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GERMANS RESENT MUSSOLINI SPEECH

ITALY'S STAND IS INTERPRETED AS WAR THREAT

Premier's Challenge Creates Ill-Feeling In Berlin

GOV'T IS SILENT

Move to Recall Italian Envoy Seen as Expression of Distrust

BERLIN, Feb. 8—There is much perturbation and no little ill-feeling in Germany over the speech delivered Saturday afternoon in the Chamber of Deputies in Rome by Premier Mussolini with regard to an Italian campaign alleged to have been propagated by Germans in the Upper Adige.

Although the German government has made no reply, pending receipt of the text of the speech, the utterances of Mussolini are considered the strongest used by any statesman since the war toward a country with which his country is at peace.

Mussolini's address is regarded as having been occasioned by a recent speech of Dr. Held, the militant Bavarian premier, who requested all good Germans to help their fellow countrymen in Southern Tyrol, which was awarded to Italy by the treaty of St. Germain.

Particular attention is being paid to Mussolini's threat, after characterising the alleged German anti-Italian campaign as "nefarious, ridiculous and lying" and sometimes it is necessary to pay with two eyes for the loss of one and with a whole set of teeth for the loss of one tooth."

A DIRECT THREAT

Also his remark that "Fascist Italy can, if necessary, carry further beyond its tri-color, but never lower it," is regarded in some quarters as a direct threat that the Italians may move further into Austrian territory, if such a step should be considered necessary. Mussolini at the time was referring to the Italian position at the Brenner Pass, which is on the Austro-Italian frontier and is the shortest route from Central Germany into Italy.

The pertubation here has been added to by the receipt of comment from the Italian newspapers, some of which assert that Mussolini's words were almost equivalent to a declaration of war against Germany.

The move to recall the Italian ambassador is interpreted locally as an expression of Italy's distrust of Germany's entry into the League of Nations.

NOT BUGLE CALL OF WAR

ROME, Feeb. 8—Premier Mussolini's speech in the Chamber, Saturday, warning Germany against an anti-Italian campaign, must not be interpreted as a bugle call to a new war, declares Il Messaggero, but as the language of a race which will tolerate no offences.

The new Italy desires peace in Europe, as was shown at Locarno, where she willingly guaranteed the Rhine frontier, the paper continues, but the situation of Locarno does not place her under the necessity of enduring provocation without protest or tolerating offences without reaction.

On the other hand, Il Tevere, extremist Fascist organ, under the heading "A Word to the Wise is Sufficient," says that the pan-Germanists would do well to keep in mind that Mussolini's speech was followed by the singing in the chamber of the Fascist song, the refrain of which is: "To Arms." The Giornale D'Italia says the premier's utterances represent exactly the thought of all Italians, no opposition existing on the ground. The territory as far as Brennero is doubly sacred because it was conquered through sacrifices of blood and because it is the strategic bulwark of the northern frontier.

New High Figure In New Zealand Exports

WELLINGTON, N. Z., Feb. 8—(Canadian Press via Reuters)—Preliminary trade figures for 1925 issued Saturday show that overseas trade totalled more than £107,000,000 during the year. This figure was only surpassed once before, in 1920. Imports during 1925 represented £52,500,000, and exports were more than £55,000,000 which is a new high figure.

Roosevelt's Skipper Receives Navy Cross

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8—The navy cross has been awarded by President Collidge to Captain Geo. Fried, whose ship, the President Roosevelt, made the thrilling rescue of the crew of the British steamship Antinoe.

AMUNDSEN IMPROVING.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 8—Captain Amundsen, Arctic explorer, who has been under a doctor's care for a severe cold, is still in bed but said by his physicians to be resting easily and improving.

School Trustees Must Get Council Endorsation For Future Overdraft

Changes In Volstead Act And Overhauling of Prohibition Machinery Planned In U. S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—A complete overhauling of the Federal prohibition machinery reaching even to amendment of the Volstead Act, is favored by the administration. The first step in the administration's programme was taken Saturday with the introduction of bills in the House and Senate to create a new and independent prohibition bureau in the Treasury.

In addition it was disclosed that Secretary of Treasury Mellon soon would recommend changes in the Volstead Act to differentiate more clearly between major and minor violations.

N.S. Provincial Auditor Ousted

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 8—Provincial government authorities announced today that as a result of a report from P. S. Ross and Sons, Montreal accountants, who have been conducting an independent audit of Nova Scotia public accounts, the provincial auditor, W. H. Studd, has been asked to resign.

