

6/8/40. - No. 2.

P R E S S       N O T I C E

Mercantile losses due to enemy action for week ending  
Sun/Monday 28th/29th July were:-

British	18	=	65,601 tons.
Allied	2	=	7,090 tons.
Neutral	Nil	=	nil
	<u>20</u>		<u>72,691</u>

The Germans claim to have sunk 229,298 tons of Merchant Shipping during this period. No comment is necessary.

Enemy Losses up to 4th August, 1940.

German losses amount to approximately 918,000 tons and Italian to 254,000 tons, a total of approximately, 1,172,000 tons. In addition about 26,000 tons of shipping formerly Neutral but now under enemy control, has been sunk.

ADMIRALTY. S.W.1.



BRITISH PRISONERS OF WAR.

The following is the latest list of British Prisoners of War in enemy hands, as received from a German source:-

THOMAS ADKINS	born	2. 9. 1906	27, Feversham Crescent, Wiggington Road, Yorks.
HAROLD MARSHALL	"	4. 3. 1916	151, Wallasey Road, Wallasey, Cheshire.
DICK STANSFIELD	"	21. 8. 1918	Golden Lion Hotel, Market Place, Malton, Yorks.
RONALD ERIC LIVETT	"	3.11. 1916	Ivy House, Churston, Near Barnsley, Yorks.
RUBEN JAMES GREEN	"	17.12. 1903	18, Hertford Street, Salford.5.
CORNELIUS McGUIRE	"	7. 6. 1903	Ballynahaye, Ballygawly, Co. Tyrone.
THOMAS JOSEPH HAYDEN	"	15. 3. 1900	54, Band Street, Blackpool, Lands.
ARTHUR PINNEY	"	29. 1. 1920	58, Royston Road, St. Albans, Herts.
JAMES McKENNA	"	22. 3. 1914	60, Ruby Street, Glasgow.
JAMES CONNELLY	"	17.12. 1914	67, Henderson Street, Leith, Edinburgh.
CHARLES DRURY	"	26. 4. 1914	21, Maltbarn Street, Glasgow.N.W.
THOMAS VALENTINE AMES			
JAMES MAY	"	14. 2. 1912	The Bull Inn, Hunton, Near Maidstone, Kent.
JAMES WATT	"	19. 1. 1906	7, Southover Road, Bognor Regis, Sussex.
STEWART BRODIE(?)	"	2. 5. 1920	2, Grove Road, Chichester, Sussex.
JAMES PATRICK NEWTON	"	22. 1908	2, Swan Passage, Stourport-on- Severn, Worcs.
CECIL WILDING	"	29. 6. 1915	Holt Farm, Brandon Bank, Southend.
STANLEY HORACE MEAD	"	26. 1. 1915	66, Palace View, Bromley, Kent.
ERIC NILESON(?)	"	12. 5. 1915	335, High Road, East Finchley, N.2.
EDWARD CECIL GATHERCOLE		11.12.1918	16-17, Hanger Lane, Ealing, London, W.5.
CLARENCE FOSTER		17. 2.1907	43, Finn Street, South Bank, Near Middlesbrough.

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Press Notice: for morning papers, Wednesday, August 7, 1940.

ALL WORKS SHOULD DO SALVAGE.

"Every works and factory should nominate a live member of the staff as Salvage Officer", said Mr. H.G. Judd, Controller of Salvage to the Ministry of Supply, in a broadcast last night (6.45 p.m. August 6, 1940).

Mr. Judd suggested that workshop Salvage Officers should "ferret out their scrap, pass sentence on obsolete plant, and organise salvage everywhere."

Mr. Judd gave this advice:

"Although compulsory directions have been issued only to Councils with a population of over 10,000 we want salvage schemes everywhere. In towns, however small, there should be no difficulty.

"In country districts if there is no regular refuse collection help your Council to organise a local depot, in an empty garage or shop, and enlist an Honorary Salvage Warden for each hamlet or street.

"The District Council would arrange to clear these Depots at intervals - by sale, or transport to a central depot.

