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## LOYALISTS DECIDE TO CONTINUE RESISTANCE

### Liberal M. P. Charges Nova Scotia Premier With Misrepresentation

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Robert Finn (Lib. Halifax) in the Commons today protested statements reported to have been made by Premier Angus Macdonald of Nova Scotia as a misrepresentation of his recent speech in the House on relief for Nova Scotia lobster fishermen whose equipment was damaged in last December's storm. He referred to a report in a Halifax paper (The Chronicle).

Mr. Finn objected to the Premier's statement that he was not in Halifax when the storm took place. He had been in Ottawa last November for four weeks attending to departmental business and was in Ottawa two days after the storm coming here from Halifax.

Speaker Pierre Casgrain interrupted Mr. Finn as he was about to read a telegram he had sent to Fisheries Minister Michaud and ruled the Halifax member had stated his point of privilege sufficiently.

Mr. Finn said he had made his position clear in the House to the effect the provisions of the unemployment and agricultural assistance act of 1938 were insufficient to meet the needs of re-establishing the fishermen in their industry and providing them with means of livelihood.

### ARABS REFUSE TO ASSOCIATE WITH JEWS

LONDON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain today recommended his policy of "personal" conference to Jews and Arabs at the conference called to settle the future of Palestine.

First of all the Arabs refused to sit in conference with Jewish delegates, forcing Mr. Chamberlain to address the delegations separately. Then the Arabs squabbled among themselves over permitting moderate Palestine Arabs to sit in the conference. The first scheduled business discussion had to be postponed.

Malcolm MacDonald, secretary for the colonies, and Richard Butler, under-secretary for foreign affairs, tried to reconcile the moderate and radical Arab delegations until four o'clock this morning, but when the Arabs arrived at St. James's Palace in their native costumes and surrounded by their bodyguards the moderate delegates were not present.

### Injustices In Law Enforcement Seen By Attorney

TORONTO, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Injustices still exist in the administration of justice, Attorney-General Gordon Conant said tonight in banquet address to the Ontario Municipal Electric Association.

In the exercise of his discretion, Mr. Conant said, a judge or magistrate may impose a fine with the alternative of a jail term. To the rich man the fine means nothing. To the poor man it might mean loss of liberty. The same anomaly occurred in the granting of bail.

The ability of the well-to-do to adduce expert evidence in such charges as drunken driving was another injustice. Such evidence was impossible for many people because of expense.

"The solution of the problem is not yet apparent and is certainly difficult of accomplishment. But the discrimination and injustice I suggest that I think it should be brought to public attention in the hope and with the possibility that a solution which is workable may be found."

Until a solution was found, Mr. Conant urged Crown Attorneys and the judiciary to exercise the utmost caution to see that the humblest of citizens received a fair trial and every help in prosecuting a defence. There should be a guard against undue hardships resulting from inability to pay a fine.

### DISTRIBUTORS AND GROWERS IN CONFERENCE

PROMOTION OF BETTER UNDERSTANDING AIM OF HORTICULTURAL SESSION AT OTTAWA.

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Retail grocers, big and small, will meet here tomorrow with growers and wholesalers of fruits and vegetables for the first time in the history of the horticultural industry to promote understanding among all the agencies distributing Canada's fruits and vegetables.

The special meeting, called by the markets committee of the Canadian Horticultural Council, will be attended by spokesmen for the independent retail grocers, the chain stores, voluntary groups and the big department stores.

From the ensuing exchange of ideas, sponsors of the meeting hope to arrive at means of stimulating consumption as well as obtaining a better return for the growers.

At the opening session of the horticultural council's 17th annual meeting today, L. F. Burrows, secretary-treasurer, analysed the problems facing the industry, which he said grew out of two conditions—increasing production of fruits and vegetables without corresponding increase in consumption and high distribution cost.

Distribution cost was too great in proportion to prices paid by the consumers and prices received by the growers, he said, submitting that that situation would continue one of the aggravating problems of the industry unless a better relationship was effected.

"The fruit and vegetable industries are facing a crisis and it is the general attitude of indifference among fruit and vegetable growers both in and out of the various associations," Mr. Burrows said.

"The crisis at the moment appears to be to be our inefficient methods of distribution—"

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### Franco's Demands Cause Breakdown In Negotiations

GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES DETERMINATION TO "FIGHT TO THE END".