PROMINENT ISLAND PHYSICIAN PASSES

Dr. Alexander McNeill, 75, of Summerside, Was Long Active in Civic Affairs

Canadian Press

SUMMERSIDE, P. E. I., Feb. 8.—Alexander McNeill, one of the most prominent physicians on the Island, died here last night, at the age of 75. He had been ill two months. Dr. McNeill came to Summerside 27 years ago, having previously practiced fifteen years at Kensington, and one year in Charlottetown. He was a past president of the Prince Edward Island Medical Association and of the Medical Council of Canada, and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, a conference of which he attended in Philadelphia in October last. He had served on the Summerside town council and was prominent in civic affairs. He was past grandmaster of King Hiram Lodge, A. F. and A. M., Summerside. He is survived by his widow and two children, Jean and Frank, at home. Dr. J. F. McNeill, Summerside, Dr. J. W. McNeill, Battleford, Sask., and Rev. Dr. N. A. McNeill, Marysville, N. B., are brothers.

Huge Radio Station Planned By League

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.— Sir Eric Drummond, secretary of the League of Nations, intends to submit plans to the League for the erection at Geneva of a million dollar broadcasting station which will be the mast powerful in the world, according to Eric Palmer, American representative in charge of recent broadcasting tests.

BARS LLOYD GEORGE

His Association With Labor Party Will Destroy I. L. P., Says Skinner

Canadian Press

LONDON, Feb. 8—"If Lloyd George comes to association with the Labor Party, then the Independent Labor Party goes out," declared Industrial Secretary Allen Skinner, at the annual convention of the Southern Counties Division, of the I. L. P. on Saturday, when moving a resolution, which passed, that labor only take office again on the condition that a ground plan of Socialist legislation could rapidly be enacted.

Ford Mapping Out System of Airways

DETROIT, Feb. 8.—A system of air ways connecting Detroit, Boston, New York, Buffalo and New Haven, is being mapped out by Henry Ford, automobile manufacturer, W. M. Mayo, chief engineer of the Ford company, told the Michigan Engineering Association.

HANSON AND LOCAL CASES UP TUESDAY

Chief Justice Hazen Requests Full Attendance of Judges at Meeting

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 8—Chief Justice Sir Douglas Hazen has requested all members of the Supreme Court, whether judges of the appeal division or of the King's bench division, to be present on Tuesday when matters referred by the Barristers' Society will be taken up by the court.

These matters are recommendations concerning R. B. Hanson, K. C., M. P., connected with alleged unprofessional conduct, and also concerning Roy W. Davidson and Sidney M. Hunton, barristers, who left the province prior to investigation of alleged unprofessional conduct.

Dr. J. W. Inches, of Detroit, formerly of this city, is here for a fortnight. He recently was in a party which was through Africa from Cairo to Capetown.

AN INDIRECT ROUTE TO THE WORLD COURT

U. S. Will Take Up Question of Admission With 48 Foreign Capitals

Canadian Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The United States will seek admission to the world court, subject to the Senate reservations by taking the indirect route that leads from Washington to forty-eight foreign capitals, rather than that which leads to Genevt, home of the League of Nations. Decision to approach the forty-eight governments signatory to the world court protocol, instead of taking up the question direct with the league secretariat, will delay the date of actual admission of the United Stats to the court, but officials apparently felt that this course was justified as a matter of policy.

SEE ADJOURNMENT AFTER THIS WEEK

Speculation on Procedure in Parliament at Ottawa as Week Opens

OTTAWA, Feb. 8.— Today the House of Commons will start what may be the last week before adjournment until March 15. Motion for the address, debate on which was suspended while the government proposal for adjournment was under discussion, will be continued when the House assembles. Donald Sutherland, Conservative member for South Oxford, has the floor, and it is understood that he will move an amendment. This, it is said, If this amendment is moved, it will probably be productive of some discussion. Representatives of constituencies in which dairying is carried on to any extent will want to place their views on record, and this may take two or three days. In the event of this amendment being defeated, it is possible that the Conservatives will bring forward another amendment in the form of a straight motion of non-confidence in the government. It is not considered likely that such an amendment would be debated at great length. The ground has been covered already, and it is hardly likely that members will want to go over it again.

WRITS ISSUED FOR VACANCY IN N.S. HOUSE

By-Election In Richmond County On March Third

OPENING TUESDAY

Election of Speaker First Business Before Legislative Assembly

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 8.—A by-election will be held March third in Richmond County to fill the vacancy in the Provincial Assembly created through the resignation of Dr. J. A. Macdonald, who contested and won that seat in the general elections on October 29. Announcement to this effect was made today, the writs having been issued Saturday.

