

# LEAGUE MAY FIX NOV. 18 AS BOYCOTT DATE

Attack Operation, on North Front to Reopen, Is Word at Rome.

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fortifying their positions on the Adwa front. It was not a rest period.

The soldiers hope to get an answer to the question in their song.

Roads in the rear of the front area are hung with a mile-high curtain of dust from moving columns and motor trucks.

**Road Built by Selassie**

Italy's occupation of Makale, 50 miles south of Adigrat, will be of tremendous importance because it will place the army within striking distance of the only important highway which joins the Tigré country to Addis Ababa.

This road ironically enough was constructed by Emperor Haile Selassie and it may be an important factor in his downfall if the Italians decide to move it toward Addis Ababa.

The road extends about 250 miles from Addis Ababa from Macio, which is about 12 miles north of Lake Ashangi and about 50 miles south of Makale.

The road is 30 feet wide most of the way, wide enough for three lines of traffic. It is constructed of baked soil and is one of five roads in all Ethiopia which can be used by motor traffic even in the dry season.

**Tanks Highly Useful**

Once the Italians reach the beginning of the Addis Ababa road there may be developed the entirely new phase of mechanized warfare which has been mentioned—use of midget tanks, shoulder high, dashingly into the heart of enemy territory toward Addis Ababa.

Aside from digging elephant traps in the roads the Ethiopians can do almost nothing against these fleet armored machines. The Ethiopians already have tried digging holes and covering them lightly with soil in an effort to trap tanks, but this failed because the wrong places were selected and the crews perceived the traps.

Army officers are confident that the tanks will show great usefulness, since they are able to go in hilly country where even mules have difficulty to disperse small concentrations of the enemy. They can direct reconnaissance and bombing planes by signal.

**Attack to Be Reopened**

By United Press

ROME, Nov. 2.—The government announced today that resumption of operations was imminent in the vicinity of Haramat and Gheralta on the northern front of Ethiopia.

An official communiqué said:

"Gen. De Boni (commander of the Italian armies on the north) telegraphs: 'We are making intensive reconnaissances in the Haramat and Gheralta zones with a view to the imminent resumption of operations."

"Civil organization of the occupied territory continues. Owing to the great number of demands from Tigréans (residents of Tigré province) and various regions, voluntary detachments for patrolling the territory even of the Eastern Tigré have been formed.

"Aviation reconnaissances continue on all fronts, particularly over Danakil. On the Somaliland front, our aviators sighted enemy concentrations near Gorrareig.

"Our troops are in movement."

**Italian Troops Harassed**

ADDIS ABABA, Nov. 2.—Bands of half-naked Ethiopian warriors, armed with rifle and spear, are harassing Italian forces at the edge of the Danakil desert on the eastern front and inflicting serious losses, messages to the capital said today.

So severe have the attacks been, the messages said, that infantry and airplane retaliation is being attempted daily.

The warriors are nomads operating in the Mt. Musa Al sector near French Somaliland. They charge on Italian detachments just before dawn, particularly in the Aminid district, which contains swamps and barrens.

Each night, the messages said, between 3 a. m. and 5 a. m. the warriors make their raids, loot the camps and disappear in the desert to hide throughout the day while airplanes cruise overhead with bomb and machine guns active whenever they see Ethiopian concentrations.

**Drive on Tana Planned**

ROME, Nov. 2.—A special camel corps comprising 20,000 men is being formed in Eritrea for a drive on Lake Tana, heart of the gigantic British project for irrigating the Sudan and Egypt, a dispatch from Asmara said today.

Mid-November—the date on which the League's economic boycott is to be put into effect—is mentioned as the starting time for the drive.

Thousands of camels are reported already concentrated at bases along the Setti River, which forms the frontier of Western Eritrea and Ethiopia over toward the Sudan frontier.

Other camels are being imported from the Nile lands. Thousands of mules are to be used also, it is reported, because the difficult terrain, desert, barren land and rugged hills, is unsuitable for mechanized transport.

Military experts regard the possibility of such a drive as the most serious development since the outbreak of war with Ethiopia.

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Web Miller, United Press correspondent with the Italian northern army, reported from Asmara

# Jeritza, 'Too Busy' for Movies or New Husband, Pays City Fleeting Visit

Diva Just Misses Wife of Film Magnate Flying Back to Coast.

