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PILOT LIONEL VINES KILLED IN PLANE CRASH, DAWSON, FRIDAY

WAR NEWS

(By Radio)

After a nine day lull, German raiders again began bombing London and other English towns.

British warned by leaders that day is fast approaching when Hitler will attempt an "all out" invasion against England.

German long range guns start shelling the Kentish coast Friday from 32 miles away.

Lord Halifax, new Ambassador to United States, warns that invasion attack on England expected soon.

British Army of the Nile capture Italian fort of Derna and drive on to Bengasi, capital of Libya where Mussolini has ordered 50,000 defenders to "do or die."

British and Empire troops, including Free French forces and Abyssinians, drive Italians back in Ethiopia, Eritrea and Italian Somaliland.

Greeks continue success against the Italians in Albania, repulsing counter offensives with great loss to Mussolini's troops.

Six members of Mussolini's Fascist Cabinet go to the front to rally Italian troops.

Wendell Wilkie ordered to cut his visit to England short by Sect'y. of State Cordell Hull. Wilkie has been studying the war situation in England first hand all this week and will report back to President Roosevelt. Leaves for homeward flight Wednesday.

Every pressure being brought to bear in United States to have passed quickly the "Aid to Britain" Bill.

German Admiral Raeder warns of all-out sub attack against English shipping this spring.

Hitler makes speech Thursday in which he re-iterated his oft-repeated threats that he would wipe England off the map.

New Japanese Ambassador to United States welcomed at Honolulu Friday, en route to States. Declares Japan wishes to improve friendly relations with States and does not wish war but must abide with pact with the Axis powers.

U. S. House Foreign Relations Committee approves "Aid to Britain Bill" 17-8.

Premier of Greece dies following a throat operation.

Rioting reported in Turin and Milan in Italy.

Work on Canadian air bases, military measure, connecting Alberta, and B. C. with the Yukon and Alaska, to start at once.

Joe Louis knocks out "Red" Burman in 5th. round of 15-round championship battle in New York Friday night.

ERNEST CHAPMAN, PIONEER DAWSON MERCHANT AND FUR DEALER, ALSO KILLED IN TRAGIC CRASH

Pilot Lionel Vines, Chief Pilot for the White Pass & Yukon Route's Airplane Service and one of Canada's veteran commercial fliers, was killed Friday when the Fairchild "AXJ" crashed just after taking off from the airport in the Klondike Valley, 12 miles past Dawson.

Ernest Chapman, pioneer Dawson business man, the only passenger in the plane, also lost his life in the crash.

Details of the tragedy are scanty but it is reported the plane crashed about quarter of a mile away from the field, just after Pilot Vines had taken off. He was headed into the Blackstone country on a charter trip for Chapman who made periodical trips into that district by plane to buy up furs.

Chapman leaves to mourn his tragic death his wife Christine and two daughters - Mrs. J. O. Redmond, of Dawson and Mrs. Clarence Craig, of Bear Creek.

Pilot Vines was one of the Yukon's truly great fliers, known and esteemed by hundreds of Yukoners. His sudden, startling and tragic crash has cast a profound gloom over the entire Territory. The big, tall airman with his friendly grin, quiet disposition and strong personality was one of the most familiar figures of the Yukon sky lanes. He came North in 1936 to join the staff of Northern Airways Ltd., Carcross, transferring to the White Pass Service in December, 1937. During his five years of flying in the Northland Pilot Vines had covered practically every part of the vast country and was as familiar with lonely bush flights into remote outposts as he was with his regular scheduled flights between Whitehorse, Mayo, Dawson and other Yukon centres.

In the tragic death of her beloved husband, Mrs. Vines, who resides in Whitehorse, has the heartfelt sympathy of every person in the Yukon Territory. To her the loss of her intrepid pilot husband is indeed a sad blow. The loss of their Chief Pilot is also a sad blow to the White Pass Company. To his scores of friends throughout the land Pilot Vines' fatal crash yesterday comes as a personal shock, a shock that is still hard to believe.

Besides his wife Ellaline, in Whitehorse, the popular flier is survived by his mother and father and two sisters in Chilliwack, B.C. One of his sisters had planned on visiting Lionel and his wife in Whitehorse this month.

