

Signallers Chain Trucks Together To Cross Desert

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ABU SUWEIR, Egypt (CP)—Canadian signallers, operating in some of the most isolated outposts of the United Nations Emergency Force, have taken a tip from mountaineers and chained their trucks together.

In pushing urgently-needed supplies and rations through the hazards of desert sand and rain storms, the signallers find the chain-link system not only keeps the trucks from straying when the track becomes obscured by drifts, but also furnishes a boost for power when one vehicle bogs down.

When the Canadians first arrived here and looked out at the desolate stretches of the Sinai, they expected no more difficulties than many of them had already conquered in the snowy wastes of the Arctic.

SAND WORSE

But they soon found that sand, whether dry and drifting or wet and sticky, is a much more unyielding and dangerous foe.

Take the experience of Cpl. R. J. Emo of Bronte, Ont., and Sgt. M. J. Butt of Kingston, Ont. It took them 24 hours to travel less than 200 miles from here to eastern El Themed.

They were stuck in the bitter cold of a desert night, lost, and left wondering if prowling Bedouins were hostile. And wondering, too, if they were near unmarked minefields.

The desert storm blotted out the roadway and obscured their own tracks so they could not retreat to safety. They travelled a circuitous route, finally found traces of a road, and shovelled through drifts up to eight feet high.

TOWED BACK

In a last desperate bid to reach their station, they tried to buck through some of the drifts, but the hard sand snapped off a front differential, an oil pan was smashed, and they were left stranded. They were finally located

An Island Sister Dies In Victoria

The death occurred at the St. Joseph's Hospital, Victoria B.C., of Sister Mary Carilda, order of St. Anne's. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Angus McInnis of Southport. She left here some 40 years ago to join that order at St. Ann's Academy where she has spent all that time, daily beloved by all.

Two months ago her health failed and she had been confined to the hospital since the New Year. She rallied for some time then took a turn for the worse. She passed peacefully away after receiving the last Sacraments of the Holy Church and amidst the Sisters of her order whom she loved so dearly.

Left to mourn are one brother, William McInnis; Charlottetown, three sisters, Mrs. John Masters, Everett, Mass., Mrs. Catherine Bremick, Somerville, Mass. and Mrs. Owen McGarry Southport.

Peterboroughs, Ont. And England, Exchange Albums

LONDON (CP)—An album containing photographs of historic Peterborough Cathedral in England is to be presented to Peterborough, Ont., on March 8.

The album will be officially handed to Mayor J. A. Dewart of the Ontario city by Sir Saville Garner, high commissioner for the United Kingdom in Canada.

Last May a similar ceremony took place in Peterborough, England, when the dean and chapter of the cathedral presented an album to the mayor and citizens to commemorate the 13th centenary of the founding of the first monastery in Peterborough.

The album contains the first detailed historical photographic record of the cathedral and clearly shows the effects of time and weather on the fabric that has caused the cathedral authorities to launch a £100,000 appeal.

Archdeacon John Grimes of Northampton has been in touch with civic and church authorities in Peterborough, Ont., to see whether residents would like to support the appeal by launching a local fund, and Mayor Dewart has indicated that the fund would receive full civic support.

The present cathedral was erected between the years 1118 and 1143, but there have been numerous additions since. The west front, for example, consists of two separate facades built in the early English style of architecture, probably between 1201 and 1214.

Coming Events

Dance tonight South Rustico, Burns Orchestra.

Dance in St. George's Hall Friday night, March 1st. Good music.

Now in stock, Bran, shorts, Barley Meal, Wheat, Oil Cake, Fish Meal W.I. Bowman, Hunter River.

Dance Stanhope and Covehead Community - Hall Saturday March 2nd. Dancing 9 to 12. Sale of benches. Proceeds in aid of Hall.

Will not be grinding or mixing at our feed mill on March 4th, 5 and 6th. Closed for repairs. E. J. MacDougall, Vernon.

Regular skate North River Rink tonight 8 to 10. Door prize. Saturday morning school hockey. 1st game in semi-finals. Best of three, North River vs. Winsloe 9.30. Bonshaw vs. Wiltshire 10.30. Nine Mile Creek vs. New Haven 11.30.

by a rescue team and towed back to base.

Sgt. J. W. Hanlon of Kingston and Cpl. V. E. Lea of Downsview, Ont., were in a Canadian-Indian convoy crawling through a driving rain on the 225-mile trip from south El Tor to this base.

