

The Weather

Partly cloudy and cold today and tomorrow

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CZECHOSLOVAKIAN PREMIER SAYS THERE IS NO INTERNATIONAL DANGER

Rejoicing Among Chinese Troops Over The Japanese Retreat

Nippon's Political Coup Minimized By A Large Scale Success on Tient-Sin Nanking Railroad

NEW JAP GOVERNMENT AT NANKING

Japanese Spokesman Denies Chinese Reports Of Striking Victories

HANKOW, March 29—China's sudden surge northward yesterday resulted in a severe setback to the long campaign Japan has been waging to reach the railroad leading into interior China, also causing widespread rejoicing, General Li-Tsung-Jen, commander-in-chief of Chinese forces on the Tientsin-Pukow front, today advised military headquarters here that Japanese forces are retreating in disorder in southern Shantung.

The cities of Lungheng and Tsining have been recaptured, he said.

SHANGHAI, March 29—A stroke of the brush today abolished the central Chinese government of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, so far as the outside relationships of Japan are concerned.

But while Japan set up a new regime in Nanking, Nippon's political coup was minimized by the large-scale successes on the Tient-sin-Nanking railroad.

A telephone message received at General Chiang's headquarters at Nanking from the commander-in-chief of the Tient-sin-Nanking front, said: "The Japanese have been completely (Continued on Page Five)

Paul Muni Rejects Good Acting Award

NEW YORK, March 29—Paul Muni motion picture actor, rejected an award for good acting Saturday when he returned from Europe.

"I don't accept any of those things," he said. A representative of the Manischewitz Foundation had gone down the bay to meet Muni's boat and present the Foundation's fine art award, a bronze statuette, for Muni's interpretation of the role of Emile Zola.

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, March 29—With only two departments missing, General Alfredo Baldomir was assured today of election as President of Uruguay to succeed President Gabriel Terra.

PRES. TRANS-CANADA AIRLINES HONORED BY PARIS INSTITUTE FOR STUDY TRANSPORTATION

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MONTREAL Que., March 29—Word has been received from Paris, France of the appointment of S. J. Hungerford chairman and president of the Canadian National Railways, president of the Trans-Canada Airlines, to an honorary membership in the scientific institute of studies of communications and transportation. The institute exists to collect information on transport problems and to publish the results of its researches for the benefit of individuals and organizations interested in these questions. It has separate departments devoted to the legal, historical, economical and social aspects of transportation and to the special study of automobile, inland water ocean and air transportation. Mr. Hungerford has been made an honorary member in recognition of the interest which he has always shown in the evolution of

science and technique and in the application of scientific methods of research and study in the field of transport and communications and especially on account of the great services which he has rendered to the general progress of railways.

Losses By Italy In Spain Revealed

ROME, March 29—It was announced officially last night that 29 Italian officers and 253 Blackshirt Legionnaires serving with the Spanish nationalists have been killed in the insurgent drive in Catalonia.

The casualties, occurring since the start of Generalissimo Francisco Franco's Aragon offensive on March 9, also included 123 Italian officers and 1,349 legionnaires wounded and 33 missing.

1838 - Waverley Hotel - 1938

A HUNDRED YEARS is a long time in the life of an individual. A very few people reach the century mark. A hundred years is also a long time in the life of a business establishment in this province. Very few business houses in New Brunswick have been in existence for a century. There is no business establishment in existence in this city today that was in business a century ago when the Waverley Hotel was started. The Waverley Hotel today celebrates its centennial. In addition to this record the Waverley Hotel has been conducted by the same family all through the century. J. G. Dewar, who is in charge today, is a great-grandson of the founder, William Grieves, who first opened the doors of the Waverley Hotel to the public in March, 1838. William Grieves the founder, a man who was well known and respected in the community and who took an active interest in community affairs, was succeeded in business by his son, John B. Grieves. Many people throughout the province knew Jack Grieves, who for many years, in addition to running the Waverley Hotel, was Sergeant-at-Arms in the New Brunswick Legislature. On the death of John B. Grieves about thirty years ago, his widow conducted the business for a time. Then her daughter, Mrs. Annie Grieves Dewar with her husband, H. E. Dewar, assumed control of the hotel, and now the business is conducted by their son John Grieves Dewar who with his energetic and estimable wife, is making a grand success of the business. The hotel has been brought up to date in furnishings and equipment and it is today one of the most modern as well as the most homelike establishment of its kind to be found on the Saint John River. Everywhere throughout the province, the Waverley Hotel is known and it is known favorably.

