

Sgt. Stewart Says: "When they go on strike at a dice factory they make no bones about it."

The Airman

LAC Evans states: "A man with cold cash doesn't have to worry about having a hot time."

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Donovan To Referee Championship Fight Stage Set For Monster Fight Program Tomorrow Evening

Sergeant Dave Castilloux Ready to Meet
Private Al Lust in Ten-round Battle

By F/O H. W. EGGLESTON

If you haven't obtained your tickets for the monster fight card to be staged in the Arena tomorrow night at 2045 hours, you'd better hurry. Looking at it from this distance it appears that a packed house will be on hand to watch the gladiators in action when the timekeeper calls "time."

Headlining the program will be a 10-round bout between Sgt. Dave Castilloux of the R.C.A.F., and Pte. Al Lust of the Army. The two head-liners met late last year in a bout for the welterweight championship of Canada, with Castilloux retaining his title after a close bout. This time it is over the 10-round route for the services championship as Lust will come in over the weight limit. Castilloux is expected to weigh in around 137 with Lust around the 149 mark.

Stiff Training Grind

Both fighters have been through a busy training session for the last two weeks. Castilloux has been working out at the Arena here. Sgt. Stanway has been looking after Castilloux, and the trainer is confident that his charge will turn in a victory. With the advantage of extra weight, however, many of Lust's followers are of the opinion that the Calgary boy will carry too much dynamite for the Montrealer.

In the semi-windup of the evening will be none other than Kenny Lindsay of Vancouver, Canadianbantamweight champion and leading contender for the world title. Lindsay has consented to fight AC2 Hugh Sloan over the six-round route. Sloan has come ahead by leaps and bounds in the last couple of weeks. In this period he has acted as chief sparring partner to Castilloux and has improved his ringcraft considerably.

When the third man is announced from the ring to handle the main bout and semi-windup, the customers will get quite a surprise. Arrangements were made Tuesday for Arthur Donovan, the famous New York referee, to come here by plane for the purpose of officiating. He will arrive here Friday night. Anyone who has listened in to the championship fights in Madison Square Garden will realize that he is the top man in the business. He has handled many title battles during his career. Staff Sergeant Al Delaney will be the third man in the ring for the preliminaries. It has not been decided who will act as timekeepers.

Four Preliminaries

There will be four preliminaries supporting the other two bouts. These will be four rounds of two minutes' duration. For one of these the fighters have already been announced, but at the time of going to press the other bouts had not been arranged, although a host of material was available from all three services to fill the bill. The officials felt that the best talent should be used, if possible, and thought it advisable to weed them out during the balance of the week. The bout already arranged will see LAC Stevenson of Penhold matched against AC1 Wallister of Macleod. These heavyweights will enter the ring around 185 pounds. Stevenson needs no introduction to fight fans at "M" Depot. He appeared on the card against the "M" Depot representatives earlier in the season. His two victories at this time branded him as an outstanding boxer. Wallister also comes here with a fine reputation.

In case of early knockouts the committee in charge has arranged for a couple of extra bouts in order to provide plenty of action for the onlookers.

Our own WO1 J. H. Blundell will be the announcer for all bouts. He will also introduce celebrities from the ringside before the program gets under way. Among these will be Group Captain W. G. Webber, C.O. of No. 3 "M" Depot; Brig-Gen. Harvey, V.C., D.O.C. M.D. 13; Air Vice-Marshal G. R. Howson, M.C., A.O.C. No. 4 Training Command; Col. T. L. Mosley, U.S. Army Air Forces, and Lieut.-Col. Brown, M.M., president of the committee in charge of the arrangements.

The judges will be Col. F. C. Jamieson, V.C., K.C., and Major Pearse of the U.S. Army Air Forces.

The "M" Depot band, under Sgt. Taylor, will be in attendance to provide the music between bouts.

Altogether it looks like one of the most interesting nights of entertainment in the history of Edmonton, and judging from the advance ticket sale, the S.R.O. sign will be posted long before the main bout gets under way.

PRESIDENT AIRCREW SELECTION BOARD



F/L O. W. E. CRAWFORD

The president of the Aircrew Selection Board is no newcomer to the R.C.A.F. He won his wings in the Great War while serving with the R.F.C. Prior to coming to Edmonton and becoming O.C. of the Selection Board, F/L Crawford served as 2i/c of the London Recruiting Centre.

STEWART, AMBULANCE RIGHT ON THE JOB

LAC Stewart of the M.T. section was at the right place at the right time the other day. A street railway bus hit a coal truck. Someone was hurt. Stewart stopped and took the injured to the hospital in the ambulance he was driving.

The daily paper gave credit to the R.C.M.P. instead of the R.C.A.F.

MEAN THIEF LIFTS LUNCH

AC1 Marne Hostland is convinced that the rations at the mess should be increased. He set his lunch down the other day, turned around, then turned back and some hungry airman had swiped it.

Hostland dropped 20 pounds that day.

FOR THE UNINITIATED

In a letter received by P/O Hogg from Cpl. Holtby, the writer states that the meals and accommodations at No. 3 "M" Depot surpass by far those of any other station. He has served on many R.C.A.F. stations, and we take this as being representative and just one more reason why the "E" pennant flutters at our mast-head.

DEPOT DANCES STILL POPULAR AND GOOD

The Arena was the scene Friday last of one of this season's most successful dancing parties. If possible, the orchestra was in better form than usual, and the intermission guests, Herb Parry and Wally Peters, proved most popular with the large crowd. Herb Parry, by the way, was the surprise guest of the week on this station's Tuesday night radio program over CJCA at 2230 hours.

Honors for the tasteful decorations go to Cpl. Jack Pritchard, and further bouquets are due P/O Hogg and Mr. Fred Youmans of the "Y" for their untiring efforts.

As usual, a 30 minute broadcast was a feature of the evening, the mike being capably handled by LAC Claude Blackwood, master of ceremonies.

THANK YOU AC2 MULLINS, O.F.

THE AIRMAN wishes to thank AC2 Mullins for the time spent in submitting material for the paper and all of his concrete suggestions.

OLD POLICE STATION TO BE SERVICEMEN'S HOSTEL

The old City Police Station is being converted into a hostel for service men. There will be dormitories, dining room, reading and writing room, and everything else that goes to make a home away from home.

It will be operated by the Salvation Army.

A TRUE WOLF

*If he parks his little flivver,
Down beside the moonlit river,
And you feel him all aquiver—
Baby! He's a wolf!*

*If he says you're gorgeous looking,
And your dark eyes set him cooking,
But his eyes aren't where he's
looking,
Baby! He's a wolf!*

*If by chance when you're akissin'
And you feel his heart amissin'
And you talk and he don't lissen—
Baby! He's a wolf!*

*If he says that you're an eye-ful,
But his hands begin to trifle
And his heart beats like a rifle—
Baby! He's a wolf!*

*If his arms are strong like sinew
And he stirs the Gypsy in you,
And you want him close agin you—
Baby! Maybe you're the wolf!*

HIGH SCORE

From Avon Park, Florida, comes the Bombing Range High Score weekly. It's newsy and very interesting. Keep it coming!

DREAM COMES TRUE



SGT. A. A. STANWAY

Pictured above, the happy countenance of Sgt. A. A. (Always Alert) Stanway. He is the trainer of A/Sgt. Castelloux. It is rumored Stanway will bet his weight in gold on the fight. This fight is Sgt. Stanway's brain child coming true. He reported it to THE AIRMAN office about four months ago.

IT IS NOT OUR SONG

To the airman who signed his letter Acey Ducey asking us to publish the official R.C.A.F. song, "Captains of the Clouds", we inform him that he has been misinformed. It is not the official song of the R.C.A.F. and hence he does not have to take a back seat.

WORK CEASES
13:00 HOURS SAT.

