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Defeat For de Valera

GALWAY, Irish Free State.—President Eamon de Valera suffered a political reverse in the Galway corporation elections this week when only 1 out of 12 contested seats was won by his Fianna Fail Party. Nine Independent business candidates and two Labor men were re-elected. Mr. de Valera's party entered seven contestants.

Begins Important Tour

PARIS. — Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos, armed with a declaration reaffirming the community of outlook and the attitude of France and Great Britain on world problems, left last week-end on an important diplomatic tour of Central and Eastern Europe.

His tour, which will take him to four capitals by December 18, was described by French diplomats as the third and perhaps key phase of the preliminary conversations which must precede any eventual round table discussions pointing at a general European settlement.

Accompanied by several political experts of the Foreign Office, Delbos first will visit the Polish capital of Warsaw, then Bucharest, Rumania, Belgrade, Yugoslavia and Prague, Czechoslovakia.

Roman Allies' Conference

VIENNA.—It is announced in well-informed circles here that the next conference of the Roman Protocol States will be held in Budapest in the middle of January. Preparatory steps have already been taken and the official invitations are awaited this week. Periodical meetings of the three Roman allies, Italy, Austria and Hungary, were foreseen in the consultative agreement which was added to the forthcoming conference on account of the recent efforts to obtain a European settlement which began with Viscount Halifax's visit to Berlin and were continued in London.

Russian Planes Arrive

SHANGHAI.—China last week was reported to be massing a fleet of 300 Russian-built warplanes for an attack on advancing Japanese.

Well-informed and responsible foreigners at Hankow, one of China's new seats of government 300 miles up the Yangtze river from Nanking, said at least 20 twin-engined bombers have arrived there.

Monarchist Spanish Flag

TOKIO.—The gold and red flag of Monarchist Spain was raised over the Spanish Legation here this week following Japan's recognition of the Spanish rebel regime headed by Generalissimo Francisco Franco as the legal Government of the Spanish nation.

Imports Increase

OTTAWA.—The Dominion Bureau of Statistics has reported an increase of 32.1 per cent. in Canadian imports for the first seven months of the current fiscal year (April 1-Oct. 31) in comparison with the corresponding previous fiscal period.

Accord With Austria

ROME.—Italy last week signed a commercial accord with Austria similar to one concluded with Hungary in November.

Economic observers said the Hungarian pact was negotiated to lighten the financial burden placed on Italy by the 1934 Rome protocols which gave Austria and Hungary preferential markets in Italy.

Recommend Five Provinces

WINNIPEG. — Five Provinces instead of nine to cut duplicate costs of Provincial Government and parliamentary administration to a minimum, is part of a plan submitted to the Dominion-Provincial Relations Commission this week. It proposes to unite the three Maritime Provinces in one; the three Prairie Provinces in one and British Columbia and the Yukon in one. Ontario and Quebec would remain as at present.

Social Defeat

LETHBRIDGE, Alta.—In its first appeal to the electorate in Southern Alberta, the Unity Party won a victory over Social Credit last week-end in the Lethbridge Provincial by-election. Dr. Peter M. Campbell, physician of frontier days, defeated A. J. Burnap, Social Credit.

High Command Shake-up

LONDON.—Major-General Viscount Gort, V.C., this week was named Chief of the Imperial General Staff in what military circles considered a drastic shakeup of the high command.

The 51-year-old Great War hero was promoted to the rank of general. He succeeded Field Marshal Sir Cyril Deverell, who resigned. This was the most important of a series of changes involving resignation of three of the four military members of the Army Council and their replacement by younger men.

Given Up As Dead

MOSCOW.—Sigismund Levanevsky and five companions who vanished August 13 on a trans-Polar flight from Moscow toward the United States were given up for dead this week by Mihail Vodopyanoff, Russian Arctic flier, upon his return from an extended search of the icy wastes in which the Levanevsky plane disappeared.

Charge Barrister With Robbery

VANCOUVER.—Charles H. Cahan, Jr., Vancouver barrister and son of a prominent Montreal family, last week-end was arrested by city police on a charge of bank robbery.

The charge named Cahan as the lone gunman who held up a suburban branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce here and escaped with about $60 in cash.

