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ANGLO-ITALIAN SETTLEMENT TERMS DRAFTED

CHINESE PLANES CARRY CONFLICT TO JAPAN

AIR ATTACK ON ISLAND OF FORMOSA

Numerous Casualties Inflicted — Shake-up In Japanese Army Command.

TOKYO, Feb. 24—(Thursday)—Domestic Japanese News Agency dispatches from Fukoku today reported 12 Chinese bombers were approaching Kyushu, one of the main Japanese islands. The Domei dispatch said the approach of Chinese planes was reported at Fukoku defence headquarters, about 500 miles west and south of Tokyo.

Air raid warnings were sounded throughout North Kyushu, and also Yamaguchi Province, across the straits from Kyushu.

The reports said the 12 bombers accompanied by pursuit planes were sighted flying eastward at a high altitude.

It would have to cross about 500 miles of Yellow Sea to reach Japan from China.

TOKYO, Feb. 23—The Japanese navy suffered the first air raid in its history today as Chinese planes bombed the island of Formosa and inflicted numerous casualties.

The Formosa Governor General reported eight persons were killed and 20 injured in attacks on Tainan.

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COMING EVENTS

- Lecture at St. Catherine's postponed until later date. L-310. Hockey at Highfield tonight, P. W. C. vs. Highfield Juniors. L-333. Dance in French River Hall tonight—Admission 20 cents. L-332. Card Party tonight Holy Name Hall, St. Charles Auxiliary. L-327-2-24-11. Cake Sale in aid of Basilio Club Society at Holmans Saturday afternoon. L-299-2-23-41. Card Party and Dance in Tracadie Hall, Friday, February 25th. L-296-2-23-21. Bingo and Dance, Mount Stewart Legion Hall, Friday, February 26th, 8:00 P. M. L-293-2-23-21. Playoff, Rangers vs. Imperials at New Glasgow, tonight. L-324-2-24-11. East Royalty rink tonight, St. Charles Auxiliary, 8:00 P. M. L-337. Hockey at Canoe Cove tonight, Canoe Cove vs. Cornwall. If not on Saturday, skate after. L-339. Hockey at Marshfield tonight, Red Wing Sisters vs. Married Men, skate after. L-343. Buying dressed chicken and live hogs, Alcanary Thursday, February 25th until noon. G. C. O. L-248-2-23-21. Dance in C. M. B. A. Hall, French River Friday 25th. Excellent music. Free lunch, Admission 25 cents. L-337-2-24-11. Hartsville Juniors vs. Hampshire Juniors, Wiltshire Rink, tonight, game starting 7:30. Two hours skating with music. L-342. Notice—All school taxes due March 1st will be handed to lawyers for collection. By order of Trustees, Sammett Clow. L-226-2-23-21. Willing recital Central Christian Church Saturday, Feb. 26th, from 4 to 5 o'clock. Mrs. V. L. Dinwiddie, organist, will be assisted by Mrs. H. S. Henderson and Mr. V. L. Dinwiddie. Silver collection in aid of P. E. I. Hospital. L-310-2-23-41.

Egg And Poultry Assn. Holds 24th Annual Meeting

Decreased Egg Volume Attributed To Grain Shortage In Province — Mr. J. A. Thompson Re-elected President.

Mr. J. A. Thompson, Kensington, was re-elected president at the 24th annual meeting of the Prince Edward Island Co-operative Egg and Poultry Association yesterday. Other officers elected were: Vice President, King's County, J. A. Dingwall, East Prince County, J. A. McDonald, West Prince County, J. F. Arsenault, Mi. Carmel, Queen's County, E. C. Holm, Desable, Stewart, Ross, Flat River, Austin Laird, Cavendish, King's County, J. A. McDonald, Little Pond, J. E. Dinkwell, East Point, H. L. Machon, Murray Harbor and C. B. Clay, Dundas.

Yesterday's annual meeting, with sessions during an evening, was largely attended with fifty out of the fifty-five egg circles in the organization represented.

