

**TOPICAL CHRONOLOGY OF WAR EFFORT C240749**

**1. Diplomatic and Constitutional**

**1945**

- Jan. 1. Defence Minister McNaughton at Owen Sound said that more men are going overseas than demanded; Canadian munitions industry is working at full capacity. He also spoke of the wave of optimism in Canada and the shock received by news of German success in December.
- Jan. 1. David Lewis in statement following interprovincial C.C.F. conference at Winnipeg Dec. 30 said that they had discussed housing, and agreed that low-cost housing must be subsidized by some state agent. "Decent houses" can be provided only through dominion, provincial and municipal cooperation, he said.
- Jan. 1. Hon. G.P. Vanier's New Message praised Canadian Red Cross for work done for prisoners of war.
- Jan. 2. The United States' government has granted safe conduct a Japanese ship to deliver relief supplies for Allied prisoners in occupied China.
- Jan. 2. Sir William Glasgow is to retire as Australian High Commissioner to Canada, and will leave the capital Jan. 13.
- Jan. 2. C.C.F. interprovincial council meeting at Winnipeg discussed methods of streamlining parliamentary and legislative procedure.
- Jan. 2. The Steamship Vega, carrying relief supplies from Canada for the people of the German-occupied Channel Islands, arrived at Guernsey Island Dec. 27.
- Jan. 3. Laurence Apsay, special assistant to the U.S. attorney General, seeking a reversal of a New York district court decision which cleared the Aluminum Company of America of anti-trust charges, said that a Canadian subsidiary of Alcoa aided Germany's rearmament programme.