

3. Air Training.

A third great task which Canada has assumed is that of training air personnel for the Empire's forces.

The strength of the Royal Canadian Air Force today is approximately 90,000.

What this means, in terms of manpower, is indicated by the fact that the number corresponds very closely with that of our army strength overseas, consisting of 4 Divisions, a tank brigade and ancillary troops.

That is a task and a responsibility for which we had no counterpart in the last war.

It is of vital importance to the whole Empire and to the whole allied cause.

Canada has undertaken to be the centre of Air Training for the British Empire.