"Over three thousand parishes have already organised such village dumps for metals. You can get details from the Iron and Steel Control, Steel House, S.W.1. Why not organise similar depots for paper, rags and bones, and enlist the help of the schools too.

"Don't worry if you see scrap yards filling up: these are the bins and shelves of our national store room, to supply the mills and factories next month or next winter.

"If you are a flat dweller get the porter to hand to the dustman separately the parcels you have bundled - of paper, bones and metal - or ask the landlord to arrange it."

Ministry of Supply,  
Press Office,  
Adelphi, W.C.2.  
6th August, 1940.

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6/8/40. - No. 7.

MERCANTILE LOSSES BY ENEMY ACTION.

The following amendments should be made in the Weekly Statements of losses for previous weeks:-

Week Ending	12/5/40.	Amend Allied to 7 of 56,857.
"	" 2/6/40	Amend British " 28 of 79,415.
		Neutral to 2 of 4,375.
"	" 9/6/40	Amend Neutral to 4 of 14,750.
"	" 14/7/40	Amend Neutral to 7 of 24,845.
"	" 21/7/40	Amend Allied to 2 of 3,679.
		Neutral to 8 of 17,022.

ADMIRALTY, S.W.1.



6.8.40 No. 8.

Instruction in Air Raid Precautions and First Aid, suitable for the general public, is to be given shortly in schools and other institutions.

In a memorandum issued to Local Education Authorities today (Tuesday) the Board of Education suggest that the instruction should take the form of a series of three or four meetings consisting of simple talks and practical demonstrations rather than formal lectures.

The importance of making the public familiar with the elements of First Aid is emphasised, and Authorities are asked to secure the widest possible publicity for such meetings.

Expenditure on this service will be recognised for grant by the Board.

BOARD OF EDUCATION



6/8/40 - No. 9.

DUSTMAN CONFER ON SALVAGE DRIVE

Dustman are helping to solve problems connected with salvage collection. In many areas they are making a real contribution to Mr. Herbert Morrison's campaign.

In Westminster the area is divided into 11 districts each of which is in charge of a foreman-dustman responsible for from 80 to 100 streets. Each foreman-dustman has working with him a 'Liaison Officer' from the W.V.S. workers who are canvassing the district.

Between them they see that every street is doing its part in the new drive to transform paper, bones, and metal into urgently-needed munitions.

Islington's cleansing chief, Mr. F. E. Browning, invites his leading dustmen to regular conferences where the men are given complete freedom to put up suggestions for improving methods of collecting salvage.

"Their co-operation is most valuable" Mr. Browning said today, "I regard this as one of the most successful developments introduced since we reorganised the Borough's cleansing and salvage arrangements."

In Walthamstow members of the Women's Organisations now canvassing housewives on their door-steps get practical help from dustmen who know which are the "black streets" and how best they can be tackled.

Co-operation between the canvassers and the men has already had good effect - as is shown by the first results of the house-to-house canvass now being carried out.

MINISTRY OF SUPPLY



Press Notice.

CHECK ON SECOND HAND MACHINE  
TOOL PRICES.

An Order which will ensure a check on all prices charged for second-hand machine tools has just been signed by Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Supply.

The Order requires all second-hand machine tool dealers to register with the Ministry, and to keep a register of their dealings in these tools. On and after August 17 next no dealings will be authorised except under licence granted by the Minister of Supply.

The Order also limits dealers' sales to sales to Government departments and other bona fide users.

The formal announcement is as follows:-

The Control of Machine Tools (No.3) Order 1940, dated 29th July, 1940, relates to dealers in used Machine Tools.

1. On and after 17th August, 1940, no person in the United Kingdom shall deal in used Machine Tools except under the authority of a licence granted to him by the Minister of Supply.
2. Form of application for licence is set out in the schedule to the Order and can be obtained from The Machine Tool Control, Ministry of Supply. The Minister of Supply has power to revoke any licence.
3. Every authorised dealer is required to keep a register at his principal place of business showing particulars of his purchases and sales. The register shall be available for inspection on behalf of the Minister of Supply at any time.
4. An authorised dealer shall not offer for sale or dispose of any used Machine Tool to any person other than to a Government Department or to a person who requires it for use in his business and not for disposal.
5. The Minister of Supply may from time to time make Directions fixing prices.
6. A definition of Machine Tools is set out in the Order.
7. The Order comes into force on 1st August, 1940.

