New British Fleet's Commander to Follow Nimitz's Directions

By the Associated Press.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 12.—Admiral Sir Bruce Fraser, commander of the new British Pacific Fleet, indicated today that Britain's contribution in the war against the Japanese in the Pacific would best be confined to sea and air support.

The British admiral, who commanaded the British fleet units which sank the German battleship Scharnhorst made his comment in reply to a question as to whether British soldiers were coming to the Pacific.

He said the view in England was that the best contribution Britain could make would be a navy supported by air; that supply arrangement would become too complicated if troops also were sent.

Would Shorten War.

He expressed the belief that a concentration of fleets in the Pacific would have considerable effect on shortening the war because Japan is dependent on sea power and aircraft.

One effect of this marshaling of sea power in the Pacific probably will mean that the Japanese Navy would not seek to engage the Allied warships, but would retire, the admiral said.

"But if she does retire," Sir Bruce continued, "he (Japan) will still be dependent on transport and his supply problems will become more acute. He has got to supply his army in Burma."

Sir Bruce said all his future arrangements depended on his seeing Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, American Pacific Fleet commander, under whose jurisdiction he would operate.

Wants to See Nimitz.

"I've got to see what he wants to do," the admiral said. "He may say he'd like to have me detach forces to support Gen. MacArthur or he may say detach the whole fleet for that purpose. Administration and command of the British Pacific Fleet will come under me."

He asserted one of the main reasons the British Fleet was in Australian waters was to make contact between the British and Australians. Another was that the Japanese Fleet has retired from the Indian Ocean and therefore the British Fleet must move closer to the enemy.

Admiral Fraser said his fleet would include heavy battleships, aircraft carriers and necessary equipment for supporting landings.

The new British Fleet was put into operation later than originally planned, Admiral Fraser declared, due to congestion arising from grim manpower difficulties in England and the need for concentrating on repair and maintenance of landing craft used in the invasion of France.

Australia to Be Base.

Admiral Fraser said Australia will be the British Pacific Fleet's base as Pearl Harbor is America's.

He said heavy demands would be made on Australia for the fleet's support.

That support, he said, will be dock and depot facilities and food. Approximately $41,000,000 will be spent by June on services and supplies for the fleet, he said.

As well, important capital works costing another $41,000,000 will be available, including the Sydney graving dock which, when completed, soon will be the biggest and most modern in the Southern Hemisphere.

LONDON, Dec. 12 (AP).—The British battleship Howe, 35,000-ton dreadnaught of the King George V class, will be the flagship of Admiral Fraser's new British Pacific Fleet.

The 745-foot Howe, with her 10 14-inch main battery and innumerable smaller guns, carries some 14,000 tons of armor plating alone. Lessons learned in aerial warfare are incorporated in the ship, commissioned in 1942. She carries a complement of 1,500 officers and men.

SUPER FORTRESS TAKES OFF FOR RAID ON JAPAN — American soldiers stationed on Saipan watch a B-29 Super Fortress take off from the 21st Bomber Command airstrip for an attack on the Japanese homeland. —A. P. Wirephoto.

LOST.

BILLFOLD, red leather, containing ration books, driver's permit, registration, also cash. Keep cash, return valuables. OR. 6062.

BILLFOLD, money, gas ration book, car permit, license; near Riverdale, Md., or 1724 D st. n.e.; reward. LI. 7273.

BLACK regulation purse; call RE. 6700, Ext. 2880. PVT. AUGUSTA LOUIS EXTINE, A-413553.

BLACK DOG, half cocker, child's pet, "Mickey" and phone number written on harness; lost from car at Wis. ave. and Leland st., Chevy Chase, Md. Reward. OL. 1083.

BLACK WALLET, vicinity Statler, Friday. Reward for return of Army identification and papers therein. Phone Republic 6700, Ext. 78893. 12*

BOX, white, about 10 inches square, containing lady's new brown handbag, lipstick, compact, etc. Reward. EM. 3123.

