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RADICAL CHANGES IN BRITISH ARMY SET-UP

FIVE DIE IN QUEBEC GOLD MINE TRAGEDY

YOUNG MINING ENGINEERS ARE CRASH VICTIMS

Hoist Cage Plunges 700 Feet With Human Cargo.

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

BOURLAMAQUE, July 28—Shattered bodies of five young mining engineers who plummetted to death in a runaway hoist cage in the Lamaque Mining Company's No. 7 shaft today rested in a mortuary here tonight.

The hoist cage plunged 700 feet into the gloomy depths of one of Quebec's largest gold mines and was dashed to pieces on a wood and concrete bulkhead, killing four instantly and fatally injuring the remaining victim.

Early tonight a jury under coroner Joseph Dion held an inquest and found a verdict of accidental death. Hoistman J. W. MacDonald testified he was unable to control the mad descent of the cage which a short time before had safely lowered 11 loads of miners to work deep under the surface.

Victims Of Tragedy

Killed instantly in the fatal fall were Peter Downey, 24, Gelichen, Alta.; James J. Crocker, 23, Toronto; Arthur M. Hewat, 32, Halifax; and Harry Field, 32, Bourlamaque. Lying in the shattered wreckage with the mangled bodies of his companions was W. Clarke Isbister, 23, Toronto, who died in hospital a short time later. Hewat and Field were married, Isbister and Crocker betrothed.

Has Narrow Escape

Mere chance saved the life of Assistant Superintendent William Bennett, Toronto. About to step into the cage, Bennett turned aside to examine a load of clay beside the hoist entrance. He turned to see the cage drop silently from sight. Bennett was reported tonight suffering from nervous shock.

Quickly rescue workers descended the shaft in another cage. Four lay dead in the bent steel ruins of the death cage. Isbister moaned, suffering from internal injuries and with both legs and his shoulders broken, he was brought to the surface and carried to hospital. He recovered consciousness briefly and asked for his fiancee of two days, Miss Fanny Thompson. Miss Thompson and her two brothers were at his bedside when he died. "I'm so tired," he murmured before lapsing into a coma.

Graduate of Dalhousie University, Hewat is survived by his widow and one child. His body will be sent to Halifax tomorrow.

Tragedy Cause Unknown

The inquest shed little light on the immediate cause of the plunge. Hoistman MacDonald said it form-

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COMING EVENTS

**Wednesday is Dance Night at The Highlands. L-1257-6-11-tf

**Shirley Temple, Souris Monday. L-3757-7-27-4i.

**Ice Cream and Dance in Iona Hall Friday night. L-3795-7-28-2i.

**Pantry sale in aid of the Altar Society, at S. A. MacDonald's Saturday, July 30. L-3797-7-28-2i

**Come to the dance in Morell Hall Friday night, July 29th. Webster's Orchestra. L-3792-7-28-2i.

**Dance at Bridgetown Tuesday. Admission 15c and 25c. L-3805-7-29-2i.

**Dance Lorne Valley Hall, Monday, August 2nd. Webster's music. L-3782-7-28-2i.

**Ice Cream Festival, Bingo, etc., St. James Church, Georgetown, Monday, August 1st. L-3823-7-29-2i.

**August 1st. St. Teresa's Dramatic Club in Cardigan Hall. Dance to Webster's Orchestra after play. L-3814-7-29-2i.

**Come to Ice Cream and Dance in Emerald School, Tuesday, August 2nd. Good orchestra. Auspices Women's Institute. L-3820-7-29-8-1-2.

**Tenders will be received by undersigned up to August 1st for varnishing interior Kingston School. Mrs. M. MacSwain, President. W. I. L-3806-7-29-2i.

