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BIG BATTLE EXPECTED SOON NORTH OF OSLO

CANADIAN TROOPS NOW IN NORWAY.

LONDON, April 19 - A large battle is expected to develop shortly north of Oslo where the German invaders are strengthening their positions against a drive by the Allied forces now fighting in Norway.

LONDON, April 17: Secrecy veils the movements of Allied troops to Norway but it is generally understood the force mobilized for Finnish aid, including a contingent of Canadians as well as French and British, was hastily reorganized and embarked. One hundred thousand men were offered to help Finland.

ADMIRAL VON SCHEER TORPEDOED

LONDON, Apr. 15 - The German pocket battleship Admiral Von Scheer was successfully torpedoed Thursday by the British submarine Spearfish. The Admiralty has announced that British minelayers had penetrated the Baltic and the huge area extending from Kiel to Lithuania frontier had been mined. The purpose of the mine field is to cut off German ore shipments from the Swedish port of Lulea.

60,000 NAZI TROOPS IN NORWAY

LONDON, Apr. 19 - It is now estimated that there are some 60,000 German troops in Norway. Most of supplies for the invading army have to be transported by air with the result that the invading columns are lightly equipped with arms.

R. A. F. PLANES RAID AIRPORT

LONDON, Apr. 17 - R. A. F. planes have carried out a successful raid upon the largest airport in Norway, now held by the Germans. A number of planes were demolished in the raid and hangars and supplies blasted.

RANGERS WIN CUP. Toronto, Apr. 15 - The New York Rangers rallied after being goals behind Saturday night, to win the sixth game of the Stanley Cup finals 3-2, taking the series four games to two from the Leafs.

MOUNTIES SAVE DROWNING MAN

(Special to the Miner)

DAWSON, April 19 - John W. Benoit, trapper, was miraculously saved from certain death in the icy waters of the Yukon river by the quick action of Major T. V. Sandys-Wunsch and Constables Bond and D'Easum of the RCMP, when he broke through the ice while crossing the river in front of the Police Barracks.

The Major was inspecting the barracks grounds when he saw someone crossing the river with two loose dogs. A few minutes later only the dogs were in sight. With aid of a rope, oar and ladder Benoit, yelling for help, was removed from the river by the quick and efficient action of the Mounties.

WATER HOLE NEARLY CATCHES OLE BARLOW

DAWSON, Apr. 19 - A few days ago the cold waters of the Klondike nearly claimed the life of Sourdough Ole Barlow when he fell into the water hole on the river near the power plant. Chilled and grimly holding on with all his strength, Ole was pulled out by Ewen McLean, power plant employee, just in the nick of time. McLean had gone to see what was detaining Ole.

MAIL FROM LOST PLANE FOUND

It has been reported from the southern end of the Territory that some sacks of mail and a door of the plane which cracked up and was lost near Lake LaBerge last fall, causing the loss of Pilot Jesse Rice and two passengers, have been discovered by an Indian. The police left Whitehorse at once to investigate.

MISS YVONNE WOODBURN and RUDOLPH BURIAN, both of Stewart City, were married quietly in Dawson April 10th., at St. Paul's Rectory, Rev. McCullum officiating.

LOCAL & PERSONAL

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OLD TIME DANCE: Another of the popular old time dances was held Thursday night of this week on the stage in Pioneer Hall. This was the last of these dances for the current season.

DANCE AT CALUMET: The spirit of "the camp's reopening" was in evidence at the dance held by the Calumet Bombers at the Calumet camp last Saturday night. There was a large turnout on hand and quite a few went up from Mayo to take in the event. Music was supplied by Miss Dorothy Durie, Bill Thomey and Pete Petiot. From all reports a grand time was had by all.

DRAMATIC FINISH: Finis was written to the Dramatic Club's bridge tourney Wednesday night when the winners played off for the prize. With Dick Steeves, runner up to Gordon McIntyre in the season's play out of town, Gordon Lee, third highest, completed the four-some which played off. The final scores were Mrs. Fisher 3180, Gordon McIntyre 3160, Gordon Lee 2980 and Mrs. Steeves 1100.

The winners were awarded \$10. each in cash; the runners up \$3.46.

Rupe Steeves won the pan tourney.

Prize winners in the ordinary play Wednesday night were: Ladies bridge: Mrs. Lee. Men's bridge: Rev. Boyd. Pan: Mrs. Aylwin.

Refreshments were served after the card games were over.

