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PREVENT FIRES

This is Fire Prevention Week. All householders and business concerns should make a special effort during this week to clean up their premises and dispose of all material that might cause fire. Now that the fall season is upon us particular attention should be given to stove and furnace pipes, and defective flues. It is important at all times to guard against fires, both in the woods and in the cities and towns as well as in the rural districts. Hunting parties going into the woods at the present time should be particularly careful in regard to fire.

The Dominion fire commissioner says: "Fire is no respecter of persons. Every man has a responsibility towards his neighbors and that responsibility should cause every right-thinking person to pause and consider what he owes the community in which he lives. We owe it to ourselves but in a greater degree to our fellow-citizens to permit no condition to exist upon our premises that will invite a visitation of fire. A great majority of fires are so easy to prevent that it is certainly a moral crime to tolerate the things which bring them about. Cities and towns, like individuals, reap what they sow. To permit the erection of fire-traps, to fail to provide an abundant and reliable water supply and means of using it or to fail to apply the everyday rule of fire prevention, is to constantly face a menace of heavy fires and sweeping conflagrations. Why tolerate a condition which not only levies tribute upon life and property but in effect imposes an added cost to the conduct of every feature of business activity and increases the burden of the people in providing the necessities of life. We cannot afford to go on and be indifferent to it all. Fire prevention week is a particular week set aside to call attention to the menace of fire. Are you doing your part?"

WHAT LEAGUE MUST DECIDE

With war—undeclared but unmistakable—launched in Ethiopia between two members of the League of Nations, Geneva must decide:

Who is the aggressor?

What can be done to restore peace, punish the wrongdoer or afford justice to the injured nation?

The Council has been called in special session for tomorrow to consider these questions. Before it lie contradictory telegrams from Rome and Addis Ababa, each charging the other with aggression.

What procedures are open to the Council?

The least action called for under the Covenant is censure of Italy, or Ethiopia, or both, since hostilities have broken out while the Council is preparing a report on their dispute. They are bound under Article XII, solemnly invoked in this dispute, not to resort to war until three months after submission of the Council report.

The Council can go much further than censure to the application of sanctions, although it is likely to summon the Assembly before taking economic, financial or military measures against the aggressor. From Article XV, Paragraph 4, under which the Council is preparing its report, the next step is to Article XVI—the famous sanctions article that has never been applied, even when Japan seized Manchuria.

Article XVI provides that any member of the League which resorts to war in disregard of its covenants under Article XII, XIII or XV, has thereby committed an act of war against all other members of the League. They undertake immediately to subject it to trade, financial or military sanctions.

But three main points will have to be decided by the Council before it can recommend action to the governments of League members:

1. Whether war in a technical sense has occurred in East Africa. As in Manchuria, there has been no declaration of war.

2. Whether Italy or Ethiopia is the aggressor.

3. The type and extent of sanctions to be applied to the aggressor. Within the framework of this procedure the Council can sidestep the issue, with inevitable loss of prestige for the League, or take strong action on lines envisaged by framers of the Covenant.

WAR

Again the sound of the drum rolls across the world and a fire is kindled the end of which no man alive is able to foresee. Mussolini has struck the match, "mischief thou art abroad; now let it work." With the spectacular mobilization of the Italian people and Mussolini's voice thundering through the squares of the Italian cities to the assembled millions, immediate hostile action was forthwith expected, and there is now little doubt that it has come.

Italy officially announces her troops have moved into advanced position, while Ethiopian reports the falling of bombs on Aduwa and the slaughter of many of her people, while there are reports of an Italian column being routed. As in every struggle it may be difficult for sometime to know just exactly what has happened, but there is little question that active hostilities have been undertaken by Mussolini, his own sons being reported as taking part in the air raid on Ethiopian towns.

Both parties to the conflict have addressed the League, Mussolini regarding the mobilization of Ethiopian troops as a direct threat and an unfriendly and warlike act. We find it difficult to attach any meaning to such a preposterous claim, for what has been the meaning of the despatch of troops to Ethiopia for the past months and the piling up of munitions at Ethiopian borders? If this was not an unfriendly and provocative act then we do not know the meaning of words.

ELECTION STATISTICS

The Babson Statistical organization has no political prejudices; it is impartial and disinterested. An American outfit it is recognized as being thoroughly reliable and dependable. Babson predicted the election of President Roosevelt and now prophesies a victory for the Liberal party in Canada. A prediction from such a source carries great weight.

Mr. Babson says: Despite the impressive array of candidates and the variable opinions as to the outcome, Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King should find least opposition in the Federal contest. Public sentiment appears loath to accept the last-minute promises and radical suggestions of Premier Bennett, while Hon. H. H. Stevens has shown no signs of having a bulwark of voting strength behind him.

