

CANADIANS IN ITALY

Photographer: Lt. W.H. Agnew - 22 June 44.
 Location: Cdn Legion War Services,
 Story: Office - Sports meet.

- 38958 - Brigadier J.D.B. Smith congratulating members of the championship winning tug-O'-war team of the Royal Canadian Draggons. In above picture, he is shaking hands with Tpr. W.E. Mathers, Cataract, Ont.
- 38959 - The recorders of the meet, from the left. ^{left} Gerry Mersereau 1st. Med Regt. RCA., Bathurst, N.B., Capt. A.E. Jackson, RCAPC., London, Ont., and H-Capt, N.A. Beach, of the YMCA Auxiliary Services, from London, Ont.,
- 38960 - The winning team in the one-mile relay race, from the left, Sgt. W.D. Smith, Royal Edmonton Regt., of Edmonton, Alta., Lt. P.J.F. Sherwood, West Nova Scotia Regiment, of Montreal, Lt. W.R. Childers, 2nd Fd. Regt., of Avonport, N.S. and Pte. J.M. Robertson, 48th Highlanders, of Fergus, Ont., who represented 1 Canadian Div.
- 38961 - Gen. ^{Burns} ~~Burns~~ presents the trophy emblematic of the meet championship to Lt. J.H. Archer, Broadview, Sask., who managed the 1st Canadian Corps Troops track and field team.
- 38962 - Capt. J.D. Crashley, G.G.H.Gs., Oakville, Ont., individual high scoring competitor of the meet, is congratulated by Lt. Gen. E.L.M. Burns, O.B.E., M.C.
- 38963 - Gen Burns presents the trophy emblematic of the meet championship to Lt. J.H. Archer, Broadview, Sask., who managed the 1st Canadian Corps Troops and field team.
- 38964 - The meet championship team entered by the 1st Cdn Corps Troops. Front row:- left to right: Lt/Bdr. H.E. Richards, Detroit; Gnr. F.D. Farbota, Windsor, Ont., Gnr. H.G. Staub, Makroff, Man.; Gnr. D.M. Warner, Edmonton, Alta.; Gnr. G.E. Wright, Orillia, Ont.; L-Sgt. W.H. Snider, Hamilton, Ont., Bdr. L.T. Tremblay Gravelbourg, Sask; Bdr. R.E. Parker, Fort William Ont
 Second Row: L. Sgt. D.H. Bennett, St. Lambert, P.Q.; Gnr. J. Wiese, Innisfail, Alta; L.Bdr. W.L. Boddy, Thorsby, Alta.; Gnr. J.L. McPaul, Ottawa; Lt. J.H. Archer, Broadview, Sask.; Bdr. A.K. Johnston, Duncan, B.C. captain of the team; Pte. R.B. Harley, Georgetown, Ont.; Gnr. W.P. Mulvaney, Winnipeg;

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38964 - Sgt. J.D. Handford, Creelman, Sask.; Gnr. G. Thornley,
 cont; Scarboro Bluffs, Ont., Third row; Gnr. R.S. Paschal,
 Prince George, B.C.; L-Cpl. W.J. Mynett, Wood Mountain
 Sask.; Lt. S.P. Burden, Vancouver; Gnr. R.J. Angove,
 Petrolia; Gnr. W.A. Gallagher, Toronto; Gnr. A.W.
 Pigeau, New Westminster, B.C.; L. Bdr. L.W. Grover,
 Hanna, Alta.; Lt. G.L. Rawlinson, Toronto; Gnr. O.A.
 Mikkola, Fort William; Bdr. H.S. Kicks, Kenora, Ont.;
 Back row: Gnr. J. Gabriels, Brantford, Ont.; BSM. W.H.
 Hardon, Ottawa; Driver R.R. Gwynne, Cornwall, Ont.; Gnr.
 W.H. Rodger, Calgary; Sigm. N.J. Helfrich, Vancouver;
 Lt. G.R. McIntosh, Williamsburg, Ont.; Gnr. W.T. O'Brien,
 Regina.