SIGN OF SPRING: Sure sign that spring is here and summer just ahead - the crocuses are out. Quite a few Mayo children have been out to Crocus Hill this week to bring home bouquets of these early spring flowers to their ma's.

CUT BY GLASS: Garry Sullivan was brought to the hospital early Sunday morning by his mother, Mrs. M. Sullivan, suffering from a painful cut on his hand sustained last Saturday afternoon at the Halfway House when the little fellow fell on a piece of glass. The wound required 3 stitches. Mrs. Sullivan returned home Thursday. She reports that her greenhouse at the Halfway is coming along fine and expects to have a fine variety of plants ready for the market in a few weeks' time.

PICTURE SHOW: St. Mary's Church is sponsoring another picture show in Pioneer Hall tonight.

LIGHT SNOW TUESDAY: A light snow fell in Mayo Tuesday night followed by an overcast day Wednesday with some rain. The fine sunny weather of the past few weeks continues however with the exception of the odd, dull day with overcast skies.

MRS. GEORGE STEVENS and children were outgoing passengers by plane last Saturday, en route outside to join George who left here during the winter.

DON MORRISON returned to his home at Keno on Sunday; having come to Mayo to attend the funeral of the late Arthur Stewart on Saturday.

"HARDROCK" MacDonald and FRANK RAY got away the first of the week en route to the Hart River where Frank, veteran Yukon trapper, headquarters. "Rock" intimated that he might be making a trip into the Arctic to prospect.

"SLIM" FRASER left for Galena last Sunday to work for the T. Y. at the Calumet.

MRS. H. C. FERGUSSON of the mining partnership of Hawthorne and Fergusson came to Mayo last week from her home on Galena and is spending a couple of weeks in Mayo before leaving for the outside.

WM. BOYLE, sales manager for the Boyle Transportation and Broadcasting Co. Unlimited, was a conspicuous visitor in Mayo this week. Bill had been hibernating on Galena these past several weeks.

ED. KIMBEL & ARCHIE CURRIE returned this week from Ed's wood camp up the Stewart. Ed's knee, which he injured week before last when a tree fell on him, is still bothering him considerably. Jimmy Profeit and Ted Skonseng remained at the Kimbel wood camp to take out boom logs.

JACK MCKEE, well-known T. Y. employee who had been wintering in Vancouver since the camp closed down the first of the year, returned by plane Friday. Jack reports a fine winter on the coast and states that the Ambassador Hotel was a regular "Little Mayo" this winter. So many Mayoites used to congregate there certain days, Jack said, that it was impossible to find a place to sit down in the lobby. Several more former T. Y. employees plan on returning here on the next northbound boat, he said.

Other well-known T. Y. employees who returned yesterday were: Walter Chisholm, Walter Dirks, Martin Retan and Jack Nichols. H. O'Connell, a newcomer to this district, came in on Friday's plane to take the job as night cook at the Calumet.

WE HEAR THAT: Ex-Mayoites Walter Rude and Elmer Morberg came up on the last CPR boat and have gone into Atlin.

WE HEAR THAT: Hector Morrison, recently returned to Vancouver after another globe trotting excursion on a Norwegian freighter, is planning to come North again this summer and is trying to get on with the White Pass on one of its steamers.

WE HEAR THAT: Wes Palmer and Claude Irving, well-known ex-Mayoites who left here last fall, plan on going into business at Burns Lake in the interior of northern B.C.

WE HEAR THAT: Former Mayoites Syd Palmer and George Reeve are now working at Zeballos camp on the west coast.

ACCORDING TO MARTIN RETAN, who returned here yesterday, the weather is warmer in Mayo right now than in Edmonton where Martin had been residing since leaving here. Martin flew all the way out and flew all the way coming back.

FORMER MAYOITES DON & HUGH MACPHERSON and Ross Plater are now running a shingle mill in the Fraser Valley.

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PLANES MAKE UP FOR LOST TIME

The spring thaw which made the Mayo field unsuitable for landings prevented the White Pass planes from coming in here for a couple of days this week.

However Pilot Kubicek came in from Whitehorse Friday, bringing six passengers and first class mail from Tuesday's CPR boat. After taking a good look-see at the field from the air, Pilot Kubicek made a perfect landing Friday and took off after unloading on the return flight south.

Passengers for Mayo were: Jack McKee, Jack Nichols, Walter Chisholm, Martin Retan, Walter Dirks and H. O'Connell.

