

Germans, living and to come, to look upon Goering and the rest as having died for the Fatherland? Will the trials on the other counts involving conspiracy, the violation of treaties and the waging of aggressive war, make any difference to German *political* thinking?

No attempt at criticism is implied in mentioning these points. Upon them, and upon others, the reader is entitled to his own opinion. What is most important is that the great mass of world opinion supported the prosecution—as Mr. Dean puts it, “the war-weary peoples of the world demanded that the war criminals be dealt with—and speedily”.

For the general reader, the interest will centre in Mr. Justice Jackson’s opening

statement. He apologizes once or twice for hasty preparation of the case “perhaps at the cost of finished craftsmanship”, but there is no sign of it in his long address. This was one of the greatest occasions in history, and undoubtedly he rose to it. He has marshalled the facts in masterly, deadly fashion, precisely and with little expression of emotion—not that such expression could add anything to a recital of the horrors for which the defendants by various methods and as the tribunal found in varying degrees, were responsible. One can hardly doubt that, whatever distinction or preferment may come to him, Mr. Justice Jackson himself will regard the delivery of this address as the high light of his career.

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Obituary

Reg. No. 3185, ex-Sgt. Percy George Thomas, 74, died at High River, Alta., on Dec. 3, 1946. He served in the Force from May 8, 1897, to May 7, 1913, when he retired to pension. Since leaving the Force and up to three months before his death Thomas had been police magistrate at High River.

Reg. No. 12983, Cst. Wilfred James Cobble, 38, was accidentally killed while on duty near Vegreville, Alta., Dec. 4, 1946. He served in the R.C.M.P. from Sept. 22, 1937, until his death, being stationed at Regina, Swift Current and Wakaw in Saskatchewan, at Gleichen and Vegreville in Alberta, Headingly, Man., Rockcliffe, Ont., and Vancouver, B.C.

Reg. No. 10840, Cpl. Matthew Medlyn, 45, died at Regina, Sask., Dec. 9, 1946. He served in the R.C.M.P. from Aug. 11, 1930, until his death, and was stationed at Regina, Canora, Pelly, Ituna, Wadena, Kelvington, Fort Qu’Appelle and Kamsack in Saskatchewan.

Reg. No. 2152, ex-Sgt. Major Willoughby Charles Bryan, 82, died at Colwood, B.C., on Jan. 21, 1947. He served in the N.W.M.P. from May 29, 1888, to June 27, 1908, when he retired to pension with exemplary conduct being stationed at Macleod, Alta. Mr. Bryan was Commissioner of the Alberta Provincial Police until his health forced him to retire from that position in December, 1931.

Reg. No. 11408, Cpl. Ralph Leontra Love, 44, died at St. George, N.B., on Dec. 1, 1946. He served in the R.C.M.P. from Apr. 1, 1932, until his death having been stationed at Minto, Fredericton, Grand Falls and St. George in New Brunswick and Regina, Sask.

Reg. No. 975, ex-Sgt. John Porter Bunt, 90, died at Toronto, Ont., Feb. 5, 1947. He served in the N.W.M.P. from Nov. 20, 1883, to Nov. 19, 1890, being stationed at Macleod, Alta.

Reg. No. 10162, ex-Cst. Joseph George Alphonse Rene Lacombe, 48, died at Hull, Que., on Dec. 1, 1946. He served in the R.C.M.P. from Feb. 5, 1926, to Oct. 15, 1944, on which date he was invalided to pension. He was stationed at Ottawa, Ont.

Reg. No. 630, ex-Cst. Walter Bryan Bemister, 85, died at Beaverton, Ont., in January, 1947. He served in the N.W.M.P. from Apr. 19, 1882, to Apr. 18, 1887, being stationed at Fort Macleod, Alta., and Battleford, Sask.

Reg. No. 5274, ex-Sgt. Major Robert Hugh Leonard MacDowell, 68, died at Crofton, Victoria Island, B.C., on Nov. 14, 1946. He served in the R.N.W.M.P. from Nov. 29, 1911, to Apr. 14, 1919, being stationed at Regina, Sask.

Reg. No. 12735, ex-Cst. Gordon Joseph Munroe, 34, died at Victoria, B.C., June 27, 1946. He served in the R.C.M.P. from July 10, 1935, to Feb. 24, 1940, having been stationed at Rockcliffe, Toronto and Ottawa in Ontario.