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ITALIAN TROOPS INVADE ALBANIA

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR CELEBRATION

Plans For Observation Of Confederation Anniversary Are Announced.

The Hon. W. J. P. MacMillan presided over the meeting of the Confederation Celebration Committee held in Supreme Court chambers on Thursday.

The various sub-committees reported to the convenor, Mr. Justice A. E. Arsenault, and their reports indicated a very satisfactory progress.

Tentative arrangements call for a military church parade with a drum-head service and march past on the opening day, Sunday, July 16th.

On Monday seven tableaux will be unveiled, probably in a group at the Exhibition Grounds, later to be placed in their proper positions in various localities and buildings.

These tableaux will be descriptive of the "Fathers of Confederation" as represented by those present from the Government of the Island.

Naturally it is expected that several officials high in the Government of Canada and the various provinces, will be present.

In the evening there is the possibility of staging an historic pageant, to be followed by the most elaborate display of fireworks ever attempted here.

Tuesday morning will probably see a huge firemen's parade and in the afternoon yacht racing and aquatic sports are anticipated.

The possibility of having British, Canadian, United States and French naval craft in port and take part in the sports, is being carefully investigated.

If plans for Tuesday evening reports favorably, a "Fathers of Confederation" pageant, with an international reputation will be heard at the

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COMING EVENTS

Rate for Notices in this column 3 cents per word.

- "Dance, Souris, Easter Monday. L-147-4-6-8.
- "Cornwall Rink tonight final state of the season. 8 till 10. L-292.
- "Be sure and purchase your flag for Saturday morning from the ladies. L-186-4-6-21.
- "Entertainment and Dance, Tracadie Hall, Easter Monday night. Lunch served. L-146-4-6-21.
- "We require a quantity of well dressed suits. Write or phone Island Cold Storage Co. Limited. L-291-3-22-14.
- "Cake Sale in aid of St. Vincent Orphanage, Easter Saturday, Maritime Electric. L-101-4-5-9-8.
- "Help the P. E. I. Hospital by buying flags from the young ladies on Saturday. L-186-4-6-21.
- "No. 1 Timothy Presed Hay now selling. G. C. Green, Emerald. L-154-4-6-21.
- "Everyone should do their bit by wearing the flag Saturday. \$2 buy yours early. L-186-4-6-21.
- "Come to the dances in Emerald Hall, Easter Monday night. Good music. Free lunch. L-45-4-4-5-8.
- "Borden Line Club loading hogs, lambs, calves every Tuesday, Hours 12 to 3. L-348-12-M-2-5-4-1.
- "Concert in Hartsville Hall, Saturday, April 8th. If stormy, Sunday, April 9th. L-182-4-8-21.
- "Old time Fiddling and Dancing in Cardigan Hall, April 12th. Send enquiries to P. D. Murphy, Cardigan. L-111-4-5-8.
- "Hog markets were down this week, over one dollar per cwt., compared with two weeks ago, due mainly to a six shilling decline in English bacon prices. Livestock Marketing Board. L-236.
- "Livestock Feeds, Fitzroy Street, maintains a stock of warehouse of feeds that are selling at close to cost prices. We invite you to call. Your patronage may mean still lower prices. L-236.
- "Today's young pigs can be placed on the midsummer or early fall markets, when highest prices are to be had, by feeding a balanced ration. Start them at weaner age, by feeding Weaver Mixture. Nothing so good and it is inexpensive. Livestock Feeds, Fitzroy Street. L-236.
- "General trend of hog prices in the Maritime is lower than it should be, in comparison with other Canada values. This is a direct result of patronizing every agent, Duff and Harry, backing their place in the field to conduct organized marketing. Co-operative selling is the only effective solution. Livestock Marketing Board. L-236.

Anglo-Italian Pact Violated Britain Claims

Invasion Of Albania Upsets Mediterranean Status Quo—Protest Made To Rome

LONDON, April 7.—(AP)—British officials said tonight they feared Italy's invasion of Albania was a first step in a new Rome-Berlin attempt to dominate the Balkans and to smash Great Britain's projected grand alliance against aggression.

Foreign Office officials said Italy had re-assured Britain two days ago that she had no wish to change the status quo in Albania and the Balkans, although there was no official announcement, it was believed the Foreign Office had instructed its ambassador in Rome, the Earl of Perth, to make a vigorous protest to Italy.

Both the Anglo-Italian gentlemen's agreement of 1937 and the Anglo-Italian Agreement of 1938 pledged the parties to preservation of the status quo in the Mediterranean area.

Nevertheless, it was generally accepted that when Premier Mussolini's forces invaded Albania back into a Roman Empire after an absence of more than 2,000 years, Britain will make no military move.

Security Of Yugoslavia Threatened

The Italian Embassy in London issued a statement saying Italian troops would be withdrawn from Albania "as soon as the recent disturbances are terminated" and that the security of the country was only temporary.

The Embassy denied the Italian forces had been resisted by soldiers of the regular Albanian Army, and said they met only slight resistance from irregulars and "no resistance whatsoever from the people," who were reported to be friendly.

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Narrowly Escape Death In Fire

TRURO, N. S., April 7.—John R. McMullen, well-known Pictou Road fox rancher and farmer, and his wife today when fire destroyed their home. Damage was estimated at \$4,000.

