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# BRITISH CABINET SHAKE - UP RUMORED

## MEXICO SEVERES RELATIONS WITH BRITAIN

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## WITHDRAWAL ANNOUNCED FROM LONDON

Action Follows Protests By Britain Over Expropriation Of Oil Property.

MEXICO CITY, May 13—(AP)—Mexico severed diplomatic relations with Great Britain tonight.

The Government said Foreign Relations Department announced the withdrawal from London, "in view of the unfriendly attitude" of the British Government, of her Minister Enriquez Villa Michel and the legation staff.

Mexico's action followed Britain's increasingly sharp protests at President Lázaro Cárdenas' expropriation March 18 of British-owned oil properties and Mexico's delay in payment to Britain of claims growing out of Mexican civil wars.

On March 18 Cárdenas took over the \$400,000,000 British and United States owned oil industry in Mexico.

It was expected Great Britain would counter immediately with withdrawal of her Minister to Mexico, Owen St. Clair O'Malley.

Mr. O'Malley said he had as yet received no advice from London. He added he probably would not decide until morning any cable arriving from the London Foreign Office tonight.

The British Minister was notified of Mexico's decision when he called at the foreign office this afternoon to receive a cheque for 361,737.17 pesos (about \$84,513) due as an annual instalment on the civic war claims.

He had several times protested delay in payment of the amount, most recently in a note dated Thursday which Mexico "refused to receive."

Attitude toward government indebtedness generally was "far from reassuring."

## Closing Exercises Open At Mount A

ROCKVILLE, N. B., May 13—Closing exercises of the Mount Allison educational institutions began today with recitals by students of the Conservatory of Music. Those participating included Audrey Gillis, Charlottetown; Chesley Fraser, New Glasgow; Margaret Davies, Summerside; Kathleen Fraser, New Glasgow; Sarah Smith, Cook's Cove; John Inch, Glace Bay and Ruth Sversten, Truro.

## COMING EVENTS

- \*\*Guides Rummage Sale, St. James Hall, Saturday, May 14th 9.30 P. M. L-455-5-13-21.
- \*\*The Springfield play at Rose Valley is postponed until further notice. L-482.
- \*\*Reserve May 18th, for Marshall field play in Heartz Hall, East Row. L-471.
- \*\*Patronize Comedy Simon's, Inventions, Valleyfield, Monday 10th by Mount Stewart, P. U. L-483-5-14-11.
- \*\*Buying live hogs at Albany Thursday 12th, Emera, Friday 13th until noon. C. L-487-3-tw-tf.
- \*\*Seeds on hand for distribution. Buy co-operatively and save money. Ugeg Institute, per W. D. Ross. L-455-5-14-11.
- \*\*Sale of cake and children's wear. Home and Saturday, May 28th, Children's Table of Kings Daughters. L-466-5-14-11.
- \*\*The Norboro Players will present "The Old Maid's Courtship" May 17, Wilnot Valley Hall. If raining following night. L-477-5-14-21.
- \*\*French River Hall Monday, May 16, Indian River players present their three-act comedy, "For The Love of Johnnie." L-478-5-14-21.
- \*\*Cream route hauler Eddy Nelson beginning Monday, May 16th every Monday following until further notice. Cherry Valley, China Point, Earncliffe, Seal River and Sarnia. Hauler will also gather and signified Hill Edge Creamery Co., Vernon. L-453-5-14-11.
- \*\*Eggs for fox feed 5c per dozen while they last. Four brooders changed here entitles you to rebate allowance. Also on hand the famous Royal Puffs feeding equipment. Baby Chicks, P. E. I. Egg and Poultry Association. L-410-5-12-11.
- \*\*Cream route starting Monday, May 16th, and continuing each Monday thereafter until further notice—hauler Robert Brehaut-Lydale, East and West Valleyfield, Upper Montague, Sparrow's Road, Town Road to Vernon River then Vernon Road to Vernon. Egg-Shellage Creamery Company, Vernon. L-478-5-13-21.



