

News Parade

Commentary on the Highlights of the Week's News . . . by Peter Randall

IT IS WRITTEN: He means what he says, does Herr Adolf Hitler. The Fuehrer told the world several years ago, when he wrote "Mein Kampf" (My Struggle), the story of his life and his ambitions for Germany. Just what he planned to do with Europe once he got going. His February coup in Austria, to all intents and purposes annexing that state, needn't have startled us—it was all written in the book. And if we want to know what Hitler's next move will be, the book tells us that too.

His tremendous February 26th speech in Berlin, outlining the Nazi foreign policy, checks with everything that he has previously said. Hitler is nicely on his way. Nothing can now stop his proposed drive against Czechoslovakia, the Balkans and the Ukraine, except strong pressure exerted from outside by the democratic countries acting in concert.

A gloomy outlook indeed, because the last thing in the world that can be said of the democracies is that they are united in purpose.

THE SHOW GOES ON: During the Franco-Prussian war the people of Paris continued to flock to the theatres of that great metropolis for amusement. The entertainment business boomed as men and women did their utmost to forget, in their leisure hours, the battle front and the horrors of conflict.

All down through history it has been the same. The show has gone on though the enemy be hammering at the gates.

Today in Madrid, theatres are packed every night. Citizens of Spain's capital, living where death may come down from the clouds at any moment, find solace in the movies.

RESEARCH BODY: Dr. Frederick Banting, discoverer of the insulin treatment of diabetes and chief of the Banting Institute at Toronto, has been named to head a committee which will undertake the job of correlating all medical research in Canada and of making it available to those concerned. The committee, acting under the auspices of the National Research Council of Canada, will see to it that "science" for cancer and other dread diseases undergo thorough investigation.

LENTEN SPIRIT: Doing without cigarettes for Lent? Candy? Gum? The Windsor Daily Star went the

rounds of the clergymen, both Catholic and Protestant in that city, found all to be agreed that denying oneself pleasures during Lent means only a partial observance of the Lenten spirit.

Toronto ministers expressed very similar views. Said one: "There is a definite place for the Lenten season in which we should seek a deeper consecration of our lives." Again: "Self-denial is worthless unless practised as a disciplinary measure."

INDIA WARNS: As well as a domestic crisis at home, Great Britain is facing trouble in the Mediterranean, Egypt, Palestine, the Far East. And now a civil disobedience campaign threatens in India.

Subhas Chandra Bose, radical Nationalist, opened the 51st session of the Indian Congress Party last week, took over from Gandhi the fight for Indian independence. "Our goal," declared Mr. Bose, "is an independent India and, in my view, the goal can be attained only through a federal republic where the provinces and states will be willing partners."

Attacking the Indian federation he continued: "We have to fight the federation by all legitimate, peaceful means, but in the last resort, we may have to turn to mass civil disobedience."

THE "CLIVEDEN" SET: Did you know that in the past couple of years, or even months, there has grown up in England a set of pro-German aristocrats who exert a tremendous influence on British policies? Headed by Lady Nancy Astor, the clique, which includes important government officials, has been meeting for weekend conferences at the gorgeous Astor estate, "Cliveden," on the banks of the river Thames above Windsor.

Plans are formulated at these weekend parties, so far-reaching in their consequences that the set has come to be known as "Britain's Second Foreign Office." The London "Times," owned by the Astors, and several other powerful newspapers in Great Britain, are mouthpieces of the "Cliveden" set.

Lord Halifax, who immediately on Capt. Anthony Eden's resignation from the Foreign Secretaryship was mentioned as his successor, is one of the set's leading lights. He admires Hitler, wants friendship with Germany, and favors extending financial credits to the Reich.

foreign policy, including a closer alliance with Soviet Russia.

U. S. Calls For United Front WASHINGTON.—Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes, in an unprecedented broadcast to Great Britain, appealed for strengthening of the world democratic front to beat down the threat of fascism and communism "which have the will to conquer at all costs."

Ickes' plea, which was rebroadcast throughout the British Empire, was regarded especially significant in view of the Government crisis in London and Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain's hope for a four-power alliance involving Britain, France, Germany and Italy.

Spectacular Fire TIMMINS.—The most spectacular fire in the history of the town, threatening at one stage to wipe out an entire downtown business block, last week destroyed the Sam Bucovetsky department store with a loss of half a million dollars, and caused injuries to a dozen spectators when two pie-glass windows blew outward with terrific force. The most badly injured by glass and flames was Maurice Bucovetsky, brother of the proprietor.

Denounce Fascists OTTAWA.—Representatives of the four political parties in the House of Commons last week denounced the aims of the Fascist movement in Canada.

The announcement from Montreal that the Fascists intended to contest elections in Federal constituencies immediately raised the question of the legality of such action.

Walking On Eggs PRAHA.—The Government confiscated a number of Czechoslovakian newspapers this week because they printed articles criticizing Adolf Hitler's Reichstag speech.

