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TWO INSTANTLY KILLED IN HIGHWAY CRASH

EFFORTS TO BOLSTER NEUTRALITY PACT FAIL

MEDIATION PROPOSAL IS REJECTED

Insurgent Leader Franco Replies In Evasive Manner To British-Franco Plan.

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) LONDON, Dec. 22—Strengthening of the "hands-off-Spain" agreement seemed far from realization tonight after a meeting of the Non-Intervention Subcommittee which saw British-sponsored attempts to buttress strict neutrality again blocked by Germany and Italy.

Decision to send the plan for control of Spanish frontiers against contraband arms traffic to the Government and insurgent administration, however, was a decisive result of the session. The plan, completed in detail by committee, must be approved by the full committee before it can be forwarded to Stalin.

Hopes of speedy non-intervention action was dashed by General Franco's reply to the Anglo-French proposal for mediation and truce. The series of questions he officially submitted in London was regarded as a blunt advance refusal to accept any truce project.

Today's session once more brought the underlying hostility between German and Soviet delegates to the surface. Lord Plymouth, British chairman of the 12-power committee, proposed each Government adopt legislation by Jan. 4 to stem the flood of foreign arms streaming into Spain.

Representative, a noted such move must be reinforced by the immediate application of the control plan.

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Final Appeal To Santa Pals, Few Needy Children Remain

Santa Pals this is the last time the list of children's names will appear this year. There are still a few children to be taken care of as you are not too late to do your part. The contribution sent in early today will be very welcome and will do its part in the great work of making little children happy.

A very gratifying response has been received from Santa Pals to date and with the help of those who have been planning to contribute but through the press of business and other cares have neglected so far to do so the Santa Pals department will have experienced another successful season.

Help Santa by sending in your gift early today.

YESTERDAY'S SANTA PALS
John Cranston Bonnell.
Lavinia Bonnell.
Stirling McDonald.
Mrs. William Mutch.
Pay and Heather Inman London, Ont.
Alex McInnis, Summerside.
H. B. Smith.
Central Royalty School.
Mrs. Lillian McKenzie.
Mrs. N. D. Walker.
Doreen Alley.
David Walker.
Miss Kathleen Campbell.
N. D. Walker.
The Skylark C. G. I. T. Group, York.

Miss Mary Nicholson.
Mr. G. H. Taylor.
A Friend.
Mrs. W. E. Locke.
Mr. Maurice Lodge.
Mrs. A. R. Cooper.
Joan Pripps.
Douglas Fripps.
St. Lawrence No. 8 I. O. O. F.
Wildley Lodge I. O. O. F.
Mr. H. R. Hillson.
Jackie and Charlie Ready.
Mrs. Erwin Kucher.
Mrs. (Col.) D. A. MacKinnon.
Mrs. William Mutch.
Earl Brown.
Lloyd Brown.

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New Airline Service Is Inaugurated

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) MONCTON, Dec. 22—Eastern Canada Airlines Ltd., inaugurated its Maritime air service today. From the Saint John airport the 11-motored monoplane City of Charlottetown took off with freight for Montreal. The ship was expected to land at St. Hubert Airport and make the return flight to its Saint John base this afternoon.

MONTEREAL, Dec. 22—Inaugurating a new freight and mail air service between the Maritime Province and Montreal an Eastern Canada Airlines "sky freighter" landed at St. Hubert Airport today at noon. The plane will make a return trip to coast points tomorrow.

No passengers are carried on the new service which is expected to speed delivery of packages and mail to Montreal from the coast. The trip was made today in 4 1/2 hours.

Railway Shops To Operate Full-time

MONTEREAL, Dec. 22—(CP)—About 7,000 men will be affected by the resumption of full-time operations in Canadian National Railway shops throughout Canada, it was learned here tonight.

Return to the 40-hour week in the shops will become effective Jan. 1, 1937, S. J. Hungerford, President and Chairman of the Board, announced.

Mr. Hungerford attributed the increase in working hours to "general improvements in business conditions and consequent increase of traffic for the railway."

Points affected by the ruling are the main shops at Moncton, N. B., Riviere Du Loup, Que., St. Malo, Que., Montreal, Stratford, Ont., Fort Rouge and Transcona, Man., Edmonton and Port Mann, B. C.

POPE PIUS STAYS ABED

Begins Work On Christmas Eve Radio Message.

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 22—Pope Pius began working today upon the text of his Christmas eve radio message to the world, greatly troubled by "atrocious pain" in his left leg but bearing up with "great patience."

The Pontiff remained in bed throughout the day, and it was possible he might speak his radio invocation of peace to the world without arising from his pillow.

The Holy Father agreed to be very brief, a compromise with physicians who felt he should not speak at all. The radio message will be at 12:30 p. m. Thursday (7:30 a. m. AST).