BRACELET, diamond and ruby, in vicinity of Willard Hotel and O'Donnell's Restaurant Sunday, Dec. 10; reward. Call MRS. P. SCOTT, Michigan 5161. 13*

BRACELET, diamond; lost Sunday night vicinity Wis. and P n.w.; about 1 inch wide, with 5 marquis diamonds surrounded by sapphires; reward. 3212 P st. n.w., DE. 4815.

BROOCH (cameo), lost in vicinity Silver Spring P. O. and Ga. ave. and Bonifant st.; sentimental value. Reward. SH. 4304.

BROOCH—Diamond and platinum double clip brooch, lost Dec. 7, vicin. 16th and Que sts. n.w. or 600 blk. of H st. n.w.; Washington, or Colesville rd., Hyattsville, Md.; $125 reward for return. Call UN. 5385.

BULLDOG, black, white, all-white face, neck, front feet, answers to "Bubbles"; Wed. eve., 9:30, vic. 14th and N n.w. Liberal reward. Please return, she is old dog, owner ill with worry; no tag or harness. Phone AT. 4342. 12*

COCKER, black, vicinity 35th st. and Mass.; 1-year-old, no collar or identification, answers to name of "Nicki." Call EM. 5309. Reward.

DALMATIAN DOG, female, 8 months old, near Silver Spring. SH. 6388.

DIAMOND RING, lost downtown vicinity, or vicinity 14th and K n.w. Reward. Call FR. 7925.

DIAMOND RING on 20th st. n.w., between Penna. ave. and L st., or L st., between 19th and 20th. $100 reward for return. Call RE. 4600, DR. F. J. EICHENLAUB.

DOG, large sable brown, female, name "Trixie," tag No. 12815 on collar. Reward. 209 Varnum st. n.w. TA. 4434.

DOG, cross between spitz and poodle, pure white, female, very friendly; s.e. or n.e. section. Reward. FR. 8948.

DOG, black, tan feet and throat, 14 ins. high; answers to name "Duke." Call GE. 2376 after 6 p.m.

GLASSES, no case, near Petworth Bowling Center, Georgia ave. and Rock Creek Church road. Reward. RA. 1313.

GOLD PIN, old-fashioned, mounted in pearl; lost between 14th and Fairmont and State Department; reward. Call after 6 p.m., CO. 9473.

HANDBAG (lady's), black leather, Mount Pleasant carline, contents $21, keys, eyeglasses. Reward. AD. 9214.

HANDBAG, lady's, vicinity of 8th st. s.e. and Pa. and Va. aves. s.e., containing ration books and billfold. Reward. AT. 8573.

IDENTIFICATION BRACELET, sterling silver, initials "G. W. F." Reward. Trinidad 0946.

LOST at Raleigh Hotel, personal papers and wallet; reward. L. V. RECKORD, 3102 Martha Custis dr., Alex. RE. 1820, Ext. 2641. 13*

METROPOLITAN POLICE BADGE, private's, No. 1167; since Wednesday. Reward. Pvt. G. W. TENLEY, WA. 5725.

NECKLACE, silver snake (head only), had 2 diamond chips for eyes; lost 38th and Benton, on Trinidad bus or 17th and K n.w. Call EM. 4073.

NOTEBOOK, black looseleaf, with name FRED H. HALL on inside; material confidential; reward. TA. 1383.

PEARL EARRING SET in white gold. Suitable reward. Call DU. 1286.

POCKETBOOK, black grain men's; front 821 11th st. n.e., Rosslyn car to 7th and O sts. n.w., to 7th and Fla. ave. n.w.; from 7th and Fla. ave. n.w. streetcar to 8th and H sts n.e; lodge dues, reg. card, social security card, E series War Bond; reward. CHARLES H. PRICHARD, 821 11th st. n.e. Phone Trinidad 5837. *

POLICE TRAFFIC VIOLATION BOOK, No. 23118, between Oct. 19 and Dec. 7, 1944, somewhere in District. If found, return to R. G. CLAGETT, Traffic Division, Metropolitan Police Dept. Reward. 12*

RED LEATHER WALLET, driver's permit, Red Cross donation card, hospitalization card, bills and change. Reward. TA. 9778.