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- 39865 - Pte. W.G. Martin, formerly of the Canadian Provost Corps and now on the staff of the Canadian Legion Auxiliary centre at Canadian General Hospital in Italy, takes care of the 7,500-watt generating plant which provides power for lighting and operating the theatre projector. Pte. Martin had fifteen-years' service with the Regina Police Department before joining the army.
- 38966 - The crowd of patients from the nearby hospital gathered
 38967 around the entrance to "The Strand" theatre at the centre where Bob Hope was starring in "Caught In The Draft".
- 38968 - Inside "The Strand" theatre, which accommodates 400 persons on genuine theatre seats borrowed from a Naples Auditorium. The projectionist is Cpl. Frank Ibbotson, of High River, Alta., on the staff of the centre now and formerly a member of the Calgary Highlanders.
- 38969 - Hon. Capt. A. Nelson McMurdo, Kamloops, B.C. senior supervisor of the Canadian Legion War Services, who manages the centre, with his clerk, Pte Albert Wilson of Montreal, at their desk in the centre's office.
- 38970 - Pte. Wilson issues equipment from the sports stock to two patients at the hospital, (Bdr. Barney Harvey, Verdun, P.Q. (at left), and Gnr. Jack Young of Toronto.
- 38971 - Shots during baseball game played on the centre's
 38972 - sports field.
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- 38977 - Volleyball game in progress on the centre's sports field between a team composed of patients and another of members of the hospital staff.

- 38978 - A group in the centre's lounge listening to the BBC
 38979 newscast which is picked up every evening at 7pm on
 a combination radio-phonograph. Among those in the
 * group are Pte. K.A. Eldridge, Vancouver, B.C; Tpr.
 "Scotty" Airns, Fort William, Ont., Pte. J.S. Edwards,
 Toronto; Pte. Wray Luno, Ingersoll, Ont., Pte. Roy
 Peake, Ottawa, Ont., Pte. Thomas Smith, Toronto; Pte
 Henry Heinrichs, Altona, Man; Cpl. F. Ibbotson, High
 River, Alta; Pte. G.A. Andrews, Mount Forest, Ont.;
 Pte. G.J. Roy, Windsor, Ont.,
- 38980 - Scene in another part of the centre's lounge marquee.
 38981 Among those in the group are Cpl. Les Watson, Toronto
 38982 who is playing cribbage with Cpl. Jack Booth, Montreal
 and Hon. Maj. T. de Pencier, Vancouver, B.C. padre
 at #14 Cdn Gen Hosp, is an interested spectator of the
 game. Gnr. T.R. Forbes, Glace Bay, N.S., and LAC.
 Orville Marlowe, Windsor, Ont., play checkers. Others
 in the group include Pte. Bob Leishman, Montreal; Pte
 Archie Joncas, LAC La Biche, Alta; Pte. Herbert Unger,
 McMahon, Sask., Pte. W.R. McClean, Owen Sound, Ont.,
 Pte. Ray McDermott, Montreal.
- 38983 - Head and shoulders shot of Dvr. R.R. Gwynne, Cornwall,
 Ont., who came within two-fifths of a second of
 breaking the army record for the 100yard-dash.

*Pte H. J. Rowell, Ontario
 Pte Victor MacPhee, New Brunswick*

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Story: Lt. Gen. Kenneth Stuart's Visit to Cdn Troops in Italy.

39083 - Lt. Gen. Kenneth Stuart C.B., D.S.O., M.C, Chief of General Staff, C.M.H.Q. on his arrival in Italy to visit Canadian Troops. Met by Brig. E.H. Weekes M.C., M.M. Others in group Lt. Col. C.A. Parker faces camera, Lt. Col. (The Lord Tweedsmuir) back to camera and Sqdn. Ldr. Collins R.A.F.

39084 - Gen shots of Stuart's Visit.

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Story: Smokes for boys and wedding.

- 39647 - Before Pte. J. Cournois, here shown placing labelled packages of smokes into bag for rush delivery to units in Italy, gets the order, it is doubled checked at receiving depôt. That is one of the reasons why cigarettes sent by relatives to men in the lines seldom go astray.
- 39648 - Major. J.A. Hornybrook, Calgary, and Lt (N/S) Helen Gardiner, Kingston, Ont., shown after being married recently in Italy.
- 39649 - Spr. W.F. Walsh, London, Ont., is wearing the new issue khakai beret, which replaces the cap formerly issued to Canadian soldiers.
- 39650 - Pte. R.P. Pawlak, Empress, Alta., checks a list of cigarette orders before forwarding them to units for delivery. Smokes sent to Italy seldom go astray.
- 39651 - When Canadian relatives purchase cigarettes for Canadian soldiers, the orders are delivered in from 8 to 14 days after the order is flown to Italy. Here are soldiers sorting labels for diferent units. L. to R. Sgt. A.R. Hannah, Hamilton, Ont., Pte. V.E. McBride, Windsor, Ont. & Cpl. W. McLavin, Red Deer, Alta.
- 39652 - A stockroom in Italy, filled with cigarettes ordered in Canada.. These smokes are checked and labelled for the various units all along the Italian front, and the soldier will get the cigarettes in from 8 to 14 days after the order has been flown from Canada.

