canning qualities; its more
or less uniform size, the deep
red color of its flesh and its oil
content.

Fishing of salmon is done
mostly by gill netters in and off
mouths of rivers, but some by
purse seines.

In 1950 a virtual "keep out"
order was issued to Russian and
Japanese fishing fleets by the
five-man International Pacific
Fisheries Commission, which
ruled the waters off the Fraser.

They said the Fraser extended
beyond the three-mile limit "in-
conspicuously westward."

Previously any waters beyond
the three-mile limit had been
regarded as the high seas, and
seiners made "rich hauls" inter-
cepting sockeye before they
reached the Gulf of Georgia and
the river mouth.

DIFFICULT PROBLEMS

The problems encountered by
the B.C. Fisheries Research
Board with regard to mainte-
nance of the salmon industry are
made difficult because salmon
spawn in fast water.

Industrial and agricultural de-
velopment of the province tends
to interfere with the fish reach-
ing their spawning grounds. This
is true also of Washington state.
The removal of forests, clearing
of lands for crops, and building
of dams all have adverse effects.

In 1913 the run was almost
wiped out by a dam at the mouth
of the Fraser River. The dam
was removed and the river
restored to its former state.

Since that time, every fourth
year has been an increase in the
run.

Introduction of fish ladders
has been a tremendous help to
the industry. The fish, fighting
their way upstream to interior
lakes, sometimes come face to
face with an unsurmountable
fall. Fish ladders, with their
average three-foot jump, enable
the salmon to continue on their
journey.

Dams pose a special problem,
overcome by hauling fish by
bank truck from the lower level
to the top where they are placed
in the river once again.

In Washington state tests are
being carried out by an inter-
national commission to deter-
mine how many make the re-
turn trip to the sea.

International co-operation is
needed to insure the perpetua-
tion of this multi-million-dollar
industry.

MIDDLESBROUGH, Eng. (CP)—
Naturalists are trying to find out
whether birds prefer pasteurized
milk or whether they're just
color-conscious. British milk
bottles have different colored
tin foil tops denoting various
types and birds pecking at the
tops seem to prefer the pasteur-
ized color.

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Western Screen Epic at Totem

One of the new big screen
epics of the wide open west
comes to the Totem Theatre this
Friday and Saturday in "Man in
the Saddle," starring Randolph
Scott with Joan Leslie, Ellen
Drew and Alexander Knox head-
ing the supporting cast.

In the new Technicolor pic-
ture Scott plays a small rancher
who is jilted by Joan Leslie. De-
spite the fact that she loves
Scott, she leaves him to marry
wealthy Alexander Knox, who
offers her financial security.
Knox, violently jealous of Scott,
tries to run him out of the area.
A violent feud erupts, with gun-
fights and fistfights said to be
unmatched in the history of out-
door films.

Scott is wounded in a gun

Seeks Companion For South Seas

VICTORIA (CP)—Victoria's pa-
disce-seeking Jim Squire plans to
sign on a local adventurer for a
jaunt to the South Seas on his
trim yacht Te Hong.

The 1950 British Columbia golf
champion, who left here recently
on the first leg of the southern
cruise with Swiss sailor Jacques
Markwalder has returned to Vic-
toria to look for a volunteer to
share the life he hopes to find in
the South Pacific.

Squire says he will be much
happier to get a local volunteer
for the cruise—he thinks he's
found one but will only say the
fellow is "about 30, an ex-logger
and very much interested in
making a trip to the South Seas."

And I hope the guy does
not get seasick... sure, there's
glamor in sailing a yacht to the
South Seas but when the Pacific
starts getting rough a fellow for-
gets what the word "glamor"
means.

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