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BERLIN DENIES ANY QUARREL WITH ITALY

DECLINES TO REPLY IN TONE OF MUSSOLINI

Stressemann Voices Attitude of Germany in Reichstag Speech

AUSTRIA PANICKY

Tyrolean Hold Mass Meeting and Demand Action to Banish Fears

BERLIN, Feb. 9.—The German government must decline to reply to Premier Mussolini in a tone which is better suited to mass meetings than to diplomatic conversations with other nations.

Foreign Minister Stressemann made this declaration in the Reichstag today in opening his reply to Saturday's broadcast from the Italian premier regarding the situation in South Tyrol.

"We have no quarrel with the Italian people, who, according to Mussolini's own words, written in his book, 'The Italian People,' have no interests incompatible with the German," Dr. Stressemann continued.

"German-Italian difficulties, as Mussolini then stated, always were due to misunderstanding and distrust conditions of mind, rather than conflicting economic or political interests."

LONDON, Feb. 9.—There has been no lessening in the belief by some portions of the public and among some of the newspapers that the attack upon Premier Mussolini of Italy, came at an unfortunate time. It was considered by the newspapers particularly unfortunate as Germany's proposed application to seek membership in the League of Nations, and it apparently has not abated even though Germany yesterday decided to make her application to become a member and the application now is on its way to Geneva.

There is much speculation here over what will be the reply of Foreign Minister Stressemann in the Reichstag to Mussolini.

Advices from Vienna indicate much agitation, particularly in Tyrol, over the situation. A demand has been made at a mass meeting at Innsbruck that the provincial diet be called in session to take such steps as Geneva and Rome will be calculated to banish the fears of the Tyroleans of an invasion by the Italians.

THE TROUBLE AREA

It is in Southern Tyrol where all the trouble lies. In that part of the region awarded by Austria to Italy, under the St. Germain treaty, the alleged ill-treatment of the German population and the consequent charges and counter charges led Premier Mussolini to make his drastic attack on Germany for alleged propagation of the anti-Italian feeling. Allegations in both Germany and Austria had been to the effect that the Germans in Southern Tyrol have been oppressed by the Italians even to being forced to speak the Italian language in their schools.

ORDER IS RESNTED

There was much resentment around Christmas, when it was reported that Italian officials in Southern Tyrol declined to permit the use of Christmas trees, declaring this was a German, not an Italian custom. The Italian commissioner rescinded the order, and the Germans were permitted to use the trees.

Both in Berlin and Vienna, a tourist boycott of Italy has been advocated in reprisal for the alleged wrongs committed against the German Tyroleans. In the Italian newspapers and the Italian chamber of deputies, the "insane propaganda" among the Germans in the Upper Adige valley, or South Tyrol, has been bitterly attacked. The extreme Fascist journal L'Impero referred to Germany as "our instinctive racial enemy," and also gave Mussolini the idea he announced in his speech of Saturday, that the Brenner was on the new Italo-Austrian border, and which is the nearest route from Central Germany into Italy, "is not the goal, but the starting point."

FAMOUS GUIDE DEAD.

COURMAYEUR, Italy, Feb. 8.—Cesippe Pesigax, famous Alpine guide, is dead here, aged 88. The local press lauds Pesigax as the greatest of all Alpine guides.

Absconding Saint John Barristers Struck Off Roll By Supreme Court

On Shaky Throne



Lord Reading is considering de-throning the Maharajah of Indore before retiring as viceroy of India, as a result of grave complications ensuing from the now famous maharajah murder case, in which the maharajah, shown above, was allegedly implicated. Other Hindu princes compeled the British government has no right to take action against the Indore ruler, who is one of the most powerful Indian kings.

MERCIER TO HEAD CUSTOMS INQUIRY

Montreal Liberal Chairman of Committee to Probe Alleged Irregularities

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 9.—Paul Mercier, Liberal of St. Henri, Montreal, was today unanimously elected chairman of the special committee of the House of Commons which is to investigate alleged irregularities in the customs department. The election of Mr. Mercier was proposed by D. Donaghy, Liberal, of North Vancouver, and seconded by Hon. R. B. Bennett, Conservative, of West Calgary. The motion was carried without debate.

MAY ENGAGE COUNSEL

There is a probability that counsel may be engaged for the purpose of assisting the committee in its investigation. This matter is expected to come up for consideration also.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA SWEEP BY FIRES

Several Lives Lost and Township Wiped Out in Victoria

SYDNEY, Australia, Feb. 8.—Due to the intensity of the midsummer heat now prevalent here immense fires have been raging for the past fortnight in Southern Australia and have caused hundreds of thousands of pounds damage to the southern half of New South Wales, while practically all Victoria is affected, settlers being burnt out and small townships wiped out entirely.