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POPULAR YUKON FLIER GOES ON LAST FLIGHT

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HOPED HERE THAT COMPANY OPERATIONS WILL BE RESUMED IN APRIL

All members of the Treadwell Yukon Corporation's crews on Galena were laid off yesterday, January 31st. Instructions to this effect were received from the company's San Francisco headquarters and put into effect immediately.

The recent shutdown affects the miners and other crew members at the Calumet camp as well as company employees elsewhere in the district.

Since the main shutdown last September a crew of miners and surface men had been engaged, at the Calumet camp, doing exploratory and development work. About 25 men were engaged. The new edict affects all of these.

There is nothing definite known here now regarding the camp's re-opening this spring. It has been pretty much taken for granted around this district that main operations would be resumed this coming April.

There is every possibility that the camps will be re-opened in April but nothing definite. However, everybody in the district is hoping that such will be the case and that the present complete shutdown will be only temporary.

For the next two months, at least, silver operations in this district will be at a standstill. After that, who knows? Right now it seems a matter of sitting tight and looking forward with every confidence and hope that things will start rolling again come April, according to original plans.

FRANK CANTIN BUYS LEFEBVRE SAWMILL

A business deal was closed in Mayo this week whereby Frank Cantin, pioneer wood dealer of this camp has bought out Fred Lefebvre's sawmill and sawmill interests.

Fred, one of Mayo's pioneer lumbermen, has been in ill health these past several months and this was one of the main reasons why the veteran Sourdough decided to sell out.

PICTURES TO BE SHOWN MONDAY NIGHT.

A moving picture "King of Kings", with a biblical theme, will be shown in St. Mary's Church on Monday night, Feb. 3, beginning at 7.30 p. m. The film requires about 2½ hours to complete so only one showing has been scheduled.

Missionary Societies in England are no longer able to send money to Yukon and other centres for Church work so an appeal has been made to all Churches in Canada to help out. Pictures shown Monday night are one of the means adopted by St. Mary's here to help raise funds for the local parish.

HARRY COLLEY, widely-known Mayo and Dawson mining man, arrived here from Dawson on today's inbound plane.

DAWSON ARRIVAL TELLS OF CRASH

According to Harry Colley, well known Mayo and Dawson mining magnate, Pilot Vines would undoubtedly have been able to save his life, the life of his passenger and the plane had he had another few seconds leeway.

According to Harry the motor quit just after the airman had taken off from the field. The plane had gained about 150 feet altitude. With the motor dead and the plane falling fast, Pilot Vines tried to do the only possible thing he could do - he tried to swing the plane to the river and, with another few seconds would have cleared the trees. As it was the plane failed to top the trees and crashed into the heavy poplar and spruce fringing the river.

Last week Pilot Vines took off with Chapman en route to the Bonnetplume River and was within 15 minutes of his destination when he encountered a solid fog wall which necessitated returning to Dawson. He was headed for the same place yesterday when the plane crashed just after taking off from the Klondike field.

FOURTEEN YEARS SERVICE

Pilot Vines had been in the flying game for 14 years and was considered one of the best commercial pilots in Canada. Born in New Brunswick, he was 35 years old. He took up flying in Edmonton in 1926 and served with The Flying Cloud Air Service out of Boston, flew with Capt. Freddie McCall, veteran airman, in Alberta, was Instructor for the Brandon Flying Club, in Manitoba for a period, served with Independent Airways out of Edmonton and was one of the original fliers with Pioneer Airways in B. C. From Pioneer Airways he came North in 1936 to fly for Northern Airways Ltd. of Carcross and thence to the White Pass Company.

Although only a young man Pilot Vines was an experienced veteran of the air lanes with a record of 5000 to 6000 hours in the air.

During his past five years in the Yukon Lionel covered thousands of miles in the air and was noted for the skill and coolness with which he handled any type of ship. It will be recalled that he made a night flight by moonlight from Mayo to Whitehorse two years ago. Pilot Art Burt was co-pilot with Lionel on that memorable flight - the first night flight ever made in the Yukon.

In the sudden, fatal crash of Pilot Vines the Yukon has lost not only a great flier but a true Yukoner who liked the North country and who liked its people. He was always cheerful, happy, friendly and sincere. No flier loved the game more than he did. Flying was his life, the skyways his castle and an airplane his career.