Will Not Separate

CAIRO, Egypt.—The Coptic Church patriarch who resides in Cairo refused this week to recognize a proposal attributed to Italy for separation of the Egyptian and Ethiopian churches, which have been united since the fourth century.

He declared he would excommunicate Abuna Abraham, 75-year-old blind prelate, whom Italy reportedly has named Archbishop of Ethiopia.

"Go Ahead With Trip"

GLASGOW.—George Bernard Shaw this week urged the Duke and Duchess of Windsor to visit the United States.

Their indefinitely postponed trip, he wrote in the Glasgow Labor periodical Forward, "would have been enormously useful to us both diplomatically and commercially."

Brilliant Meteor Falls

WINDSOR, Ont.—In a blaze of white light that illuminated the country for miles around, a huge meteor fell to earth in the Windsor district last week, according to many observers.

The light was particularly bright south of the city where the path of the fiery projectile was easily followed. The sky was bright as day and objects stood out clearly.

Lloyd George Lashes Out

LONDON.—Delivering a blistering indictment of the "limp, flaccid hands" of democratic "quitters," David Lloyd George told a peace audience here that enemies, "growing in strength and audacity and reckless power," were on the march along the Mediterranean and threatened Britain's communications in time of war.

Prince Marries Actress

VIENNA.—In a mountain church overlooking the Danube, Prince Ernst Rudiger von Starhemberg, swaggering chief of Austria's outlawed Fascist "Heimwehr," this week took as his bride beautiful Nora Gregor, the Viennese actress whom he elevated to stardom.

Assassination Suspects

CAIRO.—More than 300 members of the Egyptian Greenshirt Nationalist organization have been arrested in the round-up resulting from an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate Premier Mustapha Nahas Pasha last week. No official figures have yet been released.

See Herring Comeback

PORT DOVER.—Veteran fishermen here are of the opinion recent catches of herring in Lake Erie indicate this type of fish is definitely on the way back in the lake. For some years few, if any, herring were caught. Now catches are being reported from nearly every port.

Uncover Illicit Munitions

PARIS.—Discovery of the first explosive factory operated by the Cagoulards, Rightist organization alleged ly plotting overthrow of the Republic, was announced by police last week-end.

The factory was found in the Fontainebleau Forest. Hundreds of grenade cases, powder, detonators and fuses were seized. Arrest of technicians charged with manufacturing munitions was expected shortly.

Indian Burial Site Found

BRAMPTON, Ont.—The discovery of what was apparently an Indian burial site on an Esquesing Township farm this week, may assume importance as an archaeological find, according to A. E. Cooper, authority on Indianology.

The find was made on a farm in West Esquesing Township. Although the low circular mound of sandy soil is believed to have constituted an early Indian burial-ground from the nature of the discoveries made, it is thought that the discovery of an Indian village site may follow shortly.

Japanese Parade Bombed

SHANGHAI.—A bomb exploded in Nanking Road last week-end as 5,000 Japanese troops marched through Shanghai in a victory parade. The parade scattered immediately.

The explosion was about one block from the Wing On department store. Soldiers ran in all directions.

The parade had passed through International Settlement side streets along the boundary between the French Concession and the Settlement and entered Nanking Road without incident.

Radio Must Be Improved

CHICAGO.—A blunt notice that the standards of radio programs must be improved—by law, if necessary—was served upon broadcasters of the United States this week by Federal Communications Commissioner George Henry Payne.

Postpone Air Service

CANBERRA, Australia.—The flying-boat service, originally scheduled to start early in January between England and Australia, has struck a temporary snag. Its inauguration may be delayed until next summer.

Prime Minister Joseph Lyons attributed the postponement to uncontrollable circumstances.

Nazis Criticize "Times"

BERLIN.—Two German newspapers this week criticized the New York Times for an editorial urging co-operation among the democracies.

The newspaper Nachtausgabe devoted much front page space to comment on the editorial, published by the New York newspaper Tuesday, calling for United States co-operation with Great Britain and other democracies toward "understandings on trade, money and credit" which the paper suggested would "serve as certain weapons against the treaty-breakers."