Mr. J. A. Thompson, president at the sessions and presented the directors report. Mr. Leonard McDonald, secretary-treasurer, gave a review of his part of the work.

Delegates were welcomed by Hon. W. H. Dennis, Minister of Agriculture. When he had taken office, he decided that any conditions which his staff, to attempt to assist farmers back to prosperity by encouraging poultry and hog production as the best line of production and to protect their own interests. "If we can accomplish something along co-operative lines we can find a way out of our difficulties," he said.

At last night's session a resolution approving enactment of a general co-operative law in Prince Edward Island, similar to that in other provinces was unanimously adopted.

A resolution amending a section of the laws was laid on the table for one year after the discussion. The proposed amendment would make it compulsory for members of the organization to ship their poultry well as their eggs to the Co-operative.

Re Marketing Act Another resolution which was left over for a year evoked a good deal of discussion. It favored a natural products marketing act and recommended that any legislation be as those which rendered one passed several years ago ultra vires, be removed. Mr. D. J. Mullins, St. Peters moved the resolution and Mr. D. Ross, Kinross was second.

On motion of Mr. M. J. Kelly, St. Theresa's the resolution was laid on the table for a year.

Mr. J. A. Thompson, president of the Government, favored some such legislation.

N. B. Legislature Will Open Today

FREDERICTON, Feb. 23—(CP)—The third session of the 38th New Brunswick Legislature will be opened tomorrow with the traditional ceremony—guns booming over the frozen St. John River, the blare of band music, symbolic pageantry, bright uniforms and fashionable gowns.

CZECHS READY TO COPE WITH SUDDEN ATTACK

Hitler's Speech Causes Uneasiness — Prepare To Conciliate Minorities.

PRAGUE, Feb. 23—Czechoslovakia is ready to defend herself against sudden attack without waiting for outside help, the Chief of the General Staff said today.

The Republic's whole defence plan, General Ludwig Jan Krejci explained, is based on realization that war may begin without declarations and move with swiftness, due to airplanes and motorized troops.

He did not mention Germany but there has been uneasiness here since Chancellor Hitler on Sunday proclaimed protection of German minorities in central Europe.

Czechoslovakia has almost 3,500,000 Germans in her population. Nearly two-thirds of the Germans are concentrated in the Bohemian northwestern section of the country which is bounded on three sides by Germany.

Strengthen Defences It would be a long time before effective help could be expected from allies, the general said, adding that "our task is to hold off the enemy without outside help during the first phase of the fighting."

For this purpose a strong system of fortifications is being erected along our borders," he stated. "These should give our possible enemies reason to ponder whether plans of aggression would have any chance of success."

He said industry was ready to be put on a war basis on short notice and plans for arming the population have been worked out.

The leaders steering Czechoslovakia through the present critical period are ready to give Germans, Hungarians, Poles and other minorities every share in public and economic life.

Political leaders of Czechoslovakia are unwilling at this juncture to rush into print. They want first to hear what Von Schuschnigg, the Austrian Chancellor, has to say tomorrow night and they want a clearer indication of Great Britain's foreign policy.

They hope Von Schuschnigg will tell the world what Reichsfuehrer Hitler or Germany failed to say—that the independence of Austria is not at Berchtesgaden accord and that religious life in Austria may continue un molested.

Regarding Britain, Czechoslovak statesmen want to see in what direction the Italo-British discussions tend and whether there is a possibility that a four-power agreement among Britain, France, Germany and Italy further will diminish the prestige of the League of Nations.

They are convinced that France can be relied upon to come to the aid of Czechoslovakia in case an attempt is made to overturn the state.

Japanese Threaten Fishing Industry?

SHEEP ASSN. DELEGATES HOLD MEETING

Mr. E. C. Holm, Desable, Elected President—Little Change In Industry Officials Say.

The sheep industry will doubtless remain as a phase of mixed livestock farming where the conditions and environment present are conducive to sheep raising.

Mr. S. D. Irvine, senior fieldman for the Province, told delegates to the annual meeting of the Prince Edward Island Sheep Breeders Association yesterday morning.