We know that we are reflecting the heartfelt feelings of every Yukoner who knew Pilot Lionel Vines when we say that an ace flier, a devoted husband and a grand citizen has gone on his last flight.

With the exception of his wife, his parents and his sisters perhaps no one else feels so deeply his going as his fellow pilots of the northern skies.

One of their own numbers has folded his wings in rest. They carry on.

An intrepid and esteemed Sourdough on Wings has sailed into the golden sunset on his last patrol. But like the cadence of a planes hum, throbbing, fainting, dying... the memory of Pilot Lionel Vines will live on for many, many years of space to come.

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erce Building, Vancouver, B. C.

PILOT DAME BRINGS BOAT AND AIR MAIL WEDNESDAY

Pilot Alex Dame flew to Mayo in the White
Pass Travelair Wednesday, bringing mail from
the S. S. Norah which docked in Skagway Tues.
and airmail from the YSAT planes. Mail which
came up the coast on the American steamer,
S. S. Baranoff, was also brought here Wednesday.
The Baranoff reached Skagway last Sunday.

BACK FRIDAY: Pilot Dame returned to Mayo
Friday bringing a little additional second
class matter from Tuesday's boat and freight.
From here he went to Dawson and is scheduled
to fly south Saturday, taking the outgoing
airmail and other dispatches.

CARD PARTY TO-NIGHT: The Mayo Chapter IODE,
is holding another of its popular Saturday
night card parties in IODE House to-night. The
cards get under way at 8 o'clock.

Funds derived from these card parties are
used for war purposes so come along and help
the worthy cause.

WHITEHORSE

T. C. Richards was expected to return to
Whitehorse on Tuesday of this week following
his recent hurried trip to the coast on bus-
iness.

On Thursday next, Jan. 30th., at 8 p. m.
the first of a series of First Aid Lectures
and demonstrations will be held in the Mas-
onic Hall under the supervision of Dr. F.
Burns Roth. There will be six or eight lect-
ures in the series, to be held weekly.

Howard F. Mason of Seattle left here yester-
day for Dease Lake to instal a new radio ser-
vice there for the joint use of the P. A. A.
and Yukon Southern Air Transport. Joe Morr-
ison accompanied him. A Northern Airways pl-
ane piloted by Les Cook, accompanied by Geo.
Simmons, came over from Carcross to fly the
two men and their equipment into Dease Lake.

In the hockey game Sunday the Town team ch-
alked up another win against the White Pass
by a score of 4-3. Several spectacular gr-
udge fights enlivened the contest.

GO UP RIVER: Ed. Kimbel and Archie Currie
went up to the 17-mile Thursday to bring down
a load of hay.

RENNIE BURIAN came in with his "cat" from
his home at the 26-mile, below Mayo, Tuesday
and left on the return journey Thursday.

GEORGE REID, who had been spending a week
doing some book work for Dick Major at the
Elsa, returned to Mayo Thursday.

NEWS OF MAYOITES FROM FAR AND NEAR

LOUIS KAZINSKY: Now with Park Company of the Royal Canadian Engineers and stationed in a camp a short distance out of Ottawa a mile and a half from the Quebec border. Louis is liking the army life fine, he writes. There are 15,000 soldiers in the camp where he is and construction going ahead to accommodate 30,000 troops soon.

BILLY LAMB: Bill is still in Vancouver and had a great re-union recently with Theo. Erickson, recently arrived from Mayo. Bill lost no time in getting all the Mayo news from Theo.

ED. BARKER: Had a joust with the flu but now better. Ed expects to leave for the North around the first of March and is bringing in a big, new mining outfit for Haggart Ck.

GEORGE STEVENS (The Halifax Kid) - George was in Vancouver recently, recuperating from a recent severe accident in a logging camp up country. Several ribs broken.

DICK STEEVES: Dick is still in Vancouver. It is rumoured he may soon undergo a 30-day period of training soon.

FRANK BUCKWAY: Frank is around Vancouver and has bought a fine, new car. Frank bought his car from the same firm where Dick Steeves got his new bus shortly after arrival. Now Dick is having quite a time showing Frank around the big city.