(By Charles S. Foltz, Jr., Associated Press Foreign Staff)

PERPIGNAN, France, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Spanish Government officials announced tonight that the hard-pressed Juan Negrin Cabinet had decided to continue the fight in defence of the one-fourth of Spanish soil still in its hands.

The announcement indicated Insurgent General Franco had repeated his demand for unconditional surrender to end the 30-month civil war—an insistence which brought a breakdown in peace negotiations.

The Government's decision to fight on was made known shortly after Julio Alvarez del Vayo, Foreign Minister of the Spanish Government, conferred at Perpignan with members of the Spanish Cortes (Parliament) and then crossed the border for a conference with Premier Negrin.

"Our Government which is the result of the people's will has decided to pursue the fight to the end," said Alvarez del Vayo tonight.

"The means at our disposal in the central zone can permit us to prolong the fight for some months."

The insurgents were said to have remained adamant in refusing the Government's last condition for peace—mere satisfaction that a plebiscite would be held for choice of a new Spanish Government, that Spain would be freed of foreign influence and that all Spaniards would be permitted to join in the work of reconstruction.

The insurgents already had turned down Negrin's three-point overture calling for assurances that a plebiscite would be held for choice of a new Spanish Government, that Spain would be freed of foreign influence and that all Spaniards would be permitted to join in the work of reconstruction.

Reports from central Spain said General Jose Miaja, commander in the Madrid-Valencia zone, was determined on a fight to the finish and was convinced the Government was in "splendid position" to continue the struggle despite the loss of Catalonia.

France and Great Britain were reported by diplomats to have sought the safe conduct assurances Franco's refusal apparently was conveyed through British representatives.

British and French envoys had been in constant touch with Spanish Government and Insurgent authorities. They whitened down the Government's conditions for surrender to the request that civil and military leaders be spared, but Franco was unyielding.

In London, the Spanish Government embassy announced the Government of Premier Juan Negrin would go to Valencia "before the end of this week" to "resist to the end."

### Twin Fires Cause Damage In Sydney

SYDNEY, N. S. Feb. 7.—(CP)—Loss of \$4,000 was counted tonight after two early morning fires in the same section of Sydney drove four families to the street in snow weather. A fireman, Thompson, was in hospital suffering from injuries after he was struck by a car while fighting one of the fires.

Both fires, origin of which was unknown, occurred within an hour. One of the buildings, owned by Dan MacLean, was destroyed.

### COMING EVENTS

- Rate for Notices in this column 5 cents per word.
- Reserve Thursday, February 10th Card Party at Charlottetown Hotel. L-174-2-8-11.
- Leading live hogs at Albany Thursday 9th. Friday at Emerald until noon. G. C. Green. L-190-2-8-21.
- Hockey tonight at New Glasgow. Junior Rangers vs. Junior Maple Leafs. L203.
- Hockey tonight Milton rink. York Rangers vs. Milton Badcats. Skate after. L-201.
- Glasgow Road Maple Leafs vs. Hunter River Royals, Whitshire Rink tonight. League game. L-192.
- League double header at Cornwall rink tonight, Cornwall C. C. vs. St. Lawrence. North River vs. Victoria. L-181-2-8-11.
- Buying live hogs at Emerald Thursday afternoon. Arthur Hanson. L-194-2-8-21.
- Hockey, Covehead Rink. Tip Top Team vs. Covehead All Stars. Thursday, February 9th. Skate after. 8 p.m. Saturday night. L-192-2-8-11.
- Rummage Sale De Luxe, St. James Hall, Monday, February 13th. 8 p.m. L-183-2-7-8-11.
- Regular monthly meeting ladies of P. E. I. Hospital, Cundall Home, Wednesday, February 8th, 8:30 P.M. L-144-2-7-21.
- Come to play by Thraedie Dramatic Company. Webster's Cornet Hall, Friday, February 10th. Dance with Orchestra. Au pieces C. W. L. L-188-2-8-11.
- Hockey in Seaview tonight. Spring Valley Arrows vs. Indian River Royals. Game starts at 8 o'clock. L-197.
- Hockey at Marshfield tonight. Damstaffage vs. Imperial Biscuits; Redwing Sisters vs. Cash and Carry Sisters. L-202.
- Double header Thursday, February 9th. Charlottetown Hawks vs. York Royals; Heart Breakers vs. York Married Men. L-177-2-8-11.
- Come to the variety concert at Stanley Bridge on Wednesday, February 8th, sponsored by Women's Institute—Admission 15 cents. L-152-2-4-31.
- Leading live hogs, Kensington Thursday, February 9th, 3 P.M. Summerside same date 1 P.M. Nicholson Bros. and Mervyn Bulman, Hunter River, Friday till noon. McEwen & Campbell. L-152-2-4-31.
- Double header East Royals rink tonight, East Royals married men vs. York married men; Royal Juniors vs. Central Royal Juniors, skate after. L-199.
- Double header East Royals rink Thursday night, Pownal vs. Royals; Pownal Sisters vs. Royal Sisters, skate after. L-199.
- The Annual Meeting of the Stanley Bridge Dairying Co. will be held in the Masonic Hall, Stanley, Tuesday, February 14th at 3 P.M. The result of making cheese will be discussed. Please attend. R. S. MacEwen, Secretary. L-155-2-8-31.
- Come to Concert and One Act Play "Fun on the Podunk", Hunter River Masonic Hall, Friday, February 10th, under auspices of Women's Association, United Church. L-161-2-7-21.
- Annual Meeting of Montague Rippington Club will take place on Friday evening, February 10th at 8 P.M. in the C. W. Hall, Montague. All shippers are urged to attend. It is expected that representatives interested in livestock production and marketing will be present. L-152-2-7-21.

