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THRONE SPEECH AMENDMENT IS MOVED

BRITISH FREIGHTER IS TORPEDOED

ELEVEN LIVES LOST, REPORT

Sunk Near Cartagena By Insurgent Submarine.

(C.P. Havas, By Guardian's Special Wire)
BARCELONA, Jan. 31.—Eleven persons, including a non-interventionist, were killed when the British freighter *Endymion* was torpedoed and sunk near Cartagena by an insurgent Spanish submarine, the Spanish Government announced today.
The vessel was 16 miles south of Cape Tinas, near Cartagena, on a route to Cartagena, important Government naval base on the southeastern Spanish coast, with 1,500 tons of coal.
The attack occurred, according to an official communiqué based on reports from officers at Cartagena, at 7:20 a. m.
The ship went down four minutes after it was torpedoed.
An earlier report, broadcast by the Barcelona radio station, said some of the crew members were rescued.

MADRID, Jan. 31.—The Spanish Government tonight announced 11 lives were lost when the British freighter *Endymion* was torpedoed and sunk off the Spanish coast near Cartagena.
An official communiqué said the 87-ton vessel was hit by a submarine in the service of the Insurgents 16 miles off Cape Tinas, the southern coast.
The Government gave no further details of the attack.

CONFIRM REPORT

LONDON, Jan. 31.—The Admiralty tonight announced the British freighter *Endymion* had been torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean off the eastern Spanish coast.
The 87-ton vessel sailed Saturday from Gibraltar, its port of registry.

Franco Reorganizes Insurgent Regime

HENDAYE, Franco-Spanish Frontier, Jan. 31.—(AP)—General Franco made himself president-dictator of a reorganized insurgent regime today while his troops sought to breach the Government lines with an offensive in South Spain.
Heavy fighting went into its second day on the border of Badajoz and Cordoba Provinces near the Alameda mercury mining region which the insurgents vainly sought to capture a year ago.
Reports from Government sources, while admitting Franco had made initial gains in the southern campaign, said the Government now was pressing a counter-offensive.
The new Franco administration, which will have its seat at Burgos in North Central Spain, included a number of prominent members of the National Council with which Franco has ruled since October, 1937.

COMING EVENTS

- Announcements are inserted in this column at 2 cents per word strictly payable in advance.
- Ross' Mills, Vernon River, will find first three days of each week. L-2560-1-31-21.
- Rummage sale St. James Church Hall Saturday February 6. L-3301.
- Highfield Granites vs. Hornets, Milton rink tonight. Game starts 8 o'clock. L-3304.
- Kinkora Hall, Bingo and Dance Friday evening, February 4th. L-3292-2-1-11.
- Borden Line Club loading hogs, lambs, calves every Tuesday. Hours 12 to 3. L-348-12-M-2-5-11.
- Boring dressed chicken and fowl daily. Correct straws. Ton Bros. Island Cold Storage Company. L-475-12-30-11.
- Borden Rink Wednesday, February 2nd. Ladies hockey, Kensington vs. Borden. Skate after. Admission 20 cents. L-3291-2-1-21.
- Don't miss the High Tea in the Baptist School room tonight 5 to 7 P. M. under the auspices of the Ladies Guild. L-3293-2-1-11.
- Illustrated lecture on China in Millway Young People's Room Tuesday night at 7:30. Clifton, Lot 23 Wednesday night 7:30. Pownall Church Thursday night. Mt. Herbert Church Friday night. L-3299-2-1-11.
- Loading live hogs Thursday, February 3rd. Summerside 11 P. M.; Kensington till 3 P. M.; Arthur Haslam, Emerald, Thursday afternoon; Nicholson Bros., MacMerrin, Bullman, Hiram, Friday, February 4th until noon. MacEwen and Campbell. L-2288-2-1-14.

Japanese Present Economic Menace To British Columbia?

TORONTO, Jan. 31.—Japanese have "swamped British Columbia's fishermen and now they are swamping the fruit industry in the Fraser Valley and becoming heavy landowners," R. L. Maitland, former Attorney-General for British Columbia, said in an address here today. "They are definitely challenging the future of the province," he added.
"The people of British Columbia have always protested this matter and are asking the people of Eastern Canada to back them up. By virtue of an agreement Japan is the only country in the world that has the right to send immigrants to Canada. We have been protesting that agreement since its inception."
Mr. Maitland said he was in sympathy with the proposals to ban all Japanese immigration.
"Possibly the really disclosed attitude of Japan in relation to the British Empire will give a wider understanding of our position and more strength to our determination to stop this influx," he said.
The Japanese menace was an economic one, he said.