**Livestock Marketing Board loading livestock during week of August 1st. at the usual shipping points and as follows: Monday afternoon, Montague, Cardigan, Elmira, Souris, St. Peters, Uigg, Millview, Charlottetown. Tuesday forenoon, Kensington, Charlottetown, Mount Stewart, Wiltshire, Hunter River, Bradalbane, Albany. Rush your hogs along and ship co-operatively while the market is at its best. Mature hogs well finished and sold co-operatively will bring the highest net returns. L-3432.

Germany Preparing For Struggle Along The Czech Border

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

MANCHESTER, England, July 29—The diplomatic editor of the Manchester Guardian (Liberal) today wrote that Germany is preparing for war along the Czechoslovak border and will be ready, if she choose, to begin operations by late next month or early in September.

Official optimism concerning the "terrible gravity of the European situation" is deceiving, he said, although political and diplomatic observers hoped Viscount Runciman's mission to Czechoslovakia would stave off the expected crisis.

"The evidence accumulates," he said, "that German warlike preparations on the Czechoslovak frontier are such that Germany will be able, should she choose, to begin military operations toward the end of August or early in September.

"It does not follow that it is Germany's unalterable intention to go to war. But it seems sufficiently clear that she means to reach a state of military preparedness that will enable her to engage Czechoslovakia by the middle of September at the latest.

"The abruptness, indeed scorn, with which all German commentators reject the Czechoslovak's 'minorities statute' only deepens the uneasiness felt here."

New Mauretania Is Launched At Birkenhead

BIRKENHEAD, England, July 28—They launched the new Mauretania today amid tremendous public acclaim, and seamen, eyes misty, seemed to hear above the whistles of craft on the Mersey the siren of the old Mauretania, once "queen of the Atlantic" and now broken

The hull of the 33,000 ton trans-Atlantic liner trundled down the ways, greased with seven tons of tallow, and ploughed several hundred yards out into the mile-wide Mersey estuary.

Lady Bates, wife of Sir Percy Bates, chairman of the Cunard White Star Line, stood on a flag-draped platform of Cammell Laird's yard and recalled past glories of the first Mauretania, with the hope they would be passed on to the new ship, as she performed the launching ceremony.

But that probably will be her only record for she is not designed to make the speed of the great Scottish-built liners, Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth. The Mauretania will take her place in the express service to and from New York until the Queen Elizabeth, to be launched in September, is ready.

The Mauretania is intended for the lower-priced tourist trade and is expected to make 22 knots below the speed of the extra-fare ships but still fast enough for a quick crossing.

She will accommodate 1,500 passengers in three passenger classes—cabin, tourist and third and a feature of her construction is the great amount of play space afforded. She has 10 decks and a power house of two 85 ton gear wheels—the largest ever constructed for a liner.

Her twin screws of 25 tons each are as big as the Queen Mary's and her rudder weighs 90 tons.

Mooted Conservative National C[illegible]er

SUDBURY, Ont., July 28—(CP)—Conservative Leader R. J. Manion had a brief meeting with Dr. K. M. Robb of Blind River, Ont., here last night. Dr. Robb was at the station as Dr. Manion passed through on his way from Fort William to Ottawa.

The meeting of the two doctors on the station platform lent point to rumors Dr. Robb, a former Ontario Minister of Health, would be the national organizer for the Conservative Party.

GOVERNMENT TROOPS PUSH PAST GANDESA

Danish Non-Intervention Agent Among Dead In Valencia Bombing.

(A. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

HENDAYE, France, July 28—The Spanish Government's south Catalonia army, led by a former stonemason, was reported tonight to have pushed around and beyond Gandesa and well along the road to Alcaniz.

The day of war also brought an Insurgent aerial bombardment of Valencia in which 18 persons, including a Danish Non-Intervention Observer and a Chinese cook aboard the British freighter Kellwyn, were killed.

The Kellwyn, just arrived from Marseille, France, to discharge a cargo of sugar and coffee, was only slightly damaged. One hundred and fifteen bombs, in all, were said to have been unloaded over the populous Mediterranean port city.

A similar attack on Tarragona caused widespread damage but the number of casualties was not known.

