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BRITAIN AND FRANCE Agree on Peace Policy

Henlein Organizes "Free Corps"

CROSS BORDER TO ATTACK CZECH GUARDS

"Hour of Liberation Near" Says Sudeten German Leader.

(By MELVIN K. WHITELEATHER Associated Press Foreign Staff) SELB, Germany, Sept. 18.—(AP)—The Sudeten German "Free Corps" now numbering 10,000, early today attacked and badly damaged a Czechoslovak custom house at Neuhausen and seriously injured at least one Czech guard. The attack came as Konrad Henlein, Sudeten German leader now in Germany, issued a new statement declaring "the hour of liberation is near."

Neuhausen lies on the frontier about 1-1/4 miles from Asch, Czechoslovakia, Henlein's home, and on the road to Behan, Germany. Witnesses said the custom post was ripped by hand grenades and bullets.

Sudeten party headquarters, established here five miles from the frontier after having been routed from Eger, Czechoslovakia, put a serious face on the affair.

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COMING EVENTS
*Wednesday is Dance Night at The Highlands. L-1257-8-11-12.

*Talkies and Dance Brudalbano Tuesday. L-1371-9-17-21.

*Talkies—French River Wednesday, last of Serial. L-1371-9-17-21.

*Talkies—Crapaud Thursday. L-1371-9-17-21.

*Dance at Bridgetown Tuesday, 25 cents. L-1368-9-17-21.

*Borden Line Club leading hogs lams, calves every Tuesday. Hours 12 to 3. L-348-12-M-2-5-11.

*Bridal Pageant, Montague United Church, September 20th, 8 P. M. Beautiful gowns and the best musical talent. L-1422-9-17-21.

*Come to the Chicken Supper and Dance in Long Creek Hall, Thursday evening, September 22nd. L-1408-9-17-21.

*Seven Mile Bay Tuesday, Sept. 20th, bazaar, bingo and dance, Summerside orchestra, Lucky tickets given away. L-1460-9-19-21.

*Dance in Freeland Lodge every Wednesday night begins at nine o'clock, Tignish, Orchestra. L-2177-7-5-Mon-Tues-t.

Italy's Place Is 'Already Chosen' Says Mussolini

Reaffirms Adherence To Rome-Berlin Axis. Terms Chamberlain "Flying Messenger Of Peace."

(By Richard Massook, Associated Press Foreign Staff) TRIESTE, Italy, Sept. 18.—Premier Mussolini proclaimed today that Italy's place "is already chosen" if the Czechoslovak crisis inflames Europe in a general war.

He Duce first reaffirmed Italy's adherence to the Rome-Berlin axis and repeated the Italian demand for plebiscites for the minorities of Czechoslovakia.

Mussolini said Prime Minister Chamberlain of Great Britain shared the belief haste was necessary to solve the problem "in leaving London for Munich as a flying messenger of peace."

"We hope that in these last hours a peaceful solution is reached," he declared before 100,000 cheering Fascists.

"We wish also that if this is not possible the resulting conflict is limited and circumscribed, but if this does not happen and a line-up of universal character is brought on for and against Prague let it be known that Italy's place is already chosen."

Former German State
Many who heard him were of German or Slavic nationality who became Italian citizens in the Great War settlement which gave Italy Trieste and the surrounding Tyrol area, formerly part of Austria-Hungary.

Thunderous boing went up in Trieste's public square when Mussolini spoke of the country "which wished to be great Czechoslovakia and which today reveals its organic inconsistency."

He Duce declared the Czechoslovak issue was the world's most momentous problem.

He called the Jewish question Italy's most pressing domestic concern and declared "we shall adopt necessary solutions. He linked racialism to the necessity of stressing Italian superiority for the sake of empire and said the Fascist "policy of separation" would be carried out.

Trieste has the highest proportion of Jews of any Italian city, 5,000 in its 250,000 population. Of these 1,500 are Jews who have settled in Italy since the Great War and who, under a recent decree, must leave Italy within the next six months.

Turning from the Czech problem, He Duce told his listeners of Italy's determination to hold Trieste before the war was the Austro-Hungarian empire's chief seaport.

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) ANTIGONISH, N. S., Sept. 18.—Charles Lucas, 55, of Guysboro, died in hospital here yesterday from injuries he suffered Friday night when struck by an automobile while walking along the road near Guysboro, N. S.

Mrs. Ellen Francis Ross, who was with Lucas and his wife when the accident occurred, died Friday night from injuries she suffered in the crash.

Lord Stanley Sails For Old Country
QUEBEC, Sept. 18.—(CP)—Lord Stanley, British Secretary of state for Dominions, returned to England Saturday, his visit in Canada cut short because of illness caused by a three-month-old leg injury not completely healed when he arrived in the Dominion Aug. 25.

Capture All But One Of Five Criminally Insane Fugitives
MONTREAL, Sept. 18.—(CP)—Only one of five criminally insane fugitives from Montreal's Bordeaux jail remained free tonight. Two of the quintet who shot their way out of the prison Friday were recaptured in suburban Rosemount Saturday night, more than 24 hours after the first pair were taken.