### Bren Contract Under Fire In Commons Debate

CANCELLATION PENDING PARLIAMENTARY PROBE AGAIN URGED BY OPPOSITION.

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Criticism of the Bren Gun contract showed upon the government by opposition speakers today culminated in a suggestion by M. J. Colwell (C. C. F. Rosemont-Bigwood) that Defence Minister MacKenzie should "no longer hold the position he now holds."

Speaker after speaker from the Conservative and C. C. F. ranks denounced the contract awarded without tender to the John Inglis Company Limited, of Toronto, for 7,000 light machine guns.

It remained for Arthur Slaght (Lib. Parry Sound) to strike back hardest for the government when he declared opposition to the contract was part of "a consistent cabal to have the plant of the Inglis Company."

Referring to the Maclean's magazine article by Col. George Drew, criticising the contract and prompting inquiry with Mr. Justice H. E. Davis of the Supreme Court of Canada as a Royal Commissioner, Mr. Slaght said the agitation was "inspired by purely political motives."

Hon. H. H. Stevens (Con. Kootenay East) launched a fresh move to have the Bren gun contract cancelled. He moved that the contract and the Davis report be submitted to the committee of the whole House and instructions to consider the advisability of cancelling the contract.

Major James Hahn, head of the Inglis Company and chief figure in the Bren negotiations, and Herbert Plaxton, Toronto lawyer, (Lib. Toronto-Trinity), were gallery spectators of the debate.

Earlier in the afternoon speaker Pierre Casgrain ruled out of order an amendment moved yesterday by Conservative Leader Manion which the speaker said completely negated the main motion. Dr. Manion challenged the ruling which was supported by a vote of 141 to 59.

Mr. Stevens objected to the issue going before the Public Accounts Committee because there were no instructions to that body and, in any event, with an overwhelming majority of government supporters on it, "it would be difficult to get an impartial discussion."

At the same time Mr. Stevens assured the C. C. F. member and his associates that if all attempts to cancel the contract failed, the Conservative group would vote for Mr. MacNeil's main motion.

In the division on the speaker's ruling Mr. MacNeil voted with the opposition against the ruling.

"This is a good contract for the contractor," Mr. Stevens observed. "If this going to be the practice to be followed in spending the huge sum we are now asked to vote for defence?"

While he was not disposed to (Continued on page 7, Col 2)

### Urges Personal Contact

Mr. Chamberlain, referring to the Arab attitude toward joint meetings with the Jewish delegates, told the Arabs that "the first essential step to understanding is personal contact."

The Prime Minister congratulated the Jews on their "discipline and their position in Palestine and told both delegations—Great Britain enters the discussions under obligations under the League of Nations mandate... and by duty to Parliament... the League of Nations and the United States."

