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Alarmist War Talk Is Still Being Heard Throughout Britain

Is Reported To Be Far More Noticeable Than Was the Case in 1914—Heard in Parliament, on the Stock Exchange and on the Streets—Laborites Have Condemned Hitler.

(Special to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)

LONDON, May 16—Alarmist talk of the imminence of war, which swept Britain Sunday night and all day Monday, shows few signs of diminishing everywhere, even from Parliament down through the stock exchange, down to the people in the streets and tea shops, talk of war is far more noticeable than in 1914. While there is not much justification for such wild rumors at present Britain is in a dangerous position on account of her obligations under the Locarno Pact and also because there is no Pacifist party here. Labor, by its strong condemnation of Hitler, has placed itself in a position where it would have to approve of any action against Germany, however, strong, and the only restraint now being exercised is by the Conservatives. Hitler's declaration tomorrow, therefore, is being awaited with much anxiety in the tense atmosphere here.

DISASTROUS FIRE SWEEPS AUBURN, ME.

The Loss Is Estimated at One Million Dollars; 200 Homes and Business Section Destroyed.

Auburn, Me., May 15—Fire raging through the New Auburn section of this city late today devastated an area four blocks wide and nearly two miles long, destroying at least 200 homes and places of business and rendering 1,500 persons homeless.

A public school house, synagogue and a parochial school were among the buildings destroyed. A Catholic Church, in almost the very centre of the fire-swept area, withstood the flames.

Harassed city officials, rushing about in a frantic effort to organize relief efforts would make no estimate of the amount of loss, most observers, however, believed the damage would be more than \$1,000,000 and none estimated less than \$1,000,000. The city has a population of 18,000.

The blaze started about 1 p.m., in Pontriand's garage, from what cause firemen tonight had been unable to determine. A high wind flung the flames in three directions, igniting closely packed tenement houses. The tinder-dry structures, three to five stories high, burst into flames with incredible rapidity. A triangular space contain nearly 20 buildings was a roaring furnace almost before the first hose line was laid.

Vast billows of smoke, laden with burning brands and embers, rose from the flames, bits of burning material were carried for blocks, setting fires in advance of the main blaze and isolating whole blocks of buildings—all doomed to ultimate destruction.

The tenants of the close-packed buildings poured to the streets, dragging their household goods behind them.

The streets were a bedlam, frantic refugees running to and fro in confusion, ignorant of the direction in which safety might be found.

Low water pressure hampered much of the fire fighters' efforts, while new blazes cropping up in distant places

FAIR RUSSIAN EXILES PREFER U. S. HUSBANDS

Harbin, Manchuria, May 16—Some 4000 exiled Russian princesses, baronesses and other high aristocrats, many of them possessed of beauty, but all with a minimum of money, are seeking husbands here.

Most of them prefer Americans. Newspapers quote them as saying this is not based upon the superior business or social positions of Uncle Sam's nephews, but to conviction that men from the United States make the best husbands.

"They are more considerable, and unselfish, more affectionate and loyal, than other men", is the consensus.

George Hanson, American consul-general, has performed the marriage ceremony for a number of such unions. But he says the demand of the Russian women for American mates far exceeds the supply.

DETHRONED RULER LOVES AFRICA

Nairobi, East Africa, May 16—Ex-King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, who lost his throne because of his country's defeat in the World War, is living in a little hotel room here.

"I have come here", he said, "as a scientist and traveller. I love the peace of Uganda and Kenya in this harassed world."

From childhood, he said, he had read books about African explorers and he had always wanted to tread their paths.

Although 73 years old, he is vigorous. He had just returned from a 3,000-mile motor trip mostly over rough tracks through the bush, which occupied 17 days.

The ex-king is a keen botanist, ornithologist and entomologist. His collection of butterflies and birds at Sofia, is considered one of the best in the world.

carried the fight to new fronts faster than apparatus could be moved about to meet it.

PARLIAMENT TRANSACTIONED MUCH BUSINESS

Saint John Harbor Vote of \$50,000 Held Up—Bill Remains To Be Considered.

Ottawa, Ont., May 15—Rushing through estimates a few minutes before the hour of adjournment, votes of \$322,100 for the Chicoutimi Harbor Commission and \$50,000 for payment of restoration work in the Saint John, N. B., harbor ran into difficulties in the House of Commons tonight. The items were stood over until tomorrow.