Leo Tremblay, 25, the only one left, was described by police as "harmless." He was believed unarmored, too, for police took two revolvers from Jules LeGace and Joseph Guichon when they surprised them in a clump of bushes last night, apparently the last of the weapons they stole from jail guards.

RESTRAINED OPTIMISM IN GERMANY

Hitler Awaits Next Meeting With Chamberlain - Anxious To Avoid War.

BERLIN, Sept. 18.—Chancellor Hitler kept watch on the European crisis from his Bavarian mountain retreat on Obersalzberg today while heads of the British and French Governments met in London to debate his terms for peace.

Official circles regarded the fact that preparations were going forward for a conference at Godesberg—at which Prime Minister Chamberlain is expected to deliver the Anglo-French reply to those terms—as an indication that the Reichsfuehrer still believed war over Czechoslovakia can be avoided.

Germans watching the London meeting expected Mr. Chamberlain would be ready for his second precedent-breaking meeting with Hitler by Tuesday.

Diplomatic and other circles here believed only speedy action to meet the demands of Hitler and Konrad Henlein, his Sudeten lieutenant, for the union of Sudetenland with Nazi Germany would save the situation.

Nevertheless official circles manifested a spirit of restrained optimism. Mr. Chamberlain's statement on his return to London Friday that Hitler would meet him half way in the interests of New Brunswick potato growers in the seed potato market of Argentina was sounded here Saturday by Hon. F. W. Pirie, New Brunswick Minister of Lands and Mines and a prominent seed potato producer and shipper.

He advised New Brunswick seed growers to hold their stock for better prices than those, currently quoted.

One Person Killed In Train-Car Crash
LITTLE BRAS D'DOR, N. S., Sept. 18.—(CP)—One person was killed and another injured seriously when the Sydney-to-Halifax Express crashed into an automobile at a level crossing in this Cape Breton County village tonight.

Salomon Ferguson, 36, of Florence, near here, driver, was killed instantly when the locomotive picked up the automobile, carried it along the track for about 100 feet and then flung it aside.

Ferguson's companion, Florence Morrison of Englishtown, another Cape Breton village, was taken to hospital in critical condition.

One of her arms had been wrenched from the socket and she suffered severe lacerations, bruises, possible internal injuries and shock.

Dies From Injuries In Road Accident
AMHERST, N. S., Sept. 18.—(CP)—Phillip Bourke, 70, died in hospital today from injuries suffered last night when he was struck by an automobile operated by Curtis MacKay of nearby Nappan.

Bourke was walking along the highway toward Nappan at the time of the accident. Tonight an inquest was conducted by Coronor Dr. W. O. Coates and a verdict of accidental death was returned.

The five, sent to Bordeaux from St. Vincent De Paul penitentiary or being declared insane, were housed in the jail asylum. They included a lifer—John O'Malley, sentenced for assault on a penitentiary guard, O'Malley and Orendiano Coallier doing 10 years for burglary were captured shortly after the escape.

Three N. S. Fishermen Drowned

PORT HICKETON, N. S., Sept. 18.—(CP)—Three Lunenburg County swordfishermen were drowned Saturday night when the 40-ton schooner Nelson L. went down after striking a ledge off this eastern shore village. Three others saved themselves by rowing ashore in a dory.

Captain A. Conrad and two brothers, Wade and Carman Bowers, were lost when the schooner struck the ledge in a heavy sea. Earl Bowers, father of the two brothers, and another son, Robert with Harvey Langille, took to a dory. They were forced to use their sea boots to bail out the water which swept into the little craft.

Reaching shore they were given shelter by a light-keeper. All are Cherry Hill, N. S., natives with the exception of Langille, who is from Tancred, N. S.

The schooner was heavily laden with coal from North Sydney, N. S. The men were returning in their homes after the swordfishing season off the Cape Breton coast.

Only a little more than a week ago a similar tragedy occurred. The schooner "Peggy's Cove" near the entrance to St. Margaret's Bay, when the coal-laden schooner Clarisse P. foundered, drowning the crew of three.

PARLIAMENT MUST DECIDE SAYS PREMIER

OTTAWA, Sept. 18.—(CP)—Prime Minister MacKenzie King indicated in a statement yesterday that before Canada was committed to any active part in the play of events in central Europe he would summon parliament to receive the government's recommendations.

In this announcement the Prime Minister followed closely the line of action he laid down in several utterances of the past two years on the attitude his administration toward events that might involve Canada, as a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations, in a European war.

At the same time the Prime Minister renewed his expressions of faith in the efficacy of consultation and friendly discussions of differences between nations.

He praised the peace-making efforts of Neville Chamberlain and his colleagues in the British government.

The Canadian government are examining all possible contingencies," the Prime Minister said, "and will be prepared in accordance with the undertakings repeatedly given in parliament, if the occasion arises to summon parliament forthwith and submit their recommendations to it."

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Express Hope Plan Will Be Basis For General European Appeasement

No Details Of Scheme Disclosed Following Lengthy Meeting Of Anglo-French Officials.