A. K. SCHELLINGER: We hear that "Schelly" expects to return to Mayo around the first of March. He has been visiting his wife and family in California this winter.

DON POOLE: Don has been transferred from Brandon to Victoria to continue his training with the Royal Canadian Air Force.

CLINT NICHOLSON: Clint is now at Britannia mine, near Vancouver, where he is working in the mine.

TOM TRACEY: After several months at Britannia, Tom has just recently arrived at the Tulsequah mine, near Juneau, where quite a few former T. Y. employees are now working.

AMOS NOYD: Although he has now retired from the firm of Hard Work & Co., Amos is still going strong and enjoying life at his cabin in North Mayo.

KAZINSKY BROTHERS DOING WELL MINING

Recent advices from Dawson state that the Kazinsky brothers, Johnnie and George, are doing very well with their mining proposition at the head of Last Chance near Paradise Hill.

Johnnie and George, who left here last fall with their families for Dawson, have taken over their father's placer ground and have been doing prospecting and development work this winter.

According to reports the two brothers are taking out pay dirt averaging around 50¢ a bucket which is nice pay anywhere.

MISS PAGE HONOURED AT VANCOUVER PARTY

(Special to the Miner)

VANCOUVER, B. C. - Jan. 18: Mrs. W. J. D. Dempster, former well known Mayo woman, entertained at her home on West 30th., honouring Miss Vera Page, of Mayo, now visiting the coast.

The tea table was set with an Irish lace cloth and cream candlesticks. Mrs. Geddes & Mrs. Ross Moulton presided at the urns.

Guests included Mrs. George Black, Mrs. J. D. Gallagher, Mrs. E. T. W. Nash, Mrs. J. Elliott and Miss Elliott (of Whitehorse), Mrs. Wilson (friend of Miss Page), Mrs. R. O'Loane, Mrs. Alex McCarter, Mrs. Ed. Barker, Mrs. Ben Craig, Mrs. Phyllis Nunn, Mrs. Russler, Mrs. Richard Field, Mrs. A. Davies, Mrs. Garbet Watt, Mrs. Frank Burton, Mrs. Stan Sievenpiper, and Mrs. Rio N. Elgar.

Miss Sheela Dempster, charming daughter of the hostess served & Hugh peeped through the door a few times.

ED. NOTE: Mrs. Dempster and Miss Page served together on the staff of Mayo General Hospital during the first years of its establishment in Mayo.

YUKON COUPLE FETED

Mrs. Hector Morrison, 1045 Pacific Street, wife of the late Hector Morrison, widely known Mayo district silver pioneer, entertained Wednesday at tea in honour of Mrs. R. C. Beaumont, formerly Florence Troberg of Dawson City, Yukon. Mrs. R. C. Beaumont, sr. presided at the urns and serviteurs were Mrs. Bert Parker, Mrs. Geo. Rusler, Miss Janet Spence. Mrs. Geo. Black, of Dawson City, made a presentation to the guest of honor.

FORMER MAYO COUPLE GOING TO OKANAGAN

We hear that "Chuck" Harrison, formerly of the Mayo branch of the Bank of Montreal, has been transferred to Kelowna in the Okanagan Valley. "Chuck" will be accompanied by his bride, the former Miss Mildred Waugh, popular Mayo and Dawson girl who left here only a short time ago for her wedding to "Chuck" in Vancouver.

QUITE A NUMBER of Mayoites now in Vancouver are talking about heading North at the earliest opportunity this spring.

EX-YUKON FLIER KILLED IN RCAF CRASH

A recent issue of the Vancouver Daily Province reports the crash of an RCAF training plane at Windsor, Ontario in January which cost the life of Flight Lieut. Alan H. Fairweather.

Fairweather, an instructor and second in command at the Windsor Training School, was up with a student pilot when the machine went into a spin at 500 feet and ploughed through the earth for 80 feet.

The late flier was connected with Northern Airways Ltd., at Carcross, Y.T. a few years ago. He left the NAL shortly after he had cracked up a plane taking off the Carcross fld.

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I. O. D. E. NOTICE

The annual meeting will be held
in the I. O. D. E. House next Wednesday
night, Feb. 5th., starting at 8 p. m.
A full attendance is requested.

