

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS: PART II
(Decline and Fall)

This film on the history of the League of Nations reaches from 1930 to the onset of World War II: that ten-year span ending when Geneva, totally surrounded by Axis powers, faded almost to a memory. Using historical footage and special interviews (from Anthony Eden and Philip Noel Baker, among others) the film stresses the League's efforts to contain the dictators. It tells of the collapse of the 1932 Disarmament Conference, the onset of aggression in Manchuria and Ethiopia, and the final slide into World War II. The scenes showing Emperor Haile Selassie at the rostrum in Geneva, pleading for the help of the world in defence of his country, are among the most memorable ever captured by newsreel cameras. Available in English and French.

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