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Our own imperfections make us hasty to rebuke the imperfect.

BALKANS TOTTER UNDER THE WEIGHT OF GENERAL WAR

British Continue To Demolish Italian Empire

Lightning blows are bringing all Fascists in East Africa to their knees.

Fear soldier Perished in Saint John fire

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Feb. 27.—(CP)—Remains of a body were found this afternoon in ruins of the exhibition grounds, was under debris destroyed by fire Tuesday. It was learned tonight that the same time it became known that Pte. Lauchlin Malin, of a Cape Breton unit, was missing.

Discovery of the body, almost unrecognizable, was made under debris of a former orderly room, where the fire broke out in the main exhibition buildings. This structure, with other destroyed property on the exhibition grounds, was under lease to the Department of National Defence and occupied by the Cape Breton soldiers.

Japs deliver Ultimatum To Indo-China

TOKYO, Feb. 27.—(AP)—The Japanese have delivered an ultimatum to French Indo-China, reliable sources said tonight, demanding that the French government accept Japanese final proposal for settlement of the border war with Thailand or suffer "forceful action."

What the Japanese meant by "forceful action" to win justice for Thailand was not disclosed, but it was understood that the Foreign Office had notified both the colonial administration and the Vichy government that unless a favorable reply is forthcoming, the matter would be put in the hands of Japanese military officers already in Indo-China.

Salary increase Recommended for R.C.M.P. constables

OTTAWA, Feb. 27.—(CP)—Justice Minister Lapointe announced in the House of Commons tonight that he recommended increases in salaries for constables in the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and a number of members immediately voted to applaud and support the proposal.

Coming Events

Rate for Notices in this column 3 cents per word.

Playoffs game Graham's Road rink tonight, Clinton vs. Monaghan. L-303.

Hockey tonight at New Glasgow, Hunter River vs. Glasgow Road. L-302.

Salvation Army rummage sale Saturday, March 1 at 1:30. L-301.

Auxiliary Canadian Legion meeting Friday 7:30, City Building, Main St. L-297.

Fresh Frozen Strawberries. Phone your order. Daily delivery 3 o'clock except Saturday. Island Cold Storage. L-459-1-25-11.

Exhibition today, Harris Memorial Library, children's work in schools of London, England. L-290-2-27-31.

St. P. E. Hospital Cake Sale, Moore & McLeod Saturday, March 1st by ladies Baptist Church. L-285-2-28-31.

British, Turks In agreement On all points

(By Witt Hancock, Associated Press Staff Writer) ANKARA, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Britain and Turkey reached full agreement on all points today concerning the Balkans and the eastern Mediterranean. A British spokesman announced, and observers expected a discussion of the relations of Turkey and Soviet Russia to follow.

Even while Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and his British associates, wound up their conferences with Turkish leaders, Sir Stafford Cripps, British Ambassador to Russia, was on his way here from Moscow. He will arrive in Ankara tomorrow.

The importance of the Soviet Union's role in the shifting Balkan picture was emphasized by the fact that Sir Stafford flew through a heavy storm while en route to Istanbul.

Mr. Eden is expected to return to Cairo tomorrow night after receiving Sir Stafford's report on Russia, unless unexpected obstacles develop. Later he will go to Greece.

Before boarding an overnight train at Istanbul for Ankara, Sir Stafford declared he was alarmed and worried over the British-Russian relations.

Premier Campbell To be speaker

TORONTO, Feb. 27.—(CP)—The Maritime Provinces Association of Ontario and ladies' auxiliary announced today that it intends to hold a series of receptions, dinners and social evenings for Maritime men training in the Toronto area with the armed services.

The association also announced that Premier Thomas Campbell, of Prince Edward Island will address the next meeting, March 1, at the headquarters of the association in Halifax, a native of Halifax.

Churchill gets Confidence vote

LONDON, Feb. 27.—(CP)—Prime Minister Churchill challenged the House of Commons critics today with a demand that his government be given a vote of confidence, and the House responded by approving a measure he supported without dissent.