Copies of the Order may be purchased from H.M. Stationery Office, or through any bookseller.

Ministry of Supply,  
Press Office,  
Adolphi, W.C.2.  
6th August, 1940.



AIR MINISTRY NEWS SERVICE.

BOMBER'S CREW SAVED BY TRAWLER.

With the help of the Royal Navy, the crew of a bomber which had had to come down in the sea, recently returned in safety to their base.

The sergeant-pilot of the aircraft said: "We had been attacking Kiel, and had spent some 90 minutes over our target, flying most of the time through a very hot barrage.

"The shells, which were bursting right above us, showered above the aircraft rather like golden rain.

"After hitting our objective with our bombs, we started for home, but unfortunately we ran into thick fog, so we climbed above the clouds. Just after dawn broke we came below the clouds again to find that we were still over the sea.

"The petrol was almost exhausted, and first one and then the other engine petered out, and there was nothing for it but to alight on the water.

"We glided down from 3,500 feet but with visibility patchy and extending sometimes to only about 50 yards, we realised that we were likely to spend an unpleasantly long time in the dinghy.

"When we were about 100 feet up I saw a naval trawler, and we came down about a mile from her. As we passed her we tried to indicate by pointing seawards that we were coming down and wanted her help.

"At first the crew thought that we were giving a low-flying exhibition and they were taken aback when we hit the water. Coming down was rather like hitting a concrete pavement, and the impact knocked both engines off the machine.

"The aircraft went under water but came up again within a second or two, with the cockpits half full. The crew had been standing by and in a few moments they had launched a dinghy and got aboard it.

"I jumped into the sea and then, pushing the dinghy away from the aircraft, which threatened to sink at any moment, I swam behind it for a short distance after which the other fellows hauled me in.

"In a few minutes the trawler's lifeboat was heading towards us and soon we were on board the ship.

"The crew lent us an assortment of clothes while ours were drying against the funnel, and I got the skipper's socks. Later we steamed right over an enemy magnetic minefield. A naval patrol vessel hailed our skipper and asked him if he realised that he was right on top of it.

"Of course I do, but it doesn't bother us" reported the skipper nonchalantly through his megaphone. We arrived back at our base still wearing our motley collection of borrowed garments, part R.A.F., part Naval and part civilian.



PRESS NOTICE

The Secretary of the Admiralty announces that the following candidates have been declared successful at the recent examination for the entry in September 1940, of Naval Cadets, Special Entry (Executive and Engineering), Paymaster Cadets and Probationary Second Lieutenants, Royal Marines.

EXECUTIVE

<u>Name</u>	<u>School.</u>
B. BENZ	Eastbourne College.
B.D. DAVIDSON	Sherborne School.
L.D. TEMPLE - RICHARDS	Eton. +
D. PLUMMER	Bedford.
B.E.C.T. BRAY	Wellington College.
J.H. PENNELL	Christ's Hospital.
R.B. TUCKER	Sevenoaks School.
P.A.S. FROST	Stonyhurst College.
P.G. WARREN	Wellington College. +
G.R. SLAUGHTER	King's School, Bruton.
D.G. ROOME	Wellington College.
K.H.F. CLARK	Whitgift School.
J.B. INCE	Bradfield College. +
G.H. GREENISH	Cheltenham College.
A.G.S. LANGLEY	Cheltenham College.

ENGINEERING

P.E. MELLY	Rugby School.
A.O. GAUNT	Bedford School.
B.P. McCONNELL	Tonbridge School.
C.A. BROWN	Bedford School
D.R. LEAK	Berkhamsted School. +
J.H.G. HOWARD	Marlborough College. +
D.W. GRAMOND	Colchester Royal Grammar School. +
N.W. WATTS	Charterhouse.
G.M. QUICK	Dean Close School, Cheltenham.
G.A.G. EDLESTON	Wellington College.
J-S.W. BATH	Peter Symonds School, Winchester.
H.S. MULHOLLAND	St. Johns School, Leatherhead.

