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Two Days Left! Victory Loan Quota Must be Met

VICTORY LOAN LAGS. EXTRA SPLURGE NEEDED TO ATTAIN QUOTA.

OTTAWA, May 11.—Victory Loan total \$1,073,168,950 with Wednesday's sales \$62,805,350. \$310,000,000 needed to reach Fifth Loan total.

VANCOUVER, May 10.—B. C. Yukon general canvas to noon Wednesday \$45,145,900 for ninety-two per cent quota. Yukon Division fourth place with ninety-one per cent. Units as follows—Atlin third place with 119%; Dawson sixteenth place with 90%; Peace River thirteenth place with 96%; Whitehorse twenty-fifth place with 81%.

LOCAL—At the time of going to press (10.30 a. m.) 395 applications have been received totaling \$187,300.00. This leaves \$37,700.00 to be raised within the next two days if our quota of \$225,000.00 is to be reached on time. By way of comparison the Whitehorse area secured \$277,150.00 from 463 subscribers for the Fifth Victory Loan. Those who have yet to fill in their applications are urgently requested to do so without further delay. The time is short—the money is needed and the boys overseas are relying implicitly upon us all doing our duty by them as they are doing theirs by us.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT ASKING FOR BILLIONS FOR LEND-LEASE AID.

WASHINGTON. — President Roosevelt has asked Congress to appropriate \$3,450,570,000 to carry forward the lend-lease program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945. He also requested balances of pre-arranged appropriations be made available which would make the aggregate for the new year \$7,188,893,000. Senator Allen Ellender (Dem. La.) has urged that the United States now fix a policy on final lend-lease settlements.

LOCAL ITEMS

We are informed that Lloyd Ryder and Ian Murray, who left here a week ago to enlist in the Armed Forces, have joined the R. C. A. F. to be trained as gunners.

The winner of the Dawson Ice pool this year was a native of Moosehide and the amount he received was \$3801.83. The official time was announced as 1.27 p. in. Friday, May 5, 1944. The percentage retained by the Dawson Chapter, I. O. D. E. was over \$1000.

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Mr. Grant McConachie, manager of western division, Canadian Pacific Air Lines Ltd., arrived by plane from Edmonton Tuesday in his official capacity.

U. S. GOVERNMENT TO DISCONTINUE EMERGENCY OIL PROGRAM STATES MINISTER OF RESOURCES.

OTTAWA.—With the war situation in the Pacific eased, Hon. T. A. Crerar, minister of mines and resources, has announced that the United States government is giving up its emergency oil exploration program in northwestern Canada but will share in the production of present and future fields which may be developed by Canadian exploration. Mr. Crerar's statement made with a similar announcement in Washington, revealed:

1—That a proven field of oil in the Norman Wells, North West Territories area, has been delimited, covering about 4,500 acres and estimated to contain from 30,000,000 to 60,000,000 barrels of oil.

2—That the United States war department has spent about \$134,000,000 on the Canol project which includes a pipeline from Norman Wells to a refinery at Whitehorse, Yukon Territory.

3—That while the Norman field is too far away at present to supply the oil needs of central Canada and the prairies, there is reason to expect that favorable structures may also be found in the vicinity of Great Slave Lake, close enough to justify the construction of a pipeline to the south.

4—That exploration and development of northern areas for oil will be encouraged. Canada, now importing 85 per cent of her oil, must "energetically" carry on the search for new sources of supply.

5—That the United States feels, in light of her heavy expenditures in the area, that she should have an option to obtain oil from developments in the northwest. To this, the Canadian government and the company engaged in development work under contract with the United States government, Imperial Oil Ltd, are agreeable.

Under the new agreement the Dominion will have a one-third share in the proven field at Norman Wells, and the Imperial Oil Co. two-thirds. In addition the Dominion is to receive a royalty of ten per cent on the one-third share included in the oil leases. The royalty applicable to the Imperial Oil Co's two-third share will be five per cent.

Respecting new developments the company will pay ten per cent of net profit from operations plus royalties to be provided for. The regulations will make available to all companies and individuals the opportunity of exploring and developing oil resources.

In the meantime, and probably

CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER ADDRESSES LORDS AND COMMONS.