MAYO MAN BORN OVER
OLD ROMAN FORT

Although he only found it out a few days ago, George Andison, well known Mayo business man, was surprised to learn that born above an old Roman fort.

In a clipping received from the Old Land recently appeared the strange bit of news.

The paragraph stated that while digging air raid shelters recently in Stanwix, diggers uncovered the remains of an old Roman fort of 9 acres in extent, built about the second century.

Mr. Andison was born in Stanwix. He knows the location where the old fort was found well.

SKIING & BADMINTON got under away in full swing again this week following a lull during last week's cold snap. There were good turnouts at badminton on Tuesday and Friday nights of this week while numerous skiers are again in action these fine days & evenings.

MINING MAN PREDICTS GOLD
PRICE OF \$42. AN OUNCE.
URGES \$1.29 OUNCE SILVER

WALLACE, Idaho - Stewart Campbell, former state mine inspector, predicts that the price of gold will be advanced from \$35 to \$42 an ounce some time in January or February, 1941. Mr. Campbell says there are two reasons to substantiate this prediction.

"One is that Britain's gold supply is sufficient only to carry the government to April 1, 1941; so if the price of gold is not increased prior to that date, Great Britain will be unable to make further purchases of any kind in the United States after that date," says Mr. Campbell.

He further predicts that "in January, 1941, congress will place the limit on United States government national debt at \$60 billion. That debt cannot be sustained unless the price of gold is raised to \$42. an ounce."

"It would give the government an enormous profit on gold bullion stored in the nation's vaults and would stimulate business generally.

The increased price probably will be first established in London, as it was before, and the United States would have to automatically follow suit as a matter of self protection. In the event we do raise the price of gold to \$42 an ounce we should not stop there but go ahead and increase the price of silver to \$1.29 an ounce. If we are going to boost our money supply we might as well do a good job of it," Mr. Campbell said.

RAY TO START FREIGHTING
TO HAGGART CREEK SOON

In preparation for the biggest season's operations to date on Haggart Creek this coming summer, Irwin Ray expects to start freighting diesel oil and other supplies to the Barker mine on Haggart early this month.

Irwin, assisted by Hugo Seaholm, has just completed thoroughly overhauling the Barker "cat" and things are now ready to start rolling.

Barker, who left for Vancouver in December, is reported heading North early in March and is bringing in over the trail a large new "cat" and bulldozer, much larger than the one he has been using these past two seasons.

100 DEGREES DIFFERENCE
IN WEATHER HERE

Last Wednesday, week ago, the spirits were hovering around the 50 below zero mark. This week, on the same date, they were up past the 50 above mark as a southerly Chinook hit the district. A spring day couldn't have been any finer than was this past Wednesday.

The warm spell of Wednesday gave way on Thursday and Friday to chillier temperatures but not severe. On Friday the spirits were around the zero level with a stiff wind blowing in from the North.

Some of the highest winds experienced here this winter followed in the wake of Wednesday's extremely mild day. Up at Keno City it was reported that the high wind ripped roofing paper off certain buildings there.

The high wind was general, apparently, throughout the North as KPAR, Fairbank's radio, advised the denizens of that interior town to let their fires die out Wednesday night and remove furniture from close to the stoves in case the flames blew back.

LITTLE MAYO GIRL WAS CRITICALLY ILL

MEDICAL PRECAUTIONS CHECK SPREAD OF FLU IN MAYO DISTRICT

Timely precautions taken by Medical Health Officer Dr. C. M. Robertson played an important part in checking the spread of flu epidemic in this district.

Last week, with so many of the pupils of Mayo Public School suffering with colds, Dr. Robertson ordered the school closed for one week. The Doctor instituted similar steps at the Elsa school which was closed from last Wednesday until Monday of this week.

Although quite a few Mayoites have been victims of severe colds during the past two weeks, only about four cases of actual flu were reported in town - two of these cases being quite severe.

Most seriously affected was little Barbara Taylor, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Taylor. The little lady was removed to the hospital last Saturday and her condition was critical over the week end. She took a turn for the better Tuesday and is now well on the way to recovery.