PAYMASTER

J.G.R. TYNDALL	Imperial Service College.
G.C. DAVID	Winchester College.
A.I.P. HENTON	Whitgift School.
G.G. PRALL	Aldenham School, Elstree. +
A.W. HEMSTED	St. Edwards School, Oxford.
J.T.M. ERSKINE	Campbell College.
A.J.D. MARSHALL	St. Edward's School, Oxford.

ROYAL MARINES

R.N. PARKINSON - CUMINE	Portora Royal School, Enniskillen.
G.R. d'A HOSKING	Cheltenham College.
T.F. COUSINS	Imperial Service College.
A.P. O'BRIEN	Municipal College, Portsmouth.
L.C.G. BROWN	Blundell's School, Tiverton.
J.W. DANIELS	Wimbleton College. +
A.W. TOASE	The King's School, Ely. +
G.J.C. SMITH	Clifton College. +
C.L. ALLEN	Bedford School.
G.C. SCOTT	Oundle School.

+ Denotes that the candidate has studied with a tutor since leaving school.



6/8/40 - No. 13.

C O R R E C T I O N.

In our issue of No. 9 of yesterday (August 5th) headed "Royal Scots Fusiliers in Tight Corner", for publication in the morning papers of to-morrow (Wednesday, August 7th) PLEASE READ IN PARAGRAPH FOUR LINE TWENTY-ONE OF PAGE ONE:

"point where the railway LEFT the canal" instead of

"point where the railway crossed the canal"

MILITARY AFFAIRS.



6/8/40. - No.14.

AIRCRAFT PRODUCTION BULLETIN No. 62.

The Minister of Aircraft Production acknowledges with gratitude the following gifts towards the purchase of aircraft:-

Two Old Age Pensioners..... 6/- "To celebrate our Golden Wedding".

Officers, N.C.O's & Men of the 50th Division Supply Column R.A.S.C.. £9.8.0.

Mr. C. McCombie, the Merchant Navy .... £1.0.0. "I have on various occasions had reason to be grateful to the R.A.F".

Two domestic workers, Manchester ..... £1.0.0.

Accounts Section, Guildford Telephone Office ..... £4.0.0.

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6/8/40 - No.16.

PRESS NOTICE

The Ministry of Home Security is anxious to correct the widespread impression which exists that all lights on vehicles must be extinguished when an air raid warning is sounded. This is not the case: headlamps only should be extinguished.

In certain circumstances police may order motorists to put out their headlamps although air raid sirens may not have been sounded, but side and tail lamps are never to be extinguished in the hours of darkness, so long as the vehicle is on the road, even though an air raid may be in progress.

Vehicles engaged on military, police and civil defence services, however, are authorised to use headlamps during air raids.

MINISTRY OF HOME SECURITY

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SIGNPOST

MAKING THE BEST OF AIR RAIDS

by

Howard Marshall

B.B.C. HOME SERVICE: TUESDAY, 6TH AUGUST, 1940: 6.45 - 6.55P.M.

Obviously one of the first things we must think about is how to make the best of air raids - though some of you, I know, have had plenty of practical experience already, and it's quite possible that you've discovered for yourselves the sort of things I'm going to tell you. There are, on the other hand, a great many people who've hardly had any air raid experience and it's to them I'm really talking now.

If you're at home you've probably got some shelter or special part of the house you've picked on as a safe area, so that there's no need to go out.

And you'll have time to get to your shelter in good order without a wild rush - provided that you make some sensible preparations.

Now, it's a fact that during an air raid most people get really thirsty. I suggest then that one person in every family should have the duty of putting a jug of fresh drinking water in your shelter every day and seeing that cups or mugs are ready.

People who suffer from fear or shock need something hot to drink - so it's better still if you can keep a thermos full of something ready. For shock cases it's the heat as much as the drink that does the trick.

