

CANADIANS IN HOLLAND

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Date: 3 Jun 45
 Photographer: Lieut. G.B. Gilroy
 Location: ROTTERDAM
 Unit: 1 Cdn Div.
 Story:

When offrs of 1 Div were the deepest in mud, shellfire and corruption through the battles of Sicily and Italy, they always knew that back down the line there was an offrs' club or hotel waiting to give them a pleasant evening or etc. In many cases the clubs were within an hour of the front line, and in some instances as little as half an hour from the forward slit trenches. Capobasse was still being shelled when the offrs' hotel was opened there.

So it was natural that one of the first things organised in Rotterdam was an offrs' club. It was named after LT. COL. A. DE MAIO, CMBE, 1 Cdn Div. Throughout the club Italian notices prevail wherever possible.

- 53799 - The bar - Marble's Vino Bar - is reminiscent of the multi vino of Italia and the many escapades of the Italian veterans' comic strip hero - Berbie. At the bar two offrs of the R.N., one Dutch offr, the British Army and the Cdn are also represented.
- 53800 - LT. L. A. HAGRE, of the Sask Light Infantry, of Prince Albert, Sask., manager of the Casa De Maio, and LT. COL. J. W. RITCHIE, R.C.R., of Div HQ, discuss policy - an & the wine list.
- 53801 - A conference of the padres of 1 Div was held at Rotterdam to discuss the part these heroes, many of them quite unsmug, will play in the part of the rehabilitation of the troops of the Div. The group includes, kneeling, 1 to r: H/CAPT. J. P. GORRATH, HQ, Bating & Friesse Edward, Toronto; H/CAPT. A. RAPSON, 60th High, Witford; H/CAPT. R. SIMPSON, & PLEDG, Toronto; H/MAJ. ROY C. H. BURNINGRD, DSO, Seaforth High, Vancouver; H/CAPT. F. J. JELIN, CBR, Toronto; H/CAPT. G. A. MIDDLEJOHN, PPCLI, Campbellford, Ont.
 Standing: H/MAJ. G. LLOYD FULFORD, HQ, DIA, Montreal; H/MAJ. W. J. GI LINO, Sr Chaplain 1 Div, Toronto; H/MAJ. E. W. BACQUASSIE, Asst Sr Chaplain 1 Div, Ottawa & Toronto; H/CAPT. L. F. WILNOT, MC, WISR, Winnipeg

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H/CAPT. E. S. Davis, 3rd Fd Regt, RCA, Pembroke, Ont.

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Outside views of the Casa a Maio offrs' club.

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 Story: German slave labour.

There is no Cdn tie in to this story outside of the fact that it is in Rotterdam and that is in 1 Cdn Div area, with Div HQ in the city.

At the rate of 1,000 a day German slave labour is being returned to the Rotterdam area. On the whole the 'slaves' appear to be in fair physical condition, but many of them have been liberated from a period of weeks to as many months, but unable to return to their homes because of the transportation problem. If the Dutchmen weep that the Germans robbed their country, the size of the pack under which these repatriates struggle would indicate that they are doing their best to return Holland's wealth.

So far as could be learned these people were not the concentration camp variety, but were rather labourers. They said that during the last three months of the war they had not had to work because the RAF had knocked out all factories etc. They had been fed, but undernourished. Their greatest complaint seemed to be that the Germans gave little to no thought on sanitation. The stretcher cases did not look as though they had suffered starvation, but rather might have suffered some physical injury.

- 53812 - Train enters station and repats disembark.
- 53813 - Typical of the repats - a Cdn beret and a Jerry jacket. Obviously he was liberated by Canucks.
- 53814 - Passing along the track in Rotterdam station.
- 53815 - Crowd to meet relatives.
- 53816 - National Anthem is played outside the station.
- 53817 - Repats coming out station entrance.
- 53818 - Orange official points way to a district transport.
- 53819 - A female repat.

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- 53820 - This lad obviously was liberated by the Yanks.
- 53821 - A truck load leaves for a home town in the Rotterdam area
- 53822 - An ambulance case is loaded.

CANADIANS IN GERMANY

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Date: 2 Jun 45
 Photographer: Lieut. C.H. Richer
 Location: OLDENBURG.
 Unit: 2 Cdn Corp Troops.
 Story: G.O.C.'s inspection of RCAMC, RCOC, RCEME and Provost units of 2 Cdn Corps.

