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## CHAMBERLAIN DEFINES FOREIGN POLICY

### CANADIAN DEFENCE PLANS ARE OUTLINED

### MACKENZIE OPENS DEBATE IN COMMONS

Plan To Develop Air-dromes On Pacific And Atlantic Coasts.

(By J. F. Sanderson, Canadian Press Staff Writer)  
OTTAWA, March 24—A long-announced policy has been set to preserve Canadian coastlines, ports, terminals and trade routes for armaments, Defence Minister Mackenzie told the House of Commons today.  
The annual debate on defence policies opened when the first item in the \$34,000,000 armament appropriation was reviewed in the House of Commons today. It represented a decrease of \$2,000,000 from last year.  
The debate had opened only a few minutes when Mackenzie Kay, member of the French-Canadian majority who voted against the armament appropriation last session announced he would support it this year. But Chamberlain, leader of the opposition, had already announced he would vote against it.  
No commitments  
Canada, the Defence Minister emphasized, has given no commitments to other nations regarding the money being voted for the defence of Canadian territory.  
Canadian waters, particularly the Pacific coast which was considered the most vulnerable spot, the Defence Minister quoted in Government pronouncements year to show Canada had no commitments on Imperial defence. Parliament would not increase the training of Canada was not arming itself but for the maintenance of local security.  
"I would say once," he continued, "the purpose of these estimates is to continue work that was done last year within the same limitations announced to the House a year ago."

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### Road Graveling Contracts Let By Dept. Of Highways

Projects Involve Placing Of Gravel On 75 Miles Of Main Roads In Province.

Contracts have been let for the graveling and placing of gravel on approximately 75 miles of highways in this province. It was announced by the Provincial Department of Public Works yesterday. Contract prices were not announced but were reported unofficially to vary from approximately \$1.15 to \$1.70 per cubic yard according to the section of the road. The total cost is said to take about 600 cubic yards of gravel.  
Following are the sections with the successful contractor for each:  
No. 1—Trunk Road No. 1—Summerside to Tisham, Section—St. Nicholas Road east—1.6 miles.  
No. 2—Trunk Road No. 2—Summerside to Tisham, Section—L. Morrison & MacRae, Summerside.  
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No. 11—Trunk Road No. 11—Summerside to Tisham, Section—L. Morrison & MacRae, Summerside.  
No. 12—Trunk Road No. 12—Summerside to Tisham, Section—L. Morrison & MacRae, Summerside.  
No. 13—Trunk Road No. 13—Summerside to Tisham, Section—L. Morrison & MacRae, Summerside.  
No. 14—Trunk Road No. 14—Summerside to Tisham, Section—L. Morrison & MacRae, Summerside.  
No. 15—Trunk Road No. 15—Summerside to Tisham, Section—L. Morrison & MacRae, Summerside.  
Distances given are approximate.

### IS GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

Halifax Negro Remanded For Sentence Saturday.

(G.P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
HALIFAX, March 24—(CP)—A Halifax Negro charged with the murder of his white wife, today was found guilty of manslaughter by a verdict of the Supreme Court. He was remanded for sentence Saturday morning by Mr. Justice John Dool.  
The crown and the defence rested their case before the jury, and the jury was taken to the Isard home in Halifax north to view the scene of the fatal shooting.  
Justice Dool said he thought the description of the quarrel between Isard and his wife by some witnesses who broke into tears, on Isard's own testimony there could be no doubt it had been a "pretty good quarrel."  
The jury deliberated for one hour and 35 minutes before presenting their verdict.  
Isard heard the verdict impassively and without visible emotion. The court was hushed and there was no demonstration on the part of the spectators.  
Justice Dool remanded the prisoner for sentence Saturday morning and Isard left the court after saying goodbye to his mother and sister who broke into tears. Isard wiped tears from his eyes as he left.

### Escaped Convicts Reported Sighted

CHICAGO, March 24—(AP)—Ted Cole and Ralph Roe, escaped Alcatraz Island convicts, escaped dead by Warden James Johnston, were reported heading here today by St. Louis police. The Chicago police teletype carried a message stating the two were seen in St. Louis at 10 A.M. yesterday and "were believed headed toward Chicago by freight train or hitchhiking."

### Proposed Federal Control Of Small Loan Business Blocked

OTTAWA, March 24—(CP)—Proposals that the Federal Government should take control of the small loan business in Canada in order to "cut a curb on 'loan-sharks' and to bring the small loan business in line with the rest of the country's financial institutions, Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba to refuse to acknowledge federal jurisdiction.  
Correspondence from Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Government officials placed before the House Banking and Commerce Committee studying the small loan business, put those provinces on record as favoring government control. Saskatchewan and Alberta also have voiced approval while Prince Edward Island and British Columbia have not yet indicated their attitude.

