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TARANTO SPEECH BY EALING M.P.

"British Spirit Was Never Higher" BOMBER FUND DOUBT

AMID loud cheers, Sir Frank Spederson announced the arrival of Taranto to women Conservatives at a gathering at the Ealing Conservative Club...

SIR FRANK'S SPEECH Sir Frank began his speech by apologising for the absence of Lady Sanderson who, he said, was not finding it easy to visit these days, owing to transport difficulties between Lewes and London...

Continuing, he referred to the victory of Mrs. Nevill Chamberlain, said of the Prime Minister's obituary speech in the House of Commons that it was a tribute of one great man to another great man...

HITTING ITALY Sir Frank then mentioned the victory of Taranto, and said that a success by the Fleet Air Arm gave him special pleasure...

BOMBER FUND

In conclusion, Sir Frank referred to the proposed Government scheme for the insurance of property against air-raid damage...

SECRET SESSION

After his speech, Sir Frank followed a precedent he established at a meeting in Ealing a few months ago. He invited questions upon the war, but asked his answers to these would not be reported in the Press.

BOY FALLS DOWN

While trying to help a workman who was operating a pump to clear the air-raid shelter in Dean-gate, West Ealing, of water, a 16-year-old boy fell through the manhole by which he was standing into the shelter...

DIED SUDDENLY

Suddenly, the death occurred of Edith Florence Edith Smith, 62, of 59, St. Dunstan's-road, Hanwell. It was due to natural causes and there will be no post-mortem or inquest.

CLR. CATO INSTALLED MAYOR OF EALING

Daughter-in-Law Becomes The New Mayoress

ALD. MRS. TAYLOR AGAIN DEPUTY

COUNCILLOR WILLIAM HENRY CATO, who has represented the Castlebar Ward upon the Ealing Town Council since November 1, 1929, was elected Mayor of Ealing for the municipal year 1940-41 at the statutory annual meeting of the Town Council on Saturday. The election was unanimous. His daughter-in-law, Mrs. Will Cato, was installed as Mayoress...

ALD. BROOKS proposed that Mr. Cato should be elected, and this was seconded by Mr. Merchant, who is a fellow office holder of Mr. Cato's at the West Ealing Baptist Church. Mr. Crowe, on behalf of the Free Churches of the borough, associated himself with the motion. Subsequently, Mr. Cato was congratulated by Mr. Chilton, on behalf of the Labour group on the Council.

On the motion of Ald. Bradford, Mr. Mayor, who has been deputy mayor during the past twelve months, took the oath at the beginning of the proceedings. After his election Mr. Cato appointed Ald. Mrs. Taylor as deputy mayor for the ensuing year. The proceedings were somewhat briefer than at past-time mayor-making, although the Council's sitting was afterwards prolonged by the consideration of an emergency civil defence matter that was taken in private.

Customary ceremonial was observed, however, and aldermen, councillors and officials were robed. The majority of aldermen and councillors were accompanied by their ladies, and the proceedings were watched by a party of friends of the new Mayor, including his four sons and some other relatives. The Mayor and his wife were present at a debut of the Fire Brigade and Auxiliary Fire Force, which was held at the Ealing Club, where Mr. Cato, who has for the past few years been chairman of the British Legion, presided. Refreshments were served after the Mayor's installation. On the occasion the staircase leading to the Council chamber was decorated with the park superintendent's nursery.

IN PROPOSING Mr. Cato's election, Ald. Brooks said that his motion was not quite so simple as it might seem, because the Mayor in normal times because nobody new could expect to be called upon to undertake. But any difficulty was met on this account, as Mr. Cato was compensated for by his knowledge of the bill in most circumstances. After paying a tribute to Mr. Cato, Ald. Brooks said that the building up of a business had been a large circle of friends, and that the Mayor had been a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and had taken a keen interest in the progress of the trading community in Ealing.

MAN OF PRINCIPLE Mr. Cato, Ald. Brooks concluded, was a man of principle and conviction, and if ever the nation had needed such merit, it did so today. He was a Christian gentleman, and one who the Council might be asked to undertake the history of the Queen of the Suburbs.

BRITISH LEGION AND HOME GUARD PARADE Service At St. Stephen's The annual Armistice Day service was held, as usual, in St. Stephen's Church, West Ealing, on Sunday afternoon. It was attended by 200 members of the Ealing Branch of the British Legion and of the civilian company of the Home Guard (the latter wearing their uniform) in the morning. Mr. F. C. Johnson, chairman of the Legion, and Mr. Legg, an officer commanding the Ealing company, presided. The service was conducted by the Rev. H. M. Maynard (vicar), who had and had taken the service in the name of remembrance and peace. The National Anthem was sung at the end of the service.

THE TWO MINUTES' SILENCE There was an unusually large attendance at the customary daily service of intercession conducted by the Rev. A. F. W. Thomas, St. Matthew's Church, Ealing (Communion at 11.15 a.m.), and at which the Two Minutes' Silence was observed.

Ealing A.R.P. AMY WILLCOCKS ANNIVERSARY WEEK

Organiser Leaves 18th ANNIVERSARY OF OPENING Commencing TO-DAY (Saturday) 14th IN THE £ OFF ALL GARMENTS

FUR COATS & FURS OF UNQUESTIONABLE VALUE

After its mayor-making, the Ealing Town Council was asked to consider a civil defence matter of urgent importance. The Middlesex County Council, under the leadership of Mr. F. C. Barrett, the Ealing A.R.P. organiser, and Mr. Fargavie, his deputy, had left the Council on Saturday afternoon. It was decided to advertise for a new A.R.P. organiser. When this official is appointed, the fourth A.R.P. organiser that Ealing has had. On Saturday afternoon a statement regarding this matter was made at a meeting of air-raid wardens.

CAT JUMPED ON TO MANTLEPIECE Unharmed Among Debris In Damaged House

Mr. W. A. Bradford, a warden, was sitting with four other members of his family round the fire in a back room of his house when a bomb fell in his front garden on Tuesday night. The bomb demolished the front of the house and the back garden of the explosion threw all the five occupants into the back garden. All escaped uninjured. Mr. Bradford's Persian cat was found sitting on a mantelpiece in the back garden of the house. An Anderson shelter was in the back garden of the house when the bomb fell. There was no one in the shelter. In spite of the fact that the Anderson shelter was blown in, the occupants of the house in all the windows had been blown in with the casual request, "If you'll get on your feet as usual, we'll get into bed."

INCENDIARY BOMBS IN NIGHT RAID Little Damage Caused A number of incendiary bombs were dropped over a London suburb on Sunday night. One bomb fell through the roof of a house, and the incendiary bomb, into an attic. Mr. Sargent, with the aid of a neighbour, hurried to bring his strapping Community Centre. The fire brigade and warden with the incendiary bomb fell through the roof of the house before it did any damage. A large hole was made in the roof of the house by the bomb. Other incendiary bombs fell in back gardens, allotments, and in a school yard, but no serious fire was caused, and there were no casualties.

EVACUATION OFFICES NOW OPEN Helping Parents With Their Problems During the early weeks of the year, the South Ealing Tennis and Club and the Ealing Community Centre will be open to help parents with their evacuation problems and contributions. The secretary, Mr. F. Archard (know the Royal Signal called at Twickenham to stress the saving in time, postage, and postage to parents. The County Council has a school yard, but no serious fire was caused, and there were no casualties.

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