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## THE JAPANESE SITUATION

**ARE WE HAVING A JAPANESE INVASION?** A few days ago The Daily Mail's special correspondent at Vancouver had an article telling us that the Japanese were in control of large copper and nickel interests on the Pacific Coast and that they were also in control of large lumber areas. The same correspondent told us that large quantities of this lumber, copper and nickel were being shipped to Japan to be used in connection with munitions of war.

Yesterday Archdeacon Scott, the Canadian Wartime Padre, claimed that an enemy plane in case of war between England and other countries could in quick time through the unprotected north of Canada swoop down on any Canadian city harbour. Archdeacon Scott is informed that Japanese naval officers in disguise are living in so-called Japanese fishing villages in British Columbia and that the Japs have large vessels engaged in the salmon industry along the British Columbia coast and that these vessels may be mystery ships. It is claimed from Japanese figures that there are forty thousand Japanese in Vancouver alone. Without being alarming, it might be well for the authorities before it is too late to keep an eye on the Japanese situation as it exists at present along the Pacific Coast.

## BRAZIL

**THE PRESIDENT OF BRAZIL** who has declared himself boss insists that his is not a fascist state. He explains that "there is not the slightest doubt that the new Brazilian regime gives battle without quarter to the communist threat."

Whatever President Vargas may say, he has assumed a fascist control of Brazil and in his explanation of it being a battle with communism, he resorts to a threadbare piece of fakery being practiced today in many parts of the world. It is of first importance to any country, including Canada, to fight communism. Communism is a deadly enemy of the souls of free-men. So is fascism.

President Vargas would have us believe that fascism, whatever he may call it, is the alternative to communism. It is not. Fascism and communism are almost identical tyrannies. Midway between the two lies democracy.

We of the democracies easily recognize the foulness of communism and are on the alert against it. We should keep constantly so. A great danger lies in our coming to believe that the defense against communism is fascism. Both fascism and communism are outspoken foes of what they term "that filthy thing, democracy." As Mussolini put it:

"Fascism will trample over the decomposed corpse of the Goddess of Liberty."

## LORD HALIFAX'S MISSION

**THAT THERE MAY HAVE BEEN** friction in the British Cabinet over Lord Halifax's exploratory visit to Germany should not, as has been the tendency, be allowed to overshadow the event. That Foreign Secretary Eden opposed the visit and, momentarily at least, was willing to stake his job on his stand, is clearly within the bounds of possibility. It does not necessarily follow that there are two or more sets of "foreign policy" vying with each other in the Cabinet, any more than it is to be supposed that the British Cabinet, as distinct from all others, is ever and always of a single mind on matters of policy.

Indeed, the factors which probably determined Mr. Eden's opposition to the exploration visit, are most likely the same factors which encouraged the Cabinet to send Viscount Halifax. If convinced of the wisdom of friendly conversations at this time, certainly, on his record, Mr. Eden was not the man to carry them out. For the last three years or more it has been obvious to the most casual observers that he was on anything but friendly terms with Germany and Italy.

It will be recalled that his last tour of the European Capitals, while British envoy to the League of Nations, resulted in considerable irritation in those countries. It was heightened considerably a year ago when he insisted on intruding Russia into the Italo-German overtures for a Western pact and at a time when the now disconcerting Rome-Berlin axis was nothing more than a talking point with the respective foreign offices.

That many in Britain feel the Foreign Secretary made definite contributions to the forging of the axis has never been a secret. Something of the same idea may exist in the minds of the Cabinet's "elder statesmen." That the Prime Minister has seen fit to deal personally with Mussolini in the matter of Anglo-Italian rapprochement adds substance to the suspicion. There is, too, the fact that it has fallen to Anthony Eden to be the official-spoken-in-Parliament of both the dictators when the occasion arose, a condition which cannot make him a "friendly" envoy in the eyes of the German people.

All of this in no way belittles Mr. Eden as Foreign Secretary, even though it may indicate a change in policy he is not quite ready to accept. There are few who are qualified to say whether the job he has had to do could have been done better or that he could have avoided the clashes referred to without compromising Britain's position. It is also to be remembered that Lord Halifax was not going to Germany to make a "deal," not even to institute negotiations. He went for friendly conversations with Chancellor Hitler; talks which are to be held to far narrower spheres than was first supposed and the results of which will be determined by the Cabinet, Mr. Eden included.

Lord Halifax has definite qualifications for the job beyond the fact that he is considered "friendly to Germany." Few men in British public life enjoy the same wholesome respect of all shades and classes of people. He is trusted implicitly and his reputation as a diplomat has a solid foundation in his being a "good listener."

That his visit has a parallel in the ill-fated journey of Lord Haldane to Germany in 1912 over the protests of Lord Grey and the Foreign Office may have some significance. What it is must await results. Certainly his task is no easier than was Haldane's, although in several respects the circumstances are quite different. But of greatest significance is the fact that these conversations represent the first step in foreign affairs since the collapse of the Disarmament Conference to have anything approximating the unanimous approval of the country. Without exception the press has endorsed the Cabinet's action, a fact Mr. Eden cannot lose sight of, and a circumstance which should convince Germany of Britain's willingness to go half-way in all things reasonable.

## Snapshots

The fact that the public in Canada has faith in New Brunswick and its government was demonstrated this week by the fact that the \$6,500,000 debenture issue offered on Monday has been over-subscribed. The provincial government and the public generally should be gratified.