Origin of the fire was unknown. The two occupants were awakened during the night and shortly after leaving the house it was completely enveloped in flames.

DIES AT PITTSBURGH

PITTSBURGH, April 7.—Dr. Thomas S. Baker, president-emeritus of the Carnegie Institute of Technology, died tonight, two weeks after his 69th birthday.

Australia Mourns Sudden Passing Of Joseph Lyons

SYDNEY, Australia, April 7.—(AP)—Sir Earle Page took the oath of office as head of the Australian Government today while the Commonwealth mourned the death of Prime Minister Joseph Lyons, Empire statesman and economic savior of Australia.

Mr. Lyons' wife, Dame Erid Lyons, and his eldest son and eldest daughter were at the bedside during his last hours. His entire cabinet waited in the hospital. Hope for his recovery had been abandoned some hours before he died. He is survived by 11 children to whom he often referred as "my crickets."

Tributes poured into the Dominion from statesmen within and without the Empire. Chamberlain referred to Mr. Lyons' "gifts of wise and patient leadership which he used unsparingly."

NAZIS SUPPORT ITALIAN ACT OF AGGRESSION

Exerts Pressure On Poland Not To Sign Defence Agreement With Britain.

BERLIN, April 7.—(AP)—Germany today warned the western democracies that she was standing behind Italy's invasion of Albania, leaving the inference that her might would be in readiness if anyone tried to halt her axis partner.

The warning, repeated several times by radio, could be interpreted as almost a challenge. It was issued while German diplomacy was exerting pressure on Poland not to sign the mutual defence agreement concluded in London this week by Prime Minister Chamberlain and Colonel Beck, Polish foreign minister.

Both the Turkish Ambassador, Tevfik Rifai Aras, and the Greek Minister, Charalambos Simopoulis, went to the Foreign Office to see Lord Halifax as soon as news of Italy's invasion reached London.

The Rumanian Minister, Viorel Tila, who returned yesterday from Bucharest, appeared to be particularly worried as he called.

With negotiations for a British guarantee of Rumanian independence still incomplete, Tila called on the British ambassador in Bucharest after luncheon and conferred with British officials for most of the afternoon.

The Italian Charge D'Affaires, Guido Crolli, reported his Government's reasons for the Albanian move.

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PARIS, April 7.—Havas News Agency in a dispatch from London says it was reported tonight the Rumanian Government has informed Great Britain that Rumania is willing in principle to join the Anglo-French "Halt-Hitler" bloc.

In a call at the British Foreign Office today, according to the Havas report, Rumanian Minister Tila informed Sir Foreign Undersecretary that Bucharest favors participation in the anti-aggression system now being fashioned by Prime Minister Chamberlain.

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President Elect Of Y's Men's Club



MR. ROY CUDMORE

Mr. T. Roy Cudmore who was named president of the Charlottetown Y's Men's Club at annual meeting of the organization Thursday night when a new slate of officers was named, retiring president, Fred Holman presided.

Other officers elected included: Vice-president, Ernest A. Bell, secretary, Edwin Johnson, assistant secretary, William MacLeod, treasurer, Wilfred Livingston. The new board of directors elected was composed of Messrs. James Haslam, Jack McNair, Gordon Avar.

An encouraging report on the progress of the boy's work committee was made by chairman William MacLeod. Messrs. O. K. Freedy and Don Matheson were initiated as new members of the club.

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Hardy Albanian Tribesmen Fight Desperately To Stem Invaders Government Flees Capital

(By CHARLES H. GUPTILL, Associated Press Foreign Staff)
TIRANA, Albania, April 7.—(AP)—Hardy Albanian tribesmen fought desperately tonight to stem an Italian invasion supported by bombing planes and naval guns.

While the losing battle was in progress the nation awaited Premier Mussolini's reply to a peace overture by King Zog.

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Italian Public Are Mystified Regarding Coup Staged By Mussolini

ROME, April 8.—(Saturday)—An official Italian news dispatch from Tirana early today reported widespread gunfire in the Albanian Capital after King Zog and his government had fled to Elbasan.

The dispatch said the shooting was especially intense in the vicinity of the Italian Legation.

The Italian minister and his staff and several Italian residents of Tirana were in the legation building, "armed and ready to defend themselves," said the report, which was distributed to the official Stefani Agency.

The dispatch said there were reports in Tirana that a provisional government would be formed by "responsible elements which would give to Albania a regime inspired by sane standards of justice and routine under the auspices of imperial and Fascist Italy."

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Dawson	16	40
Vancouver	46	54
Edmonton	22	44
Regina	18	40
Winnipeg	25	36
Ottawa	28	32
Montreal	24	34
Quebec	30	38
Saint John	32	42
Halifax	32	42
Charlottetown	32	40

Maritime East: Strong or strong westerly winds; mostly cloudy and moderately cold with some light snow or rain.

High tide this afternoon at 1:10 and tomorrow morning at 2:24. Sun sets this evening at 6:36 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:28. Easter quarter moon, April 11, 12:11 p. m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY SAILINGS

Leave Borden 9:45 a. m. 1 p. m. Tormentine 11 a. m. 3:05 p. m.