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## Fate Of Tientsin Is In The Balance As Japs Advance

### Chinese Retreat To Within One Hundred Miles Of Tientsin — Fears Are Expressed By Occupants Of Foreign Colony.

(Associated Press)

TIENTSIN, May 8.—Fears for the fate of Tientsin were expressed by the city's foreign colony today as Chinese military forces retreated hastily before the new drive by Japanese and Manchukuan armies into the maritime area of North China.

Fleeing before a heavy artillery fire and a bombing attack by aerial forces, the Chinese troops retreated as far as Changli, 60 miles south of the Great Wall. Less than 100 miles northwest of Tientsin, the main Chinese troops were being rallied at Lwanchow.

The new drive, the second general movement of Japanese armies in the direction of Tientsin within 30 days, aroused the alarm of the large foreign colony whose members wondered if the attack would be halted short of the gates of the city.

Fears also were awakened for the safety of Peiping, where the shooting yesterday of an unidentified man, reputed popularly to be an agent of Japan and Manchukuo, has caused a sensation.

## DELEGATES TO ARRIVE THIS EVENING

### Over Two Hundred Delegates Expected to be Present at Maritime Conference Branch of the United Church.

Over two hundred delegates will attend the Maritime Conference Branch of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church in Canada which takes place in Summerside on Wednesday and Thursday.

The delegates from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick will arrive this evening. There are eighteen Presbyterians included in the Maritime branch and everyone with the exception of Bermuda, will send delegates.

The following officers and speakers are expected to arrive by this evening's train: President of Branch, Mrs. L. W. Parker, Northport, N. S.; Past President, Mrs. R. A. Jamieson, St. John, N. B.; First Vice President, Mrs. W. A. Thompson, Kentville, N. S.; Second Vice President, Mrs. E. E. O'Brien, Truro, N. S.; Third Vice President, Mrs. A. P. Stoneman, Yarmouth, N. S.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. H. A. Anderson, Middle Musquodoc.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS, ETC

\*\*Announcements are inserted in this column at 2 cents per word strictly payable in advance.

\*\*Kelly's Cross, Wednesday, May 10, play by Borden Dramatic Club. Dance afterwards. 9326-5-9-21

\*\*Alpha Rebecca Lodge Special Meeting Tuesday, May 9th 8 P. M. 9339-5-9-11.

\*\*Borden Line Club loading hogs, calves, Albany, Wednesday, May 10, hours 12 to 3. 9342-5-9-21

\*\*Come to the play in Marshfield Hall tomorrow night at 8 p.m. 9347-11

\*\*Reserve Wednesday, July 5, for Tryon-Crapaud United Church picnic. 9322-5-8-21

\*\*Come to the dance in Lot 65 Hall Wednesday, May 10th. Good music and refreshments. 9313-5-8-31.

\*\*Regular Monthly Meeting P.E.I. Hospital Ladies' Aid, Wednesday at 130 in Trinity Social Hall. 9336-5-9-21.

\*\*Ebenezer young people will present their concert in Wheatley River Hall on May 17. Admission 15 and 20 cents. 9344-11

\*\*See "Betty, the Girl O' My Heart," in Orwell Cove Hall, Friday, May 12th. Good specialties. Dance afterwards. 9333-5-9-21.

\*\*Depression Dance, Grandview Hall, Wednesday, May 10th. Prizes for best hard time costume. Piano and violin music. Admission 15 cents. 9335-5-9-11.

\*\*Everyone should desire a solvent Estate. A very few dollars will create an immediate estate of one thousand. Talk it over with J. A. Moore, Manager Sun Life. May 3-31. 9340-5-9-31.

## ST. DUNSTAN'S PLAYERS PRESENT DRAMA

### "The Attorney For the Defence" Presented At Rochford Hall Has Gripping Plot.

A drama of gripping, sustained interest, in which the mysterious, the pathetic and the humorous were skilfully interwoven, and as skilfully interpreted, was presented by the St. Dunstan's University players at Rochford Square Hall last evening. The title, "The Attorney for the Defence," is one which creates expectations of a gripping entertainment, and the large audience was not disappointed. The performance reflected much credit on Rev. M. Francis, under whose direction the play was staged, and on each of the actors.

The action centres around a feud between two prominent society families, the Carlyles and the Hampdens. Joseph Hampden, the prosecuting attorney, believes that Judge Carlyle kidnapped his daughter twenty years previous, and ignorant of the fact, he prosecutes in court his own daughter who appears as Beth Winters. Hampden also accuses Judge Carlyle of bribery.