5,000,000 Chinese Face Starvation

10,000,000 Have Fled Homes In Areas Occupied by Japanese—Horrible Atrocities Seen.

An appalling picture of mass misery is given in figures released at Hankow, China, last week, by the Central Emergency Relief Commission, the official organization for co-ordination of war relief work.

The commission estimates that 10,000,000 fled from their homes in areas occupied by the Japanese and made their way into interior provinces, where 5,000,000 are destitute and near starvation. They are cared for by official or private charitable organizations.

Refugees' Hardships Most of these refugees are housed in temporary shacks, dilapidated buildings and roofed compounds. They are enduring terrible hardships. The 5,000,000 others have been able to support themselves or find accommodations with relatives or friends.

Authentic stories of almost unbelievable atrocities perpetrated by Japanese soldiers at Wushih, Wuhai, Nanking, Tsinjing, Taiyuan and other cities are aiding the efforts of the Publicity Ministry to inform the Chinese in the unoccupied areas of the horrors of Japanese conquest.

Victims Burned Alive The ministry is now mapping a new campaign more thoroughly to spread knowledge of such incidents as the burning alive of roped groups of Chinese soldier captives after their clothing had been saturated with gasoline and the killing by slow torture of husbands and male relatives of assaulted women.

It is expected the refugees from areas of future Japanese occupations will reach colossal proportions amounting to almost mass migration, and will give welfare agencies a burden for which it is realized their resources are distressingly inadequate.

Canada's Overseas Critics Rebuked

British Quarters Said to Object To Preference On Imports

LONDON, Eng.—Sir T. Hewitt Skinner, president of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Great Britain, rebuked "certain quarters in the United Kingdom" who imply that a large proportion of Canadian goods entering the British market are not of Canadian origin because they are the product of capital imported in the Dominion by other countries.

In his presidential address at the annual meeting of the Chamber, Sir Hewitt declared:

"It is certainly not conducive to goodwill and good fellowship for a continual whispering campaign to be directed against industrial Canada and the Chamber takes a very serious view of the attitude adopted."

Sir Hewitt admitted that certain goods enter the British market from Canada which, in the view of United Kingdom manufacturers, are competitive. It is a fact, however, that such goods would otherwise be imported from other countries, and

Scientist Lists Twenty-Six Provisions For "Good Life"

Simplicity and Plainness Keynote of Suggestions For Satisfied Living—His Panacea Called the "Goal of Social Effort."

Placing himself in the position of "a scientific trustee for the human species, who is making a rough bill of specifications desirable for the satisfaction of man," Dr. Edwin L. Thorndike, director of the Institute for Educational Research at Teachers' College, New York, has prepared a list of 26 provisions for "a good life."

In making public his panacea, which is called "the goal of social effort," Dr. Thorndike emphasized that "life may be plain and simple and still provide all of them."

Undesirable Wants He declared that "all could be attained in a country devoid of golf courses, cemeteries, clothes other than one simple national costume, pullman cars, and beauty parlors, and even of automobiles, bath-tubs, electric lights and radio sets, desirable as they are. Many luxuries," he added, "satisfy only undesirable wants which have been created by the environment, and which do us good that is not done much better by far simpler means."

What We Need: The provisions included the following:

1. Maintenance of the inner causes of the joy of living at or above their present average.
2. Food when hungry, and drink when thirsty.
3. A diet that is physiologically adequate.
4. Protection against pain-causing animals.
5. Protection against disease-causing organisms.
6. Protection or insurance against accidents and disasters, such as floods, earthquakes, wars for which the person in question is not responsible.
7. Protection against extreme shocks, fears, and strains.
8. Some room or place where he can rest undisturbed, protected from the elements or from un congenial men.
9. Enjoyable bodily activity, especially when young.
10. Enjoyable mental activity, including aesthetic pleasures.
11. Opportunity for human society.
12. Opportunity for courtship, love and life with one's mate.

there is no reason why they should not come from Canada, he maintained.

Objections Useless If British customs and excise officers accepted Canadian goods as qualified for Imperial preference in accordance with the requirements of law, no useful purpose could be served in alleging that they were not, he said.

Jokesmiths had their chance when tobacco was reported to be cheaper than cabbage in Czechoslovakia.

Sulphur Compound Destroys Virus

Newly-Discovered Chemical is First In History of Medicine to Accomplish This

Discovery of a sulphur compound, the first chemical ever found in the history of medicine effective in treating a virus disease, was announced last week in Science.

Flu and infantile paralysis are examples of human viruses. The new chemical cures distemper, an animal virus, and "cracks the ice" for the first time for the human field.

Human Possibilities Yet Indefinite The announcement was made by A. R. Dochez, the man who found the virus of the common cold, and C. A. Slantzev. Their work was done at the College of Physicians and Surgeons

and the Presbyterian Hospital, New York City.

