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Weather: Fair and Cold Tonight and Sunday.

CITIZENS WILL URGE FEDERAL GOV'T TO GIVE EFFECT TO CAN. SENTIMENT

F'ron Peace Council Condemns Import Japanese Goods

Largely Attended Mass Meeting Discusses Proposed Boycott and Definite Policy

WILL OF PEOPLE MUST BE KNOWN

Resolutions Passed Second Mass Meeting In January

THAT the will of the people must be made known to governments of all Democratic countries, and that the continued importation of Japanese goods to Canada was deplored as furthering the horrible war...

Resolved, that this meeting deplores and condemns the importation into Canada of goods of Japanese origin or manufacture since their purchase by us makes it possible for Japan to acquire the materials necessary for a barbarous, unjustified and inhuman war in China.

Another resolution moved by Dr. W. C. Kierstead and seconded by Horace Hanson read as follows:

Whereas, in the opinion of this meeting the Nation of Japan, one of the greatest military powers of the world, in waging a predatory and aggressive war upon the comparatively defenseless people of China; and in particular by the continuous and wholesale bombing of helpless citizens in their private homes, by the destruction of whole cities, and by the indiscriminate slaughter and mutilation of so many Chinese people...

Be it therefore resolved that we urge our Federal Government in co-operation with other national governments to give effect to Canadian sentiment by such action as it regards effective in curbing Japanese aggression, in protecting China and other nations, in promoting a higher standard of national conduct and in securing the peace of the world.

Be it resolved that The Fredericton Peace Council shall prepare a resolution to this effect for submission to Ottawa, and that the Council shall call a mass meeting in January at which the resolution may be discussed.

Dr. R. H. Wright of the faculty of U. N. B. provisional president was in the chair and the meeting represented all creeds and classes in the city and surroundings, and was attended by clergy of all denominations...

Members Peace Council Elected Yesterday

The following citizens were elected members of the Fredericton Peace Council: W. G. Clark, M.P.; The Mayor of Fredericton, G. Willard Kitchen; The Right Honourable the Countess of Ashburnham, Harry Ryan, Mrs. J. H. Ramsay, Mrs. H. S. Wright, Miss Margaret Sealey, Rev. George Telford, Dr. G. I. Nugent, Mrs. A. T. McMurray, Dr. W. C. Kierstead, Rev. Dr. G. E. Ross, Miss Margaret Hall, K. C. Bishop, J. A. Reid, Dr. F. J. Toole, Ralph Albrant, F. W. Park, Prof. M. MacPherson, Mrs. Louise Bailey, Dr. Ella Duff Good, Horace E. Hanson, Rev. Father Milligan, Dr. R. H. Wright, Rev. John Linton, Mrs. J. L. Neville, S. L. Colpitta.

Japs Advise All Ships Will Be Bombed

(Special to The Daily Mail) SHANGHAI, Dec. 13—The Japanese have advised all internationalists that there must be no shipping in the Yangtze River during the next three days. Any ships moving are liable to bombing.

HONG KONG, Dec. 13—A small body of Japs landed on British territory at Hong Kong today. They claimed that they had been pursuing a Chinese junk.

MUSSOLINI SAYS THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS IS PREPARING FOR WAR

Announces That Italy Has Left League Made Saturday Night

ROME, Dec. 13—In spite of a downpour of rain at one of the largest meetings ever held in the square, Premier Mussolini announced that Italy had withdrawn from the League of Nations.

"We withdraw without regret," he shouted, "from the shaking temple where they are working for peace, but are preparing for war."

Italy thus followed in the footsteps of Germany and Japan, with whom she is joined in an anti-Communist pact, among the leading nations to depart from the League.

Membership in the League will not end until two years after formal notice of withdrawal, given to Geneva today, but Italy for more than a year has pursued a "policy of non-co-operation" with Geneva.

This estrangement dated to May 11, 1936, when Italian delegation walked out of a meeting of the League Council after it had voted to continue sanctions against Italy because of the Ethiopian war.

Arraigning the League in a vigorous attack, Mussolini declared: "It was necessary to choose whether to be in the League or out of it."

The Minto Strike

IT IS EXPECTED that the Minto strike which has lasted for more than sixty days will be at an end today, in fact some of the men who have been on strike returned to work today and others are expected to return tomorrow. While it may not be possible to provide with work all the miners who went on strike, an effort will be made by the operators to absorb as many men as they can use.

The strike was not called because of working conditions in the mines nor because of wage trouble. It was called solely in order to force the mining operators in Minto to recognize the U. M. W. The operators have repeatedly refused to grant such recognition, and have stated their reasons for so doing.

As set out in a statement made by the operators, these operators have for months previous to the strike and during the strike, rendered every possible assistance to the New Brunswick Fair Wage Board, in an attempt to iron out any controversial points between employers and employees. The Fair Wage Board which has been investigating conditions at Minto has received every support from the operators and these operators expressed themselves as willing to abide by any decision which The Fair Wage Board may come to.