BACK TO-DAY: Pilot Kubicek, flying the Travelair "Bo Peep" wade a trip to Dawson early Saturday morning, came on to Mayo with the Dawson mail and headed south shortly after 9 o'clock with the outgoing air mail. The incoming airmail, which reached Whitehorse Friday morning, was also brought in on the White Pass plane.

FORD BRINGS MAIL, FRATE

Pilot Lionel Vines landed here at 6 a. m. to-day with the Ford "ZB", bringing a large load of freight and balance of the mail for Mayo. Vines returned south direct. It is understood that all the Mayo stuff from the last boat has now been cleaned up.

LOCAL FIELD O. K. SOON

The local landing field is now drying up quickly, following the spring thaw and promises to be in first class shape in another day or so.

MAYO EXCEEDS QUOTA FOR CHURCH WORK

An appeal for subscriptions by the Church of England in Canada has met with generous response in the Yukon, particularly Mayo. These funds are for missionary work among the Indians and Eskimos in the North and to help drought-ridden parishes on the prair-

ies. Many of these funds formerly were donated from England but the war has cut down the Old Country contributions. The Yukon quota was set at \$100, but \$400. has already been sent in. Mayo's quota was \$18. but Rev. Boyd reports that \$80. has been donated from here.

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FUNERAL OF LATE ARTHUR STEWART HELD SATURDAY

Funeral services for the late Arthur Stewart, pioneer Sourdough, were held last Saturday afternoon from St. Mary's Church, Rev. R. Boyd officiating. Burial was made in Mayo Public Cemetery. Pall bearers were: Don Morrison, Jack MacDonald, Frank Ray, Johnny Hansen, Louis Bouvette, Chas. Taylor.

Hymns sung were Rock of Ages and Abide with Me, organ accompaniment being played by Miss Vera Breaden.

The late Sourdough was 76 years old and came to this country in the early days. He first came to Mayo in 1910; having worked for Elmer Middlecoff on Hight Creek for a number of years after his arrival in this district. For the past several years he had made his home at Chrystal Creek, near Keno City.

He is survived by a niece in England where he was born.

IT IS FORECAST that Britain's army will number three million by midsummer and five million men by the end of the year.

FORMER MAYOITES who flew to Dawson recently were Ronald Upward and Malcolm Smith.

EX SILVERITE Charles Stone, Sr. reached Dawson recently from his winter trap line.

MASSA SAKATA WRITES FROM DAWSON

From Dawson, Massa Sakata, genial ex-T.Y. chef, writes to extend his best wishes to all of his Mayo friends. Massa is eager to hear all the latest news from the Mayo camp and to know how things are going ahead up the hill. According to Massa he feels that he is in a strange country, in Dawson, there are so many new people there now. At the time he wrote he was waiting to take a job with the mining company at one of its camps. Quite a few in Dawson are watching developments in the Mayo district this spring, Massa states.

ELSA MILL STARTED ORE IN

The mill at the Elsa renewed operations the first of this week following its close down the first of the year. Alex McCarter, Moreland pilot, brought in the first load of ore Thursday. Both T. Y. Morelands, drivers McCarter and Dick Kimbel, made a trip to Galena Friday. It is understood that the trucks will be off the road for a few weeks until the roads dry up following the spring thaw.

DAVID KOEBKE BREAKS LEG

David, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Koebke, suffered a broken leg Tuesday and was taken to the hospital where a cast was put on the broken limb. The little fellow is now home again convalescing.

The injury occurred when David attempted to stand on the foot plates of Jack Andison's motorbike while the machine was parked on front street. The motorcycle toppled over on him, pinning his leg and breaking it.

WOMEN TO BE ALLOWED VOTE QUEBEC

QUEBEC - By a vote of 67 to 9, Premier Adelard Godbout's measure to grant women the right to vote in the provincial elections and to sit in the legislature, passed second reading in the Assembly.

Two members of the Union Nationale opposition voted with the government.

CANADIAN FLYERS MISSING

WINNIPEG, Apr. 12 - Mr. and Mrs. F. F. LeMaistre received a cablegram from the air ministry telling them their son Arthur, 26-year-old Winnipeg born member of the Royal Air Force, is reported missing due to air operations on April 9th.

NORTH BATTLEFORD, Sask - Pilot Officer E. A. Wickencamp of the R. A. F. has been missing since air operations on April 8th., according to word received by his parents at Stenten, Sask.

