

SERIOUS CHANGE IN AFFAIRS

Poland May Make Demand For Free City Of Danzig To Forestall Hitler

Tension Almost At Breaking Point Among Poles as Situation Grows More Serious Because of Demands

WARSAW, May 1.—It was reported today that Poland may make demands for the Free City of Danzig as a trump card to forestall avowed intentions of Adolf Hitler on the area. The demands, it is stated, will be for the protection of Polish territorial and property rights, and will also guard Poland's frontier in the area of the Free City from Nazi occupation.

Tension is almost at a breaking point in Poland, according to competent observers. From London increased tension is also reported, based on the fact that Hitler's denunciation of the German-Polish accord is a more serious situation than the termination of the Anglo-German naval agreements.

One of the leading Polish papers today demanded that Danzig be brought into the Polish boundaries, at the same time other sections of the press scored the German leader and Nazi activities which they declared threatened the peace of the world as at no other time in history.

It was reliably reported from usually informed sources today that Hitler has followed up his demands made in his Friday radio address with further written statements sent to the Polish government. The contents of the notes have not been publicly announced.

Wants Lotteries Legalized For Clubs

TORONTO, May 1.—Minister of Justice Lapointe has been approached through communication from G. D. Cowart, Attorney-General of Ontario to amend the Criminal Code so that lotteries run by service clubs may be legalized.

Just Slight Chance King May Prorogue Parliament

OTTAWA, May 1.—In some circles a slight chance was still conceded for the Dominion Parliament to finish its business in time for King George to prorogue the House when he visits Canada this month. An unusual amount of unfinished business is still before the house, but a willingness on the part of many of the members to rush through their remaining business is reported.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King will exert no pressure on the House, it was stated today. It is also stated that he will urge no lengthening of the settings or other measures to facilitate Royal prorogation unless the House voices its approval and asks for such measures.

The parliament will adjourn on May 12 to allow the Prime Minister to meet the King and Queen and welcome them to the Dominion. Parliament will sit again on May 19, if the business of the House is completed at that time the King will prorogue the assembly. Should the business be uncompleted he will give Royal Assent to several bills and the House will adjourn to June 19.

RUSSIAN FLYERS REACH NEW YORK

NEW YORK, May 1.—Brigadier-General Vladimir Kokkinaki and navigator Major Mikhail Gordienko landed in New York last night after a flight from Moncton, N. B. in a chartered plane owned by Harold G. Vanderbilt who had carted them to the Maritime city after their forced landing on lonely Miscou Island in Northern New Brunswick Friday evening.

The plane was piloted by Russell K. Thaw and left Moncton at 6.30 yesterday bearing the fliers and three Russian friends from New York. Soviet papers publicly congratulated the fliers and a telegram from Stalin extending his felicitations for their feat of covering the 5000 miles in 22 hours and 56 minutes.

Freezing of the plane's radio compass and exhaustion of the fliers' oxygen supply caused the forced landing it was stated by an announcement from the Charge D'Affaires of the Soviet Embassy at Washington who had received his information from Kokkinaki.

STEAL FLYERS BOOTS BEFORE MONCTON TAKEOFF

MONCTON, May 1.—Just before the plane carrying the Russian fliers to New York was ready to take off here for the American metropolis A. I. Lodwick, senior vice-president of Aviation Corporation of America rushed back into the crowd.

Some one had stolen Kokkinaki's flying boots he reported to Inspector John Bird of the R.C.M.P. who quickly with his men searched the crowds and the nearby buildings for the missing equipment. Kokkinaki took off the fur lined boots shortly after he arrived from Miscou Island and the theft is attributed to a souvenir hunter.

EMPRESS TO SAIL UNDER HER OWN CREW

LONDON, May 1.—The Empress of Australia, luxury liner of the Canadian Pacific Railway will be manned by her own crew when she sails on Saturday next bearing the King and Queen to Canada, under command of Captain A. R. Meikle.

Under command of Vice-Admiral Sir Dudley North, will be a number of ratings of the British Navy to maintain contact with the convoy of cruisers Southampton and the Glasgow. The ship will sail from Portsmouth under the original plans that were intended to bring the Royal couple to Canada on the battleship Repulse.

The Empress will sail as a merchantile marine liner chartered by the government and under the command of her own crew. The Association of Canadian ex-service men will provide a guard of honor when the King and Queen leave London.

