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## BRITAIN AND FRANCE POOL MILITARY MIGHT

### PURVIS ATTACKED AS COMMISSION HEAD In Agreement On Mutual Defence Pact Is Report Prepare To Act Together If Diplomacy Fails To Avert A Conflict.

#### QUE. LIBERAL MAKES CHARGE IN COMMONS

Used Position To Gain Confidential Information Of His Competitors, Claim.

(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire) OTTAWA, April 28—Arthur W. Purvis of Montreal, chairman of the National Employment Commission, took advantage of his position to gain confidential information of his competitors and should be deported from the country, the Quebec Liberal charged.

When writing a report on general employment conditions in 27 or 28 industries in Canada, Mr. Purvis "did something most unethical and for which he should be deported from the country," the Quebec Liberal charged.

A few minutes later, Labor Minister Rogers came to the defence of the Montrealer who was chairman of the Employment Commission for two years without salary. He said Mr. Purvis accepted their work with a keen sense of public responsibility.

From his associations with Mr. Purvis, Mr. Poullet was convinced he "gave wholehearted and best efforts to the task at hand."

Mr. Poullet made his charge a few minutes after the House adjourned. He said Mr. Purvis, in addition to being chairman of the National Employment Commission, was managing director of Canadian Industries Limited, president of the Dunlop Tire and Rubber Company, and director of many other industries.

One of the tasks of the Commission was to write a report on the employment conditions in various Canadian industries. Mr. Poullet said, "Therefore Mr. Purvis was in a position to secure confidential information private industries."

#### NOTED CANADIAN DIES

PHILADELPHIA, April 28—Dr. Robert Tait McKenzie, distinguished Canadian born surgeon and physician, died suddenly in his home here today. He was 70.

#### COMING EVENTS

- Walling—Special show Monday Saturday. L-595-4-23-31.
- Meeting Ladies Auxiliary Canadian Legion at the Legion Home tonight 7:30 p. m. L-678-4-29-11.
- Rummage Sale St. Peter's Hall, 6:30 P. M. Saturday, April 30th. L-623-4-29-31.
- Lake Verde Dairy Company opening May 2nd. Cream hawlers will start on regular routes. L-555-4-27-31.
- See Springfield Dramatic Club present their 4 act play "Village Lawyer" in Brookfield Hall Fri., Sat., Sun. L-684-4-29-31.
- Seven Mile Bay Hall Tuesday, May 3, play by Missouche Dramatic Club, dance after. Missouche orchestra. L-684-4-29-31.
- The dramatic players will present their three act play "Mammy's Little Wild Rose" in Long River Hall Wednesday evening, May 4. L-685.
- Rustico Hall, Friday 29th at 8 o'clock. Debate—Dictatorship versus Democracy—between Rustico and North Rustico teams. Extra. A good program. L-587-4-28-31.
- Mr. Fox Rancher—Have you tried Novasoot-Fishbox? If not suggest you write us for full particulars today. Canada Packers, Ltd. L-578-4-27-61.
- Cream route beginning Monday, May 2nd. Bayview, Cavendish, North Rustico, New Glasgow, Gunter River, Malpeque, Rustico, Central Rustico, Charlottetown. One trip each week. Hauler, Jack Stewart. L-542-4-27-29-G-27-29.
- Now available extra good baby chicks also brooders, feeders and disinfectants, better still chick feed at lower prices than last year. Your cooperation on L. A. Co-operative Egg and Poultry Association. L-291-4-27-23-25-27-29.
- Livestock Marketing Board leading livestock through local shipping clubs week of May 2nd-7th. Monday afternoon, Battle River, Monday, Mores, Monday, River, Monday, Charlottetown, Monday, evening 5 to 7, Melville, Tuesday forenoon 10 to 12, St. John's, Wednesday, afternoon 12 to 4, Antigonish. L-679-4-29-11.

#### Jobless Urge Works Program At City Meeting

Dire Conditions Said To Exist In Ranks Of Unemployed.

The immediate commencement of ordinary working projects "to employ as many men as possible," was strongly advocated in a resolution unanimously endorsed at a large meeting of unemployed in the City Hall last night.

The resolution was moved by Mr. Philip Bambrick, chairman of a committee appointed at a meeting of the unemployed in the L. P. U. Hall last week, and seconded by Mr. Bruce Wonnacott, secretary of the Charlottetown branch of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L.

Continuance of direct relief was urged until such time as projects mentioned got under way. Municipal, Provincial and Federal representatives were requested "to urge upon the Dominion Government to have those large projects (harbor improvements and North and West River bridges were mentioned in the list of larger projects) started as soon as possible."

In the preamble to the resolution employment conditions were described as more serious at present than at any time since the depression set in. "Some movement must be made immediately to overcome the distress and destitution now prevalent in the homes of the wage-earners," the meeting was told.