### DIVORCE BILL BLOCKED ON THIRD READING

Senator Hughes Leads Opposition To Measure Widening Divorce Claims.

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
OTTAWA, March 24—Unexpected opposition to the divorce bill of Senator Leonard McMeans (Cons. Winnipeg) developed in the Senate late today and the measure failed to receive third reading.  
The upper chamber divided on the motion to give the bill a six-months hold which would allow the result of killing the measure this session. The motion was defeated by a vote of 37-26 but so that a subsequent motion to refer it back to the divorce committee was accepted.  
During the debate this afternoon, Conservative Leader Meighen announced he would not vote for third reading of the bill as it was his objection to it was that it went to the making of grounds for three years and cruelty grounds for divorce.  
Senator Meighen was followed by other Senators who like him had voted for second reading of the bill but said they would oppose third reading unless these two provisions were eliminated.  
At present only ground for divorce is adultery. The McMeans bill would also provide that divorce could be granted for desertion for three years, cruelty, incurable insanity for five years and exceptional moral depravity on the part of the husband.  
Opposition to the third reading was by Senator J. J. Hughes (Lib. King's) who said that "a Christian assembly" like the Senate failed to give due heed to the scriptural injunctions he had read several days ago against divorce. He hoped the upper house would not throw the Bible overboard and regretted that the Senate had not had the opportunity to hear its law clerk, W. F. O'Connor, on the bill.  
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### Centralized Harbor Control Deplored

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
HALIFAX, March 24—Conservative House Leader Percy C. Black gave notice in Nova Scotia's Legislature today that on a future day he would move the following resolution:  
Resolved that this House deplores the removal of the administration and operating control of the Halifax harbor to the Central National Harbor Board at Ottawa, which has adversely affected the movement of traffic through this Province, thereby seriously prejudicing the earning power and living conditions of waterfront workers, railway employees, coal miners, as well as labor generally throughout this Province.  
The bill also deplores actions that have had the effect of very extensively breaking down the preferred position of the Nova Scotia transportation route in the port of Canada's import and export trade.  
The opposition leader tabled the resolution without further comment.

### Shippers Protest New Wharfage Tax

WINNIPEG, March 24—(CP)—Grain shippers of Winnipeg grain exchange today filed a brief with the National Harbors board at Ottawa protesting against the board's proposals of a new wharfage tax. The board had suggested a tax of one cent on bulk grain at the port of Saint John, N. B., and Halifax.  
The brief states such an impost will add to cost of marketing Canadian grain thus reflecting in lower returns to the western producer. It continued:  
"The tax will also place Canadian Maritime ports at a disadvantage compared with American ports. There has been no such wharfage charge at Maritime ports and none is in effect at United States ports of Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore or Norfolk."  
Canada, it was stated, is believed to be at a disadvantage because of various charges along St. Lawrence river ports and at Vancouver as regards wharfage dues of U. S. ports.

### Premier Concludes N. B. Budget Debate

FREDERICTON, March 24—(CP)—Concluding the budget debate in the New Brunswick Legislature today, Premier Dymally devoted much of his address to replies to criticism by Opposition Leader Squires.  
The motion that supply be granted was adopted after government supporters voted down an opposition amendment for widening supply. No official count was taken but only the four opposition members present supported the amendment.  
The House will go into committee of the whole on estimates tomorrow, and consideration of these probably will take up all next week and part of the following week.  
K. S. Woodworth, C. I. F. leader and a guest in the Assembly chamber, was welcomed by Premier Dymally in the latter's address.

### Flood Troubles Menace Quebec

MONTREAL, March 24—(CP)—Quebec's spring flood troubles threatened to spread tonight with water levels rising at several points as rivers ice melted by spring suns and warm rains started to break up and move downstream.  
As conditions improved along the Chateauguay River in the southwest corner of the province, the Chaudiere River overflowed the banks in the picturesque Beauport County district south of Quebec near the Maine border. Houses along the riverbank at St. Joseph were flooded.  
Water receded slightly from homes in Chateauguay, St. Philippe, Ste. Marie, Howick and Crownston after the worst flood in 30 years had blocked highway, damaged small buildings and left huge blocks of ice littered over towns and village streets.

### Chinese Rout Japanese On Central Front

(A. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
SHANGHAI, March 25—(Friday)—Chinese asserted today they forced back a Japanese offensive on the north bank of the Yellow River, on the north-western side of the vital central front.  
Taking advantage of Japanese troops withdrawals to aid the stalemated Suchow offensive, the Chinese said, two regiments crossed the river and drove back a Japanese garrison of seven miles west of Menghsien. They said 400 Japanese were killed.  
A Japanese garrison at Wenhshien, about 20 miles east of Menghsien, the Chinese declared, also was encircled.  
On the eastern coastal side of the Chinese-held corridor between Japan's conquests in north and central China, new detachments of central army troops were said to have struck Chinese defenses at Suchow, the north-south Lunghai and the north-south Tientsin-Pukow railroads.  
Chinese said they also were encircling attacks at Yihshien, about 50 miles northeast of Suchow.