Mr. E. C. Holm, Desable, was elected president. Mr. Alex Hamilton, New Perth was made vice-president and Mr. W. R. Shaw was re-elected secretary. Directors are: Prince County, W. B. McLellan, Alma, Errol Stetson, Queen's County, E. C. Holm, Desable, D. N. McKay, Breadalbane, George Boswell, Breadalbane, King's County, Alex Hamilton, New Perth, C. B. Clay, Bridgetown, and P. A. McIsaac, M.L.A., Souris.

Gave Addresses Mr. Harold Laird, retiring president was chairman at yesterday's session. Mr. Laird gave a report of the annual meeting of the Canadian Sheep Breeders Association at Toronto recently which he attended as Island delegate.

Mr. W. H. McGregor, Island director, gave a short report on the industry and from the standpoint of the Department of Agriculture mentioned the dog situation. Mr. W. H. McGregor, Island director, member on the board of directors of the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers Association, told of wool marketing activities and the present condition of the market, which he called as very unfavorable.

Directors at a meeting following the annual session appointed a committee to confer with the Provincial Exhibition Association on matters relative to exhibition classes for sheep.

Ball Grading For Lambs The meeting endorsed a resolution favoring rail grading for lambs "as soon as it may be deemed practicable."

View Collapse Of Collective Security

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 23—The newspaper Stockholms-Tidningen today declared opposition of Scandinavian countries to League of Nations sanctions has been justified by the skepticism regarding collective security expressed by Prime Minister Chamberlain.

Under the direction of Mr. Chamberlain, Great Britain is declining to return to the policy of dividing the riches of the world among the great powers.

The northern countries should see a lesson in the new state of affairs, tighten their friendships, and increase the speed of their rearmament programs.

SHIPS BATTLE HEAVY SEAS IN MID-ATLANTIC

HEADED TOWARD PORT

The company's salvage tug Foundation Franklin was still standing by for the arrival of the Azores Azalea City which dropped her propeller last Thursday while she was off Cape Race, Nfld.

The United States Coast Guard cutter, the Bertha, was standing by but the New York tug Relief which put out to the Azalea City's assistance was hove to 500 miles away, battling gigantic seas.

The British freighter Lyela, off Bermuda with engine trouble, was believed to have been wrecked by a northerly gale and now were near Bermuda than any other port.

Urge Reforms On N. S. Government

HALIFAX, Feb. 23—Taxation of property and sale of the Nova Scotia Litter Commission, which recommended to the Provincial Government tomorrow by the Nova Scotia Union of Municipalities, the executive decided at a meeting today.

A 20-point program adopted at the annual convention of the organization at Sydney was reviewed and it was decided to hold the 25th annual convention at New Glasgow, Aug. 23 to 25.

Other recommendations to be made to the Government will be a survey of conditions resulting from the annual convention at New Glasgow, Aug. 23 to 25.

Speculation Rife Re Eden's Successor

LONDON, Feb. 23—(CP Cable)—Speculation in regard to Anthony Eden's successor at the Foreign Office continued tonight. Afternoon newspapers predicted Viscount Halifax would receive the appointment but feeling persisted in political quarters that Prime Minister Chamberlain eventually would select a member of the House of Commons.

Four names were mentioned: Lord Halifax (temporarily), Sir Thomas Inskip, defence co-ordination minister, W. S. Morrison, Agriculture Minister and Malcolm MacDonald, Dominions Secretary.

In any event Mr. Chamberlain is expected to handle foreign affairs himself during Anglo-Italian negotiations, leaving Lord Halifax to run Foreign Office detail.

Groundwork Laid For Negotiations To Ensure Peace

Numerous Obstacles To Agreement Looms — Labor Party Seeks Election On Foreign Policy Issue.

LONDON, Feb. 23—(CP)—The Cabinet today drafted terms for negotiations with Italy amid forecasts an early approach would be made to Germany in pursuit of Prime Minister Chamberlain's belief that four-power friendship among Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy would ensure the peace of Europe for a generation.