The role of Jimmie Carlyle, at-

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## Protest Banning Of Rutherford

(Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, May 8.—Petitions containing 400,000 names in protest of the banning of Judge Rutherford's lectures by the Canadian Radio Broadcasting Commission were presented to the House of Commons today by W. J. Loucks (Cons. Rosetown).

Page 5-5 proceeded to the desk of the member for the petitions as they had been presented; and to the amusement of the House returned with 11 large cardboard boxes which they piled high on the clerk's table.

## INDIA GOV. RELEASES M.K. GANDHI

### The Mahatma Is Released After He Commenced Hunger Strike.

POONA, India, May 8.—(A.P.)—The Government of India released M. K. Gandhi from prison tonight a few hours after he had started the three-week fast physicians believe will cost his life.

The Mahatma, who has served 16 months in Yeroda jail for his civil disobedience campaign, immediately subcontracted that campaign to the battle he is waging for removal of the stigma of India's untouchables.

The wizened little old man, a Messiah of unnumbered Indian millions, announced that for one month civil disobedience was being abandoned.

He made this announcement a few hours after he had eaten his last meal of fruit juice.

The Mahatma's hunger strike is directed not against the British but against his fellow Indians. Its purpose is to put an end to the discrimination against the untouchables, the lowest caste of the community.

## FOUR HUNDRED HOMELESS AS RESULT OF FIRE

### Fire Which Swept Ellsworth, Maine, Suspected to be of Incendiary Origin — Governor Will Seek Financial Aid.

ELLSWORTH, Maine, May 8.—(A.P.)—Four hundred persons were without homes and the rest of the community was without pure drinking water tonight as the result of a fire that destroyed 200 dwellings and business houses. Authorities investigated a possibility that the \$3,000,000 blaze was of incendiary origin.

Firemen from this and surrounding communities in battling the flames last night and early today, drained the city's reservoir and forced the city to pump water directly from the Union River into the mains. Mayor Harold V. Moore warned the citizens the water was unfit for drinking unless boiled.

As authorities were tracing reports that a man had been seen running from the storeroom where the fire broke out and that two men were observed hurrying away from a barn just before that building burst into flames early this morning, relief agencies fell into line to render assistance.

Governor Louis B. Brann, in Augusta, said he would leave for Washington immediately to apply for financial aid for the city from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

## Unemployed And Mounties Clash

(Canadian Press)

SASKATOON, May 8.—Inspector L. J. Sampson, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, suffered a fractured skull late today when his horse stumbled and dragged him as mounted police clashed with unemployed at the relief camp here. His condition is critical.

Also injured was Constable J. Ross McBrien, son of Commissioner J. H. McBrien, head of the Mounted Police.

Sixteen unemployed were placed under arrest, after mounted horsemen had charged their ranks.

SASKATOON, May 8.—(C.P.)—Inspector L. J. Sampson of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, died here tonight following injuries he received during an unemployed riot late today. His horse stumbled and dragged him as police clashed with unemployed, and he suffered a fractured skull when his head struck a post.

## Unemployed Aid To Discontinue

### No Further Relief Will Be Granted Jobless Is Council's Decision—Electrical Inspection Act Read.

Announcement was made at the monthly meeting of the City Council last evening that due to lack of funds the City would no longer grant relief to the unemployed. His Worship Mayor Stewart presided at the meeting, at which all councillors and city officials were present.

At the opening of the meeting His Worship informed the unemployed present that the city had decided to give them no further aid. The reason for this action, the Mayor explained, was that there was no money available for such a purpose, as the Bank would give credit for the purpose only of ordinary running expenses. The matter had been discussed by the Council with the clergymen. The latter were willing to undertake the relief of necessary cases. All those able to take care of themselves must do so.

Following the reading of the minutes the bills were dealt with as usual.

A communication from a number of electrical contractors was read. The contractors requested the opportunity of reviewing and offering suggestions regarding electrical regulations.

Councillor Holman stated that the Light Committee had met with the contractors to discuss the matter.

Committee Reports

Councillor Reardon for the Street Committee reported regular work of maintenance and repair was going on.

## REVIEWS LIFE OF BRITAIN'S PRIME MINISTER

### "A Truly Great Force in the World Today" Declares Professor Thompson In Summing Up Career of Rt. Hon. Ramsay MacDonald.

The career of the Rt. Hon. J. Ramsay MacDonald, Prime Minister of Great Britain, was the subject of a brilliant address by Professor Rev. J. S. Thomson, of Halifax, before a large and appreciative audience in the Heartz Memorial Hall last evening.