### DIET APPROVES WAR MEASURES

Moves To Mobilize Manpower And Economic Resources.

(A. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
TOKYO, March 24—Japan today pushed through a bill to mobilize her manpower and economic resources both at home and in China.  
At the same time a navy spokesman expressed the Imperial government's fear that the United States navy's \$1,121,000,000 expansion bill indicated the United States was considering naval operations against Japan.  
The lower House of Parliament unanimously adopted bills to create agencies for exploitation of Chinese territories in China. The cabinet decreed that a new Government in Central China be established at Nanking.  
Pass Mobilization Bill  
A sub-committee of the House of Peers passed the Government's mobilization bill which, apparently, will pass without approval by the upper House.  
The bills for economic exploitation proposed organization of a company with a capitalization of 350,000,000 yen (\$102,000,000), and the Central China Promotion Company, to be capitalized at 100,000,000 yen (\$29,000,000).  
Through them the Government would pour money and machinery into the occupied provinces.

### Government Controlled

The Government would underwrite the capitalization of both companies and General Harboun, Minister of War, would direct them.  
The national mobilization bill would fuse Japan into a single military instrument in a war emergency. It would give the Government complete control of the land and properties of its citizens and automatic place—every function of business and banking under state directorship.

### Love Affair Ends In Fatal Shooting

NEW YORK, March 24—(AP)—A juvenile love affair that went awry ended in the fatal shooting of an 18-year-old stenographer today and the technical arrest of a 16-year-old retired army officer.  
The victim, Charlotte Mathison, was found dead in the suburban Jackson Heights, apartment of Donald F. Carroll, Sr., a certain retirement from the army several years ago.  
District Attorney Charles P. Sullivan ordered Carroll's son, Donald Jr., a freshman at New York University, taken to a police station for questioning.

### Woman Member Is Congratulated

OTTAWA, March 24—(CP)—Miss Agnes Macphail, U. F. O. Labor member for Grey-Bruce, today celebrated the 46th anniversary of her birthday. Flowers, letters and gifts, felicitation from her parliamentary colleagues and friends covered her desk.

### FRANCE FACES NEW CRISIS IN GOVERNMENT

Senate Opposition May Result In Overthrow Of Blum Regime.

(A. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
PARIS, March 24—France today faced a new cabinet crisis when the hostile Senate rejected one of Premier Leon Blum's financial bills and made it clear it would resist to make way for a national union government. The cabinet was called to meet tomorrow.  
Blum's denials said the days of his Popular Front government, formed March 13, were numbered. Strikes grew in the Paris region among metal workers and 1,000 chemical workers in factories in the Lille district quit work for an hour and a half.  
Blum's denials belong to unions under control of the General Confederation of Labor, one of the most powerful elements behind the Popular Front.  
"ONLY A WARNING"  
Leaders of the Lille strikes said their action was "only a warning" of a threatened occupation strike unless the men won their fight for a 5.50 with rising increases to keep the Senate in its action against Blum rejected by 193 to 88 votes. The Senate adopted a bill giving the government an extra 5,000,000,000 francs (\$150,000,000) from the Bank of France to meet current expenses. The margin was 156 votes to 137.

### REMAINS IN POWER

Blum did not pin the fate of his government on the stabilization of the franc and therefore remained in power. The possibility he might resign without attempting to force his bill through the Senate was seen by political observers in the announcement that an extraordinary cabinet meeting was called for 7:30 a. m. (Defence Minister Ernest Daltro and Edouard Herriot, President of the Chamber of Deputies, were present.)  
The Chamber of Deputies meant while unanimously passed a bill providing for "total mobilization" of France in time of war.  
Every able-bodied man and woman in France would be called for duty in the armed services, British munitions factories or other vital services.

### No Cause For Alarm Says Health Leader

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire)  
HALIFAX, March 24—There was "no particular cause for alarm" because of the smallpox situation in Halifax, Health Minister Dr. F. R. Davis said in Nova Scotia's Legislature today.  
Replying to questions from Opposition Leader Percy C. Black as to what steps would be taken to deal with the situation, the Minister said, "of course, we are all concerned with smallpox unless we have a fully vaccinated population." It was difficult to make the public realize the full value of vaccination. Parents had taken advantage of the "conscientious objector" loop-hole so that many children had avoided vaccination.  
The Minister recalled the history of the latest outbreak of the disease in this city. There had been three cases, the first came from a foreign boat. Two hospital outbursts had also been struck but there had been "no further outbreaks."