Political sources understood word had been sent to Sir Neville Henderson, Ambassador at Berlin, to lay the groundwork for the visit here next week of Joachim Von Ribbentrop, new German foreign minister, who is coming to take formal leave of his post as Ambassador to Britain.

As Mr. Chamberlain and his colleagues worked on instructions for the Earl of Perth, Ambassador in Italy, to the Anglo-Italian talks, Lord Perth was enroute to London to receive instructions which he will take to Rome to open negotiations with Count Ciano, Italian foreign minister.

Issue Challenge Meanwhile the Labor Party and the Trade Union Council, alarmed by the change in foreign policy that brought about the resignation of Foreign Secretary Eden, issued a challenge that the government submit the question to an immediate general election. Labor's attempt to censure the government failed in the House of Commons last night by 330 votes to 169.

British Conditions The Associated Press said Great Britain's main conditions as laid by competent quarters are:

- 1. Withdrawal of Italian forces from Spain and the Balearic Islands.
2. Reduction of Italy's forces in Libya, North Africa.
3. Cessation of anti-British propaganda in the near east.
4. Some agreement on naval armaments in the Mediterranean.
5. Italian recognition of British commercial interests in Spain.
6. Possibly an Italian undertaking to establish Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia, who fled his country when the Italians conquered it in 1936, as a puppet emperor over at least a part of his former domain.
7. Italian support for four-power pact among Britain, Italy, France and Germany, thereby imposing restrictions on Nazi expansionist aims.
8. Italy was expected to raise difficulties over at least two points, the Associated Press learned. One of the Libyan forces and the project of doing something for Haile Selassie.
9. She had already accepted the proposal to withdraw her forces from Spain.

Italy's Objectives The following were understood to be Italy's chief objectives:

- 1. Recognition of the conquest of Ethiopia, which Italy annexed on May 9, 1936.
2. Some form of neutralization of both the Suez Canal and the Straits of Gibraltar to give the Muslim a guarantee his fleet never would be bottled up in the Mediterranean.
3. Naval parity with France and possibly also with Britain in the Mediterranean.
4. Possibility transfer to Italy of some of Britain's shares in the Suez Canal and abolition of canal dues for Italian vessels.
5. Financial help either through a loan or through credits, as outlined in the international economic plan drafted by former Premier Paul Van Zeeland of Belgium.
6. Stopping of the supply of arms to British native Ethiopia which she suspects is being sent from Anglo-Egyptian Sudan and Kenya colony.
7. There were indications Britain may oppose any large concessions the second, third and fourth points and also may demand stringent guarantees any financial aid.

Four Testify In Murder Hearing

HALIFAX, Feb. 23—(CP)—Preliminary hearing of John H. Issard, 26-year-old railway porter who is charged with the murder of his white wife, was continued today until next Tuesday after four witnesses, three of them Halifax detectives, had testified.

FEAR MOUNTS IN AUSTRIA

Country Tensely Awaits Chancellor's Speech Today.

VIENNA, Feb. 23—Police precautions were redoubled in Austria tonight as the nervous atmosphere of the eve of Chancellor Kurt Von Schuschnigg's speech explaining his side of the Austro-German agreement mounted.

Increased security measures resulted from fear of even greater political demonstrations following the speech than have been staged since Von Schuschnigg and Reichsfuehrer Hitler met at Berchtesgaden Feb. 12.

The speech is scheduled before the Diet (parliament) at 7 p. m. (2 p. m. AST) tomorrow.

Von Schuschnigg is expected to relate, as Hitler did in a speech at Berlin last Sunday, even leading up to the agreement by which the Austrian Chancellor admitted Nazi influence into his cabinet after four years of opposition to the Nazis.

There is nothing like a good fright to curl your hair.

Table with weather forecasts for Toronto, Dawson, Victoria, Edmonton, Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax, Charlottetown.

FORECAST Maritime East and West: Fresh or strong winds with some snow; probably part rain in southwestern Nova Scotia.

TIDE CAR FERRY Leaves Toronto 9:45 a. m., 1 p. m., Leaves Charlottetown 11 a. m., 2:55 p. m.