The speaker to whom a warm tribute was paid by the chairman, Rev. Dr. Ramsay, introduced his subject with a striking contrast. It was said at the outbreak of war that many reputations would be broken and others would be made. This was a shrewd remark, but even the shrewdest observer of events, occupying his mind with the strange reversals of history, would hardly have dared to prophesy that the man whose name was held up to general execration, who was regarded as an arch traitor to his country and his God, who was so detested that there was not a single ship on the whole coast of Britain that

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## DOG NUISANCE

Councillor Holman inquired if the Police Committee was taking up the matter of dealing with stray dogs.

It was stated that the by-law did not permit dogs to be at large unless they were on a leash. Complaints had been received regarding dogs destroying gardens and lawns.

Councillor Holman for the Light Committee reported that the investigation regarding the electric light situation was under way. Citizens at Charlottetown, Montague and Georgetown had entered complaints with the Public Utilities Board, and a thorough investigation of the Maritime Electric Company, its rates and charges throughout the province was in prospect.

Councillor Kennedy gave notice that at the next monthly meeting he would introduce an amendment to the city by-law respecting dogs. A resolution was passed giving the Mayor and City Clerk access to the safety deposit box in the Royal Bank.

A resolution was passed author-

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## WIRE BRIEFS

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 8.—(A.P.)—Spring storms lashed the southern United States again today, killed six persons in West Tennessee, injured 34 others and spread destruction from the Mississippi river to South Carolina.

PICTOU, N. S., May 8.—(C.P.)—Rev. William Robert Turner, Stipendiary Magistrate of Middleton, N. S., and a former Methodist Church Minister died suddenly today at the home of his daughter, whom he had been visiting. He was 65 years old.

CHESTER, N. S., May 8.—(C.P.)—The small station and freight shed at East River, on the C. N. R., Halifax and southwestern branch burned down today. Cause of the blaze was undetermined. It is understood the shed contained little of value.

HALIFAX, May 8.—(C.P.)—Wearied residents of four Counties had returned to their homes tonight after successfully battling a series of forest fires that broke out in Nova Scotia over the week end.

HALIFAX, May 8.—(C.P.)—Wider markets for Nova Scotia's timber products are to be found in England although prices are "somewhat low." Chief Forester Otto Schlerbeck declared tonight on his return from a trade mission to the Old Country.

## Gov. Passes Bill Concerning Smugglers

OTTAWA, May 8.—(C.P.)—Designed to hit the dope smugglers and rum runners, the House of Commons today passed a Government Bill imposing fines and imprisonment on masters of vessels caught with contraband goods. Seizure of the vessel itself also was provided.

Penalties for the masters were made dependent on the value of the contraband goods. If the duty of the smuggled goods exceeded \$200, the master was made liable to a fine ranging from \$200 to \$1,000 and from a prison term from one to four years. If the duty value was below \$200, the prison term ranged from one month to a year and the fine from \$50 to \$200.

The bill, said Premier R. B. Bennett, was aimed chiefly at the dope smuggler. Making masters of vessels liable to fine, imprisonment and forfeiture of their boats would put them on guard against smuggling.

OTTAWA, May 8.—The price of gold in the London market today was \$28.06 an ounce in Canadian funds, which was somewhat lower than Saturday. The par value of gold is \$20.67.

## Trade Bill Gets First Reading

(Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, May 8.—First reading was given in the House of Commons today to a Bill authorizing the Governor-in-Council to agree to extend by proclamation the duration of the Canada-New Zealand Trade Agreement. The pact was put into force last year for 12 months and expires on May 24. No discussion took place on the measure.

## Bankers Confirm Reduction Report

MONTREAL, May 8.—(C.P.)—Bankers here tonight confirmed Toronto statements that a reduction of one half of one percent in the six percent interest rate on bank loans had been put into effect to a varying extent.

The reduction of interest rates on loans follows a reduction of one-half of one percent in the rate of interest on bank deposits which went into effect on May 1.

## SOVIET SALVAGE SHIP SINKS WITH LOSS OF TWENTY

### Three Survivors Relate Harrowing Experience Of Days Adrift On Arctic Waters In Open Boat — Captain Suicides.

TROMSO, Norway, May 8.—(A.P.)—Three survivors of the Soviet salvage ship Rouslan who, after the steamer sank with the loss of 20 men, drifted five days over Arctic wastes in an open boat, told an agonizing story of arriving here today.

Captain Klujeff of the Rouslan committed suicide to escape death by cold and privation, the survivors reported, and chief engineer Vorosonoff froze to death.

The three men—first officer Datseloff and sailors Popoff and Bekasoff—were rescued by the Norwegian sealing ship Ringesael last Friday. They were found lying in a drifting lifeboat, apparently dead. They were given treatment 12 hours before they regained consciousness.

When they were able to talk, the survivors said that there had been five men in the lifeboat, but that Vorosonoff died after a day's terrible suffering in temperature four degrees below zero. Captain Klujeff, the other members of the lifeboat party, advised that all take their lives rather than endure death by slow freezing.