TO RECTIFY CATTLE DIET DEFICIENCY

EDMONTON, May 1.—In Alberta over eight million acres of land have been set aside as "special areas" and placed directly under the administration of a Provincial board with power to administer the land within these areas. Mistakes of the land rush of 1900-1914, which saw thousands of land-hungry settlers invading what was previously a cattle man's paradise, are to be rectified. Areas now known to be incapable of cultivation are being turned back to pasture land and fenced in. Water, soil and grass resources are to be controlled by public policy, based on conservation rather than exploitation. Scientists are also helping in the work of rehabilitation. For some years it has been known that the vegetation of the plains is deficient in minerals, and that this deficiency varies with the season. An indirect result of this deficiency is the occurrence of goitre and reproductive troubles in horses and cattle. Many a rancher has been baffled by small calf crops until the feeding of low-cost mineral supplements developed by chemists for pregnant stock have cut down his losses. Today practically all big ranch operators in the short grass country feed minerals to their livestock.

PARLIAMENT WILL CONSIDER MAJOR MATTERS

LONDON, May 1.—Proposals from Russia with respect to the anti-aggression pact will be considered tomorrow by Parliament when also consideration will be given to the military service bill and the building up of the land force of 1,000,000 this year.

Hitler's speech has lessened the opposition of Russian troops entering Polish territory and with this change of mind it is expected that England and France will have less difficulty bringing the two together and line the countries up as allies.

Conscription of young men 20 and 21 years old will be another important discussion for this week's session of the Parliament.

In Brief

GRAND LAKE, May 1.—More than 100 yards of track was ripped up and 13 cars were derailed here over the week-end when a west-bound freight from Halifax was wrecked for an unknown cause. The cars carried fish, fertilizer and general freight, five of which including a tank car filled with gasoline, spilled their contents.

WAKEFIELD, Que., May 1.—Quebec Provincial Police were waiting the medical report of Dr. J. M. Roussel, medico-legal expert who was called here to examine the remains of William Bates found hanging in a barn. Police are suspicious of the death.

SAINT JOHN, May 1.—Mystery of the disappearance of 74-year-old Walter Vair, of Little River, was cleared up on Saturday when two wood-cutters found the man dead back of Renforth. Vair had been missing four months and is believed to have died from exposure.

SAINT JOHN, May 1.—Canadian Airways Maritime Service got under way today with a service extending from Saint John to Moncton and Halifax and return. When the T.C.A. is inaugurated in the Maritimes, it will serve as a feeder.

Intense Diplomatic Activity Expected In London This Week

Also Preparing For Military Manoeuvres And War Games on Huge Scale in the Vicinity of Aldershot in Which Territorials Will Play A Part as Well as Standing Army

LONDON, May 1.—Intense diplomatic activity is slated for the present week, it is reported today, with Britain said to be rushing to completion negotiations with Russia and Turkey in connection with the encirclement policy adopted some time ago in defence against further territorial expansion by Adolf Hitler and the German Reich.

It is reported reliably that negotiations with Russia will be completed this week and that the Soviet state will be linked solidly with the British-French bloc.

In London today it was reported that a clause will be inserted in the conscription measure to enlist women into home service in armament, munitions, supplies, and food industries. At the same time, it has been announced that the present summer, barring a conflict will see the most intense military manoeuvres and practices in the history of Britain. War games on a huge scale are slated for the vicinity of Aldershot and other English districts. In the war games, Britain's new territorials will play an important part as well as the standing army. For the first time Britain's new mechanized forces will be massed on a large, concentrated scale.

CANADIAN EGGS SENT TO OLD COUNTRY

OTTAWA, May 1.—The first car of Grade A eggs to be exported from Canada in 1939 left Winnipeg on April 17th consigned to buyers in Glasgow, Scotland. It is expected that during the next few weeks several more cars of eggs will leave Montreal for the British market. The shipments will be made up in both Eastern and Western Canada. All Canadian eggs moving into both export and domestic trade are graded according to standards set by the Dominion Department of Agriculture and are transported under the proper temperature to preserve the quality being maintained. Incidentally Canada was the first country in the world to establish egg grading standards for export and domestic trade, the former in 1918 and the latter in 1923.

FRANCO REFUSES FINANCIAL AID FROM DEMOCRACYS

PARIS, May 1.—Measures for the re-establishment of Spain, after two years of war, has been turned down by Franco, it has been reported, because of the collaboration of British and French capital. It was said that Franco has plans prepared himself and would put them into effect as finances permit.

Fear of opposition of the totalitarian states and the act that financial aid from Britain and France might tie him down politically were also said to have been factors in the decision made by the new Spanish leader.