A statement by Hon. Alfred Durand, minister of marine that the \$322,100 was to be paid under a "verbal contract" aroused E. J. Garland (U. F. A., Bow River) and Robert Gardiner his colleague from Acadia.

"It is scandalous to suggest this money is to be paid under a verbal contract", declared Mr. Garland. Mr. Gardiner joined in this view.

The minister reiterated the money was to be paid under a "verbal contract". The amount was for expenses incurred under a contract entered into by the former Liberal government, and was to complete work undertaken by the previous government. About \$3,000,000 had been spent on the work under the contract to date.

"Bring in the papers", Hon. Ernest Lapointe (Liberal, Quebec East) called out when it was agreed to allow the item to stand until the morning.

The Saint John, N. B., vote brought a query from Robert Gardiner. Was the contract for this work let over the heads of the harbor commission, he inquired.

The department had come to the rescue of the harbor commission for the rebuilding of Saint John harbor following the disastrous fire, replied Mr. Durand. It was a case of stepping in and getting the necessary work done in a short time. A considerable saving had been effected.

The House tonight passed the last item in the main estimates and over half the supplementaries. Without considering the redistribution bill, it stripped the order paper to a point where prorogation would be possible anytime, even tomorrow.

Nova Scotia figures prominently in the supplementaries. A vote of \$10,000 is provided for a new method of dehydrating apples in the Annapolis Valley, \$203,100 for improvements to harbors and rivers of the province and the coal subventions vote particularly affects that province.

New Brunswick got \$13,000 in public works in addition to the vote for Saint John harbor; Quebec, \$42,100; Ontario, \$65,800; Manitoba, \$13,800; British Columbia \$36,800. For dredging in the Maritimes there is a vote of \$2,000.

The Premier's Visit

Right Hon. R. B. Bennett, who is to receive the honorary degree of LL.D., at the U. N. B. encaenia on Friday, will be the first Prime Minister of Canada to be honored by our university. The Premier will spend Thursday in Saint John, and will have the freedom of the city conferred upon him. He will arrive here on Friday morning and will attend the encaenia exercises in the afternoon leaving immediately afterwards for Ottawa. The visit of the Premier in Fredericton is being worked forward to with great interest and regret is felt that his stay is to be of such short duration.

IS READY TO SELL LABRADOR TO THE DOMINION

Canada Can Buy It From Newfoundland For \$100,000,000

WANTS DEBT ASSUMED

Cost of Opening Up the Country Would Be Enormous

Ottawa, May 16—The Dominion of Newfoundland would be very willing to sell Labrador to Canada if its public debt of about \$100,000,000 were assumed.

This is one phase of the financial situation in the island which has been under investigation by a Royal Commission, including two Canadians, Sir William Stavert, and Charles A. McGrath.

The commission was in informal conference here on Saturday with Government, explaining the financial position of Newfoundland, in some of whose obligations Canada has lent temporary assistance.

Undoubtedly, Labrador contains valuable assets in timber, minerals, and waterpowers, but the cost of opening up the territory would be enormous. Moreover, the financial position of Canada would seem to preclude any such acquisition if otherwise, it were viewed favorably.

Before the session closes it was intimated today that the Dominion Government, being a party to the creation of the Royal Commission Right Hon. R. B. Bennett, the Prime Minister, may make a statement about its investigation in Parliament.

PARADE CANCELLED ON LOYALIST DAY: LACK OF INTEREST

The Loyalist Day committee, appointed recently to arrange for the observation of Loyalist Day in this city on May 18, met last evening and decided to "call off" the scheduled parade for that day. It is found impossible to secure enough militia to make a good showing, according to one of the committee today. For this reason the parade and major part of the celebration is being postponed until the fall.

As previously arranged, however, there will be blowing of whistles, ringing of church bells, a double-header of baseball, a band concert by the K. P. band and few other details of entertainment on that day. The above will comprise the chief features of the curtailed program.

MUCH IMPROVED

Ottawa, May 15—Hon. W. D. Herridge, Canadian Minister to Washington, who underwent an operation for appendicitis last Monday and suffering a relapse on Thursday, was reported to have had a fairly good night. Hospital authorities reported his condition as "much improved" this morning.