The provincial legislature will assemble tomorrow afternoon with only one vacancy, that in Richmond county. The other member is Dr. B. A. Leblanc who with Dr. Macdonald, sat in the last parliament. Both were returned in the provincial general elections held in June, Dr. Macdonald resigning shortly after to accept the Federal nomination.

PARSONS SELECTED

The first business before the legislative assembly when it meets tomorrow afternoon, will be the election of a speaker, the government appointee having already been selected in the person of Albert Parsons, colleague of Premier Rhodes in the county of Hants. The assembly will then proceed to the council chamber to hear the speech from the Throne read by His Honor Lieutenant Governor James C. Tory.

The House will line up with 39 supporters of the government and three liberals with one vacancy, a total of 43 seats.

RUNNING RIGHTS FOR C.N.R. IN N.B.

Sir Henry Thornton Advises Fredericton of Arrangements With C. P. R.

Special to The Times-Star.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 8—Sir Henry Thornton, president of the C. N. R. announces that arrangements have been completed with the C. P. R. for running rights for the C. N. R. over the C. P. R. lines from Fredericton to Vanceboro, connecting the C. N. R. system at Fredericton with its interchange the Maine Central Railway at Vanceboro.

Sir Henry, in a communication to President Alex Murray of the Fredericton Board of Trade, states that alterations on the Fredericton branch and at Fredericton Junction must be made to provide for the C. N. R. service over the line. These alterations, he anticipated, would be completed by the latter part of May or early in June.

This arrangement is in lieu of constructing the Kingsclear-Vanceboro connection by the C. P. R. and was specified by legislation as an alternative to building the connection.

SMYTHE, MONCTON WINS JUNIOR TITLE

Gains First Place at Detroit Meet With Sixty Points

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 8.—The Junior International skating championship which was contested at the three day meet that closed here Sunday was won by C. H. Smythe, of Moncton, N. B., who also was winner of the world title at Saint John.

Smythe scored only one first place, winning the mile, but he got second place in one other event and third in another, which gave him sixty points. Vincent Sahlin, Chicago and Raymond Murray of New York, were tied for second place, with fifty points.

Ross Robinson, of Toronto, challenged in the five mile senior race which closed the meet, but was forced to content himself with fifth place right behind Eddie Searles, of New York.

METROPOLITAN TO MOVE

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Final authorization for moving the Metropolitan Opera Company has been given. After a long fight between Otto H. Kahn, chairman, and certain members of the board of directors, permission has been granted for the erection of a new building farther uptown. The new building, of sky-scraper type, probably will be opened in 1928.

Man Bitten In Fresh Outbreak of Rabies In Ottawa Valley

Canadian Press

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 8.—A fresh outbreak of rabies, this time at Britannia Heights, near here, a man, Eugene Thibault, bitten by a supposed mad dog in Hull, Que., and destruction of 14 dogs in the district, are among the latest developments of rabies in the Ottawa Valley over the week-end. Dr. J. H. Grisdale, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, who has issued orders for muzzling of all dogs at large, stated today that the order was being carried out generally. Commenting on the disease, Dr. Grisdale stated that "it takes a very few weeks for the disease to develop among dogs, but seveal months among human beings."

The Ottawa police commission is holding a special session today at which steps will be taken to provide against any outbreak of the disease in the city.

Palm Beach Cleans Up Cloudburst Flood

Palm Beach, fashionable Florida resort, is pumping out its cellars and cleaning up the mess caused by the flood which swept through the city during a 12-hour rain. The cloudburst caused water to stand in some of the streets to a depth of 18 inches, handicapping traffic. Photo shows Bradley Place transformed into a Venetian canal.

CHILDREN PLAY LARGE PART IN STILLMAN 'TRIAL RECONCILIATION'

Daughter Wins Parents Back To Affectionate Interest

Canadian Press

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Anne Stillman, now Mrs. Henry P. Davison, her brother James (Bud), and young Fowler McCormick, were three figures who played a large part in preliminary discussions that resulted in the "Trial reconciliation" of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Stillman.

It was Mrs. Davison who won her father and mother back to affectionate interest in each other's welfare. It was Bud and McCormick, however, who deferred the reconciliation for six weeks in the belief that Mrs. Stillman was giving everything and getting nothing in return.

MET IN MONTREAL

Only when their doubts were removed at a family conference at Mrs. Stillman's home at Grande Anse, Quebec, did the banker's wife decide on the European trip on board Olympic now in progress. She and her husband had a meeting in Montreal, afterwards.