Fraser Results Register Decline

Fraser Companies, Limited, reports consolidated earnings, before interest, depletion and depreciation for the three months ended March 31, 1939, of \$213,854, as against \$630,179 in the similar period of 1938. The statement consolidates the results of the parent company and its subsidiaries, Fraser Paper Limited, Fraser Realities Limited and Restigouche Company Limited.

These earnings, before charging depletion and depreciation, came within \$4,045 of covering total interest and exchange of \$217,899 and after providing for depletion and depreciation of \$258,958 there was a net loss of \$263,003 for the first quarter this year. This compares with the income of \$142,929 reported for the corresponding period last year.

Stock Market Quotations

(Supplied by W. C. Pitfield & Co. Limited at 1.30 p.m.)

Stock	Price
Anaconda	23 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	54 1/2
Boeing Aircraft	21
Chrysler Corp	63 1/2
Consolidated Edison	30
Douglas Aircraft	59
General Motors	41 1/2
Int Pap & Pow Pfd	29
Montgomery Ward	44 1/2
New York Central	13 1/2
Radio Corp	6 1/2
United States Steel Com	45 1/2
Yellow Cab	13 1/2
Electric Bond & Share	7 1/2
Montreal	
Brazilian	10 1/2
Canada Car	10 1/2
Consolidated Paper Corp	4
Dom Steel & Coal "B"	9 1/2
International Nickel	45 1/2
Montreal Power	31
St. Lawrence Corp	2 1/2
St. Lawrence Corp Pfd	8 1/2
Montreal Curb	
Abitibi Preferred	4 1/2
Mines	
Hard Rock	1.00
Kirkland Lake	1.35
Macassa	4.25
Siscoe	1.03

MOSCOW STAGES BIG MAY DAY CELEBRATIONS

MOSCOW, May 1.—Thousands paraded in Moscow today in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the International May Day. Stalin was in the background and is said to have watched the processions from a balcony.

Tell German Youth Army Equal to Other World Nations

OPENING DAY AT WORLD'S FAIR ATTRACTS 600,000

NEW YORK, May 1.—The United States stands for the encouragement of peace President Roosevelt said here in an inaugural address of the New York World's Fair which opened yesterday with a 600,000 crowd, far below the million anticipated. The President avoided any reference to Hitler's remarks but expressed the hope that time will break down all the barriers existing in Europe. With him was his wife and mother as well as other members of his family and representatives of the 60 nations exhibiting at the Fair.

POLAND WILL NOT ACCEDE TO HITLER'S DEMANDS

WARSAW, May 1.—Rumors rife in European diplomatic circles during the week-end stated that Hitler has notified Poland that he wants a parcel of the Polish Corridor to connect Germany with East Prussia of no less than 25 kilometers wide which is equal to 15.5 miles.

At the same time it was expected that Poland through their foreign minister will make it plain that the country has nothing to give Germany and it was believed Poland would rather fight than abandon territory. Already she is mobilizing more than 1,000,000 men to back her stand.

Hitler's latest demand carried in his Friday's speech was also interpreted as a move to frighten the Poles who will also likely take a strong stand against Hitler's Polish-German non-aggression stand. Foreign Minister Beck is also expected to tell Germany that Poland cannot become a German military base.

NOVA SCOTIA HAS HEAVY SNOW STORM

TRURO, May 1.—One of the heaviest snowfalls for the date in history blanketed this Nova Scotia town over the week-end with 10 inches of the white flakes. At Halifax ten inches fell, while in some sections of New Brunswick there were two and three inches of snow.

STOP HITLER SAVE PEACE CROWD THEME

TORONTO, May 1.—A crowd of about 6,000 gathered in Maple Leaf Gardens last night in an advance May Day celebration. "Stop Hitler," and "Save Peace," were the themes of the meeting. The gathering stood in accord agreed to a policy of peace by honorable means but declared there could be no peace with Fascism.

About Completed

EDMONTON, May 1.—Hearing of charges of combine against tobacco jobbers and manufacturers was adjourned here over the week-end. One witness remains to be heard in the case before the preliminary investigation is completed. Walter Stewart, Montreal, former President and now director of W. C. McDonald, Inc., is to give evidence.

BERLIN, May 1.—In his May Day address to the German Youth today, Chancellor Adolf Hitler proclaimed that Germany today is equal in armed strength to the other large nations of Europe. His remarks were aimed particularly at Britain, France and Russia.

At the same time he warned the German youth that they must at all times be ready to fight for Germany's territorial rights, and to protect them if necessary. He proclaimed the duty of all the nation to share the responsibility of getting German rights.

In his second address to the Labor Front, he disclaimed any desire for war, saying that he was willing to see a peace of ten or twenty years, since it would take that long to realize projects he had in mind.