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VICEROY & LEADERS HELD UP IN MALTA

Arrival In London Early This Morning

NO CHANGE PLANNED IN TALKS ON INDIA

LONDON, December 2.

High Commissioner for India.

CABINET'S POLICY

According to the Associated Press

of America, the Prime Minister re-

viewed for the British Cabinet today

the steps he and his fellow negotia-

tors would take to convince the In-

dian political leaders that the great

sub-continent must carry through its

independence programme without

A Government source said the

Cabinet had reaffirmed its intention

to make the meeting of the Consti-

tuent Assembly, scheduled to be held

in New Delhi on December 9, suc-

framework of the Pitish Govern-

ment's plan, announced last May,

THE CONSTITUENT

ASSEMBLY

Tentative Programme

NEW DELHI, December 2.

Congress members of the Consti-

tuent Assembly are gradually tak-

ing up their residence in Delhi.

Most of them have come after at-

tending the annual Congress session

adopted the outline of the mandate

governing their work in the consti-

Their arrival at the capital has

stimulated an informal exchange of

9, with Dr. Sachidananda Sinha as

Congress members will be held on

December 7 to settle a number of

points of importance to the party.

mainly by the signing in of mem-

will sign a special register prepared

bearing the provincial coat of arms.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

office is that of Sir Gopalaswami

Other matters of procedure will be

taken up after the election of the

President. Several committees will be

set up such as a steering committee, a

finance committee, a house committee

The first phase of the Assembly's

work is expected to last till the third

week of January, with a brief inter-

val during Christmas. It will there-

after be interrupted by the budget session of the Central Legislature but the

work of the committees will probably

NOTICE TO MEMBER'S

A press communique says: "Invita-

tions for the preliminary meeting of

the Constituent Assembly, to be held

on December 9, were posted to all

members on November 20, 1946. In case, due to changes in the address

or for other reasons, an invitation has

not reached any member, he is request-

ed to take cognisance of this press communique and to attend the meet-

ing. Members are requested to bring with them their credentials, signed

by the Speakers of the Assemblies which elected them, as well as the

"Applications for press and visitors"

passes should be sent to the Secretary, Constituent Assembly, Council House, New Delhi. Accommodation for visitors being very limited, applications received late or other than through members have no chance of being accepted."—A.P.I.

Mr. F. Anthony Returns

Anthony, a member of the Indian delegation to the UNO General As-

sembly, arrived from New York in Karachi today and is living for New Delhi tomorrow. In an interview, he

said that the Indian delegation had fully

acquitted themselves of their duties and truly represented their national

views on vital matters. He had to re-

turn early so as to be in time for the meeting of the Constituent Assemly.

KARACHI, December 2: Mr. Frank

cards sent to them.

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The temporary Chairman will

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for Indian independence."-A.P.A.

cessful and effective "within the

House.—Reuter.

any civil war.

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THE Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and the Secretary of State for India, Lord Pethick-Lawrence, tonight decided that the arrangements announced for the visit of the Indian political leaders and Lord Wavell to London could largely stand, despite the delay at Malta of the aircraft in which the party is tra-

According to official quarters, the aeroplane will now leave Malta at midnight and it is expected to arrive at the London airport at 7-30 a.m. (G.M.T.), tomorrow (1 p.m. I.S.T.).

Some slight modification in the programme may prove necessary if the members of the party are badly fatigued on their arrival. It is pointed out, however, that the only arrangement cancelled because of the hold-up at Malta is the dinner which the Prime Minister and the Cabinet Mission were to give tonight to the Viceroy.

No programme was arranged when the provisional arrangementsfor tonight for the Indian lea- outside the talks themselves—include ders, who were expected to ham Palace to all the leaders and the French quarters today said they spend the evening quietly at Ministers and a reception by the their respective hotels.

Thile in Valet', the Indian leaders-Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. Vice-President of the Interim Government, Sardar Baldev Singh, Defence Minister, Mr. Mohammed Ali Jinnah. President of the Muslim League, and Mr. Liagat Ali Khan, Finance Minis ter-called on the Governor, Mr. F C. R. Douglas, and later shopped in Valetta's Kingsway.