"These obligations must be full, frank and free and their object is 'wide settlement of the present difficulties which will safeguard the rights and position of the Arabs and Jews in Palestine.'"

Dr. Chaim Weizmann, President of the World Zionist Organization and the Marquess of Reading responded for the Jews. Prince Mohamed Abdul Monem of Egypt and Emir Seif Ali Hassan Hussein of Yemen spoke for the Arabs.

The Jews will state their case tomorrow and the Arabs will respond.

The British delegation will meet with the Arab spokesmen as they settle their internal difficulties and is prepared to negotiate with separate Arab delegations if necessary.

MacDonald tried for a second time, at a conference tonight, to reconcile the Arabs. It was said the principal points of contention were Arab moderates should attend the conference.

### POPE PIUS AGAIN ILL

IS DETERMINED TO CONTINUE WEEKEND PROGRAM.

VATICAN, Feb. 7.—(AP) Pope Pius XII continued his bed by a mild case of influenza, expressed determination today to go through with a strenuous weekend program because of the anniversary of the Lateran Accord of 1929 with Italy and his coronation in 1922.

The Pope cancelled audiences today and "took all precautions," said persons having access to his apartments.

This was done chiefly to conserve his strength for the consistency of all Italian bishops Saturday at which the Pontiff is expected to discuss present relations with the many Arab moderates should attend the conference.

Although influenza aggravated the Pope's chronic asthma and made breathing somewhat more difficult, his medical attendants indicated they did not regard his condition as dangerous.

Because of his weak health, physicians always are apprehensive since some light strain might be fatal at any time, Vatican circles said.

It was the second time in three months the Pope has been forced to suspend his activities because of illness. A heart attack Nov. 25 kept him confined for a brief period. Because his personal physician, Dr. Amintore Milani, is ill of influenza himself, the Pope was attended today by Milani's assistant, Dr. Filippo Rocchi.

### Terrorists Seen Threat To Japan's Hold On Shanghai

(By LLOYD LEHRBAS)

(Associated Press Foreign Staff)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The killing of two officials of the Japanese-sponsored Reformed Government today brought to 47 the number of known political assassinations in this area.

Chow Chi-Tung, councillor of the Puppet Government's Finance Ministry, was shot while riding through the streets of the international settlement. His assailant planned a note on his body saying "you are a traitor." Soo Chai-Dong, a tax collector, also was shot by a lone gunman.

It was learned authoritatively that 24 other Chinese officials of the regime have received letters threatening death unless they sever connections with the Japanese.

Most of those killed were Chinese who had accepted office in the Japanese-controlled regime, but police recorded 12 killings of persons who Chinese said were anti-Japanese agitators.

The war fronts were relatively quiet but there were scores of bit-and-run engagements between Chinese guerrillas and Japanese mopping-up columns as the war entered its 20th month.

Fighting is going on northwest of Hankow, the former provisional capital which fell Oct. 26.

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### FRANCE MAKES FRIENDSHIP OFFER TO ITALY

Warns Against Threats To Integrity Of Spain However.

PARIS, Feb. 7.—(CP Havas)—France tonight offered her friendship to Italy, but warned that "we cannot permit any foreign state to threaten the integrity of Spain."

In a speech which was followed by a 200 to 16 senate vote of confidence in the Government's policies abroad, Foreign Minister Bonnet told the Upper Chamber "France would regard any foreign infringement of Spanish independence as a direct menace to her own national and imperial security."

The Foreign Minister reemphasized his Government's desire to make the Franco-German "no war" declaration the basis for wholehearted collaboration with the Reich, but insisted France would (Continued on page 7, Col 8)

### Dartmouth Votes Down Woman In Civic Election

HALIFAX, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Nova Scotia's town councils will continue "no woman's land" for another year, it developed tonight after scores of towns held elections and voters in Dartmouth across the harbor from Halifax, turned back the only woman in the province seeking election.

For the second successive year, Mrs. Agnes Miesner was defeated in Dartmouth. A R. Fyfe, who won the council seat by a vote of 857 to 409. Last year, Lorne Hartley defeated her by 218 votes for a two-year council term.

"I don't like to say just yet," Mrs. Miesner said when asked if she would try again in 1940. "It's a bit too early, but I wouldn't be surprised if I run next year. I have to keep trying until I get there, you know."