The Government did not claim actual occupation of Gandesa, Insurgent General Franco's former regional headquarters and a link between the Insurgent Catalonian and Mediterranean fronts but it lay within about 200 square miles of territory regained from the Insurgents by the four-day Ebro River offensive.

Reports from Barcelona said the Government's drive had covered 240 square miles but other advices reached Hendaye adding the gains up to 193 square miles.

Estimates of the number of prisoners taken ranged between 5,000 and 6,000.

A dispatch from Barcelona said that the "People's Army"—60,000 strong and led by Colonel Enrique Lister, a Galician stonemason when the war broke out two years ago—had encircled Gandesa, leaving only enough infantrymen to clean up the town while the main force pushed ahead on the road west to Alcaniz, 30 miles by air, 54 by road.

The Valencia bombardment was carried out by 12 planes. Fifteen buildings, including a church, were wrecked in the port section. Many persons were injured.

Bomb fragments raked the decks of two British ships in port at the time, the Kellwyn and the Stanleigh. Two seamen on the Stanleigh were slightly injured. The non-intervention agent, Albert Moyell of Denmar, and the Kellwyn's Chinese cook were running for cover when they were killed.

The Kellwyn is a sister ship of the Dellwyn which was bombed and sunk yesterday at Gandia, British-leased Spanish port.

The Spanish press agency said Tarragona was raided by five trimotored Junkers bombers in the morning and by three Heinkels in the afternoon. Tarragona is a Catalonian seaport about 50 miles southwest of Barcelona.

By-election Won By Government

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

LONDON, July 28—The East Willesden House of Commons seat remained in the Conservative standing today when S. S. Hammersley defeated Maurice Orbach, Labor, in a straight party contest.

Mr. Hammersley polled 16,009 votes against 12,278 for his Labor opponent. In the 1935 general election D. G. Somerville, Conservative, received 26,613 votes against 5,523 for Mr. Orbach, and 3,200 for Miss N. S. Parnell, Liberal.

As compared with some of the previous by-elections this year, the election passed without stirring up much national interest, and the total vote was regarded as extremely low.

Author Of "Tipperary" Dies At 60

LONDON, July 28 —(AP)— The former fishmonger who wrote "It's a long, long way to Tipperary," the song with which Great Britain and the Empire marched to war, died today—the 24th anniversary of the outbreak of the Great War.

The songwriter was Jack Judge whose publishers gave him a life pension for pending "a soldier's anthem which actually helped win the war."

He died in comparative obscurity in Birmingham after a long illness. He was 60.

Judge, who turned from the fish stall in the Oldbury Market in Staffordshire to the vaudeville stage, recently gave this account of how he wrote the song:-

"It was New Year's day, 1912, that someone bet me I could not write a song and produce it on the same day.

"I took on the bet, sat down and wrote the words and music. That night I sang it at the Stalybridge grand theatre.

"It was a grand success, I had to sing it time and again."

Parliamentary Recess Finds Europe Quiet

BY J. F. SANDERSON
Canadian Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, July 28 —(CP Cable)—Parliament recesses tomorrow for three months with the Government believing the foreign situation is less tense than at anytime this year. Major problems remain, but peaceful solutions appear likely.

The British Government believes the spirit of reconciliation at last is entering the European situation which has seen a series of irreconcilable events during the last year.

There is an apparent tendency to tackle problems by conference, not by long-range provocative speeches. This is borne out by the visits to London of Captain Fritz Weidemann, Chancellor Hitler's personal representative, the selection of Viscount Runciman as mediator of the dispute between the Czechoslovak Government and the Sudeten Germans.

While the house is in recess for three months, authority has been given the speaker to reassemble the members on instigation of the Government. This may be done if the Spanish situation is settled sufficiently to satisfy the Government and make possible ratification of the Anglo-Italian Treaty which hinges on this stipulation.