A crowd of 200 Indians waited in vain at the London airport today for the arrival of Lord Wavell and the Indian leaders. They were representatives of the Muslim League and they carried League flags. Many of them had travelled specially from

The programme for the talks on India, as originally drawn up, is as

TALKS WITH PREMIER

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru will see the Prime Minister. Mr. Clement Attlee, alone at Number 10, Downing Street, tomorrow at 10 a.m. At the same time, Mr. M. A. Jinnah and his colleague, Mr. Liaqat Ali Khan, will meet the Secretary of State for India, Lord Pethick-Lawrence, at the India Office. These two are the first of

individual meetings which are to form the opening stage of the vital at Meerut, where they defined and constitutional talks between Lord Wavell and the Congress, Muslim League and Sikh leaders, on the one hand, and the British Cabinet Mission and Government, on the other. In the course of tomorrow, the Prime Minister will see the leaders of the three groups separately. His talk with Pandit Nehru will be followed by another with Mr. M. A. Jinnah and Mr. Liagat Ali Khan. and later he will receive Sardar Baldev Singh, the Sikh leader. Lord

Pethick-Lawrence will also receive the three party leaders separately. ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMME Tomorrow, Mr. A. V. Alexander will entertain Mr. Jinnah and Mr. Liagat Ali Khan at Lancaster House

-headquarters of the British Government Hospitality Fund. A similar complement will be paid to Pandit Nehru and Sardar Baldev Singh tomorrow night by the members of Parliament who formed the Parliamentary Delegation to India about a year ago. The dinner will be at the House of Commons. On Wednesday evening, the Presi-

dent of the Board of Trade, Sir Stafford Cripps, will entertain the Viceroy, Lord Wavell, Pandit, Nehru and Sardar Baldev Singh to a dinner and the Parliamentary Delegation will give a dinner to Mr. Jinnah and Mr. Liagat 11 Khan at Lancas-

ing and their scope will be determined by the individual discus- Ayyangar. sions tomorrow between the Prime Minister and the Secretary of State, on the one hand, and the Indian leaders on the other. The official programme exists in a

tentative form only up to Thursday,

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New South Polar Expedition

ABOUT 4,000 MEN TO LIVE IN ANTARCTIC

"Daily Telegraph" And "Times of India" Correspondent.

NORFOLK (Virginia), Dec. 1.

Final preparations were being made here today for the departure tomorrow morning of eight ships forming part of Rear-Admiral Byrd's expedition to the South Pole.

Three other vessels will sail from California, and about January the first aircraft carrier the PHILIPPINE SEA will follow with a number of twin-motor transport planes which are to be used in mapping some 6,000,000 square miles of the Ant-

The expedition, which is the greatest in the history of South Polar exploration, has been named Task Force High Jump. It involves transporting and maintaining on the Southern Continent for five months about 4,000 men, including 300 civilians, whose activities will be of a purely scientific nature. Great quantities of food and an impressive array of apparatus have had to be provided. In addition to investigating the natural features of the area, Task Force will test naval and flying

INDIAN EMBASSY IN PARIS Move Welcomed

were "glad to hear" that the Gov-Sir ernment of India were reported to Samuel Runganadhan, at the India be considering the establishment of an embassy in Paris. No definite information is avail-

able here as to the Indian Government's future course of action in this matter. However, a well-informed Indian source said that he expected that Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, Secretary of the Indian League in London, might come to Paris to examine the situation after the conclusion of the visit of the Indian political leaders to London. A French Communist party offi-

cial said that the party would be happy to see a representative of

BOMB OUTRAGE JERUSALEM



building was blown up, causing injuries to four passers-by. The pictu re above was minutes after the explosion.

Another Record Set Up In Brisbane Test

McCOOL MISSES CENTURY: DEADLY BOWLING BY WRIGHT

By A. E. R. GILLIGAN BRISBANE, December 2.

THOUGH England's 903 for seven wickets at the Oval in 1938 is the highest total in the Test series against Australia, today's first-innings score of 645 by Australia is a record for the Tests between the two countries in Australia.

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COMMENDABLE WAY

then Tallon was adjudged leg-before-

wicket to Edrich, with the score at

Lindwall greeted his new partner,

Tribe, with a tremendous six to midwicket, and then, with a powerful ondriven single, equalled the previous highest Test aggregate—636 made by

England, at Sydney, in 1928. Tribe, with an easy single to mid-on, gave

Australia the highest score ever com-

piled by Australia in the Test series.

Lindwall continued to hit out with

(Continued on page 8).

bowlers.

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England lost Hutton with only ten

runs on the board. This was a sad

blow, particularly when a good

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worn patches. All the same, Eng-

but provided her batsmen produce

WICKET REMAINS GOOD

previous

Australia.

Saturday's closing score wickets fall for the addition of of 595 for five wickets gave only 50 runs. happy to see a representative of the Indian people.

Mr. Krishna Menon said in London today: "I may go to Paris shortly, but I have not heard anything definite about this."—Reuter.

promise of a much bigger total than 645 by Australia, and it certainly must have come as a surprise to the good-sized after deprived McCool of the distribution of join-

ON JAFFA ROAD

Four British Troops

Killed JERUSALEM, Dec. 2.