Endorsement Of Ferry Project Is Reaffirmed

The Council of the Charlottetown Board of Trade in a resolution passed at a special meeting last night reaffirmed the Board's endorsement of the proposed establishment of a ferry service between Carleton Place, Ontario, and Wood Islands in Queen's County, P. E. I., and expressed their "firm conviction that it will be of very material benefit to both Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island." Full text of the resolution, moved by Mr. D. F. Archibald, seconded by Lt. Col. K. S. Rogers, appears below.
The special session was called primarily to discuss a brief, which the Board will present to the Royal Commission when it meets in Charlottetown this month. Prepared by a committee under the chairmanship of Mr. R. L. Cotton the brief was read to the Council for approval.

Dr. J. A. Clark was appointed chairman of a committee to prepare answers to a questionnaire sent to member boards by the Canadian Chamber of Commerce. Other members of the committee include the President of the Charlottetown Board, Lt. Col. G. E. Full, R. E. Mutch, C. N. Bissett.

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Sets Date For Alta. Byelection

OTTAWA, Jan. 31.—(CP)—Prime Minister MacKenzie King announced tonight a byelection would be held March 21 in the Federal Constituency of Edmonton east to name a successor to the late Dr. William S. Hall, social creditor, who died last week.

Insurgents Order Youths To Colors

BURGOS, Spain, Jan. 31.—(AP)—The Insurgent Government today issued orders for the youths of 18, who in peace time would not begin their army service for another two years, to report for duty with the colors between Feb. 6 and 1.

Anglo-French Air Exports Plan Closer Co-operation

LONDON, Jan. 31.—(CP)—Viscount Swinton, air secretary, today conferred with French air experts speeding up aircraft construction through Anglo-French cooperation, and general measures to coordinate the air arms of both nations in cases of necessity.
No communiqué was issued after the conference nor was one expected tonight. The French experts were sent to London by the Paris Air Ministry.
In Paris last week it was stated plans were being prepared under which Great Britain could utilize French air bases on the Mediterranean, the Near East and Indonesia, where such moves be required by world conditions.
The Associated Press said the meeting was given significance by reports that Germany was maintaining a 10 per cent greater rate

HEIRESS BORN TO THRONE OF NETHERLANDS

Fair-Haired Daughter Born To Juliana—Holland Rejoices.

(A. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)
AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands, Jan. 31.—Crown Princess Juliana gave birth today to a blue-eyed, fair-haired daughter who someday may succeed her as Queen of The Netherlands and its colonial empire.
The 7-8-4 pound girl, Princess of The Netherlands, Duchess of Mecklenburg, Princess of Lippe-Biesterfeld, was the first heir born to the House of Orange since Juliana herself 28 years ago.
For months pious Dutch had prayed with Prince Bernhard, Juliana's consort, that the child would be a Prince and future King. The last King of Holland, Willem III, was born in 1817.

Wanted Girl
But Juliana wanted a girl and at 9:47 a. m. her wish was granted at the little white palace on Soestdijk, her country home near here.
A salute of 51 guns boomed out at the Amsterdam, the Hague, Arnhem, Breda and Amersfoort garrisons.
In Amsterdam, crowds had collected on the historic dam square in expectation of the announcement. As the news came, thousands chanted the solemn National Anthem "Wilhelmus Van Nassauwen."

Quaint winding lanes and cobble streets were filled with whirling couples, dancing under massed banners of orange.
Mr. J. W. Boulter, who attended the Canadian Horticultural Council meeting at Ottawa last week as a delegate from the Prince Edward Island department of Agriculture, yesterday expressed hopes for better things for the vegetable industry in the future. Mr. Boulter returned from Ottawa Saturday.

Mr. Boulter was a member of the Vegetable Committee which was successful in having the council request the Dominion Government to negotiate a reciprocal trade agreement with Cuba which would allow Canadian potatoes to enter that market in a volume comparable to former exports to mainly the United States.
The council also requested the Dominion Government to make every effort to obtain better trade relations with the United States for the entry of the "superior" potatoes. A permanent committee was appointed to deal with matters pertaining to potatoes with Mr. J. E. Porter of Perth, New Brunswick, as chairman.

Dr. G. Galley of the National Research Council informed the delegates that as much research work as possible to determine in what way potatoes may be profitably used in the manufacture of by-products was being undertaken. Mr. Boulter said it had already been learned that by a certain process potato starch may be used for culinary purposes in place of corn starch.
It was estimated that the Maritime Provinces used annually two million pounds of corn starch. The delegates were further advised that by a slightly different process the potato starch may be made suitable for laundry purposes, but that it was not economical practical to manufacture alcohol potatoes.

Commission Ends Ottawa Hearing

(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)
OTTAWA, Jan. 31.—Canada's position in the international field of government revenue was discussed today at the Royal Commission here and C. Fraser Elliott, Dominion income Tax Commissioner, said it was vital Canada put its house in order to be able to defend itself financially against other governments.
The commission concluded its Ottawa hearing and returned to Ottawa tonight. Submissions from interested in the Maritime Provinces will be heard, starting Thursday.