METAL PRICES. Bar Gold: \$38.50 Canadian. Bar silver: 34 $\frac{5}{8}$ ¢ Lead: \$5.50 Copper \$12.75

NEW NAZI ATTACKS TO BE EXPECTED

OVERTIME GOAL BEATS LEAFS IN OVERTIME

TORONTO - After winning the third and fourth games in the Stanley Cup finals to tie up the score against New York Rangers at 2 games each, Toronto Maple Leafs dropped the fifth game 2-1 after a hectic overtime period.

The decision to break up a winning combination brought new life to the Toronto attack and the Leafs outshot their opponents 47-31 but were unlucky in getting breaks. Muzz Patrick fired the winning goal. The sixth game was scheduled for Saturday, April 13th. and the 7th. and deciding game, if necessary on Tuesday, April 16th.

PARLIAMENT TO OPEN MAY 16

OTTAWA, Apr. 12 - Parliament will be opened at noon, May 16. Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced last night but, in keeping with tradition, members of the Senate and House of Commons will meet at 10 a. m. to enable the latter chamber to elect a new speaker.

The Prime Minister will meet parliament with the greatest majority ever given a political party in the Canadian House of Commons. He will have 178 straight Liberals and 6 independent Liberals and Liberal Progressives who ordinarily support the Government, out of 245 members.

GERMANS FIND U. S. PLANES IN OSLO

BERLIN, Apr. 12 - Informed sources said to-day German troops who occupied Oslo found fifty new American Curtiss planes which had not been completely assembled. They said they would be studied for any possible information or new construction details. Aviation experts said there were no secrets of design and that no military secrets could be involved because otherwise the planes could not have been sent to Norway from the States.

FRANK HOLTZAPFEL YUKONER, DEAD

VANCOUVER - Funeral services for Frank Holtzapfel, 56, who died recently in Vancouver, were held last Friday, Rev. George Pringle officiating. Internment was made in Ocean View Cemetery.

"Holtz," as the deceased was popularly known from one end of the Yukon to the other, was one of the Yukon's most illustrious and colorful figures in the pre war days. He came North with the Yukon Gold Co. and for many years was one of that company's most trusted office employees. He always took an active interest in the athletic events of Dawson in those days and, right up until the time of his death, always looked upon Dawson as his home. After the departure of the Guggies from the Dawson district, "Holtz" was transferred to the Guggenheim's tin mines in the Malay Peninsula where he spent the past number of years until forced to retire on account of ill health. During the past few years he had undergone nearly 200 operations. He made his home in Vancouver during the past several months.

NEW BRITISH DETECTOR BAD MEDICINE FOR GERMAN U-BOATS

Colonel Frederick Palmer, noted military expert, reports in a recent newspaper article that the newly-invented British submarine hunting destroyer is the long-sought answer to the menace of undersea warfare.

The anti-submarine detector device serves as a warning, Palmer declares, of the fate awaiting Germany's heralded mass production of submarines as a third force in her threatened crashing offensive in the air and on land and sea.

No secret is so sedulously guarded as this new mechanism. This hunter destroyer can now follow the submarine's course under the water and have a definite location of the target for a series of depth charges.

EXTENSION OF NAZI ATTACKS FORSEEN

LONDON - Extension of the war to still further areas was regarded as an impending threat in London Thursday.

Holland and Belgium were in the minds of all, and it was the conviction of observers that the British and French would make every effort to prevent the Germans from getting the jump on them in either of the two countries.

"There are more surprises to come for the Nazis. The Allied naval, air and land forces will be engaged. More than that cannot be said," writes the diplomatic informant of the Daily Express.

"Hitler may try to intensify the war by attacking Holland or Belgium, or by mass attacks from the air on Allied shipping, ports and other military objectives. Plans to meet these eventualities are complete.

7,000 PLANES FROM STATES

LONDON, Apr. 19 - Orders for 7,000 planes have been placed in the United States it was disclosed to-day. Of this number 3,000 have already been shipped.

CANADIAN MINISTER IN LONDON

LONDON, April 19 - Hon. Norman Rogers, Minister of Defence, is now in London to discuss Canada's war effort with British government heads.

15,000 ACCEPTED AIR TRAINING IN AUSTRALIA

BRISBANE, April 19 - Fifteen thousand men have been accepted in connection with the Empire Air Training Scheme in Australia it was announced to-day while more are on the waiting list.

NORWEGIAN ENVOY ORDERED OUT

BERLIN, April 19: The Norwegian minister to Germany was ordered to leave to-day indicating that Germany has given up all hope of negotiating with the Norwegian Government.

DAWSON ICE DERBY DEADLINE NEAR

LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. Jim Wood was taken to the hospital early Monday morning where she was operated on for apendicitis.