Engineers from the Vatican broadcasting station began running wires into the Pope's bedroom today, making it possible for him to address his blessing either from his bed or a nearby chair.

Despite the pain of his leg, a semi-official Vatican bulletin said the Pope's health "continues to improve" and he was reported busy with church affairs today in an effort to keep his mind occupied as much as possible.

He has shown "great patience" since he was stricken with partial paralysis three weeks ago Saturday, Vatican sources said.

Alberta Cabinet Minister Resigns?

EDMONTON, Dec. 22—(CP)—Reports that Charles C. Ross, Minister of Mines in the Aberhart Government, had resigned, flew thick and fast here today. He would neither confirm nor deny the story as he boarded a plane for Calgary. "I have nothing to say about it. You will have to get anything from the Premier," Ross said.

ISSUE APPEAL TO GERMAN HOUSEWIVES

Food Federation Announces Campaign To Boom Fish As Native Raw Material.

By LOUIS F. LOCHNER
Associated Press Foreign Staff
BERLIN, Dec. 22—(AP)—German decided on a fish sale with directions for cooking today and appealed to housewives to save bread crusts to cope with the food shortage and lessen the need for foreign imports.

Franz Hayler, leader of the retail food dealers' federation, announced the campaign to boom fish as a native raw material which doesn't cost foreign exchange, and the government is helping by expanding the high seas fishing fleet.

"Discarded food still is found in garbage pails, especially pieces of bread," the appeal for conservation issued through the GGR-News Agency said. "That must not be."

"Bread must be treated as a gift from earth. He who throws away bread injures the nation. He who is careful with bread helps secure his own and the nation's food... even the smallest piece can be used."

To further the consumption of fish, training schools will be opened for salesmen who "must be able to explain to customers what dishes requiring little skill are already well known and popular in other countries," Hayler said.

"A good fish salesman must also be a specialist in fish cooking." As Germany now consumes only 20.2 pounds of fish per capita annually as compared to 42 to 55 pounds in England and Scandinavian countries, it was pointed out there is a vast field for the fish salesman's educational activity.

Another boon to the German campaign to find new foods was an agreement by the Krupp Works, armament manufacturers, to supply great quantities of onions. Krupp will build a bridge across the Nile for the Egyptian Government, accepting onions in part payment and bringing them to Germany.

A boom in the German champagne industry was noted, attributed to the sharp restriction of foreign imports. Estimates were that the turnover for 1936 would be 15,000,000 bottles compared with 12,000,000 bottles a year ago.

Cruisers To Be Made Anti-Aircraft Ships

LONDON, Dec. 22—(AP)—Great Britain and Japan made naval moves today with the close approach of expiration of the 1922 Washington and 1930 London Naval Treaties on Jan. 1.

Britain decided to convert five over-age cruisers, saved from the scrapheap, into "anti-aircraft ships." This creation of a new type of vessel from the old was interpreted in naval quarters as new proof of the British concern over possible air attacks.

Japan, in answer to Britain's move in retaining the cruisers, said it would invoke the escalator clause of the 1930 London Naval Treaty to retain a corresponding tonnage of over-age submarines.

Five Children Burned To Death

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) OTTAWA, Dec. 22—Prime Minister Mackenzie King tonight visited the Ottawa General Hospital to offer condolences to Mrs. Adelaide Giroux, five of whose eight children were burned to death when flames swept their small frame home here early today. Mrs. Giroux, seriously burned before she jumped from a second-storey window, was reported in fairly good condition.

The children, Romeo, 17, Cecile, 1, Therese, 10, Marguerite, eight, and Jeanne, five, were trapped by an over-heated stove. The father and two other children escaped.

Giroux, who fled from the home carrying his two-year-old daughter Bernadette, said he discovered the fire in the kitchen after being awakened by noises. The other child, Fernand, 14, saved himself by rushing from the house.

GOVERNMENT OFFENSIVE SUCCESSFUL

Gain Further Ground In The Suburban Sector West Of Madrid.

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) MADRID, Dec. 22—Asturian "dynamiters" blew up a block-house at nearby Villaverde late today killing 60 insurgents, while Government snipers mined and destroyed an adjacent trench held by enemy civil guards. Villaverde is five miles south of Madrid.

Disorganized insurgents tried to reform their lines for a counter-attack. They were crushed in a brief but violent clash.

Fascists attempted to filter into the capital through the groves of Moncloa Park, in northwestern Madrid, but murderous fire from the leftist trenches and from the defence artillery stationed behind the lines cut their ranks to shreds.

Government troops took the offensive in the suburban sector west of Madrid again today to win further ground.

