

# British Army Force Reorganized In Face Of Crisis

## 14 DIE AS BUS PLUNGES INTO RIVER

### INTERNATIONAL GOODWILL SERVICE HELD

#### Dr. J. S. Bonnell Speaks On Friendly Relations Existing Between Canada And U. S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Celebrating the signing of the Treaty of Ghent on Christmas Eve 1814—a treaty by which the people of Canada and the United States ended a war of 2 1/2 years—Dr. J. Sutherland Bonnell, formerly of Nova Scotia and Winnipeg and now minister of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, held a special service of international goodwill this afternoon.

Among those present were Douglas Cole, the Canadian Trade Commissioner; William Appleby, President of the Canadian Club of New York, and representatives of the universities of McGill, Queens, Toronto, Acadia, Mount Allison, Dalhousie, Manitoba and Alberta.

Dr. Bonnell recalled that long before the Brant-Killgobee peace pact was signed Canada and the United States had renounced war as an instrument of international policy.

He spoke of the sinking of the Canadian schooner I'm Alone by the United States coast guard, an incident far more serious than some which have led to European wars. The issue was the apology of a nation of more than one hundred and thirty millions to a nation of ten millions.

### Blind Minnesota Senator Dies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Thomas D. Schall, blind Minnesota Republican Senator, died at 11:31 a. m. today of injuries received in an automobile accident near here Thursday night. He was 58.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

- \*\*Dance in Sea View Hall on Monday night. Admission 15c. If not fine, Tuesday. L-3915-12-20-31.
- \*\*Christmas concert, Harrington Hall tonight, Dec. 23, at 8 o'clock. Admission 15c. L-3993
- \*\*Borden Line Club loading hogs, lambs, calves, Albany, Tuesday, Dec. 24th, hours 12 to 3. L-4000
- \*\*Meeting of the Wiltshire hockey league at Wiltshire rink Monday, Dec. 23. L-3974-12-21-21
- \*\*Christmas Concert at Heart's Hall East Royalty, tonight admission 10 cents. L-3987-12-23-11
- \*\*Xmas Concert at Hartsville Hall, Tuesday, December 24th. If stormy, Wednesday. L-3995-12-19-23-21.
- \*\*Christmas School Concert in Kingston Hall, December 23. Admission 15c and 10c. If stormy Tuesday evening. L-3901-12-21-23.
- \*\*Christmas Concert in Pleasant Valley Church Monday, December 23rd. If not fine Tuesday. L-3741-12-12-21-21.
- \*\*Poultry. Buying dressed chicken and fowl until March. Market values. Correct grading. Geo. Leightizer Co., next Queen Hotel. L-3593-12-20-11.
- \*\*Buying live and dressed poultry daily at J. F. Proffitt's warehouse, Kensington, paying highest market prices. H. S. McEwen and Oliver Campbell. L-3445
- \*\*Club loading hogs and lambs at Mount Stewart Tuesday forenoon, Dec. 24, until train time. Please list with secretary at once. D. G. MacDonald, secretary. L-3990
- \*\*We will be buying dressed poultry Tuesday, December 24, paying highest market prices. Matthew and McLean, Ltd., Bridgetown. L-3998
- \*\*Salvation Army Christmas concert, Thursday, December 26 at 8 p.m. Playette, etc. Admission 15 and 10. L-3997
- \*\*Signalers: Members of No. 2 Sig. Coy. and those wishing to go to camp in 1936 enroll now for preparatory course in signalling with A. D. MacMaster, 170 Kent Street. L-3998

### Eden Succeeds Sir Samuel Hoare

#### Elevation To Post Of Foreign Secretary Expected To Cement British Stand By League.

(By Thomas T. Champion, Canadian Press Staff Writer)  
(By Guardian's Special Wire)  
LONDON, Dec. 22.—Anthony Eden, Minister for League of Nations Affairs who has played a prominent role at Geneva in sponsoring coercive measures against Italy for her Ethiopian campaign, was appointed Foreign Secretary today.

He succeeds Sir Samuel Hoare, who resigned last week in the face of violent criticism of the Anglo-French peace proposals he drafted with Premier Laval of France.