French Newspaper Ban

PARIS.—The Legislation Committee of the Chamber of Deputies this week approved a bill empowering the Government to enforce an export import ban on any newspapers and magazines containing writings capable of troubling foreign opinion or diminishing French prestige.

Jap Apology to U.S.

SHANGHAI.—Japanese authorities returned the American-owned tug, Feiting, this week and formally apologized.

Vice-Admiral Kyoshu Hasegawa, commander-in-chief of the Japanese 3rd fleet was understood to have made the apology to Rear Admiral Harry E. Yarnell, commander of the United States Asiatic fleet, and United States Consul Clarence E. Gauss.

Yarnell had protested to Japanese authorities when the tug, property of the William Hunt interests in the Far East, was hijacked from its base at the Kin Lee-Yuan wharf in the French concession. The Japanese naval party ripped the American flag from its standard and threw it into the Whangpoo river.

Blaze In Palestine

JERUSALEM.—Five persons died and five others were seriously burned in a roaring blaze, believed to have been started by Arab terrorists, that consumed a Public Works Department storehouse at Tulkharem last week-end.

Firefighters were unable to quench the flames, fed by inflammable material stored in the building. Rescue work was impossible. The son of the Arab watchman and four others died in the fire, while five Arabs, including a policeman, were seriously injured as they sought to quell the blaze.

May Probe Fascist Activities

OTTAWA.—The Trades and Labor Congress of Canada may press for a Federal investigation into Fascist and Nazi activities in Canada, P. M. Draper, President of the Congress, indicated this week.

Succession Duty Penalties

TORONTO.—Penalties involving a fine of $50,000 or imprisonment for two years, or both, are provided in the bill to amend the Succession Duty Act, presented in the opening-day session of the Ontario Legislature by Hon. Gordon Conant, Attorney-General.

The amendments make it an offense to mutilate, destroy, deface, alter or conceal books or documents relevant to any investigation that might be made on account of collection of succession duties, provided notice has been served of the investigation.

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Control Over Resources Suggested For Provinces

Before Rowell Commission It Is Asked That Dominion Government Should Do Research In Mining, Forestry, Fisheries—Provincial Governments Having Administration of the Practical Work.

WINNIPEG.—Before the Dominion-Provincial Relations Commission Saturday, two Deputy Ministers separately and consecutively expressed the view that the proper function of the Dominion Government is to do research work in mining, forestry and fisheries in the appropriate departments, and the corresponding departments of Provincial Governments should have full control and administration of the practical work in each Provincial area.

These men, Dr. F. W. Jackson, Deputy Minister of Health and Public Welfare, and E. J. Allen, Assistant Deputy Minister of Natural Resources, were asked to give their opinion as to means by which any overlapping in the work of these departments might be cut out and economies thus made. Speaking broadly, there had been little overlapping due to collaboration and close co-operation between Federal and Manitoba Departments, but nevertheless serious evils had arisen in some cases because the Dominion was not living up to its responsibilities.

Ottawa's Best Service

Mr. Allen said that the only places where the forestry services of Dominion and of Manitoba could conflict are in the national parks and in the experimental areas operated under Federal supervision. Ottawa's best service to all Canada was to conduct research work to prevent spread of insect infestations and fungus diseases. A recent outbreak in Gaspe Peninsula has still more recently appeared in Manitoba. So what happens to forests in Nova Scotia or New Brunswick is important to every Province. If stamped out in one locality, it might save the forests of all Canada. It was Manitoba's interest to have it stamped out not in Manitoba, but at the source, so that it would never get to Manitoba. There was not close collaboration between the Federal Technical men and the Provincial practical men. The later could, on their jobs, collect a lot of information to help the Federal men. More work would be done with less money in that way. The Dominion Entomologist should make more use of the practical forester, he believed.

Neglecting the Field

As between Federal and Manitoba Fisheries Departments, the Manitoba men feel that Ottawa is neglecting the field given it under the constitution. The Province collects all license fees, and suggests regulations to Ottawa, which passes them. The Dominion spends no money. Regulations passed by the Dominion because of this set-up differ in every Province. It is a very awkward set-up.

"The Province should occupy the whole field except research, and in the latter department Ottawa is not living up to its responsibilities under the present nebulous jurisdiction set-up," said Mr. Allen.

