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**New Threats Made To Allied Fliers**

NEW YORK (CP) — Propaganda Minister Goebbels threatened Friday that Nazi authorities might give the German people free way to take reprisals against captured Allied fliers.

The Nazis circulated this threat via their D.N.B. agency, which quoted Goebbels as writing in the Volkischer Beobachter that "it is only with the help of armed power that we can protect the lives of enemy pilots shot down in raids on objectives in Germany."

D.N.B. quoted Goebbels as adding: "It would be asking too much to demand of us that we should employ German soldiers to protect murderers of our children."

# Russia's Example Urged In Developing Northland

## Forestry Research Laboratory May Be Established On Coast

OTTAWA (CP) — Members of the Commons Friday fixed their eyes on northwestern Canada and kept them there all day.

They discussed development of oil resources, and then went on to general consideration of all the region and the wealth that examination might reveal.

Howard Green, P.C., Vancouver South, suggested Canadians might seek further information on Russian development of her northern territories to see if Canada should follow examples given there.

Resources Minister Crerar said that a mission to see the Russian developments might be possible after the war, but in the meantime Canada was being informed of Russian findings in the north through the Canadian embassy in Moscow.

G. H. Castleden, C.C.F., Yorkton, Sask., said that rights to the development of oil resources in northwestern Canada had been "handed over" to the Imperial Oil Company without sufficient return to the people of Canada.

### Smaller Operators Denied Opportunity

Mr. Green said he did not believe smaller operators had a proper opportunity for development of oil areas in northwestern Canada in the future.

He believed the Imperial Oil Co. had been given certain exclusive rights under government orders covering northwestern areas.

In the part of the Mackenzie River area where oil production had been achieved the Imperial Oil appeared to have exclusive rights, as well as in 140,000 acres for which exploration permits had been granted.

Mr. Green said it seemed other operators seemed doomed to failure unless they had help. No monopoly should be given Imperial.

Canada was buying out the U.S. interest in northern airfields. The policy in respect to other developments such as the Alaska Highway and the Canol oil development should be explained.

The Resources Minister replied that the government had not given away any of Canada's resources in the agreement entered into with the company and the United States. The U.S. spent \$134,000,000 in development of the Canol project, which includes a pipeline from Norman Wells, Northwest Territories, to Whitehorse, Yukon Territory.

Mr. Crerar said development of northwestern oil resources had been provided for on terms considered fair and equitable and which protected the public interest.

### Howe Says Canada 'Begging for Oil'

Munitions Minister Howe said other companies would have the same rights as Imperial Oil to explore for oil in the northwest. Canada at present was "begging" for oil, she produced less than 17 per cent of what she required. The reception given her by other countries when she asked them to share their oil would not be so cordial if they knew she had large petroleum deposits within her own area.

British Columbia members said Canada should complete construction of a road from Hazelton to Prince Rupert, even though there was an easing of the war emergency, which had led to work being started.

The Resources Minister said more than \$10,000,000 had been spent on the road and about \$500,000 would be needed to bring the unfinished stretch of about 23 miles up to the standard of the remainder.

The road had been recommended by U.S. and Canadian military authorities, but in the past year the military situation on the Pacific had changed.

Mr. Crerar said the military chiefs of staff had the opinion the position was better.

"Sometimes they're wrong," said Tom Reid, L. New Westminster.

"This doesn't make sense," said Mr. Green. "I understand there are only about 14 miles to be completed."

Mr. Reid: British Columbia has been left holding the bag.

Mr. Crerar: We have built 112 miles of road. I would not mind being left holding that kind of a bag.

### Suggests Railways Develop Northwest

Olof Hanson, L. Skeena, said the route was 1,200 miles from Vancouver to Prince Rupert, and the province had built 900 miles of road. It would cost only about \$100,000 for the Dominion to complete the line.

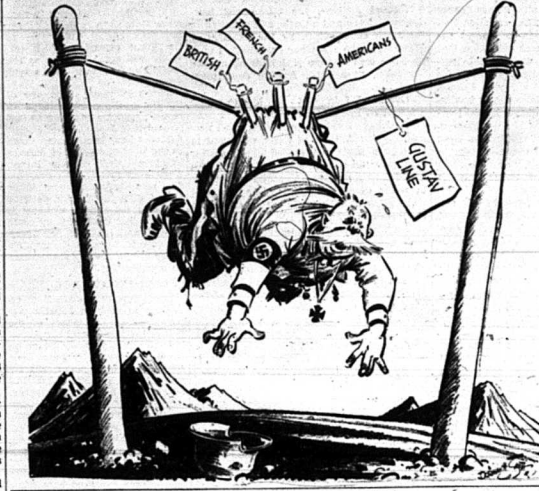
Mr. Crerar reiterated the cost would be about \$300,000.

