

Mussolini Reserves The Right To Declare War

His Decision Is Final and Irrevocable—Paris Proposals a Failure and Inadequate.

GENEVA, Switzerland, Sept. 5—Benito Mussolini declines to budge. He reserves complete liberty of action either to remain in the League of Nations, to leave it or to declare war against Ethiopia. And his decision is final and irrevocable.

In a press interview last night, Baron Pompeo Aloisi, Italian delegate to the League council meeting which began yesterday, added a sting to the pungent statement he made to the council earlier. It was not his statement, Aloisi declared, but that of the Italian government. He personally would remain at Geneva, playing a passive part and watching events. But Italy had said her last word.

The Paris peace proposals—which Britain hoped to press again—Aloisi dismissed as totally inadequate in their present form.

"Mr. Eden (Anthony Eden, British delegate and minister for League affairs) considers them generous", Aloisi said, "We do not."

"But were they not submitted as a basis for discussion?" he was asked. "What is the basis of discussion?" retorted Aloisi. "If they are intended as an end of the concessions they are unacceptable. If they are intended as a beginning, they might form a program. I asked for both political and economic concessions. The proposals were purely economic."

"Could you say what political concessions you asked?" Aloisi returned he could not reveal their nature, as they were confidential discussions.

The Italian delegate's declaration to the council was accompanied by the submission of a long memorandum, charging Ethiopia through the retention of slavery and acts of barbarism had violated engagements made when she entered the League. Therefore she was not entitled to remain in the League. Italy claimed she was not violating the Kellogg-Briand anti-war pact because in signing it she made the same reservations as made by Britain.

Concluding his address to the council Aloisi said: "It is a question of vital interests, of primordial importance for the security and civilization of Italy. The Italian government would be wanting in its most elementary duty if it did not withdraw its confidence with regard to Ethiopia and if it did not reserve full liberty of action in order to adopt any measures necessary for the security of her colonies and the safe-guarding of her own interest."

Still Unfinished
So a hectic day closes with the League council adjourning on an unfinished discussion. The sitting opened with Eden, supported by Premier Laval of France, and Lopez Oliván, the Spanish delegate, in an earnest plea for peace through the League. At the far end of the council table sat Teclé Hawariat, the Ethiopian delegate, with his economic advisor, Professor Gaston Jeze. Enrique Ruiz Guinazu, the Argentine delegate, was chairman.

Following Aloisi, Professor Jeze made much of the arbitrators' report on the Ualual incident. Italy, he charged, based her original case on Ualual. She declined arbitration, saying the facts were clear.

"Ethiopia", Jeze caustically added, "urged the dispute should be settled by the civilized method of arbitration." The arbitrators had wiped the Ualual incident left and Italy had to find new pretexts for her warlike preparations. That was the meaning of Italy's new charges.

"Time presses", Jeze urged, "The question is whether or not there is to be war."

Anthony Eden, Britain's minister for League affairs, opened the session with a strong and earnest plea for maintenance of the League in both letter and spirit. "If, in the judgment of world opinion, the League fails in this dispute", he warned, "its authority for the future will be gravely impaired."

The collapse of the League and of the new conception of international (Continued on Page Four)

N. Y. MAY FORBID CAR HORN TOOTING

NEW YORK, Sept. 5—Automobile horn tooting may be outlawed in New York, Mayor LaGuardia said, between the hour of darkness and the time when most New Yorkers arise.

Scanning a report from Major Henry Curran, who has been studying noise abatement abroad, the mayor commented:

"I am considerably impressed by advice that London has enjoyed a decrease in accidents, in addition to the elimination of a major noise nuisance since the enactment of such a regulation."

Special Privileges

There is a whole lot of adverse criticism of the action of the City Council in granting almost unanimously a permit to G. Walter Kitchen. People who are making the kick are wondering if there is one law for Walter Kitchen and another for ordinary citizens who have less money.

Is it true that a number of wooden buildings covered with tin or galvanized iron have been allowed in the fire district forbidden by law? Does Mr. Kitchen not know that by building with wood in the fire district it is contrary to the by-laws of our City? Do not the Aldermen know that in sponsoring this permit for the building of wooden buildings on Queen Street that they too are breaking the laws of our City.

The laws of our City are sacred and should be kept so and not broken by every "Tom-Dick-and-Harry."

Is it true that when the Kitchen building was burned that a neighbor, G. E. George, tore down a wooden building in the rear of the burned building and rebuilt with brick so as to cut down the fire hazard. Do you know that it is not fair to the owners of the adjoining buildings to allow the construction of firetraps in their midst. Someday these firetraps will start a real fire like Pet-ticodiac and Campbellton of some few years back when these towns were almost wiped out, and then up goes the insurance rates. If the City Council does not respect the laws then how can they expect the citizens to do so.