The appointment of the 38-year-old Eden was regarded in informed quarters as an indication that Great Britain would maintain a strong stand at Geneva for sanctions against Italy.

### SANTA PALS & ROVER CREW

#### Made a Grand Success Again This Year of Providing A Merry Christmas For Little Ones Who Otherwise Might Have Been Overlooked.

The magnificent rally of Santa Pals in the last two days cleared the decks for Christmas—five distribution of gifts for some five or six hundred kiddies. All day Saturday Rover Scouts were busily engaged in their den parcelling toys, candies, apples, and oranges, and will be similarly employed again today. It is no light task, but the Rovers revel in it, being as it is, part of their creed to help "lame dogs over fences." Charlottetown is very fortunate in possessing a crew of young men of all denominations, not only willing but anxious to give their time and labour to lighten the burden of less fortunate circumstances.

The Guardian once more thanks the Clergy, the Rovers, and above all the generous, great-hearted Santa Pals, who this year as in many past years have responded to the appeal to make Christmas what it ought to be to all unsophisticated, believing little ones in our capital and environs. We are sure all givers, recipients, clergy and helpers all will enjoy a merrier Christmas because of the part they played in making the Santa Pal Club the success it has again been this Christmas-tide.

#### YESTERDAY'S SANTA PALS

St. James 3rd Brownie Pack.  
A. Friend.  
Eileen McPhee.  
Mary McPhee.  
Allan McPhee.  
Donald Irving.  
Joyce Irving.  
Miss Zelma Mutch.  
Miss Phyllis Mutch.  
Master Blair Mutch.  
Mrs. Morion Dew.  
Vivian and Arlene Rix.  
Jack MacMillan.  
Mrs. J. B. Hegon.  
Margaret Hegon.  
Janet Hegon.  
Martha and Margaret Coffin.  
Sally and Sonny Squartriggs.  
St. Lawrence Lodge No. 8, I.O.O.F.

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### Late News Flashes

(By Guardian's Special Wire)  
EDINBURGH, Scotland, Dec. 22.—(A.P.)—Scotland was gripped today by its severest winter weather in 70 years.

In parts of the Highlands privations were reported because of the inability of farmers to obtain food supplies over ice-bound roads. At Glen Etive ice stretched unbroken for 20 miles.

CHENG TU, Szechwan Province, China, Dec. 23.—(Monday)—(A.P.)—Delayed reports from southern Szechwan Province today described the loss of lives and property as heavy as a result of an earthquake Dec. 18. In the Mapien district, the advice said, "houses fell like packs of cards, trees were uprooted and hills split."

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22.—(C.P.—Jewish Telegraphic Agency)—Creation of a legislative council for Palestine of 28 members was announced at a meeting with Arab leaders Saturday by Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope, High Commissioner.

BAKU, U.S.S.R., Dec. 22.—(A.P.)—The lives of 60 persons aboard a tug and two oil barges were endangered today by ice in the Caspian Sea near the Pechne Islands.

The steamer tug "Asla" reported its hull had been cracked by the ice and was in danger of breaking up. Planes sent to the aid of the vessel were forced to return because of a blizzard.

### NEW DANGER THREATENS IN THE FAR EAST

#### Japanese Encroach on Outer Mongolian Territory Controlled By Soviet Russia.

(By Glenn Babb Copyright 1935 by The Associated Press)  
TOKYO, Dec. 22.—Statements by Japanese military authorities disclosed tonight that Japan's army in Manchoukuo, with or without the consent of the Tokyo Government, has embarked on a definite campaign of military pressure on outer Mongolia.

The situation was regarded as fraught with danger of conflict between Japan and Soviet Russia, because the Japanese army protects Manchoukuo and dictates actions, while the Soviet Union dominates outer Mongolia.

The new military campaign, it was learned, has been carried out for the avowed purpose of delimiting the "ambiguous" boundary between Manchoukuo and Mongolia.

A recent border clash at the frontier post of Balun-Bersun, in which several Mongolian soldiers were killed by Japanese and Manchoukuo invaders, was regarded as merely the first incident to attract outside notice.

(Moscow dispatches) quoted reports from Khabarovsk, reaching the Russian capital through official Soviet channels, as stating the Japanese army in Manchoukuo was considering a plan to invade outer Mongolia.