War In China Nears First Year's End

After 10 months of almost constant battles, Japan has been unable to unite Chinese territory conquered in the north with her gains in the Shanghai-Nanking area. The heavily shaded portions indicate the sections of China conquered since hostilities broke out last July. Above Suichow (1) fighting is severe as Chinese force back invaders seeking the Lungshai railroad. Chinese guerrillas are threatening Peiping (2). Neither side has gained materially below Nanking (3) recently. Japan's chief gains lately have been made near Hanchow (4). China's victories in recapturing conquered territory (5) have given the government at Nanking (6) new courage.

## Maritime Brief

### Protests Control Of Water Traffic

#### Western Millers Also Register Objection At Ottawa Against King Government's Transport Bill.

(Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, May 13—Fear that business development in the Maritimes would be stunted if water transportation were placed under control of the Board of Railway Commissioners by the Transport Bill was expressed before the House of Commons today.

The bill would establish a Board of Transport Commissioners for Canada with authority in respect of transport by railways, air craft and certain shipping.

The bill would also give the Board authority to regulate the Maritimes, in relation to the fact there would always be cheap water transportation between these provinces and the provinces of Quebec and Ontario, will be again abnormally depressed.

No reason had been given for control of traffic between major ports and ports on the St. Lawrence and Great Lakes. "Ship-owners have not asked for it and do not want it. Shippers certainly do not want it and the government of the three maritime provinces do not think it necessary or right that the traffic should be so controlled."

The only reason that can be suggested for giving the control of such traffic to the Board of Railway Commissioners is that it will lessen competition with the railways and thus enable the railways, which operate between these ports, to increase their freight charges during the months when the St. Lawrence is open for navigation to the same schedule as is charged in the winter months when navigation is closed.

The maritime provinces object to an increase in railway rates and a central committee for an artificial control of their water transportation facilities, such as is proposed in this present bill.

The rate was never as low as the water rate but approximated so closely to the water rate that most shippers found it more convenient to ship by rail rather than by water, Mr. Burchell submitted.

"If, however, the railways did not reduce their rates during the open season of navigation, it is certain that a very substantial amount of tonnage of freight would move by water instead of by rail."

## BODY TAKEN TO OTTAWA

### Funeral Service For Mrs. W. D. Herridge Today.

OTTAWA, May 13—(CP)—Funeral services for the late Mrs. W. D. Herridge, wife of Hon. W. D. Herridge, former Canadian Minister to Washington and sister of Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, will be held at 2.30 P. M. tomorrow at Chalmers United Church.

Later the remains of the woman who was outstanding among Canadians of her generation will be conveyed across Canada to Vancouver, where she will be interred in the Pacific Coast city by the side of her sister Mrs. Evelyn Coste.

Today the remains were brought from New York, where she died on Wednesday. They were accompanied by her husband, by Mr. Bennett and other members of the Bennett and other members of the distinguished group of mourners, of her sister Mrs. Evelyn Coste, and other distinguished group of mourners, of her sister Mrs. Evelyn Coste, and other distinguished group of mourners, of her sister Mrs. Evelyn Coste.

Retiring Members of Acadia Staff Honored

(G.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

WOLFVILLE, N. S., May 13—Four members of the staff of Acadia University's Department of Theology were ready tonight to retire after years of service. They were honored last night at a banquet.

The four are Rev. Simon Spidle, Dean of the department; Col. the Rev. John Howard Macdonald, O. B. E.; William Norman Hutchings, O. B. E.; and Professor of Old Testament Literature and Religious Education; and Dr. H. T. DeWolf.

## CHINA, SPAIN FAIL TO WIN LEAGUE AID

### Resolution To End Non-Intervention In Spain Rejected By Council.

(G. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

GENEVA, May 13—Government Spain lost a diplomatic battle tonight when the League of Nations Council, by a 4-2 vote, rejected a resolution calling for immediate aid to non-intervention in the civil war. Nine members refrained from voting.

War-torn China received from the Council only warm expressions of sympathy in her fight for material aid in her war with Japan, but Chinese sources declared some powers, including Great Britain and France, had agreed to grant China credits for purchase of arms and also assurance of aid in getting the arms into the country. In a secret session the Council agreed to go on public record as refusing material aid to China.