Another matter which Walter Kitchen wanted the City to allow him to do was to erect a board fence on Queen street, and the Council also agreed to this. Alderman Hedley Forbes and Alderman Fred Mundie opposed this. Alderman Mundie also opposed the erection of a wooden wall in the rear.

Mr. Kitchen never should have been granted this thing by the City Council. The Council should not have let Walter pull their legs. Everyone is talking about it.

FIRE VICTIM'S BODY FOUND IN CLOSET

BUFFALO, New York, Sept. 5—Falling asleep while smoking in bed, Caywood Peters, 36, was fatally burned yesterday. Firemen found him in his clothes closet. He had tried to make his way out of his smoke-filled and opened the closet door by mistake.

AT QUEEN HOTEL TODAY

Among those registered at the Queen Hotel are the following: G. A. Rose, L. F. Reed, Montreal; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bray, St. Catherines, Ont.; G. F. McWilliam, Newcastle; J. Barry, Chatham; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hamm, Toronto; Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts, St. John; W. T. Sinton, Amherst; J. E. Michaud, L. Rossignol, J. G. Boucher, Edmundston; Jas. White, Amherst; A. Wylie, Miss Wylie, Medicine Hat, Alta.; J. E. Gratton, A. P. Colcomb, Montreal; Hon. A. P. Paterson, Wm. Redding, St. John; Major and Mrs. A. F. Hill, Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. F. Healy, Lawrence, Mass.; Cecil Bell, C. M. Johnston, St. John; Miss E. Rayner, Montreal; Hon. A. A. Dysart, Buctouche; F. J. Fortier, St. John; C. D. Archibald, St. John; A. L. McLeod, Montreal; H. Noseworthy, Edmundston; Ewen MacEwen, B. M. Beckwith, Montreal; Mrs. E. H. Sinclair, Miss Sinclair, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Sinclair, Bathurst; Hon. A. C. Taylor, Salisbury; W. A. Sault, St. John; W. M. Stephen, Halifax, N. S.

TWO REGULARS

The yellow and black football squad were hard at it last night and are out to add another championship to the many laurels already won by the Fredericton High School. Captain Ted Clark of the yellow and black, who has played standout football for the high school for the past two years, and Harry Heron are the only two regulars left. Players were lost through graduation and failure to make their years, nevertheless the high school squad under Egbert Cass and assistant Coach Bert Waterhouse will be of championship calibre again, it is expected.

OLD TOWN MINUS "SMITHY"

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Sept. 5—Old-timers and the Chamber of Commerce were reluctant to admit it, but the truth is out—Independence, outfitting joint for covered-wagon trains making the perilous Santa Fe trail journey—has no blacksmith shop.

SHOES SOUGHT AS MURDER EVIDENCE

BIDDEFORD, Maine, September 5—Search for Florence Grenier's missing shoes is going on a state and county investigators collect evidence for presentation next Tuesday at a continued hearing for Alexander Cloutier, 25, accused of slaying the girl.

The continuance was granted last week at Cloutier's arraignment before Municipal Judge Lausier to permit both state and defence counsel to prepare their cases. The body of the girl, a native of Disraeli, Quebec, was found August 23 in an unused woods dump.

Officers sought further information as to the whereabouts of the accused youth and the girl before she was battered to death August 20. Cloutier, who came from Cap de la Madeleine, Quebec, remained in the county jail at Alfred, barred by court order to all but his own attorneys.

Simon Spill, defence lawyer, conferred with his client but was non-committal as to the result of the conference.

PRIEST RECALLED; ON WAY TO FRANCE

QUEBEC, P. Q., Sept. 5—Rev. Georges de la Cotardiere, of the Eudist Order, who replaced Rev. P. Dagneau as pastor of St. Coeur de Marie parish a few years ago, has been recalled to France, and sailed from here in the Empress of Britain. Rev. de la Cotardiere has been replaced at St. Coeur de Marie by Rev. F. Quelo, former Superior of the College at Bathurst, N. B., who took charge during the week end.

FAST TRAIN KILLS BIRDS

PORTLAND, Oregon, Sept. 5—Many birds are killed by the Union Pacific streamline train "City of Portland" on each run, when they are caught in the radiator at the engine nose.

FIRE ON BRIDGE

A slight fire occurred on the Fredericton-Devon highway bridge early last evening. The fire occurred about midway of the bridge and was believed to have originated from a cigarette butt, the blaze burning the planks of the walk. The firemen used chemicals and successfully put the fire out before any damage resulted.