(By J. F. Sanderson, Canadian Press Staff Writer) LONDON, Sept. 19.—(Monday)—(CP Cable)—The British and French Governments reached "complete agreement" early today on a general plan to deal not only with the Czechoslovak-Sudeten German crisis but with general European appeasement.

Conferences which lasted 8 1-2 hours between Premier Daladier and Foreign Minister Bonnet, representing France, and the "big four" of the British Government — Prime Minister Chamberlain, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Viscount Halifax, Foreign Secretary, and Sir Samuel Hoare, Home Secretary, ended after midnight.

A brief communique stated they had reached "complete agreement" on a policy to be adopted "with a view to promoting a peaceful solution of the Czechoslovak question."

It added that the "two governments hope that thereafter it will be possible to consider a more general settlement in the interests of European peace."

(The Associated Press said informed observers believed the communique indicated that the two great European democracies had decided against fighting to preserve the unity of Czechoslovakia as that country now is constituted.)

FLEW TO LONDON
The French statesmen flew to London Sunday at Mr. Chamberlain's invitation to hear from him what took place last Thursday when the Prime Minister met Chancellor Hitler face-to-face at his Bavarian mountain retreat, and to formulate an Anglo-French standing on the pressing central European problem.

At the conclusion of the meeting the following communique was issued from No. 10 Downing Street, Mr. Chamberlain's official residence.

"After a full discussion of the present international situation representatives of the British and French governments are in complete agreement as to the policy to be adopted with a view to promoting a peaceful solution of the Czechoslovak question."

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The laconic communique was interpreted to mean the governments of France and Great Britain stand together on a general plan which goes beyond the Czech-German crisis but that that must be settled first.

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CZECHS KEEP HEAD DESPITE PROVOCATION

Sudeten-Germans Seek To Provoke Crisis In Border Raid.

BY ALVIN STEINKOPF Associated Press Foreign Staff PRAGUE, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Two Czechoslovak officers were wounded today in a raid on a customs station near the German frontier by an armed band which, the Government said, included "more than 100 men in civilian dress who came from Germany."

Premier Milan Hodza was informed of the attack here by broadcast a declaration that Czechoslovakia would not submit to a plebiscite to determine the future of the Sudeten German area.

The Government report was that the customs house, near Asch in the heart of troubled Sudetenland, was surrounded shortly after midnight. It said hand grenades were hurled through the building's windows and it was peppered with pistol and rifle shots.

The Czechoslovak staff in the customs house, it said, did not return the fire, fearing that bullets might cross the international frontier into Germany.

Instead, the Czechoslovaks were said to have shot up rocks which lighted the countryside and attracted the attention of a patrol of gendarmes in the vicinity.

As the gendarmes approached, the Government reported, the attackers fled across the border.

It said examination of bullets taken from the walls of the customs station proved they were of German manufacture.

The nation otherwise was quiet as the Government began using the sweeping authority accorded it under the state of emergency—a nation-wide form of martial law—declared by the cabinet Saturday night.

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ARCHBISHOP OF FREDERICTON SERIOUSLY ILL
SHERBORNE, Que., Sept. 18.—(CP)—Prayers for Most Rev. John Richardson, Archbishop of Fredericton, who is seriously ill, were offered today in a service conducted at St. Peter's Church by Most Rev. A. U. DePencier, Anglican Archbishop of New Westminster and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical province of British Columbia.

WHEN A GIRL REACHES THIRTY SHE HIDES THE FAMILY ALBUM



METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE
Toronto, Sept. 18.—Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Dawson 30 42
Victoria 39 42
Regina 30 37
Winnipeg 26 32
Toronto 35 45
Ottawa 44 61
Montreal 52 69
Quebec 52 68
St. John 54 62
Halifax 54 62
Charlottetown 48 62

FORECASTS
Maritime forecast, moderate easterly winds; partly cloudy with much the same temperature; probably scattered showers; some fog. High tide this evening at 6:11 and tomorrow morning at 6:11. Sun sets this evening at 6:04 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:43.

THE CAR FERRY SAILINGS
Leave: Borden 9.45 a. m. 1 p. m. and 4.45 p. m. Tormentine 11 a. m. 3.05 p. m. and 6.50 p. m.

Predict Abandonment Of U.S. Isolationist Policy

(Written for the Canadian Press) BY Prof. Norman A. M. MacKenzie
SYDNEY, N. S. W., Sept. 18.—(CP Cable)—Gradual abandonment by the United States of its traditional isolationist policy and the development of effective co-operation with the British Commonwealth for self-protection, were predicted in the closing discussions of the British Commonwealth Relations Conference which ended here yesterday.

The United States was even now emerging from its isolation because of its fear of the Nazi-Fascist threat against the bases of American democracy and against American interests in the western hemisphere, it was suggested.

Discussion in the closing session of the two-weeks conference centered mainly on future co-operation among the commonwealth countries in their trade, defence and foreign policies.

For the past two weeks 90 delegates from eight commonwealth countries, members of parliament, university professors, business men, have discussed unofficially and confidentially their views on the development of effective co-operation with the British Commonwealth for self-protection, were predicted in the closing discussions of the British Commonwealth Relations Conference which ended here yesterday.