Speaking in the house this week, Prime Minister Chamberlain said the Government could not abandon the position it had taken with respect to settlement of the Spanish question. Mr. Chamberlain said he regretted the delay in ratification of the pact and added "we shall do all we possibly can to facilitate the withdrawal of foreign volunteers from Spain in order that the country may cease to offer a threat to the peace of Europe."

Meanwhile, the Government is understood to be hopeful of a settlement of the dispute involving the Sudeten German minority of Czechoslovakia. The selection of Lord Runciman is regarded as a step in the direction of conciliation which often has been lacking in European developments during the last year.

Street Fighting In Rangoon Flares Anew

RANGOON, Burma, July 28—(AP)—Three days of street fighting between Burmese Buddhists and Indian Moslems reached new severity today when 40 persons, including five Indian women were killed.

Armored cars have patrolled the streets since Tuesday when disorders broke out following publication of a book by a Mohammedan allegedly offensive to Buddhism.

More than 250 persons have been wounded.

ANTIGONISH CONFERENCE DATES SET

Announce Speakers For Rural And Industrial Conference Aug 16-18.

ANTIGONISH, N. S., July 28—The 16th annual rural and industrial conference sponsored by St. Francis Xavier University, father of the co-operative movement in Nova Scotia, would be held Aug. 16th, it was announced today.

Forty three names, many of them internationally known are listed on the conference program's "Who's Who." The sessions will be presided over by Rev. D.J. MacDonald, president of St. F. X., and Bishop James Morrison of Antigonish will welcome delegates.

Included among those who will take part in the three-day conference are Herbert Agar, associate editor, Free America and Courier-Journal, Louisville, Ky.; Wallace Campbell, assistant secretary of the Co-operative League of the United States, New York; Rev. J. H. Carpenter, chairman of the committee on church and co-operatives, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Rev. J. L. Chaisson, director of extension work, north shore of New Brunswick, Shippegan, N.B.; Miss Dorothy Day, editor of the Catholic Worker, New York; Rev. J. W. Hill, president of St. Thomas College, Chatham, N.B.; H. A. Innis, head of the department of political economy, Toronto University; Rev. L. G. Ligutti, president of the National Catholic Rural Life Bureau, Granger, Ia.; Bishop Morrison; Rev. James Myers, secretary, division of industrial relations, Federal Council of Churches, New York; John Stevenson, representative of the London Times at Ottawa, and a number of Nova Scotian clergymen and St. F. X. Extension Department workers.

Progress reports on extension work will be given on the first day by Gerald Richardson, director of co-operation, Newfoundland's Commission of Government; J. T. Croteau, secretary of the Prince Edward Island Adult Education League; Rev. J. W. Hill and Rev. J.L. Chaisson, for New Brunswick, and Rev. K. D. N. MacDonald of Baddeck Forks, and Rev A.W. Guild of Riverport, Nova Scotia.

Recent developments in American co-operation will be discussed by Wallace Campbell and other topics to be dealt with include, "Security against sickness," "producer-consumer relations," and "youth and tomorrow."

Highlights of the remaining day's program include discussions on "education for social change," by Rev. M. A. MacLellan, professor of education at St. F. X.; "The Economics of Loneliness," by Kenneth Leslie, Canadian poet, "The Lay Apostolate," by Miss Dorothy Day, "Dangers to Democracy," by Herbert Agar, "The Land and Liberty" Rev. L. J. Ligutti, "The Tragedy of Europe," John Stevenson, "Problems of Large Scale Co-operative Enterprise," by H. A. Innis and "The New Role of Women in a Changing World," by Miss Ida Gallant, assistant field secretary of the St. F.X. Extension Department.

18 Are Injured In Arab-Jewish Clash

(By The Associated Press)

JERUSALEM, July 28—Eighteen persons were injured today in sporadic explosions and clashes between Jews and Arabs in the holy land.

Ambushers wounded a Jewish woman and six Arab policemen near Bethlehem, a running gun battle ensued in which a number of the assailants were believed wounded.