RING, man's, gold, blue-stone center; lost Saturday, Dec. 9. Reward. WO. 9093.

SKIRT—Wool jersey skirt, wrapped in newspaper. Phone ME. 6748, MISS RICHARDSON.

STRING OF PEARLS, vicinity of Georgia ave. and Colesville; sentimental value attached. Reward. MRS. DOROTHY DIETZ, SH. 7700 daytime. RA. 3928 eves.

SUITCASE, lost in taxi Saturday, tagged "Mrs. Louise Turner, Langdon, North Dakota." Reward. RE. 0200, Ext. 300 daytime. DU. 1000, Ext. 534, eves.

TOY MANCHESTER TERRIER, tan female, white feet, name "Mitzie," bell on collar, family pet, vic. of Springfield rd. near Bowie, Md.; will hunters Saturday in that vicinity please notify if dog was seen or followed them? Call Bowie 3866 or Bowie 2946. Reward.

WALLET, Marine's, brown, with I. D. card, belonging to PATRICK O'BRIEN, gas coupons, registration card, permit, $12. Reward. GE. 5353.

WALLET, belonging to naval officer, on Arlington and Fairfax bus, near Rosslyn, Friday. $10 reward if returned intact to Naval Annex, Arlington.

WRIST WATCH, lady's gold Omega, on brown leather wristband; liberal reward. Call daytime, NA. 5000, Ext. 285; evenings, GL. 0846.

WRIST WATCH, lady's Bulova; Capitol Theater or between there and 13th and Pa. ave. n.w. Reward. Lincoln 0027.

WRIST WATCH, lady's gold Bulova, link band, lost Monday; reward. WA. 6900, call after 9 p.m.

$10 REWARD for return of papers intact, lost out of Buick coupe Sunday afternoon on 8th st., with or without brief case. Return to 1017 Investment Bldg., or phone EX. 3404.

LOST RATION COUPONS.

OIL RATION COUPONS, between 17th and H sts. n.w. and 3300 blk Ga. ave. n.w., Wed., Dec. 6. Reward for return. Call AT. 9852. 12*

RATION BOOKS (2) issued Stuart F. Updike and Lela C. Updike, 3200 16th st. n.w., DE. 6400, Apt. 205.

RATION BOOK, Kathryn E. Woodcock and Bonnie Marie Woodcock, 3604 Minnesota ave. s.e.

FOUND.

BLACK SPANIEL, male, collar, no tag, at 19th and Lamont sts. n.w. MI. 4087.

POLICE DOG, black tip on tail, white chest, male. AT. 0442.

$1,000 Gift to Library Honors Civic Leader

A gift of $1,000 in memory of Charles A. Goldsmith, civic leader and philanthropist, to the $30,000 fund being sought for a Cleveland Park community library by the Connecticut Avenue Citizens' Association, was announced last night at a committee meeting at 2800 Woodley road N.W.

The gift, made by Mr. and Mrs. William B. Thalhimer of Richmond, Mr. Goldsmith's son-in-law and daughter, helped swell the total of pledges and donations to more than $20,000.

Original pledges of $500 from Jelleff's, Inc., and from Eugene Meyer, publisher of the Washington Post, were raised to $1,000 each at the session last night.

Added to the $30,000 being sought by the association's Library Committee will be $30,000 appropriated by the District government.

The proposed library will be dedicated to service men and women from the Cleveland Park area. Plans include a hall to be used as a community auditorium.

High Court Restrains Exhibitors' Monopoly

Seven Southern movie exhibitors have been restrained from buying any more theaters unless they first show that it will not stifle competition.

The Supreme Court yesterday upheld the Government contention that the exhibitors fostered an "unreasonable monopoly" in Tennessee, Alabama and Kentucky in violation of the antitrust laws, and forbade further acquisitions outside Nashville "except after an affirmative showing that such acquisition will not unreasonably restrain competition." Certain intercorporate arrangements also were ordered abandoned.

