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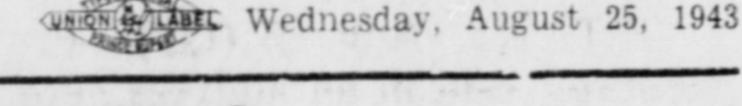
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Rome - Open City? . . .

Obviously the position of Rome does not demand views it was evident that they der that Mr. Robertson might its being treated as an open city simply because Premier Badoglio calls it that. Rome is the focal point United States should in some any representations to be made, assistance in arranging meetfor transportation between northern and southern ity for the responsibile a copy of our memorandum was ings with the various ministers Italy. Nazi troops retreating northward to take up certain of the municipal ser- sured me, that should we de- porting me at the various internew positions may be passing through Rome. There vices, In each case I met and cide to makt claim to Washing views held. I appreciate that last evening and ended in the can be no doubt that military supplies are still mov- discussed the situation with ton, after the Defence Council this involved some personal sacing through the city.

Beyond this, of course, the question properly arises whether Rome can be called an undefended city. The Axis did not regard Manila, Belgrade, and Brussels after they had been declared open. The airplane has thrust a confusing element into the legal picture. Today towns that are declared open-"undefended"-may be themselves undefended against air attack but not against ground attack. That is, the armies defending them may be still many miles from them, fighting against the attacking forces.

To call Rome undefended while it is contributing to the effectiveness of troops many miles from it is patently ridiculous. No wonder Premier Badorlin awaits an answer as to the circumstances in which the Allies will consider his declaration valid. No wonder the answer is slow in coming. Even so, it is not so slow as the Badoglio regime would have the world believe.

The statement that steps were taken on July 31 by the Italians, through the Vatican, to have Rome recognized as open, surprised the Vatican—and possibly embarrassed it—as well as provided news in Allied capitals. This announcement has backfired on Premier Badoglio. It has caused suspicion that the entire move is propagandistic, and in Italy it has aroused the inhabitants of other cities to demand an end to the war in which they have suffered so much more from bombing than have the people of Rome.

Naturally the Allies are exercising great caution over the Badoglio declaration. It is difficult to see how Premier Badoglio can fulfill the requirements of the law he has cited without risking a collapse of the entire Italian war effort. For short of leaving Rome really undefended, by air or by land, he has little ground for demanding its recognition as an open city.

Prime Minister Is Adventurer...

Prime Minister Churchill has been a member of parliament for 40 years and a member of the British cabinet 20 years of his life. He has made more than 3,000 speeches, each a finished masterpiece, and has written several great books which insure for him a place among the greatest writers of the English language.

Many millions of people throughout the United Nations spend anxious moments while Prime Minister Churchill flies from continent to continent on the journeys which are necessary to the conduct of the war. During the last war, great anxiety was expressed in parliament about the danger to which Mr. Churchill, then First Lord of the Admiralty, exposed himself in travelling in planes which were far less safe than planes of today. No doubt, Mr. Churchill appreciates this solicitude, but a spirit of adventure and a high sense of duty have combined to make a practical airman of him. Personal danger causes no fear in him.

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MAYOR WATTS' REPORT

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conditions and these representatives are still in Prince Rupert so that we may assume that an exhaustive report on all aspects of the local situation as they affect that department will be made to the minister.

"I subsequently met Dr. Wodehouse, the deputy minister, who assured me that the engineer's report when received would have thorough consideration but until that report was received he was not in a position to state what measures might be taken by the department.

"The Minister of National Defence, Hon. J. L. Ralston, was interviewed and also Hon. C. G. Power, minister of national defence for air, and Hon. Angus McDonald, minister of national decence for Navy. Each of these ministers gave Mr. Hanson and myself a very courteous hearing and asked for and received further pertinent information supporting the memorandum. might say that neither of the three departments.

myself had a meeting with the sary arrangements.

munitions and supply and als his executive assistant, Mr. Ben-

"A meeting was held between myself and Colonel Currie, deputy minister of national defence for army and the Quarter Master General at which all aspects of the local situation were considered and I was informed that the decision had been made to consider the representations and recommendations made in our memorandum at a meeting of the Defence Council This council meets at stated intervals, and there was no benefit in my remaining in Ottawa as the council would deal with the city's memorandum when it next convened, and Col. Currie promised to advise me of the findings of the council by letter to Toronto where I was working in the interests of my

"As the various ministers had indicated that it should seem reasonable to expect the government of the United States to participate in any program, J thought it advisable to take ministers were willing to ac- steps preliminary to the city cept some of the statements presenting some claim to Washcontained in the memorandum ington. I, therefore, had an inwithout first obtaining confir- terview with Mr. Rebertson and mation from their own officials. Mr. Kenleyside of the Depart-From the tone of the inter- ment of External Affairs. In or-

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men jockeys.

