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COMMONS APPROVES GOVERNMENT DEFENCE POLICY

C.C.F. MOTION DEFEATED BY LARGE MARGIN

Four Day Debate On Defence Program Concluded. Estimates Are Considered.

(C.P. by Guardian's Special Wire) OTTAWA, Feb. 19—The House Commons tonight rallied behind the Government on its defence program after a strong defence from Prime Minister Mackenzie King and a few revelations of the history of the increased appropriations.

Mr. King said the present estimates for national defence would have been introduced last year but for the troubled international situation and the controversy surrounding Canada's position regarding oil sanctions against Italy. He also revealed a Canadian defence committee of four cabinet ministers had reviewed the estimates and studied all details of the program.

Not a single Conservative member spoke during the four-day debate and most of the argument was between Liberals, some few of whom were opposed to the increased defence estimates but not prepared to vote want of confidence in the

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Doctors Press For Probe Into "Script" Racket

Allege Responsibility Is Attorney General's, Not Theirs, For Preventing Abuses Under The Law.



SETS BUDGET DATE

(C.P. by Guardian's Special Wire)

OTTAWA, Feb. 19—Finance Minister Dunnington will submit his budget to the House of Commons on Thursday, Feb. 25, he told the House of Commons today. It is hoped the new trade treaty with Great Britain will be signed before then and if so the treaty will form part of the budget.

COMMISSIONER OF R. C. M. P. ON VISIT HERE

Major-General Sir James H. MacBrien, commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, arrived in Charlottetown yesterday afternoon for a periodic inspection of "L" Division of the R.C.M.P. Mounted Police now act as provincial police in all provinces of Canada except British Columbia, Ontario and Quebec. Asked last night about rumors that the Prince Edward Island government would discontinue its contract with the Mounted Police after April this year Sir James replied, "I have no information on that."

Loans Under Home Improvement Plan

OTTAWA, Feb. 19—(CP)—In the first three months of operation up to Jan. 31, 3,959 loans totalling \$1,501,167 were made under the Home Improvement Loan Plan, Finance Minister Charles Dunnington announced today. In January alone 800 loans were made amounting to \$302,914. Under the plan banks and other financial institutions make loans to property owners for home improvement on promissory notes without endorsement. The Government guarantees lenders against losses up to 15 per cent on a contemplated aggregate of \$50,000,000. Number and amount of loans in the three months by province were: Prince Edward Island 35, \$11,899; Nova Scotia 431, \$134,240; New Brunswick 218, \$73,443; Quebec 751, \$337,497; Ontario, 1,455; \$518,194; Manitoba 163, \$61,586; Saskatchewan 114, \$36,503; Alberta 345, \$146,693; and British Columbia 547, \$281,108.

CORONATION OATH CHANGE ANNOUNCED

Home Government And Dominions Agree On Change Necessitated by Statute Of Westminster.

LONDON, Feb. 19—Several changes in the form of the Coronation oath, made necessary by the Statute of Westminster, were announced tonight after discussions between the government and the dominions which agreed with British authorities in regard to the new form.

The Archbishop of Canterbury will ask the King: "Will you solemnly promise and swear to govern the peoples of Great Britain, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Union of South Africa, of your possessions and other territories to any of them belonging or pertaining, and of your Empire of India, according to their respective laws and customs?"

The King will respond: "I solemnly promise so to do." In the 1911 coronation service the Archbishop asked King George V: "Will you solemnly promise and swear to govern the people of this United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Dominions thereto belonging according to the statutes in parliament agreed on and the respective laws and customs of the same?"

A change is also made in the King's profession of faith with the object of making clear it is confined to the United Kingdom.

Under the new form the archbishop will ask: "Will you to the utmost of your power maintain the laws of God and the true profession of the gospel?"

"Will you to the utmost of your power maintain in the United Kingdom the Protestant reformed religion established by law? And will you maintain and preserve inviolably the settlement of the Church of England, and the doctrine, worship, discipline and government thereof, as by law established in England?"

Conditions alleged to exist in Charlottetown were not prevalent throughout the province so far as the government was aware, he said in answer to further questions. Irregularities have been reported from time to time, but not to the extent of the situation allegedly existing in Charlottetown.

Assumed Full Control Under the Prohibition Act, it is required that all alcoholic beverages must be prescribed for medicinal purposes only. Formerly responsibility for administering the law rested with an independent Prohibition Commission. By an amendment passed at a special session of the Legislature in September, 1935, following the general provincial election, the Prohibition Commission was abolished and its full powers and responsibilities were vested solely in the Attorney General.

