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sition of Premier Pattullo At Ottawa Conference Made Clear By Ottawa Statement

ges Consideration of Report Without Regard to War-Scheme Would Be Backward Step and Would Work Hardship on British Columbia

Following is the full text of Premier Pattullo's statent on British Columbia's position to the Dominion-Pro- forces launched a strong countercial Conference at Ottawa recently:

"In submitting to the conference, by way of generty, the view of the government of British Columbia with pect to the report of the Royal Commission on Domin-

Provinces to be Curbed

stood as meaning independence for

new hegemony engendering har-

derstand the implications of the

commission's report. Many people

seem to think that by the trans-

gations from the provincial treas-

ury to the Dominion treasury,

these obligations by some leger-

provinces or the Dominion, though

doubtless they may be refunded up-

Unemployment

"In the matter of the unemploy-

still so maintains.

ference of certain provincial obli-

Provincial Relations, may I ment upon the immense to an irretrievable course of action. ount of thought and study giv- British Columbia, in common by the commission to the prob- with the other provinces and the s involved. .. Whether one agrees Dominion, has had its problems and disagrees with their recommen- has attained its present position roach thereto, the whole work the hill of public economy. It does nishes a very remarkable com- not want to be pushed down either

dium of useful information. The prefential recommendation turn the treadmill of mediocrity in the commission is very succinct- perpetuity. expressed on Pages 133 and 134 Plan 1, Book II, and is as follows: ment and responsibility in one plain blunt men who love our lest credit base and the one The commission appears to have control of related powers. Plan approached the problem upon the provides for average Canadian assumption that the provinces * * * ndards of education and wel- must be curbed, and checked after e, and generous developmental curbing, and that the central au-

penditures in every province, thority is the medium through :: rough National Adjustment which this is to be accomplished. * ants. And perhaps most im- In this process it is proposed that tant of all, Plan 1 makes pos- the Dominion, which already is in e the co-ordination of taxation, a position to protect its own opertrowing (or debt redemption), ations, as well as to exercise a

Here is a proposal which changes cession Duties. whole aspect of Dominion-Pro-

icial relations. Effect of Plan 1

Under Plan 1, certain powers of the kind. By independence of w exercisable by the provinces Il not only be taken away but ch as remain will, in their exere, be largely influenced by and bject to central control. Under e mechanics of Plan 1, there will immediate and ever increasing ntralization of authority in the ominion. So far as our province concerned, we will be in such sition of incapability to move orward or even to maintain existg standards, as will assuredly lead grave dissatisfaction and friction. erein I think the commission erd in its approach to the problem. "It may be accepted as axiomatic at there are five economic and cial units comprising the conderation of the Dominion of Cana. This is recognized by the comhission and was recognized by the demain will thereby be liquidated. anadian Broadcasting Corporation The fact is that these obligations hen on Christmas Day there were will have to be paid by the people pecial features for the Maritimes, of Canada whether through the uebec, Ontario, the prairie provnces and British Columbia.

on more favorable basis by the "Each of these units is distincwe and there is nothing to be ained and much to be lost in atempting to bring them to a comment problem, the commission's renon level. Everyone desires to see anada strong and united, but this port recommends the assumption of responsibility for the unemployed bject cannot be achieved by way The employables by the Dominion, but a mechanization to establish a endency of the course recommend- the responsibility for the unemployable to remain a charge upon d by the commission would be the provinces. ower the general standard of deelopment rather than raise it. It rould be a backward instead of a orward step.

ables, but the provinces will still) "I do not think that we should have a deadweight charge upon llow the ineptitudes and indisretions of the past, if there were bange of fortuitous circumstances or them for the unemployables. hange of conditions beyond our the position that the unemployment problem is primarily the resontrol, precipitately to rush us in-

Yesterday's Circulation of the Daily News

Your Inspection is Invited

ITALIANS TRY HARD BUT FAIL

ANCINE SE

Have Launched New and Heavy Offensive in Albania as Desperate Move

ATHENS, Jan. 21: (CP)-Italian attack in the Tepelini sector of the Albanian front in a desperate effort to break up the Greek advance, say Greek reports from the front, but the Greeks succeeded in repuising it effectively. The attack was described as the largest and most carefully planned of any yet atemy are, however, being held back ions and conclusions, or their only after an arduous struggle up successfully both around Tepelini and Valona.

Yesterday the British Royal Air Force bombed Valona again.

to the bottom or half way, there to Also yesterday Italian planes endeavoured to bomb Pyreus, port of Athens, but the attack was broken up by the Royal Air Force, the most "The issues involved are so im- of the enemy bombs dropping 'Plan 1 concentrates debt man- portant and far reaching, that as harmlessly into the sea. The enemy lost at least one plane and one Brithority - the one with the friends, we should speak frankly. tish plane crashed in flames.

