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## Geneva Brands Italy Aggressor, Violates Covenant

### Italians Claim 2000 Slain and Several Prisoners Taken — Ethiopians Deny Victory.

ADDIS ABABA, Oct. 7.—Whilst the Italians claim a fair amount of victory at Adowa, the government of Ethiopia minimizes the result of the skirmish calling it a hollow, sentimental victory. Reports state that massed bombing from 300 Italian planes killed several people.

A report from the government said 16 Italian airplanes had bombed the towns of Amba Sekuta and Tabetcha, in Wolkait province Friday, with a number of casualties among the panic-stricken population. Italians were reported massing troops at several points on the Wolkait-Eritrean frontier.

Three hundred bombs, it was announced officially, were dropped on Gorohei in Ogaden Province yesterday, 160 of them exploding. Five persons were killed and 15 wounded.

(A Reuter's Addis Ababa despatch said 40 soldiers were killed when Italian planes bombed Gerlagubi, 30 miles from Walwal).

#### Sentimental Importance

Military strategists minimized the Italian victory at Adowa, where the forces of the former Emperor Menelik slaughtered an Italian army in 1896. They said a victory possessed sentimental but not strategic importance and that the real test would come later.

Both Ethiopian and foreign military observers here said they considered the results of Italian fighting most meagre to date.

"Italians claim over 2,000 were mowed down before the way to Adowa was opened up," said the despatch. "The Italians were able to take several hundred prisoners. The tribesmen, remaining thunderstruck under the hail of lead."

For the Danakil warriors to be taken prisoner was remarkable, the account continued, inasmuch as they regard it as a tenet of their faith to die in battle rather than bow their neck before the enemy.

Italian losses in the fighting were described as very slight.

The Italian forces found their consulate at Adowa deserted, the account went on, although the Italian flag was still flying. Nothing was known of the fate of the consul and other Italian residents.

The despatch said it was believed Ethiopian forces were massing for a great defensive action in the village of Makale.

Italian forces, after the occupation, were reported combing the hills adjacent to Adowa, where parties of irregular Ethiopian troops were lurking "with the presumed intention of sniping at the town of nightfall."

#### Conferred in Rome

ROME, Oct. 6.—The Italian government last night officially announced the capture of Adowa from the Ethiopian defenders.

That northern Ethiopian city, scene of Italy's great defeat in 1896, was captured at 10.30 a.m. by troops of the Second Army Corps, the announcement said.

#### Communique Issued

The communique announcing the capture stated: "At dawn this morning the troops of the Second Army Corps resumed their march forward and at 10.30 entered Adowa."

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## LAVAL OPPOSES SANCTIONS URGED BY ETHIOPIA

### Straw Ballot Shows Majority Against Appli- cation of Sanctions

PARIS, October 7.—Despatches from Geneva yesterday reported Premier Laval was opposed to immediate application of stiff sanctions against Italy. His attitude was understood to coincide with a large section of the French public.

The anti-sanctions bloc is largely conservative, supported by an important section of the press. They manifested their disapproval of such a course last night when 15,000 of them demonstrated in the boulevards.

Some of the demonstrators shouted "neutrality".

Unlike Laval, whose opposition is based on his hope that Mussolini will come to terms before the League of Nations Assembly meets Wednesday, the conservatives' attitude is governed by a fear that exercise of sanctions will throw the Duce into the arms of Adolf Hitler.

The newspaper Paris-Midi, said Laval planned a week-end telephone conversation with the Italian dictator. French officials were not available for comment on paper's assertion that Laval proposed to establish a basis for negotiations acceptable to Britain.

#### Already Agreed

Laval's agreement with Anthony Eden, Britain's League spokesman, calls for refusal of loans to Italy.

Recent press comments indicate certain states are very hesitant over sanctions. Switzerland has a treaty with Germany under which she is pledged to give transit to German goods. If Germany continues trade with Italy, Switzerland is asking: Would transport of German goods over Swiss railways exclude them from the League covenant? Hungary, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Poland are also stressing peculiar difficulties.

British statesmen continue to press for support of the covenant. They see little hope of early cessation of war except through the covenant. They especially welcome President Roosevelt's proclamations as an indication of American sympathy with the League's effort to restore peace.