### Maritime Delegation To Press For Wider Potato Markets

FREDERICTON, March 24—Tariffs and trade treaties as they affect the sale of Maritime potatoes in the United States, Cuban and South American markets will be discussed at Ottawa next Thursday with the Hon. James G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, and other members of the Federal cabinet by a committee representing potato interests in the Maritime Provinces, Hon. A. C. Taylor, New Brunswick's Agriculture Minister, said tonight.  
Membership of the committee is as yet undecided but will be announced by Saturday night, Mr. Taylor stated. There will probably be two representatives from each of the Maritime Provinces.  
The action was decided upon at a meeting of representatives of the Maritime potato industry held at Moncton Feb. 24. The meeting was

### Guarded Speech With Regard To Czechoslovakia

Commons Approves Government's Stand Amid Cheers Of Supporters. Premier Sounds Solemn Warning.

By GEORGE HAMBLETON  
Canadian Press Staff Writer  
LONDON, March 24—(CP Cable)—In both Houses of Parliament today the Government laid down the broad lines of its foreign policy. Amid Government cheers, the policy was upheld on a show of hands in the House of Commons, without formal division.  
It is a policy of non-intervention in Spain, a policy which declined to give a prior guarantee to go to war in defence of the independence of Czechoslovakia.  
But while in the House of Commons Prime Minister Chamberlain declined to give such a guarantee, he added words of deep significance which went far to meet critics among his own followers.  
The words were:  
"While plainly stating this decision I would add this:  
"Where peace and war are concerned legal obligations are not involved and if war were to break out it would be unlikely to be such obligations."  
"It would be quite impossible to say where it would end and what governments might become involved. The inexorable pressure of facts might well prove more powerful than formal pronouncements. In that event it would be well within the bounds of probability that other countries besides those which were parties to the original dispute would almost immediately be involved."  
"This is especially true in the case of two countries like Britain and France with long associations of friendship and with interests so closely interwoven that to present the same ideals of democratic liberty and determined to uphold them."  
Urges Bolder Course  
Winston Churchill, Conservative, who had pressed for a definite stand by Britain against dictators in regard to Czechoslovakia, the accented Chamberlain's words a considerable advance and a commitment. Yet Mr. Churchill urged, "We are not taking the fullest steps to prevent certain events occurring if they do occur," he said. "We are liable not only to be drawn in late in the day, but in unfavorable circumstances. It is worthy of consideration whether having gained so much, a bold course may not be safer."  
Mr. Churchill did not suggest a permanent nor automatic pledge to Czechoslovakia but a declaration that if Germany marched on Czechoslovakia without even waiting for examination into the position of the German minority in the Czechoslovakia, Britain will then in that emergency British will be bound to act with France in resisting Germany's aggression.

### WOULD GRADE ALL PRODUCTS

N. S. Bill Extends Authority Of Federal Inspectors.

HALIFAX, March 24—Legislation which would enable Nova Scotia's Department of Agriculture to give the same authority to federal product inspectors to grade and inspect agricultural produce sold within the province as they have now with respect to produce for export, was introduced by Agriculture Minister J. A. MacDonald today.  
The measure would replace similar legislation two years ago after the marketing act disallowed federal power to give the Agriculture Minister authority to appoint inspectors to enforce the grading regulations but it was the government's intention to hand this authority over to provincial inspectors. While all products would not immediately come under the act, provision was made for bringing various products under the regulations when it was felt desirable.  
Under the act regulations might be made not only with respect to grading but with respect to packing, and advertising, shipping, purchase and sale of the product. The legislation was introduced during a session punctuated by bitter debates over the issue of licenses to liquor clubs and the drama of butter to provincial institutions.

### SHOWERS FOLLOWED BY FLOWERS AND MUD!

TORONTO, March 24—Minimum and maximum temperatures:  
Dawson 14B 14  
Victoria 26 48  
Edmonton 26 48  
Regina 26 48  
Winnipeg 36 50  
Toronto 34 48  
Ottawa 33 48  
Montreal 36 48  
Quebec 36 48  
Saint John 38 44  
Halifax 32 46  
Charlottetown 36 48

### FORECAST

Maritime Provinces: Fresh northwest winds; fair with stationary or a little lower temperature. High tide this morning at 5:45 and this afternoon at 4:18. Sun sets this evening at 4:18 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:53. New moon Thursday, March 31, 2:52 p. m.  
Summitside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.  
THE CAR FERRY  
Leaves Borden 9:45 a. m. 1 p. m. Leaves Tormentine 11 a. m. 2:55 p. m.