Yesterday was a historic day in the history of the British House of Lords and House of Commons when Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, prime minister of Canada, had the distinct honour of addressing both assemblies. We hope to publish an extended report of his addresses in our next issue. In the meantime it may be stated that he was reported over the radio to have stated that the Canadian government and people stood solidly for the continuance of a united British Commonwealth of Nations, with complete accord on all major policies. He also announced that it would be the Canadian Forces who would make the invasion of Japan. Whilst the ceremonies were in progress over 4000 planes en route to Europe flew over the House of Parliament creating such a roar as to cause a temporary interruption of Mr. King's speech.

CANADA PREPARING FOR DEMOBILIZATION.

According to Capt. Paul B. Cross chief staff officer of reserves and member of the naval board at Ottawa, Canada's rehabilitation plans for her demobilized fighting forces are much more extensive than any other country in the world. In his official capacity he is responsible for the demobilization of the Royal Canadian Navy and rehabilitation program. This program has been built on the principle that it will help not only those discharged from the services but is designed to build up the nation in the future. Education is being emphasized. Every man is trained or educated to the best of his ability not only for his own benefit but also for the country as a whole.

We have been requested to announce that the Whitehorse Public Library will be closed until further notice in order that the same may be established in its new quarters located at the old Legion headquarters. Re-opening will be announced later.

Instead of pouring oil on troubled waters it is being sprayed upon the streets in Whitehorse in order to abate the dust nuisance.

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for the duration of the war, the United States government, with the Imperial Oil Co. will still be interested in maintaining the necessary supply of oil from Norman wells to Whitehorse and will continue to operate the pipeline and refinery here.

### INTERESTING DATA ALASKA HIGHWAY FLIGHT STRIPS.

Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, Headquarters, Northwest Service Command.—The eight flight strips which were completed early this winter along the route of the Alaska Highway from Edmonton to Fairbanks, Alaska, already have more than paid for themselves in the number of planes which have utilized the strips under emergency conditions, it was announced by Brigadier General Ludson D. Worsham, Commanding General of the Northwest Service Command last Friday.

The saving in human lives from the availability of the flight strips is incalculable and could not be counted as a part of the cost or saving of the flight strips in any event, he said.

Some types of aircraft do "contact flying" (in direct contact with the ground) using the Alaska Highway as a guide.

In other cases planes also use this method of guidance in flying when their instruments have failed to function properly or when bad storms have forced them off the normal radio beams.

The Northwest Staging Route, which these strips complement, is under the jurisdiction and operation of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

These eight strips, located at strategic points in the wilderness of Northwest Canada and Alaska along the 2,000-mile airway, were completed by contractors working for the Northwest Service Command in less than six months at a cost of \$2,363,000. Fewer than 500 civilian workers were employed.

Construction of these strips presented problems similar to those faced by the pioneer constructors of the Alaska Highway and the Canol Project.

Preliminary aerial reconnaissance for the location of the strips was accomplished by Lt. Col. H. P. Little of the U. S. Army Air Forces, and H. J. Corey, of Metcalfe-Hamilton-Kansas City Bridge Companies which had been awarded the contract for construction.

The surveyors spent several weeks reconnoitering in the spring of 1943 before allocating present strips in order to find the most protected places from the types of weather which can and do occur so swiftly over this route.

Actual site surveys to determine soil conditions and general construction difficulties supplemented this activity. After all sites had been approved, survey parties were sent out to the locations and engine-

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Let us have faith that right makes  
might; and in that faith let us to the  
end dare to do our duty as we  
understand it. —Lincoln.

MAY 12, 1944

## WHAT A SOLDIER THINKS

Into our pre-invasion, Victory  
Loan atmosphere there arrives a  
letter, written by a private in the  
Pacific who has weathered the  
"williwaws" in the Aleutians and  
stormed the beaches of Kwajalein.  
Because it reflects a quality of far-  
sighted, realistic thinking, it de-  
serves the widest possible publicity.  
Here it is:

"As a soldier I am often amused—  
more often frightened— by evidence  
that people are being sold the idea  
that a great hope for the post-war  
world lies somehow in mysterious  
and intangible qualities which are  
thought to have sprung up in the  
fighting men over-night. Some-  
things supposed to have happened

## You Said It Archie!



in thousands of foxholes all over  
the world, which, we are told, will  
give us peace and prosperity when  
the war is won. Unfortunately it  
hasn't. Yet when it does, it will  
take place in farms and factories and  
federal buildings too. And it must  
happen!" The need is a change of  
heart.