A RICH MAN'S GAME

NEW YORK, Aug. 25 (9) About \$15,644,612, one-fourth the 1939 total factory value of sporting goods, was spent on golf equipment according to the Census Bureau.

felt that the government of the be fully in. rmed the nature of made of Mr. Olof Hanson's able

o a neutral corner. Canada's first "Powder Puff Derby," a horse race featuring women jockeys, drew Calgary's largest race crowd in eight years at Chinook Park three years ago today. Mrs. D. K. Yorlath piloted Falermain to the front in a stretch drive before 4,800 people, and won a trip to Caliornia to represent Canada in the Coronada Town Plate, North America's premier race for wo-

ity for the rehabilitation of made available to him. He as- and their deputies and in supeach of the deputies of these had considered the city's case rifice on Mr. Hanson's part, as his department would be ready it meant his remaining in Ot-Meanwhile, Mr. Hanson and to assist in making the neces- tawa an additional four days Force. after a particularly heavy and Hon. C. D. Howe, minister of "Grateful acknowledgement is lengthy session of the House."

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Half-time found the score deadlocked at 0-0 and, on the resumption, both teams went all out for the deciding goal. Early in the half the Air Force was awarded a penalty for "hands" and Infantino brought off wonderful save. With ten minutes to go the Air Force had another penalty and this time Kerr made no mistake with his poor native women are helpless shot, putting it well beyond In- to avoid it. fantino's reach. Ontarios played hard to the finish but were unplaying defence of the Fliers.

Outstanding for the Ontarios were Infantino in goal and Stengal at back.

The Fliers' best were Manson and Kerr.

Teams were:

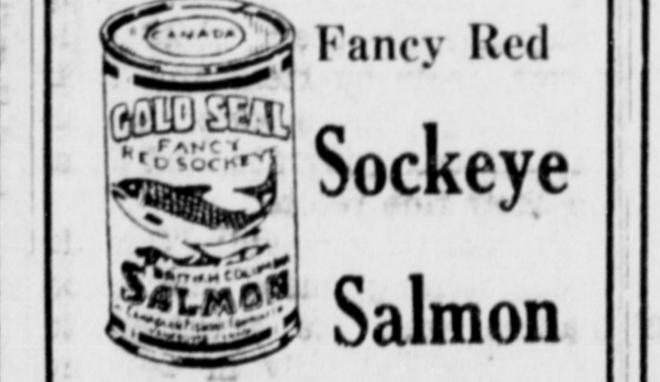
tinique; Kerr, Novak, Melville; with the Indian girls. Fowler, Cruikshanks, Manson, Responsibility for venereal Wilson and Mindell.

Ontarios - Infantino; Stengal, Prochuk; Hogarth, Robertson, Wiles; Kennedy, Highton, Mills, Scott, Jentsch.

Air Force will meet Navy at the Acropolis grounds in a sudden death game in the Gilhuly cup final on Tuesday night.

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BLAME FOR WHITE MAN

Kitwanga Native Leader Comments on Venereal Disease Situation

KITWANGA, Aug. 25-Speaking of discussion in the city council at Prince Rupert recently on the subject of venereal disease when it was stated by Dr. R. G. Knipe, medical health officer and director of the public health unit, that native women were responsible for eighty percent of the spread of the malady, Harold Sinclair, | spokesman for the local native com.nunity, remarks that such disease cannot develop without cause and expresses the opinion that it is due to the effects of the white man and that the

Mr. Sinclair depiores liberties that he himself has seen white able to break through the stiff men forcibly take with native women. It is due to liberties of white men with native girls that there are so many fatherless half-breeds.

Mr. Sinclair says he has never heard of Indian men trying to take liberties with white women R.C.A.F .- Watson; Blore, Mar- such as the white men take

disease control, Mr. Sinclair

feels, rests with the ne rather than the federal

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