The new drug is sodium sulfaniloyl sulfanilate. It is a distant chemical relative of sulfanilamide, the new "wonder medicine" in the germ disease world. It has cured distemper in dogs, cats and ferrets almost 100 per cent.

The human possibilities of the new chemical are still unexplored. They are not ruled out by anything found in the experiments to date.

Insured for \$300,000, a stamp collection was provided a police escort when it arrived in London recently.

LISTEN... on Friday Night... "CANADA-1938" IMPERIAL TOBACCO'S INSPIRING PROGRAM EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT On a National Coast to Coast Network

Tightening Laws For Speedsters

New South Wales Provides Gadgets to Hold Them Down

A clause providing for the fixing of speed-"governors" on "road hogs" cars is part of an amendment to the Motor Traffic Bill, passed by the New South Wales legislative assembly.

The new bill introduces a speed limit of 30 miles an hour in "built-up" areas. In other streets the driver will be guilty of an offence if he exceeds 50 miles an hour unless he can prove that his speed was not dangerous.

"Governors" On Carburators Regulations in the new bill permit magistrates to order the fixing of "governors" to the carburators of cars to prevent the exceeding of the speed limit by motorists who have been convicted of offences normally entailing disqualification from holding a license. The use of "governors" will only be introduced, it is stated, if they are found to be effective.

License Disqualification The bill provides that a person who drives under the influence of liquor or of a drug, or who fails to stop after an accident, will be liable to a fine not exceeding \$100 (\$400) or 12-months imprisonment or both. A driver convicted of any such offence or of driving furiously or recklessly or in a manner dangerous to the public, on his first conviction will be disqualified from holding a licence for 12 months or longer, and for a second offence within five years disqualification for three years or longer.

Regulations are to be introduced to compel cars to stop before entering a main road from side streets.

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Can't Dispense With Bugler

Army Generals Unable to Find Mechanical Cadeet to Replace Him

Science may be changing the ways of war, but the U. S. army admits there's one military institution here to stay for a long, long time—the bugler.

Generals never have figured out a mechanical gadget to take the wind out of the bugler's claim to fame.

As a result, the army is fussy about its buglers. Just any fellow who feels a musical urge can't become one. He must go to school for four months to a year and then keep practicing.

Thin Lips Needed Legends about buglers are countless, and many of the tooters have become famous.

Sergeant W. T. Duganne, who quarrel with the title—"The Army Bugle"—hints that buglers are born not made.

The ideal type, he says, is a fellow with thin lips and even teeth who has a certain amount of lung power. Men with large lips, he adds, "labor under great difficulty."

Central Ontario Highway Mooted

Proposal Is To Develop Highway Between Sarnia and Ottawa

Several Western Ontario municipalities are considering a proposal that the Ontario Government develop a Central Ontario highway from Sarnia to Ottawa to shorten the road distance somewhat and avoid the congestion near larger cities along the present route.

This proposal is separate entirely from the one originating in the Board of Trade at Stratford this year for a short-cut route to Barrie from the Michigan border points through that city, Arthur and Orangeville.

To Shorten Distance Sarnia's Chamber of Commerce has been approached with a view to supporting the move.

The route proposed for the Central Ontario highway to Ottawa is through London, St. Marys, Elginfield, Mitchell, Orangeville and Peterborough. Under this proposed route, however, the highway from Elginfield through Mitchell, Listowel and Palmerston would be quite a detour from a direct route through Stratford to Arthur.

THE EMPIRE

We're "Irrational And Supine" All the peaceful forces of the world have acted as if they were utterly impotent to stop one nation, not a very strong one at that. Our own case is typical. We instruct the British military commander at Tientsin, with 700 men behind him, to reject the Japanese demand to enter the British Concession there. We accept the certain risk that it "means war" if Japan tries. We make it plain that we will defend Hong Kong, a position we do not refuse to adopt although that equally may "mean war". Yet we will not co-operate with a number of other powerful countries in imposing economic sanctions against Japan, though we know Japan would have to call the war off if they were imposed. We will not exchange guarantees of mutual military assistance with other nations, though the risk of Japan deciding to attack half the world is manifestly less than the risk that she will attack a single nation. Other nations are equally irrational and supine.—London Daily Herald.

\$375,000 Worth of Smiles Here



Regarded as sure winners in the famous Toronto "Stork Derby," these three women were in court and heard themselves described as genuine claimants along with one other. Two other women still hope to participate in the split, but got little comfort from the bench. The Miller estate is said to amount to about \$500,000 now, and if four split it they will get \$125,000 each. Left to right are Mrs. Annie Smith, Mrs. Lucy Timlech, and Mrs. Kathleen Nagle. The fourth likely participant, Mrs. Kathleen Nagle. The fourth likely participant, Mrs. Isabel Maclean, did not appear in court.

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A man in Boulogne, France, lost his birth certificate in a fire and applied for a new one, which was duly issued. But he was officially registered as a "female", and now he can't get married until another birth certificate is issued.