"Millions of men" he continues  
"are fighting today to make all men  
free. But we are slaves to our-  
selves. Sex, money and pleasure  
hold us captive. Actually we desire  
not peace but pleasure. We want  
a helicopter in every garage. We want  
freedom to live our own lives as  
though we were the sole inhabitants  
of the earth. We want ease and  
security . . . And we call these  
things—peace!

God knows we have fought and  
laboured and sweated and bled. We  
have suffered and died. But we  
cannot rebuild our country—Not as  
we are. And yet she looks to us  
and thinks that in us she has the  
hope of nationhood and peace. But  
not as we are. We will win the  
war. But then all will not be done.  
She will need soldiers—warriors of  
the spirit to fight that the hearts of  
men may be free as well as their  
hands. Else we have fought in  
vain.

Our country will need some force  
to unite her. But we cannot be that  
force—not as we are, because we  
have no faith, no standards, no des-  
tiny. The sentimentalists say that  
there are no atheists in the fox-  
holes. But they are wrong. We  
pray when we are afraid. After the  
battle we forget God and His laws."

He concludes his striking letter  
with this grave warning: "Unless  
we change our country will perish.  
The price of nationhood is high.  
Those who refuse to pay it are  
traitors to the nation. And the price  
is moral re-birth in the heart of  
every man."


## PLAIN TALKING

Plain talking has never hurt any-  
one and the straight-from-the-  
shoulder speech of Group Captain  
Massey in the Ottawa House of  
Commons comes at an opportune  
time.

Just back from eighteen months  
overseas, Group Captain Massey ex-  
pressed deep concern over the at-  
mosphere of unreality that he found  
prevalent in this country "There is  
a carnival spirit" he stated "pre-  
maturely anticipating the victory  
which indubitably some day will  
be ours. To hear and over-hear  
some conversations one would be  
led to believe that all we have to  
do to win the war is to step ashore  
from the barges and walk to Berlin  
through a Germany flattened by the  
Air Force. . . . Those who ponder  
the situation critically must realize  
that no beach-head will be estab-  
lished on the steps of the European  
Fortress without the payment of a  
ghastly price."

These weighty words come too  
near the truth to be anything but  
sobering. War, as we have all read  
about it, has already been ghastly  
enough, but it is as nothing com-  
pared to what we will be made to  
feel when the impending invasion  
is in actual operation.

A country that faces these facts  
fairly and squarely is strengthened



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the pioneers of this country and the  
Fathers of Confederation, and will  
eventually pull through with its re-  
solves still firm and unshaken and  
its faith undimmed. But a  
running away from reality to bask  
in the sunshine of some dreamed of  
new world can only serve to em-  
phasize, as by a spot-light, how  
little we understand the real under-  
lying issues of this whole struggle

Our men on the Italian beaches  
and in the skies over Germany are  
fighting a physical foe Here at  
home an equally important battle  
must be fought and won—the fight  
against the under-mining influen-  
ces of materialism the fight for the  
restoration of absolute moral stand-  
ards in our everyday life. Victory  
abroad, without this victory at  
home, will most certainly not give  
rise to that new world for which we  
all hope and pray. A "me first"  
frame of mind today holds out little  
or no prospect for building an un-  
selfish, sound post-war world to-  
morrow

As these words are being written  
it may be that the zero hour has  
struck There can be no doubt in  
our minds that our men in the  
Armed Forces will play their part  
to the full and in an heroic and re-  
alistic manner be the odds what  
they may. Let us be sure that their  
fighting fitness is strengthened by  
the certain knowledge that we at  
home are winning a battle too.

### TIME BOMBS

To be honest about what we are  
really fighting for we must of ne-  
cessity realize what we are really  
living for. How can it be other-  
wise?

It is far better to remain silent  
and be thought a fool than to speak  
and thereby remove all doubt on the  
point

More honest leadership calls not  
only for more leaders who are hon-  
est but also for more honest people  
who are willing to lead.

The strength of a nation lies as  
much, if not more so, on its friend-  
ships as in its army.