Hoop a la! Now we can take in a Saturday matinee, take our girl to a tea dansant, or just out. Now if we could arrange for the banks to stay open Saturday afternoons, everything would be jake.

THE AIRMAN wishes to thank the officers who recommended that this change in hours be made.

THE COMMUNIQUE

Another U.S. Army weekly has made its appearance at the exchange editor's desk. It's a newsy paper, well made up. It is also noted that it was "franked" (postage free)—war department official business. THE AIRMAN still pays the usual one cent postage.

100% BATTING AVERAGE

On a recent draft No. 3 Repair Depot, THE AIRMAN chalked up a perfect score of fourteen subscriptions out of fourteen postings. In the interest of a bigger and better paper, with your co-operation, we hope to duplicate this quite often.

Be proud that you are an airman from No. 3 "M" Depot.

Ring's Top Referee



ARTHUR
DONOVAN
...SON OF PROFESSOR MIKE...
BOXING'S FOREMOST
THIRD MAN...

NEW YORK
COMMISSION ENDED
ALL ARGUMENTS ABOUT
REFEREES BY LETTING
DONOVAN HANDLE ALL
IMPORTANT FIGHTS...

"M" DEPOT ON TOP

The officers' bowling team from No. 3 "M" Depot continued to set the pace in the second half of the Interservices Bowling League by taking two out of three games from the I.T.S. "C" entry at the Recreation alleys Monday night.

P/O Jamieson led the "M" Depot bowlers with a three-game total of 663. W. C. Day was next in line with 632, and also had the high single of the evening with 281.

CPL. LAWSON GONE EAST
TO OPEN UP THE COUNTRY

On the Depot here we have AC2 "Pop" Price, known around Vancouver as "Ye Old Locksmith." Besides a number of tatooings, yarns, and old relics from his business, he also brought a large brass key which was one of the first keys used to punch the time clocks of the B.C. Electric—many long years ago. A few nights ago "Pop" handed this key over the Cpl. Lawson to "wind up the Duty Watch." Cpl. Lawson has gone East and taken the brass key.

"Pop" assures us that the key WON'T fit any liquor stores!

DO YOU REMEMBER CRONE

THE AIRMAN received a short note from Flt. Sgt. Crone, who is at No. 32 S.F.T.S., Moose Jaw. Thanks for the papers, Flight.

RIFLE COMPETITION
FINALS FOR TURVEY CUP

The finals for the Edmonton 22 sporting rifle competition are to be held in mid-February at the R.C.M.P. rifle range. The competition teams are the R.C.M.P.; R.C.M.P. (Reserves); Veterans Volunteer Reserves, North Side; South Side V.V.R.'s; Canadian Dental Corps; Edmonton Regiment; 19th Alberta Dragoon Company, and No. 3 "M" representing the R.C.A.F.

The Depot team under F/L W. J. Hansen, includes P/O R. Y. Hogg, P/O I. G. Gilkes, F/S F. K. Gibson, F/S W. J. Hancock, Sgt. F. Barnes, Sgt. A. Befus, Cpl. J. Acker, Cpl. J. Hafner, LAC F. A. Dorword. They can be expected to give a good account of themselves, as they have been aiming at the trophy since November and have high hopes of bringing the Turvey cup to No. 3 "M".

For the two highest standings on the winning team, medals will be awarded by Morrison & Barnes, local jewellers.

Last year's winners in this competition were the South Side V.V.R.'s.

"MARCHING TO VICTORY"

Lieut. Lois Stidham, of South Hadley, Mass., has forwarded The Airman a "Waves" booklet. Many thanks, Lutenant!

IT'S OLD BUT STILL FUNNY

Told to make sentences using each of the following words, deceit, deduct, defense and defeat, Johnny went one better and combined all the words in one sentence thusly:

"Defeat of deduct went over defense before deceit."

TALL TALES AND
FREE SUBSCRIPTIONS

From the sound of some of the whopping big D.R.R.'s which float around the Depot from time to time, it seems evident that somewhere among our personnel there is good material to make up a "Liars' Club" or perhaps just a "Tall Tales Tribune." A month's free subscription to THE AIRMAN for the best Tall Tale should be good initiative to start the "Tales" rolling in.

GO TO TOP

We like the initiative of the Acey Ducey in 16-B2 who, having been Joed to the kitchen on three different occasions for a poor bed, decided to do something about it. He obtained a portrait of Air Minister Power and had a chum autograph it: "To Bill, with best wishes from your Uncle Chubby." And as he hung it by his bed he was heard to murmur, "I'd like to see those s--- o- b---s put me back there again."

CHUCKLES

*I love the paper
I think it's swell,
When it comes out
I rush pell mell.
To get my copy
I read each line;
The stories and columns
I think are fine.
I laugh at all the jokes
I read all the ads,
I note all the news
I take up all the fads,
When I praise the paper,
I scorn those who laugh;
I'm really most loyal—
I'm on the staff.*

N.B.—This was left at The Airman office when we had advertisements.—EDITOR.

BOUQUETS FOR HARLAND
AND KELLER

A letter received in the mail this week, signed by "The Boys", contains a whole page (both sides) of appreciation for the good work done around the Airmen's Mess by WO1 Harland and Cpl. Keller.

"The Boys" declare that "WO1 Harland knows his stuff the way he puts up the groceries, and no other "M" Depot in Canada can compare with our meals."

In appreciation for Cpl. Keller's management around the Mess Hall, the Lounge and the Writing Room, "The Boys" state: "Cpl. Keller is always on the job and a better man couldn't be had to handle the job he has. Keep up the good work, Cpl. We appreciate it."

SPENCE TO WINNIPEG

WO2 Spence has been posted to No. 3 Wireless School and left on Wednesday for this new post.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE

The Airman

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Awarded Air Minister's "E" Flag

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HAVE WE BEEN FORGOTTEN?

What has happened that the famous movie and radio stars miss Edmonton on their trips?

Every week we read about them making personal appearances in the eastern air command or going through to Alaska and also making personal appearances in the Western Air Command. We pick up the paper and see that Bob Hope, Charlie McCarthy or some beautiful actress stopped off at Edmonton en route west or to Alaska to entertain the armed services, but somehow they fail to have arrangements made for our entertainment. Kate Smith and dozens of others have put on shows in the east.

Fifi, the clown that used to be at Toronto "M" Depot, is on the coast.

Next time a famous troupe of actors and actresses are planning to make a tour for the purpose of putting on shows, would it not be possible to make suitable arrangements to have them stop off and put on shows for the boys stationed in the west?

They too like to laugh.

FIND THE RIGHT MAN!

We have our own ideas of who should be who on the depot. For example, many a joe wishes he had his old boss over him. Adversely, many an N.C.O. would give anything to have his old boss under him. Be that as it may, here is our idea of a perfect station:

Commanding Officer.....	Group Captain Voltaire
Senior Administrative Officer.....	Wing Commander Wallace Beery
Adjutant.....	Flight Lieutenant Bud Abbott
Depot Warrant Officer.....	Warrant Officer Lou Costello
President, Airmen's Canteen.....	Section Officer Ginger Rogers
Mathematics Instructor.....	Squadron Leader Mac West
Accountant Officer.....	Squadron Leader Montagu Norman
Equipment Officer.....	Squadron Leader F. W. Woolworth
Padre.....	Flight Lieutenant George Bernard Shaw
Medical Officer.....	Flight Lieutenant Young Dr. Kildare
Messing Officer.....	Warrant Officer Oscar of the Waldorf
N.C.O. i/c Fire Section.....	Section Officer Ann Sheridan
Sports Officer.....	Section Officer Lana Turner
Entertainment Officer.....	Flight Officer Dorothy Lamour
N.C.O. i/c M.T. Section.....	Sgt. Henry Ford
D.A.P.M.....	Flight Lieutenant Jekyll
Officer Command Reception.....	F/O Charles Laughton
Officer Command Training.....	F/L Hugh Herbert
Officer Commanding Disposal.....	F/L Blue Beard
Press Representative.....	AC2 Walter Winchell
Nursing Sisters.....	F/O Jinx Falkenberg
	F/O Gypsy Rose Lee
	F/O Rettv Grable
Y.M.C.A. Representative.....	Mr. Oscar Wilde

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Edmonton, Alberta

Please find Enclosed one dollar for which send me the next 20 issues, post paid.