#### INVASION PLANNED

MOSCOW, Dec. 22.—(A.P.)—Reports from Khabarovsk through official Soviet news channels today said the Japanese army in Manchoukuo was studying a plan for invasion of outer Mongolia.

Proponents of the plan, the dispatches from the city in far eastern Russia said, were urging the Japanese to carry it out immediately even if it should bring Japan to war with the Soviet Union.

Thursday's border incidents, in which five Mongolian soldiers were alleged to have been killed, was a "test attack," the Soviet account said.

The official dispatches accused the Japanese army command in Manchoukuo of acting on its initiative without the approval of the Tokyo administration.

The reports, distributed by the Tass Agency, said the Japanese army in Manchoukuo had applied to Tokyo immediately after the breakdown in negotiations with Mongolia a few weeks ago for permission to invade Mongolia.

Tokyo, it was said, held up a reply and the military command decided to act on its own initiative.

### WILL REOPEN GYPSUM QUEEN HEARING

#### Decision In Case Postponed Pending New Action.

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—Postponement of decision pending clarification of an offer of settlement and reopening of hearing to receive new and important evidence will be sought in the famous "Gypsum Queen" civil action of the Crown before the Exchequer Court on Jan. 7. The suit is to recover \$71,000 reparations money from Senator Hance J. Logan, Amherst, N.S., and Captain Freeman Hatfield, held at Manchester, N.H.

Writing another chapter in an issue which has been in the spotlight for more than three years in the way of a Royal Commission and Court proceedings, notice of the motion was filed in Court Saturday by W. G. Pugsley, Ottawa, acting for the 77-year-old retired shipping master. Based on the claim of the Crown the three-masted schooner was not torpedored at sea off the Irish Coast in Aug., 1915, as claimed by Hatfield and Logan as his solicitor before the reparations commissioner, but was lost in a storm, the case was heard for several weeks last January before Justice E. R. Angers. Decision has not been rendered.

The offer of settlement is understood to have been made recently to Hatfield by United States lawyers who have been acting for the Canadian Government. Pugsley said in an affidavit he has been informed it proposed the Crown should take the \$30,000 worth of assets of the schooner, with the exception of \$3,000 to be turned back to Hatfield for details as to whether this offer would involve the dropping of all civil proceedings and if it would mean also the stopping of extradition proceedings to bring Hatfield back to Canada to face a charge of fraud, he said.

### QUIET PREVAILS IN OTTAWA

#### Cabinet Members Turn to Their Homes For Holidays.

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—With the majority of Cabinet members turning toward thoughts of holiday relaxation after a most strenuous first two months in office, quiet prevailed today in the Parliament Hill.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King will spend Christmas quietly at his home, Laurier House, and many of his ministers have already left to visit their homes. The holiday will be interrupted for two ministers who have by-elections on their hands.

Hon. James G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, who gave up the premiership of Saskatchewan to enter the King Cabinet, is in Assiniboia where it is generally believed he will receive an acclamation at tomorrow's nomination proceedings.

Finance Minister Charles Dunning will leave immediately after spending Christmas with his family in Toronto, to contest the by-election in Queens, Prince Edward Island. Nominations there are Dec. 30 and if a contest results in either riding the polling will be on Jan. 6. Nominations in Assiniboia are always two weeks before polling.

Although there has been some talk of opposition in both by-elections the expectation was that none would result, in view of the short time the government has been in office.

### Spies Seek Data On New British Plane

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)  
LONDON, Dec. 22.—News of a daring night raid by suspected spies, seeking secret data on a new all-metal British airplane being built at Cravenham, stirred the country today as an intensive manhunt was launched by Scotland Yard.

At dawn yesterday the night sentry of the Gravesend army airport, making his rounds, noted the doors of one of the hangars were open.

He entered the hangar and confronted a man of about 30. A furious fight ensued but it ended abruptly when another man, apparently an accomplice of the spy suspect, rushed up from behind and dealt the sentry a stunning blow with a club.

The sentry fell unconscious. When he regained his senses he gave an alarm and Scotland Yard immediately launched a search.

The suspected spies, it was believed, were seeking the plans of the new secret all-metal ship. The plans are kept elsewhere. Both men, however, were believed to have made a thorough study of the wings of the new ship.