Suffering from burns about the hands when a gasoline lamp which he was lighting exploded, Jack Faulkner, Mayor of Wornecke, was brought to the hospital where he is now recovering from his painful injuries.

Captain and Mrs. George Black are reported to be leaving Dawson, en route outside via Mayo, on April 23rd. They had been expected in Mayo to-day but delayed their departure at the last minute.

Geoff Bidlake, fishing enthusiast of Mayo, involuntarily ushered in the swimming season Friday when he broke through the ice in front of the sawmill and received a through ducking. Geoff was walking along the sodden ice at the time, heading for his favourite fishing spot near greyling meadows, when the ice gave way and he went in up to his armpits. Even then he couldn't touch bottom, he relates.

As a result of Geoff's ducking and the unsafe condition of the ice, parents would be well advised to keep their children away from the fishing grounds. Other than an expert swimmer or a person who knew what to do upon breaking through, might not have come off with just a ducking.

RUMOURED YUKON COUNCIL ON LAST SESSION.

Although nothing has been announced publicly to date, rumor persists that the forthcoming session of the Yukon Council will be the last one for this legislative body of the Territory. The Council meets this year on June 3rd.

Outside of this rumor nothing definite re the abolition of the Council is known at the present time.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Mayo, Apr. 19/40

Dear Sir:

"Observer" in your April 6 issue wishes to bring more dignity to funerals by having the pallbearers carry the casket for some little distance before putting it into the hearse. Why not dispense with the hearse altogether and carry the casket in dignified sorrow the mere two miles to the graveyard? The mud is rarely more than ankle-deep and for those times when it is deeper, hip boots could be provided. If they were new or polished their black color would be just an added touch of mourning.

In the meantime, as long as the hearse continues to be used in Mayo, may I express appreciation for the kind services of the faithful Mayoite who has donated and driven it at well over a hundred funerals.

To "Observers" suggestion that more care and attention be given the cemetery I heartily agree. The grass and shrubbery which he wants trimmed would certainly require a caretaker, if not a magician, to be kept attractive. But where would the salary come from for even part-time services in these war-burdened times?

Yours truly,

"Mayo Citizen"

SAM McCORMICK II ES SUDDENLY. WILLS HIS ESTATE TO DRIVER.

Death unexpectedly overtook Samuel McCormack at St. Mary's Hospital, Dawson, Wednesday of this week. From all outward appearance he was well on his way to recovery from an attack of pleurisy when the end came. The deceased was born at Balliecastle, County Antrim, Ireland, Feb. 14, 1871.

Coming north in the gold rush he entered the teaming and freighting business and during the past few years had established one of the largest transportation outfits in the Dawson district; handling most of the freighting for the mining company. It has been estimated that his equipment and holdings at the present time would be near the \$100,000 mark. He often employed 20 men during summer seasons.

(It is understood that the late Yukon Sourdough willed all of his estate to Tommy Campbell, former Mayoite, who has been one of his most faithful and trusted employees these past number of years.)

Sam McCormack was a well known and familiar figure around Dawson. Two months ago he returned from his first trip outside in 42 years. He was a Past Master of the Yukon Lodge No 45, A. F. & A. M. and always an active member. Funeral services are being held on Sunday, April 21st.

CLEAR CREEK ENGINEER IN DAWSON

Wm. (Bill) O'Neill, wearing a smile a mile wide as the result of the arrival recently in Fairbanks of a bouncing son and air, dropped in from the air lanes with Pilot Dick Hawley this week, from Fairbanks. He will have charge of the McRae operations on Clear Creek again this season and is now making ready for the spring start of activities.

ICE POOL CLOSES APRIL 25th.

All guesses on the breakup of the Dawson Ice must be in the hands of the committee by the 25th. of April.

SHARP FIGHTING ON WESTERN FRONT

PARIS, Apr. 19 - Sharp patrol and artillery engagements are reported on the Western front to-day, east of the Moselle. Two German planes were shot down during the day's aerial activity.

STATE OF SIEGE IN NETHERLANDS

LONDON, Apr. 19 - Queen Wilhemina has declared a "State of Siege" to exist in the Netherlands as a protective measure against any intended invasion. All spies and subversive elements are being gathered in.

Other neutral countries are also tightening up defences and rounding up spies and others whose identity are unknown.

In Belgrade the former Yugo-Slavian Premier has been arrested and will be interned in Serbia account of his pro-Nazi activities.