"You would have to be tunneling through solid rock to cost that much," said T. O'Neill, L. Kamloops.

J. H. Sissons, L. Peace River, Alta., said the government should urge the Canadian National Railway and the Canadian Pacific Railway to develop northwestern Canada.

Mr. Crerar said a forestry re-

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### Harold Brown Scores Air Policy

VANCOUVER (CP) — Maj. Harold Brown, head of the B.C. Federation of Industries, criticized what he termed "the threat of federal authorities to wipe out any competition" in air transportation in the Dominion.

Addressing the annual meeting here of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, B.C. Division, Maj. Brown said Friday that "covert, insidious influences" were at work to direct the trend of public opinion. C.C.F. spokesmen in British Columbia had said military and police forces might be the instrument of their party policy, Maj. Brown said.

### No New Tires in 1944 For General Motorists

TORONTO (CP) — A. H. Williamson, federal rubber controller, said there would be no new automobile tires for civilians until 1945 unless they are engaged in essential war work and quality under the government's tire rationing order.

In Victoria telephone with members of the Rubber Association of Canada, Mr. Williamson said that while tires for essential civilian use will be increased this year, the increased production will be sufficient only to provide tires for motorists who qualify in "A" and "B" categories.

He stated those unable to get new tires this year are free to have their old tires retreaded.

### air policy, however, he shows signs of having been, perhaps quite unconsciously, injected with the virus of departmental trespass on the proper function of full and free postwar enterprise."

J. S. Eckman of the Canadian Planning Co., was elected chairman of the British Columbia Division of the C.M.A.

Philip Fleming continues as chairman of the Victoria and Vancouver Island branch. Representatives to the national executive council include: R. W. Mayhew, M.P., Victoria, and T. R. Bulman of Vernon.

### Anniversary Of Dunkerque

LONDON (P) — The "nine-days" wonder that saved Britain—Port Laureate John Masfield's description of Britain's escape from France—started four years ago on the beaches of Dunkerque.

As Britain outdrew the blackest storm of her history, other lands had cause to rejoice that the "nine-days" wonder that started four years ago Friday perhaps had saved them, too.

The dreadful climax to the debate in Flanders cost Britain dearly. The official report that 1,000 ships evacuated 335,000 men, that casualties exceeded 30,000 killed, wounded or missing, and that material losses were almost beyond reckoning.

### Less Publicity Sought for Quints

CALLANDER, Ont. (CP) — When the Dionne quintuplets celebrate their 10th birthday Sunday they will start a period of perhaps several years during which an effort will be made to keep them a little more out of the public eye than they have been in the first decade of their life.

They aren't going into retirement, Olivia Dionne, their 41-year-old father and guardian, said here. Their photographs will still be in the newspapers and magazines as often as publishers think the public wants to see them. Newspaper men will still be admitted to their home to see and talk with them occasionally and report on their progress.

But they will not be exhibited before the public as they were for several years until last summer.

### Jap Land Sale Test

OTTAWA (CP) — Right of the custodian of enemy property to sell property seized from Japanese resident in Canada will be argued next Monday when, in three test cases, all involving Vancouver property, the Exchequer Court will be asked to issue an injunction against sale and to set aside the order.

In one case, two brothers are concerned—Jitaro Tanaka, Lemon Creek, B.C., and Tawajiro Tanaka, Slocan, B.C. Both were born in Japan and owned land at 282 and 166 West 5th Avenue, Vancouver, which now is held by the federal official custodian.

The second case involves a property in the East Cordova Street, Vancouver. The third case involves property at 2456 McGill Street, Vancouver, owned by Taduo Wakabayashi.

### War Workers Discuss Postwar Problems

VANCOUVER (CP) — Questions on the postwar plans of Vancouver war workers will be held at a meeting of the Vancouver War Workers' Council, a questionnaire to be distributed next week in local shipyards and in housing aircraft plants by the Industrial Reconstruction and Social Development Council, it was announced.