### TRAGEDY OCCURS AT HOPEWELL, VA.

#### Atlantic Greyhound Bus Drops Through Open Drawbridge Enroute to Raleigh.

HOPEWELL, Va., Dec. 22.—Fourteen persons met death in the icy waters of the Appomattox River today when an Atlantic Greyhound bus plunged through an open drawbridge. All the bodies were recovered.

The dead, 12 of which had not been identified, were nine white women, three white men, and two negro women. The driver, L. G. Alford, and J. B. Belch of Hopewell, who escaped from the bus and were rescued, but later died, were the only ones identified.

HOPEWELL, Va., Dec. 22.—A passenger bus plunged through an open drawbridge, carrying at least 13 persons to their deaths in the icy waters of the Appomattox River today.

No passenger list was kept. The only means of identifying the victims was through relatives or recovery of the bodies, lying in 20 or 30 feet of water.

The driver, tentatively identified as L. G. Alford of Five Points, Wake County, North Carolina, carried the tickets with him into the river.

The Atlantic Greyhound bus, enroute to Raleigh, N. C., left Richmond with 12 passengers. Whether others boarded it before the disaster was not known.

The drawbridge has been opened to permit passage of a tug and barge. The bridge attendant, Lacy McNair, said he was looking down the river when he heard the bus from the bridge.

"I jerked my head around to see what in the world was happening," he said. "Just as I turned, I saw the bus start its downward plunge. It was a terrible sight, and I will never forget it to my dying day."

"Women and children were screaming and I could see them all falling forward as the bus rolled over."

The bridge is approached by a straight road with no obstruction of the view. Larkin Glazebrook, investigator of the State Motor Vehicle Division, expressed the belief the brakes on the bus were frozen and the driver was unable

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### NAZIS REJECT THE BIBLE

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—Nazi believers in the Teutonic conception of worship have started a fresh campaign against existing religions.

"The Bible Unveiled" is the title of a pamphlet, announced to be the first of a series designated as "The Aryan Defence." In it, Hanns Obermeister, the author, rejects the Bible as the work of man; badly done at that, and utterly untrustworthy. Its Jewish translators are branded as rogues and swindlers.

Jesus Christ, says Obermeister, never existed, nor did the Apostles Paul and Peter.

"There is no original sin; man needs no redeemer, and there is no Hell fire," the writer goes on.

The old church fathers come under a very fire from Obermeister, who does not even exempt Luther from blame. "Luther was a slave to dogma, and his translation of the Bible from Greek is full of errors," Obermeister asserts.

### RIOTING IN VENEZUELA

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Dec. 22.—(C. P. Cable)—The stern lid of censorship was clamped down tonight on all Venezuelan newspapers and other news distributing sources following a period of widespread rioting and insurrection that began Saturday.

General Eustaquio Gomez, relative of the iron-fisted Dictator whose death last week plunged the country into a state of political uncertainty, had been imprisoned at Maracay and many of his friends "died of wounds" during yesterday's fighting, reports reaching here today stated.

### Awakens From Four Year Sleep, Has No Recollection

FOLKSTONE, England, Dec. 22.—Awakened from a four-year sleep, Victor Cleave said today and his family would celebrate on Christmas Day what his friends call his "coming back from the dead."

Cleave, a railway employee who was suffering from shell shock, began to doze over his meals in 1931.

Then he fell asleep. Doctors, unable to rouse him had to inject nourishment into his body. The beating of his heart was one of the few evidences that he continued to live.

Waking recently, Cleave did not recognize his own children.

"I had no dreams, no thoughts, no feelings," he explained. "The four years have been no more than a blank in my life."

He has returned to his cottage home, after long confinement in a hospital.

Cleave now is 40 years old, but his friends say he seems younger than before his sleep, although his eyes look very tired.

### Mechanization Of Entire Cavalry Division Ordered

#### Military Preparations Completed In Egypt. Ethiopians Claim Recapture Of Two Towns West Of Aksum.

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
The government of Great Britain yesterday named 38-year-old Anthony Eden to succeed Sir Samuel Hoare as Foreign Secretary. The elevation of the Minister for League of Nations Affairs was believed to indicate Britain would pursue a firm policy in support of sanctions against Italy.