Four British soldiers of the

Sixth Air-borne Division were killed and one severely injured when their jeep was blown up today by a road mine five miles outside Jerusalem, on the Jaffa

to seek the authority at the World this winter owing to heavy floods, Zionist Congress, opening in Basie, Switzerland on December 9, to appeal to Jews all over the world for volun- ed more than £1,000,000 damage. tary contribution of £14,000,000 for development work in Palestine. Mr. E. Kaplan, the Jewish Agency's

treasurer, disclosed that Jewish people would shortly receive £22,500,000 as reparations from Germany through the International Refugee Committee. Of this amount, three-fifths would go to American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and the remainder to the Jewish

"The French League for Free Pa-lestine", which is to be formally many augurated in Paris on Thursday, is expected to join in the moves for the creation of a Jewish "Government in exile." it is reported in Paris.

resumed in London on December 16, will not, it is believed now, take place before the middle of January

The "Voice of Fighting Zion", secretarido of the Jewish terrorist organisation, Irgun Zvai Leumi, violently at tacked Friday's verdict of the Palestine Supreme Court, rejecting a petition for habeas corpus, involving nearly 4,000 Jewish illegal immigrants who have now arrived in Cyprus.—Reuter.

On Other Pages

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JEEP BLOWN UP

The Palestine Conference, due to be

Dacca & Allahabad Riots Wage Controls In Canada Go

Rangoon Dockers' Strike

Persian Premier Warns Zenjan

LEAFLETS DROPPED BY PLANES

LONDON, December 2. Persian Government planes today dropped leaflets on the town of Zenjan, in Khamseh province, near the border of the "home-rule" province of Azerbaijan, appealing to the population to co-operate with the Government forces who had been refused entry to the town. reports the Teheran radio.

The appeal, signed by the Persian Premier, Ghavam-es-Sultaneh, said: "Now that the armed forces of the Government have entered Zenjan. you must consider them as friends coming to restore law and order in your province. The duty of the population is to co-operate with the troops. Those who oppose them will be severely punished". The movement of troops conforms

with the Persian Government's decision to send troops throughout the country to ensure free elections when the country goes to the polls on December 6. The Premier, has also sent a fur-

ther telegram to the Governor of Azerbaijan warning him of the consequences of refusing entry to Government forces. A similar telegram. sent yesterday, received the reply that the despatch of troops would be considered a "declaration of war on our democratic movement."

FLOODS RUIN FARMS IN ALBANIA Famine Threat In Winter

BELGRADE, December 2: Reports from Tirana, the capital of Albania, today said that Albania

Jewish Zionist leaders are expected will be threatened with a famine which have destroyed more than 60 per cent. of all farmland and caus-The reports added that flooding had interfered with all autumn sowing and ruined large stocks of maize. The land is so thoroughly inundated that there will be no sowing till the

next spring. The situation is regarded as particularly serious as this year's harvest has been far below the normal.

ANGLO-EGYPTIAN TREATY TALKS Hitch Report Denied LONDON. December 2: Press re-

ports and conflicting rumours suggesting that a hitch had occurred in Anglo-Egyptian negotiations were today authoritatively denied. So far Britain has not received any proposal from the Egyptian Government that the negotiations should be resumed in the near future.—Reuter. (See page 7).

SHIP COLLIDES WITH LIGHTHOUSE Accident Off Copenhagen

COPENHAGEN, December 2: The 7.607-ton American steamer. BLUE ISLAND VICTORY, rammed the Drogden lighthouse off Copenhagen this morning, tearing a 13-foot hole in her hull. The lighthouse was severely, damaged and put out of action. The vessel, which was returning from Gdynia, Poland, where she had 10 taken a cargo of horses from the 10 United States, put in at Copenhagen 3 for repairs.—A.P.A.

their proper form the task ahead Despite heavy thundershowers in THE ORIGINAL many parts of Brisbane on Sunday afternoon, the cricket ground escaped with a mere sprinkling. Consequently weather, though overcast, was fine. "ONE & ONLY" Bedser spent the whole of Sunday in bed, but fully recovered. Otherwise Wright opened the bowling for England from the North end this morning. After McCool had got a single past Bedser, operating from the South end, twice beat McCool, the ball going Lindwall caused the 600 of the innings to appear with a mid-wicket boundary off Wright's bowling, which continued to be of a splendid length. Then Lindwall was completely beaten Back again on but the ball missed the stumps. He sent the next delivery high over the square-leg boundary for the second six the Market Tallon, showing good form, square-cut Bedser beautifully to the boundary, though Bedser later twice got past his defence. Tallon appeared BOTTLED IN BOMBAY catches near the Lindwall showed every disposition ONLY BY to hit out, driving well, but smart fielding by Washbrook and Compton, I consider the way England have stuck to their task while facing a marathon score highly commendable. Edrich relieved Bedser at 621. With this move Hammond again showed wise captaincy by giving Bedser short spells. Lindwall made a dangerous boundary stroke between Hammond, at first slip, and gully. This prompted the English skipper to place four slips—himself Voce, Yardley and Ikin-Lindwall took a single to fine-leg, and