In Haifa a bomb set off in a courtyard in the mixed quarter injured two Arabs. Incendiary fires destroyed a few Jewish shops and police discovered an unexploded bomb in a street near an English girls' school.

TO ADVANCE PULLMAN RATES

CHICAGO, July 28—The pullman company announced tonight rates for all pullman car accommodations in the United States—with the exception of upper berths—would be advanced five per cent next Monday.

Honor Conferred On Prof. Henri Blanchard By French Academy

PARIS, July 28 — The French Academy today conferred honors on Canadians "for services rendered abroad to the French cause."

The Antoine Savard prize, valued at 2,000 Francs, was awarded to Master-Engraver Menaud of the Librairie Garneau at Quebec. Medals were given to the following:

Rev. Father Georges Simard, Dean of the Faculty of Divinity at the University of Ottawa; Abbe Wilfrid Morin of the University of Montreal; Louvigny de Montigny, chief translator to the Canadian Senate and author of a work on Maria Chapdelaine; the Rt. Rev. L. J. Arthur Melanson, Archbishop of Moncton, N. B.; Francois C. J. Comeau of Halifax, N. S.; the Rt. Rev. P. Alexandre Chaisson, Bishop of Chatham, N. B.; Dr. Albert Sormany of Edmundston, N. B.; Alfred Roy of Moncton, N. B.; Prof. Henri Blanchard of Charlottetown, P. E. I.; Andre Laurendeau, Secretary of the Committee for Intercollegiate Competition, Montreal.

QUITS ITALY

ROME, July 28—Paul Cremona, correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor of Boston, the London Observer and the Wall Street Journal, departed for France tonight in compliance with a government order eight days ago for him to leave Italy.

Possible 200 Acres Infested By Army Worms

Army worms had been reported infesting approximately 100 acres of Prince Edward Island's grain fields, Mr. F. M. Cannon, in charge Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Charlottetown said last night. It was estimated that probably twice the acreage reported was infected to some extent. Damage ranged from 75 to almost 100 per cent in some cases, Mr. Cannon reported. So far no authentic reports of army worms had been received from Prince County but the Entomologist believed the insects would make an appearance there as they were found in some fields in that section last year.

It was learned yesterday the Provincial Department of Agriculture was assisting in control measures in areas where the hungry little insects were attacking crops in greatest numbers. Farmers generally were taking measures to stamp out the plague with a poison bran mixture, very effective under suitable weather conditions such as have prevailed this week.

Infestation this year was very much more widespread than the previous season, it was said.

Mr. Cannon reported a few worms had entered the pupa, or dormant stage but the majority of the caterpillars would not be full grown for about two weeks yet. Adult moths would emerge from the pupa in about a week and a half. Eggs laid by the moth would hatch about a week later but it was not anticipated the second generation would do a great deal of damage. The half grown worms would probably spend the winter in that state, it was said, to complete development in the spring.

Crops attacked by the marching hordes included wheat, oats and barley, Mr. Cannon states. Corn, too, was considered a delicacy by the insects.

British People Are Less War Conscious

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

QUEBEC, July 28—Few British people "now believe there will be a war," in the opinion of Sir Edward Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, on his return to Canada today aboard the liner Empress of Britain after a nine-day visit to England.

New System Will Speed Promotions Among Officers

War Secretary's Plan Meets General Approval — Retirement Age Lowered.

LONDON, July 28—(CP)—War Secretary Leslie Hore-Belisha today announced to Parliament a tradition-shattering plan to introduce a new democracy into the ranks of army officers and lower average ages of officers through earlier retirements.

Under the plan, which has to be approved by Parliament, a career as a commissioned officer will be open to "any suitable candidate whatever his means" and not only to graduates of expensive schools such as Eton, Harrow and others. Both sides of the House of Commons welcomed the plan.

The war secretary's plan also includes a method of stepping up promotions of deserving officers, replacing the present system under which advancement comes only when there are vacancies.