Viscount Halifax, British Foreign Secretary supported by Georges Bonnet, French Foreign Minister, declared he did not see a possibility of international aid since "such a proposition would certainly not be unanimously approved by the Council."

Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese delegate, who had asked the Council to help organize an international boycott of Japanese goods and to forbid League members to sell war materials to Tokyo was said, however, to have won the war credits fight in behind-the-scenes negotiations.

Soviet Russia alone stood by Spain which received special permission to participate in the vote. Only France and Rumania followed France and Great Britain in rejecting the Spanish Government's resolution.

Those abstaining were China and New Zealand, which had been expected to vote with Spain; Ecuador, Latvia and Peru which had been expected to support Great Britain and France; Bolivia, Sweden, Iran and Belgium.

The nine abstentions came as a surprise and in some League quarters they were regarded as indicating the Anglo-French leadership in the League. Belgium's abstention was particularly unexpected as Belgium has been a consistent follower of the Anglo-French line.

Bonnet disclosed his shock and surprise at the result of the vote. He rushed after Alvarez Del Vayo, Spain's white-haired delegate, and hurriedly asked: "Why did you not show me that resolution half an hour before the meeting? We might have arranged something."

"We Spanish are beginning to learn something about procedure," replied Alvarez Del Vayo.

The defeat came after Alvarez Del Vayo had delivered a speech solemnly warning Great Britain and France they were shouldering a heavy responsibility before history in defending a non-intervention policy that he said, amounted to aiding the insurgents.

To this Lord Halifax replied he was certain the position taken by Great Britain would meet the verdict of history."

## Constitution For World Council Of Churches Drafted

(By The Associated Press)

UTRECHT, The Netherlands, May 13—Protestant leaders acting for 800,000,000 constituents throughout the world today laid the foundation of a great "fellowship of churches," an organization for world-wide church cooperation.

Embracing political storms buffeting the world, delegates representing 130 denominations from a score of nations, including Canada, drew up the constitution of the World Council of Churches. Rev. G. C. Pidgeon and Rev. Robert G. H. Pidgeon represented Canada.

The constitution draft will go to all participating churches for ratification, accompanied by a letter asking them to join in the organization for the fellowship of churches which accept our Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour, and to send delegates to a proposed council meeting.

Council meetings every five years and a central committee meeting annually were projected, with all Christian churches invited. The Roman Catholic Church has taken no steps to participate.

The result of a five-day conference concluded today. The conference was the outgrowth of last summer's Oxford Conference on the same work and the Edinburgh Conference on faith and order, at which the World Council was proposed.

## Death Early Today Of Mrs. G. H. McGuigan

Mrs. Annie McGuigan, widow of the late George H. McGuigan, died at her home, 86 Weymouth Street, at 12:15 this morning. She had been in failing health for the past three years. Mrs. McGuigan, daughter of the late Charley and Mary (Kiggins) Monaghan, was born at Kelly's Cross 72 years ago. On her marriage in 1866 she moved to Hunter River where she resided until coming to Charlottetown 19 years ago.

Mrs. McGuigan was a woman of sincere piety, a true loving woman and devoted to her family. She was possessed of a quiet unassuming disposition and formed many close friends, not only in her native Province but throughout the whole of Canada, who will regret the passing of a charitable Christian woman.

She leaves to mourn two sons and three daughters. His Excellency James Charles McGuigan, Archbishop of Toronto, John P. McGuigan, medical student at the University of Alberta, who was with his mother at the time of her death, Mary McGuigan at home, Sister St. George of the Congregation of the Sacred Heart, St. Charles, Ontario, and Alice McGuigan, Sudbury, Ontario. Another son, Dr. Martin A. McGuigan of Charlottetown died three months ago.

Funeral arrangements were uncompleted this morning awaiting word from the Archbishop.