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- C 40022 - General Sir Oliver Lease, 8th Army Commande~~r~~ told Canadians there was hope of peace this year, during a visit to the First Canadian Corps in Italy. General E.L.M. Burns, G.O.C. in C, first Canadian Corps as he left Italian airport to inspect Canadian troops.
- C 40023 - Major Lee Symnes, Winnipeg, receives congratulations from General Sir Oliver Lease for the splendid work his tanks did in the breaking of the Hitler line.
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C 40024 - Time out for a check over - Taking advantage of a temporary lull on the Italian front, these Canadian tankmen give the iron battle wagon a fast once over; Kneeling, Trooper Lionel Fallu, Blind River, Ont. Trooper M. Sowa, Kuroki, Sask, holds lever.
- C 40025- When the "Bambino", Gunner Owen G. "Bambino" Holt. Oxbow, Sask, had his big moment shaking hands with Sgt. Joe Louis, World's Heavy Weight Boxing Champ.
- C 40026 - Versatility is the word for Trooper B. Kasperski, Weyburn Sask., serving in Italy with Canadian Armoured Brigade. During emergencies he has won a reputation as a hard fighting infantryman. TRR.
- C 40027 - Loading a tank with "concentrated blitz" for Jerry are; Troopers W.F. Oldford, Kenora and Jim Moir, Winnipeg. TRR.
- C 40028 - Affectionately referred to as "Ajaz", this Canadian tank in Italy gets a sprucing up for the enemy by Sgt. R. Gladnick, New York and W.J. Whan, Belle Ewart, Ont. TRR.
- C 40029 - Canadian Tanks have a notoriously tough hide as evidenced in this picture. Trooper. Trooper Jim Moir, Winnipeg, points to battle scar given to the "Iron Horse" of A Canadian Armoured Brigade in Italy. TRR.
- C 40030 - He knows his tanks, Sgt. W. Oledon, a typical Canadian Tank Commander serving on the Italian front.

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- C-40292 THEY BRING THEM IN Guards of a Western Canada Regiment bring in these Nazi prisoners from the Outskirts of the Gothic Line at the Italian village of Momboraccio.
- 6-40293 THE P.B.I. Canadian Infantry, in their advance against the retreating Hun in Italy, do not wait for the Engineers to clear the main highways of mines, but take to small, winding backwoods trails. These men of an Ontario Unit are taking this short cut in their assault on the Gothic Line.
- C-40294 ON THEIR WAY TO GOTHIC LINE These men of an Ontario unit, take this trail which leads down to the River Foglio and thence to the main Gothic Line in Italy. Canadian infantry and British armor work together in this sector.
- C-40295 CANADIAN SNIPER Drawing a bead on a Nazi through a telescopic sight is Pte. L.V. Hughes, Toronto, member of a fighting Ontario unit in Italy. He and snipers of other Canadian regiments now in Italy, are contributing a vital part in the present campaign.

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GOTHIC LINE

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- C-40391 - Maj. Gen. Chris Vokes, Left, and Lt. Gen. Burns, the ranking officers of the Canadian Corps in Italy, are pictured here talking things over during the Canadian attack on the Gothic Line.
- C-40392 - In this slit trench within easy range of the enemy guns on the Gothic Line in Italy, Cpl. L. Charette, Edmundston, N.B., grabs a bit of sleep and rest before resuming the fight.
- C-40393 - This originally was a shell hole before the Gothic Line in Italy. With the aid of a shovel and a few sheafs of wheat for camouflage these two men soon converted it into a first class weapon pit. They are the "eyes" of the right flank of their company in a position overlooking the River Foglia and the Gothic Line. They are Pte. P. Saulnier, Nimico, N.B., and Pte. L.L. Little, Bartlett's Mills, N.B.
- C-40394 - L/Col J.A. Weston, Fairfields, N.B., attracts the attention of the enemy and he layd down a cone of fire on the far banks of the River Foglia during the attack on the Gothic Line. The real Canadian attack was launched on his right.

