

"IF A MAN IS A STRANGER IN THE WORLD, WHO DOES NOT KNOW WHY HE WAS BORN INTO IT, NO LESS IS HE A STRANGER WHO DOES NOT KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON IN IT."—Marcus Aurelius.

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CORSICA RINGED BY WARSHIPS

Tunis En Fete For Daladier

TUNIS, Jan. 3.—Tunis today turned out to give a wildly enthusiastic welcome to Premier Daladier on his visit to the French colony to which Italy lays claim. Flags flew from every dome and tower, and buildings were gay with decorations and bunting. French and Arabs vied

with one another to prove their loyalty to France by doing honor to the visit of the French Premier.

Daladier arrived in state aboard the destroyer Foch and accompanied by three gunboats after his visit to Corsica.

Members of the Italian colony

kept in the background and did not take part in the demonstrations except in one instance upon the first landing of the Premier when a number of Italians fell in alongside the Premier's car, beating drums and shouting "Down with France," "Independence for Tunisia."

TO DEBATE FIVE YEAR HALT FOR DEATH PENALTY

OTTAWA, Jan. 3.—Canada will debate the question of a five-year "holiday" at the session of Parliament which opens here next month.

The House will be asked to vote on the question of "experimental" abolition of the death penalty for a five-year period in order to determine what effect it would have on crime.

The British House of Commons has declared itself in favor of such a "holiday," but observers doubt whether the Canadian Parliament will approve. Several campaigns for abolition of the death penalty have failed. Moves to adopt electrocution or lethal gas as a means of execution, in place of hanging, have been equally unsuccessful.

It is suggested, however, that one change is likely to be made in the present system, and that in the near future all executions may be carried out in central prisons, as is the case in the United States, instead of in county jails, the present Canadian custom.

BRITAIN TAKES SERIOUS VIEW OF CONSUL'S ARREST

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, Jan. 3.—The British Government is pressing the Burgos Insurgent Spanish Government for an explanation of the arrest of Ernest Golding, British Pro-Consul and his wife. The British Foreign Office has instructed their agents at Burgos to demand an immediate interview with Golding so that he might prepare his defense.

The Foreign Office takes a serious view of the incident as it considers that it violates the diplomatic community of the Consular Service.

3 ON TRIAL FOR PLOT AGAINST ADOLPH HITLER

(Special to The Daily Mail)

BERLIN, Jan. 3.—A strange trial conducted in as close an atmosphere of secrecy as the trial of the Russian conspirators in the Soviet purge is going on now in Berlin. Three Germans are being tried by the dreaded People's Court which has jurisdiction only over cases of high treason. The trial is being held with the deepest secrecy behind closed doors while no details are being made public. It is reported that three men are on trial on a charge of having conspired in a plot to assassinate a "leading personage" who it is understood Chancellor Hitler is meant. The leader is said to be Ernst Nieffelt, former Socialist newspaper proprietor who ostensibly joined the Nazi party upon Hitler's rise to power but who six months ago was placed under arrest and is now being brought to trial.

Daladier Cheered At Ajaccio, Bastia, By Corsican Crowds



DALADIER

"France Must be Strong She is; Rest Secure" is French Premier's Message.

BASTIA, Jan. 2.—An enthusiastic welcome was given Premier Daladier of France by excited throngs in Ajaccio and Bastia as tens of thousands of Corsicans greeted the French Premier with shouts of "Mussolini to the gallows." In a speech at Ajaccio in the morning the French Premier stated bluntly that his trip had been designed to make a circle about the island as a guarantee to Corsicans that Corsica as an integral part of France had nothing to fear for the future. "France has no need to threaten," said Daladier. "She need not shout, she must be strong, and she is, and that is the message that I have come to give you. While the French squadron circles your island," said Premier Daladier, "I wish every one of you whether farmer, fisherman, after seeing it pass, to return to his home knowing that he is secure."

ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION Crowds thronged in the streets of Ajaccio and Bastia for a chance to cheer Premier Daladier. As Daladier's squadron circled the island the prefect of the Department of Corsica as the Government's representative made a triumphant railway trip across the snow-covered mountains. The population of mountain villages along the railroad tracks lined the right of way to cheer the train while gendarmes stood stiffly at attention at their posts. Daladier's departure for Tunis on the French cruiser "Foch" he was escorted by the cruiser "Calbert" and the Third Destroyer Division.

WILL INSPECT BORDER The program for today as far as it is known, constitutes arrival at Bizerte, Tunisia after which the party will proceed directly to Tunis for a reception by the authorities of the protectorate. On Wednesday the Premier's group is expected to travel into Southern Tunisia to inspect the fortified line facing the Italian colony of Libya and then to proceed through Southern Algeria to Algiers and return via Toulon to Paris before January 10th so that Premier Daladier may be at his post in Paris during Prime Minister Chamberlain's visit to Rome on January 11th.