Justice Douglas wrote the 5-1 decision of the court, with Justice Roberts dissenting. Justices Frankfurter, Murphy and Jackson did not participate in the case.

In its only other formal opinion, the court unanimously dismissed an attempt of the Order of Railway Conductors to nullify election and certification of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen as bargaining agents for road conductors on the Pennsylvania Railroad. The court said no such relief could be granted because the National Mediation Board was not made a party to the legislation. It was the board which held the election and issued the certification.

Biographical Dictionary Of Chinese Completed

Publication of the concluding volume of a new Chinese biographical dictionary, covering the last 300 years of China's history, was announced today by Archibald MacLeish, librarian of the Library of Congress. The book is titled "Eminent Chinese of the Ch'ing Period."

Hailed by Mr. MacLeish as a major event in American scholarship," the dictionary contains information about 800 personalities who have contributed to the period's civilization and about the country's historical events. The work is the product of nine years of co-operative research by more than 50 American, Chinese and European scholars, working under Dr. Arthur W. Hummel, chief of the Division of Orientalia of the Library.

Dr. Hummell said the purpose of the dictionary was to furnish American readers with guides "to the famous names, great events and rich literature of China" so they could acquire "an adequate understanding of the Chinese people."

Copies of the dictionary, $2.25 for volume 1 and $2 for volume 2, may be purchased from the superintendent of Documents, Library of Congress, Washington 25, D. C.

Murder Suspect Sentenced On Charge of Robbery

George T. Jordan, 25, colored, who is awaiting trial on a first degree murder charge in the alleged shooting of a grocery store proprietor last May, yesterday was sentenced by Justice James M. Proctor of District Court to serve from 4 to 12 years on a charge of robbing a store on Fourteenth street of a small sum of money.

Jordan, said to be from Pomonkey, Md., and an ex-convict, recently was convicted by a District Court jury for robbing Alphonse Fernandez, proprietor of a store in the 2600 block of Fourteenth street N.W. He was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Bernard Margolius.

Among charges on which Jordan is awaiting trial is the murder of Alexix Koffer, 49, who was proprietor of a grocery store in the first block of Third street N.E. Other charges include grand larceny and unauthorized use of an automobile.

Weather

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stranded thousands, jammed traffic and closed schools.

The winter's worst snowstorm, reaching a depth of 18 inches in some Western Pennsylvania counties, has killed five persons, isolated some communities, curtailed war production and snarled communications and transportation systems.

Downtown traffic jams in Pittsburgh were described by transportation officials as the worst they ever experienced.

Schools were closed, as were many stores whose clerks were unable to report for work.

In Erie, snow ranging from 6 to 18 inches was reported. The city was snowbound, with all traffic suspended by huge drifts which made principal thoroughfares impossible.

Two houseboats sank in the Allegheny River at Pittsburgh from the weight of the snow on the roofs. Their occupants were unharmed.

The Midwest was digging out of snow as deep as 13 inches in some regions, with the center of the storm located in the East. Traffic by land, air and sea was slowed, and at least 30 fatalities had been reported, mostly as a result of hazardous driving conditions.

The heaviest snowfall, the Weather Bureau reported, extended eastward from Central Illinois and Lower Michigan into Pennsylvania and Western New York.

The western half of Virginia was covered with snow up to 10 inches deep, while heavy falls were reported from mountainous sections of Maryland, where snowplows and cindering trucks were in operation.

State police issued warnings to motorists to proceed cautiously over ice and snow-coated highways.

In West Virginia the storm snapped telephone and power lines, closed schools and halted traffic on many mountain routes.

At Abingdon, Va., heavy snow covered the skylights of tobacco warehouses yesterday and forced postponement of opening sales of the Abingdon burley tobacco market. Buyers today were to begin bidding for some 4,000,000 pounds of burley in the eight warehouses.

Polish War Relief

Usable used clothing is urgently needed by the Polish War Relief for the destitute in war-ridden Poland, it was pointed out today.