ARTIST MAKES N.B. HIS PERMANENT SUMMER HOME

Ernest L. Ipsen, Mrs. Ipsen Leave for U. S. Homes After Fine Trip to This Province — Paints N. B. Scenes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Ipsen who have been spending the summer at their summer home at Boiestown left yesterday for their winter home in New Bedford. Mr. Ipsen is one of the best portrait painters in the United States, he having had for one of his studies Hon. Chief Justice W. H. Taft, former United States President. Mr. Ipsen who with his wife has for several years been coming to our province after salmon, has recently erected a large log cabin and has made New Brunswick his permanent summer home. His newly erected cabin which is near the Griffin Inns at Boiestown, contains a studio from which the famous artist intends to at times continue his paintings.

Mr. Ipsen who is a native of Denmark's with his wife a frequent visitor to the Capital, where they do a considerable amount of shopping of Canadian goods. They both take yearly cruises up the salmon streams and they like the scenery and the advantages of our province.

Mr. Ipsen plans on visiting New Denmark on his next trip to meet the people of New Denmark.

WESTFIELD ROAD PAVING FINISHED

Paving of the Westfield Road, which was begun Aug. 22, 1934, was completed yesterday afternoon. Laid by the Dufferin Paving and Construction Company (Maritime) Limited, the pavement extends 12.3 miles between Manchester's Corner and the junction of the Broad and River roads at Westfield.

A. W. GILES, VERNON, B. C., IS DEAD

VERNON, B. C., Sept. 5—A. Waring Giles, 66, manager of Hankey and Co., investment house and one of Vernon's best known business men, died suddenly yesterday in his office. Before coming here in 1906, he was in the insurance business in Toronto.

EDUCATION DECREE IS ISSUED BY STALIN

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Sept. 5—Russian parents were made responsible for the schooling of their children in a decree signed today by Josef Stalin Soviet leader.

The decree was aimed at what Stalin called "the stupid anti-Leninist theory that the school is dying out." It laid down strict measures to combat rowdiness among school children and prescribed a uniform to be worn by all school children in the larger cities.

The decree required parents to see that their children were placed in school.

INSPECTORS AWAY

School inspectors from eight inspectorial districts who met in conference with Dr. A. S. McFarlane, chief superintendent of education for New Brunswick here yesterday, left for their homes. Inspectors H. C. Titus, Marysville; J. T. LeJeune, Bathurst; A. E. Daigle, Moncton; R. H. Chapman, Moncton; C. T. Wetmore, Hampton; E. J. Marr, St. John; A. B. Brooks, Woodstock; and J. E. DeGrace, Campbellton, were here. Inspector N. T. Fox of Gagetown was not able to attend due to illness.

CALLED TO MONCTON

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wood are in Moncton where they have been called on account of the illness and subsequent death of Mrs. Wood's mother, Mrs. Oulton, widow of the late Dr. George J. Oulton, retired Principal of the Aberdeen High School in Moncton. Many friends in Fredericton will regret to hear of the passing of Mrs. Oulton. The late Dr. Oulton and Mrs. Oulton have frequently visited their daughter in the Capital where they made many friends.

CASE SET OVER

The case of Turney Munroe charged with an indecent assault against a minor was set over until the latter part of the month. Fred Peters appeared for the defendant.

Florida Hurricane Returns to Miami District—Many Dead

HALIFAX TURF EXPERT WRITES ON FTON TRACK

Celestial City Noted for Its Track Feats — A Perfect Oval.

(James W. Power, Halifax Harness Racing Expert)

The coming races at Fredericton call to mind that "The Celestial City" has for many years been noted for its race meets, for its enterprising and prominent turfmen, and in having the fastest horses ever seen in the Maritime Provinces, attracting people not only from hereabouts, but from New England and elsewhere. Its track too, which of late years has been so carefully attended to, under the direction of Doctor Grover McCoy, is famed for horses being able to make their best time thereon. It has the record for Guesswork, 2:04 1/4; the race record 2:04 1/4 made by five different horses including Single G., 1:58 1/2; Bessie McKiyo, 2:01 1/4; Billy Strainmore, 2:04; Ruby P., 2:04 1/4, and Jeanette Royal, 2:04 1/4; the trotting record 2:07 by Peter Pokey, 2:06 1/2, and a number of other Maritime Province records.

The progress made in the speed of the horses on Maritime tracks in the past half century may be gleaned from the summaries of a meeting held at The York Driving Park in October 1878, or 57 years ago, which like that of the present was of three days' duration. The free-for-all \$200 purse was won by S. Jennings' Anodyne in 2:37, 2:34, 2:33, defeating J. C. Mahon's Frank Allison and P. McAnn's Pochahontas. Mr. Cone and (Continued on Page Four)

Supply Train For Rescue Work Was Lost — Property and Crop Damage.

MIAMI, Florida, September 5—The raging tropical hurricane which swept the Florida keys with an unofficial toll of from 200 to 500 lives was headed back northeastward across the state last night with apparently diminishing force.