The three refused to take the Captain's advice but Klujeff shot himself with a rifle and fell into the sea, they said.

The three survivors are suffering with frozen legs which may make amputation necessary.

The rescue vessel, the Ringesael, tried to make the port of Spitzbergen, but owing to a storm turned toward the coast of Norway.

## BUCK BROTHERS PLEAD THEY ARE INNOCENT

### Alleged Kidnappers Pleading Not Guilty Are Held on \$100,000 Bail Each.

(By Edward J. Kelley Associated Press Staff Writer)

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., May 8.—Kenneth and Cyril Buck, Harwichport brothers, pleaded not guilty today in the kidnapping of 10-year-old "Peggy" McMath and were held in \$100,000 bail each for hearing May 22.

The district court in the quaint old town hall was crowded as the brothers, arrested Saturday after the child had been safely returned to her parents and the \$60,000 ransom had been recovered in Kenneth's home, appeared before Judge Robert A. Welsh, 32, Massachusetts' youngest jurist.

Kenneth, 28-year-old unemployed chauffeur, created a furor shortly before his appearance in court by telling reporters that there was "another party" involved in the kidnapping, but that he was withholding his identity because he was afraid of what might happen to his wife.

The young confessed-kidnapper later retracted his statement and detectives reiterated their belief no one else was involved.

At first Kenneth said two other men were involved but later changed it to one.

A special session of the Grand Jury will convene next week and if indictments are returned on the basis of what police claim are confessions by both men the usual preliminary hearing will be eliminated.

## W.D. Herridge Undergoes Operation

(Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, May 8.—Operated on today for appendicitis, Hon. W. D. Herridge, Canadian Minister to Washington, was reported in a satisfactory condition tonight.

"His condition is very good," stated Dr. George Hooper who performed the operation on the diplomat who had been undergoing treatment for some time.

Although Major Herridge was in poor health for several weeks it was not until a couple of days ago that an operation was considered necessary. He and Mr. Herridge had been in Ottawa for about a week, the guests of the latter's brother, Premier R. B. Bennett.

## French Vote Against War Debt Payment

(Associated Press)

PARIS, May 8.—The French Cabinet voted to a man today against paying the United States the \$19,000,000 defaulted War Debt interest due last December 15 unless the United States guarantees a moratorium on the debt payment due June 15.

This action was taken at a Cabinet meeting at which the report of Etienne Herriot on his conversations with President Roosevelt at Washington was thoroughly examined.

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## WILL RECEIVE TENDERS FOR DEBENTURES

### \$250,000 Debenture Issue, Under Authority of 1932 Statute, to be Made as From May 1.

Announcement has been made that the Provincial Government will receive sealed tenders up to 11 noon on Wednesday, the 10th instant, for the purchase of an issue of debentures to the amount of \$250,000 bearing interest at the rate of 4 1-2 per cent per annum and in denominations of \$1,000. The bonds will be dated May 1. Offers are being received for 10 or 15 or 20 year maturities.

Sinking funds will be provided and the bonds will be registrable as to principal only.


The issue is being made under authority of an Act passed in 1931 to provide for the issuing of debentures to pay off bank overdrafts and to raise funds to rebuild public buildings.

## Doukhobor Chief Escapes Injury

(Canadian Press)

LETHBRIDGE, Alta., May 8.—Peter Verigin, head of Canada's doukhobor communities, narrowly escaped possible death near Bow Island when his motor car left the highway and plunged into the ditch. The car was badly wrecked but the doukhobor head and his party escaped injury.

## A MAN IS AS OLD AS HE FEELS; BUT A WOMAN IS AS OLD AS SHE FEELS LIKE ADMITTING!



## METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE, TORONTO, MAY 8.—(By The Canadian Press)—Minimum and maximum temperatures—

Dawson	38	56
Edmonton	38	52
Halifax	42	52
Kingston	42	52
Montreal	42	52
Ottawa	42	52
Quebec	42	52
Saint John	42	52
Halifax	42	52
Charlottetown	42	52

FORECAST

Maritime East: Moderate to fresh westerly to northerly winds; fair and cool.

Maritime West: Moderate to fresh winds; fair and cool; probably more unsettled at night.

High tide this morning at 9:30 and tonight at 10:30.

Sun sets this evening at 7:15 and rises tomorrow morning at 4:30.

Full moon Tuesday, May 9, 10:54 P. M.

CAR FERRY SCHEDULE

Week days—Leaves Borden daily, 9:15 A. M.

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## FRENCH VOTE AGAINST WAR DEBT PAYMENT

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