\$1 Name.....
Address.....

KENNY LINDSAY READY FOR FIGHT



Bantamweight boxing champion of Canada, and one of the best known boys in the business, Kenny Lindsay arrived from Vancouver and immediately agreed to fight on Saturday's All Services boxing card at the Arena. He will meet AC2 Hugh Sloan in the 6 round semi-final. It had been originally planned to make the semi a six-round affair, but Kenny asked for 10 heats. In the above layout, left, Kenny Lindsay; right, Flt. Lt. W. C. Goudie, secretary of the boxing committee in charge of the big show.

UNUSUAL REQUEST OF BAY SANTA

A little boy walked up to Santa and asked for a baby sister. "I don't think that I can get you one," said Nick. The lad started to cry but between sobs said, "It would only take a few days." Santa winked at the boy's mother and said, "I don't think I can do that."

The parents have ample notice of the young lad's wants—next Christmas isn't until December 25, 1943.

AIRMEN HEAR PLAINLY

Gliding with engine switched off the shout of a man can be heard distinctly at the height of 1,600 feet, the sharp note of a mole cricket at 2,500 feet, and the croakings of frogs at 3,000 feet. At 3,225 feet a man's voice and the rolling of a wagon can be distinguished; at 4,550 feet the roll of a drum, and music of an orchestra at 5,000, the crowing of a rooster, the sound of a church bell and sometimes the shouting of men and women; at 900 feet higher still, the report of a rifle and the barking of a dog. The noise of a railway train penetrates to a height of 8,200 feet, and the whistle of a locomotive engine to nearly 10,000 feet.

BULL PUP VISITS DEPOT

Fred Youmans dropped into our office for a chat Monday. Describing as an example of the great attraction "M" Depot has for dogs of all kinds, Fred reported having passed a tan bull-dog pup about 1 1/4 miles from the Depot late Sunday afternoon. When Fred went into the Mess at supper time, there was the pup, quite at home. His owner came for him next morning, however.

MEXICAN BOY SEES FIRST RUGBY GAME

"The Rugby Match"

"On December 2nd, 1942, the English played the Scotch a game called rugby. It was a good and rough game because they wore short pants and no pads. The English won because when the Scottish boys made a goal the British had to have an excuse. But the British won, 15-3. It certainly was a good game."

Leonard Garcia.

This is a 12 year old Mexican boy's impression of his first rugby game. W/C McKenna, C.O. of the RAF, at Falcon Field, Arizona, invited the lad to the game as his guest. Leonard belongs to a junior police patrol. The members of the patrol are great admirers of the RAF, and the youngsters march with the good old British "swing."

DISCOURAGEMENT

The following is taken from the South Edmonton News. There is a slight typographical error:

A London policeman rushed up and grabbed a woe-begone-looking chap about to plunge head first off the bride into the river. "Now, now," said the jovial officer, "let's not have this happen."

"But life is so awful," moaned the would-be suicide.

"Well, let's at least talk it over," pleaded the policeman.

And when they'd talked it all over, they both jumped in.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

A skeleton staff was on duty, Christmas day. First a ghost, then an apparition and latterly a phantom, only the hospital bed patients escaped being "stand to's."

Australia Makes Great Strides In War Effort

Prepared by P/O J. L. ARNELL, R.A.A.F., Queensland.

The subject of my address is to be Australia and the War Effort. I take it that statistics and newspaper reports are not required, so I will endeavour to speak on things that are not so widely reported, as seen by the man in the street. The start of the war found Australia, like Canada, virtually unprepared. We had a small, fairly well trained militia, which was to form the nucleus of our army; a small efficient navy and a growing but pitifully small air force. Industry however, had reached a period of expansion which was later to prove a great asset in the change-over from peace to war. Plans were under way to manufacture our own motor cars, the steel industry was expanding, in addition huge surpluses of wheat, wool, butter and other farm products proved an invaluable asset to the Empire effort.

Manufacturing Goes Ahead

I am not competent to discuss technical details of our industrial effort but I do know that it has expanded tremendously. Factories have been built and are still being built, annexes have sprung up everywhere and sub-contracts have been let to private machine shops and even small garages. The grand total of all these contributions to the war effort makes good reading. A country which a few years before the outbreak of war had never made a plane now turns out three classes of elementary and advanced trainers, as well as Beaufort torpedo bombers. Nor is this the total contribution of Australian factories to the swelling tide of Allied air power. Although I am not permitted to give any more details, I can promise that there are plenty of nasty shocks for Jap airmen coming out of Australian factories in the near future.

Our shipyards are working at full pressure turning out, besides merchantmen, destroyers, corvettes and sloops, many of which have already proved their worth. The huge Graving dock now under construction is designed to accommodate the largest ships in the world and may yet replace the one lost in Singapore until such time we take the latter back again.

Our munition plants have equipped all our own armies at home and abroad in everything except the heaviest tanks and much of the equipment used and subsequently lost in the ill-fated Malayan campaign, was of Australian manufacture. Our marine engines are used in our own ships and exported to nearby countries. Textile mills have a full time job supplying the needs of civilians and Allied troops.

Many changes have taken place in rural districts. Large surpluses, although undoubted assets caused some immediate adjustments to be made and the demands of the military for non-perishable foods made further changes necessary. For instance whole districts formerly producing butter, were converted to cheese manufacture. Farmers who grew porkers now produce bacon pigs for export. Boards were set up to control the growing and marketing of fruit. A larger proportion being dried and canned than formerly. Eggs and other products were dealt with in the same way. Mutton is being dehydrated for export. Many of these things are new innovations since the war.

Grow Wheat Also

Although Australia is not a major wheat producing country compared with Canada, we do grow a lot of wheat and acreage had to be limited to prevent over-production and diversion of precious labor from more urgent needs.

Wool and Taxes

Production of wool, Australia's major industry, has not been seriously interfered with except by labor shortage. Inevitably more sheep are lost through neglect than formerly and the sheep earner has correspondingly smaller wool clips, but wool prices in common with the prices of other commodities have been stabilized, and seasonal conditions being equal, the wool man has much the same income available for the taxation authorities to decimate as formerly. What he has left after the taxation process is over is a different story. Australia in common with other countries has huge new tax burdens to bear, but compared with England's effort we realize we can consider ourselves fortunate.

Taxation, formerly a state and federal prerogative, is now vested in one federal authority, a war time measure and from the point of view of most people a very good one.

Labor Shortage Acute

Labor shortage in many industries is acute and the man power office is combing the population and making necessary adjustments. Essential industries including many rural industries are exempt but in spite of this there have been many instances of men on the exempt list endeavouring to join the services under assumed names. Some get away with it—some don't.

The shortage of agricultural workers for seasonal occupations has been acute. It has been overcome partly by releasing men from the services on temporary leave, partly by the Women's Land Army, an admirable and well organized force, and partly by voluntary bands of workers from nearby towns devoting week ends and holidays to assisting farmers. I know many instances of bank clerks and office men with no previous experience, volunteering to dig potatoes on week-ends, and of school teachers, both male and female, putting

in their whole summer holidays picking fruit. This is the spirit which will win the war for us. In passing I may mention that the school teaching profession is being depleted possibly more than any other, by enlistment. I have it on good authority that 60 per cent of all the male teachers in Queensland are now in one or other of the services—practically every fit man of military age, and all volunteer enlistments.