Mrs. Stillman and McCormick, who is 17 years her junior, have long been friends but talk of marriage between them was always "nonsense," according to her. She loves him, she said once, just as she loves her sons. "Fowler and I love and understand each other, but we are not lovers. Do you think I could have been able to leave him if we had been lovers?" she said recently.

The Stillmans will visit their daughter Anne, in Paris.

MARQUIS ENGAGED

Queensbury to Wed Cathleen Mann, Daughter of Portrait Painter

British United Press.

LONDON, Feb. 8—The Marquis of Queensberry, whose former wife, after divorce, recently married Sir James Dunn in Paris, is engaged to be married to Miss Cathleen Mann, daughter of the portrait painter, Harrington Mann. She herself is an artist and recently exhibited her work in London according to the Westminster Gazette.

P. E. I. Farmer Dies Suddenly In Stables

Canadian Press

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Feb. 8.—William Compton, well known farmer of St. Eleanors, was found dead in his stables a few minutes after he had gone to feed his stock. He had been apparently in the best of health. Death was due to heart failure.

Russ Crown Jewels At Auction, Belief

United Press.

LONDON, Feb. 8 — Rare jewels, some elaborately mounted and some loose, were offered for sale recently at Hatton Garden, the famous London gem market, leading to a report that this was part of an attempt to peddle the Russian Crown jewels.

TO ASSIST BURGESS

WINNIPEG, Feb. 8.—J. J. Maloney, Hamilton, Ont., who declared he was an independent in politics, passed through Winnipeg last night en route to Prince Albert, where he will assist D. L. Burgess, Independent, in his campaign.

Chief Engineer Dies on Vessel Here Before Help Reaches Him

Arousing a comrade in a neighboring berth and complaining of great difficulty in breathing, about 4 o'clock this morning, Antonio Ardoino, chief engineer of the steamship Valnegra, died on board that vessel at Long wharf a few minutes later, before any relief could be given. An autopsy will be performed this afternoon and on the result of this will depend whether any inquest will be held. It is thought that his death was caused by heart failure.

The first intimation the man's comrades had of his illness was when he left his berth and proceeded to the next one, occupied by the second engineer. He succeeded in awakening the later and said that he was very short of breath and requested help. A few moments later he was dead. In the meantime Dr. G. G. Corbet was summoned but the man had passed away before this arrival.

Ardoino was a widower and his home was in a village near Naples. He was 48 years old. D. W. Ledingham, Italian Consul here, was notified of his death.

Coroner H. A. Porter gave permission for the body to be removed this afternoon to the General Public Hospital where an autopsy will be performed by Dr. Abramson. Afterwards it will be taken to Morris' undertaking parlors, Duke street. Arrangements gave not be completed for the funeral.

Believe Earthquake In West Indies

NEW YORK, Feb. 8—A severe earthquake was recorded on the seismograph of Fordham University from 10.24 until almost noon today. The disturbance was estimated to have centred about 1,603 miles from New York, probably in the West Indies. Its maximum intensity was recorded at 10.42.

PROGRESSIVE TEST

That is View at Ottawa of Amendment By Donald Sutherland

OTTAWA, Feb. 8—The amendment to the address which will probably be moved by Donald Sutherland, Conservative, South Oxford, criticizing the Australian treaty, is regarded among members of the Progressive group, as a final test of the ability of the party to hold together in consistent support of the Government.

The five Progressives who twice voted against the Government, are maintaining a non-committal attitude toward the amendment.

There will be several speakers from the Progressive party during the next few days. Some have not decided yet but in the event of Conservative amendments they will take part in the debate.

EXCHANGE TODAY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8—Sterling exchange steady. Great Britain, 486 1-16; France, 371; Italy, 402½; Germany, 23.80. Canadian dollars, 5-16 of one per cent. discount.

INVESTIGATION OF MILK SUPPLY BEGUN

Experts Are at Work in Halifax For Pure, Safe Milk to Homes

Canadian Press

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 8—Dr. A. Grant Flemming, managing director of the Montreal Anti-Tuberculosis and General Health League, and Dr. R. St. J. Macdonald, professor of hygiene at McGill University, two experts, began today their investigation of the milk situation in this city.

G. Fred Pearson, chairman of the Commission, said "The Massachusetts-Halifax Health Commission has invited Dr. A. Grant Flemming and Dr. R. St. J. Macdonald to come to Halifax to investigate the city milk supply, and the manner of its distribution. The commission believes that after Doctors Flemming and Macdonald have made such investigation as to them seems proper, they will be in a position to report to the citizens of Halifax as to the best method by which they may obtain a supply of pure, safe milk, delivered to their homes."