Since that time, a considerable increase in government liquor sales has been reported over the two preceding years. This matter came up for discussion at the annual meeting of the Temperance Federation on Dec. 1, last, when a resolution was passed by the Federation "deprecating the abuses of the script system, especially since such script-

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Railwaymen Support Transport Measure

(C.P. by Guardian's Special Wire) OTTAWA, Feb. 19—Support for the Transport Bill was voiced by railwaymen today before the Senate Railway Committee after the bill had been criticised for two days by six provinces and various bus, transport and airway operators.

The Dominion joint legislative committee of the railway transportation brotherhoods submitted a brief voicing "heartily approval of what we understand to be the chief principle of the bill, namely to place the several forms of transport therein under the authority of a transport commission."

The bill provides federal regulation of railway, highway, inland water and air traffic by a new board of transport commissioners. Expressing hope the bill would be brought into effect as soon as possible, the railwaymen said government control of various forms of transport was desirable and necessary.

British Troops Quell Disorder

Visits Home



Archbishop J. C. McGuigan of Toronto, who arrived in Charlottetown last night. He will remain here until Monday with his mother. Next week Archbishop McGuigan will take an important part in the inauguration of Archbishop Melanson of Moncton.

THREE SEAMEN LOSE LIVES

Swept Overboard From Schooner Dot And Hellie.

(C.P. by Guardian's Special Wire) LUNENBURG, N. S., Feb. 19—Three men were almost lost from the Leckport fishing schooner Dot and Hellie last night as she battled storms and waves which tore away her pilot house and destroyed her steering equipment.

The battered little vessel arrived here tonight under tow of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police cutter Fleur De Lis. The distressed schooner and her consort had been forced to head for here because of dangerous wind conditions after leaving Halifax earlier today.

Two of the Dot and Hellie's crew, William O'Leary, for his courage in sticking to the ship's wheel while the pilot house was washed away around him. On the vessel's arrival here they recounted how first one wave had washed away a wall of the superstructure and another had torn the remainder from the deck while the mate stood fast to the wheel.

Two other members of the schooner's crew saved themselves from being washed overboard during the 50-mile-an-hour gale by grasping the ship's rigging after they had been lifted from the deck by a huge wave.

Soviet Mourns Loss Of Industrial Chief

(A.P. by Guardian's Special Wire) MOSCOW, Feb. 19—The Soviet Union faced an admittedly serious industrial situation tonight.

The lagging heavy industrial machine was left without a minister with the death of Gregori K. Ordzhonikidze, heavy industries commissar.

Thousands filed past his bier tonight in the opening phase of what Russian leaders believed would be the greatest funeral Moscow has seen since that of Nicolai Lenin in 1924.

The Kremlin announced the principal funeral rites will be held Sunday from the Lenin Tribune in the Red Square. Burial will be in the Kremlin Wall. The body will lie in state until Saturday night, to give opportunity for the millions wishing to pay homage to the Soviet Union's No. 2 strong man. Then it will be cremated.

Joseph Stalin, the No. 1 man of power, is expected to be on of the pallbearers.

All theatres have been ordered closed for three days.

Hopes To Obtain Full-time Service Of Horticulturist

Prospects Of Developing Fruit Production Reviewed By Agricultural Minister.

W. H. Dennis, Minister of Agriculture, reports that he has every reason to expect a full time Horticulturist from Ottawa, to be placed in this Province, with the idea of instructing our fruit growers, who have already taken up the production of commercial and small fruits, as well as the farmers who may be thinking of entering into the enterprise of the proper methods of grafting, budding, pruning, spraying, etc.

"Do you think," Mr. Dennis was asked, "it is possible in this province to grow apples of first class quality, that would be appreciated by our province, and would demand a reasonable price in the foreign markets?"

The Minister's answer was an emphatic Yes, and he gave the following information as obtained from large fruit dealers in the province:

Macintosh Red Apples, our most popular seller, are grown in this Province of a quality equal to the finest imported, but not in quantity to meet the demand. Cudmore Bros.

"If our apples were looked after as well as those imported, they are superior in quality, as they have a flavor all their own," P. J. McDonald.

"We find the flavor of the Macintosh and Gravenstein Apples grown on the Island equal to those imported, but the producer does not pay enough attention to grading," Devereaux Grocery.

"It is our belief that the apple grown on the Island are equal in quality and flavor to any we import," Rix Grocery.

"We have handled in our store a large quantity of Prince Edward Island Apple, and we find them superior in quality to imported fruit," Canadian Stores Limited.

"I think a great improvement could be made, and many extra dollars made, if our farmers would grade and wrap the apples as they do elsewhere," Cash and Carry Stores.

"I find that some of our merchants paid growers \$2.50 per bushel for his Macintosh apples. These apples were graded, wrapped and boxed to compare with the standard set up by those imported."