The measure was one which would permit Malcolm MacDonald to become High Commissioner to Canada with a mandate that his government be given a vote of confidence, and the House responded by approving a measure he supported without dissent.

Mr. Churchill said the appointment of Mr. MacDonald had given the greatest satisfaction in Canada. The Prime Minister added he attached very great importance to these high commissionships.

Probe wages Paid miners

HALIFAX, Feb. 27.—(CP)—Arguments designed to show wage rates paid by Dominion Coal Company, Limited, are at their peak at the present earnings were placed today before a three-man tribunal seeking to learn whether increases sought by the company's employees are justified.

Under Mr. Justice C. F. McTague of the Ontario Supreme Court, the tribunal poured over a mass of figures laid before them by DoCo prior to adjourning a hearing which, the chairman said, is likely to require several lengthy sessions.

FARM ORGANIZATIONS IN ANNUAL SESSION

SWINE PRODUCERS SHEEP BREEDERS

Give approval of compulsory cooperative scheme.

The annual meeting of the Prince Edward Island Swine Breeders' Association was held last night in the Market Building, Charlottetown.

The following directors were re-elected: Kings County, Alex Hamilton; Queens, Alton Howe; and Prince, James MacGregor, Central Lot 16.

The president's report was delivered by Mr. Hamilton. The text of this appears below:

Dr. E. Notting, Charlottetown, Dominion Department of Agriculture, spoke briefly to the swine breeders.

He referred to hog cholera, stating that after three years without an outbreak in Canada, there were several cases two years ago. This disease, however, has never had an outbreak. The keeping of garbage to hogs is generally responsible for the disease.

Dr. Notting briefly referred to the need of controlling garbage feeding. He cited the need of sanitation in preventing diseases in hogs. A clean-up of surroundings once in a while is necessary.

The Resolution committee was then appointed. It consisted of Messrs. J. J. Trainor, Bedford; Walter Mackenzie, Springfield; and Jack Ameer, Lower Montague.

The report of Mr. S. D. Irvine, Senior Fieldman of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, was then read. The text of this report appears below:

A discussion of hog grading took place with the following taking part: Messrs. Austin Laird, Cavenish; Capt. J. Read, Borden; H. W. Ainslie, Charlottetown; William Beaman, Brackleyville; W. R. Shaw.

Definite instructions have been received stating that any hog having a black hair root in its skin will not be classed as select in the future, Mr. Clay said.

Continuing, he outlined the qualifications of a hog. A certain percentage of the hogs in this province carry too much weight on their feet. This may be due to feeding, he said.

The system of grading in effect at present is practically fool proof, Mr. Growers then took place. The vote resulted in the naming of Mr. W. H. MacGregor of Central Lot 16 for this position.

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By WILLIAM W. WHITE Associated Press Staff Writer LONDON, Feb. 27.—Royal Air Force bombers destroyed factories, warehouses and oil storage tanks in a devastating assault on Cologne which left 150 fires burning in that third largest city of Germany, the Air Ministry announced tonight.

British planes observed bursts over the city, and wharves in their 2 1/2 hour overnight battering of the Rhine city, the bulletin said.

The target was illuminated brightly by the bomb-sept fires which spread to oil tanks along the river and industrial plants.

Six R.A.F. planes were lost in the blitz which in addition to the blitz raid on Cologne, covered attacks on German-held ports of Boulogne, France, and Flushing, the Netherlands. The Air Ministry said docks were fired in both ports.

Re-elect E. C. Holm of Desable as President.

Mr. E. C. Holm, DeSable, was re-elected president of the Prince Edward Island Sheep Breeders' Association at the annual meeting held yesterday afternoon in the Market Building, Charlottetown.

Other officers elected were: Vice-president, Alex Hamilton, New Perth (re-elected); sec-treas., W. R. Shaw (re-elected).

The Board of Directors includes: Messrs. Harold Laird, Kelvin; Reid Underhay, Fortune; T. J. Inman, Beque; M. L. A. Springfield; W. B. MacLellan, Elmisdale; Alex Hamilton, New Perth; George Boswell, St. John's.

