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may be inexpedient.

Success may ruin a once hardy  
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## TERRITORIAL CLAIMS TO FORE AT ROME

### OPENING CEREMONY OF PARLIAMENT TODAY Chamberlain And Mussolini Open Four-day Parley

#### PRE-ELECTION SESSION IS ANTICIPATED

Interest Centres On Today's Speech From The Throne, Outlining Gov't Measures.

(C. F. by Guardian's Special Wire) OTTAWA, Jan. 11—Members of the Senate and House of Commons will gather in Ottawa tomorrow for the fourth and what many believe will be the last session of the 18th Parliament since Confederation.

At four p. m. A. S. T., the Governor-General Lord Tweedsmuir, accompanied by Lady Tweedsmuir and a brilliantly uniformed retinue, will enter the Senate Chamber to read the Speech from the Throne.

From the Commons Chamber will come the elected members, their work-a-day apparel and sombre contrast to the formal uniforms and evening dresses in and about the Red Chamber, to hear a brief resume of what the Government hopes to accomplish during the session.

A strong feeling persists that this session will be followed by a general election but even without that there are several features which tend to make it outstanding.

New Trade Agreement

Increasing importance of world affairs in their relation to the Dominion, the new trade agreement with United States, the almost certain intention of the Government to deal with unemployment and relief from a new and more comprehensive program, the possibility of prorogation may be carried out by King George VI during his Canadian tour late next spring, and this session of particular interest.

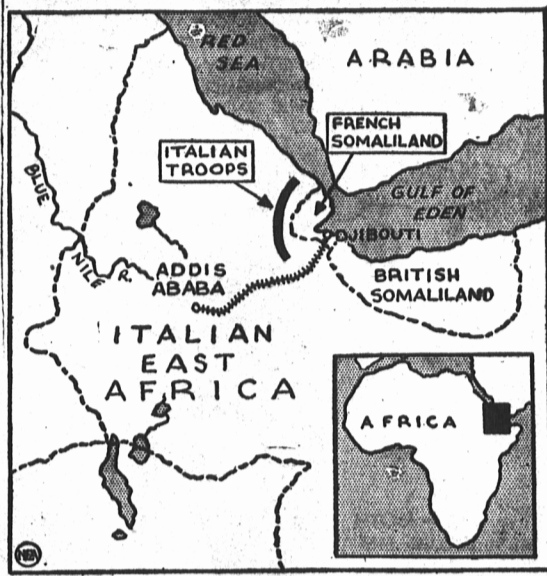
If it is to be a pre-election session the fact will probably become apparent as the session advances. There are several members of the Mackenzie King to fill any of the eight vacancies in the Senate prior to the session, with such action's consequent opening of federal seats should any members of the House be chosen, has been taken by some as a clear indication of the

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#### COMING EVENTS

- Reserve February 9th, for Baptist Church High Tea. L-24.
- Buying dress poultry daily until March. Correct grading. Prompt delivery. L-59-12-22-14.
- East Royalty Rink tonight. Royals vs. Clarke-skate after. L-21.
- New low prices on Purina Food Cubes at \$4.00 per bag at Dillon & Spillett. L-461-1-10-31.
- Huskies vs. Hornets, Milton Rink tonight. League game. Skate after. L-9-12-14.
- The Concert which was to be held in Fredericton Hall Thursday night has been cancelled as this is Division night. L-16-12-11.
- Annual Meeting St. John's Church, Charlottetown, Monday, January 16th at 2:30 P. M. Fred Sherren, Treasurer. L-790-1-11-21.
- Hokey at Marshfield. Charlottetown Ramblers vs. Dunstaffnage Red Wings; carnival coming soon. L-29.
- Annual Meeting of the New Perth Dairying Company will be held in the Factory, Tuesday, January 17th at 3 o'clock. L-14-1-12-11.
- Hokey at New Glasgow tonight. New Glasgow Imperials vs. North Rustico Maple Leafs, league game, admission 15 cents; skate after. L-27.
- Annual Meeting of the Hazelbrook Dairying Co. will be held on Wednesday, January 18th, at 2 P. M. A. Roy Jones, Sec'y. L-806-1-11-31.
- Poultry—Buying daily live and dressed poultry, buying top market prices. Correct grading. Prompt returns. Island Cold Storage Company Ltd.
- FREE—Trousers with every made to measure suit for the next three weeks. J. P. MacPherson & Son, Great George Street, Charlottetown. L-21-1-5-7-10-12-14.
- Pownal Rink Friday 12th, 8th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st. L-482-1-1-31.
- Buying dressed chicken and fowl daily, all kinds, best at lowest prices. Special Purina Laying Mash \$2.25. Purina Pig Growling \$2.40 per bag. Dillon & Spillett. L-482-1-1-31.