Tomorrow's world is not going to  
be what we want it to be—not by a  
long shot. As the potter fashions  
his clay so we are responsible for  
building the world of tomorrow.  
How about it?

Character, like muscle, develops  
with use.

Washing our hands of the situa-  
tion makes them anything but clean.  
We each owe a duty to the State  
and to Humanity. Let's get on with  
the job. "Procrastination is the  
thief of time."

PUT VICTORY FIRST



**DAWSON**

Born at Dawson Creek, B. C., April 2, to Mr. and Mrs. Phil Nunn, a son. "Slim" Nunn was formerly employed by the company here at Bear Creek.

Jack Faulkner, an old-time Dawsonite, has returned after spending an enjoyable winter Outside.

Alex Adams has left for Last Chance to resume mining operations on Harry Abraham's ground.

Miss Marjorie Hall, niece of W. H. Strathie, passed away suddenly at the home of her parents, at Eriean, Ontario last week. She was 42 years of age. She left Dawson in 1922 to reside in the east.

Dredge No. 4 started operating on Bonanza last week, the bucket line being pulled Sunday.

Stan Samuelson former young Dawsonite, has been transferred from the Cloverdale, B. C. branch of the Bank of Montreal to the branch at Vergreville. For the past few years Mr. and Mrs. Samuelson and their two children have made their home in Cloverdale.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Best have returned to town. On account of ill health Mr. Best has been Outside since last Fall. Mrs. Best left for the coast about six weeks ago.

**PICKING UP GOLD**

Gold may be hard to get nowadays but it can still be picked up in the Yukon. With Spring freshets in full swing and all the smaller creeks, gullies and draws throwing a full head of water, individual placer miners are working like beavers day and night to make their clean-up in various parts of the Territory.

**BRITISH COMMONWEALTH PRIME MINISTER DISCUSS POST WAR PROBLEMS.**

After informal discussions over last week-end the British Commonwealth prime ministers turned their attention to issues of post-war reconstruction with prime minister Churchill taking an active part in the deliberations. The first week was devoted to an intensive survey of the progress of the war in Europe and the Far East and preparations for the impending western front invasion. General agreement prevails that anything that can be done to improve collaboration and consultation among the Dominions should be done. One of the proposals is the holding of imperial conferences annually in the different Empire capitals.

**SPECTACULAR NIGHT LANDING BY TROOPS STAGED IN BRITAIN.**

From London it is reported that one of the biggest night landings of troops ever staged was carried out last week by the R.A.F. and glidermen in a special demonstration before the Allie air commander-in-chief and a select group of air and army technicians. Limbering up for the D. Day.

**JOHN BULL!**

FRAMLINGHAM, Suffolk, England. —Edgar Granville, independent member of parliament for Eye, in a recent speech stated that during the last five years Britain had exemplified five great qualities:

At Dunkerque—courage; in the blitz—endurance; after Singapore—faith; for the invasion—determination and for the future—thrift. He stated "they add up to the character of John Bull."

**BEAT-HITLER-FIRST PRIME MINISTER'S PLAN.**

The prime ministers of the British Empire, now in session in London, England, have disclosed that the "Beat-Hitler-First" strategy of the Allies has won their solid approval. Endorsement of the United Nations global war policy was announced by prime minister John Curtin of Australia who urged, on behalf of his country, that the Pacific be not forgotten while Germany is being conquered.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

List of Crown-granted Mineral Claims to be sold at Public Auction on Tuesday, July 4th, 1944, at 11 O'clock in the forenoon, in the Court Room, Administration Building, Dawson, Y. T., under the provisions of "The Crown Grant Tax Ordinance."

Dawson, Y. T.  
April 23, 1944.

