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Japanese Fire on a British Embassy Car

Auto Plainly Marked with Union Jack Raked by Machine Gun Fire.

Despatches yesterday from Shanghai said that a Japanese airplane attack on three British Embassy automobiles and a Japanese artillery barrage which dropped eighteen shells into the American defense zone in the International Settlement intensified international complications in the Chinese war today.

A party of British Embassy and Consular officials were raked with machine-gun fire as they sped toward Shanghai from Nanking last night. They took cover at the roadside and no one was injured.

The cars, plainly marked with the Union Jack, contained a Russian Embassy Secretary, Leonid Shahov, and an Italian naval officer, Lieutenant Francesco Ribezzi, in addition to British officials.

The incident occurred as the Japanese, starting their most intensive campaign of the war, launched a terrific artillery attack at Shanghai, and simultaneously bombed Nanking in one of the most spectacular air raids of the war.

The Japanese military spokesman announced:

"The Japanese Army expects to blast the Chinese from their present position within forty-eight hours."

The Chinese, nevertheless, appeared to be holding their own and showed no signs of abandoning their strongly fortified lines in Chapel and on the northwest sector from Kiangwan to Tazang. Their new guns, firing larger shells than any of the Chinese have used

hitherto, were dropping their shots into Japanese concentrations.

The British Consul-General, Herbert Phillips, called British Consular and military officials into conference immediately after the airplane attack and communicated the information to London, but no statements were issued.

Similar to Previous Episode

The attack bore a close parallel to that by Japanese fliers on a British Embassy car six weeks ago, in which the British Ambassador to China, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, was shot in the spine. Britain protested that attack and the Japanese Government rendered a formal apology, but urged British and other foreigners to notify Japanese commanders of any projected trip through the area of hostilities.

It was learned that in this instance the British Embassy notified the Japanese command when the automobiles left Nanking for Shanghai. The cars, however, travelled a different route than that of which the Japanese had been advised.

The British party contained Lieutenant S. S. Murray, aerial attaché at the Nanking Embassy; H. M. Brayham, of the British Consular staff; Stacy Way, a newspaperman; Captain W. L. Shinn, of the British marines, and several Consular officials. Shahov had been picked up after his car broke down on the highway.

A Soviet Consular car, despatched to bring Shahov to Shanghai after he telephoned that his car had broken down, also was raked with machine-gun fire from Japanese planes, the Soviet Consulate reported, and was forced to return to Shanghai.

While no official comment was made, the incident was regarded with extreme gravity in all quarters.

Globe and Mail:—As a general rule the "ism" candidates made a pitifully poor showing on election day.

To Hold Inquest on Conservative Party

Post Mortem Party Likely Before Christmas.

(From Toronto Telegram) In an attempt to resurrect it from the exceedingly fine ashes to which it has been reduced, a post-mortem session of the Ontario Liberal-Conservative Association will likely be held shortly before Christmas, it was learned recently. At least the calling of such a convention will be discussed within a week or two, when Hon. Earl Rowe calls a meeting of his elected and defeated candidates, following his return from a brief holiday.

In sharp contrast to the hustle and bustle of the last few weeks, there was little activity in Conservative headquarters to-day. There is just the sad routine of cleaning up after the campaign, a task which will take a few weeks.

Back in the cold shades of Opposition for four years at least, and possibly five, unless some unforeseen emergency should make another election necessary, there is a possibility that the organization staff will be reduced to a bare minimum.

Would Start at Once

There are those in the party, however, who feel that the right time to prepare for the next election is immediately after the last. Whether their views will maintain will have to be left until Mr. Rowe has held his meeting and the Ontario Association has passed judgement thereon.

There is considerable speculation as to whether Mr. Rowe will accept a seat from one of his followers. Premier Hepburn has promised that there will be no Liberal opposition in that event. On the other hand, Mr. Hepburn has to find a seat for Colin Campbell, who may be Minister of Public Works, but little difficulty would be encountered here as the Liberal member vacating in Mr. Campbell's favour would certainly be taken care of by being handed a government job for his sacrifice. Mr. Hepburn will have no difficulty in finding a seat for Mr. Campbell for a government job has strong appeal to many Liberal members who see in it freedom from patronage and a strong possibility of years of salary even after the life of the present government.

Retirement Disliked While his first reaction was to resign the leadership and to refuse a seat in the House, there is more than a strong possibility that Mr. Rowe will be found in the Opposition when the next session of the House opens. Having resigned his Dominion seat, and always having been active in public life, it is said that he would not find retirement to his liking.

While the next few weeks will probably tell the story in detail, there is even at present every indication that a thorough housecleaning is to take place within the Conservative party. Rumour has it that the organization is to be purged with thoroughness. One thing waits to be seen, and that is whether the reconstruction of the party will commence immediately or whether an interval will be allowed to elapse, in view of the long period in Opposition that faces the party to-day.