Maria Jeritza, opera star, and recent bride of Winfield R. Sheehan, movie producer, is "too busy" to make a moving picture.

She also is too busy with her career to spend much time with her new husband.

Madame Jeritza, the former Baroness Popper, who married Mr. Sheehan after her divorce from Baron Popper, gained the disapproval of her Austrian countrymen, revealed these facts in Indianapolis yesterday.

Her blond hair blowing across her face in a raw Hoosier wind at the Municipal Airport, where she stopped for five minutes on her way East for a radio bazaar in New York, Madame Jeritza shook her head when asked if she hoped to go into the movies.

"I am too busy," she said. "From New York I return to my grand opera performances in St. Louis, and then into a radio program. I will not be in California for some time."

Almost simultaneously with the arrival of Madame Jeritza's east-bound plane was the arrival of the one on which Mrs. Pierpont Morgan Hamilton is hurrying to her husband who is "learning the movie business from the ground up" in Hollywood.

"I have been East to enter one of my three sons in an Eastern school," Mrs. Hamilton explained. "I only stayed long enough to do that, and now I am rushing back to my husband."

Mr. Hamilton just has finished sound production on *Lily Pons*' new picture. He is to experiment in all



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fields of moving picture production. Mrs. Hamilton explained.

"Am I interested in the movies? No, I only stay there to be near my husband," she said.

The roar of TWA motors drowned out conversation. Madame Jeritza, her bright green suit clinging to her slender ankles, climbed into the plane. It took her into activities which will keep her away from producer-husband Sheehan much of the time.

Mrs. Hamilton hurried aboard the west-bound plane which was to return her to movie-minded Mr. Hamilton.

Just a couple of girls with different ideas!

## Dancing Grasshoppers! There's Going to Be Rain

That's Sample of Weather Forecasting Signs State Library Preserves.

When the United States government went into the weather soothsaying business, it reacted as too silly for consideration some of the homely signs of our forefathers and put its faith in store instruments.

### POSTOFFICE REPORTS RECEIPTS INCREASE

#### 4.4 Per Cent Rise Over October of Last Year

Indianapolis postoffice receipts for October showed an increase of \$14,681, or 4.4 per cent over October 1934. Adolph Seidensticker, postmaster, announced today.

Our forefathers put explicit faith in the adage that a hard winter is sure to come if animals have heavy coats of fur, and that if a cat sits with its back to the fire, cold weather will follow.

If the wind comes down the chimney, the weather will be very cold, and when a large number of tumble bugs are seen in the fall the winter will be hard.

#### Thunder at Sign

Just as many foggy mornings as there are in January, there will be frosty mornings in May, and on the same days. Moreover, if it thunders in February the goose eggs won't hatch. There will be as many snows in the winter as there are rains in August.

If it thunders in December there will be cold weather, and butterflies in the fall are the sign of the same. Not to mention the fact that if a dog howls at the moon you may expect snow.

If your frost-bitten feet itch, it will snow, and if a fruit tree blooms twice in the year a hard winter is in order. If the fire sighs there will be cold weather; if it sits there will be snow, and if it crackles with a fluffy sound there will be a cold snap.

#### Many Grapes Mean Cold

If frost hangs on the timber late in the morning, snow may be expected, and if the gate keeps slamming there will be cold weather. A heavy grape crop foretells a hard winter. If a mole looks toward the north there is bound to be a cold wave. If geese fly low the winter will be mild and if they fly high it will be hard.

If a grasshopper is seen dancing there will be rain within three days, and 90 days after the first katydid is heard there will be frost. When pigs squeal there will be a cold spell. If the nut crop is heavy the winter will be tough, and if the squirrels gather them, more of the same.

There will be cold weather when hogs begin to build their beds, but when peacocks cry a great deal in the winter the cold weather is about over.

This gives you a general idea of how to get the weather low-down—keep an eye on the eye of the donkey and forget the weather maps. You probably couldn't understand them, anyway.

### RELIGIOUS SERVICES TO BE OFFERED ON RADIO

The Rev. E. L. Day, executive secretary of the Indianapolis Christian Church Union, is to conduct morning devotional broadcasts next week over WIRE.

These programs are sponsored by the Church Federation of Indianapolis and may be heard each morning except Sunday at 6:30.