**P. POWELL**  
Territorial Treasurer.

| Registered Owner or Agent.   | Name of Claim.   | Group | Lot | Acreage | Total taxes & Penalties. | Costs | Total amount due for which claim will be sold |
|------------------------------|------------------|-------|-----|---------|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Edward S. Sears              | Victoria         | 2     | 86  | 50.66   | 21.80                    | 2.00  | 23.80                                         |
| Hans E. Formo                | Cassiar          | 2     | 371 | 51.60   | 22.25                    | 2.00  | 24.25                                         |
| Estate of F. M. Bean         | Francetta        | 2     | 423 | 34.60   | 14.94                    | 2.00  | 16.94                                         |
| H. G. Macpherson (Estate of) | Ruby             | 5     | 169 | 29.02   | 12.81                    | 2.00  | 14.81                                         |
| Yukon District Gold-Mining   | Venus            | 6     | 20  | 50.44   | 45.70                    | 2.00  | 47.70                                         |
| W. L. Phelps                 | Ruby Silver      | 6     | 23  | 51.65   | 22.25                    | 2.00  | 24.25                                         |
| Estate of Dr. W. Catto       | Victoria         | 1054  | 1   | 50.35   | 34.80                    | 2.00  | 36.80                                         |
| Estate of Dr. W. Catto       | Dublin King      | 1054  | 2   | 47.90   | 22.45                    | 2.00  | 24.45                                         |
| Estate of Dr. W. Catto       | Happy Jack       | 1054  | 3   | 40.13   | 19.36                    | 2.00  | 21.36                                         |
| Estate of Dr. W. Catto       | Kootenay         | 1054  | 4   | 46.60   | 22.05                    | 2.00  | 24.05                                         |
| Estate of Dr. W. Catto       | Foundation       | 1054  | 5   | 46.39   | 22.05                    | 2.00  | 24.05                                         |
| Estate of Dr. W. Catto       | Shamrock         | 1054  | 6   | 5.67    | 5.90                     | 2.00  | 7.90                                          |
| Estate of Dr. W. Catto       | Victoria Fract'n | 1054  | 7   | 2.92    | 1.45                     | 2.00  | 3.45                                          |

If the total amount of such tax, penalties, costs of advertising, and other expenses due in respect to each Mineral Claim as above stated is not paid at the office of the Collector at Dawson, Y. T., before the said day of sale stated in this Notice, the said Claims so in default will be offered for sale at public auction at the time and place above mentioned, as provided by the said Ordinance.

Dated at Dawson, in the Yukon Territory, this 23rd day of April, 1944.

**P. POWELL,**  
Collector.

**Whitehorse Theatre**

**Schedule for Coming Week:**

**MONDAY—TUESDAY**

Bette Davis with George Brent  
Mary Astor, Lucile Watson  
and Hattie McDaniel.

**The Great Lie**

**WEDNESDAY — THURSDAY**

John Payne, Betty Grable  
Victor Mature, Jane Yyman.

**Smiling Ghost**

**FRIDAY—SATURDAY**

Wn. Morris, Brenda Marshall

**SERENADE**

Alan Hale, Lee Patrick,  
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**U. S BLACKLISTS  
38 IRISH FIRMS FOR  
AIDING THE ENEMY.**

WASHINGTON.—The first action by the United States government to express, through economic measures, its disapproval of Eire's decision not to eject Axis officials accused of espionage by the Allies, was taken last Saturday night when 38 Irish firms and businessmen were blacklisted being accused of aiding the enemy.

**WILKIE BARD  
LONDON COMEDIAN.**

The popular London comedian of "The Gay Nineties", Wilkie Bard, died last Friday in Buckinghamshire at the age of 70. He excelled in the pantomimes years ago.

**Freedom  
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On the battle fronts of the world, thousands of Canadian men and women are gallantly fighting a war to insure freedom for EVERYONE. They're ready to give their lives, all ou're being asked to do is lend your dollars. You'll be anxious to share the freedoms . . . are you willing to share the cost?

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Prime Minister Churchill stated the other day, "Victory may not be so far waaay, and will certainly not be so far away, and will certainly not be denied us in the end, but the task is heavy, the toll is long, the trial will be severe."

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**PUT VICTORY FIRST  
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**JOHN SEWELL  
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**INTERESTING DATA  
ALASKA HIGHWAY  
FLIGHT STRIPS**

(Official)

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ering surveys then were made. From these, the final plans were prepared.

Construction of flight strips Nos. 1 to 4, inclusive, commenced June 25, 1943. Work on fields 5 to 3 got under way on July 20, 1943. All flight strips were completed and in full operation this winter.