The council, comprising 144 workers of industrial, commercial, service, political and other organizations, is a development of the B.C. Shipyard Union federated in 1941, at a convention in March, formed a permanent committee to tackle postwar problems of industrial reconstruction and the rehabilitation of soldiers and war workers.

A similar survey in Portland, Ore., found that 21.3 per cent of newcomers to that area had decided to remain in the war and that another 30.6 per cent wished to remain providing jobs were available.

### Red Cross Notes

Corps Parade—All ranks of No. 1 Detachment, Canadian Red Cross Corps, except those under special orders, will parade to Christ Church Memorial Hall on Monday at 7.45. Orderly officers for the parade are: S. L. Dr. Darling; next for duty, S. L. Dr. Ward. Orderly commander for week ending June 3, Cpl. Stewart. Lecture on first aid will be given by R. Moore, St. John Ambulance Instructor.

Reserves—Monthly meeting of the Emergency Reserves of the Canadian Red Cross Society will be held at the Royal Victoria 1006 Government St., May 30, at 7.30 p.m. The R.C.A.P. film, "The Training Table," will be shown by Dr. Coll. This is a colored nutrition film.

Letters of Thanks — Comforts, made by workers throughout the province for the war men and women serving in the armed forces bring many thank-you letters to B.C. Red Cross Division.

The sum of \$78.75 has been received at Red Cross Headquarters, being proceeds of a radio contest conducted for the Prisoners of War Fund by S. S. Cregeen. Employees. The winner of the radio is Mrs. D. Willows, Catherine St., Victoria. W. Morton, Pastmaster, president of the Victoria City and District Branch, made the draw.

### Thanks Received By St. John Members

Miss Madge Wall of the Nursing Division No. 61 of the St. John Ambulance Victoria has received a letter on behalf of the division from Miss Mimi Brodie, 128 Harrison Road, Upper Holloway, London, England, thanking them all for the magnificent collection of stamps for the Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Children sent to them from this organization. "These collections of stamps are used to raise funds for the hospital," she said, "and in 1943 we stamp collectors raised the remarkable sum of \$11,000 for this hospital fund."

### Sent 72 Experts

SYDNEY (CP) — Canada will send nine officers and 63 other ranks to Australia to install certain types of equipment which has just arrived and instruct Australian troops in its operation and maintenance, Francis Forde, acting Prime Minister, announced Friday.

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## "... AFTER THE WAR, DO YOU THINK THE RAILROADS SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO OWN AIRLINES, OR SHOULD THE OWNERSHIP OF AIRLINES AND RAILROADS BE COMPLETELY SEPARATE?"

RAILROADS OWN AIRLINES	29%
OWNERSHIP SEPARATE	50%
UNDECIDED	21%

By Canadian Institute of Public Opinion

TORONTO (CP) — The announced policy of the Canadian government to divorce operations of airlines in Canada from that of the railways after the war is in line with the ideas of most Canadians who have any ideas on the subject. However, about one person in every five has a question or two about the government's particular views on this matter, one way or the other. This is considerably higher than the average "undecided" vote found by the institute on issues of the day.

Canadians of all types, and in all areas of the country from east to west, selected so as to make up an accurate cross-section of the whole population, were asked to give their opinion in these words: "At present, almost all airlines in Canada are owned by the railways. After the war, do you think the railways should be allowed to continue to own airlines, or should the ownership of railroads and airlines be completely separate?" R.R.'s continue ownership 29 per cent, separate ownership 50 per cent, undecided 21 per cent.

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Quebec, for example, is the one area in which the largest single group favors continuing ownership with railroad ownership. Quebec only, R.R.'s continue ownership 42 per cent, separate ownership 31 per cent, undecided 24 per cent.

Politically, the group most in favor of separate ownership are those voters who say they support a C.C.F. candidate if an election were held today. No less than 58 per cent of this group voted in the Gallup poll for separate ownership, with only 22 per cent supporting railroad control.

In announcing the government's policy to the House of Commons last March, Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions and Supply, stated: "The government has decided that the railways shall not exercise any monopoly of air services. Steps will be taken to require our railways to divest themselves of ownership of airlines to the end that, within a period of a few years, the end of the European war, transport by air will be entirely separate from surface transportation."

At the present time, Trans-Canada Air Lines, owned by the Canadian National Railway, and Canadian Pacific Air Lines, owned by the Canadian Pacific Railway, operate the great bulk of commercial air traffic in Canada.

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