Mrs. Thomas Duckworth, director, Fountain Square Christian Church choir, will provide music.

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## SOCIAL WORK TO BE STATE SESSION TOPIC

Indiana Conference Will Open Wednesday: Ohio Official to Speak.

H. H. Shirer

H. H. Shirer, chief of the bureau of institutions and agencies of the Ohio Department of Public Welfare, is to address the forty-fourth annual session of the Indiana State Conference on Social Work here next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

He will speak on "Modern Trends in the Care of the Aged and Poor" and will address his remarks specifically to the division of county charities.

More than 1200 Indiana social workers are expected at the conference. The general sessions are to be preceded by six study courses which are to hold classes Nov. 5 and 6. This is a new feature of the conference, designed to give those doing welfare work an opportunity to study social work methods.

According to Dr. Max A. Bahr, Central State Hospital and conference president, they are not a substitute for regular social work training, but are designed as supplementary training to public and private agency workers.

General sessions are to start Wednesday night, and continue through Friday night. Seven divisions are to hold meetings during the day.

The divisions and their chairmen are:

Children, Mrs. Mary Ellen George, Indianapolis; community organization, Dr. Mary A. Waldron, Bloomington; county charities, Mrs. Myra Stewart Gordon, Logansport; delinquency and correction, Ralph Howard, Greencastle; family, Miss Eleanor Jones, Indianapolis; health, Dr. Verne K. Harvey, Indianapolis, and character and group work, E. A. Brunoeck, Brazil.

Twelve exhibits are to be displayed on the mezzanine floor of the Claypool, where most of the sessions are to be held. They include exhibitions by the prison industries, the group work agencies, the Needlework Guild, the Indiana Tuberculosis Association, the children's bureau, the Marion County Detention Home, the Social Museum of De Pauw University and three divisions of the Works Progress Administration.

Detours Follow on 21 and 61; Football Motorists Given Warning.

Motorists en route to and returning from Indiana football games were warned today by the State Highway Commission to observe detour markings and to drive slowly past men working on the roads.

Two bridges, one on State Road 21 and the other on Road 61, have been removed during the past week. The first bridge is just south of Converse and the second six miles southeast of Vincennes.

Detours in effect follow:

Road 3—Shoulder construction south of Dekalb-Noblesville County line 10 miles over good gravel road.

Road 61—Detour over city streets in Shellyville; detour from junction Road 67 near Pendleton to a point two miles south of Pendleton; shoulder construction north of Marion; bridge closed.

Road 12—Detour over city streets in East Chicago.

Road 15—Closed between Wabash and Indiana.

Road 20—Shoulder construction west of Pendleton.

Road 21—Bridge cut just south of Converse; detour marked west and north of bridge.

Road 24—Detour over city streets in Rosedale.

Road 30—Traffic drive slowly between Grovetown and Elm Green and between Warsaw and Columbia City account shoulder construction.

Road 35—open local traffic between Dugger and Delphi.

Road 38—41—Closed from Cook north to then over county roads 33 and 30; truck detour marked west and north of county road 33 and 30.

Road 42—Detour from Seymour to Seymour, account road under construction.

Road 43—Closed between Indianapolis and Pendleton; detour over Road 40 to Pendleton.

Road 44—Bridge out six miles southeast of Vincennes; detour marked from near Pendleton.

Road 45—Detour between Indianapolis and Anderson.

Road 46—Detour from Elwoodsville to New Albany.

Road 47—Detour marked over Roads 24 and 32; detour between junction Road 38 and 32; between junction Road 38 and 30; county road and Road 38.

Road 48—Detour marked over Roads 30 and 32.

Road 49—Detour marked over Roads 31 and 33.

Road 50—Detour marked over Roads 32 and 34.

Road 51—Detour marked over Roads 33 and 35.

Road 52—Detour marked over Roads 34 and 36.

Road 53—Detour marked over Roads 35 and 37.

Road 54—Detour marked over Roads 36 and 38.

Road 55—Detour marked over Roads 37 and 39.

Road 56—Detour marked over Roads 38 and 40.

Road 57—Detour marked over Roads 39 and 41.

Road 58—Detour marked over Roads 40 and 42.

Road 59—Detour marked over Roads 41 and 43.

Road 60—Detour marked over Roads 42 and 44.

Road 61—Detour marked