Donations will be received at the offices of the Polish Embassy, 2640 Sixteenth street N.W., telephone Adams 3800. If there is difficulty in delivering parcels please telephone Adams 0338, or Adams 3800.

Mrs. Margaret Rome, First Graduate Nurse At Garfield, Dies

Mrs. Margaret Rome, 79, the first nurse to be graduated from Garfield Memorial Hospital, died of a heart attack last night at the home of her niece, Mrs. Dorothy De Graffenreid, 315 First street S.E.

Mrs. Rome received her nursing diploma in June, 1891, and was presented a silver memorandmum book by Mrs. James A. Garfield, widow of President Garfield.

Soon afterward she was placed in charge of the Woman's Hospital and Dispensary, at Maryland avenue and Sixth street N.E. In 1893 she was appointed superintendent of nurses at Emergency Hospital, when the nursing staff consisted of two day nurses and one night nurse.

Recalled Building Collapse.

In later years Mrs. Rome recalled that shortly after she joined the staff at Emergency, the old Ford's Theater Building, at 511-15 Tenth street N.W., collapsed, killing 22 Government clerks and injuring 68. Mrs. Rome told how the victims were lined row after row on the hospital floors and how frantic relatives crowded into the hospital to search for members of their families who had been employed in the building.

The building in which Abraham Lincoln was shot, at the time was being used for offices, and later as an Army medical museum. Emergency Hospital then was located at Fifteenth street and Ohio avenue N.W.

Mrs. Rome represented Garfield Hospital at an organizational meeting of the National Alumnae Association of Graduate Nurses in New York City, attended by 12 nurses and 12 superintendents from leading hospitals throughout the country.

Wed Veterinarian.

Her nursing career, during which she achieved a reputation as a surgical nurse, ended with her marriage in the early 1900s to Dr. John F. Rome, a veterinarian in Germantown, Md. Mrs. Rome was born near Williamsport, Pa., and received her early education in the rural schools of that State.

There are no members of her immediate family surviving.

Funeral services will be held at 9 a.m. Thursday at St. Martin's Catholic Church, Gaithersburg, Md. Burial will be in Clopper, Md.

Thousands of Americans are still in Jap prisons. What will you do about it? Invest again today in War Bonds.

Reparations From Axis Demanded by Attlee

By the Associated Press.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Britain's Deputy Prime Minister, Clement R. Attlee, declared today the whole German and Japanese peoples would be held responsible for "crimes committed in their name" and that it was "just and right" that they be forced to pay reparations.

Asserting "We cannot and do not acquit the German and Japanese people of all responsibility," Mr. Attlee told the Labor Party's annual conference:

"We believe that both these nations must be disarmed and deprived of power to start new wars, but if this is to be done effectively there must be an organization with power to enforce it."

John Shaughnessy Dies; Designed Byrd Wireless

By the Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—John F. Shaughnessy, 55, who designed wireless equipment used by Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd on one of his Polar expeditions, died at his home Sunday.

He was a native of Kingston, Ontario.

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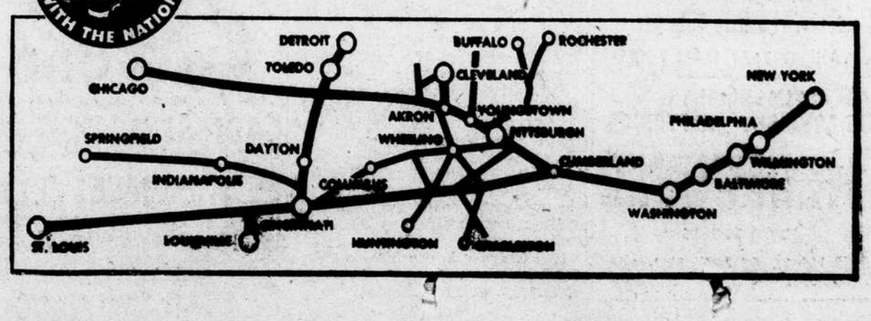

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