#### MUST IMPROVE POTATO TYPE

#### Urges Greater Attention To Class Produced.

KENTVILLE, N. S., April 28—(CP)—Maritime seed potato growers must pay more attention to the class of seed potatoes they produce if they are to increase their markets in Cuba, Jamaica, Costa Rica, Panama and the southern States, F. I. Boakes of Kentville said here tonight.

Boates, prominent Annapolis Valley potato and fruit shipper had been in these countries the last four months, studying marketing conditions and seeking a comparison for Maritime potatoes with those imported from other places.

Maritime producers must use their best foundation stock in only the best planting if they were to continue to produce certified seed for resale to the southern markets, he said.

While the quality of seed potatoes exported by the Maritimes was slightly superior to those of other countries, there was room for improvement.

#### Joint Collection Of Taxes Urged

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) TORONTO, April 28—Recommendation for a joint collection of Dominion and provincial income and other taxes was made today by Dr. Horace L. Brittain of Toronto at the annual meeting of the Citizens Research Institute of Canada.

"In 1936 the Dominion and provincial income taxes in Ontario were collected by the Dominion Government," said the institute director, "and the fee was about \$100,000 and this likely will be reduced from time to time. It is encouraging to learn that similar arrangements have been made between the Dominion and Manitoba and Prince Edward Island authorities."

Thomas Bradshaw of Toronto was re-elected president. Among those on the national board of trustees are R. V. Harris, Halifax and A. H. Wetmore, Saint John.

#### Netherlands See Threat To East Indies Possessions

BATAVIA, Java April 28—The Netherlands Government has completed preparations to attempt by a foreign power to seize the rich oil resources of Borneo and other parts of the Netherlands in private talks. Officials admit in private talks that any possible Japanese action in mind.

In a survey of the area involved and in talks with Netherlands officials this correspondent has learned that a co-ordinate system of connecting mines has been constructed to blow up oil depots, pipelines and wells if the need arises.

The Hollanders are anticipating the possibility that application of the United States' Neutrality Act might drive Japan's military leadership into an acute need for oil.

#### TRANSPORT BILL OPPOSED BY THE C.M.A.

Express Criticism Of "Agreed Charges" Clause In Committee Hearing.

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) OTTAWA, April 28—The Transport Bill would extend Government authority in the transportation field ran into opposition from the Canadian Manufacturers' Association today at the first sitting of the House Committee on Railways, Canals and Telegraphs which is considering the measure.

Headed by J. E. Walsh, general manager, the association objected particularly to the "agreed charges" clause in the bill. This clause would permit carriers to enter agreements with shippers by which lower rates will be granted if shippers send all their goods with the one carrier.

Under the bill the name of the Board of Railway Commissioners would be changed to the Board of Transport Commissioners and its jurisdiction extended to include regulation of air traffic and certain shipping.

#### Would Bring Chaos

The Association in its brief presented to the committee said the proposed provision would not merely bring chaos into the field of railway transportation, where experience has shown a necessity of regulation, but would make impossible the achievement of order and stability in the field of highway transportation, where it is recognized that there is equal need for it.

#### Duchess Resigns As Conservative Whip

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) LONDON, April 28—The Duchess of Atholl resigned tonight as Conservative whip in the House of Commons.

In a letter to Prime Minister Chamberlain she charged the Italian Government increased its intervention in Spain during negotiation of the Anglo-Italian pact.

#### Hepburn Irked By Bennett's Charge

(By The Canadian Press) OTTAWA, Apr. 28—Conservative leader Bennett, commenting today on the criticism of him by Premier Hepburn of Ontario for attacking a bill for a new bridge at Niagara Falls said: "The language used by Premier Hepburn is in keeping with the provisions of the bill."

Mr. Hepburn had called "a damnable lie" Mr. Bennett's suggestion that Ontario's plan to build the new bridge, replacing one destroyed in an ice jam last January, were intended to promote a real estate boom.

#### Crew Describes Thrilling Ride With Whale

HAMILTON, Bermuda, April 28—(CP Cable)—A thrilling ride with a whale providing the power—was described late today by seven members of the crew of the small whaling boat Surprise, towed into port after being missing since yesterday morning.

Search by aircraft and two cruizers was carried out last night and today, but the 25-foot vessel was picked up 50 miles from shore by a fishing craft and towed to Hamilton.

James Cowan and his crew said yesterday and had been unsuccessful in attempts to bomb it. After a wild ride that lasted 5 1/2 hours, the whale was cut loose, 50 miles from land, and the crew were rowing the Surprise when she was picked up.