The war secretary indicated the new plan would go into effect next Monday. He gave an idea of its importance by stating that on that date more than 2,000 officers will be promoted from lieutenant to captain or from captain to major.

AUTOMATIC PROMOTION

Under the new promotions plan, subalterns will be automatically promoted to the grade of captain after a maximum of eight years in the lower rank, provided they have fulfilled necessary conditions of aptitude and merit.

After a maximum of nine years as captain, an officer will be promoted to the rank of major, and if he began his career at the average age will be assured of remaining 10 years with this rank.

If by the end of 10 years he has not been promoted to a lieut-colonelcy, he will be required to retire. This plan, the War Secretary pointed out, does not take into account promotions which might be made because of superior qualifications and does not mean that officers will be automatically promoted if they do not merit it.

An increase in the pay of second lieutenants of a shilling per day and in pay of lieutenants of a shilling twopence a day is also provided.

Lower Retirement Age

The system is rounded out by a reduction in the retirement age. Generals and lieut.-generals will retire at 60 years instead of 67; major-generals at 57, instead of 62; colonels at 55, instead of 57; and lieutenant-colonels at 50 instead of 55. Pensions will be increased.

Up to now an officer's career was almost entirely reserved in peacetime to youths with means. The two great military schools, Sandhurst for infantry and cavalry and Woolwich for artillery and engineers, had accepted as entrance qualifications only diplomas from the public schools, where cost of education is prohibitive except for well-to-do families.

Mr. Hore-Belisha estimated the lower retirement ages and higher retirement pay, would cost £60 additional £360,000 ($1,500,000) annually in first years of the plans operation and increase to an extra £600,000 ($3,000,000) a year over 20 to 25 years, after which the cost would tend toward a reduction as the number of officers is adjusted.

Progress in another phase of Britain's defense program was reported by Sir Samuel Hoare, Home Secretary, who promised speedy action on plans for evacuating the civilian population of London and other cities in the event of war.

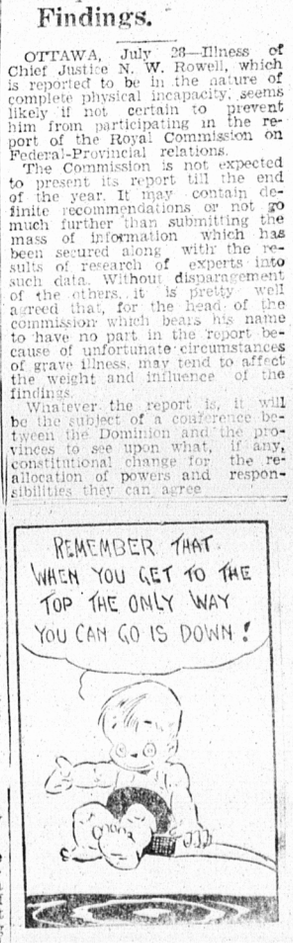
IS UNABLE TO DRAFT REPORT

Rowell May Not Participate In Final Findings.

OTTAWA, July 28—Illness of Chief Justice N. W. Rowell, which is reported to be in the nature of complete physical incapacity, seems likely if not certain to prevent him from participating in the report of the Royal Commission on Federal-Provincial relations.

The Commission is not expected to present its report till the end of the year. It may contain definite recommendations or not go much further than submitting the mass of information which has been secured along with the results of research of experts into such data. Without disparagement of the others, it is pretty well agreed that, for the head of the commission which bears his name to have no part in the report because of unfortunate circumstances of grave illness, may tend to affect the weight and influence of the findings.

Whatever the report is, it will be the subject of a conference between the Dominion and the provinces to see upon what, if any, constitutional change for the reallocation of powers and responsibilities they can agree.



TORONTO, July 28 — Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Victoria	52	70
Calgary	54	84
Winnipeg	56	86
Toronto	67	86
Ottawa	62	80
Montreal	64	82
Quebec	64	80
Saint John	56	80
Halifax	66	78
Charlottetown	58	76

Forecasts:

Maritime: Moderate east to southeast winds; mostly cloudy, followed by showers toward night; probably fog.