## BARCELONA IS AGAIN BOMBED

### Heavy Casualties Suffered In Insurgent Raids.

(By The Canadian Press)

BARCELONA, Spain, May 13—Barcelona, seat of the Government, suffered a toll of more than 200 dead and injured tonight after Spanish insurgent bombers, striking in swift daylight raids, attacked twice within an hour, when six big Junkers bombers swept in from the Mediterranean, killed 12 persons and wounded 40 others. Casualties yesterday were 86 dead and more than 100 injured.

HENDAYE, France, May 13—Spanish insurgents occupied the entire length of the Teruel-Albarracin highway today in their drive toward the Government's coastal strongholds of Castellon De La Plana and Valencia.

The capture of Fortanete, halfway between Teruel and the Mediterranean, completed insurgent domination of the vital artery on the south side of their corridor to the sea.

Navarrese forces holding Fortanete formed a junction with columns on the east and west, creating a solid line extending from the coast to Teruel some 85 miles to the coast.

## Spaak To Form New Belgium Government

BRUSSELS, May 13—Belgium's Socialist Foreign Minister, Paul H. Spaak, sought tonight to form a cabinet to replace that of Paul Emile Janson which resigned in a quarrel over taxation proposals.

King Leopold gave Spaak a mandate after consulting only three political leaders. The King, a close friend of Spaak, conferred only with the Chamber of Deputies speakers and the veteran Burgomaster Adolphe Max.

All the members of the monarch to give the task to Spaak—one time revolutionary who gave way to conservatism in efforts to form a government—were in agreement.

Spaak said he was going to try to form a "take it or leave it" government and if it succeeded it will take office May 17.

DIES IN HALIFAX

HALIFAX, May 13—(CP)—Andrew MacKinnon, retired Halifax businessman and former president of the Maritime Commercial Travellers Association died here tonight. He would have been 81 May 21.

## SEEKS BRITISH OPINION ON CZECH ISSUE

### Nazi Leader Sounds Opposition To Germany's Eastward Thrust.

LONDON, May 13—(AP)—Konrad Henlein, leader of 3,500,000 Germans, aired his grievances today before recognized British opponents of Germany's eastward thrust.

He lunched with Winston Churchill, former cabinet minister and Conservative critic of the British Government, and Sir Archibald Sinclair, leader of the Liberal opposition in the House of Commons.

He conferred with Harold Nicolson, National Labor, and six other members of parliament and tonight he visited Sir Robert Vansittart, principal diplomatic adviser of the government.

A dispatch from Praha carried an unconfirmed report that Henlein conferred with Chancellor Hitler of Germany before coming to London. Hava News Agency reported from London, however, that Henlein's determination to break the mutual aid pact between Czechoslovakia and Soviet Russia.

During the day the Czechoslovak minister, Jan Masaryk, visited the Foreign Office, apparently to ask details in regard to Henlein's visit. It is understood he saw Sir Robert Vansittart.

Informed sources said Churchill and the others found Henlein in a moderate mood, as they differed over the gravity of his proposals for the Germans he leads in Czechoslovakia.

In a speech April 24 at Karlovy Vary (Carlsbad) before his Sudeten German Party, Henlein demanded revision of that nation's foreign policy and other concessions.

Mr. Nicolson, biographer and historian, declared after his meeting with the visitor that "we had a frank private discussion of what Henlein actually meant by his speech."

At the luncheon meeting at Mr. Churchill's home, Professor F. A. Lindemann of Oxford University, a specialist in air raid defence, also was present. The group conferred for three hours.

Mr. Churchill said "mutual friends thought it was a good idea for us to talk about the situation in Central Europe." Henlein (the talk) was strictly private. It was believed certain that Mr. Churchill, a stalwart friend of France, gave his guest a cross-section of opposition opinion particularly on the demand for revision of Czechoslovakia's foreign policy, including her alliances with France and Soviet Russia.

## Firm Condition Of Egg Prices Due To British Market

OTTAWA, May 13—(CP)—The firm condition of the egg market throughout Canada is the immediate result of the despatch which Producers' and Consumers' and members of the trade in both eastern and western Canada have taken advantage of the export opportunities on the British market, a department of agriculture statement said today.