TOLL OF LIFE

Several lives have been lost and only the valiant efforts of volunteers saved the bigger townships. Several of the government pine forests have been destroyed wholesale thus multiplying patient years of reforestation. Dense smoke clouds are carried hundreds of miles out to sea rendering navigation between Sydney and Melbourne difficult for incoming steamers who have encountered thick smoke nearly one thousand miles from the coast.

DOUBLE EXECUTION

Stanton and Nazar Pay Supreme Penalty For Brutal Murders

WINNIPEG, Man., Feb. 9.—John Baker Stanton, 28, Internationally known criminal, and Steve Nazar, 19, a farm worker, paid the supreme penalty of the law here early this morning, when they were hanged for the murder of John Penney, 70, and Louis Landy, a local taxi driver, respectively.

TO VISIT PACIFIC

E. A. Schofield will leave on Friday, accompanied by his son, for a trip to California.

MONEY SAVING INDICATED IN N. S. SPEECH

Legislature Hears Announcement of Expenditure Cuts

CHANGES COMING

Make-up of House Subject of Bills—Commission on Coal Situation

HALIFAX, Feb. 9.—Measures respecting the constitution of the House will be considered during the session of the provincial legislature which opened this afternoon according to the ultimatum of the legislative council, thus conforming, the speech says, "to the overwhelming pressure of public opinion."

The policy of retrenchment in public expenditures was reflected in a forecast of legislation to consolidate many of the government offices under one head, abolition of the board of vendors' commissions, and elimination of "certain offices" and the decision to restrict capital expenditures on highways.

FEDERAL RELATIONS

The matter of the relations between the province and the Federal Government was referred to in the concluding paragraph of the special reading as follows:

COAL SITUATION

Conditions in the Nova Scotia coal industry leading to the appointment of a royal commission to investigate the situation are described, and members are asked to consider the report of that commission "presenting as it does an era of peace and prosperity for this basic industry and those dependent upon it."

SCORES IN SEARCH

Scores of men spent days early in January combing the countryside for traces of the bodies of snow-buried bodies which were scattered.

SEEK TARIFF BOOST ON COAL IMPORTS

R. K. Smith and T. L. Church Table Motions in Federal House

OTTAWA, Feb. 9.—Two motions for increase in the duty on coal are to be made in the House. R. K. Smith, Conservative, Cumberland, intends to move for "an early enactment of a substantial increase in the customs tariff of the importation of coal and steel products of all grades and kinds into Canada from foreign countries."

VETERANS COMPLAIN

P. E. I. Men Declare Work Refused Unless Recommended By Liberal

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 9.—Charges that returned soldiers in Prince Edward Island could not get work on the government railways there unless they were "armed with a recommendation from some Liberal member or heler," were made in the House yesterday by John A. Macdonald, Conservative, Kings, P. E. I. He read a telegram from a returned soldier in his constituency, complaining that he had been refused work fighting work on the railway, while four members of another family none of whom saw service overseas, were employed.

RETURN FROM AUTO TRIP ACROSS AFRICA

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Fred C. Law, formerly of Vancouver, who accompanied Major and Mrs. Court Treat on their Cape-to-Cairo automobile expedition as correspondent of the Daily Express has reached London this morning. This was the first automobile to make the 12,000 mile journey across Africa and they had to fight their way through dense bush, to ford rivers in flood and to find their way through trackless country.

YOUTH LOST AT SEA

Charles Hirtle, 17, Lunenburg County, Washed Overboard During Gale

RIVERPORT, N. S., Feb. 9.—The schooner Alcanta sailed into port tonight with her flag half mast, reporting the loss at sea of the Nova Scotia coast of Charles Hirtle, 17, of Indian Path, Lunenburg County, who was washed overboard in the gale last Thursday.

Ford Advises Higher Wages, Lower Prices

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—The way to check a threatened business depression is to cut prices and increase wages, Henry Ford says in an interview published in the current issue of Collier's Weekly.

"It is good business," said Mr. Ford, "always to raise wages and never to lower them. Higher wages and lower prices, mean greater power—more customers."

The theory that the right price for a commodity is "what the traffic will bear," and the right wage is "the lowest sum a man will work for" is an unsound one, the automobile manufacturer believes. The right price is the price an article "can steadily be sold for," he stated, "and the right wage is the wage the employer can steadily pay."

