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# EDITORIALS

## THE MUNICH PLOT

When Herr Hitler had that narrow escape from being blown into eternity by a bomb at Munich it was at once announced that the bomb would be traced to British origin. After several weeks, a man has been arrested who is said by the Germans to have been in the employ of the British secret service. Just what the Germans hope to gain by trying to prove this does not seem clear. The Germans have been laying mines along the front line for the purpose of blowing up the British and French. They have been laying mines in the open sea without notice in the hope of blowing up British ships irrespective of who is killed. As a result, women and children and young babies have been slaughtered. Even if the British were responsible for a plot to kill Hitler and his confederates it would be nothing like as bad as this indiscriminate killing of neutrals. We do not believe the British had anything to do with it because that method seems foreign to their nature. If they did do it, we see no objection. Prince Rupert people seem to have been almost a unit in wishing Hitler had been a victim of the explosion.

## SPEEDING UP OF WAR

There has been a noticeable speeding up of the war during the past few days both in the air and on the sea. Unhappily, the neutral nations suffered most from the depredations but Britain also lost some vessels as a result of the indiscriminate mining because the British could not realize that the Germans would be guilty of such acts. In the air it has been a different story. The Germans have suffered much greater losses than the British and French, proving beyond shadow of doubt that the British and French airmen are more skilful or better equipped than the enemy. Everything points to greater activity, possibly a mass attack on the British Isles in the near future.

## MUCH CONFUSION

People who find it difficult to discriminate between the false and the true must find it hard at times to judge of the progress of the war. The multitude of voices with their conflicting stories heard on the radio every day has a confusing effect on some people. Some say that the Germans seem to lose fewer ships than our own people. That is because the seas are covered with British ships but there are very few German ships outside their harbors. Many are interned for the duration of the war and others are afraid to put their noses outside their ports for fear of being captured. British merchant ships are carrying cargoes as usual except that they are careful to join convoys or take other means of protecting themselves. A few are laid up, such as the Queen Mary, because they are particularly valuable and are worth too much to risk losing. Anyway, there is little passenger traffic. Cargoes of war material and food supplies and other goods are being carried to Britain and coal and various kinds of merchandise are being exported to other countries regularly and yet the losses are small.

## POILUS MOVE UP ON THEIR STOMACHS



Flat on their stomachs and using their kna sacks as shields, French infantrymen are pictured near the scene of action somewhere on the Western Front. This picture was passed by the French censor.

## Outlawed I.R.A. Is Under Trial

One Prisoner Given Three Months For Sedition In Eire Court

DUBLIN, Nov. 23: (CP)—The Special Criminal Court recently set up to try members of the outlawed Irish Republican Army has begun its sittings. The first prisoner was sent to Arbour Hill Military Detention barracks for three months on charges of membership in the I. R. A. and having treasonable and seditious documents. The Court is composed of five army officers who sit in private but in the presence of the press. Names of the officers are not disclosed at trials and reports of the proceedings are, of course, subject to the ordinary wartime censorship.

Meanwhile more than 100 suspected persons are in custody. Some of them are reported to be refusing food and in one case, a prisoner who was unexpectedly released was removed to a swarming home. Conditions in the prison are good and the food offered is the same as that of the soldiers of the defence forces. Prisoners are permitted to smoke and attend classes, receive as many letters as they wish and write two letters each week.

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## MARQUESS FORSAKES GERMANS

Londonderry Says They Are Very Nice In Subordinate Position But Must Be Kept Down

By FRED BACKHOUSE  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, Nov. 23: (CP)—Once the foremost booster of closer friendship between this country and Nazi Germany, Lord Londonderry has performed a mental somersault and now thinks that Germans are all right so long as you keep them down. He is saying so in speeches here.

One of the most remarkable actors in the crowded and tense drama of Anglo-German relations since the rise to power of the Nazi regime, the lanky 61-year old Marquess has, with the curtain up on the final act, been forced to admit: "They (the Germans) are very nice people—when they are in a subordinate position."

"Once you allow them to get the mastery," he said to an audience of 1,000, "the whole of that character disappears and they become what is inherent in them—a very arrogant and domineering disposition."

"They are like that now," he added.

### Recall His Book

Little over a year ago, after mending for more than five years for an understanding of Germany and her problems, Londonderry wrote his book "Ourselves and Germany."

It was, he wrote "... an effort to convince the people of this country of the value and importance of a friendly understanding between Britain and Germany." He deplored the "unsatisfactory and uncertain state" of Anglo-German relations. Hitler's conciliatory gestures and offers had been brushed aside by the British, he averred.

On frequent trips to Germany Lord Londonderry had interviews with Hitler, conversations with Goering and Ribbentrop and had feted and banquetted in Berlin. Back in London he said that his attitude towards the Germans had been misinterpreted and his motives misunderstood.

During the golden days of "World Appeasement" he was often close to Mr. Chamberlain. They were old friends and had vacationed together.

When the Prime Minister made his flying trip to Munich in September 1938, the former Minister for Air was also there to observe the situation at first hand.

### Turn of the Tide

But a few weeks later the change was already evident. In the House of Lords on December 1, 1938, he made outspoken comments on Germany during a debate on the League of Nations. He flayed the Nazis for the "deplorable persecution of a portion of their people" but still hoped they might be converted "to our way of thinking."

This year, on June 19, he said in London: "The world should be told that we are tired of the brow-beating we are getting from Germany."

When he was recently called upon to scotch rumors that he had been interned as a spy it was revealed that Lord Londonderry was engaged on war work in County

Down, County Durham, London and Luton.

Now he is providing political observers with an interesting sidelight on the war: Will he completely reverse his role and emerge as one of the most formidable opponents of the friends who disillusioned him?

### ZOO FATALITIES

LONDON, Nov. 23: (CP)—The London zoo has lost two of its favorite animals—the little zebra who was born last year and Bobo, the elderly chimpanzee—who both died the same week. Bobo, about 30 years old, had been at the zoo 11 years.

### EASING THE BARS

SOUTHAMPTON, Eng., Nov. 23: (CP)—The regulation which compelled travellers leaving England to obtain a permit to take with them periodicals and books has been relaxed but literature must still be inspected by customs.

### CARRIES PRINCIPALS FAR

LONDON, Nov. 23: (CP)—Rather than participate in the war, Richard Condon told a conscientious objectioners' tribunal he would grow his own food, to avoid paying taxes on purchases of edible and "useless" items. He was ordered to serve as a civilian.

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