Mr. E. C. Holm, DeSable, president of the Sheep Breeders' Association, in his report referred to the dog question, which was brought up a few years ago. This would be dealt with later.

He predicted an increasing interest in the sheep industry this fall. It is difficult to place pure bred ewes, however. Wool and lambs are a better price this year. He advocated the raising of our own manufactured yarn in this province.

The speaker regretted that war should be the means of making a cruder demand for wool. He made further reference to the war, and told the breeders to produce more sheep to meet the increased demand.

Messrs. Alex Hamilton (chairman), Ernest Houston, Hunter River, and D. N. MacKay, M.L.A., Springfield, were then appointed as a resolution committee.

The appointment of a delegate to the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers then took place. The vote resulted in the naming of Mr. W. H. MacGregor of Central Lot 16 for this position.

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Proceedings Under defense Regulations

Action to be Taken Against Allegedly Subversive Editorial in Ottawa Citizen

OTTAWA, Feb. 27.—(CP)—Defence of Canada Regulations will be strictly enforced, particularly against Communists even if they happen to be members of trade unions, Justice Minister Lapointe said today in the House of Commons.

In the course of his defence against charges that he was a Communist, Mr. Lapointe was taken mainly against radio and others in humble positions, the minister said action would be taken against the Ottawa Citizen for a recent editorial which he described as "subversive."

The minister was under fire from M. C. Cowell, acting C.O.F. H. C. Leader, who criticized methods of administration and charged failure to go after those in high places.

Mr. Cowell was speaking for more severe restrictions than those contained in the Defence of Canada Regulations, but did not complain.

Those who were serving in the war, he said, had every right to expect that we in the Parliament of Canada would not let them down by breaking off relations with Rumania, he added.

The Rumanian experiment will not be repeated here. It is sitting in a circle of 13 British and United States journalists, the minister suggested that under certain circumstances Royal Air Force planes might attack in both Bulgaria and Rumania, even if no regular Nazi troops cross the Danube.

Intimating that an order taking him home would be tantamount to the beginning of the end, he said that he would recommend such an order: 1. If German uniforms or orders cross the Danube in such numbers as to constitute an invasion.

2. If the Nazis get control of the country without troops. 3. Unsatisfactory development of such an incident as that involving the still unexplained disappearance of Grenovitch, a British passport officer.

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Soviets reverse Position in Balkan crisis

Are Reported Raising Strong Objections To Nazi Thrust Through Bulgaria.

By MAX HARRELSOHN Associated Press Staff Writer BUDAPEST, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Soviet Russia was reported tonight to have done an about-face and raised strong objections to a German thrust through Bulgaria to Greece, leading to a speed-up of military preparations by Yugoslavia, the country which might offer a second-choice pathway to the Nazis.

This turn of events, plus a threatened British diplomatic break with Bulgaria, and Anglo-Turkish negotiations in which the two nations reached a preliminary Balkan and Eastern Mediterranean problems brought a sudden rise in the already high Balkan tension.

Diplomatic advice reaching Bucharest said Yugoslavia began calling for a resumption of individual orders.

Foreign Minister Alexander Cincovitch of Yugoslavia, who only returned to Belgrade after taking part in ratification of a Yugoslav-Hungarian friendship pact at Budapest, reported a change of attitude by Soviet Russia, heretofore represented as acquiescent to German plans through Bulgaria, was said to have increased fears in Belgrade that Hitler might attempt to sweep down Yugoslavia's Vardar Valley to Salonika instead of taking the mountainous way through Bulgaria.

Adding to southeastern Europe's war of nerves was a report that Bulgaria may join the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo Axis as a result of last night's secret cabinet meeting in Sofia. That meeting followed a long conference among Baron Herbert von Riechthoffen, German minister to Sofia, and Bulgarian leaders.

Hostilities With Rumania, Bulgaria Seen

British Minister to Bulgaria indicates Britain ready to take firm action in Balkans.