It took them about 24 hours to make the journey and they too were forced to spend a chilly night in their vehicles.

MUD ROUTE

They found that the rain churned the mixture of sand and clay along the Gulf of Suez into a sucking, Egyptians picked up along the way.

Banker Suggests Tax Cut, Refund Only After 5 Years

TORONTO (CP)—Tax relief combined with delayed savings was advocated by A. C. Ashforth, president of the Toronto-Dominion Bank, in an address to a Rotary Club Wednesday.

Mr. Ashforth, recalling that he had made this suggestion in his address to the bank's annual meeting in December, stated: "I said at that time there was need for a method which would afford some form of tax relief and at the same time direct the money returned into the savings stream."

"To achieve this I suggested that a non-assignable certificate for the amount of the tax cut could be issued. These certificates could mature five years from the date of issue but would be redeemable, at the option of the government, at an earlier date if it felt that an expansion of the cash resources in the hands of the public was desirable.

This suggestion was received favorably by the press across Canada. A similar suggestion was incorporated in a brief submitted by the Canadian Chamber of Commerce to Finance Minister Harris a few weeks ago.

RECEPTION GOOD

"The press reported the reception of the proposal as favorable—a somewhat different reaction than expressed by an unidentified official when the proposal was first drawn to his attention last

December.

"This gentleman described it as 'a gingerbread device that really wouldn't be very helpful to anyone.' I believe the reaction of the average taxpayer is, 'give us more gingerbread.'"

In the current fiscal year, Mr. Ashforth said, the federal government will have a substantial surplus. In such circumstances one would normally expect a tax cut, but it could be argued that this would be inflationary as it would increase the amount of money in the hands of customers available for spending.

"The money, of course," Mr. Ashforth continued, "could be applied to debt reduction and this would be anti-inflationary."

"But the governments are human organizations and it is only human to spend more if you have cash in the till. Proof of this is the flood of stories out of Ottawa in recent weeks in respect to proposals to increase government spending."

"I wonder whether some of these stories are not 'kite flying' to determine public reaction. Perhaps we as taxpayers should suggest to our representatives in Parliament that they should be seeking ways to reduce expenditures rather than to increase them."

Mr. Ashforth said he agrees with the current monetary policy of the Bank of Canada.

REFUGEES ARRIVE AT RECEPTION CENTRE WEDNESDAY NIGHT



TOP LEFT: Mrs. L. O. Kitchen, Matron at Falconwood Hospital, greets refugees S. Kovacs and J. Varga in lobby of new Treatment Centre. TOP RIGHT: Miklos and Margit Jene beam with pleasure at the warmth of the reception Province Wednesday night, will draw their first sustenance in

Canada from P.E.I.'s rich, red soil. Yesterday the Co-ordinating Committee placed four of the refugees with Island farmers. B. Papp was placed with Merrill Murphy, Vernon River; I. Nadori with J.D. MacDonald, Glenfinnan; F. Paml

Put Jets Through Winter Tests At Churchill Airfield

FORT CHURCHILL, Man. (CP)—The RCAF's all-weather air field here is fast becoming a top testing base for both British and Canadian planes. During the winter months five planes, including the widely-publicized twin-jet RAF fighter the Javelin, are undergoing winter tests.

The Javelin, described by one office as "the hottest jet in the world" will soon come into squadron use in the Royal Air Force.

A super-sonic, all-weather fighter the delta-wing Javelin is

designed for the same purpose as Canada's CF-100

The tests are under the direction of the RCAF's central experimental and proving department's climatic division. The detachment makes its headquarters at Edmonton but does its winter testing here.

Most top-RAF and RCAF planes in use since the Second World War have been tested here.

Planes tested this year include the Blackburn Beverley, a British freight-troop carrier, built for the

same purpose as the American C-124.

Another was the Royal Canadian Navy's Grumman Tracker which is just coming into general service. It is designed primarily for maritime reconnaissance or submarine warfare.

Still another is the RAF's Canberra medium range bomber which saw action at Suez. Little has been revealed about this twin-engine jet.

The British Whirlwind helicopter, similar to the U.S. Sikorsky S-55, also is undergoing tests.

Pilots who test the planes come from a pilot pool maintained by the RCAF. Exchange officers from the United States, England and Canada are included and are put to work on any plane, re-

gardless of what country it comes from. The planes are accompanied by representatives of the manufacturer.