You won't want to eat much - but a slab of chocolate and a supply of figs will be helpful. I say figs because they're excellent things to chew during an air raid. They're very sustaining - they won't make you as thirsty as chocolate - and they do help to ward off sickness.

Then barley sugar - that's another excellent thing - you might keep a tin or bottle of it ready to take down to the shelter - and if you like chewing gum that might help.

It's a good idea, too, to suck an orange - so keep a bag of oranges ready packed to take into the shelter.

And just a word to mothers. If you have a baby, make a 24-hour feed in the morning - and keep it ready to take down at a moment's notice.

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And while we're talking about food and drink during an air raid - here's a final point - don't touch alcohol or drugs - not even aspirin. They won't really help you and they're liable to make you sick.

Here's the list of things again -

- A hot drink or water
- Chocolate
- Figs
- Barley sugar
- Oranges
- 24-hours' feed for baby.

Of course, there are other points, too and this is very important - all the experts agree that you must keep the children warm, especially their feet, so see that their stoutest shoes and their warmest stockings are ready. Children are apt to suffer from nervous sickness. One way of preventing this is to tie a warm scarf firmly round the children's stomachs - and see that they carry warm coats with them.

I'm sure you'll have thought of giving them something to occupy their attention - a toy or game or something like that - and just in case they are sick - it's wise to keep a supply of paper bags handy in the shelter.

Another point - it's as well to keep your mouth open during an air raid. If you don't keep it open - there's a risk of damage to your ear-drums from the noise - and to help you to do this you should bite on a piece of hard rubber - and, if possible, you should keep a stock of pieces of rubber in a box in the shelter.

And although in all probability you'll be perfectly safe in your shelter - it's as well to take every precaution. There might be slight injuries from flying stones or splinters of glass - so have some bandages and first-aid materials ready.

In short - it just amounts to this - be prepared for the emergency and you'll be all right - don't wait for it to catch you unawares.

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AIR MINISTRY NO.1299.

6/8/40 - No.21.

AIR MINISTRY COMMUNIQUE.

Last night R.A.F. bombers carried out attacks on military objectives in Holland and northern Germany, including targets at Wismar, Kiel and Hamburg. The goods yards at Hamm, and aerodromes at Schipol and Borkum were also damaged.

All our aircraft returned safely.

AIR MINISTRY.



NOT TO BE PUBLISHED BEFORE THE MORNING PAPERS  
OF WEDNESDAY AUGUST 17 NOT TO BE ISSUED ON CLUB  
TAPES, OR BROADCAST BEFORE 12.30 A.M. ON  
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 7.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA AIRMEN ARRIVE.

A contingent of Southern Rhodesia Airmen have arrived in Great Britain. They were welcomed on arrival by Admiral Bromley representing the Secretary of State for the Dominions and Mr. Mr. Lanigan O'Keefe, High Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia. Messages from the Secretary of State for Air (Sir Archibald Sinclair) and from the Secretary of State for the Dominions (Lord Caldecote) were read.

"On behalf of the Royal Air Force", said the message from Sir Archibald Sinclair, "I offer you a warm welcome on your arrival in this country. Southern Rhodesia has already given us splendid help by its participation in the operations in East Africa as well as by the remarkable progress made in its Air Training Scheme. The Royal Air Force appreciates the fine spirit of Rhodesians already on active service, and will be proud to see the formation of further Rhodesian Squadrons in which you will play your part."

Lord Caldecote's message read: "It is a great pleasure to welcome you to this country on behalf of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom. Southern Rhodesia is already making a splendid contribution to the common cause; since the early days of the war Southern Rhodesians have been serving in West Africa, in East Africa and in the Middle East and it is a great encouragement to us now to have you with us here in the home country. The unity shown by all parts of the British Commonwealth is indeed a sure guarantee of final victory. I send you our best wishes for success and good fortune."

DOMINION & COLONIAL OFFICES  
PRESS SECTION.



6/8/40 - NO. 23

R.A.F. HERO KILLED

Flying Officer Anthony Gray Worcester, Hero of the aerial battle of July 4, when his flight of 5 Gladiators fought and shot down nine Italian Fiat Cr. 42S in the western desert, has been killed in a flying accident.