While the actual conditions under which workers pushed through this little-known project were climatically favorable in comparison with the severe and variable elements in which most of the Alaska Highway and Canol Project construction was undertaken, the problems of terrain were in many instances identical. The same swamp-like muskeg was encountered; sand and gravel had to be hauled many miles to the actual point of use, and the problem of clearing right-of-ways was enormous

Where the road-builders had to clear a right-of-way of 60 feet to 100-feet in width, the flight strip constructionists had to clear a minimum of 500-feet. Runways were constructed at a minimum 6,000-foot length.

Northwest Staging Route and its auxiliary flight strips has its origin in the old days of "bush flying" in the Canadian Northwest and Alaska.

It is a tribute to the skill of these early pilots that the mortality of men and equipment was low; directional beams were non-existent; radio communication with the ground was undeveloped and the intrepidity of the fliers themselves often carried them home on what is still known as the "seats of their pants."

When, in the mid-1930's, the larger airlines of Canada and the United States began to survey the possibilities of airline routes across the northwest wilderness to Alaska, they gained invaluable knowledge from the experiences—occasionally tragic, but inevitably a distinct contribution to the progress of aviation—of these courageous bush pilots.

In 1939, two airports went into operation at Fort St John, British Columbia, and Grande Prairie, Alberta Province. Regular airmail and passenger service through Canada's far northwest and Alaska became an accomplished fact a few years later.

As early as 1926, there had been a landing field at Whitehorse and by the early 30's landing fields had been used by the bush pilots at Watson Lake, Fort Nelson and Fort St. John. This route was used by the old Yukon Southern Air Transport Ltd., later absorbed by the Canadian Pacific Air Lines Ltd.

The Pan American Airways air coastal route from Seattle, Washington, to Juneau and other Alaskan coastal points sometimes is impossible of navigation, due to violent wind and snow storms, heavy, low-lying fogs and generally inclement weather. PAA in emergencies uses this system of airports ranging from Fort St. John to Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, Canada.

Today, less than five years after

these airports went into active operation, Pan American's flights from Seattle to interior Alaska fly often via the Fort Nelson-Watson Lake-Whitehorse route, although generally these flights are routed west of the Rockies via Prince George, Telegraph Creek, alternately Juneau, and Whitehorse.

Evidence that the newly operating flight strips were to become, as they have, a vital part of air operations in the north is found in the fact that even while construction of the fields was under way in the summer and early fall of 1943, planes landed on them, some for repairs, some because they had run out of gas and others because they were lost.

Flight Strip No. 1 is about 350 miles northwest of Edmonton. Clearing and grading for this strip was done by the Public Roads Administration, and the work of Metcalfe, Hamilton & Kansas City Bridge Companies consisted only of consolidating and levelling the sub-grade as placed by the P.R.A. and building the necessary drainage structures to drain the strip.

Flight Strip No. 2 is located in a broad valley north of Fort St. John. In order to build a strip in this location, it was necessary to remove from one to five feet of muskeg and timber growth. This was accomplished by bulldozers and scrapers. The muskeg was replaced with clay and gravel which was compacted by Sheepsfoot Rollers and Pneumatic Tired Rollers.

Flight strip No. 3 is located farther north, toward Fort Nelson, B. C., on a high plateau. From a construction standpoint, this location was ideal, the strip being located on a natural gravel bed. Clearing and grubbing and the removal of trees and brush was very light. Some undesirable silt pockets were encountered and had to be removed and replaced with gravel.

Flight strip No. 4, northwest of Fort Nelson, lies in a fairly low level area, near the Liard River. The water level of the Liard at this location is approximately 35-feet below the level of the flight strip.

Considerable difficulty was encountered in the clearing of this site, in that it was heavily wooded with jack-pine and spruce timber, which had to be removed by hand felling, and the fallen trees bulldozed into windrows and burnt or bulldozed over the bank and into the river.

Flight Strip No. 5, located east of Whitehorse, was built under similar conditions to No. 4. The natural ground in the flight strip area was a gravel bed and the entire area was covered with large boulders, ranging from several hundred pounds to fifty pounds each. Several feet of this material had to be removed.

Flight Strip No. 6, is also located east of Whitehorse. This area was sparsely wooded with poplar and brush, which was cleared by bulldozing into windrows and burnt. The ground immediately below this over-burden consisted of a coarse sand, which could be levelled and shaped by blade graders, and formed a very suitable sub-base.