FIND ANCIENT COINS

LONDO (Reuters)—Ancient silver coins unearthed at Stalingrad, Russia, include some unique specimens which may solve many riddles of the political history of Central Asia early in the 11th century, the Soviet news agency Tass reported.

BOOST PRODUCTION

India's second five-year plan proposes an 18 per cent increase in farm production in 1961, compared with 1956.

Throne Speech Debate In Nova Scotia Legislature

HALIFAX (CP)—Opening ceremonies over the Nova Scotia legislature gets down to serious debate today with Liberal Opposition Leader Henry Hicks slated to fire his first broadside at the new Progressive Conservative government of Premier Robert L. Stanfield.

The 41-year-old former premier, whose government was deposed in an October election, adjourned the throne speech debate Wednesday. He and his 42-year-old successor already have tangled outside the House in a series of public statements on the state of the provincial treasury.

The premier says Liberal over-spending before the election left the new administration with a prospective deficit of more than \$3,500,000. Mr. Hicks says no such deficit was in sight when his cabinet resigned in November.

WISE FINANCING URGED

The throne speech read at Wednesday's opening by Lieutenant-Governor Alistair Fraser laid emphasis on a need for prudent financing. The Stanfield government earlier asked municipalities to reduce new school projects to "a minimum" construction. The province pays a substantial share of the cost of new schools.

New increased federal grants "will not in themselves... provide all the public services desired by the people of this province," the speech said.

William F. MacKinnon (PC—Antigonish), who moved the reply to the throne speech, said he thinks the government "is adopting a

prudent course" in shortening the Trans-Canada highway route along Northumberland Strait as an economy measure.

James M. Harding (PC—Shelburne), who seconded the reply, said he is glad "the government is not embarking on any substantial new phase of expenditure" this year.

However, the throne speech forecast increased aid for industrial development and new home construction, and promised more highway paving and bridge replacement "with all reasonable speed."

RESUME HOSPITAL AID

The government also announced it will resume financial grants for new hospitals but gave no indication when or if it will join the proposed national health insurance scheme. The speech said merely that the province is still studying Ottawa's plan.

Premier Stanfield introduced a bill to put a time limit on vacancies in the legislature. It would make a by-election compulsory within six months after a seat becomes vacant. A similar bill sponsored by the Conservatives in opposition last year was defeated by the Liberal majority.

Three former Liberal seats in the last House were left vacant for periods up to 23 months.

Expect Seaway To Cost Billion

LONDON, Ont. (CP)—Transport Minister Marler said Wednesday the grand total cost of the St. Lawrence Seaway and power projects likely will be \$1,000,000,000, split between Canada and the United States.

He told the Canadian Club of London, during a luncheon address:

"The capital budget of the seaway authority, which I recently tabled in Parliament, provides for expenditures of nearly \$285,000,000 for the works it is to carry out, while the works in the International Rapids section being undertaken by the United States are likely to cost about \$125,000,000, making, in round figures, a total of, say, \$400,000,000.

"If we add to this the cost of the power development in the International Rapids section, the grand total for the seaway and power project will, in round figures, be close to \$1,000,000,000."

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St. Veronica Guild Held Their Meeting

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The meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Monsignor McMahon. Reports of various committees were given. Two executive members resigned in January and were replaced by Miss Genevieve MacDonald as 1st. Vice President and Mrs. Mary Carragher as Councilor. One member was appointed to attend the annual meeting of the P.E.I. Division of the Canadian Red Cross on March 1st.

It was the wish of the meeting that the Guild join the P.E.I. Chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada. It was decided to hold discussion group meetings the Lenten season and to observe a "Day of Recollection" on March 17th. The president gave a brief outline of the program for the M.C.C.N. Convention which will be held in Charlottetown in June. Compliments were recited and the meeting adjourned. Following the general meeting, Mrs. Vernon Bolger gave a very informative talk on "Accreditation of Schools of Nursing." Refreshments were served by the committee in charge.

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PAROLE WAR CRIMINAL

TOKYO (AP)—The United States today paroled another Japanese war criminal, former Col. Chiyoshi Shimoda, who has been serving a 40-year sentence. His release lowered the total of war criminals held at Tokyo's Sugamo Prison to 100—78 convicted by the U.S., 20 by Australia and two by Britain.

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