(By ROBERT ST. JOHN Associated Press Staff Writer) SOFIA, Feb. 27.—(AP)—George W. Rendel, British Minister to Bulgaria, said tonight that "the forerunners" of a German invasion of Bulgaria already are in the country "by hundreds—no; I should say thousands."

In an interview he raised the possibility of an imminent break in British-Bulgarian relations followed by British bombing of both Bulgaria and Rumania, and declared: "In one day, 350 Germans crossed from northern to southern Dobruja. (Northern Dobruja is in Rumania, where the Nazi troops stand at an estimated 600,000; Southern Dobruja is now a part of Bulgaria)."

"Today, on the street I passed a group of 30 young men of military age. Laughing at the Bulgarian contention that the privileges now being accorded the Germans would have been granted to Britain, had they been requested, Mr. Rendel said: "It would have been futile for us to have asked to pass even 20 civilians across the frontier."

Mr. Rendel was long delayed in breaking off relations with Rumania, he added. The Rumanian experiment will not be repeated here. It is sitting in a circle of 13 British and United States journalists, the minister suggested that under certain circumstances Royal Air Force planes might attack in both Bulgaria and Rumania, even if no regular Nazi troops cross the Danube.

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It is also quite clear that Britain is taking every advantage of the German delay. She is making both military and diplomatic moves of vital importance. These are illustrated by the Eden conference in Turkey and British seizure of the island of Crete, which may be occurring in the Balkans is not primarily defensive, and designed to insure protection of Rumanian oil sources, not to aid Italy.

If that is Nazi policy, smoking up claims of staggering sea losses being inflicted on Britain might be understandable. It might be designed to convince the defeated Italian public that it is in the best, not the east, that the Axis war with Britain can be won most certainly and quickly.

SEEK BANK ROBBERS KITCHENER, Ont., Feb. 27.—(CP)—Police in this area were searching tonight for two armed men who were believed to be members of the Bank of Nova Scotia branch at nearby St. Jacobs, and escaped with \$2,283 in cash.

Reports new Type German Mine in use

AN EAST COAST CANADIAN PORT, Feb. 27.—(CP)—The Germans have developed a new type of mine, exploded by the vibrations of a ship's propeller, the first officer of a freighter in port here said today.

He said the new mine was brought into use after the British began the de Gausse nullifier, which killed the effectiveness of the magnetic mine.

"The British will solve this too," he predicted. The officer, whose ship left Norway just before the German invasion of that country, also claimed the Nazis were camouflaging some of their planes to resemble British Spitfires.

On one occasion, he said, he was in a convoy guarded by two Spitfires, when a third plane approached. Of much the same shape, it had been painted to resemble the famous British fighter.

The British pilots discovered the ruse and shot the intruder down within 100 yards of his ship.

SAME FOR ALL LONDON.—(CP)—The Ministry of Food says "there is no truth whatsoever in the suggestion" that it is contemplating the production of two kinds of bread—"one for the rich and one for the poor."

VICTORS GET THE SPOILS—BUT THE SPOILS GENERALLY SPOIL THE VICTORS

TORONTO, Feb. 27.—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Table with 3 columns: Location, Min, Max. Dawson 27B 103B, Victoria 43 49, Edmonton 2 13, Regina 14B 17, Winnipeg 16B 11, Toronto 7 21, Ottawa 5B 16, Montreal 4 18, Quebec 5 24, Saint John 12 20, Halifax 19 21, Charlottetown 18 17.

FORECAST Maritime East; Strong winds; partly cloudy with scattered snowflurries; not much change in temperature.

Synopsis: The weather has been mostly fair and cold in Ontario and the Western Provinces.

High tide this afternoon at 12:05 and tonight at 12:38. Sun sets this afternoon at 5:45 and rises tomorrow morning at 6:39. First quarter moon March 6, 3:43 p.m.

Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown. CAR FERRY SAILINGS Leaves Borden 9:45 A.M. 1:00 P.M. Leaves Tormentine 11:00 A.M. 3:15 P.M.