BODIES OF MISSING PAIR FOUND IN SNOW

Long Search Ends in Tragic Discovery Near Council Bluffs, Ia.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Feb. 9.—The bodies of Gladys Dunbar and J. E. Shay, missing since the snow storm of December 18, were found yesterday. The bodies were three feet apart.

Shea, whose home was at Alliance, Neb., traveling salesman, and Dunbar, of Mitchell, Neb., had taken refuge in a ravine and the fifteen feet of snow which covered them had not melted.

Findings of the bodies concluded the search in Western Nebraska in recent years.

TO REGULATE FILMS

British Federation Prepares Bill For Introduction in The House

LONDON, Feb. 9.—A bill to regulate the exhibition of motion pictures in Great Britain prepared by the Federation of British Industries after consultation with the president of the Board of Trade, is expected to be introduced shortly in the House of Commons.

The bill provides that no film shall be exhibited until it has been registered by a special authority to be composed of three official members, the chairman to have legal experience, and four expert members drawn from panels representing authors, film manufacturers and exhibitors.

FRENCH CREW SAVED

Boston Receives Word of Rescue By U. S. Steamer West Harcuvur

BOSTON, Feb. 9.—News of the rescue at sea of the crew of the French fishing schooner Maguek has been received by the French consul here from the French consul general in New York. The message said that the United States shipping boat steamer West Harcuvur, Hamburg, to Boston, had the rescued men aboard, and requested that they be provided with clothing, food and shelter on arrival here next Wednesday or Thursday. The schooner which registered 100 tons, left Bordeaux September 23, and sailed from the Azores, December 18, for the fishing banks off Iceland.

BILLY MERRITT'S CELEBRATION

Recent Boston papers tell of Billy Merritt's participation in a lively series of races in Pittsfield, Mass. While he did not win any of the events the redoubtable ex-Saint John speeder showed flashes of his old time form.

TO MEET THURSDAY

The February meeting of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission will be held on Thursday morning, February 11, at 10 a.m.

LIVE PIG SHIPMENT

Rumors are current that a shipment of 1,000 live pigs from western Canada to United Kingdom will be forwarded through this port this month.

BRITISH GOVT. MAY TAKE OVER MINE ROYALTIES

Coal Commission To Make Recommendation In Its Report

A COSTLY MOVE

Expropriation Estimated Will Cost State Seventy Million Pounds

LONDON, Feb. 9.—State ownership of all the mining royalties will be one of the recommendations made by the Coal Commission in its report, according to well informed rumor here. If the government adopts this anticipated recommendation, the greatest bone of contention between the miners and the owners will be removed.

In July 1922, an enquiry conducted by Lloyd George made a similar recommendation and the cost to the state of the expropriation was estimated at seventy million pounds.

ROYALTY FIGURES

The average royalty amounts to six shillings and nine pence or approximately \$1.70 for every ton of coal mined. One royalty owner received last year £248,000 or approximately \$2,140,000 and four others got over \$200,000 apiece.

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Franco Hops Off For Buenos Aires

RIO JANEIRO, Feb. 9.—Commander Ramon Franco, who has flown from Palos, Spain, hopped off today at 7.21 a.m. for Buenos Aires, after a short preliminary flight to test his engines.

The distance to Buenos Aires is 1,822 miles. He is expected to stop at Montevideo, Uruguay, after a night of 1,200 miles in order to take on gas.

STUDD REFUSES TO RESIGN AS AUDITOR

Demands Nova Scotia Government Show Cause For His Removal

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 9.—W. H. Studd, Provincial Auditor, whose resignation was requested by the Nova Scotia Government yesterday, following an adverse report from the accounting firm, making an independent audit of the provincial public accounts, stated last night, that he would not resign until the Government made a specific charge against him, and showed cause for his removal.

R. C. Church Opposes Prohibition By-Law

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 9.—Cardinal O'Connell, in a public statement issued yesterday, declared that compulsory prohibition was opposed to Holy Scripture and the Catholic tradition.

RESCUED FROM ATLANTIC STORM



These sailors feared death for ten days in one of the worst north Atlantic storms in many years. They are in Boston now, recovering from their harrowing experiences before and after foundering of British schooner "Eugene Mackay."

LONDON SEES MANY MORE YEARS OF BACHELORHOOD FOR PRINCE IF HE DOESN'T MARRY ASTRID

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Many years of bachelorhood await the Prince of Wales unless he marries Princess Astrid of Sweden, who soon is to visit London as an official guest of Buckingham Palace. And if Astrid does not become his Princess, the role will be reserved for a British girl.