Arizona's exhibit at the 1939 California World's Fair will show its scenic attractions, climate and general attractiveness for tourists.

SKYGIRLS FORM CORPS FOR WAR SERVICE

SYDNEY, Australia, Jan. 3.—The Australian Women's Flying club has announced its intention of training an extensive corps of women aviators for the piloting of commercial and medical planes, and which will be at the disposition of the Government in the event of war. Members get their training for \$200 each.

MAY IDENTIFY TORCH SLAYER

WATERVILLE, Me., Jan. 3.—Police tonight revealed they were nearing a point in their investigation of the torch slaying of Napoleon Lessard 52, Thursday night, where a description of the killer could be broadcast.

More evidence supported a contention Lessard's death came at the hands of two persons seen entering his car. His body was found in the ruins of a fire which destroyed the A. E. Hustus hay-storage barn on Main Street.

A Winslow resident said today he had seen a man talking to Lessard last Tuesday. The man sought a loan of a dollar, which Lessard refused. "This man, a total stranger to the Winslow resident, replied, 'You'll be sorry for this.'"

U.S. OIL INDUSTRY GETS WARNING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The oil business in the United States is in anything but a comfortable position. It has troubles within the industry, threats of government intervention without.

Recently speaking over his own radio chain, Elliott Roosevelt, son of the President, warned the oil industry to get busy and solve its own problems. He warned that "the industry has reached a forked road in its progress" and added that return of government regulation "would be a bad day for the oil industry."

U. S. Rejects

Loan To Help Pound

Suggestions that Canada should float a large loan in the United States to be used to buy Canadian bonds now held in Great Britain do not meet with favor in Canadian banking and investment circles.

The proposal of a Canadian loan in U.S. has been made with two subjects in view.

1. To strengthen sterling by providing, say, \$250 millions in U.S. dollars.

2. To bring this amount of Canadian bonds nearer home in the United States.

Canadians generally favor any move that would strengthen sterling but it is claimed that the amount mentioned in comparison

Stowaways Joyride For Salt Sea Breezes

\$1 TICKET WINS \$12,000 HOME

ROCKEFORT, Mass., Jan. 3.—This was a mighty happy New Year for 49 year old William Johnson of 5 South Street court, here, native of Finland and now an American citizen, for he picked up the telephone at his home this noon to be told by the Beverly Chamber of Commerce secretary that he was the winner of a \$12,000 model home, which since its start in construction had been visited by about 35,800 people from all parts of the country.

BLACK SEA STORM CAUSES 22 DEATHS 13 SHIPS SUNK

(Special to The Daily Mail)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 3.—Swelling floods along the Yellow River have already covered an area of nine thousand square miles and rendered three million farmers homeless. The flood waters are steadily spreading along the system of lakes and canals towards the east and nine million more persons are threatened with the destruction of their homes and crops as well as the danger of death by drowning and raging yellow water.

'CHINAS SORROW' GRIEF TO JAPS TOO

(Special to The Daily Mail)

ISTANBUL, Jan. 3.—A tremendous hurricane is raging along the shore of the Black Sea and is causing widespread destruction of property, loss of life and damage to shipping. Thirteen cargo ships have been driven ashore by the storm and twenty-two lives were lost in the sinking of a steamer which foundered during the tempest with all hands.

HALIFAX, Jan. 3.—Stowaways had a banner year in 1938. The number of those stealing a ride from Montreal of Halifax to England and the reverse was on the increase.

Not only this, but the stowaways were of a different character. They were not the poor boys who, nurturing a yen to go down to the sea in ships, ducked under a lifeboat cover in other seasons. They were the professional type, the "ocean-going hoboes" who make it a practice to swing on board, much as they do a freight train. Many of them have country and ride back and forth across the Atlantic at random.

They make life difficult for the shipowner, who is responsible for any aliens he brings into the country. When the shipowner catches a stowaway on the outbound voyage to England, he not only must maintain him across but usually has to pay his expenses back.

Shipowners are clamping down on the stowaways by handing them over to the authorities on arrival and jail terms are ending the freedom of these pestiferous transatlantic "gentlemen."

Old Seadog Takes Helm Of Ultra-Modern Ship

LUNENBURG, N. S., Jan. 3.—Captain Clarence Knicker, an old seadog, will command the Teresa E. Connor, one of the most modern schooners ever to be launched here.

This schooner, which will become a member of Nova Scotia's great fishing fleet, makes her maiden trip to the fishing banks on Jan. 20, powered by a 800 h. p. diesel engine and equipped with radio. Captain Knicker will take the helm when she prowls her 140-foot length through the Atlantic in search of rich catches.