#### New French-Italian Trouble Spot



Showing position of French Somaliland in regard to Italian East Africa, where Mussolini is reported massing troops against the weakly-manned Djibouti area. Italy wants Djibouti because it's the important seaport terminus of railroad to Addis Ababa.

### Annual Meeting Of Charlottetown Trade Board Held

Fifty-second Year Of Organization's History Reviewed By Retiring President Lieut. Col. G. E. Full — Ground Work For Junior Board Laid.

Mr. C. N. Bissett was elected president of the Charlottetown Board of Trade at the 52nd annual meeting of the organization last night. Mr. A. W. Hyndman was made vice-president while Mr. W. L. Higgins was re-elected secretary-treasurer to begin his 21st consecutive term in that office.

Members of the council named were: Lieut. Col. G. E. Full, retiring president of the Board; Lieut. Col. K. B. Rogers, F. W. Hyndman, A. L. Wright, J. Gordon Macdonald, D. F. Archibald, J. M. Murley and R. R. Bell. In addition to the above, there are six life members of the council, Messrs. E. T. Higgins, J. O. Hyndman, R. E. Mutch, S. A. McLeod, N. Rattenbury and W. F. Tidmarsh.

Reports covering the activities of the Board for the year were presented by retiring president Lieut. Col. G. E. Full; secretary-treasurer W. L. Higgins; and chairman of the following committees: air transportation committee, Lieut. Col. G. E. Full; agriculture, Dr. J. A. Clark, read by the secretary in the absence of Dr. Clark; fire prevention, D. F. Archibald. The secretary gave a verbal report for Mr. S. A. McLeod, who was absent, concerning the activities of the time table committee.

Several committee chairmen were not present, including Mr. J. O. Hyndman, chairman of the harbor improvement committee, who is at present out of the Province, and reports covering the work of their committees were not heard.

New Members Elected  
First business of last night's

### Japanese Dominated Regime Protest Action By British

SEANGHAI, Jan. 10—The foreign minister of the Japanese-dominated reformed Government of China at Nanking protested today against the action of British military authorities in closing the greater Shanghai municipality police station.

#### DISCOUNT WAR PREDICTIONS MADE IN U.S.

Developments Justify Pessimism But War This Spring Viewed Unlikely.

LONDON, Jan. 11—(AP)—The reported opinion of United States Ambassadors Kennedy and Bullitt that European developments threaten war this spring has increased British and French fears that Italy and Germany are out to dominate the western Mediterranean.

While it is not known here what Joseph P. Kennedy and William C. Bullitt, envoys to Britain and France, respectively, had in mind, it is generally assumed they must have referred to, among other things, Italy's campaign for part of the French Mediterranean Empire and the new insurgent offensive in Spain.

Informed British sources said Prime Minister Chamberlain would ask Premier Mussolini on his current visit to Rome to moderate the tone and content of Fascist claims against France.

French sources said they thought the Ambassadors' pessimism was justified. It indicated an Italian attempt to force France to give up any possessions which would precipitate war.

In Paris, London and Berlin it was not overlooked that the pessimism of Kennedy and Bullitt might also have the domestic function of influencing Congress to support President Roosevelt's rearmament program, any German or Japanese attempt to force France to give up any possessions would precipitate war.

Official Italian circles said Italy's demands on France. One highly placed official estimated the chances at "about four to one against war in the spring."

Moscow commentators sharply discounted any predictions of imminent war. They said a German threat to the Soviet Ukraine is concerned—on the opinion that Germany is still far from prepared.

Buying Active At N. Y. Fur Auction

NEW YORK, Jan. 11—(CP)—Approximately 90 per cent of the pelts offered at the silver fox sale of the New York Fur Auction Company were reported sold as the sale moved into its final stages today. Buying was active yesterday when most offerings were three quarter silvers.