Flight Strip No. 7, west of Whitehorse, is located on a ridge. The area itself was very heavily wooded and considerable difficulty was encountered in removing trees and brush. The natural ground was a sand gravel deposit and grading for the sub-base was comparatively easy.

Flight Strip No. 8 is farther west of Whitehorse. Clearing and removal of trees and brush was comparatively simple.



**WHITEHORSE LODGE No. 46  
A. F. & A. M.**

holds its regular communications in the Masonic Hall, Whitehorse, on the third Monday of the month at 8 o'clock.

Visiting brethren welcome.

**R. L. GREENSLADE,  
Secretary**

**The Cake Box  
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I take this opportunity of informing the Whitehorse Public that the CAKE BOX is now open for business and solicits your patronage.

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**WHITEHORSE, Y. T.**



**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF  
WHITEHORSE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1944.**

|                                                   |           |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Receipts</b>                                   |           |
| Balance March 31, 1943                            | \$ 35.19  |
| Gov't Grant for year and a quarter                | 562.50    |
| Membership Fees                                   | 169.00    |
| Fines                                             | 54.95     |
| Insurance (fire)                                  | 500.00    |
|                                                   | <hr/>     |
|                                                   | \$1321.64 |
| <b>Disbursements</b>                              |           |
| Salary Librarian 13 mos.                          | \$325.09  |
| Fuel and dray work                                | 11.00     |
| Books                                             | 156.89    |
| Magazines                                         | 10.28     |
| Library Supplies                                  | 12.73     |
| Surveying Lot                                     | 5.00      |
| Sam McGee Cabin Fund                              | 9.00      |
| Balance in Canadian Bank Commerce, March 31, 1944 | 791.78    |
|                                                   | <hr/>     |
|                                                   | \$1321.64 |

I have audited the Treasurer's Book of the Whitehorse Public Library, compared all items of receipts and disbursements with the Bank Book and hereby certify the above Financial Statement to be correct.  
W. L. PHELPS.  
Whitehorse, Y. T.  
April 1st, 1944.

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**ESTATE OF  
ALBERT O. POPPENHAGEN  
DECEASED**

ALL PERSONS having any claims against the estate of the above-named deceased are required to file the same with the Public Administrator at Dawson on or before the 28th day of July, 1944, supported by statutory declaration, after which date the estate will be distributed, having reference only to claims which have been so filed.

ALL PERSONS indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the Public Administrator.

DATED AT DAWSON this 5th day of May, 1944.

C. GRANT,  
18-3 Public Administrator.

**ESTATE OF  
HUGH STEWART  
DECEASED**

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Write or call representative:

**H. J. OSS**  
C/o B. P. C. CAR POOL  
19-2 WHITEHORSE.

**FAMOUS LONDON CLOCK,  
BIG BEN, IS CRACKED.**

The Times, London, reveals that the Empire's famed clock, Big Ben, known to hundreds of millions around the world, is cracked. It has been suggested that the mighty bell in the tower of the houses of parliament, be re-cast as a war memorial so that its rather harsh and unmusical note be made more harmonious. The Times, however, in

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**ESTATE OF  
THOMAS ANTHONY TRUPO  
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ALL PERSONS indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the Public Administrator.

DATED AT DAWSON this 12th day of May, 1944.

C. GRANT,  
19-3 Public Administrator

its editorial, pleads that it be left as it is pointing out that it is not only the biggest public clock in the world but also the most accurate. It's note may be unmusical but it is defiant just as if it held the very spirit of London itself in wartime.

"Build B. C. Payrolls"

**Pacific  
Milk  
Overseas**



Pacific Milk is at the war front. Evidence has appeared that some of it was captured and recovered later by the forces of General Montgomery. If your grocer's stock is small, Pacific has gone overseas.

Soon there will be an abundant supply. In the meantime we are trying to see to it there is enough at hand for infant feeding.

**Pacific Milk**

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**LOCAL ITEMS**

The skippers and pilots for the river boats are expected to arrive in town next Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Richards left by C. P. A. plane Monday night on their trip to New York. En route they will visit in Vancouver, Seattle and Chicago. They also expect to visit Montreal on their return trip home.

**Ladies of the town.** When house-cleaning, if you come across any article superfluous to you but useful to others, please send same to Christ Church rectory by June 1st for the Victory stall at the forthcoming lawn social.