Women are doing wonderful jobs to assist in solving labor problems, quite apart from those women in the various services in most parts of Australia, we have women tram conductors and women railway staff. Former lady teachers having resigned in order to marry, have been asked to take over their old jobs. Responses have been magnificent. Volunteers including mothers of young families, who have made arrangements for their children's welfare while they carry on with the job. Women form a large proportion of munition and office workers and results have proved their adaptability and efficiency.

No Pleasure Driving

Clothing is strictly rationed in Australia. This is done by the coupon system, each person receiving 112 coupons yearly. To purchase a frock 12 coupons are required; a hat, three; a shirt, twelve or fifteen; a gents' suit, 30 to 50; so your coupons don't permit of too lavish indulgence. Rubber goods such as tennis shoes are unobtainable and an application must be made stating reasons for requiring purchase of a new tire. Australia produces no oil and although steps have been taken to boost the manufacture of synthetic oil from shale, strict rationing of oil has been necessary from the outset, and this has become systematically heavier as time goes on. The result is that private pleasure motoring is virtually non-existent. Many private trucks and cars have been taken over by the government, others are laid up for the duration. On account of war needs it is almost impossible to have major automobile repairs done, in fact this applies to many humbler items. One may have to wait weeks or even months for watch or shoe repairs, for the same reason. The services always come first.

Limited Food Rationing

Food is rationed except for a few items. Tea, Australia's national beverage, is rationed but the average person manages somehow. I believe the "flat" dwellers have some system of pooling resources and using a community tea pot. Sugar although produced in some quantity is rationed to allow export but here the ration is quite generous—a pound per person per week and anyone with a young family draws full ration for each child. In addition an extra ration is permitted for home jam making or preserving. Confectionery is made on reduced scale and the same applies to biscuits. Canned goods are restricted but not rationed. Coffee is still obtainable but this beverage is not drunk to the extent that it is in America. The manufacture of beer is restricted but the average man does not consider this a particular hardship. All kinds of fruit still seem available for everyone but prices formerly low, have shown a distinct rise.

Perhaps the hardest blow of all is the tobacco shortage. This is strictly rationed, even in military camps, and a severe shortage exists for civilians. The average man is lucky to get twenty cigarettes a day. There is no organized rationing, either you are lucky enough to get some, or you are not. In addition we have had seasonal shortages of various commodities which in peace time could be solved by imports.

No Potatoes

A short while ago it was impossible to buy a potato in Australia, the whole crop, which is a small one, being earmarked for military use. A soldier son, who particularly wished to please his mother had only to purloin a potato and present it to her. Most people got over the difficulty by using rice, pumpkins and sweet potatoes, until such time as the drought broke and the shortage vanished. Supplies of food had to be made available to American and other Allied troops, all of whom had their own peculiar tastes. It was found, for instance, that the American troops had a patricular aversion to our mutton and had to have beef, pork or poultry. If the Americans took a fancy to a particular kind of fruit they wanted to buy the stock, not only of the shop whence it came, but of the whole orchard. Some kind of control had to be exercised in these circumstances.

Private building is no longer allowed in Australia, permits only being issued for dwellings for munition workers. Such things as nails, corrugated iron and joinery are unobtainable to private individuals anyhow.

Travel Limited Without Priorities

Interstate travel is not allowed without a high priority and this is only given after careful examination. It is necessary to have a very good excuse indeed to travel interstate by train unless on military or official business. Cars are stopped and turned back at state borders or anywhere else for that matter unless the occupants can produce a good reason for travelling. Bus services are drastically cut by petrol restrictions and this, combined with the discontinuance of use of private cars, tends to throw a huge burden on trains which are almost invariably crowded. Taxis are comparatively rare sights, although those that remain incur stiff penalties if they (Continued on Page 5)

Hey Big Mouth! Who Are You Working For?

Keep up the good work! Blab your fool head off about your outfit's movements and show your pals and your girl friend downtown what a big shot you actually are. So far you've contributed nicely to the missing parts of the jig-saw puzzle on the desks at Berlin and Tokyo. Just a few more odds and ends and the picture will be complete. Hurry into town tonight and tell 'em what you learned today. It'll knock their hats off—yes sir! And it'll knock the bottom out of that boat or train. You might be on it with the rest of the boys, but what the hell, you only live once anyway, eh, Joe?

Those warning posters and lectures they give you at camp are all the bunk. You've got a right to talk, haven't you? You're a Canadian and freedom of speech is one of the things you're fighting for, isn't it? Well, to hell with the posters and lectures!

Don't let 'em kid you that the beans you spilled over the bar the other night might have

aided the Axis. Cripes, the enemy probably knew it months ago. And besides, you're only a private—what agent for Hitler would listen to you? Ha!

Your outfit is one of the best in the world, isn't it? Well, then why all the secrecy? If it's all it's cracked up to be it should be able to meet all comers on land or sea.

Tell 'em how the boys peccuvres. You handled one of formed in the field during man-those new guns, didn't you? Well, stop 'em in their tracks by rattling off its nomenclature and all you know about that sight. Tojo and the Fuehrer probably had a blueprint of it months ago, anyway.

Keep it up, kid... you're doing fine. The war may last a little longer and a lot more guys will be pushing up daisies than should be, on account of it. But that's their hard luck, isn't it?

Go to it, boy!

—The Communique.

AROUND THE "Y"

The last two Table Tennis tournaments were won by our tennis expert from Vancouver, AC2 Phil Pearson, who defeated AC2 J. L. Brown.

This week's tournament (Jan. 24) saw two Vancouver boys battling it out and resulting in Joe Naylor coming out on top with AC2 R. J. Crompton runner-up.

AC2 T. F. Ponech of Lethbridge won the Snooker tournament this week, while AC2 V. J. Allen of Saskatoon pocketed second place.

At the card tables, AC2 Augustine of Westminster, pegged out first in the Cribbage tournament, followed by AC2 A. G. Dunn of Calgary.

Four tables of players were on hand for the Bridge bouts. AC2 J. M. Coulter of Penticton topped the score with 3,670 in 16 hands. AC2 W. T. Young of Vancouver was runner-up.

Quite a number of names have been turned in to play Chess. Matches will be arranged at the "Y" Lounge Chess Rendezvous on Monday and Thursday nights at 1900 hours.

Though the "Y" movie projector was away undergoing repairs last Sunday night's show, "New York Town," went off without a hitch, thanks to the Depot's Ampro 16 m.m. projector which was used.

Movies in the Arena for Sunday, Jan. 31: "Kiss the Boys Goodbye"—a musical comedy with Mary

SCROUNGER

1. The boys from "down under" term the militia "Chocko" and the militia calls the air force boys "blue orchids." General list group captains are spoken of as "groupers."

2. Shortage of baby carriages is reported. If you have one stored in the attic or basement as insurance against future mishaps, roll it out, advertise it for sale or donate it to a worthy couple.

3. A queen once had a harem of 400 husbands. The D.A.P.M. remarked: "Not a one too many."

4. An Ottawa man was so inebriated that he couldn't recognize his own wife. She will likely remind him of the incident unto his dying day.

5. The burgee still flies at No. 3 "M" Depot. We've striven hard to retain that efficiency pennant for another three months. Let's keep our fingers crossed!

N/S Craig is the newest addition to the hospital staff.

Cpls. Atkins and McClelland have left for No. 8 "M" Depot at Souris.

Martin, Don Ameche, Rochester and Oscar Levant.

For Tuesday, Feb. 2: "All Through the Night"—a spy thriller starring Humphrey Bogart and Kaaren Verne. The added short is "Forty Boys and a Song."