"On Thursday of this week Montreal spot prices advanced to 24 cents for grade A large eggs, the highest price in May recorded on the market in the last eight years," the statement said. "This price is eight cents a dozen above that of the same date last year and reflects the general trend of the egg market throughout Canada."

## Warns Of Communist Threat In Canada

VATTOON CITY, May 13—(CP)—Communism has only begun to penetrate in Canada and the Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano, declared tonight.

In a long front-page article the newspaper expressed the belief that the loyalty and firmness of Canadian Catholics would make an effective stand against Communism.

"The generous devotion of this people which counts so many Catholics among it, will energetically banish from this great and noble country a danger now threatening all the admirable conquests of which Canada is proud," the Osservatore declared.

## Unusual Activity At Downing Street Spurs Speculation

### Prime Minister Chamberlain Keeps Own Counsel Following Series Of Conferences.

(By The Canadian Press)

LONDON, May 14—(Saturday)—The Daily Herald (Labor) and the Daily Mail (Independent) today declared Viscount Swinton had offered to resign his portfolio as Secretary for Air but that Prime Minister Chamberlain had not yet accepted the offer.

Lord Swinton, whose direction of air rearmament has been under fire in the House of Commons, was a visitor at the Prime Minister's official residence Friday. Mr. Chamberlain also received Earl Baldwin, his predecessor as Prime Minister.

A wave of speculation continued over the expected shake-up in the Cabinet, with a change in the Air Ministry, believed the most likely.

The Prime Minister, following his series of conferences, kept his own counsel and went to the country for the weekend.

Observers believed the Prime Minister discussed the problem of Cabinet reorganization with Lord Baldwin at their luncheon conference.

## CHINESE ARE REPULSED ON CENTRAL FRONT

### Japanese Claim Severing of Vital Lungshai Railway Imminent.

(By Lloyd Lehrbas)

SHANGHAI, May 14—(Saturday)—A Japanese armistice meeting near the Lungshai Railway from north and south, today were close to sealing 400,000 Chinese Troops in a tight circle on the vital central front.

Chinese acknowledged they were losing ground against dozens of Japanese columns spread-eagled around the dwindling territory. China is defending between Japan's conquests in North China and the Yangtze Valley.

Apparent imminent success of Japan's months-long efforts to reach the east-west Lungshai central China's main communications line, endangered the defenders' whole resistance on the seaboard.

Facing Isolation

China's armies, Japanese declared, would be trapped without hope of escape.

A Japanese spokesman early today declared the Lungshai would be cut within a few hours.

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## NEW DOMINION LOAN ISSUE

### \$140,000,000 Issue Opens For Subscription Wednesday.

(G.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)

OTTAWA, May 13—Finance Minister Dunning announced tonight that next Wednesday subscriptions for a new Dominion loan issue would be received for a new \$140,000,000 issue of which \$80,000,000 will be in conversion and \$60,000,000 in cash subscriptions.

The loan will take the form of six-year two per cent bonds due June 1, 1944, priced at 99.75 and accrued interest to yield approximately 2.11 per cent to maturity, and 20-year three per cent bonds due June 1, 1959, priced at 99 and accrued interest to yield approximately 3.07 per cent to maturity.

## THE TROUBLE IS WE LEARN THINGS WHEN IT'S TOO LATE TO DO US ANY GOOD!

METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE  
 Toronto, May 13 Minimum and maximum temperatures

Dawson	39	50
Edmonton	44	56
Victoria	46	56
Winnipeg	40	60
Toronto	46	60
Ottawa	38	64
Quebec	40	56
Halifax	40	46
Charlottetown	42	54
Maritime East: Fresh winds		
partly cloudy and cool		
High tide this morning at 4.30		
Sunrise this evening at 11.17		
Sun sets this evening at 7.20 and rises tomorrow morning at 4.30		
Summer time this afternoon minutes later than Charlottetown.		

THE CAR FERRY  
 Leaves Borden 9.45 a. m. 1 p. m.  
 Leaves Torn entire 11 a.m. 2.55 p.m.