"The return to unadulterated Liberalism, with no radical strings attached at present, should be stimulating to general business. Recovery has advanced sufficiently to restore the morale of the majority of the working citizens. Liberal policies should be conducive to freeing clogged trade channels, while the threat of a serious war in Europe is already having a marked effect on the movement of staple commodities."

Predict Liberals Will Win 135 Seats

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Woodworth will both be in Ontario this week.

Tory Toronto is all hot and bothered. The Liberals expect three or four seats, the C.C.F. has great hopes and the Reconstructionists great expectations. The Conservatives are fighting desperately on the "what we have we hold." Mr. King addresses a huge mass meeting in Toronto Tuesday and Mr. Bennett does the same on Wednesday. The four Communists who are curiously enough running against the only Jewish members in the last house, are not conceded much chance though Tim Buck, the Communist leader, is giving A. Heaps a warm run in Winnipeg.

DIED

HUESTIS:—At Victoria Public Hospital, October 7, 1935, Merle Huestis.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Huestis, Bear Island. Rev. H. J. Roley will officiate and interment will be made in the Bear Island cemetery.

SNAPSHOTS

The city has done a good job with street paving below town. But if they want to avoid a bad accident on the curves between the Dr. Stephens property and Morrison's Mill a white strip painted along the centre of the pavement should do the trick. There is too much of a temptation on the part of drivers to speed around the curves on the wrong side without knowing what is coming towards them. Ten dollars would do the trick and possibly save lives.

The people of Devon should be proud of their new paved streets.

Major Lawson, M.P.P., of Minto, should get after that short cut to Minto via the Albright Corner. It could be done for practically nothing under the plan suggested by The Daily Mail. The Lawson Highway, Eh!

Compulsory military service has again started for the season at U.N.B.

As Eddie Cantor says about the Abyssinian-Italian war, "Let them keep it over there."

Two youths took an hour trying to push a car up a hill at Marysville yesterday afternoon, and then they went back down the hill and got the gas. Kate Smith trying to push the moon over the mountain has nothing on them.

The maple leaves are turning red, blushing, perhaps, at some of the statements made by politicians regarding our prosperity during the past five years.

The dove of peace must almost be driven coo-coo by recent developments in Europe and Asia.

Two St. John Irishmen are having a scrap over a government job. The St. John Irish are real Irish, they love a fight. So do we. We are Irish, too.

Premier Bennett proposes that Canada shall retire men at 60, so there is nothing remarkable about Canada's intention to retire Mr. Bennett at 65.

Wireless political speeches? Yes. But wireless politics? No, not yet!

A contemporary recommends rhubarb juice as a cure for bee stings. Defeat is probably the best cure for those who get bitten by the political bug and run in ridings where they haven't a chance in the world.

Conservative Meetings Over the Week End

(Special to The Daily Mail)
The Hon. R. B. Hanson, Minister of Trade and Commerce, continued his campaign Saturday evening, speaking at Bear Island. He addressed a large and enthusiastic audience and discussed the tariff question and dealt with the Stevens party and their promises. Mr. Hedley Forbes also addressed the meeting and appealed to the people to vote in their own interests election day. Mr. Frank Joslin acted as chairman.

A meeting in the interests of the Hon. R. B. Hanson was held at McKee's Corner on Saturday evening. It was one of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings held in that district for some time. Dr. Hanson discussed the whole tariff question and what it meant to Canada, the expansion of trade, alleviation of unemployment, the Bennett reform measures that have been put into effect by the government, Unemployment Insurance, Minimum Wage, the Central Bank of Canada, loans to farmers and the Farmers' Creditors' Arrangement Act and their beneficial effect upon the masses of Canadian people. Mr. E. C. Atkinson also addressed the meeting and discussed the Empire Agreement and its effect upon Canadian trade and what it means to the farmers of Canada. Mr. Elbridge Jewett acted as chairman.

A Smoker, in the interests of the Hon. R. B. Hanson, was held in the Conservative Committee Rooms, York St., Fredericton, on Saturday evening. A large and enthusiastic gathering, presided over by C. L. Dougherty was addressed by the following speakers: Donald Douglas, Mr. Ernest VanDine, Major Hazen Flemming, William Gibbon, Councillor Newton Dunphy, H. D. Dorost, and Mr. William G. Quinn. The speakers gave informal discussions on the various policies of the day and were well received. The speeches were followed by a social hour and refreshments.

Conservative Women Friday
The issues of the forthcoming election were discussed Friday evening before one of the largest gatherings of ladies which this city has ever witnessed in the interests of Hon. R. B. Hanson, Minister of Trade and Commerce, Conservative candidate in York-Sunbury. A social evening followed.