Her many friends will be pleased to hear that Mrs. Homer (Kay) Meers has been notified that her brother, FO Norman J. Altic, R.C.A. F., is safe and now a prisoner of war in Germany. He and four others of his crew were reported missing after a major air raid over Berlin in which they took part. Kay has some mighty fine letters of sympathy from various high ranking officials and others which she prizes muchly.

Mrs. Ralph James, and her infant son, have arrived in Whitehorse from Vancouver to make her home with Mr. and Mrs. James Redpath. Mrs. James is the wife of Signalman Ralph James now on active service overseas.

Two distinguished and well-known "gentlemen of the grip" arrived in town this week on their annual trip through the Territory and beyond. Their many friends in the north are glad to meet personally again with Mr. J. W. (Wardie) Forrest of the House of Nabob and Mr. E. A. Ball representing various well-known Houses

**Sale of Saw Logs**

Sealed Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to noon Saturday, May 20th, 1944, to purchase saw logs in the four separate areas as listed below, upset price being four dollars per thousand board feet plus the regular dues.

(1) **Wheaton River Area**  
Approximately 1700 logs lying in the woods. 85,000 F.B.M.

(2) **Watson River Area**  
Approximately 500 logs decked in the woods near millsite 25,000 F. B. M.

(3) **Marshall Creek Area**  
Stock piled at sawmill site 500,000 F. B. M.

(4) **Beaver River Area**  
Decked in the woods, approximately one mile from millsite 193,000 F. B. M.

Highest tender submitted over upset price accepted.

**L. HIGGINS,**  
19-1 Crown Timber Agent.

**WANTED A PARTNER**

To invest in a restaurant in Whitehorse. Hold license to open a branch store. Will be in Whitehorse around June 1st If interested wire Thomas Greensmith, Proprietor Gold Nugget Cafe, Atlin, B. C. 19-3

**BOARDERS**

A quiet home for young boys and girls, adjacent to Whitehorse, operated by one trained and experienced in the care and management of children. References exchanged. Ample supply of fresh vegetables etc., grown upon the premises. A real home from home. Apply in first instance to Mrs. Bassett, General Delivery, Whitehorse, Y. T. 19-1

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... and measure the sorrow and anxiety that have come to thousands of Canadian homes — and may come to many more ...

Are you satisfied that you are doing ALL YOU CAN?

Our men and women in uniform are ready, if need be, to die for Canada, for Freedom, for YOU.

Compared with that, no amount of self-denial is too great.

Are you prepared to put EVERY SINGLE DOLLAR YOU CAN SAVE into Victory bonds? Into bonds that will assure a steady flow of vital supplies to bring Victory closer?

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**HEALTH, HAPPINESS, SUCCESS.** Books. Instructon. Write Rev. William Swaan, Whitehorse, Y.T. 19-1

**WANTED**—Person for two days' housework a week, mornings or afternoons. Apply in first instance at Star Office. 19-1

**FOR SALE**—One "C Melody" Conn. saxophone in good condition. Apply Star Office. 19-1

**FOR SALE**—C.C.M. bicycle. Good tires and tubes. New extra tubes. Generator. In fair running condition. Apply Star Office. 19-1

**FOR SALE**—Radio and pick-up. Household furnishings. Apply P. O. Box 192. Whitehorse, Y. T.

**FOR SALE**—Portable gramophone. Apply Star Office. 19-1



**WHITEHORSE PHARMACY**

**WEATHER REPORT**

|             | Max. | Min. |
|-------------|------|------|
| April       |      |      |
| 28 Friday   | 47   | 33   |
| 29 Saturday | 52   | 35   |
| 30 Sunday   | 52   | 34   |
| May         |      |      |
| 1 Monday    | 52   | 31   |
| 2 Tuesday   | 52   | 34   |
| 3 Wednesday | 52   | 35   |

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**Hellzapoppin**

News and Short.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, MAY 17—18

ANNA NEAGLE — ROBT. NEWMAN

**They Flew Alone**

Cartoon and Short.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, MAY 19—20

MICKEY ROONEY—LEWIS STONE

**Courtship of Andy Hardy**

News and Short.

**NOTICE:** Commencing Monday, May 8, admission to matinees will be reduced to 50c.