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In old days a man's coat lapel was often soaked with woman's tears. Now it may often be covered with face powder.

Who are the two young men who had the fight over the tall good looking Normal School student?

The first real dividends Social Credit has paid in Alberta are two jail sentences of three and six months respectively.

The bridegroom may not be an important item at a fashionable wedding; but he has the satisfaction of knowing that he's the only excuse for all the excitement and the big display.

## CANADIAN MILLS

(Continued from Page One) from the Canadian mills. The Sydney and Melbourne Herald groups will require 140,000 short tons yearly and they will use only Canadian newsprint, until such time as the proposed Tasmanian mill comes into production, which is expected to be in 1942.

This group has a financial interest in the proposed newsprint development in Tasmania. A considerable amount of experimental work already has been carried out. Concessions have been secured from the Government; a mill site selected, and an experimental batch of wood processed at the Powell River plant.

## B. C. BUSINESS

(Continued from Page One) "If that is Japan's answer we are ready to act," said a leader of the American fishermen's union in San Francisco. "When we start our boycott there won't be a Japanese ship move in or out of a Pacific coast port with cargo. We have waited patiently for the Government to do something. If the state department doesn't take drastic action, we'll take matters into our own hands." The fishermen's union is affiliated with the A. F. of L.

## PREMIER KING

(Continued from Page One) and the disclosure of this situation might have the effect of breaking down or dissolving the small residue of opposition.

Assuming the Provinces agree to the Federal Government undertaking a national scheme of insurance against unemployment, it is believed the joint address from the two Houses of the Canadian Parliament to Westminster will suggest an amendment to the British North America Act calling for the assignment to the Federal authority, under Section 91, of the specific matter of unemployment insurance.

It will be recalled that both the Supreme Court of Canada and the Privy Council in London decided that the unemployment insurance legislation of the Bennett Government was wholly ultra vires of the Federal Parliament in that it infringed property and civil rights over which the Provinces were assigned exclusive jurisdiction.

What variance from the provisions of the Bennett scheme will be in the plan of the King Government will be disclosed only if and when the legislation is submitted to Parliament this coming session. Under the scheme which was discarded by the courts, the unemployment insurance fund was to be made up of contributions from insured persons and their employers, together with a grant from the Dominion Government, which was, in addition, to bear the cost of administration.

Contributions payable in respect of adult workers were to be 25 cents per week from men and 21 cents from women, with like amounts from the employer. The main qualification for benefit under the Bennett plan was the payment of forty weekly contributions during the two years preceding the claim. The weekly benefit was to be \$6 for men and \$5.10 for women, with proportionately lower rates for young persons between 16 and 21 years of age.

(In connection with the above dispatch it is learned by The Daily Mail that the matter will be brought up at a meeting of the Provincial Cabinet to be held in this city early next week.)

## DEVELOPMENT

(Continued from Page One) so often they cross trails and there is a rally. It's just twenty years since Wop, diving to get out of range of the guns of the war's most feared pilot, looked doomed. Von Richthofen in a fast fighter, was right on his tail. And then Roy Brown dove in from behind and Von Richthofen went down. Wop and Roy flew back safely together. Roy Brown lives in Toronto. Sometimes he goes out West; sometimes Wop May happens to be here. Then they get together.

And, speaking of pilots, Wop May made an offhand nomination for the McKee Trophy this year. He picked Air Commodore Hollick-Kenyon, the Toronto base superintendent of Sky-lines who has been piloting Sir Hubert Wilkins in his search for the missing Soviet fliers in the Arctic.

## BOYS LEARN

(Continued from Page One) good chance to get something they couldn't get otherwise and the best thing to do is make the most of it. This majority is hopeful that from this they will go into jobs.

And here is seen again evidence of the underlying conviction of the Lands and Forests officials up here that hard work is one of the most important things that these boys should learn. Acres of land has been cleared of underbrush and the centuries-old accumulation of rotted timber. Next year visitors to Algonquin Park, motoring through from Dwight, will see wide areas around the Lake of Two Rivers with short motor routes leading through them to ideal campsites at the lake's edge.

## NO PEACE

(Continued from Page One) younger men who have joined the organization during the past ten years, adding that the future of the Club depends upon youth.

Dr. VanWart's remarks followed those of the president, saying that the "City Club is one of the best assets of the City of Fredericton." He congratulated the officers and executive on the fine condition of the organization.

After the president had thanked R. L. Phillips for the success of the banquet, the details of which he was in charge, Mr. Phillips spoke briefly, stating that the members of his staff has done, as much as he in arranging the dinner.

After A. W. Barbour had also spoken briefly, and J. H. Malcom had sung "Loch Lomond," the members adjourned to the club rooms for cards.

## ONTARIO

(Continued from Page One) ent. Canadian artists, Charles J. Simpson, R.C.A., F. S. Coburn, R.C.A. and James Crockhart, all of Montreal.

British Columbia again won all honors for the largest leaves, Miss Mary James, R.R. 1, Cowichan Station, Vancouver Island, won the \$30 first prize with a leaf 21 by 22 inches and a surface area of 284.3 square inches, the biggest ever entered in the contest. Wallace Gourlay, of Ladysmith, B.C., took the second prize of \$10 with a leaf 19½ by 23 inches and a surface area of 259.1 square inches. Judging the surface area of the many large leaves entered was handled by the engineering departments of the two railways. J. M. P. Fairbairn, chief engineer of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and C.

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