WARM MASS OF AIR MOVED IN—RAINS

That long promised Chinook breeze came and stayed for four days. When the writer first came west and heard "Chinook Arch," he thought it was an arch in the mountain ranges, and the wind had to be blowing in a certain direction off the Japan current. Instead it's an arc on the southwest horizon, usually banked with warmth bearing clouds. Above that warm strata is a wind of sufficient velocity to eddy the warm breezes to the ground.

If the usual winter weather holds forth here it will be quite cold on the ground, and there will be fogs. Ascend in an aircraft or a captive balloon to a height of 800 feet or more, you'll likely encounter a warm layer of air, 10 to 30 degrees warmer than it is on the ground.

This strange phenomenon—Chinook winds—comes in the summer (cooler spell) as well as in the winter.

EASTWOOD HI-YA!

I love you little
I love you mighty,
I love my pyjamas
Next to your nightie;
Don't get excited
And lose your head,
I mean the clothes line—
That's what I said.

Back in 1920, several U.S. Army planes made a flight from New York to Nome. Stops were made at Saskatoon, Edmonton and New Hazelton. The officer in charge was Capt. St. Clair Streett, who is now Major General, commanding general of the Third Air Force, U.S.A.

AIR BASE NEWS

Jackson (Mississippi) Army Air Base News is a spirited five-column weekly which now comes to the editor. It will be passed along to the Airmen's library for further reader consumption. THE AIRMAN is also read with much interest at the Jackson Base.

AC2 R. N. Salisbury, who is now captain of our weight lifting team, was former weight lifting champion of California.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST GROWS

After the advertising ban became effective December 1 last THE AIRMAN settled down seriously to the business of building up its mail subscriptions. Results to date have been highly encouraging. Copies now go regularly to Hawaii, Alaska and England, all parts of the United States and Canada. Almost every R.C.A.F. station is represented, and many copies go to points in this country as far east as Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia.

More and more "M" depot airmen, when posted elsewhere, are leaving their names, addresses and quarters here so that THE AIRMAN, the only weekly service publication in Canada, will follow them and keep them up on what's what and who's being Joed back in Edmonton.

Drop in to the office and leave us the details before you leave the station. We'll keep your copy coming to you by mail regularly for just as long as you say.



AUSTRALIA MAKES GREAT STRIDES IN WAR EFFORT

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try to impose on their fares. There is no such sight as an empty taxi and it is not uncommon for three or four complete strangers to hire a taxi at a railway and be dropped one by one around town. The few airlines that are still available to the public have their seats booked days or even weeks before and even then berths can be commandeered at the last moment by the authorities.

Many large hotels are taken over by the military, but civilian travellers are few and more uniforms than mufti may be seen in those hotels that are still available.

Our railways were not originally built to handle the quantity of freight which they now find themselves called upon to cope with, added to which is the fact that rolling stock was transferred to Iran to help speed the transport of Allied aid to Russia. However, all the old rolling stock has been called back into commission and in spite of different gauges, maintenance difficulties and numerous delays, they get the freight through. No doubt a lot of these difficulties are common to the railways of many countries, including your own, but I would like to say here that the Canadian railways are the most comfortable I have travelled on and I do not believe the courtesy of the train crews and officials could anywhere be excelled.

Public sport is very restricted in Australia and in some cases entirely suspended. Some cricket and football matches take place, mostly for charity, but no interstate competitions remain. Tennis and golf is further restricted by a shortage of rubber balls. A limited amount of racing goes on but here again no interstate travelling of horses is permitted. All the services play games, of course, for recreational purposes. It is interesting to note that Stan McCabe, noted international cricketer, has been appointed to coach the American troops. If the States decide to take up cricket it is possible to visualize some mighty international contests after the war.

Navy

Now I come to the fighting services, starting with the senior service. I don't think our Navy has won as much fame overseas as the A.I.F., but it certainly deserves some. We started the war with a Navy of some six cruisers and a supporting fleet of smaller vessels. I think I am right in stating that the Australian Navy has, in proportion to its size, suffered more casualties in ships, if not in men, than any navy in the world. Most of the Navy's actions have been fought away from our shores but we had one diversion when shipping in Sydney Harbor was attacked by midget Jap subs. Fortunately little damage was done, but 28 naval ratings quartered in a disused ferry were killed when a torpedo struck the vessel. Every sub engaged in this action was sunk—four in all—and within a

fortnight something like six more, mostly larger types, were accounted for along the N.S.W. coast. Some weeks later, Sydney, Newcastle was shelled by subs but these were mainly nuisance raids and no damage was done.

A.I.F.

Our A.I.F. has won fame in this war as in the last, and its participation in Greece, Crete, Africa and Malaya caused it to suffer heavier casualties, proportionately, than any Empire army. I am not competent to discuss the wisdom or expediency of the campaigns in Greece, Crete and Malaya. Our boys just happened to be on the spot during these famous, if ill-fated rear guard actions. They did their job and suffered in these three theatres alone over 30,000 casualties, which is a severe blow for a country whose population at last census did not reach seven millions.

Militia

The militia have been doing a good job in Australia and mandated territory and are now available for use further afield. The Australian light horse (Cavalry) in which I was an N.C.O. before the war, has formed a nucleus of the Australian Armoured Division which will prove a formidable striking force when called upon.

R.A.A.F.

Our Air Force, based on the small pre-war permanent air force, is now a unit of the great Empire Air Training Scheme, in which Canada is playing such a major role. Our own Air Force has long since exceeded the six-figure mark. A small proportion of these men pass through Canada, but our airmen are serving, or have served in England, France, Russia, Africa, Syria, Palestine, Greece, Burma, N.E.I. Malaya and Ceylon, in fact nearly everywhere where there has been a scrap in the air. The major part of the air force is at home hammering the Japs in the northern battlefield, patrolling our own coast and training young airmen for future battles. We also have our A.T.C., organized on senior air force lines, to train youths sixteen to eighteen years of age in theory of flight, navigation, and above all the team spirit. At eighteen they are permitted, but not compelled to pass into the Air Training Scheme as ordinary trainees. There are very few who do not take advantage of this privilege.

Women's Branch

The Air Force, in common with every other service, has its women's branch, known as the W.A.A.F. These number at present about 12,000 and are gradually taking over all non-combatant duties from men. They include cooks, mess orderlies, stenogs, clerks of all sorts, cypher officers, wireless operators, transport drivers, and hosts of other jobs in which uniformed girls have in some cases completely replaced men.

So far the Australian mainland has been practically free from air attack. Darwin has been heavily bombed, and Townsville and other North Queensland towns had desultory raids, but our main cities are unmolested and we hope will continue to be. Should the occasion arise, however, we have sufficient

A.R.P. and fire fighting organizations. Concrete air raid shelters line the streets in all important towns in danger areas and thousands of slit trenches may be seen everywhere. All northern and coastal towns are blacked out, and the balance are what is called browned out, equivalent to your dim-out.

For the benefit of the troops we have numerous charitable bodies and funds, chief among which are the Australian Red Cross and the Comforts Fund. The latter would be similar to your own Knights of Columbus, for whose generosity we already have reason to be grateful. Thousands of sheep skins are donated by farmers to be made into vests for our own troops abroad and to assist the Russians. Most women knit in their spare time and it is a common sight to see knitting going on in trams, cafes, and other public places.

Hundreds of new dromes have been built for offensive and defensive purposes. Roads for military purposes have been pushed through in record time, one instance of this being the highway from Alice Springs to Birdum. This road runs through over five hundred miles of desolate country in central Australia and would normally have been considered a three-year job. The military and labor corps gangs completed it in just over three months, allowing troops to travel overland from Adelaide to Darwin quickly if not comfortably.