#### Would Lift Embargo

If sanctions are applied the first steps to be taken by Britain, it is believed would be to raise the embargo on shipment of arms and ammunition to Ethiopia.

In a note to the League, the Italian government charges that the beginning of September the Ethiopian government, in violation of a Geneva convention of 1929, has taken steps to place red crosses on a number of buildings with the object of making them appear hospitals or field ambulance stations. In Adowa, the report states, red crosses had been painted on 30 houses, including that of the local ras. In Harar the red cross painted on the governor's residence was removed only at the instance of representations to the governor by a foreign consular agent.

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## Marysville

The Daily Mail is in receipt of a letter from Marysville dealing with present conditions in that town so far as prosperity is concerned. We are not publishing this letter as it contains personal references to the Conservative candidate, Hon. Mr. Hanson, and also to one of the "head men" of the cotton mill. The reference to Mr. Hanson is untrue and unfair and we are not making personal attacks upon any person.

Conditions at Marysville are bad, so far as the workers in that town are concerned. Any attempt on the part of the "bosses" to make it appear that the employees of the Canadian Cottons Company have prospered under the Bennett Government, and that they will continue to do so if Mr. Bennett's party is returned to power, will not go down.

Some of the employees of the company have not suffered much during the past five years. These include the officials who have pulled down one hundred and fifty dollars per week or more—six hundred and fifty per month.

During the Liberal days both under Laurier and under Mackenzie King, the workers at Marysville worked full time, and in many cases overtime. The father, sons and daughters all worked in the mill. They made good wages, lived well and dressed well. How have these same people fared during the past five years under Conservative rule? Some of them have worked three days a week and are still working three days a week.

There is one family whom we know of, living at Marysville, where formerly the father, mother, son and daughter in one household worked in the mill. The son brought in a young wife to keep the house running and everyone seemed happy. Three years ago the son lost his job at the mill. The mother and father also were out of a job. The son had a hard time providing for his wife and two children. He had a small insurance policy to protect his wife and two children. With the odd jobs which he did around town he could not get enough money to live on comfortably, to say nothing of paying for the insurance. One day when the policy was about to lapse the agent called. The young mother said, "Daddy is at work in the mill. He has been working three days. He will be home in a short time. We will take a couple of dollars of his money to help carry the insurance. We can't afford to drop it. We need some of the money to get things for the house." Well, the young father returned. He went into the kitchen and said a few words to his wife, who began to cry. Coming into the room she said to the agent: "My husband has worked for three days. When he went to get his money he received only a couple of dollars. The Company kept the balance out of his pay envelope because this old house belongs to the Company and we owed rent. He had to work out the rent." Of course, legally, the Company had a perfect right to the rent that was due them and it was honest enough for them to keep it out of the poor chap's three days a week. But this is one instance of prosperity at Marysville under the Bennett administration. There are others.

The Canadian Cottons made big profits under the Bennett administration. At the same time, while they may be doing their best at Marysville and may be giving their employees at that town all the employment that it is possible to give them, there is a screw loose somewhere because the great prosperity which some of the "bosses" are bragging about, and which they say will be lost if Mackenzie King comes into power, does not seem to have been very much in evidence during the last five years, under Bennett rule, so far as the employees at Marysville are concerned.

## CONTRACTS ARE LET FOR THREE N. B. PROJECTS

OTTAWA, Ont., October 7.—Contracts totalling almost \$2,700,000 were announced over the week-end by the government. Orders-in-council validating these contracts were passed at the cabinet meeting Thursday but were not made public until after they had been signed by the administrator, Sir Lyman P. Duff.

The largest contracts were for construction of the Alexandria pier in Montreal and the Montreal postal terminal. The Maritime contracts included:

Dredging in North Sydney, N. S.—J. T. Porter and Sons, Halifax, \$17,500.

Addition to north wing of naval barracks, Halifax — McDonald Construction Co., Ltd., Halifax, \$52,300.

Public buildings, Perth N. B. — L. B. Smith and Harold J. Crabb Saint John and East Florenceville, \$7,130.

Dredging at Doucet's Landing, N. B.—J. T. Porter and Sons, Halifax, \$15,000.