Top prices paid for three quarters was \$46. Highest price paid to date was \$360, brought by a freak full silver. Other so called freaks brought as much as \$135.

#### Nazi Press Rails Over Alleged Attack On Consul Officials In Holland

BERLIN, Jan. 12—(Thursday)—(AP)—Long-distance shots reported to have been fired at a German Consul official's private home and a German secretary's work room in Holland, today caused an outburst of fury in German papers which unanimously assumed the culprit must be Jewish.

#### President-elect



MR. C. N. BISSETT who was unanimous choice for president at the annual meeting of the Charlottetown Board of Trade last night.

#### W. C. PITFIELD DIES IN MT'L

Noted Financier Succumbs To Long Illness.

MONTREAL, Jan. 11—(CP)—Ward C. Pitfield, 47, one of Canada's best known financial men, died in hospital tonight after a long illness.

The New Brunswick-born financier, whose career ranged the Stock Exchange and business circles from one end of the Dominion to the other, was a member of the Montreal Stock Exchange and sat on the directors of many companies.

He was President of Canadian International Investment Trust, Limited; Chairman of Canadian Telephone and Supplies, Limited, and of Phillips Electrical Works, Limited, and a Vice-President of the British Columbia Telephone Company.

Mr. Pitfield left his native Saint John early to begin his career with a cement firm in New York. But he soon turned to finance, and eventually became general manager of Royal Securities Corporation.

Later he left that firm to form W. C. Pitfield and Company, an investment banking concern. Still later, he became a partner in Pitfield and Company stock brokers.

He was a Conservative in politics, but he never ran for political office. Most of his spare time was devoted to furthering his hobbies—collecting fine prints and gathering Canadians, particularly that relating to New Brunswick.

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#### INSURGENT TROOPS TAKE MONTBLANCH

Government Forces In Southern Catalonia, Facing Isolation, Withdraw.

HENDAYE, France, Jan. 11—(AP)—Insurgent dispatches to the Spanish border tonight said the entire Government position north of Tarragona had been turned by the capture of Montblanch and an after-dark advance to within 15 miles of the coastal city.

Fighting through a soupy fog, Navarrese virtually surrounded Montblanch, little town of 5,000 inhabitants earlier in the day and then by a frontal attack drove out the defenders.

Montblanch is the heart of a network of roads for southern Catalonia and about 18 miles northwest of Tarragona, principal seaport of southern Catalonia.

Tarragona itself is about 50 miles southwest of Barcelona, government capital. At the same time the position of Tarragona was menaced by insurgents advancing from the southwest, near Falset. General Franco's men were reported by their commanders to be within four miles of Falset and about 28 miles from Tarragona.

The twin drive threatened to cut off all lower Catalonia and isolate Government militia guarding the lower Ebro River line around Tortosa.

On the southwestern front, the Government forces reported they had brought the direct rail line connecting Seville, southern headquarters of the second line, which Burgos, their northern capital, under the fire of heavy Government artillery.

Dispatches from the Government said the offensive in the northwest had been carried to within eight miles of Llerena, one of the main stations on the rail-way.

The city lay within range of the Government's heavy artillery, these sources said. Llerena is about 50 miles east of the Portuguese border. There is a second line about 25 miles west of Llerena.

The insurgents were reported preparing to shift their heavy artillery to the second line, which adds nearly 100 miles to the route.

#### Awarded Imperial Service Medals

MONTON, N. B., Jan. 11—The latest awards of Imperial Service Medals, by His Majesty the King for long and faithful service by Government employees, include fifty-six Canadian National Railway employees who retired under the provisions of the Canadian Government Railways employees' provident fund.

Among those honored are: Frank N. McKee, Charlottetown; Louis H. Douglas, Georgetown.

### Chamberlain And Mussolini Open Four-day Parley

Both Claim Desire For Peace But Methods Conflict — British Party Warmly Welcomed.

ROME, Jan. 11—(A. P.)—Prime Minister Chamberlain of Great Britain and Premier Mussolini of Italy tonight assured one another they desire peace—but defined their objectives differently—at a brilliant state banquet arranged for the British statesman who sought to bring his European appeasement policy to the Mediterranean.

Premier Mussolini, toasting Mr. Chamberlain at the dinner in the Palazzo Venezia, invoked "peace with justice."