Plans for Post War

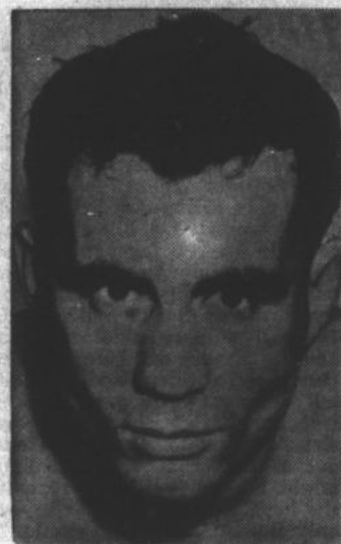
All these improvements are going to have a tremendous influence on Australia's post war plans, in which road and air transport are going to play an ever increasing part. After the war we will all have our individual, as well as our common post-war problems. Australia's greatest need is immigration and plans are already afoot to encourage an influx of British, American and northern European immigrants to endeavour to bring our population to twenty millions within the next fifteen to twenty years. For this increased population water conservation will be necessary. Billions of gallons of water run annually from our coastal rivers, and this can and will be taken through the coastal ranges and allowed to run into the dry interior. The average rainfall in some parts of north Queensland is 200 inches, while portions of the interior consider themselves lucky if they receive ten inches annually.

Re-forestation and soil conservation are two more big jobs already in hand, which must be tackled with increased energy as soon as our attention can be diverted to peace time projects.

In the meantime, we have our labor problems like all countries, with a democratic form of government. We have our strikes and industrial disputes, and I am sorry to say we have a few slackers. But these are very much a minority; the great bulk of Australians have their shoulders to the wheel in an all-out effort to speed early victory.

Out of all the evil present in the world of war I am sure much good will come, and already a bet-

R.C.A.F. CHAMP



CASTILLOUX

A/Sgt. Dave Castilloux, bantamweight champion of Canada, who has been training steadily at the "M" Depot for the Services Championship bout to be held in the Arena on Saturday, Jan. 30, against Pte. Al Lust of Calgary.



Tried to get through stores the other day . . . they are having a map published showing all the doors, curves, canals, safety zones, thoroughfares, and OUT OF BOUNDS . . . observe the accounts struggling along in their own peculiar fashion . . . still managing to get the pay out on time . . . Flt. Sgt. Frank Truswell tearing out and greying at the temples when they throw a draft at him . . . Sgt. Befus and Sgt. Rodgers wondering just who does what . . . LAC Fisk knows a cannibal's daughter that likes her men stewed . . . understand Depot Warrant Officers have eyes in the back of their heads . . . saw an airman go past WO1 Blundell wearing ear muffs and the eagle didn't rise . . . our last lot of Aussies and New Zealanders were all perfect gentlemen . . . Cpl. Woodland is certain that when he has lipstick all over his face he is a marked success . . . here is a conversation we heard two of our stenogs having . . . "I'm wearing my old undies and saving my new, expensive ones." . . . "Oh, for a rainy day?" . . . "No, dearie, for a windy one." . . . Three morons got on a street car. Two morons paid their fare, but the third moron refused to pay. The conductor asked why he refused to pay. The moron replied: "My name is Crime and Crime does not pay." . . . and did you hear of the moron that put his dad in the ice box so he could have cold pop?

ter understanding has developed between our own two countries, indeed between all countries, that will ultimately make this world a better place to live in.



SPORTS



Lindsay Has Fought Three World Champions

It is seldom Edmonton boxing fans have the opportunity of watching a three-time world champion contender in action, but that is what is going to happen tomorrow night in the Arena when AC2 Hugh Sloan hooks up with Kenny Lindsay in the 6-round semi-windup of the biggest fisticuffs show to be staged here in many moons.

Pride of the West Coast, Lindsay comes here with the distinction of having swapped punches with three world champions. Twice he has hooked up with Tony Olivera, who was recognized in California as the world champion. On the first occasion, Lindsay took the decision, but Olivera took the second bout to square accounts. Still rated as a championship contender after the bouts with Olivera, Lindsay was then matched to fight Lou Salica, then recognized by the N.B.A. as world champion. The fight took place in Vancouver last summer. After a rousing battle, Salica was awarded the verdict on points.

Salica finally lost his crown to the hard punching Manuel Ortiz, who still holds the title. Still on the trail of the championship, Lindsay fought Ortiz in Seattle recently and dropped a close decision to the champion.

Twenty-one years of age, Lindsay has the ambition to become a physical instructor in the R.C.A.F. He hopes to return to Vancouver in the near future after completing his course.

Of course, Kenny's burning ambition in life is to win the world's bantamweight championship. After the present "big show" is over, which is the most important to Lindsay at the present time, he hopes to return to the fight ring. He has youth on his side and figures this will prove a big advantage to him in the future when he gets another crack at the world title.

The little West Coast battler comes from a large family. His father is employed by the B.C. Electric, and he is his mother's pride and joy. He added a touch of humor to this story Monday when the photographer got busy on him for his "I" card. Kenny remarked, "What with this haircut and the photograph my mother won't know me." Just wait until he gets into that snappy air force blue. Then she will certainly have a picture to be proud of. Kenny has five brothers and three sisters who follow his exploits in the ring closely. They are all enthusiastic fight fans and never miss the opportunity to see him in action.

Before arriving here, the Canadian bantamweight champion kept himself in shape by working in the shipyards at Vancouver.

Altogether, Lindsay has taken part in about 39 fights, most of

IN MAIN EVENT



LUST

Pte. Al Lust, who will meet A/Sgt. Dave Casilloux in the main 10-round event of the Services Championship on Saturday night.

SEARCHLIGHT

Camp Hulen, Texas, sent us a copy of The Searchlight. With all the Texans in the R.C.A.F., we welcome this friend from Camp Hulen. And do you know, Searchlight reprinted one of the jokes from THE AIRMAN.

them amateur. Before joining the monied ranks, he was world's amateur bantamweight champion.

One of Lindsay's staunchest friends is his manager, Arnold Bertram, of Vancouver. Bertram has had Lindsay under his wing for five years. Naturally Kenny thinks he is "tops."

The addition of Lindsay to the program makes it an all-star special. Anyone attending is assured of their money's worth of action. There will be enough high class talent on display to please even the most critical fan. —H.W.E.



By F/O H. W. EGGLESTON

"Ladies and Gentlemen. In this corner introducing Sgt. Dave Castilloux of Montreal. In this corner, Pte. Al Lust of Calgary." When Referee Arthur Donovan makes this announcement Saturday night the 10-round bout for the services championship will get under way -- It has taken weeks of planning to get these two fighters into the ring in a return bout --- Now the committee in charge is going to see its hopes realized --- Besides that they have a contender for the world's bantamweight championship on show in the 10-round semi-windup --- and just to complete the program they went right out and secured the services of "Mr. Big" in the refereeing business in the person of Arthur Donovan --- Wrap all this up into one package and you have the finest lineup of top-notchers to appear on a sport card in Edmonton for many years --- and all for a top price of three greenbacks --- If ever an attraction deserved the support of the public this one does --- Enough about the fight card --- You will find the balance of the information on other pages of this issue --- This week we have had urgent calls from the managers of the various teams representing No. 3 "M" Depot --- Flt. Lt. Cumming is looking for a couple of outstanding guards to strengthen his basketball team --- Flt. Lt. LaRocque is anxious to see a few more senior players trying for places on the interservices team --- "Nuff said about the juniors after that 7-1 lacing at the hands of E.A.C. --- Cpl. Anderson is still in need of defencemen --- Prospective players are asked to report to the above mentioned personnel as soon as possible --- The basketballers uncovered a real find Monday night in Jack Kaminsky, formerly of Oregon --- Kaminsky proved a real partner to Jim Bardsley --- Besides heading the scoring list he proved to be a great playmaker --- Famous last words --- "SEE YOU AT THE FIGHT TOMORROW NIGHT."

THANKS!