The Countess of Ashburnham acted as chairman. Mrs. H. F. McLeod delivered a very eloquent address and dealt with the issues in a thorough manner. W. J. West, speaking to the ladies,

OUR MAIL BAG

ERNEST COY EXPLAINS

Fredericton, N. B.,

October 7th, 1935.

To the Editor of The Daily Mail.

Dear Sir,

I understand that owing to the fact, I have resigned as "Official Agent" for the Reconstruction party candidate, the impression has been made on the public that I have ceased to support him.

I wish to clearly state that I stand behind E. O. MacDonald one hundred per cent., and have retained the position of county chairman, and vice-chairman of the provincial executive.

My resignation as official agent was due to the fact that I could not do all the work of these offices to the best interests of the party, that I felt compelled to resign one position.

Yours truly,

ERNEST H. COY.

Geneva Brands Italy Aggressor

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"Notables, clergy, and part of the population presented themselves to the high command to make their acts of submission.

"An enemy attack around Dobra Sinna was repulsed.

"On a new line, liaison already has been established between the various army corps."

Premier Mussolini communicated the news on the capture to the King and sent the following telegram to General Emilio de Bono, Commander of colonial troops in East Africa:

"The announcement of the capture of Adowa fills the souls of Italians with pride. I send to you and all my troops my high praise and the gratitude of the nation."

For three days, while Ethiopian warriors held the city, Italy had awaited the occupation of Adowa—symbol of the crushing Italian defeat in 1896 and now its symbol of victory.

There were no newspapers yesterday to inform the nation and to organize a celebration. There were none until today, when Fascist leaders expect nation-wide exaltation.

Italian Tactics

A new technique to minister casualties was apparent in the Italian news from the front.

Fast tanks head the way, with air squadrons overhead. Field artillery "clears out" the difficult spots where the Ethiopians resist. In some cases the planes, after circling widely, come up behind the enemy and rake the opposing ground forces with machine guns from the rear.

Finally the infantry moves up to occupy and consolidate the positions.

At home, Il Duce was reported in well-informed quarters to be meeting with almost as much success as his forces in Africa.

Persons close to the government

said "When the women in this country were given the franchise, they were given the rights and obligations of the men and as a consequence, it is their duty to take the same interest in political matters as do the men."

At Pinder

Speaking before a large meeting at Pinder Friday night, Hon. R. B. Hanson explained the Conservative policies in relation to trade. In reply to charges that Canada had lost her world markets during the last five years, he presented trade figures indicating that we had been displaced from the foreign markets in post-war years when nation vied with nation in raising tariff walls. Roy Bragdon acted as chairman.

Other Meetings

A large gathering at Magaguadavic heard Conservative speakers Friday evening. Rupert McMullen acted as chairman. C. L. Dougherty, Dr. B. H. Dougan and Robert Forbes discussed the issues of the campaign.

Another meeting in the interests of Hon. R. B. Hanson was held at McGivney Junction. The speakers were C. Hedley Forbes and Donald Douglas. Walter Calhoun acted as chairman.

HON. F. C. SQUIRES INJURED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT

GAGETOWN, Queens Co., Oct. 7.—While motoring from Fredericton to Gagetown Saturday to address a Conservative meeting here, Hon. F. C. Squires, Woodstock, leader of the opposition in the provincial legislature, and others escaped death when their car overturned at Burton.

In the car, driven by the owner, Harry W. McAllister, Gagetown, were Mrs. Florence Boulter, her daughter Mabel, and son Ivan; her sister, Mrs. Jacob Estey; their nephew, Clarence Gouley, and little niece, Joanne Whittington, all of Gagetown.

All were bruised and shaken up, but Mr. Squires was also cut about the head and his shoulder was believed broken. Mrs. Estey suffered two fractured ribs, Mrs. Boulter had her shoulder injured and Clarence Gouley had his head and one hand severely cut.

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said he was satisfied France will oppose military sanctions and they are convinced Great Britain will refrain from separate use of force.

These persons also pointed to the modified tone of the battlefield communique, to emphasize the humane aspects of the "expedition" as efforts to avoid exciting Geneva unduly while the League of Nations decision hangs fire.

A communique from the African front, issued prior to the fighting, said the assault on Adowa had been resumed at dawn by the second army corps.

Fresh victories were officially reported for Saturday—the third day of war.

On the northern Ethiopian front General Santini Ruggero ran up the Italian flag on the ruins of the Adigrat fortress, which collapsed in the crushing defeat of May 18, 1896.

In the southeast, the Italians after brief fighting occupied Gerlogubi yesterday morning, the government announced.

Liberal Rally

LYRIC THEATRE, MARYSVILLE

TUES., OCT. 8th at 8 p.m.

SPEAKERS:—

Hon. J. B. McNair, K.C.
Mayor W. G. Clark
Mr. Byron Fisher

ABNER B. BELYEA, Secretary
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