The G.O.C. 2 Cdn Corps, GEN. SIMONDS, inspected the above mentioned units which were drawn up on a large field just outside the town of Oldenburg. In addressing the troops, the General congratulated them on the recent success and victory, and assured them all a quick return to Canada.

- 53823 - While inspecting one of the RCAMA units, #3 Cdn CCS, the General stops to chat to a couple of N/S. Also in the pic is one med offr. MJ.F.O. DIXON, Sudbury, Ont.; LT. N/S KATHLEEN TUER, London, Ont.; LT. N/S. MARIE L.A. CROIX, Winnipeg, Man.
- 53824 - Inspecting another medical unit, #2 Cdn C.C.S., the General chats to more nursing sisters: CAPT. (Matron) CLAIRE PETHICK, Grillia & Toronto, Ont.; LT. N/S MARION WRIGHT, Hamilton, Ont.; LT. N/S. JOAN GOODALL, Chilliwack, B.C.
- 53825 - Personnel of #2 Cdn C.C.S. lined up for the G.O.C.'s inspection. Med cal offr and N/Ss in the front line.
- 53826 - Inspecting R.C.O.C. units of 2 Cdn Corps, the General chats with one of the lads: A-99255 SGT. H.E. RYAN, London & Alliston, Ont.
- 53827 - Three Ordnance lads standing rigidly to attention in line during the inspection: B-58158 L/CPL. J.M. SHIELDS, Toronto, Ont.; G-44976 S/SGT. W.F. KYDD, Fredericton, N.B.; F-5586 SGT. J.C. MacDOUGALL, Charlottetown, P.E.I.
- 53828 - Inspecting RCEME units, the General stops to chat to a couple of the men: D-122798 CPL. K.C. MIDDLETON, St Lambert Annex, P.Q.; F-86320 CPL. H.L. COITUM, Canning, U.S.
- 53829 - One man from the RCEME unit 2 Corp, B-53459 AQMS J..A. RITCHIE, Oshawa, Ont.

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 Story: Inspection by GEN. SIMMONDS.

- 53830 - After standing for the inspection for three hours, two of the lads relax on the grass: B-56415 L/CPL W.M. MORRISON, Oshawa, Ont., and B-53459 AQMS J.A. RITCHIE, Oshawa, Ont.
- 53831 - Inspecting the #13 Provost Coy, the General chats to one of the boys: A-3829 SGT.R.M. KINGSWELL, Goderich, Ont.
- 53832 - Personnel of #13 Provost Coy, 2 Cdn Corps.
- 53833 - The officers of #13 Provost Coy: LT.G.H. HODGKISS, London, Ont.; CAPT. T. JAMIESON QUIRK, OC, Vancouver, B.C.; LT.D.T.K. REID, Toronto, Ont.
- 53834 - #13 Provost Coy marching past the saluting base with the General taking the salute.

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Story: Group shots of the Irish Regt. of Can and farewell dinner in honour of GEN. HOFFMEISTER; group pix of 1st Cdns to take a study course in religion.

53835 - Group pic of the first class to take a general study course in religion; this is in connection with the educational and religious courses in the Cdn Army. From l to r they are: Front: L/CPL. W.D. STANLEY, Montreal, Que. Governor General's Horse Guards; CPL. R.A. HOY, GGHG, Wilkie, Sask.; H/MAJ. W.J. PHILLIPS, Charlottown, P.E.I. 5th Div Padre and one of the teachers at the school; H/MAJ. R.P. SNEYD, Toronto, Ont., senior Protestant padre 5th Div, who organised the school; PTE. WALTER LITTELL, Burford, Ont., the Irish Regt. of Can; PTE. KARL NEMEZ, Winnipeg, Man., RCASC, 5 Div. Back, standing: H/CAPT. T.V. HART, Woodbridge, Ont., 5 Div Padre, who lectures at the school; PTE. ART BYLE, Middlechurch, Man., RCASC; TPR. K.G. JACKSON, Toronto, Ont., 8th New Brunswick Hussars; TPR JAMES SINCLAIR, Rumsey, Alta., 8 NWH; CPL. J.E.C. SHEPHERD, Zephyr, Ont., the Irish Regt of Can; SGT. E.L. GRAHAM, Lethbridge, Alta., Westminster Regt.; H/CAPT. R.W. BRUNDAGE, St John, N.B., 1/c of the school.