LONDON, Jan. 21: * expenditure policies through- measure of control over provincial * (CP)- Warnings of a * namely, the Income Tax, also Sucing newspapers today. "Heretofore the provinces have * The Daily Express carhad a measure of independence of + ried a streamer: "Dic- + action but the new proposals def- + tators hold last conferinitely would checkmate anything + ence before attack on + action I do not wish to be under- * England."

independence sake, but independ- + + + + + + + + + ence to pursue policies developmental in manner such as are quite certainly not to be appreciated in the same degree by remote agency. Under the new proposals as laid down! by the commission, we would be so circumscribed that instead of the

mony it would only aggrevate dis- Industrial Manpower of Great Britain to be Assigned to Most "Comparatively few people un-Useful Function

> LONDON, January 21: (CP)-Registration of Great Britain's industrial manpower and listing of those who should be called on to serve the state in national industry was announced today in the House of Commons by Rt. Hon. Ernest Bevin, minister of

Mr. Bevin said there would be no exceptions in rank and predicted that most people would volunteer.

Earlier it was announced that further age groups are to be called up for armed service and the schedule of reserve occupations reduced.

Labor registration is expected to produce Left Wing opposition but, doubtless, it will pass.

"The proposed Dominion Unema ployment Insurance measure will put the Dominion in funds to provide for the unemployed employ-

"Our province has always taken Germany Intends to Move Before United States Aid Can Be Brought to Bear

ponsibility of the Dominion and BERLIN, Jan. 21.—In the wake of of this whole question. While mon- the Hitler-Mussolini meeting over "Money, of course, is at the root etary measures should be based upon the productive capacity of our in Berlin that unprecedented naupeople, the productive capacity of tical blows at Great Britain will be our people can be amplified by wise essayed before United States aid Continued on PAGE FOUR Tof Eire is suggested.

Bulletins

HOWARD CAMPBELL DIES Howard Campbell, formerly of this city and for many years in business at Stewart, died at Stewart last week. His death coincided with the death in Prince Rupert of his former partner, Charles Duke. Mr. Campbell at one time operated what is now the Grotto Cigar Store here.

COMMUNIST PAPER BANNED LONDON- Scotland Yard detectives today raided the offices of the Daily Worker, organ of the Communist party in Great Brita'n, and stopped publication and delivery of the Daily Worker known as the Week. The order was issued by the Home Secretary who, it is said, was satisfied that in each paper there had been a systematic publication of matter calculated to foment oppesition to successful prosecution of the war.

JAPANESE ESPIONAGE?

VANCOUVER - A Japanese named Matsumoto, identified with the consulate staff, is being held for investigation in connection with the taking of picturnear Jericho Beach air station.

FIFTH COLUMNISTS

QUEBEC - Premier Godbont says that fifth columnists are at the business cycle with mone- operations, through control of cred- * pending invasion were * work in Ontario and Quebec. They and exchange, trade and it, shall take over exclusively the + emblazoned across front + are back of advertisements which have been appearing in newspaof the Sirois report which Godbout says are designed to bring about disunity.

> JOINT DEFENCE BOARD United MONTREAL - The States - Canada joint defence board opened sessions here yesterday and meetings are continuing today.

NEW FISHERIES AGREEMENT TOKYO-A new agreement between Japan and Russia in regard to fishing concessions off Sakhalien Island and Siberia has FISHERMEN been signed. been signed.

AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN WASHINGTON- John Winer, former governor of New Hampshire and now director of the international labor office, is being prominently mentioned now as United States ambassador to Great Britain. He is a Republi-

COAST MUNITIONS PLANT NEW WESTMINSTER- Mayor F. J. Hume of New Westminster says the possibility of a munitions plant being established on the south coast of British Columbia is being studied.

NURSE SCALDED EDMONTON- Miss Catherine McKenzie, a nurse, is dead of burns sustained when she fainted while an operation was being performed and she was scalded by a basin of boiling water which she upset in falling.

I.B.S.A. LITERATURE EDMONTON-Outlawed International Boble Students' Association pamphlets have been distributed here. No arrests have yet been made.

CONVICTED OF MISCHIEF SAN FRANCISCO-Two Uniconsulate, have been convicted of malicious mischief and will be sentenced on Thursday.

TOBRUK IS UNDER WAY

British Continue lightning Drive Against Italians in Various Parts of Africa

CAIRO, Jan. 21: (CP)- British forces today launched a major attack on besieged Tobruk in Libya, British general headquarters announced. The communique that operations for the capture of the Italian stronghold were proceeding satisfactorily.

At the same time the Royal Air Force headquarters announced that tempted by the Italians. The en- just as the paper was going to seven Axis planes had been despress. The raid came shortly af- troyed Monday in a new raid on ter the government issued an or- Catania, Sicily, believed to be the in an important declaration on forder banning further publication principal base for German dive eign policy in Japanese Parliament, bombers which have been operating and also the leftist news letter against the British navy and shipping in the Mediterranean.

were taken yesterday in the course United States friendship." of a general advance.

The objective of British strategy appears to be to divide the Italian East Africa forces by driving a wedge through to the sea.

British forces are continuing the drive into Ethiopia from Kenya and into Eritrea from the Sudan. Italian counter-invasions appear now to have been definitely foiled.