He was returning from the front line with his flight in thick cloud. He left the formation and dived through the cloud to discover their position. Unfortunately the mist stretched right down to ground level and Flying Officer Worcester was unable to pull the aircraft out of the dive in time and he crashed.

Thus ended the short but glorious war career of a typical Royal Air Force pilot whose spirit lives on in a letter written to his Mother on his return from his first and highly successful aerial combat.

The following is an extract from his letter.

"I wonder if your psychic gift told you what was happening between 6 and 6.15 this evening as it has about other great days in my life. For to-day, one of the greatest ambitions of my life has been fulfilled. I was involved in an air battle with the enemy for the first time. It seems that Providence went out of His way to fill my cup of joy, for it was the type of engagement which every fighter pilot dreams about and longs for but seldom gets in these days - fighter v. fighter in a dog-fight spread all over the sky - each man for himself.

"About 6 o'clock this evening I led five of our fighters into action against 9 Italian fighters over their own aerodrome. The whole thing only lasted about six minutes although it seemed like half an hour. We shot down the whole nine and I had the luck to account for four of them. Our chaps put up a wonderful show and we had no losses.

"I write this by the light of a candle stuck in a bottle at our landing ground a few miles from the front. It is a glorious starry night and looking back the whole thing already seems as a dream, yet it wasn't.

"I remember looking down and seeing nine smoking piles on the ground and with relief counting the remaining aircraft and knowing all our boys were safe. It certainly was a colourful and amazing scene and all the more impressive with the setting sun and orange mist and anti-aircraft fire.

"Do you remember the film 'Dawn Patrol'? The atmosphere was just the same and to add to the drama as we were sitting round our mess camp this evening an Italian pilot who had been shot down in the morning was brought in. The poor fellow was deathly white and had obviously resigned himself to anything. We gave him a drink, some cigarettes, and some food which he wolfed, poor chap. He could not speak English but on my asking in French, I discovered he could speak Spanish, having served in that war. I acted as interpreter between him and the boys.

"He had a pointed Balbo beard, dirty silk shirt, shoddy trousers, no stockings and sandals. I walked with him to his tent, saw him comfortable and gave him a packet of cigarettes. His gratitude was pathetic. I think most of these Italians do not want to fight us at all ....

"I am dead tired, dirty and unshaven, but otherwise in great spirits. I do hope this gets to you soon, knowing how you wait for it all the time, as any success of mine means so much to you ...

"You know how I have waited all my life for something like this, and now it has happened. I can hardly believe it. I am most grateful for the luck and opportunity that has been given me."

Flying Officer Worcester was 23 years of age, commissioned in January, 1938, and trained as a fighter pilot in England. He was an only son, his mother being a widow well known by many in Hong Kong.



EAST AFRICAN ECONOMIC COUNCIL

At the latest conference of East African Governors held in Nairobi on August 1 a proposal was considered for the formation of an East African Economic Council. The conference was attended by the Governor of Northern Rhodesia, the British Resident Zanzibar and strong delegations from all six East African Territories.

The functions of the Economic Council are:

- (1) to provide an organisation through which in all economic and commercial questions, as far as is practicable, territories falling within the East African Governors Conference can act and speak as one
- (2) to provide machinery capable of reconciling and resolving interterritorial differences of view and interest in cases where existing arrangements for consultation between the territories and for securing common action are insufficient to achieve the speed and decision necessary in time of war
- (3) to keep under continuous review production and trade with the object of meeting military needs and disposing of exportable surpluses.

The delegates of Kenya, Tanganyika, Uganda and Zanzibar agreed that the establishment of such a body was essential. The Governor of Northern Rhodesia and the delegate of Nyasaland were prepared to co-operate to the fullest extent practicable but wished first to lay specified proposal before their Governments.

The Deputy Chairman of the Governors Conference will be the Chairman of the Council which will comprise not more than four members from each territory and each territory will have one vote.

The first meeting will take place within the next two or three weeks.