53836 - Group pic of the offrs of the Irish Regt. of Can. L to R, front row: MAJ. W.E. MITCHELL, Toronto; CAPT. H.L.J. HENDRIE, Toronto; CAPT. F.C. WHYTE, London; MAJ. A.J.P. LAPRAIRIE, Toronto; LT. COL. L.H.C. PAYNE, Toronto; MAJ. G.C.A. MACARTHEY, Toronto; MAJ. H. HICKLING, Toronto; MAJ. W.S. ELDER, Toronto; H/CAPT. D.P. ROWLAND, MC, Toronto; Middle row: LT. H.P. HEMING, Toronto; LT. L.G. PHELAN, Toronto; LT. W.C. BARNEY, Dunnville, Ont.; CAPT. H.R. YOUNG, St Catherines, Ont.; CAPT. G.J. WOOD, Weston, Ont.; CAPT. G.S. HORGAN, Toronto; CAPT. D.A. SMITH, Creemore, Ont.; CAPT. H.G. HERMAN, Lunenburg, N.S.; CAPT. G.A. MAYBEE, Wellington, Ont.; LT. G.E. BARTMAN, Warton, Ont. Back row: LT. P.B. SIMS, Barrie, Ont.; LT. J.P. McCULLOUGH, Hamilton, Ont.; LT. K. ELLIOTT, Toronto; LT. L.A. DESMARAIS,

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Windsor, Ont.; RSM G.A. McKelvey, Toronto; Lt. R.G. Thompson, Toronto; Lt. R.T. Homewood, Toronto; Lt. J.C. Turner, Tillsenburg, Ont.; Lt. J.J. Asselstine, Schumacher, Ont.; Lt. G.R. Maybee, Toronto.

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- 53837 - Three Irish offrs who are going to the Far East with the Cdn forces. L to R: MAJ. G.C.A. MACARTNEY, Toronto, Ont.; LT. COL. L.H.C. PAYNE, Toronto, Ont., and Winnipeg, Man, CO of the Irish Regt of Can; MAJ. A.J.P. LAFRAIRIE, Toronto, Ont.
- 53838 - Group pic of the Irish Regt. pipe band.
 Front: PIPER JOHN WATSON, Toronto; PIPER J.G. CROSSAN, Toronto; PIPER G.V. PUDDY, Toronto; PIPER D.J. MACDONALD, Port Arthur, Ont.; LT. COL. L.H.C. PAYNE, Toronto & Winnipeg, CO of the Regt; PIPE MAJ. GEORGE PATE, Toronto; CPL. MURDO LEE, Port Arthur, Ont.; PIPER ALFRED ELDER, Toronto, Ont.; PIPER MALCOLM HONE, Clurdonald, Alta.
 Back: DRUMMER TOM MC IVOR, Whitby, Ont.; DRUMMER. ROS S CRAIGMILL, Toronto; DRUMMER ARCHIE WINEGARD, Toronto; PIPER BERNARD McILVAHEY, Drumheller, Alta.; DRUMMER JAMES GALLACHER, Toronto; DRUMMER THOMAS COWAN, Merritton, Ont.; DRUMMER NORMAN FOLEY, Ballville, Ont.; DRUMMER. JAMES BENNETT, Toronto, Ont.
- 53839 - At farewell dinner in honour of GEN. HOFFMEISTER; LT. COL. J.M. McAVITY, MBE, Toronto, Ont., CO of the Lord Strathcon's Horse, RC; BRIG. J.S. ROSS, GRA 5th Div, Toronto & Winnipeg; BRIG. I.H. CUMBERLAND, OBE, ED; GEN. HOFFMEISTER, Vancouver, B.C.
- 53840 - LT. COL. G.D. JOHNSON, Westminster Regt., New Westminster, B.C., CO of the 5th Div Trg School talking to LT. COL. G.C. CORBOULD, DSO, New Westminster, B.C., Co of the Westminster Regt., before the dinner given in honour of MAJ. GEN. HOFFMEISTER.
- 53841 - BRIG. I.H. CUMBERLAND, 5 CAB; BRIG. I.S. JOHNSON, Toronto, Ont, 11 CIB; GEN. HOFFMEISTER, Vancouver, B.C.; BRIG. J.S. ROSS, OBE, Toronto & Winnipeg, GRA 5 Div.