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### ITALY'S REASON FOR WAR

Signor Rosso, Italian ambassador to the United States, in an address at Boston, placed before the people of the United States the case for Italy in connection with the war against Ethiopia. He denied that Italy was engaging in war for war's sake or for lust of power or military glory. The young Italian soldiers were sent to Africa because Italy had there a problem of life and security which must be solved. All other methods having failed, no other solution presented itself. The whole Italian nation felt that the vital interests of the country needed the defence of Italy's rights in Northeastern Africa.

The speaker declared that Ethiopia was admitted to the League of Nations only after she had pledged to satisfy certain conditions which were deemed essential to any member of a family of civilized nations. That was twelve years ago and yet the conditions had never been fulfilled. The country was still under feudal law and the central government did not control or administer most of the territory but the League of Nations evidently was more concerned with preventing war than with removing the cause.

Italy, the ambassador said, tried her utmost to pursue a policy of friendly relations with Abyssinia but Ethiopia increased her armaments and carried out a series of acts of violence against Italian people that ended in the bloody clash of Ualual in December of last year. This clash was not of Italy's making. She did not start the row. The despatch of troops to Africa was necessary to afford a measure of protection and security against a constant and nearby source of danger.

Italy was unable to accept the proposals of the League of Nations because it was considered they would only have aggravated the difficulties and perpetuated the troubles which have existed for the past forty years.

On October 3 Ethiopia ordered a general mobilization which was really the start of the war.

Signor Rosso went on to tell of the Italian need of expansion. The country had a population of forty-four millions compressed within a territory less than half the size of the state of Texas. Expansion was not an invention of Mussolini but an actual need and a need that Mussolini was trying to satisfy in order to prevent the restless forces of anarchy and Bolshevism exploiting the hardships of an economic life which only the sound discipline of Fascism had been able to make endurable. Almost all doors were closed against Italian immigration and commercial policies were so militant in nature that they closed a substantial proportion of the outlets in both hemispheres to the products of Italian labor. The need for markets had in the past driven countries to press forward with programs of colonial expansion, seeking spheres of influence and creating eventually virtual protectorates.

Concluding, the ambassador said: "We tried for more than forty years to get along with Ethiopia. In order that the Ethiopian hinterland and our coastal colonies might prosper together, we wanted to build roads which would provide avenues of commerce and communication; to eradicate tropical diseases; to cultivate fields which now lie idle; to unearth for human use the riches of the under-soil that lie buried. In all that time we have met only enmity and distrust. Without making any attempt to understand our aims and collective purposes, Ethiopia has refused again and again to co-operate for the common good."

## POPULAR PAIR WED

Miss Audrey Parkin and William Brooksbank, Both Born Here, United in Marriage

A quiet but interesting wedding took place last night at 9 o'clock in the rectory. Very Rev. James B. Gibson, dean of St. Andrew's Anglican Cathedral officiating, when Miss Audrey Beryl Parkin, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Parkin of this city, became the bride of William Rupert Brooksbank, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brooksbank.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was pretty indeed in her wedding dress of white crepe silk with conventional veil caught by a headband of orange blossoms. Her bouquet was of Ophelia roses.

The bridesmaid, Miss Eileen Green, wore a dainty costume of pale green taffeta silk with hat to match and carried pink and white carnations.

William P. Elkins acted as groomsmen.

Following the marriage ceremony, the bridal party repaired to the home of the bride's parents on Borden Street where numerous friends had gathered unexpectedly to offer their congratulations and best wishes. An arch of white bells and streamers with autumn flowers and foliage had been arranged and under this the happy young couple received the felicitations of their friends. Toasts were proposed by the father of the bride and G. P. Tinker with the groom responding. The bride cut a beautiful three-tier wedding cake which centred a tastefully covered table with pink tapers in silver sconces. The bride's mother wore an attractive black lace costume with picture hat.