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DOMINIONS & COLONIAL OFFICES PRESS SECTION.



6/8/40.

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION.

NEWS BULLETIN NO.60.

CANADIAN ROBIN HOODS.

During the months of training against a threatened Nazi invasion, the Canadian troops in this country have become a combination of dashing Robin Hoods, resolute "Ironsides", and resourceful Gypsies.

In many a defensive area Canadians have built camouflaged encampments, basing themselves on tactics of ancient earthwork warfare. A visit to one such encampment gave little idea, at first, of what lay within. But, the sentries once passed, khaki-clad "Robin Hoods" bobbed up on every hand. Many of them were stripped to the waist, their bodies browned by sun and wind.

Around one of the numerous camp fires, by thickets or under tall trees, was found a group of men from the Maritime Provinces of the Dominion, busy washing shirts and socks; and on lines strung outside cleverly-concealed tents bedding had been hung out for airing.

Deeper in the woods were discovered counterparts of the cavemen, "he-men" who had discarded the tent in favour of dugout or igloo-shaped shelters or even wigwams shaped from boughs, branches and ferns.

Men who have been living like this can suffer no surprise; but they will certainly surprise the enemy, if and when he invades. Dominion & Colonial Affairs Press Section.

M.O.I. 1.

ULSTER'S £6,000,000 FOR BRITISH WAR EFFORT.

A supplementary War Budget was presented by Mr. J.M. Andrews, Minister of Finance, in the Ulster House of Commons today. It makes provision for a contribution of £6,000,000 to the Imperial Exchequer towards War expenditure, compared with £4,500,000 announced in the Budget statement in May last.

This increase of £1,500,000 is made possible by the higher yield of taxation in Northern Ireland consequent on the recent Budget at Westminster.

The following increases are expected in the present financial year:- Income Tax and Surtax £700,000, Customs and Excise Duties £228,000, Estate Duty £15,000, Entertainments Duty £16,000. The Purchase Tax is estimated to produce £680,000.

Mr. Andrews said that the Ulster people had taken up Defence Bonds amounting to £1,150,000 and Ulster Savings Certificates amounting to £1,591,000. As from April 1 last 90% instead of 75% of the proceeds of Ulster Savings Certificates would be given to the British Exchequer.

"It is clear", said Mr. Andrews, "that in the domain of finance, as well as in other directions, Ulster is playing her part. There is no sacrifice, however great, which the taxpayers of Northern Ireland will not willingly bear in order that victory shall be secured at the earliest possible date". Dominions & Colonial Offices Press Section.

M.O.I. 2.

POST OFFICE WORKERS HONOURED.

The Postmaster General, The Rt.Hon. W.S. Morrison, M.C., K.C., M.P., will, on behalf of the King, present Medals of the Order of the British Empire to Mr. Francis Downy, unestablished Doorkeeper, General Post Office, Liverpool, and Mr. James Holmes Westwell, Sorting Clerk and Telegraphist, Liverpool.

The ceremony will take place at the Liverpool Head Post Office on Thursday next, August 8, at 3.35 p.m. General Post Office.

M.O.I. 3.

OPEN LICENCES FOR SUPPLIES TO N.A.A.F.I.

The Board of Trade announce that they have issued open licences under the Piece Goods and Made-up Goods (Cotton, Rayon and Linen) Order, 1940, and under the Limitation of Supplies (Miscellaneous) Order, 1940, the effect of which is to permit for the time being all persons who are registered either on the Cotton, Rayon and Linen Register or on the Home Trade Register to supply without restriction goods controlled under either Order to the N.A.A.F.I.

Controlled goods supplied to N.A.A.F.I. before the date of this licence, 6th August, must still be regarded as supplies to unregistered persons, and count against the suppliers quota of permitted supplies under which every order is applicable. Controlled goods supplied to N.A.A.F.I. on or after August 6th should not be counted against the suppliers quota.

The position of supplies of controlled goods to a number of other bodies which had claims to special treatment is under consideration and an announcement regarding them will be made shortly. Board of Trade.

M.O.I. 4.