"Again, Mr. Dennis, admitting that is right, do you think we have a market for those when grown?" His reply was that last year we obtained from Nova Scotia, \$1,650,000 worth of apples; from New Brunswick, \$1,300,000 worth; from British Columbia, \$1,067,000 worth; from New Zealand \$5,250,000 worth; from California and the United States \$3,450,000; making a total of \$22,337,000. You will see, Mr. Editor, we could retain this amount of

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INSURGENTS STALEMATED IN MADRID DRIVE

MADRID, Feb. 19—(CP-Havas)—With the Insurgents stalemated in their attempt to encircle Madrid from the southeast, General Jose Mija today launched an offensive northwest of the besieged capital.

Taking the Insurgents by surprise, a column smashed forward to the gates of Las Rozas, key village about seven miles northwest of Madrid at the junction of the Madrid-La Coruna and Madrid-Escorial roads.

The attack was aimed at taking advantage of the heavy Insurgent troop concentrations in the southern sector and also at relieving Insurgent pressure on the isolated Government forces defending Escorial.

Government leaders insisted their troops still were holding the upper hand in the Jarama river sector despite pressure from the attacking Insurgents, bolstered by 10,000 reserves, said to be mostly Germans.

An official communique said the Insurgent drive had failed to dislodge the Government forces from any of their strong positions around Maranosa, 12 miles southwest of Madrid.

Seven rebel planes, one of them a tri-motor Junkers, were brought down in an aerial duel over Madrid's suburbs after they had bombarded the so-called "neutral zone" where thousands of non-combatants are concentrated awaiting evacuation, the communique said.

The planes shot down today brought the total for the past 24 hours to 18, including seven Insurgent craft and four Government pursuit ships which crashed during a dog fight over the Maranosa lines yesterday.

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Strikers Repulse Sheriff's Force

(A.P. by Guardian's Special Wire) WAUKEGAN, Ill., Feb. 19—Rioting flared suddenly tonight outside the strike-bound property of the Faunsteel Metallurgical Corporation, with special deputy sheriffs battling a crowd of approximately 200 union sympathizers.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Feb. 19—Law enforcement officers, repulsed in a two hour battle with "sit down" strikers holding two north Chicago plants of the Faunsteel Metallurgical Corporation, resorted to siege strategy today.

They drew their lines about the beleaguered buildings. Heat and lights were cut off.

Sheriff L. A. Doillite, who led 125 policemen and deputies in a spectacular but futile attempt to rout the 82 demonstrators, announced he would make no further move to storm the factories pending the outcome of peace efforts by state and federal conciliators.

The strikers are demanding recognition of their committee for industrial organization union.

One of the first actual efforts to carry out a court order directing the evacuation of a factory seized by "sit downers" precipitated the riot this morning. Six men were injured.

SAYS POLICY OF GOVERNMENT MISLEADING

C.P.R. Head Suggests Unification Of Roads For Purpose Of Administration.

HALIFAX, Feb. 19—(CP)—"The whole theory of recapitalization of the Canadian National Railways is obviously dominated by a misconception," Sir Edward Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway told a meeting of the Dalhousie University Institute of Public Affairs here tonight.

Speaking on the subject "Canada's Railway Problem," the C.P.R. head told of plans to reduce the debt of the Government road and said such plans were not feasible and were the result of a "misconception" of the capital structure of the Canadian National.

"The Canadian National Railways is not a private corporation," he said. "While it has this legal form, it is, for all practical purposes, a department of the Dominion Government. It can never divest itself of one dollar of writing off or of bankruptcy.

Involved in Excess of 3 Billion

"Every dollar which the Government has ever advanced to the Canadian National, and every dollar which the Canadian National owes the Government and falls to pay, either for principal or interest, represents a dollar which the Government of Canada borrows from private capitalists and will pay back.

"The Government of Canada is involved, as a result of its railway adventures, to an amount in excess of \$3,000,000,000. The annual burden on the taxpayers of this country as a result of these adventures is the interest on at least this amount of money, less any net operating profit which the system might produce."

It had been suggested Mr. Beatty continued, that the accounts of the system should be kept on such a basis as to reduce the deficit of 1935 from the \$15,281,689 record.

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REMEMBER KIND WORDS ARE EASY ON THE EARS!



METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE, Toronto, Feb. 19—Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	38B	30B
Victoria	32	44
Edmonton	2	2
Regina	zero	22
Winnipeg	10	28
Toronto	36	42
Ottawa	20	38
Montreal	18	38
Quebec	16	34
Saint John	12	38
Halifax	14	40
Charlottetown	8	30

Maritime East: Moderate northerly to westerly winds; fair with stationary or a little higher temperature.

High tide this morning at 6.40 and this afternoon at 5.35. Sun sets this afternoon at 5.34 and rises tomorrow morning at 6.53. Full moon Thursday, Feb. 25, at 2.43 a. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.