Conditions generally have changed greatly in Fredericton since William Grieves opened the Waverley Hotel a century ago. The hotel has seen the beginning of all the business establishments that now exist in the city, and has witnessed many changes even since the original proprietor passed away. If it were given to the late William Grieves to return to the Waverley Hotel today and to see the running water in the rooms, the electric lights, the telephone service with which the hotel is equipped, the radio and the automobile service, the worthy founder of the hotel would imagine that he had landed on another planet. Old advertisements show that the Waverley Hotel was the headquarters for the stage coach which left Fredericton for Saint John three times each week and returned on alternate days. It was also the headquarters for the stage between Fredericton and the Miramichi and to Woodstock. In the days when the lumber kings were supreme on the Saint John River the Waverley Hotel was the headquarters where the army of river drivers, amounting at times to as many as a thousand men, were paid off at the close of the season's operations.

Through all the changing conditions of a century the citizens of Fredericton have known the Waverley Hotel and its proprietors, and the citizens of the present day will join with The Daily Mail in wishing Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dewar and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Dewar many happy returns of the day.



MRS. GEORGE BLACK, M.P. who expressed her views in the House of Commons, on War

ARMOURY FOR HUB IS IN ESTIMATES FOR 1938 BUDGET

MONCTON, March 29—The federal department of defense has, it is learned, given assurance to H. R. Emmerson, M. P., for Westmorland, that (Continued on Page Four)

SASKATCHEWAN IS LOOKING AT LAST FOR NORMAL CROP

REGINA, March 29—Saskatchewan is banking on 1938 being the "next year" it has awaited so long. It is looking forward to a normal crop judging from moisture conditions at the beginning of the seeding season. From the dried-out area in the southwest come optimistic reports of moisture flowing in creek beds, rivulets, rivers and lakes, storing up greatly-needed water. It is the largest amount of water that part of the country has had for years. Further, in many parts, a rapid thaw of heavy snow.

Federal Loan Obtained

To assist hard-pressed farmers, the Government has obtained a loan of \$13,000,000 from the Federal Government up to \$5,000,000 to mortgage and other companies interested in the land. As the minimum seeding bill for Saskatchewan under present conditions is \$50,000,000, it is clearly shown that the Government is limiting its relief in the form of seed and gasoline to minimum requirements.

The \$50,000,000 seeding bill covers all costs and to make up this amount many farmers will gamble on the future and obtain sufficient cash to see them through the seeding period. (Continued on Page Four)

Closing Phase Spanish Civil War Near At Hand Gov't Troops Losing

Insurgents Invade Catalonia While Demoralized Loyalist Government Defenders Are Everywhere Falling Back In Retreat

MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS IN EUROPE'S CAPITALS

London Believes Il Duce Will Not Seek Political Control If Franco Wins



S. J. HUNGERFORD

President of the C.N.R. and Trans-Canada Air Lines who was recently Honored by Paris.

FEDERAL GOV'T. TO WAIT UNTIL FINAL REPLIES PROVINCES

OTTAWA, March 29—In reply to a question from A. A. Heaps, C.C.F. yesterday Prime Minister Mackenzie King told the House of Commons the government thought it "not desirable" that a statement should be made at present as to whether unemployment insurance would be introduced this session.

Neither would the prime minister discuss the possibility of the Dominion proceeding with enactment of an insurance measure even if the provinces did not unanimously agree. He preferred to wait until final replies had been received from all the provinces.

Mr. Mackenzie King replied with a brief review of the project which was initiated when he wrote the provincial premiers Nov. 5, 1937, announcing (Continued on Page Four)

C. D. HOWE SAYS QUEBEC ALSO WILL HAVE AIRPORT

OTTAWA, March 29—Transport Minister Howe said his department planned steps to assure Quebec City of an airport even if Canadian Airways closes its field, a step it is reported to be considering. The department proposed to make Quebec a stop on the eastern feeder service of the Trans-Canada air line between Montreal and Moncton.

CATALONIA, March 29—Insurgent armies smashed into Catalonia today in a terrific thrust at the bulwark of loyalist Spain.

In the most desperate large-scale fighting since the Great War, three nationalist columns under Gen. Francisco Franco crossed the Cinca river and battered into retreat the Government troops in the Praga sector on the Catalan border. Italian and Moorish forces were prominent in the attack.