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Photographer: C.T. Nye - Roll 75 - 23 Sep 44.

Location: Riccione, Italy.

Story: *Maj. Gen Christopher Vokes Paep a Vant.*

Unit: *Royal Canadian Dragoons.*

Maj. Gen. Christopher Vokes, Commander 1 Cdn Div, gave a "blood and thunder" - "Monty-style" talk to the Officers and Men of the Royal Cdn. Dragoons. Standing on a marble bench in one of the town squares with the men and officers grouped closely around him, Gen. Vokes offered congratulations on the "Great Show" they had done at the River Conka and all along the Adriatic Coast. Quote Gen. Vokes - "You always were a bloody fine regiment and you appear to get better and better". Chris Vokes, the man the men love and the man the Germans hate, received a rousing and heart-felt "three-cheers" from the men as he got down off the sunlit marble bench and proceeded on his way to other units.

40893 - Cdn and British Public Relations Officers and War
40894 Correspondents are shown closely huddled around an Italian Fisherman from Remini who, with gestures of pointing to the gallows shown in the picture tells them of the hanging of three Italian Partisans by the Germans. The incident happened approx. 14 days before and the bodies were left hanging from the gallows in the main square of Remini for three days. Included in the picture are Col. W.G. Abel, DDPR, C.M.H.Q., Lt. Col. C.W. Gilshrist of St. John, ADPR, Cdn. Sec. GHQ. 1 Ech. AAL, and war Correspondent Maurice Western representing the Sifton Press.

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40895 - Small fires still burn in Remini following the
40896 German demolitions in an attempt to block the roads through the adriatic town. Tanks of a New Zealand Div. first enters the town followed by Greek and Cdn. troops.

~~40897 - Gen. Vokes, Cdn. Sec. GHQ. 1 Ech. AAL, and war Correspondent Maurice Western representing the Sifton Press.~~
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Photographer: C.E. Nye - Roll 75 - 25 Sep 44.
Location: Riccione, Italy.
Story:

- 40897 - Gen. Vokes meeting Lt. Col. K.D. Landell of Montreal
40898 O.C. Royal Canadian Dragoons.
- 40899 - Gen. Vokes, with Lt. Col. Landell of Montreal in
40900 foreground of picture talking to the Officers and men
40901 of the Royal Canadian Dragoons.
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- 40903 - Gen. Vokes in foreground with the Officers and men
40904 offering "three cheers" in background.

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Photographer: C.E. Nye - 3 Oct 44.

Location: With 1st Cdn Corps in Italy.

Story: Col. The Hon. J.L. Ralston's Visit to Canada's Fighting Men.

Col the Hon. J.L. Ralston, Minister of National Defence for Canada, paid a brief visit this week to the officers and men of 1 Cdn Corps in Italy. By Aeroplane, staff car and the Unsurpassable Jeep, the minister saw and spoke to the troops in action and visited with the wounded and sick in base hospitals. Wading through ankle deep mud in the outskirts of the Po Valley he watched the artillery throw shells into the enemy lines and spoke to the men of the forward infantry bdes. In the Mess Halls, on river slopes, in barracks, at gun positions, in officers messes, he discussed with officers and men the problems confronting the Cdn Troops in Italy. "What Part will Canada play in the Japanese War" - "Have the Policies of Re-Habilitation been Decided and Passed" - All sound and justifiable questions of the average Canadian Soldier who has been fighting great battles in Italy and thinking of post-war days. There was no bitterness, no harshness in their attitude - the "Canucks" showed keen enthusiasm to the visit and to Canada -- what it has in store for them and what they could do to help Canada when the war is finished.

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- 40931 - Ralston with Sir. Henry Maitland-Wilson, GCB, GBE, DSO, ADC, Supreme Allied Commander Med. Theatre.
 - 40932 - Ralston with Gen. Leese on shores of Adriatic.
 - 40933 - Ralston talking to men of the Re-inforcement Bn. Shown in picture are L/Cpl. B.M. Stuart, Shoal Lake, Man., Tpr H.F. Savoy, Sydney, N.S. L/Cpl E.J. Major, Edmonton, Alberta. (MessTins)
 - 40934 - Col. Ralston speaking to P.P.C.L.I.
 - 40935 - Ralston Inspecting Guard of Honour (L to R) Sgt. W.G. Wray, Hamilton, Ont., Ralston, Pte. E.W. Carter, Pain Port, Ont.