Insurgents Advance Slowly At Great Cost

British Consul Arrested on Espionage Charge

BURGOS, SPAIN, Jan. 2.—Announcement has been made by Spanish Insurgent military authorities that Ernest Golding, British pro-Consul and his wife have been arrested at San Sebastian on charges of espionage. It was announced on December 26th by the Insurgents that he and Mr. Rattenbury, Attache at the British Agency in Burgos were listed as Loyalist agents in papers found wrapped in a dirty shirt in the valise of the British Vice Consul, Harold Goodman when he crossed the border on December 19th. Upon December 26th Insurgents announced the arrest of fifty persons operating as a widely distributed espionage organization in Rebel territory.

London expressed surprise at the arrest and indicated that a serious diplomatic crisis might arise from the action of the Insurgent police. It had been announced previously that the British officials would be allowed to handle the case in their own manner without arrest of Embassy members or employees by the Insurgents.

Fair, mild weather has favored General Franco's drive against the Catalan fronts at the beginning of the new year in war torn Spain. The Rebel offensive is proceeding along a front of over seventy miles and is accompanied by desperate fighting in which one village was only taken after repulsing fifty assaults. Government sources described the Insurgents slow advance towards Artesa gained only at tremendous cost in casualties as in reality a victory, and make counter claims that in the northern part of the sector below Lerida where Italian troops are operating that the Italian Littorio Division was almost annihilated.

SCOT CENSURED FOR LIBERALITY

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Peter Hazard, a Scotman, who was found giving away pound notes in the street was told by a Scottish magistrate at Newcastle, England, "Be more careful in future and uphold the dignity of the Scots," the magistrate said. It should be mentioned that Hazard was also charged with being drunk. Fine \$5.

No Turning Today

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Revenue Returns Show Large Drop

Customs and Excise Duty collected at the Port of Fredericton during the past month showed a decrease of \$14,110.52 from the same period in 1937. Revenue collected during the last month of 1938 amounted to \$74,999.58, according to statistics released by J. D. Chase, acting Collector of Customs and Excise today.

The returns are as follows:

| December 1938 | |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Customs Import Duty | \$41,407.65 |
| Customs Sales Tax | \$100.53 |
| Customs Excise Tax | 1,804.97 |
| Excise Tax (Domestic) | 5,015.02 |
| Excise Duty | 20,836.16 |
| Sundry Collections | 35.25 |
| | \$74,999.58 |

The revenue collected during the month of December 1937 amounted to \$89,110.10, a decrease of \$14,110.52 for the present month.

The revenue collected during the period April 1, 1938, to December 31, 1938, amounted to \$563,637.13, while that for the corresponding period in 1937 amounted to \$658,194.93, a decrease of \$94,557.80.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 3.—Announcement is made that arrangements have been completed for the establishment of a direct steamship service from Vancouver to Northern Queensland ports in Australia and to points in New Guinea, Papua, the Solomon Islands, the New Hebrides and New Caledonia. In addition a direct service will operate from Vancouver to Samoa, the Friendly Islands and Fiji.

GYRO MEETING

The regular weekly meeting of the Fredericton Gyro Club will be held tonight at the Eureka Grill. K. R. McAdam, President, will preside. The regular meeting night of the club was changed from Monday this week because of the holiday.

RUMOR STATES TOKIO POST FOR HERR GOEBBELS

BASEL, Switzerland, Jan. 3.—Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels has been notified formally, it was said here today, that the price of his philandering with Lida Baarova, beautiful Czech motion picture actress, will be demotion from his post of Minister of Propaganda.

An envoy of Adolf Hitler called on the minister at his Wannsee home, where he was convalescing from the effects of a beating administered 10 days ago by friends of Gustav Froelich, Baarova's actor husband.

Goebbels will not be deprived immediately of his ministerial powers, as Hitler is anxious not to damage party prestige by an abrupt change which would call for explanation.

There are rumors that to avoid scandal Goebbels is slated for a diplomatic post, possibly in Tokio.

DEATH TOLL LOW DURING HOLIDAY

OTTAWA, Jan. 3.—Ministers of Highways and Highway officials throughout Canada have every right to be proud that the campaign for safe and sane driving on Canadian highways has borne fruit. There were only seventeen deaths throughout Canada over the New Year's Day weekend and nothing in the circumstances surrounding to show that the deaths came from unusual causes.

Only three of the seventeen deaths were caused by highway accidents.

In the United States with its vastly larger population there were 327 deaths of which 200 were caused by motor accidents.

Greatest Year

Oil Industry Leads

The Canadian oil producing industry completes its greatest year and enters the new year confident that 1939 will see another new record established.

No other great phase of Canadian industry can show a record for the past year that is comparable.

Crude oil production increased 150 per cent in the first 11 months of 1938 compared with the same period of 1937. For that period of 1937 marketed production totalled

2,037,610 barrels; for 1938, barrels numbered \$308,371.

Last Christmas Day, Alberta had 29 crude producing wells. Today there are 64. Out of the 35 successful completions in Turner Valley during the past year there have been no dry holes.

In 1937, six oil producing companies paid out \$1,326,776 in dividends. Dividends in 1938 were paid by 17 companies and the amount totalled \$2,153,773.