THE NEWS INTERPRETED

A Commentary On the More Important Events of the Week.

By ELIZABETH EEDY

KEY POSITION: In the new trade negotiations now going forward between Great Britain and the United States, Canada holds the key position, says the Financial Post. The impending deal, so it is claimed, finds the Dominion in the place of one who has an option that can be swapped for valuable concessions; practically nothing can be done without this country's approval; and Canada will undoubtedly have the final word.

Although the new trade pacts in the proposed three-way arrangement may result in no great economic benefits, it is thought that the political effects of such an agreement will be far-reaching. When the Fascist nations see the two richest countries of the world joined as links in an economic chain, they will be obliged to pause and reflect before initiating any new aggression. Therefore in the long run it is believed that the coming agreement may lend a much-needed stability to the wavering cause of world peace.

RUSSIAN ELECTION: Nearly 100,000,000 people (think of it)! are expected to cast their ballots next week in the first direct, universal and secret voting ever staged in the U.S.S.R. The election called under the constitution of December, 1936, will see the new supreme legislative body, to be known as the Supreme Soviet, chosen by the ordinary citizen for the first time. Some observers believe that the new democracy is more apparent than real, that Stalin intends still to dominate the political life of the vast nation, including the elections.

It is now twenty years since the Bolshevist Revolution of 1917. Should 1937 mark the inauguration of another era in the Soviet, next week may begin the story.

FLAVOUR OF SAVAGERY: And speaking once more of dictators, which would you rather have, Mussolini, or his sons, Vittorio and Bruno? The man who plans the wars of aggression, or the ones who take an active part in the slaughter?

Last week Son Vittorio announces to the world that "war is the quintessence of beauty" and "bombing is magnificent sport." Says Vittorio further in describing the Abyssinian campaign: "I remember that one group of horsemen gave me the impression of a budding rose as the bombs fell in their midst. It was exceptionally good fun and they were easy to hit, offered a perfect target."

This week his father backs up Japan's claims of victory over a helpless China.

SPORT TODAY

By KEN EDWARDS

This series of chats about boxing and the arrival of Jack Dempsey in our town the other day to referee a wrestling match seems to be a kind of coincidence.

Well, if it's O.K. with Dempsey, who is now recovering from acute appendicitis since his trip here, we'll continue a synopsis of official boxing rules or notes on what to do and what not to do in and around a ring.

1. When a contestant is down, his opponent shall retire to the farthest neutral corner and remain there until the count is completed. Should he fail to do so, the referee and timekeeper may cease counting until he has so retired.

Should a contestant who is down arise before the count of ten is reached and again go down intentionally, without being struck, the referee and timekeeper shall resume the count where it left off.

Should a contestant leave the ring during the one minute period between rounds and fail to be in the ring when the gong goes to resume boxing, the referee shall count him out, the same as if he were down.

And so folks, until next week, if Ali Baba is still matched around these parts, I'll be back with wrestling notes. So long.

Bears Go Without Air-Conditioned Dens

Bruin residents of Vancouver and Victoria Park zoos seemingly are unconcerned over proposed legislation to air-condition their living quarters.

E. E. Winch (C.C.F.-Burnaby) gave notice he would introduce in the British Columbia Legislature a bill for better bear dens.

While the member drafted his plans for ventilated dens opening on hard surfaced court yards, three shaded grass plots and concrete-lined bathing pools, park board officials shrugged off such ideas as "too expensive."

"Besides," said A. S. Wooton, Vancouver parks superintendent, "grass plots wouldn't be sanitary and as for trees — well they'd have to be full grown to withstand the antics of such bears as Trotsky."

Trotsky is a half-ton Siberian bear acquired a quarter of a century ago.

THE MARKETS

HAY AND STRAW

No. 2 timothy, $10 to $11 per ton; No. 3 timothy, $9 to $10; oats and wheat straw, $6 to $7. Above prices f.o.b. Toronto.

DAIRY PRODUCE

Butter—

Quotations to wholesale trade at Toronto this week-end.

Creamery solids, No. 1	30½ to 00
do 38 score	29½ to 29¾
do 37 score	28½ to 28¾
do 36 score	27½ to 27¾

Cheese

New large (paraffined)	14½ to 14¾
do twins	14¾ to 15
do triplets	15 to 15¼

(Average price paid to shippers, f.o.b. country points.)

