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BRITAIN DEDICATES "GIBRALTAR OF EAST"

JAPANESE THREATEN TO BOTTLE-UP FOE

Major Drive Underway In Effort To Conquer Central China.

(By The Associated Press) SHANGHAI, Feb. 15.—(Tuesday)—A Japanese army of 60,000 men, buttressed by hundreds of tanks and planes, has surged down across the plains of North China and is threatening to bottle up 400,000 Chinese on the central front.

Only Outlet

Capture of Kaifeng would choke off the Lanchow Railway, practically the only means of exit for the General Chiang Kai-Shek's troops now deployed along the railway for 900 miles eastward to the Yellow Sea.

Greatest Battle

The far-flung conflict developed over the week-end into one of the greatest battles of Chinese history. Kaifeng, to be the major objective of the drive once the Yellow River is spanned, has a population of 200,000 and is located on a plain frequently flooded by the Yellow River.

COMING EVENTS

- Announcements are inserted in this column at 2 cents per word strictly payable in advance.
- Valentine Skating rink, Feb. 15th. L-3625-2-12-31.
- Rovers vs. Hornets Milton rink tonight. L-23.
- Hockey in New Glasgow tonight, Stars vs. Imperials. L-30.
- Carnival Victoria rink Saturday, February 19th. See page 10. L-3626-2-14-15-18-19.
- Borden Line Club leading boys lams, calves every Tuesday. Hours 12 to 3. L-348-12-M-2-5-11.
- Hockey at Highfield tonight Milton Hornets vs. Highfield Grizzlies, league game. L-17.
- Hockey at Graham's Road tonight Nationals vs. Monarchs, if no fine following night. L-21.
- Hockey match at Canoe Cove rink tonight, Canoe Cove vs. Rice Point, skate after. L-22.
- Bingo and dance in Inna Hall postponed until Thursday evening. L-26.
- Buying dressed chicken and fowl daily. Correct grading. Ton prices. Island Cold Storage Company. L-475-12-30-11.
- Auction and dance at the home of Leo Galant, New Orleans, Tuesday the 15th. If no fine Wednesday. L-3593-2-10-21.
- Hockey at Marshfield tonight, York Rangers vs. Marlborough Red Wings, League game. Skate after. L-32.
- Fox Club Members attention! We have a supply of extra choice fox meat on hand—horse meat, mutton liver and beef tripe, selling at our low established price. Between us we brought the price down, but you alone can keep it at a reasonable level. Quit buying from us and we must quit importing, then what? Up goes the price. Livestock Marketing Board. L-3648-2-14-21.
- Farmers attention! We are planning to make a shipment of February 21st, if a sufficient number is listed immediately with our local secretaries. Calf buyers throughout the Province are making good money out of your stock if you work with us. Get busy, list your local secretary at once. Livestock Marketing Board. L-3648-2-14-21.

Prepares Major Offensive



General Franco
HENDAYE, France, Feb. 14.—(AP)—An insurgent dispatch today said General Franco was massing approximately 1,000,000 men for a drive to end the Spanish civil war in six months.

Britain Will Consult Naval Co-signatories Re Japan

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) LONDON, Feb. 14.—Foreign Secretary Eden announced today that Great Britain will hold consultations with the powers with which it has naval treaties to discuss the "new situation" created by Japan's negative reply to notes by which Great Britain, the United States and France sought information from Japan as to her naval plans.

LOBSTER PROBE RESULTS ARE DISAPPOINTING

Parliament Told Commission Made "No Recommendations." Cost \$9,186.

(By The Canadian Press) OTTAWA, Feb. 14.—The Royal Commission appointed in 1937 to investigate illegal lobster fishing in the Maritime Provinces was a fact-finding body and made no recommendations, the House of Commons was told today.

William J. Hume Passes In Rome

ROME, Feb. 14.—William James Hume, president and general manager of Hiram Walker and Sons, Limited, Canadian distillers, died here early today following an acute attack of uremia. He was 46.

REICH SEEKS SETTLEMENT WITH AUSTRIA

Von Schuschnigg And Hitler Review Differences In Private Conference.

BERLIN, Feb. 14.—(AP)—The path to a complete understanding between Germany and Austria and the Anglo-German settlement that may depend on it is strewn with potential stumbling blocks.

U.S. MOVES TO EXTEND CREDIT

Gold "Sterilization" Program Partially Abandoned.

Noted New York Columnist Passes

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—O. O. McIntyre, famous New York newspaperman whose satirical syndicated column "New York Day by Day" made his name a household word to millions of readers—died today.

Crop Control Bill Is Given Approval

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—(AP)—A crop control bill, praised as "the best farm bill ever enacted" and denounced as "regimentation" and "more harness" for the United States farmer, received final congressional approval today.

Enjoy tea at its best "SALINA" TEA

Advertisement for Salina Tea, featuring a large graphic of the brand name and the word "TEA" in a stylized font.

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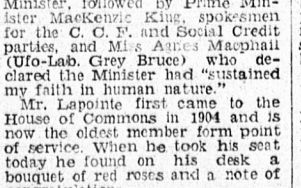
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