Laboratory building, Kentville, N. S.—James N. Kenney, Truro, \$34,340. Public building, St. George N. B.—R. A. Corbett and Co., Ltd. Saint John, \$34,300.

#### IMPROVING

Rev. Harry Burns pastor of the United Church in Gagetown is reported to be improving steadily at his home in Gagetown today. Rev. Mr. Burns was taken suddenly ill a few days ago and for a time his condition caused some alarm among his relatives and friends. His improvement will be learned with joy by his many friends in Fredericton.

#### NO INFORMATION LAID

No information has been laid in the case in which Constable E. Randall was attacked yesterday by three men at McAdam. The Constable is said to have suffered a broken nose due to the alleged assault.

## GENEVA WILL PUNISH ITALY AS WAR AGGRESSOR

(Special to The Daily Mail)

Word has just been received that the council of thirteen of the League of Nations decided to punish Italy by economic and financial sanctions. This decision constitutes the greatest step in its history.

## John Edward Giles Laid To Rest at Kingsclear

The funeral of the late John Edward Giles took place yesterday afternoon from the home of his brother C. Montague Giles, Kingsclear. Prayers were conducted at the house at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Buckland and service was held in St. Peter's Church at 3:00 p.m. Interment was made in the family plot in the adjoining churchyard. The high esteem in which the late Mr. Giles was held was shown by the many beautiful floral tributes placed on the grave, and the presence of the hundreds who went to pay their last respects to one who was loved and admired by his fellow men. Those who acted as pall bearers were E. Allison MacKay, Dr. A. L. Gerow, John Powys, Harry McCleary, Walter Quartermain, and Harry Allison. The mourners were C. Montague Giles, Joe McPeake, Harry Hoban, Harold MacMurray and Earl McMurtrie.

## Predict Liberals Will Win 135 Seats In Coming Election

### 8-HOUR DAY, 40-HOUR WEEK BEGINS TODAY

#### Establishments Need Time to Readjust Themselves

(Special to The Daily Mail)

OTTAWA, Oct. 7.—Industry throughout Canada is expected by the Federal Government to go on the eight hour day and forty hour week plan today. No machinery yet exists, however, to enforce the Act and hundreds of applications for exemptions under the Act have been made to the Department of Labor. No rulings have been given as to the exemptions nor have the regulations been completed. No information was vouchsafed today at the Department of Labor as to when they would be ready nor as to the steps that might be taken. The decent factory setting out to obey the law will be under still more fierce competition from the sweatshop against whom the Act was designated but who are unlikely to obey it until forced to do so. At present there is no machinery to force them. The Minister of Labor is campaigning as are most of the Cabinet and the regulations which have been drafted to date have not received the sanction of the Cabinet. There have been very few cabinet meetings and those only for essential routine. Some of the larger establishments have intimated that they need a little time to readjust affairs and have been answered they would not be prosecuted.

## Bicycle Accident Victim Dies—Uncon- scious Since Tuesday

Victim of a bicycle collision, Merle Huestis, sixteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Huestis, Bear Island, died today in the Victoria Public Hospital of a fractured skull. Young Huestis was brought to the hospital Tuesday night following an accident in which his bicycle collided head on with another ridden by Leslie Morrison, sixteen-year-old chum. The accident occurred on the highway, the two boys striking with terrific force as they travelled in opposite directions in the dark. Huestis had been unconscious since the accident. Morrison escaped with slight bruises although he was unconscious for about half an hour before going to his father for help.

The Huestis boy was brought to the hospital by Dr. McKenzie, and with his condition still serious an operation was performed yesterday morning, but the boy passed away today without rallying to the treatment.

He is survived by his parents, three brothers, Russell, Lorne and Neil; three sisters, Bernice, Ruth and Ellen; and four half-brothers, Roland, New York; Harry, South Devon; Herman, British Columbia, and Kenneth of Superior, Wisconsin. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon with service at the home at 3:30 o'clock by Rev. H. J. Rowley. Interment will be in the Bear Island Cemetery.

#### PRIME MINISTER TONIGHT

Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, prime minister of Canada, will be heard tonight over station CFNB when he speaks over a nation-wide network at 10:00 P. M. A. S. T.