REPRIEVE TOO MUCH

OSSINING, N. Y., Feb. 8.—News of a stay of execution was too much for Ambrose Ross, sentenced to die in the electric chair for murder during a bank robbery on Long Island. Ross was eating his last supper, and contemplating the dozen cigars which were to last him until he went to the chair, when the keeper informed him of the reprieve. He became hysterical and was taken to the prison infirmary.

Special Broadcast Planned For Radio Fans In Arctic

Canadian Press

MONTREAL, Feb. 8—Away up in Ellesmere Land, within twelve degrees of the North Pole, on February 20, three officers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police will be listening on their radios for messages from friends and relatives in the world to the south of them. With them will be two Eskimos, who are also radio fans. The messages will be broadcast from the various stations of the Westinghouse Company in the United States. The police officers are Sergeant Joy and Constables Bain and Diersch and the Eskimos Pan-Ik-Pah and Noo-Ka-Ping Wa. The Eskimos act as guides to the police officials or their patrols up and down Canada's far flung Arctic possessions.

In the summer of 1925, the Canadian government exploring ship "Arctic" under the command of the veteran explorer Captain Bernier of Quebec, called at Craig Harbor, Ellesmere Land. At that time Robert M. Foster, of Montreal radio operator on the Arctic, left the party radio sets of the short wave variety, which are capable of picking up the special transmissions broadcost from the Westinghouse station at Pittsburg.

BANK MANAGER COMMUNICATES WITH CITY HALL

Acting Mayor Had Taken Up Matter With Him

COUNCIL ACTS

Resolution Presented on Matter is Adopted Unanimously at Meeting Today

THE City Council this morning, sitting in committee of the whole, adopted a resolution to be sent to the Bank of Nova Scotia notifying them not to advance any further sums of money to the Board of School Trustees except on the written consent of the Counsel. A letter from the bank stated that they had no legal authority to allow an overdraft by the school board.

Acting Mayor Frink said he had taken up the matter of the school overdraft with the Bank of Nova Scotia and asked the officials if they had any legal right to advance money to the school board. The following letter from J. H. Stevenson, manager of the bank was read:

BANK'S LETTER.

"Replying to your letter of the 2nd instant, I beg to say that we have no legal authority for making loans to the school board except perhaps for current monthly expenses that would be extinguished by their receipts from the city at the end of the month and possibly advances in anticipation of monies due them by the municipality, and the present situation is one that has long been unsatisfactory to us. The fact that the teachers are paid in ten installments instead of twelve, and that the coal is as a rule all put in at the one time, makes it very difficult for us to tell whether they are keeping within their income or not. In fact we cannot tell how they stand until the end of their year.

"We would be very glad to cooperate in anything that would put the account on a more satisfactory basis."

Acting Mayor Frink said that, in view of this letter, he would move the following resolution:

"Resolved, That, whereas the Bank of Nova Scotia has permitted the Board of School Trustees to make large overdrafts of money in connection with the operation and maintenance of public schools in the City of Saint John, and that the bank admits that it has no lawful authority to justify this practice.

"Therefore resolved that the Bank of Nova Scotia be directed to cease forthwith the advancement of monies to the Board of School Trustees chargeable to the ratepayers of Saint John, unless by consent of the Common Council in writing, and that all requisitions for an overdraft made by the Board of School Trustees shall exhibit the amount and purpose thereof, and such other particulars as the Common Council may require."

This was seconded by Commissioner Harding and adopted unanimously.

COSTLIEST APARTMENTS

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—The most expensive apartments in the world soon are to be erected on Fifth avenue. The latest expensive suites in this new building, which is twelve stories high, will contain ten rooms. The most expensive, with twenty rooms, will cost as much as $500,000.

The Weather

SYNOPSIS—The high pressure which was north of Manitoba Saturday moved quickly eastward, bringing with it a considerable drop in temperature in Ontario and Quebec during Sunday. The weather is now quite cold from the Great Lakes eastward and mild to the westward.

Fair and Colder.

FORECASTS:

MARITIME—Fresh northwesterly winds, fair and colder. Tuesday, fair and very cold.

NEW ENGLAND—Cloudy tonigh and Tuesday; probably light snow, not quite so cold tonight, moderate to fresh winds, mostly northeast.

Temperatures

TORONTO, Feb. 8.—

	8 a.m.	Yesterday	Lowest Highest during night
Victoria	44	52	44
Calgary	20	50	20
Edmonton ..	20	34	18
Winnipeg ..	24	30	24
Toronto	14	23	10
Montreal ...	2	22	2
Saint John .	4	28	2
Halifax	10	36	6
New York .	20	36	20