WERE SUNK

Berlin Claims That Another Cruiser Besides H.M.S. Southampton Was Sent to Bottom

BERLIN, Jan. 21.—Berlin now claims that not one but two British cruisers were sunk as a result of the recent naval engagement in the Straits of Sicily. (Only one cruiser. H.M.S. Southampton, is admitted, so far at least, by the British Admiralty to have been lost.)

Eighteen Men Perish in Harbor Tragedy at Boston

BOSTON, Jan. 21: (CP)-Eighteen men were drowned today almost within sight of their homes when a Boston fishing schooner, the beam trawler Mary E. O'Hara, homeward bound from a week on the fishing grounds with a catch of 50,000 pounds of mixed fish on board, was split open in collision with some unseen object as it approached Boston Harbor and

Five half-frozen survivors were dragged from the protruding mainmast of the sunken schooner. Their companions had gradually lost their grip, the remainder of the crew of twenty-three having fallen from the rigging one by one as their hands froze.

At least one vessel passed during the night without observing the plight of the men who were finally picked up by another trawler, the North Star.

It is believed the Mary E. O'Hara struck a barge. The tragedy occurred off Finn's Ledge near Gray's Light.

BLACKOUT VENTILATION

When windows cannot be opened the issue of the collapse of the Do- Single enemy planes did light because of the blackout, bathroom minion-provincial conference on bombing on home counties late doors should be left open, said a the Sirois report. Premier T. D. yesterday with slight damage and estic overcome in her bath.

Suggestion Reported Made In View of U.S. Nipponese Relations

Important Declaration on Foreign Policy is Made Before Parliament in Tokyo Today

TOKYO, January 21: (CP)- Reliable informants disclosed today that a British consular official had advised certain British residents to leave Japan "before an impending crisis in American-Japanese relations comes to a head." Letters are said to have been sent to some thirty Britons in the Yokohama area though why they were selected is not explained.

Today Foreign Minister Matsuoka, said that Japan must protect herself from United States pressure and in the interests of her own ec-In East Africa the forces of Mus- onomic welfare. The United States solini are in full flight towards the government, Matsuoka said, ap-Red Sea following the recapture by peared to believe that the first line the British of Kassala in the Sudan of American defence was in China and the crossing of the Eritrean and southeast Asia. This attitude frontier where two important points was "unfortunate for Japanese and

LOSSES BELOW AVERAGE LONDON- For the fifth successive week British shipping losses owing to enemy action have been far below the average for the war. For the week ending January 12, the Admiralty announced today, losses totalled 30,-000 tons represented by nine

CANADIAN SKI TROOPS OTTAWA- Canadian soldiers, camouflaged in baffling white uniforms, are being trained in ski manoeuvres.

FRANCE KEEPING FLEET VICHY- Notwithstanding the Petain-Laval reconciliation, it was stated in authoritative quarters that France will not turn over her fleet to Germany and will insist on full observance by Germany of the armistice. Censorship regulations in France have

SUEZ CANAL BOMBING LONDON-There is no confirmation here of reported bombing of the Suez Canal by the enemy.

TROUBLE IN RUMANIA BUDAPEST - Uprisings approaching the status of civil war are reported to have broken out in various parts of Rumania both in cities and countries. Iron Guardists and Communists have both staged demonstrations against the Nazi-controlled government of Premier Antonescu. A German army officer is reported to have been shot by a Greek boxing champion to further complicate the situation. There have been bombings in the streets of Bucharest.

Charges Pattullo With Wrecking Conference

VANCOUVER, Jan. 21.-The exe- raiders lost five bombers. cutive of the British Columbia Con-| Since Sunday, owing to bad weaservative Association is demanding ther, the air battle has slowed up IPSWICH, Eng., Jan. 21: (CP)— an immediate provincial election on almost to a minimum on both sides. coroner in an inquest on a dom- Pattullo is charged with deliberate- no casualties. There were no raids ly wrecking the conference.

MARINE TRAGEDY

Killer Whales Washed Up On Shore Near Massett

Word received from Massett is that a curious marine tragedy took place close to the native village last week. Eleven finback whales were washed up on to the sandy beach at a point on Massett Inlet right across from the village. Nothing is known as to what caused the tragedy. It occurred during a storm but the natives thought the whales had been chasing seals and had got so far up the beach that they were unable to return into deep water.

Some of the whales, known generally as killers, were 25 to 30 feet long and four feet through. Two were quite small ones.

STILL SAFE

Reports of Loss of Porteus Were Not Correct-Officers and Men Decorated

ATHENS, Jan. 21.—Contrary to earlier reports that she had been lost the Greek submarine Porteus is safe in port, it was disclosed late yesterday. Officers and men have been decorated for valor in sinking Italian transports in the face of naval convoy.

Official Account of Bombing of British South Coast Port Sunday Night

TODAY'S ATTACK

LONDON, January 21 (Canadian Press) - Incendiary bombs were dropped on a town in London suburbs today and housewives, dropping their kitchen work, joined in the task of smothering them, Bad weather over the continents restricted air activity on both sides last night.

LONDON, January 21 (Canadian Press)-Southampton, one of the cities of southern England and a principal port of the country, was C. Conservative Association bombed Sunday night by German aircraft, the authorities officially disclosed, but both casualties and damage were reported light. The

last night.