Few Mayors were up for election, most received two-year terms in 1938. In Digby, Stanley S. Aymer was elected by a majority of 32 over P. W. Holdsworth, who complete the unexpired term of Mayor M. C. Denton who resigned in November.

In the steel-mill town of Trenton, the three candidates nominated by local 1231 of the Congress of Industrial Organization emerged victorious. They were Robert Hamilton, Frank Soboda and Gordon Grant.

### Horticultural Council Meets

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Increased consumption is the alternative of drastic control measures for the fruit and vegetable industry, L. F. Burrows, secretary-treasurer, told the Canadian Horticultural Council today at the opening of its 17th annual meeting.

The industry was faced with the necessity of taking steps to increase fruit and vegetable consumption, through both intensification and broadening of uses, he said.

W. C. Owton, Windsor, N. S., president lauded the efforts of the council during the negotiation of the new trade treaty with the United States. While many growers might be disappointed with the treaty terms as they affected dumping duties on fruit and vegetables, the results might have been more serious had it not been for the activity of the Horticultural Council.

### Sanction Given For Winter Traction Road In Northland

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—(CP)—Final sanction was given today by Resource Minister Cramer to the construction of a winter traction road connecting the Peace River division of the northern Alberta Railway with Great Slave Lake, almost 400 miles farther north.

This will be the greatest roadway of its kind in Canada. It will serve the purpose of a railway and tractors drawing 10 or more trailers will ply along it.

Department officials expect that next year the pitblende concentrates from Eldorado Mines, Knife Mines and the fish from Great Slave Lake will be hauled to the railway over this road.

For the return trip food supplies and construction materials will be hauled north. It will fur-

### Sanction Given For Winter Traction Road In Northland

ish a direct connection between the mining and the farm lands around Fort Vermilion in northern Alberta and the Peace River district.

In the past the only communication with the mining fields was by air in the winter and in the summer most of the supplies went by water, through Slave River with a portage at Fort Smith to McMurray. These were considerable disputes whether the winter road should link up the McMurray division of the railway with Great Slave Lake or Peace River division.

Although the distance was less from McMurray to Great Slave Lake, it has decided the Peace River route was preferable because the country over which it would pass is more level.

### Roosevelt Needs More For Relief Congress Informed

(By RICHARD L. TURNER)

(Associated Press Staff Writer)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—President Roosevelt flung the relief issue back in the face of Congress today with an assertion that unless more money is appropriated the work of congress administration millions now dependent upon assistance from the United States Government may be "stranded" for early summer.

Specifically, he asked for the \$150,000,000 which Congress, in an economy effort, leopped from his estimate of relief needs for the present fiscal year.

He urged "immediate consideration" of his request, but the two key men in the situation in the House of representatives—Chairman Taylor (Dem.-Colorado) of the appropriations committee and chairman Woodrum (Dem.-Virginia) of the sub-committee in charge, made it plain no action would be taken for several weeks.

"I don't know what action the committee will take or whether it will take any," Woodrum said. "I don't see that the situation has changed, and I have not changed my view that the \$725,000,000 we have already appropriated will be enough."

Behind the President's request are legislative statements by the Legislators lay the deep seated controversy over the Roosevelt spending policies, and the result of the session's first battle on that issue.

Early last month, Mr. Roosevelt requested \$975,000,000 to finance W. P. A. from Feb. 7 to the end of the fiscal year on June 30. The House, with Republicans and the economy democrats in control, reduced the figure to \$725,000,000.

### To Review Liquor Policy In Northwest

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—(CP)—The government's liquor policy regarding the Northwest Territories is soon to be taken under review by the Northwest Territories Council. It was learned tonight. The council, it was learned tonight, the first report received by the government of a petition from Yellowknife N. W. T., urging the relaxing of the liquor laws to permit the licensing of beer parlors in that community.

### FORECAST

Maritime East: Fresh northerly winds; partly cloudy and cold with local snowflurries. High tide this afternoon at 1:44 and tomorrow morning at 2:10. Sun sets this afternoon at 5:17 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:11. Last quarter moon Feb. 11, 12:12 a. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown. THE CAR FERRY SAILINGS. Leave Borden 9:45 a. m. 1 p. m. Tormentine 11 a. m. 3:05 p. m.



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