The foregoing is the belief of persons here whose positions entitle them to authoritative opinions. It lends emphasis to the popular conviction that Princess Astrid's visit will be followed within a few months by an announcement of her betrothal to the heir to the throne.

A point stressed by persons in touch with the British court is that the present conflict within the Church of England regarding the desirability of union with the Roman Catholic Church makes it absolutely impossible for the Prince to marry an European princess other than Astrid or her sister, Marika. If Marika were the candidate it is not likely that Astrid would be a prospective official visitor.

HEAVY RAINS FLOOD ENGLISH DISTRICTS

Thousands of Acres Under Water and Several Towns Suffer Through Deluge

LONDON, Feb. 9.—A large part of England is again under water. The floods in some portions of the country exceed those of January. Out of the past 22 days there has been only one day without rain. The last two weeks have been exceptionally wet.

Dozens Swarming Over Trial to The Red Lake Area

HAILEYBURY, Ont., Feb. 8.—According to prospectors returning from trips to the Red Lake gold area, the rush to this new field may attain proportions greater than that which took place on the trail of '88 to the Yukon. The prospectors state that the Hudson Bay men and the natives in the Red Lake district, are amazed at the trek of men into a land they had long regarded only as a good hunting ground.

SHANNON OVERFLOWS

BELFAST, Feb. 9.—The flood-gate at Shannon now is three miles wide in some places, and its tributaries are also greatly swollen. Boat traffic continues to be a regular feature of the flooded areas.

ACTION TAKEN IN HUNTON AND DAVIDSON CASE

Rule of Barristers' Society Is Made Absolute

HANSON CASE UP

Accused Fredericton Lawyer Requests Time For Preparation of Argument

C. P. and Special Despatches. FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 9.—Sydney H. Hunton and Roy A. Davidson, formerly of Saint John, were disbanded as barristers and their names struck from the roll of practicing barristers and attorneys of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick, by an order issued this morning in the Court of Appeal.

The action by the court followed the recommendation of the council of the Barristers' Society, presented last term. At that time, the court issued a rule returnable at the present sitting, calling upon Hunton and Davidson to show cause why they should not be disbanded and their names struck from the roll. No appearance was made by either of the two barristers who have fled the province and on motion of Dr. F. R. Taylor, K. C., president of the Barristers' Society, the rule was made absolute this morning.

Action by the Barristers' Society followed the discovery of instances of embezzlement and theft of funds from two barristers who fled from the province.

HANSON APPEARS

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 9.—This morning the Appeal Division, Chief Justice Sir Douglas Hays, Mr. Justice White and Mr. Justice Grimmer, presiding heard W. P. Jones, K. C., on behalf of the Barristers' Society, in regard to the rule of the court today concerning the resolution of the Council of the Barristers' Society concerning charges of unprofessional conduct against R. B. Hanson, K. C., barrister, of Fredericton, in the Chanery case of Margaret Nevins and Caroline Nevins finding Mr. Hanson guilty and referring the matter to the court for action.

PRESENTS AFFIDAVIT

Mr. Hanson himself appeared to show cause why the court should not impose punishment. He presented an affidavit in which he pointed out certain facts connected with the evidence given in his civil action against the Clearer Limited for libel and also with the evidence given before the Council of the Barristers' Society claiming that he "was conscious of no wrongful intention" and that he is "not guilty of the charges which have been made against him."

After some discussion court decided that the evidence given at the time of the civil action and before the council of the barristers' society, should be made available for the court which would consider the argument would be heard after.

RUSH TO GOLD FIELD

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THE WEATHER

SYNOPSIS—A shallow depression which was in Dakota yesterday morning has passed rapidly southeastward to Ohio, while pressure has increased over the northwestern states and diminished over Northern Ontario and Quebec. The weather continues cold from Ontario eastward, and quite mild in the Western Provinces.

FORECASTS

MARITIME—Northwest winds, fair today. Wednesday moderate northeast gales with a moderate snowfall.

TEMPERATURES

Toronto, Feb. 9.—Temperatures: Highest during yesterday night. Lowest today.

Victoria ... 82 50 28
Calgary ... 40 30 28
Edmonton ... 30 42 28
Winnipeg ... 16 40 14
Toronto ... 14 22 13
Ottawa ... 16 12 12
Montreal ... 2 8 24
Saint John ... 2 18 22
Halifax ... 8 20 16
New York ... 24 28 12

*Below zero.