## TWO BODIES FROM "HURRY ON" FOUND WHERE SURVIVORS LANDED

JUDIQUE, N.S., Oct. 5.—Close to the spot where a battered lifeboat hit shore carrying seven survivors of the "Hurry On" disaster, the bodies of two of her five victims were found today.

On the night of September 23, the Hurry On, battered to helplessness by a terrific Atlantic gale, went down 35 miles from here and four men died from exposure and another was drowned as the lifeboat capsized several times in mountainous seas.

The bodies found today were identified as those of 60 year old Captain A. H. Gardner, Batley, Yorkshire, England, and Third Engineer J. P.

## Betting Fluctuates in Dominion Election Campaign With One Week to Go—Speakers Concentrate on On- tario.

(Special to The Daily Mail)

OTTAWA, Oct. 7.—The last week of the general election campaign finds the political situation in a greater state of uncertainty than any previous election with no two estimates alike and the betting fluctuating like wheat prices in a bear raid. The Liberals count on a list of 150, the Conservatives 150, the Reconstructions 125 and the C.C.F. hope to get 40. A cross section of all observers gives the Liberals a win with a majority varying from two to thirty. The Conservatives have been gaining ground and the Reconstruction party losing. The results of the C.C.F. campaign are said to indicate a fairly large popular vote but few seats. Sizing the situation up as fairly as possible it looks at this distance as though the Liberals will get 135 seats all told, the Conservatives 60 and the Reconstructions 25 and the balance split between C.C.F., Social Credit, Labor and Independents with possibly one communist. The Social Credit boom in Alberta is reported to be swinging backwards. Albertans have realized that the \$25 cash dividend they were promised will come out of the levy which in turn cannot come out of anything but consumer prices. The tendency is now to let Aberhart try out his provincial experiment and await the outcome before moving federally. Aberhart has disappointed his public by attacking the Banks and the federal financial system during the election and immediately after his election starting out to borrow \$18,000,000 from Ottawa and hold conferences with eastern bankers on his financial plans.

In Saskatchewan the Liberals are expected to get a substantial bloc of seats, the province's political history indicating that wherever there has been a plurality of parties the province went Liberal.

Manitoba is expected to keep up the Liberal swing. The Maritime provinces hailed Stevens at first but Bennett has pricked the Stevens boom and the reaction has set in. Stevens may get three or four seats in the Maritimes, Bennett gaining on his losses. The Liberals will then have a substantial bloc.

Quebec provides a political enigma. There will be no solid bloc and the Liberals are likely to get about 45 out of the 65, the remainder split between Conservatives and Reconstructions. Lists who have been working closely in harmony. It is not forgotten that the Reconstruction organizer in Quebec, Jacques Cartier, threw up a nice job on the Radio Commission given to him by Mr. Bennett to go to Quebec as Reconstruction organizer. Numerous reports come through of understandings between Conservatives and Reconstructions in Quebec.

The election will really be decided in Ontario, as Ontario goes, so will go the government. A Liberal majority in Ontario will mean a Liberal majority at Ottawa. The political leader, have recognized the importance of the Ontario situation and are all concentrating on that province this week. Mr. King has already launched his Ontario attack and Mr. Bennett moves in tomorrow. Mr. Stevens and Mr.

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## VALUABLE GOLD STRIKE REPORTED IN NEW IRELAND BY MONCTON MEN

MONCTON, Oct. 7.—The Moncton prospectors who discovered the valuable gold deposit in the Elgin district several weeks ago, have struck another rich vein on ore in the New Ireland section of Albert County, it was reported. The latest discovery is said to be one of the most valuable "strikes" ever made in the province and the prospectors are confident that its merits will reach their highest expectations. The vein has been traced for about four miles and test holes have been made at several places ranging in depth from 10 to 20 feet, and each specimen of ore is of high grade quality.

Ore found near the surface bears a fair percentage of valuable minerals, including gold and silver, while specimens found at lower levels are of an unusually high quality. The fact that the ore seems to be of the same rich quality in each of the several holes and that the vein extends for several miles, leads the prospectors to believe that the "strike" is a valuable one.

Further exploration work is being carried on, and once it has been definitely established that the property can be worked on a paying basis, work preparatory to production will be carried out immediately.

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