Aggressive government tactics also were apparent in the air. Residents of the capital's out skirts saw another dog-fight this afternoon over the Manzanares River. It ended when two insurgent craft, trailing long streams of smoke, behind them, plummeted to the earth inside the defence lines. Both crews were believed killed.

As dusk approached the long-range insurgent artillery began to pound away again at the heart of the city.

Royal Family Leaves For Sandringham

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) LONDON, Dec. 22—The Royal Family were accorded a warm ovation as they left King's Cross station today to spend the Christmas holidays at Sandringham House in Norfolk.

King George, Queen Elizabeth, Queen Mother Mary and the Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret Rose appeared in good spirit. Queen Elizabeth, fully recovered from her recent attack of influenza waved and smiled.

FLIES TO SIDE OF CAPTIVE HUSBAND

Madame Chiang To Make Personal Plea To Rebel Leader For Freedom of Generalissimo.

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) NANKING, Dec. 22—(AP)—Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, a wife fearful for the safety of her husband and no longer mindful of state policies, flew from Nanking today for Sian-Fu, centre of rebellion, to treat directly with the insurgent Marshal Chang Hsueh-Liang, for the freedom of her husband.

She refused to heed arguments of numerous high officials outside her own family circle that her presence in the city where Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek has been captive since Dec. 12 would only weaken the Government's hand in its efforts to suppress rebellion and release its leader.

PLANS UNCERTAIN
Although she refused to discuss her plans or estimate the duration of her stay in Sian-Fu, the scale of her preparations was taken to indicate she expected to remain at her husband's side indefinitely.

What demands Madame Chiang might be confronted with when she faced the rebel Marshal remained a mystery in Nanking. However, earlier reports that Marshal Chang was demanding a huge monetary ransom were discounted by officials who pointed out the Insurgent Leader already possesses a large private fortune and probably would prefer political concessions to cash.

REPORTED COMPROMISE OFFER
From Peiping came reports of an offer by Marshal Chang "to submit to any punishment Nanking desires if the Generalissimo will only adopt a policy of resistance to our foe (Japan)." This offer was said to have been contained in a telegram from the Rebel Marshal to a group of university officials in Peiping who previously had wired him urging release of General Chiang.

Nanking's despair of an early settlement was shown by action of the executive Yuan (council) tantamount to official recognition that

Nova Scotia South Shore Hit By Gale

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) YARMOUTH, N. S., Dec. 22—Mountainous seas today prevented fishermen ascertaining the full havoc of a hurricane-like gale that whipped down Nova Scotia's south shore Sunday.

Lobster and inshore fishermen feared severe loss of gear valued at thousands of dollars. A few men who did go out from Wedgeport, Port Maitland and other Yarmouth County villages today reported loss of scores of pots. Smashed gear was swept ashore throughout the day.

At the height of the storm, a house and a barn were demolished by wind, a small office building was blown over a cliff and several other buildings in western Nova Scotia were shifted from position. Shipping reaching port was battered and delayed.

De Facto Recognition Of Ethiopia By Britain, France

(C. P.—Havas by Guardian's Special Wire) ROME, Dec. 22—Great Britain and France took an important step toward strengthening their relations with Italy by substituting consulates general for their Addis Ababa legations, the Italian press declared today in acclaiming what is regarded here as French and British de facto recognition of Ethiopia.

"The world today recognizes by facts the political genius of Mussolini," the La Oro Fascista said. "The Messagero asserted that the concurrent moves by London and Paris were prompted by recognition of realities and was an 'unavoidable step after the total occupation of Ethiopia.'"

Double Fatality Near Norboro Last Evening

Breadalbane Man And Daughter Dead Following Accident On Summerside-Ch'town Highway.

Alan Cummings of Breadalbane and his 19-year-old daughter, Jean, were both instantly killed when a light delivery truck crashed into the rear of the wagon in which they were riding four miles east of Kensington shortly before six o'clock last night.

Mounted Police at Summerside said the truck was driven by Blois H. Andrew of Charlottetown. The accident occurred as both vehicles were proceeding eastward. The occupants of the wagon were thrown to the ground at the side of the road, Mr. Cummings suffering a compound fracture of the skull. His daughter had her neck broken. The horse was killed when the truck ploughed into the wagon, which was demolished.

The Cummings were returning to their home from Summerside where it was believed that they had been doing Christmas shopping. Mr. Andrew, who was returning from Kensington where he had been on business, received minor injuries and a shaking up. The truck was badly damaged.

Police said that they believed Andrew and the Cummings were meeting a car just as the accident occurred. The name of the driver of the car could not be learned last night and it was believed that he had probably driven on without knowing that there was an accident.

An inquest into the double fatality will be held at 10 o'clock this morning at Summerside where the bodies of the victims were taken last night.