Japanese Destroy Schools and Poorhouse by Bombs

From Chinese military sources this week reports were given out of further Japanese atrocities. Japanese war planes were alleged to have bombed the Canton poorhouse on Sunday, blowing up the building and killing scores of elderly inmates and injuring others of the old folks. In the same raid over southern China, scores of buildings, including schoolhouses, were blown up and hundreds killed.

Observes Anniversary



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who a year ago started the Lynch Electrical Appliance Co., which has since proved so popular and successful.

Four-Leaf Clover Does Not Always Bring Luck

Some weeks ago The Advance referred to a whole yard-full of four and five leaved clover in the Porcupine area, and recalled the idea that to find a four-leaf clover means good luck. This brought a letter to the effect that the idea went much further, and if you gave away your lucky clover, you gave away your luck, but it would return to you after seven years. Then this week there is a clipping in The Reader's Digest from The Denver News, reading as follows:—"Mrs. Willmore Trotter Jones, of Madison, Ga., has found and saved thousands of four-leaf clovers. Nevertheless, she has been in five automobile wrecks, has lost three husbands, and has suffered many misfortunes."

Not content with that one, The Reader's Digest proceeds to give a bunch of other cases where it claims "superstitions went sour."

This one from The New York Times:—"Mrs. Neville Coleman refused to eat at a table set for thirteen people. She waited until the rest were through, and then sat down alone. Halfway through the meal, she was stricken with a fatal heart attack."

And this from The Baltimore Sun:—"Lightning struck the barn of John Ingram, of Sheridan, Ark., destroying the structure and two mules. Putting faith in the old saw that lightning never strikes twice in the same place, Ingram rebuilt the barn in the same location. Four weeks later lightning again struck the barn, and destroyed it and the new mules."

And finally, this one from the news magazine "Time":—"General Emilio Moia, second in command with the Spanish Rebels, was killed in an airplane crash. When peasants picked him up, they found he was in his stocking feet. A brother officer explained that a Gypsy had once told the General he would die with his boots on, and he therefore always took his shoes off when in an airplane."

Haileybury Woman, 91, Dead as Result of Fall

Haileybury, Oct. 12.—Falling to recover from the shock of a fall at the home of her son, Rupert Gagnon, in Cobalt, some weeks ago, Mrs. Damaris Gagnon, who would have celebrated her ninety-second birthday next January, is dead at the home of a grandson, Ed Davis, here. Mrs. Gagnon is survived by two sons and three daughters in Northern Ontario, and by a fourth daughter in Western Canada.

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Paymaster	43
Pickle Crow	5.00
Pioneer	3.50
Preston East Dome	75
Premier	2.10
Read Authier	3.25
Red Lake Goldshore	20
René	78
San Antonio	1.43
Shawkey	42
Sherritt Gordon	1.50
St. Anthony	16
Sullivan Con.	1.60B
Sullivan Basin	2.80B
Stadacona	58
Sylvanite	2.86
Siscoe	3.10
Teck Hughes	4.95
Toburn	2.25
Ventures	5.50
Wright Hargreaves	6.55
White Eagle	2 1/4

Rummage Sale Saturday Auspices Fireside Club

There will be a rummage sale on Saturday morning, Oct. 16th, starting at 9 a.m., in the basement of the United church. The event is under the auspices of the Fireside Club which is full assurance that it will be an event well worthy of a large attendance.

Pleasing Dance Auspices Schumacher Lions Club

The Schumacher Lions Club sponsored a dance in the Riverside Pavilion on Thanksgiving night, Monday. The attendance was fairly large, and every one present had a very enjoyable evening of dancing. The music was supplied by Andy Cangiano and his orchestra.

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Pulp Official Dies on Way to Toronto Sunday

Harry Murphy, president of the Western Stevedore Company at Fort William successful Liberal candidate in Fort William in the Oct. 6 Ontario election, died Sunday night on a train en route to Toronto. He was 66.

A prime mover in establishment of the pulp and paper industry here, first the Fort William Paper Company and later the Great Lakes Paper Company, Mr. Murphy was going to Toronto and New York in connection with plans for another mill in Fort William when his death occurred.

He retired to his sleeping car berth Sunday night, saying he felt rather tired. When the porter went to call him Monday morning, his death was discovered. The body was taken on to Toronto and Hon. Peter Heenan arranged for its return to Fort William,

where burial will take place.

Member of a family intimately connected with the history of Fort William, he and his brother, the late James Murphy, came to Fort William in 1880 in connection with Canadian Pacific Railway coal requirements.

Choice of the Liberal convention as a candidate in the last provincial election, Mr. Murphy was defeated by the Conservative, Frank Spence.

The one-time member, J. E. Crawford, ran as an Independent Liberal. Mr. Spence was elected by a majority of 441 over Mr. Murphy. Mr. Crawford and the Co-operative Commonwealth candidate, Mrs. E. A. Miles, ran far behind.

Mr. Murphy is survived by his widow, three sons and two daughters, all living at Fort William.

Northern News:—Some learn right from wrong at their mother's knee but most across father's.

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