Before the unfortunate strike took place, Minto was a thriving industrial centre. At present the community is suffering a set back which it may take years to overcome. Not only does this set back apply to the mining operators and the employees but it applies also to the merchants and others. The only thing to do at

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Minto Mine Operators Re, Issue Statement Strike Situation

Will Agree to Abide By Provincial Fair Wage Board

U. M. W. NOT RECOGNIZED

Men Returning to Work Under Reasonable Conditions; Strike Has Crippled Economic Conditions At Minto



Geoffrey Dennis, author of "Coronation Commentary", is shown in London on Nov. 22, following approval by Lord Chief Justice Hewart of a private settlement of the Duke of Windsor's libel suit against Dennis and the publishers of the book.

(Special to The Daily Mail) TOKYO, Dec. 13—The Japanese have announced complete occupation of Nanking although no definite details of the fall can be obtained.

A large number of the striking miners at Minto presented themselves this morning to the different operators and stated that they were prepared to go to work today. At one mine they were informed by the operator that they would be asked by the operator to come and see him today individually and he would arrange it possible to place them to work tomorrow morning.

The strike which has lasted practically two months has changed the village of Minto from a prosperous industrial centre into one where conditions are very much depressed. Large orders for coal which it was anticipated would be filled at Minto have gone to Nova Scotia and other places as with the winter coming on it was impossible for consumers to wait for operations to be resumed at the Minto mines.

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GEORGE C. MACDONALD of Moncton, president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, who addressed the Moncton Board of Trade.

Germany Will Not Return to League Of Nations

(Special to The Daily Mail) BERLIN, Dec. 13—Germany's return to the League of Nations will never again come under consideration said German authorities today. The League of Nations has been a complete failure and its mistakes have caused Japan, Germany and Italy all to withdraw their support from it.

Party Starts On Another Hunt For Lost Paul Redfern

(Special to The Daily Mail) NEW YORK, Dec. 13—Three men and one woman set out by plane today on a six hundred mile expedition in another hunt for the long lost Paul Redfern in the South American jungles. They said good by to civilization for a long period.

BIG PROGRAMME OF ARMS SEEN COMING SESSION

Defense Estimates For Coming Year Expected to be \$35,000,000

OTTAWA, Dec. 13—Another armament program, involving an expenditure of \$35,000,000, is to be undertaken by the Federal Government, reports from official sources stated here today.

It will mark the second successive year that Canada's armament expenditures have reached a peak for peacetime defence. Last year the main estimates of the Department of National Defense amounted to \$35,000,000 and there were in addition \$2,000,000 in current estimates to provide for two destroyers.

The program will again concentrate on Pacific Coast fortifications, it is believed here, although there will be provision also for the Atlantic Coast. The new armament outlay will be spread over the three branches of the department, the Militia, the Air Force and the Navy.

It is unlikely, according to current reports, that the Government will order any destroyers this year.

United States And British Ships Fired Upon By Japanese Bombs

U. S. Gun Boat Sunk, 18 of Crew Unaccounted For; British Gun Boat Hit, One Seaman Killed, 2 More Wounded.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 13—The Japanese Empire today became involved in serious incidents with two of the great democracies, United States and British ships were attacked on the broad Yangtze River in Central China with loss of life.

Meanwhile Italy gave notice of her decisions to quit the League of Nations amid reports in Europe that she would attempt to form a Fascist bloc to counteract the League.

Japanese bombs today sank the United States gunboat Panay in the Yangtze River, 25 miles above Nanking.

Eighteen Americans were unaccounted for. There were 54 known survivors, some of them wounded.

The gunboat's normal complement was 55 officers and men. In addition the "mercy ship" carried at least nine American refugees, including four embassy officials.

Several Standard Oil Company ships were also sunk at the same time.

The Japanese navy quickly accepted responsibility for the grave incident. A Japanese communique pledged immediate steps to place the blame on military units responsible and regretted the bombing "most deeply."

STALIN ALMOST UNANIMOUS CHOICE FOR HEAD OF NEW SUPREME SOVIET

First Secret Direct Election In History of Russia

MOSCOW, Dec. 13—With bands playing and Red banners flying, the Soviet masses paraded to the polls today and elected a Supreme Soviet with Joseph Stalin, their undisputed leader, the unanimous choice for one of the seats.

The first secret, direct election in the history of Russia brought out most of the 90,000,000 qualified electors. The voting for 1,143 members of the two-chamber Parliament virtually was a ratification of nominations made a month ago. Few candidates were opposed.

An announcement after the polls closed said the electorate in some districts of Moscow and the Soviet Far East voted 100 per cent except for those too ill to go to the polls.

In the Moscow district where Stalin was a candidate everybody who was able had cast a ballot by 10 p.m., so the polls were closed two hours early.

The total number of votes was not announced, however. At mid-afternoon all but 150 of 2,164 voters in Stalin's district had voted.

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SENATOR C. W. ROBINSON of Moncton who stressed need of zoning railways at Board of Trade meeting.