Mr. Cummings, a blacksmith at Breadalbane, was about 45 years of age. He is survived by his wife and four daughters to whom the deepest sympathy of the Province will be extended.

Anglo-Egyptian Pact Goes Into Effect

LONDON, Dec. 22—King George today approved the appointment of Sir Miles Lampson as the first British Ambassador to Egypt under the new Anglo-Egyptian treaty.

Sir Miles had charge of difficult negotiations, as British High Commissioner at Cairo, from which resulted the treaty.

Cairo, Egypt, Dec. 22—The Anglo-Egyptian treaty that marks the end of British military occupation of the land of the Pharaohs and opens a plan of mutual assistance between Egypt and Great Britain came into force today with an exchange of richly-bound copies of the document.

Sir Miles Lampson made the exchange with Wafef Pasha Ghall, Egyptian Foreign Minister. Sir Miles today became the first Ambassador to Egypt.

Sudbury District Has New Mining Camp

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) FAVORABLE LAKE, Ont., Dec. 22—This is the first time Favorable Lake has appeared in a date-line because it is a brand new mining camp in the Sudbury district. Four airplanes transported the camp from Winnipeg. Four hundred tons of mining equipment, virtually the entire settlement, was flown here and construction is still under way.

ABDICATION SPURS CHURCH REVIVAL

Ecclesiastical Heads Urge Rededication Of Empire Peoples.

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) LONDON, Dec. 22—The romance of former King Edward seemingly had launched the Church of England on an Empire religious revival tonight.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of Bradford called the people to things Godly, and urged they so rededicate themselves during the Coronation of King George VI.

The Archbishop of Canterbury will broadcast an appeal for a religious revival over British Broadcasting Corporation facilities at 7:55 p. m. Dec. 27. Recordings will be relayed to the Dominions during popular hours.

The intended broadcast was described by church sources as a "clarion call for the nation to consider whether the time has arrived."

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2 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

I'll HAVE TO HURRY!

(Canadian Press)
TORONTO, Dec. 22—Minimum and maximum temperatures:—

Dawson	54B 48B
Victoria	43 48
Edmonton	14 16
Regina	15 40
Winnipeg	10 36
Ottawa	10 24
Montreal	Zero 10
Quebec	4 12
Saint John	14 22
Halifax	22 30
Charlottetown	18 25

FORECAST
Maritime Province: Fresh north-west winds; fair and cold. High tide this morning at 5:39 and this afternoon at 5:35. Sun sets this afternoon at 4:22 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:37.

Full moon Sunday, Dec. 27, 10 p. m.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY
Leaves Borden 9:45 a. m. 1 p. m. Leaves Tormenton 11 a. m. 2:35 p. m. Daily except Sundays.

COMING EVENTS

- Admission Concert, December 23rd. L-1659-12-23-11.
- Nine Mile Creek Concert, Afton Hall, December 25th. L-1650-12-23-11.
- Kinkora Hall—Bingo and Dance Tuesday night, December 29th. L-1651-12-23-26-28.
- Christmas Concert in North Wilshire Hall, Wednesday, December 23rd. L-1596-12-21-31.
- Christmas Concert, Hartsville Hall, December 24th. If stormy to following night. L-1398-12-17-23.
- Attend the Auction sale of stock at Alfred Cameron's, South Melville on Dec. 28th. L-1667.
- School Concert in Cornwall Hall, Wednesday, December 23rd. Admission 15c and 10c. L-1581-12-21-23.
- Geo. Leightizer Co., (next Queen Hotel) now buying all kinds of dressed poultry. Try us. L-954-12-21-11.
- Hockey Covehead Rink Thursday night, Glasgow Road Maple Leafs vs. Covehead Redwings. L-1671.
- Borden Line Club loading hogs, hams, calves every Wednesday at Albany. Hours 12-6-3. L-6972-10-M T W F.
- Hockey tonight at Marshfield. Royalty vs. Dunstaffnage. Game starts at 8. Skate after. L-1673.
- Strayed from Emerald black mare and foal. Anyone learning of whereabouts please notify Everett Haslam, Emerald. L-1665.
- Notice to Farmers. I am not buying hogs again until Thursday, January 8th at Albany and Friday, January 9th at Emerald until noon. G. C. Green. L-1631-12-12-11-11.
- Buying live hogs Monday, Dec. 22nd at Albany, Kensington, Everett Ham, Emerald and Hunter River. Highest market price. A. E. Wedlock, Hunter River. L-1636-12-22-31.
- High class entertainment, Pic Social, Summerside Hall, Thursday, December 24th, 7:30 P. M. Local and outside talent. Lecture, Vimy Pilgrimage. Admission 25c. Ladies with free. L-1649-12-23-26-28.