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ROWS OF RINGS

Campaign To Cut Off Western Macedonia From Greece

PROCLAMATION AS SLAV STATE **PLANNED**

"Daily Telegraph" and "Times of India" Correspondent.

ATHENS, December 2.

WELL-planned centrally directed campaign is in full swing to cut off Western Macedonia from Greece and to proclaim two days, and views on procedure preliminary to the inaugural session on December it an autonomous Slav state. All indications today are that this plan is being pushed steadily forward. the temporary Chairman. It is expected that a full meeting of the

The so-called bandits are gain- | State of Yugoslavia. ing ground despite the opera- The possible consequences for start was essential. And then, after tions of the Greek army. A Greece are apparent from a glance Washbrook and Edrich had raised bly, the first day will be occupied Albanian border to Mount Olym-

bers. There will be no oath-taking, pus. but each member will first present The line of the cordon is marked his or her credentials in the form by rebel strongholds in mountains, of a written authority from the mined roads and villages, from which Speaker of the provincial Assembly the gendarmerie has been withdrawn, because it is not strong concerned certifying that he or she has been duly elected to the Consti- enough to repel attacks. Larger tuent Assembly. Then the member centres of population are in Government control. Road communications for the purpose for each province, frequently threatened.

North of this line Slavonic autonomists and their non-Slavonic Communist collaborators are increasingly thereafter make a brief address of active. Massacres, raids and other welcome to members. The next step incidents can be plotted on the map arms are British, German, Italian, will be to adopt a set of rules for all the way from Albania to the the election of the permanent Pre- border of Thrace. Among those sident. The rules will probably be on carrying out this campaign of terror sident. The rules will probably be on carrying out this campaign of terror the lines followed in the Central are professional bandits and outformation of a Government National Johnson. A fine delivery in the same The main talks are expected to Assembly. A name generally men- lawed criminals. On the other hand, Union which, in the opinion of promi- over—the first today—had Johnson tioned in connection with this high perhaps 25 per cent. of the present nent Governmental observers them plumbed leg-before-wicket. The total armed strength have no stomach for further fighting. These would return to peaceful life if they did not it is generally admitted that considerfear reprisals.

RECOGNITION WILL FOLLOW

If the campaign is pursued and its course is unchecked and the autonomists gain control of a sufficiently large area to proclaim independence, then recognition by Yugoslavia and

points of importance to the party. A cording to a tentative process the peninsula from the first day will be occupied across the peninsula from the would be cut off from Athens. Bulgaria would then not refrain from expressing its claims on Thrace and rain falls, the wicket should roll out Eastern Macedonia. The Greek Government believe

that they can lay before the United land's task will be extremely heavy, Nations definite proof of Yugoslavia's support for the rebel campaign. Here on the spot I have met no responsible person who doubts that Yugoslavia is helping the insurfrom the south are still open, though gents. No reliable deduction, for example, can be made from the equipment found on killed or captured rebels. Some wear Yugoslav the wicket remained good, while the uniforms and some have been found in British uniforms. Among their Russian and Bulgarian weapons.

NATIONAL UNION IN GREECE Speculation is rife in all political cir-

ing such a necessity and in order to through to Gibb. Then Wright, in his avoid "undesirable interferences active second over, dismissed McCool, plumb negotiations are going on behind the leg-before-wicket, for 95. The ball kept scenes. The initiative for such talks low. This came as a great surprise; are attributed not only to Opposition yet it was a distinct encouragement parties of for England. circles—the political Papandreou Venizelos and Cane lopoulos-but 30 discontents", mainly · to Populist other sympathetics States will doubt-less follow swiftly.

Lies arguing that an extra discipline".

Those deputies circulated a "protocol" ties arguing that the "national neces-An autonomous Slavonic State of asking for the formation of a Coalition Western Macedonia, though the Slavs in Greek Macedonia number throw the Tsaldaris Government by only about 75,000, would naturally confidence and joining the Opposition's federate with the Slavonic sister votes at Parliament.



A planned campaign is being carried on in Greece to cut off Western Macedonia from Greece. A cordon is being drawn across the peninsula from the Albanian border to Mount Olympus.

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