McAvity Liberal Nominee For Seat

(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)
SAINT JOHN, N. B., Jan. 31.—Liberal delegates from the Federal constituency of Saint John-Albert met in a caucus convention here today and chose Allan G. McAvity, Saint John, as their standard bearer in the Feb. 28 byelection to fill the vacancy caused by the death of William M. Ryan, Liberal.
Conservatives have yet to call a meeting or say if they will contest the byelection.

Death Yesterday Of Noted Physician

DUMFRIES, Scotland, Jan. 31.—Sir James Crichton-Browne, the "grand old man" of British medicine died today. He was 97.
Sir James specialized throughout his long career in mental cases and was a pioneer in brain surgery. For nearly half a century he was the Lord Chancellor's visitor in lunacy and wrote widely on mental diseases.
"We can all be centenarians if we like," the Scottish physician, whose long side-walkers made him a perfect survivor of the Victorian era, once said. He believed the benefits of cumulative medical research would result in an era of health and happiness if war could be averted.

Britain To Renew Effort To 'Humanize' Spanish Civil War

(A.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)
LONDON, Jan. 31.—Foreign Secretary Eden, shocked by repeated bombardments of civilians in Spain, was reported today to be determined to make another effort to "humanize" the Spanish civil war.
Informed sources said Mr. Eden, who has refused from attending the league council meeting at Geneva, was considering what further steps could be taken to follow up the London Nonintervention Committee's appeal to both the Spanish Government and Insurgent forces to stop bombing towns behind the battle lines, and mass executions.
This report came close on the heels of the "bloody Sunday" raid by Insurgent warplanes on Barcelona where 153 persons, including 47 children, were known dead and more than half that number wounded. The death list may never be completed as many victims were blown to bits. Semi-official sources said it would reach more than 350 dead.
The Sunday raid was the latest of more than a score in which at least 1,000 persons were killed and 1,500 wounded during January alone.

Brighter Future For Vegetable Industry Seen

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Drowned When Car Crashes Through Ice

SAINT JOHN, N. B., Jan. 31.—The latest in a series of accidents on the Kennebec River took the life of Percy Alexander, 33, Rothesay, this afternoon while his nephew, Freddie Lamb, 12, escaped.
Alexander was driving his car from Perry's Point when the automobile crashed through ice to the river bottom 20 feet below. Both occupants struggled to the surface but Alexander sank again before his brother Horace and others who hurried from shore could assist him.
They arrived in time to pull Freddie to safety. He had been clinging to the ragged ice edge.
Two trucks broke through the river ice during the weekend and five occupants escaped. On Jan. 13 two lives were lost in a similar accident. More recently, near St. Andrews, five men drowned and one escaped when the Marquis of Londonderry is to address tomorrow night. The campaign is warming up for the Feb. 9 election.

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LEGION WORK REVIEWED AT CONVENTION

More Adequate Compensation To War Pensioners Suffering "Severe Wounds."

(By Capt. W. W. Murray)
(Canadian Press Staff Writer)
FORT WILLIAM, Ont., Jan. 31.—Provision for more adequate compensation to war pensioners who have suffered "severe wounds" was announced at the seventh biennial convention of the Canadian Legion today by J. R. Bowler, general secretary.
Concurred in by Pensioners Minister C. G. Power, the Pension Commission is taking amendments to the table of disabilities, with a view to lightening the increasing handicap which advancing years bring to men severely wounded in the Great War.
Mr. Bowler's announcement took the form of a letter received from General H. F. McDonald, chairman of the Commission. It set forth that pensioners receiving 50 per cent pension in respect of their amputations or wounds will receive an additional 10 per cent at the age of 60, a further 10 per cent at 65 and 10 per cent more at 70. This plan will apply similarly to those with higher percentages of pensionable disabilities, eventually bringing them up to 80 per cent. The age-rate for 60 and 70 per cent pensioners, however, is accelerated, so that the former reach the 80 per cent point when they are 57 and the latter when they are 55.
The amendments are effective from tomorrow. Review of the numbers so benefitting will require some weeks, however, but an effort will be made to have this completed by the end of February.

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"It is not a case of \$5,000 or \$10,000 in a constituency but has to do with large sums of money for corrupt purposes," Mr. Bennett said.
He was not unmindful of the fact that contributions to political parties are not censurable in any sense. I know of men who make contributions to political parties who do so to their churches. But a levy is an entirely different thing. When an organizer goes to a contractor and says that he wants one or 10 per cent, that is not a contribution. What is more, I say it threatens the very life of this state. . . .
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Accepts Howe Challenge

At this point, Transport Minister Howe took part in the debate. "As one who places a great many contracts for this country, I am not a member of the opposition to give me a specific instance of a levy."