Later in the evening, Mr. and Mrs. Brooksbank sailed aboard the steamer Prince George for a three weeks' honeymoon trip to Vancouver, Victoria, Seattle and Portland after which they will return here to take up residence in the Smith Block. For travelling, the bride wore a navy blue costume with silver fox trimming and hat to match. The bride's bouquet, thrown from the steamer to the pier, was caught by Mrs. G. P. Tinker. Many friends were on hand to give an enthusiastic send-off.

Both bride and groom are members of well known and highly esteemed local families. Both were born here and have lived in the city all their lives. Mr. Brooksbank is in charge of the electrical department of Edward Lipsett Ltd here.

## Local Option Is Suggested

Handling of Beer and Wines in Restaurants and Hotels May Be Handled in This Way

VICTORIA, Nov. 1: (CP)—The British Columbia Liberal caucus, during the next session of the Legislature, will be asked by the government to consider a system of local option in regard to the sale of beer and light wines in restaurants and standard hotels with meals, it was intimated yesterday in government circles following the refusal of the government to permit the dispensing of beverages in such a manner at this time.

## POLICE COURT FINES THIS OCTOBER HIGHER

During the month of October 36 cases were dealt with in city police court here, fines totalling \$290 as compared with \$185 in the same month last year. So far this year fines have aggregated \$2428 in comparison with \$2536.50 in the first ten months of 1934.

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Italy was unable to regard the present activities of the British fleet in the Mediterranean as a defensive measure. While he did not go so far as to term them aggressive, he did assert that they were inexplicable and definitely anti-Italian.

Il Duce, whose speech followed another conference earlier in the day with Sir Eric Drummond, British ambassador, said that the economic sanctions which were being imposed against Italy were the "most despicable in history." They would meet with every resistance on the part of Italy and with this country's "supreme contempt."

**Geneva Amazed**  
GENEVA, Nov. 1:—Amazement was expressed in League of Nations quarters last night at the pronouncement of Pope Pius as being in accord with an Italian mandate for Ethiopia. It was considered hardly in line with previously expressed views of the Pontiff in regard to the conflict.

Meantime, the League sanctions committee, at a two-hour session, completed arrangements for the imposition of sanction penalties against Italy and the date on which these shall go into effect will probably be set today. Forty-nine nations have agreed upon an arms embargo against Italy in addition to the United States which will not supply arms to either Italy or Ethiopia. Forty-seven nations are ready to impose financial sanctions and forty-six economic sanctions.

**British Attitude**  
LONDON, Nov. 1:—The position of the British government towards the Italo-Ethiopian crisis will remain unchanged in spite of the stand taken by the Pope in favor of an Italian mandate for Ethiopia. It was reported here, however, that the British government might consider reducing the present naval concentration in the Mediterranean if Italy would cease its press attacks against Great Britain and its generally anti-British attitude.

Lloyds odds on a European conflict involving Great Britain have fallen from 11 to 7 to 11 to 1 and business is slack. The premium on Mediterranean shipping has been reduced from 15 percent to 10 percent.

C. P. R. steamer Princess Adelaide, Capt. Anderson, is due in port at 3:45 this afternoon from the south and will sail at 10 p.m. on her return to Vancouver and waypoints.

## HIGHLITES

- WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30  
6 p.m.—John Charles Thomas, KOMO.  
6:30—Ray Noble, KOL.  
7:30—Jenny Fidler, KOMO.  
8:15—Male Chorus, KOL.
- THURSDAY, OCT. 31  
7 p.m.—Show Boat, KOMO.  
7:30—Peace Program, KOL.  
7—Horace Heidt, KOL.  
7:15—Standard Symphony, KOMO.
- FRIDAY, NOV. 1  
6 p.m.—Souvenirs, KHQ.  
7—First Nighter, KOMO.  
8:30—Beauty Box Theatre, KOMO, KPO.  
9—Richard Himbers Orch., KOL.  
9—Harmony Violins, CRCV.
- SATURDAY, NOV. 2  
6 p.m.—Rubinoff, KPO.  
7:30—Carefree Carnival, KOMO.  
8—Barn Dance, KOMO, KPO, KFI.  
9:00—Strange Cases, KOMO, KPO.  
10—Waltz Time, KOMO.

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