Britain also announced a far-reaching army reorganization plan. It involved formation of two mechanized cavalry brigades and converted some infantry units into machine gun and rifle battalions.

Turkey, Greece, Yugoslavia and France are understood to have replied favorably to Britain's requests for assistance in the Mediterranean, in the event of an Italian attack on British warships engaged in imposing sanctions.

The appointment of Eden as British Foreign Secretary was hailed in Geneva as a victory for the League. Official comment elsewhere in Europe was not forthcoming.

#### To Launch Offensive

Addis Ababa, heartened by reports of Ethiopian victories in the north and indications an offensive soon would be launched, heard the head of the national church proclaim a week's "bread-and-water" fast to replenish the army's depleted meat supply.

Reports in Addis Ababa said Italian planes again bombed Dessale.

Italy issued a nation-wide order to "shoot straight," indicating she would adhere to her campaign in Ethiopia and defy League sanctions.

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LONDON, Dec. 22.—Great Britain tonight announced a far-reaching army reorganization scheme in the face of louder war talk over Europe.

This move, following diplomatic steps to insure aid from other nations should Italy attack British ships in the Mediterranean, includes mechanization of the entire existing cavalry division.

It embraces units now in Egypt, close to the theatre of Italo-Ethiopian war and adjacent to Italy's African colony of Libya.

British officials completed military preparations in Egypt as the army reorganization and mechanization orders were issued here.

Also, the Egyptian Government ordered army reservists now in training to be retained for another six months' duty.

The orders involved not only all the cavalry of the British army, but the conversion of a number of infantry units into machine gun and rifle battalions.

Two horse brigades and divisional troops, with a tank brigade, will become a mechanized and mobile division.

They will be two mechanized cavalry brigades, each consisting of two motor cavalry regiments and one motor cavalry light tank regiment. The present tank brigade will retain its own identity within the mobile division.

One cavalry brigade is now in Egypt. When mechanized it will consist of one armored car regiment, one motor cavalry regiment and one cavalry light tank regiment.

Turkey, Greece, Yugoslavia and France have agreed to help Britain in the case of an Italian attack in the Mediterranean, it was reported to London's request for its position.

A reliable source said Britain was considering further precautionary measures and was firmly determined to continue, even reinforced, sanctions against Italy.

For some time past, said dis-

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### EXCELLENT CONCERT BY MALE CHORUS

There was a very large attendance at the Charlottetown Male Chorus Christmas Charity concert in the Prince Edward Theatre last night. The concert was under the distinguished patronage of His Honor Lieut. Governor DeBlois and Mrs. W. M. Lea and Mrs. Lea, and Mrs. Worsmith Mayor Kennedy and Mrs. Kennedy.

All the numbers on the program were greatly appreciated by the audience. Special numbers in the way of vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. Arthur Roper and Mr. Arthur Bruce. Mr. Alfred Burrill with his cornet solos delighted the audience. Mrs. George Elliott Full was the accompanist for the chorus

### 2 MORE SHOPPING DAYS

NO LUCK IS BAD LUCK!

(Canadian Press)  
Fresh to strong northwesterly winds; mostly fair and milder.

TORONTO, Dec. 22.—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson . . . . . Zero 10  
Akavik . . . . . 16B 6B  
Edmonton . . . . . 30 30  
Regina . . . . . 4 18  
Winnipeg . . . . . 6 8  
Toronto . . . . . 10 18  
Ottawa . . . . . 2B 10B  
Montreal . . . . . Zero 4  
Quebec . . . . . 6 18  
Saint John . . . . . 6 18  
Halifax . . . . . 16 13  
Charlottetown . . . . . 12 16

### FORECAST

Maritime Provinces: Fresh to strong northwesterly winds; mostly fair and milder.

High tide this morning at 9:20 and tonight at 8:30.

Sun sets this afternoon at 4:22 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:36.

New moon Wednesday, Dec. 25, 12:49 p. m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

Leave Borden 9:45 A. M. (Extra) 1 P. M.

Leave Tormentine (Extra) 11 A. M. 1:15 P. M. Daily except Sundays.