In the case of the grown ups afflicted, Dr. Robertson advises that the flu was of a mild type. To prevent the spread of the malady the Medical Health Officer advised curtailment of public functions and other gatherings in town last week.

Unless new cases spring up unexpectedly it is now believed that the epidemic is on the wane here.

HOSPITAL NOTES: Miss Joyce Besner was able to leave for her home week before last.

Joe Walsh, who suffered a severe cut which required 14 stitches, as the result of an "acc-ident" while cutting wood, was able to leave last week. Joe sat down on an axe and it was a very sharp axe at that.

Jim Fulton is still confined to the hospital.

HUGO MAKES FAST TIME: There are few skiers around the silver district who can handle a pair of "planks" like Hugo Seaholm, one of Mayo's most enthusiastic ski fans. A little jaunt of 30 miles doesn't bother Hugo any as he proved last week end. Leaving here on Sunday morning by car, Hugo took to his skis at the Halfway Roadhouse, en route to Dublin Gulch and Fred Taylor's place. Leaving the roadhouse at 9 in the morning he was at Bobbie Burns cabin by noon and at the Taylor home on Dublin the same afternoon. Coming back Hugo pulled out from Dublin at 8.15 on Tuesday morning and was at the Half Way Roadhouse, (28 miles) by 3 o'clock that afternoon. He reports everybody fine on Dublin Gulch.

SURPRISE PARTY: Marjorie Nagano held a surprise party in her father's G. N. Cafe on Monday afternoon. The surprise was on Annie Close on the occasion of her 11th. birthday and was attended by two other of her school chums... Dooreen Lee and Nancy Whitney. Marjorie's surprise party proved a gastronomical success.

MAYO PUBLIC SCHOOL, closed all last week on account of the prevalence of colds and flu, resumed on Monday of this week with a full attendance.

OYEZ! OYEZ! NYLON STOCKINGS, THE "COMPS" IN GALS SOCKS, HIT MAYO - MOSQUITOES GRIN.

Well, as was expected, Nylon stockings have hit Mayo.

At least we've heard of one young Mayo woman who received four pairs of the new hosiery creation on Wednesday's mail. These were part of the first consignment of Nylon stockings to be sold on the Vancouver market only recently.

Nylon, in case you're interested, is the new synthetic silk which is fast replacing silk and rayon in milady's wardrobe. Owing to the restrictions now placed on importation of silk stockings in Canada during the war, the new Nylon socks, which look like silk and are said to wear longer, will undoubtedly be sweeping the country before midsummer.

But as one Mayo gentleman exclaimed, after inspecting the unbelievable sheerness and thinness of the new leg decorations, "what a break for the mosquitoes."

BANK OF MONTREAL REIMBURSES STAFF FOR FIRE LOSSES

A. T. Hall, Manager of the Bank of Montreal, advised us Thursday that he had received a check from the General Manager, Mr. Jackson Dodds, of Montreal, covering the personal losses of himself and Teller Fraser MacNaughton sustained in the Bank fire here last fall.

In his letter the General Manager complimented the local staff for the manner in which they carried on the bank's business under disadvantages, after being burned out of their regular premises.

Manager Hall and Teller MacNaughton lost practically all of their clothing and personal belongings in the fire.

MAIN MAYO-GALENA ROAD IN FINE SHAPE

Recent arrivals from the Elsa state that the main road between Mayo and the Elsa is in tip top shape - just like a boulevard.

Road Foreman Neil Keobke makes daily trips between Mayo and the Elsa and Calumet to keep a watchful eye on the culverts and the road in general while Carl Miller has lately been spending three days a week on the upper end of the road between the Calumet and Keno.

Wednesday's chinook and accompanying thaw, followed by freezing temperatures Thursday, made the roadbed somewhat slippery for driving, but, outside of that, cars and trucks can purr right along.

JOHNSON HAS HOLE DOWN 70 FEET, DUNCAN CK.

Ellis Johnson, husky miner of Mayo district, now has a hole down 70 feet on his claim at 54 below Duncan.

Ellis did some prospecting last fall but really started to make headway after the frosts came. Rich pay has been found at that part of the creek in former years and Ellis is hoping to uncover some of it before he gets through with his winters operations.

A. Runer is helping Ellis with his winter's prospecting work on Duncan Creek.