Thanks goes out to Col. T. L. Mosley and Major Pearse of the U.S. Army Air Force, for their efforts in making arrangements to have Arthur Donovan come to Edmonton to referee the championship boxing bouts to be held in the Arena, Saturday. Col. Mosley and Major Pearse were instrumental in bringing Lieutenant Donovan to Edmonton. Donovan is now a member of the Maritime Services.

"M" CAGERS GAIN REVENGE; DEFEAT A.T.C. 66-31 SCORE

They say revenge is sweet, so No. 3 "M" Depot's basketball team proceeded to taste the fruit of victory Monday night at the West Glen High School when they took the measure of the Air Transport Civilians in an exhibition game. Previously the A.T.C. outfit had handed "M" Depot its only defeat of the season, but the Flyers made no mistake Monday in chalking up a 66-31 victory.

The winners led 19-6 at the end of the first quarter, boosted it to 31-13 at the completion of the second, made it 47-20 at the end of the third, and finished it off by scoring 18 points in the last frame.

Leading the scoring parade was AC2 Kaminsky with 21 points. Holding forth at centre, Kaminsky went on a real scoring spree with the assistance of Jim Bardsley. The latter, who usually heads the scoring parade, tallied only three points Monday, but his fine passing was instrumental in setting up plays for Kaminsky to chalk up his high score. Buna was next high scorer for the Airmen with 12 points. Dinand led the A.T.C. scorers with 14 points.

LINEUPS

"M" DEPOT—D. Gray 6; Bun 12; Kaminsky 21; Mathews 5; Derbyshire 2; W. Gray 5; Jardin 6; Bardsley 3; Main 6. Total—66.

A.T.C.—Dinand 14; Houston 6; Panta; Ornest 1; Huckstep 2; Jackson 3; Blackburn; Darling; Ejang. Total—31.

BUNT ROBERTS HOCKEY STAR, ON No. 3 "M"

On this station, for a brief stay, is no less than "Bunt" Roberts, ex-Canadian hockey star. He is an aircrew applicant and is staying here just long enough to get into uniform when he will return to Vancouver to carry on the good work as leading scorer for the R.C.A.F. team.

"Bunt" started his hockey career with the Falcon Junior Club of Winnipeg, coached by Frank Fredrickson (now F/L Frank Fredrickson) and since then has played big league hockey in most of the major countries of Europe, including a game for Herr Schikleguber at Garmisch, Germany. Went to Scotland when hockey was introduced to that country as a major sport and heartily admires the effort and enthusiasm that the population put behind the game.

While overseas met and played with many Canadians including Wally Meyers of Prince Albert. His burning desire is to get over to England, although we suspect that a young lady of Austrian birth might provide at least part of the incentive.

Flt. Sgt. Cunnings states:
"After a girl has been in
hot water several times she
grows cold."

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Sgt. Neilson states: "Many
a girl gets into deep water
trying to hook some fish."

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CURRENT CINEMA

AVENUE

Starting Saturday: "Pardon My Sarong" with Abbott and Costello; and "Bombay Clipper." Starting Wednesday for three days, "Lady in a Jam" with Irene Dunne and "Melody Lane" with Baby Sandy.

CAPITOL

Starting Thursday, Jan. 28th., for one week, Tyrone Power and Maureen O'Hara in Rafael Sabatini's "Black Swan"—in Technicolor.

DREAMLAND

Starting Saturday, "Unholy Partners" with Edward G. Robinson and Edward Arnold; also "Omaha Trail" with James Craig and Tanela Blake. Starting Feb. 3rd, "How Green Is My Valley" with Walter Pidgeon and Maureen O'Hara, and "Right to the Heart" with Brenda Joyce and Joseph Allen Jr.

EMPRESS

Starting Friday, for six days, "Flying Fortress" with Richard Green.

RIALTO

Starting Friday, for one week, "Commandos Strike at Dawn" with Paul Muni, Anna Lee and Sir Frederick Hardwick.

STRAND

Starting Friday, Clark Gable and Lana Turner in "Honky Tonk", starring the Three Musketeers, also "The Phantom Plainsman" From Tuesday to Thursday, "Joan of the Plains" with Michelle Morgan, and Ginger Rogers in "The Primrose Parrot."

THANK YOU, YANK!

THE AIRMAN wishes to thank YANK, the official U.S. Army newspaper, for some of the cuts and services we have been using. A Galley and Clip Sheet service is operated by YANK under the name of Camp Newspaper Service, and is offered free to Army newspapers.

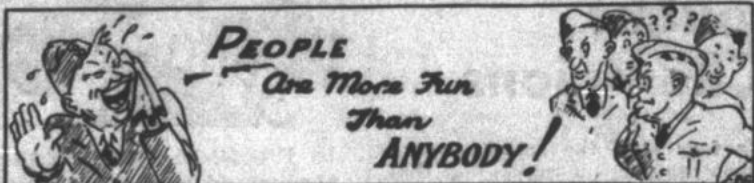
WOMEN TO MEET FEB. 3

The Wives Club will hold a meeting on Wednesday, February 3, at 3:00 p.m., in the Games Room of the Officers' Mess. Every member is requested to be present.

This is going to be the ELECTION meeting as a complete slate of new officers are to be elected.

Airmen are reminded that the free mending service still goes on. Leave your Sox at the guard house 'till noon, Feb. 3, and the ladies will slip those old darned needles right through the holes and they will come back looking like new . . . almost.

Remember, they are willing to darn your socks, but you have to leave them at the guard house.



Hello again fellows, your roaming correspondent has just returned from a quick trip around the globe to bring all the up-to-date news and views to No. 3.

What a trip! Went through Hollywood on the way and even worked there for a while. Made 50 bucks a week and was allowed to make any extras. Tried to make one and lost my 50 smackers.

Crossed the Pond; then thru China where I encountered Eric Hamilton dining with Chiang-Kai-Chek, and so to Russia. Is it ever cold in Stalingrad. These suits of ours are no protection—sure they are wool, but so cold I've decided they must have been made of virgin-wool.

Left the day I was fairly certain we had Stalingrad and then down into Africa. Had dinner with a Cannibal Chief—wonderful host and wonderful manners—never leaves the table until everyone's eaten. Escaped, luckily, and went into Libya. Passed over our boys chasing the rats out of Tripoli; flew another hundred miles into Tunisia and finally caught up with Rommel. Passed him; crossed another pond and into New York. Saw one play. Took out one stage manager's daughter. Boys, "you should have seen her props" mhh . . . mhh! Decided the babes were much to hard for me—takes diamonds to make any impression on them. Fought my way thru strong winds and finally home to Sunny Alberta.

Did it ever feel good to get back here . . . back to parades, duty watch, Joe-jobs, boy! Had a wonderful dinner, though and noticed that WO1 Harland is still using spring chickens in his soup (or at least I imagine that's where those little pieces of steel come from).

ADVANCED HAPPENINGS FOR 1943

Cpl. May won't get married till after the war.

Sgt. . . . (censored by Ed.) expecting an heir in August.

Dave Castilloux wins by technical kayo.

Ken Lindsay wins by decision.

LAC Troy for mayor of publication.

ASO Elliot as best dressed in W.D. for '43.

Wet Canteen stays open till 10 o'clock (even with dances on draft).

Mr. Milquetoast declares war, gets an inoculation and immediately sues for peace.

Cpl. Kennedy gets his third hook.

WO1 Blundell gets posted (?). Sgt. McRae suffers from strain and F/Sgt. Blottner rises to five foot nothing by standing on tiptoes.

New medical comes into effect—M.O. looks down recruits throat and passes recruit as okay if he can't see the flat feet; and finally, the swallowing of plum-stones no longer counted as ulcers for discharge.

A rat is a rodent. A rodent is a gnawing animal. Gnawing animals often try to bite you when you pet them. My gal tries to bite when I pet her. Say, are you trying to call my gal a rat?!!

FAMOUS LAST WORDS

"How about going home?" "Aw—hell, I've been there before."