The Red Cross placed the death casualties at "at least 200" in a report Leonard K. Thompson, Red Cross disaster relief chairman here. He said 100 were known to be dead in the upper key region and that he estimated another 100 perished in the islands farther south.

No estimate of the crop and property damage could yet be obtained and it was likely a factual total of the loss of life would not be available for days. Rescue forces were being organized in all parts of the affected area.

There were reports of high winds in northwestern Florida last night and some property damage but no indication of loss of life. At 7:30 the Weather Bureau at Jacksonville said the disturbance, gradually diminishing to storm winds, probably would pass just north of Macon, Georgia, and move out into the ocean through the Carolinas.

Coast Guard headquarters at Washington were informed last night by its Jacksonville station that between 200 and 400 persons were dead at Matecumbe, where a number of war veterans were engaged in a road building project.

An estimate that the dead in the keys would not exceed 300 came from Dr. Joe Stewart, who late yesterday completed an aerial survey of the storm-swept keys.

A special rescue train of 11 cars, sent into the keys area to evacuate the veterans and other residents there, never was able to perform its errand of mercy—it, too, fell a victim of the storm.

Swirling flood waters washed out the tracks from around it and underneath it and the coaches toppled over into the mud and water, a twisted mass of wreckage. The crew was reported safe.

Confronting rescue workers was the gruesome task of removing to Miami the bodies of all those who perished on the keys, some of which are reachable now only by boat since highways and railroad beds were washed out.

Some rescuers reported bodies could be seen pinned under the wreckage of their homes and others were strewn out about in the open. Belief was expressed that some of the bodies may have been washed out to sea by the high tidal wave that struck the keys.

Scenes of death, misery and destruction greeted the eyes of those who journeyed today to the rugged keys to lend a helping hand to the hurricane victims.

Balloon Explodes, Child's Hair Singed

TORONTO, Ont., Sept. 5—John B. Stephens, bought a rubber gas balloon, shaped like a Mickey Mouse, for his three-year-old son, Tommy, at the Exhibition yesterday but it proved a dangerous plaything.

The boy was sitting in the rear seat of the family car, the balloon in his hand, as the family started to go home. Without warning the balloon exploded. The windshield was broken and a sheet of flame which accompanied the explosion singed Tommy's hair.

No one was smoking and the boy was not playing with matches. It is thought that the balloon might have been touching the hot glass of the car window.

LATE KENNETH L. PERKINS

The funeral of the late Kenneth Lawrence Perkins, four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Perkins of this city, was held this afternoon from the home of his bereaved parents. The little fellow had been operated on over a year ago for appendicitis and although he was able to be around did not respond to treatment and a second operation was performed on Tuesday, but he did not rally and passed away. The little fellow was a general favorite in the neighbourhood where he lived, many friends calling at the house and others sent floral tributes as a remembrance of his friendship. Very Rev. J. H. A. Holmes preached the funeral service at the home, interment was made in the Rural cemetery extension. The chief mourners were his dad John A. Perkins, and his three brothers Francis, John and Billy.

TRAIN-TRUCK CRASH DEATH MOUNTS TO 3

FORT WILLIAM, September 5—Death toll of a collision between a gasoline-laden truck and Canadian Pacific Railway train stood at three with the death of William Henderson, fireman on the engine.

The crash occurred Sunday, 104 miles west of here. Robert J. Rogers, Fort William, driver of the engine and William Kent, Fort William, operator of the truck were instantly killed.

Henderson, who jumped from the engine cab with Rogers after setting the brakes, died in the Red Cross hospital at Dryden, where he was taken after the collision. The men jumped to avoid flaming gasoline as it covered the engine cab and the truck.

An inquest into the death will be held but no date has yet been set.

FAMILY BREAK-UPS NATIONAL EXPENSE

LONDON, England, Sept. 5—A paper by Lord Feversham, read at the Imperial Social Hygiene Congress on domestic relations cases in the courts, noted that 10,000 separation orders were made every year, and that each year 3,900 men were sent to prison for failing to pay maintenance orders.

It was impossible to say how many more such cases had been prevented by wise decisions of the courts or of wise intervention, but it was clear that a tremendous national saving was effected when the break-up of families was prevented.

GUIDES MEET AT ST. JOHN

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Guides' Association will be held in St. John on October 7 and 8. Previously the annual meetings of this association were always held in this city. William T. Griffin, president, will preside at the sessions in October and it is expected that more than fifty guides from all over the province will attend.

BOY KILLED BY BULL

QUEBEC, September 5—A mad bull tramped to death the 10-year-old son of Philippe Lavoie at Sayabec, near here, it was learned yesterday. The boy was herding cattle into a field, where the bull attacked him.

TOWN WARS ON HAY FEVER

COHASSET, Mass., Sept. 5—Town workers, unemployed, college students and social workers joined forces recently to uproot ragweed in an effort to banish hay fever from this town.