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Photographer: C.E. Nye - 3 Oct 44.

Location: With 1st Cdn Corps in Italy.

Story: Col. The Hon. J.L. Ralston's Visit to Canada's Fighting Men.

- 40936 - Sgt. O. MacLacklan, Guelph Ont. 1st LAA (35 Traffic Control Coy) speaking to Col. C.S. Thompson, Montreal (C.O. of No. 1) Col. Ralston and Lt. Col. Campbell Gardner, Montreal.
- 40937 - Ralston Speaking to Lt. Robert Forbes, Denmark, N.S.
- 40938 - Col. Ralston speaking to F66386, Pte. B.J. Weir of Shelbourne, N.S., whose wife resides also at Shelbourne 1st LAA Regt and F66144 Pte. H.A. Penney whose wife resides at Cape Sable Island, N.S. C.B.H. at 14 Cdn. Gen. Hospital.

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Photographer: Sgt. J.E. DeGuire - Roll 46 - 28 Aug 44.
 Location: Florence, Italy.
 Story: Soldiers of the British Empire.

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- 41137 - Wireless-telephony class Mahrattas and Troopers from the 14.C.A.R. practosong passing of varbal messages in which the Indians speak English.
- 41138 - Assisting in instructions in wireless-telephony at an infantry type set with Indian officers looking on are from left to right:- Trooper Kananen W.F. Barons Alta. at set Tpr Turnbull R.H. Montreal P.Q. First Indian on left is Jemadar Nikam Bombay, Sepoy (private) Kashinath from Jadhao, Bombay.
- 41139 - Normal tank infantry battle scene. Crew commander Sgt Frost W. Edmonton Alta. looks on to Jemadar B.R.Sawant Kolapur India who is passing orders through a tank set. on the left of the Jemadar is Sepoy Vithalkadam Pimpre India on his right is Sepoy Narain Rasan Harcour Kurda India these two sepoy are guarding the platoon commander.
- 41140 - Group of Canadians and Indians chatting in Italian.
- 41141 - Indians normally travel into action on the tank as far as possible and upon contact with the enemy jump off and proceed on foot while the tank covers their movements. This picture shows the Indians jumping off.
- 41142 - Canadians visiting 1/5 Mahrattas Light Infantry Co. for a meal. This picture shows group of Mahrattas around party of Canadians.
- 41143 - Group of Indians and Cdns eating Chhapatti and sour milk left to right. Tpr Kidd Ashmount Alta. Naik, Mandeo Bhosle from Bijgar India. Tpr. Gervais Lefleche Sask. L/Naik Sambrad Nangre, Soni India. Sgt. Price W.M.M. Bellevue Alta. Sepoy Dhanaji Rane, Wajiran India. Tpr. D.O.W. A. Claresholm Alta.
- 41144 - Group of Indian and Cdn officers left to right:- Jemadar R. Nikam, Bombay Presidency; Subedar K. Khule, Bombay, (Satate District); Major. E.J. Winter Cheltenham Eng. O/C. 1/5 Mahrattas Light Inf; Lt. (Cdn) D. Guravich Wpg, Man; Jemadar E. Farand, Bombay (Satara District); Jemadar G. Sawant, Bombay (Kolhapur State).

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Location: Florence, Italy.
Story: Soldiers of the British Empire.

41145 - Sikh's from Embrossa District left to right:-
Sepoy Suenzh Singh.
Major. W.G. James, Bowmanville Ont.
Sepoy Gusha Kwash Singh.

41146 - Group from left to right.
L/Naik Chuilars Dagul (Punjab)
Trooper Ewart D. Congress Sask.
" Ralston W. Rockhaven Sask.
L/Naik Sher Bahadon (Punjab)
Sgt Burrows H.G. Lightwood Sask.
Sepoy Mirganori Chah (Jat)
Trooper Critchard H.
Sepoy Linf Nat Jahanain (Jat)
Trooper Culling S. Bluffton Alta.

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