High tide this afternoon at 12.12 and tonight at 11.59.

Sun sets this evening at 7.32 and rises tomorrow morning at 4.42.

First quarter moon Aug. 2, 10 p.m.

Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY SAILINGS

Leave Borden 7 a. m. 9.45 a. m. 1 p. m. and 4.45 p. m. Tormentine 8.15 a. m. 11 a. m. 3.05 p. m. and 6.50 p. m.

Sundays, Leaves Borden 9.00 a.m. and 7 p. m.

Leaves Tormentine 10.15 a. m. and 8.10 p. m.

Japanese Push Overland In Effort To Flank Chinese Line

(By The Associated Press)

SHANGHAI, July 29—(Friday)—Two columns of Japanese infantrymen, struggling to keep pace with Japanese marines in their drive up the Yangtse River toward Hankow, were engaged today in a broad movement to flank the Chinese line at the Tienkiachen-Wusueh boom.

Meanwhile, Japanese planes continued terrific bombardments of the new line of defence, centred on the submerged Yangtse barricade upriver from fallen Kiukiang and about 100 miles from Hankow.

The big bombers attacked a railroad running from Kiukiang, 90 miles south, to the principal Chinese air base, Nanchang. Part of the railway parallels the Chinese defence line. The airmen also attacked the Canton-Hankow Railway.

Japanese reported capture of Taihu, about 50 miles north of Kiukiang, in one phase of the overland drive to flank the Chinese line at Wusueh and Tienkiachen. The Chinese declared they were counter attacking at Taihu.

The Japanese, however, insisted the town was theirs and told of advancing from Taihu westward over the southern slopes of the Tapeih Mountains toward Yingshan.

Capture of Yingshan would put this column in position for a southward drive of about 60 miles to strike the Chinese in the Tienkiachen-Wusueh sector.

At the same time, another Japanese column, operating closer to the north bank of the Yangtse, was reported advancing against Susung, near the eastern boundary of Hupeh Province. From Susung this force would be able to strike southwestward into Hupeh Province and join the assault on Wusueh.

"Great Purge" Is Reported In The Russian Far East

MOSCOW, July 28 — (AP)—The Siberian newspaper Pacific Ocean Star tells of a "great purge" in the Soviet Far East to frustrate what the newspaper terms Japan's efforts "to destroy our strength from the inside."

"In the past few months a great purge was carried on, and it still continues," the newspaper says. "The Bolshevists of Primorsk Province will smoke from their holes all spies, wreckers and terrorists to the last man."

The newspaper, published at Habarovs, near the scene of recent border incidents between Red soldiers and detachments of the Japanese army of occupation in Manchoukuo, says the purge was started "on the initiative" of Joseph Stalin, secretary general of the Russian Communist Party.

Diplomatic exchanges between Moscow and Tokyo in a renewed dispute over the Siberian-Manchoukuoan border were marked by Russian rejection of a Japanese protest that Soviet soldiers had occupied Manchoukuoan soil near Changkufeng on July 1. (Japan since has taken a conciliatory attitude.)

The Pacific Ocean Star says that "under the direct leadership of Comrade Stalin, the militant capacity of our party organization is increasing daily, also the strength of our redbannered Far Eastern front and our Pacific fleet."

The newspaper declares the purge was necessary because "Japanese Imperialists resorted to their favorite methods of espionage and terrorism—first sending to Primorsk Province Fascist agents and Trotskyist and Bucharinist spies and terrorists."

Will Seek Uniform Empire Trade Policy

LONDON, July 28—Sir Earle Page, Australian Minister of Commerce, who is sailing for Canada Saturday aboard the Duchess of Bedford, will seek to interest Prime Minister Mackenzie King in his view that the Empire should adopt a uniform policy regarding trade agreements.

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