Mr. Chamberlain spoke for peace "by the method of negotiation."

Foreign observers saw in Il Duce's definition an expression of a view frequently stated in recent weeks by his authoritative spokesmen that without colonial concessions for Italy and Germany there can be no appeasement in Europe.

In other words, Italy insists that she be treated with justice, first of all.

Need For Diplomacy

Mr. Chamberlain's declaration was seen in these same quarters as an admission that appeasement could not be realized unless the Fascist claims were put forward in diplomatic form.

So far Italy's demands for recognition of her claims in France's Tunisia, Corsica, Djibouti and a share in control of the Suez Canal have been articulated almost entirely through her high pressure propaganda campaign.

The British Prime Minister, who received a warm welcome upon his arrival in company with his Foreign Minister, Viscount Halifax, and party of Foreign Office experts, declared to the toast at the banquet that Britain and Italy already have begun an exchange of military information.

Easter Friendship Pact

This is in accordance with the terms of the Easter Friendship Treaty which was made effective Nov. 16.

It is noteworthy, he said, that the two governments "yesterday, here and in London, were able to proceed to an exchange of military information."

He added that the Mediterranean interests of the two countries "while of vital importance to us both, need in no way conflict," a statement which political circles interpreted as indicating his desire for an agreement on the Spanish Question.

Fascist sources said the war in Spain, in which Italians are helping the insurgents, was solving its own problem through insurgent victory.

Need For Assurances

#### GUILTY PLEA IS SURPRISE

NEW YORK, Jan. 11—(AP)—Albert N. Chaperau, who escaped customs inspection of jewels and parading freely on a false claim of diplomatic immunity, pleaded guilty today to a smuggling indictment charging conspiracy with comedian Jack Benny.

His attorney followed the surprise move by saying Chaperau who had many friends in Hollywood and on Broadway, would "help the government" by telling of smuggling activities. U. S. Attorney Joseph L. Delaney said later, however, that Chaperau had not yet done so.

The indictment against Chaperau and Benny, returned by a federal grand jury, alleged they smuggled, concealed and transported \$2,184 worth of jewelry. Benny indignantly denied the charges and, after pleading not guilty, was released in \$1,000 bail pending trial Jan. 24.

Chaperau, who posed as a commercial attaché for N. Chaperau, also has been named in other indictments with George Burns, comedian, and Mrs. Edgar J. Lauer, wife of a New York State Supreme Court Justice.

#### DIES AT PICTOU

PICTOU, N. S., Jan. 11—(CP)—Finlay Macintosh, 91, one of the oldest residents of this district, died today at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. G. Stevenson, Lyons Brook. Born in Inverness, Scotland, he came to Canada when 25 years old. A son, William, lives in Vancouver.

#### Coroner's Jury Will Probe Double Tragedy At Glace Bay

GLACE BAY, N. S., Jan. 11—(CP)—Oppened through a double shooting in their small cottage in this Cape Breton mining town, the four young daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Butts were cared for tonight in the home of an uncle.

Within a few hours last night the girls lost their 34-year-old mother, killed instantly by a shot, and learned of their father's death in hospital after he failed to recover from wounds police said were inflicted by the same gun.

Meantime a jury prepared to probe the double tragedy, Coroner A. B. McGillivray ordered an inquest. A jury, headed by Stuart MacCawley, viewed the bodies and will hear witnesses at the inquest tomorrow night.

Three-year-old Hazel and her sister Dorothy, six, were in the bedroom when the mother died. Mrs. Butts, an expectant mother, was singing to Hazel to put her to sleep.

The two older girls, 14-year-old Mildred and Ida, two years younger, were in another room doing their schoolwork. They told police of hearing two shots come from behind the closed door of the bedroom. Mildred dashed to a telephone.

At police headquarters an officer picked up a telephone and heard a childish voice scream: "Come quick papa is shooting mama."

Police found Mrs. Butts dead beside the bed. Butts' body blocked the entrance to the dining room. A gun lay nearby.

Butts, 37, was a native of Trinity Bay, Newfoundland.

Last quarter moon Jan. 12, 9:30 pm.  
Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY SAILINGS  
Leave Horden 9:45 p. m. 1 p. m.  
Tormentine 11 a. m. 3:45 p. m.

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## TEA



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