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Bennett Charges Rampant Corruption And Political Partisanship In Speech

Opposition Leader Hits Out From The Shoulder At Government Abuses In Draft Address Debate.

(Canadian Press by Guardian's Special Wire)
OTTAWA, Jan. 31.—Charging that "never in the history of this country has corruption been so rampant electorally as it is today" Conservative Leader Bennett in House today delivered a three-hour onslaught on the record of the Liberal Government. He was prepared, he said, to give details and facts before a committee in support of his charges of corruption.

When he concluded his speech which led off the debate on the address in reply to the Throne Speech he moved an amendment, criticising the Government for not taking legislative action against unfavorable economic conditions or proposing "to deal effectively with the prevailing uncertainty and insecurity resulting from the inadequate incomes of large numbers of our people."
He criticised the Government for a policy of inaction of relying on foreign trade while internal conditions were neglected. For instance, nothing was being done on monetary reform, he declared.

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MAJOR BATTLE IN PROGRESS

Armies Locked In Combat On Central China Front.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 1. (Tuesday)—Conflicting Chinese and Japanese dispatches indicated today a major battle was in progress on the central China front where Japan is seeking to link up the widely separated areas she has conquered.
The battle centre surged around the town of Chungkuang, 100 miles south of Souchow, junction of the Tientsin-Pukow and Lunchei railroads, which is the objective of one Japanese army marching from the north and another moving from the south.
While dispatches agreed fighting was intensified along the bitterly contested railroad running from Tientsin south to Pukow, each army reported heavy casualties and severe setbacks suffered by the others.
The troops believed to total upward of 500,000, have been skirmishing for position for more than a month.
In a counter-attack at Mingkwang Chinese troops asserted they flung back Japanese forces struggling to cross a river there and killed "at least 1,000 men and officers."

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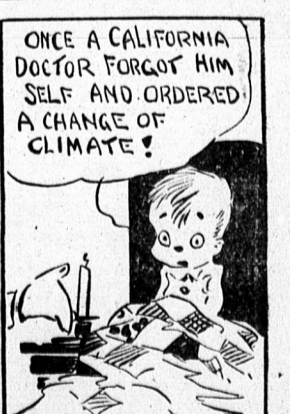
Pensions For Blind Will Commence This Month Is Report

Payment of pensions to the blind in Prince Edward Island would begin this month, Hon. Mark T. MacGuigan, Minister of Health and Education, announced yesterday. Sixteen persons had already been approved of the 100 applications received. Maximum pension would be \$15.00 per month to persons without income and proportionally less to anyone with a certain amount of income. Hon. Mr. MacGuigan said. Only persons 40 years old or over who were unable to work because of blindness were eligible. It was expected that out of the total applications about forty would receive pensions.
The Department of Pensions at Ottawa has appointed Dr. J. P. Lantz, Charlottetown, to examine applicants to determine the degree of blindness. Following approval by Ottawa the local pensions committee, headed by Hon. Mr. MacGuigan, will determine the amount of pension based on whether or not the applicant has other sources of income. No duplication of pensions will be made in the case of blind persons who are now receiving old age pensions.

Rapid Weather Changes Seen In Province

Prince Edward Island weather did a second right about face in twenty four hours last night. Heavy rainfall yesterday afternoon and evening stopped suddenly at 5:30 p. m. while the wind shifted from the south, south west to north west. The temperature, considerably above freezing when the wind shifted, dropped rapidly and shortly after a heavy snowfall began. Several inches fell in a few hours. The thaw, which ended suddenly last evening, began early Sunday night. The temperature shot upward rapidly until yesterday it reached a maximum of 48 at 12:30 p. m.
Despite heavy rainfall and poor visibility Canadian Airways schedule on the Moncton, Summerside Charlottetown service was uninterrupted. Drift ice in Northumberland Strait pushed hard against the Prince Edward Island shore by the southern wind, delayed the car ferry Charlottetown more than half an hour on crossings yesterday.

ONCE A CALIFORNIA DOCTOR FORGOT HIMSELF AND ORDERED A CHANGE OF CLIMATE!



(Canadian Press)

TORONTO, Jan. 31.—Minimum and maximum temperatures:—	
Dawson	34B 34
Victoria	24B 34
Edmonton	24B 24C
Regina	40B 20B
Winnipeg	40B 16B
Ottawa	14 26
Montreal	12 26
Quebec	16 32
Saint John	30 46
Halifax	30 46
Charlottetown	28 48

Maritime East and West: Fresh northwest winds; partly cloudy and much colder with snowflurries.
High tide this morning at 11:56 and tonight at 11:26.
Sun sets this evening at 5:07 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:20.
First quarter moon Monday, Feb. 7, 9:32 p. m.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.
THE CAR FERRY
Leaves Borden 9:4 a. m., 1 p. m., Leaves Summerside 11 a. m., 2:5 p. m.