New large (paraffined)	13¾ to 00
do triplets	14 to 00

POULTRY AND EGGS

Buying prices:

Toronto dealers this week-end were quoting producers for ungraded eggs, delivered, cases returned:

Eggs—

Grade A large	29 to 00
Grade A medium	25 to 00
Pullets	23 to 00
Grade B	21 to 00
Grade C	18 to 00

Dealers were quoted on graded eggs cases free:

Grade A large	31 to 00
Grade A medium	27 to 00
Pullets	25 to 26
Grade B	23 to 00
Grade C	21 to 00

POULTRY

Prices paid to country shippers:

	Dressed. Sel. A	Dressed. Sel. B	Milk Fed A.
Spring Chickens			
1 to 2 lbs.	20	18	22
2 to 3 lbs.	16	14	00
3 to 4 lbs.	18	16	00
4 to 5 lbs.	19	17	21
5 lbs. and over	20	18	22

Rabbit meat ..... 17 to 00

Note: C grade poultry 3c below B grade.

Turkeys—

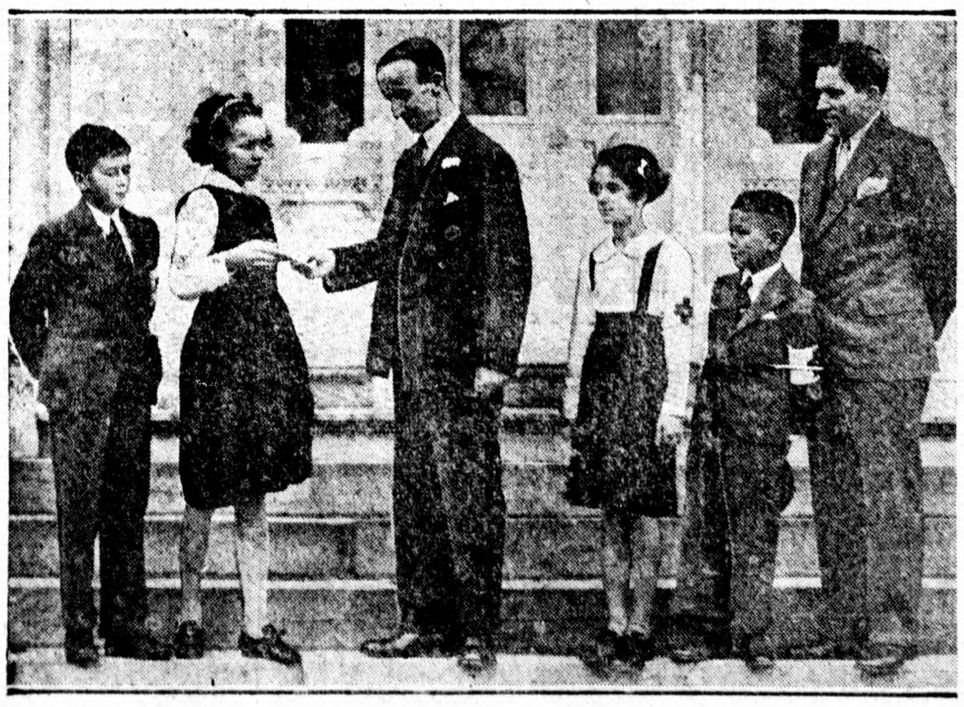
xA grade, 10 lbs. and over, dressed ..... .25

Geese

xA Grade, dressed ..... .14

x—Nominal.

Lord Tweedsmuir Buys Calendar



His Excellency Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, and president of the Canadian Red Cross Society, inaugurating the Junior Red Cross Calendar campaign, through which the Juniors of Canada raise funds to provide hospitalization for sick and crippled children. The subject of the calendar this year is a picture of Their Royal Highnesses, Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose, used with the gracious permission and good wishes of Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth. The Juniors in this photograph, which was taken on the steps of Government House, Ottawa, came from Hull Intermediate School, and are, reading from LEFT to RIGHT: English, French, His Excellency, Greek, Chinese and the principal of Hull School, N. A. Todd.