Stumbling along with enebriated affection, I remain,

Yours,
DUKE.

LOCALS AND PERSONALS

Capt. "Buss" Conn, C.D.C., has been posted to Mossbank, Sask. No foolin', says he.

F/L J. W. Dempsey, adjutant, spent a short "spot" of leave in Vancouver.

THE TRANSIENT

Flight Gibson, to New Zealander badly in need of a hair net: "When did you last get your hair cut?"

New Zealander: "When I was in New Zealand."

Then there was the moron who was dying in bed. He drew up a chair so rigor mortis could set in.

The gals decided skinware

In the last cold spell,

Was a bit too bare,

'Twasn't enough, by hell!

—Midnight Mary.

HEATED ARENA AND SPECIAL STREET CAR SERVICE

Remember that the Arena is now heated and it is as warm as toast. Also, that special street cars will be running to both the North and West gates for the big fight Saturday, Jan. 30. Also ample parking space.

E.A.C. DEFEATS NO. 3 "M" 7-1 IN HOCKEY LEAGUE

Despite the cold weather Monday night, the 119 St. rink was the scene of another exciting Edmonton Junior Hockey League battle. The results of the night was a 7-1 victory for the E.A.C. over the Depot team. This the E.A.C.'s fifth game won so far in the league . . . at the end of six games.

Former agreements last Fall, when the league got under way, were that the leading team, after six games, would be permitted to pick up four players and be all set for junior hockey honors. However, the present league will continue until mid-way in February, when a play-off will be held and the former agreements then carried out by the winning team.

The E.A.C.'s scoring men were Albert Superstein with one goal and 3 assists; Pat Doolan, three goals; Tommy McCready, two, and Freddie Smitten, one.

The Depot's lone score was made by Harry Allen, who was formerly with the E.A.C.

LINEUPS

EDMONTON A.C.—J. Ingram, Cowan, Superstein, Doolan, Young, Smitten, W. Ingram, Nikiforuk, Everett, McCready, Phillips, Shirvell, Waring, Oakford.
NO. 3 "M" DEPOT—McLellan, Dutchak, Duncan, Allen, Edmunds, Fleming, Adair, Guest, Douglas, Gibson, Gobel, Hutt.

Referee—W. Runge.

Summary

First period—1, E.A.C., Doolan (Superstein) 17:20. Penalties: W. Ingram, Fleming.

Second period—2, E.A.C., McCready (Superstein) 4:55; 3, E.A.C., Doolan (McCready) 14:30; 4, E.A.C., Doolan, 15:20. Penalties: Cowan, Fleming.

Third period—5, R.C.A.F., Allen (Edmunds) 5:57; 6, E.A.C., Smitten (Superstein) 9:50; 7, E.A.C., McCready, 12:25; 8, E.A.C., Superstein, 13:20. Penalties: Gibson, W. Ingram, Edmunds, Superstein.

THE STANDINGS

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
Edmonton A.C.	6	4	1	1	31	21	9
Canadians	5	2	2	1	24	22	5
No. 3 "M" Depot	5	1	4	0	16	23	2

EGGLESTON'S ISSUE

This week we feel we should rename THE AIRMAN to some sporting name. It is full of sport and when your editor was making it up, he was convinced that a public thanks should go to F/O Eggleston for his many writings this week.

TOAST

Here's to the toast of the evening
A toast that's as long as a kiss,
I'll love you as long as I'm able—
No man can swear longer than this.
To you I'll make this confession,
That not to be blessed when you can
Is to me the greatest transgression
That can happen twist woman and man.

Think not of your coldness and scolding
To appear more angelic and bright;
Be an angel, my dear, in the morning,
But, oh God! be a woman tonight!

A KNOCK OUT
IN THE 7TH
ROUND

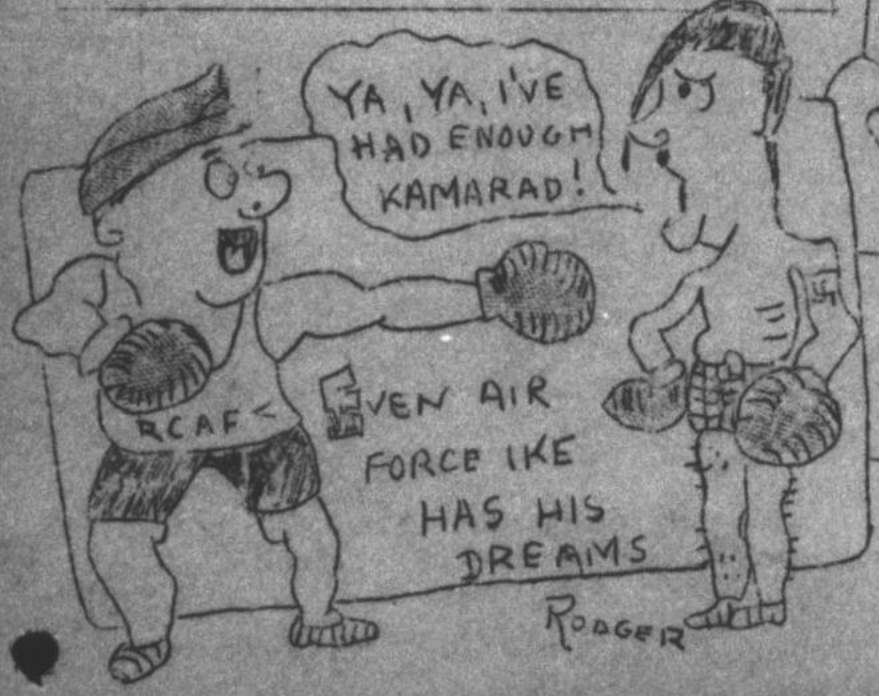
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**WHAT HAPPENS WHEN
A BOXER HITS
THE STATION**



A.F. IKE SAYS:-

NOW THEY ARE GIVING
US A HALF DAY ON
SATURDAYS WHAT AM
I GOING TO DO WITH IT?



IT DID HAPPEN HERE

BARBER SHOP
LADY BARBERS



CEP. KOSICK LOOKS
TO THE FUTURE



WOW I DONT KNOW ANY
MILITARY SECRETS - I'VE
ONLY BEEN IN THE AIR FORCE
A WEEK



...SMITH IS
DETERMINED
TO GET A CUP WITH A
HANDLE ON TODAY

"M" DEPOT DEFEATS NO. 4 I.T.S. 45-36 1 1 1 In a hectic, foul studded forty minutes of Basketball, the #3 "M" Depot team won the final game of the Inter-Service League, when they defeated the #4 I.T.S. team on the A-Deck floor, Thursday night by a score of 45-36. Led by Captain Jimmie Bardsley and Bruce "Pistol" Fisher, both with fourteen points, the "M" Depot lads came through, as usual in the final half, to keep their record sweet clean. So far they have not been beaten by any Service team, and have only dropped two exhibition games. In the first half I.T.S. had the best of the play, and the breaks, to lead by a slim 16-15. In the third and fourth cantos, the "M" Depot came into their own, and outscored I.T.S. 30-20 to win going away. Next week "M" Plays the U.S. Engineers at West Glen High School, Monday at 8.30 pm; and on Thursday, at the same school, the I.T.S. team at 8.30 pm. All airmen are invited to come out to see these games. On Thursday, it will only cost a dime...so support your team!

"M" DEPOT DEFEATS ARMY 12-0 Last night on the "M" Depot ice, our own lads came through with a 12-0 win over the Army! This gives "M" Depot two wins and one loss so far this season in the Inter-Service League. Army, who fielded a weak team, lacked practice, but showed signs of being a contending team before the season gets much older. Next Tuesday, the Navy will visit "M" Depot, and all airmen are invited to come out and support the Senior Hockey team...time of game 1900 hours.