The government at Barcelona united now with Communist Socialist and Anarchist-Syndicalist labor forces called upon loyalist men, women and children for a supreme effort which appears likely to develop into a defence to the death and to produce a grim chapter in modern history.

When and if Barcelona's rich industrial centre falls, the collapse of Madrid and the rest of loyalist territory would be only a matter of time.

International development include: (Continued on Page Four)

P. E. I. GOV'T. WILL ASK LEGISLATURE FINANCE HIGHWAYS

CHARLOTTETOWN, March 29—The speech from the Throne which was read by Lieutenant Governor De Blois at yesterday's opening of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island expressed the hope that "funds may be available for the periodic repetition" of short courses under the Dominion-provincial youth training scheme. Contracts had been let for a two-year program involving the hard-surfacing of 100 miles of trunk highways; and the Legislature would be asked to provide the necessary authority for financing this project.

The speech continues thus in part: "My government will continue to (Continued on Page Five)

MRS. GEORGE BLACK, M. P., HATING WAR. SUPPORTS ARMS PLAN

OTTAWA, March 25—The Government's armament program won the support of Mrs. George Black, wife of a former Speaker of the House, recently, when in warm, emotional tones, she declared she had not raised her children to be "cannon fodder," but declared also that Canada must be prepared for any eventuality. "I brought my children up with the idea that this country was good enough to live in, and if it is good enough to live in, it is good enough to die for," she told an attentive House.

"None of us want war, but if the call comes we must be prepared," she went on. "God knows I don't want war. I don't want to live again the three and a half years I spent in London. I don't want to hear the sirens screaming nor to see those boys so dear to me, stretched out on hospital cots."

"But the dictators of the world being what they are, we must be ready, and, if the country to the south of us is prepared to help us, then we must be prepared to help them. "I do not always agree with the Minister (Hon. Ian Mackenzie). But I know he is a cautious, canny Scot, and I know he is not going to rush us into any war. With all my heart and soul I pray there will be no more trouble, but I will support this program," she concluded.

The House gave her warm applause and drew the comment from Paul Martin (Lib., Essex East), that she was not only "an honorable member of this House, but a lovable one."

IN THE NEWS



PREMIER MILAN HODZA who in a recent broadcast expressed his reassurance of no danger of conflict

PREM. HODZA SAYS COMPROMISE WITH SUDETENS FE'SIBLE

PRAHA, Czechoslovakia, March 29—Premier Milan Hodza tonight assured his nation that Czechoslovakia is stronger today than before the Central European crisis precipitated when Germany annexed Austria.

"There is no international danger, no danger of conflict," he said in a nation-wide broadcast to Czechoslovakians apprehensive over German ambitions for Czech territory and the agitation for a large German minority for autonomy.

"The possibility of a friendly accord is indicated and Czechoslovakia is ready to do her share."

At the same time Hodza said he believed the time had come for creation of laws to guarantee the rights of minorities in Czechoslovakia, possibly indicating some compromise to be made with the 3,500,000 Sudetan Germans.

MANITOBA LEADS IN SEEDING; LAND GOOD CONDITION

(Special to The Daily Mail)

WINNIPEG, March 29—Manitoba keeps the lead early in reports of work on the land according to reports coming daily to the agricultural department of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Agents from Gretna and Winkler report land in good condition for seeding. At Gretna seeding will be general this week and is started on light leads west of Altona where if present weather conditions continue it should be general by April 2. Morden district the home of the Dominion Experimental Farm in Manitoba, began seeding operations this morning. La Riviere Hills so recently alive with skiers, is now being furrowed for the summer crop.

Hoover Returns To U. S. On Thursday

NEW YORK, March 29—Former President Herbert Hoover returns from a European trip Tuesday and on Thursday will discuss the European situation at a Council on Foreign Relations dinner.

WASHINGTON, March 29—The Senate today passed the New Deal's government reorganization bill over protests of an opposing Republican-Democratic coalition that it would concentrate excessive power in President Roosevelt's hands, and jeopardize the democratic system of government.

\$40,000 Jewelry

Robber Punished

TORONTO, March 29—Henry Males, convicted of participation in the \$40,000 armed robbery of a wholesale jewelry store was sentenced to nine years in Kingston Penitentiary today by Judge Daniel O'Connell.