#### PAUL REDFERN, LOST AVIATOR, DEAD CLAIM

#### Expedition Claim Positive Proof After Daring Venture Into Jungles.

GEORGETOWN, British Guiana, April 28—(CP Cable)—Positive proof that Paul Redfern, United States aviator, lost 10 years ago on flight over South America, had crashed and died was held tonight by Theodore Waldeck, New York Sportsman who led an expedition to the hinterland of British Guiana in search for the long missing flier.

Details of the evidence could not be given out immediately. Waldeck declared after he had rested from the strenuous trip back to civilization. He and his wife returned to Georgetown yesterday.

"We are convinced Redfern is dead. We located the place where his plane crashed and have positive proof Redfern is dead," the Leader of the Expedition said.

#### A. F. of L. Invades C. I. O. Territory

WASHINGTON, April 28—(AP)—The American Federation of Labor's Executive Council decided today to invade the territory now occupied by John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers, with a new international union built around the Progressive Miners of America.

Labor observers forecast a bitter and perhaps bloody labor war as a result of this latest move in the fight between the A. F. of L. and Lewis' Committee for Industrial Organization.

The Council issued a charter to "The International Union, Progressive Mine Workers of America," to be headed by Joe Osanic, now president of the Progressive Miners of America.

To date, the Progressive have confined their activities to Illinois where their battle with the U. M. W. supremacy has been accompanied by bloodshed, bombing, rioting and other violence.

#### GREAT BRITAIN MAPS WARTIME FOOD CONTROL

(By The Canadian Press) LONDON, April 28—Great Britain's food supplies will pass under strict control immediately, should war break out. Everybody will be issued ration cards—even the King himself.

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patent to cope with the first stages of an aggression.

The two governments will work together to stock up on the vital supply needs of modern warfare—iron, steel, copper, fuels, food and other equally vital materials—and to insure holding on to their initial advantage if war comes.

Recall Historic Speech Mr. Chamberlain, in his historic foreign policy statement on March 24, declared Britain must go to war to defend France and Belgium against unprovoked aggression. This verbal pledge was carried forward today into the realm of technical reality—a departure from Britain's tradition of reservation the right to make its decisions as the occasion arose.

Aggression, in the view of the conferring statesmen, was reported as interpreted to include unprovoked attack on British or French territory or invasion of Belgium or the Netherlands. Further definition, with particular reference to Czechoslovakia, will be furnished tomorrow.

Foreign Minister Bonnet, emerging from this afternoon's conference, told newspapermen tomorrow's discussions would concern Germany, Czechoslovakia, central Europe in general and the Far East. The points discussed today he listed as follows:

1. Cooperation in the air will be particularly vulnerable to plane attack. In view of the speed of modern war aircraft, enemy aviation could be effectively driven from pursuit planes taking off from continental bases and giving battle before the attacking fighters could reach the two coasts. With this in mind the two aviation general staffs will immediately begin exchanging technical information on personnel, material and tactics.

2. British and French negotiations with Italy will be particularly important. It was authoritatively said Mr. Chamberlain's deep-seated desire for further promotion of European pacification would prompt him to exert his full friendly influence on Italy toward speedier possible conclusion of the Italo-

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## Federal Election Talk Is Revived

#### Speculation Rife Among House Members Further Remand In Ricker Case Sought

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) OTTAWA, April 28—Liberals are wondering. Conservatives are asking. Some say yes and some say no. All are speculating on whether a Dominion general election will be held before the end of the present year.

The last official word on the subject came from Prime Minister Mackenzie King months ago—an emphatic declaration there was no need of an election and no indication the Government, with its huge majority, did not enjoy the confidence of the people.

Although there has been no indication the Government has given any further consideration to an election, private members on both sides of the House are thinking and talking about possibilities.

#### Changed Outlook

Since Mr. Mackenzie King's statement, Conservative Leader Bennett has announced his retirement and a convention has been called to meet in Ottawa early in July to select a new leader. The long-standing quarrel between the Federal Government and Premier Hepburn of Ontario also has burst forth anew.

A casual remark in the House of Commons by W. Neill (Ind. Comox-Alberni) the other night set tongues of speculators wagging. Mr. Neill said he anticipated an election this fall but declined to elaborate on it.

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Dawson	32	50
Victoria	34	68
Edmonton	24	70
Regina	26	62
Winnipeg	38	58
Toronto	56	78
Ottawa	58	72
Montreal	62	68
Quebec	62	46
Saint John	40	66
Halifax	44	78
Charlottetown	44	66

Forecast: Maritime Provinces: Moderate to fresh variable winds; mostly cloudy and cool; probably scattered showers.

High tide this morning at 9:44 and tonight at 10:38. Sun sets this evening at 7:02 and rises tomorrow morning at 4:52.

New moon April 30, 1:28 a.m. Summer's tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY Leaves Borden 9.45 a. m. 1 p. m. Leaves Tortentine 11 a.m. 2.55 p.m.