Was Not Incendiary

There was no foundation for the report that the Petersville Roman Catholic Church, St. Ignatius, fire Friday was caused by incendiarism, it was stated in Saint John yesterday by H. H. McLellan, provincial fire marshal, who made an investigation. "I am satisfied that any idea of incendiarism is far from fact," he said. He was confident that the fire had been caused by a faulty chimney. The chimney in question had been unused for the last two weeks, but during the winter season had become heavily creosoted by the smoke of fires. On Friday morning a fire had been kindled in a small stove in one of the church rooms, and the fire marshal was convinced that that fire ignited the creosote in the chimney.

San Francisco and Vicinity Rocked By an Earthquake

The Tremblor Occurred at 3.45 O'clock Today and Lasted For Forty-five Seconds—The City Took on Life at Once—No Damage Has Been Reported—A Former Earthquake is Recalled.

(Special to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16—The San Francisco peninsula and the surrounding area for a hundred miles was rocked by a sharp earthquake at dawn today. The tremblor occurred at 3.45 a.m., and lasted approximately 45 seconds. No damage was reported, although the city came to life at once. Telephone service was temporarily interrupted as girls left the switchboards. Market street and the other principal thoroughfares were filled with taxicabs rushing between hotels.

Great Disaster Recalled

Some years ago the city of San Francisco was visited by an earthquake which resulted in the loss of many lives and caused property damage into millions of dollars. Quite recently there was a disastrous earthquake at Long Beach in Southern California.

SNAILS AFFORD MINNESOTA GIRL GROWING INCOME

St. Paul, May 16—Eleanor Pepin, 16 year-old, raises and sells snails.

And her growing business soon may afford an income sufficient to support her mother and brother. Starting last fall with five snails, which a neighbor was about to throw away. Eleanor now has 500 young snails and 500 eggs ready to hatch. Already she has sold 150 snails.

Miss Pepin's customers are persons keeping goldfish. The snails placed in a goldfish bowl keep the receptacle clean. The snails, a Japanese variety, are kept sorted according to size and age. The cost of feeding is about one cent a month per snail. Small fish food is their menu.

TROTSKY MAY RETURN HOME

Paris, May 16—Leon Trotsky, former head of the red army and once an outstanding figure in Soviet Russia, was reported in communist circles today to be considering a return to Russia from his exile home in Turkey.

Trotsky's friends say Stalin is asking that Trotsky make a mild public statement sufficient to save Stalin's "face".

Trotsky was expelled from the communist party in 1927 for what Stalin considered anti-party activities.

McMASTER UNIV. HONORS PREMIER

Hamilton, Ont., May 15—While expressing confidence the world economic conference would bring an end to the universal economic depression, the millennium could not come by any trick of "economic adjustment," Prime Minister R. B. Bennett told the graduating class of McMaster University, today.

The Canadian prime minister received an honorary degree at the hands of Rev. Dr. H. P. Whidden, chancellor of the University, long his close friend and fellow native of the Maritime Provinces. Mr. Bennett delivered the convocation address.

SUGGEST RINK BE UTILIZED AS MARKET PLACE

Capital Rink Co., Ltd., Would Offer It For Full Summer and Winter—A. A. Colter Again the President.

The annual meeting of the Capital Rink Co., Ltd., was held last evening in the Mayor's office with President Ashley A. Colter in the chair. Reports were presented showing that the Arctic Rink was coming through the depression.

A New Market? Suggestions were made that the building might be used as a market during the spring, summer and fall met with considerable favor as it was thought that the rink was ideally situated for a market building.

The election of officers for 1933 was as follows:—

President—Ashley A. Colter
Vice-President F. S. Mundie.
Sec'y-Treas.—A. R. Murray.
Directors—Mayor W. G. Clark, John Neill, Roy Cameron, E. C. Atkinson, M.L.A., and P. A. Gerow.

SERIOUS FIRE AT MEMRAMCOOK

Memramcook, N. B., May 15—Fire, which broke out tonight about 10.30 o'clock, completely destroyed the entire establishment of S. R. Gaudet Company, Limited, at Memramcook west tonight, including the saw-mill, grist mill, carding mill, woodworking factory, store buildings, three large warehouses and a considerable quantity of sawn lumber. The total loss is estimated from \$75,000 to \$100,000 and only a small amount of insurance is carried, it was stated.

The cause of the fire is unknown, but the theory was advanced that a spark from the saw-mill which had been in operation up until o'clock tonight, had fallen and smouldered until flames broke out shortly after 10 o'clock E. J. Leger, proprietor of a business establishment across the street from the mill, had made an inspection of the plant about 10 o'clock and at that time everything was in order.