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# LIBERAL MEMBERS TURN GUNS ON CABINET

## Former Defence Minister To Form New Government

### Blum Regime Lasts 26 Days As Upper House Refuses To Discuss Bill For Drastic Financial Powers.

PARIS, April 8—(AP)—Edouard Daladier undertook tonight quick formation of a National Union Cabinet to succeed Leon Blum's Government which resigned.

President Albert Lebrun at a late hour invited Daladier to attempt formation of France's 105th cabinet in the 67 years of the third republic. The Radical-Socialist accepted the charge.

The Senate forced Blum out on the 26th day of his second term as Premier.

His old enemy, 75-year-old Joseph Caillaux, voiced the Senate's scorn for the Socialist leader and his supporters outside parliament.

The Upper House, by 223 votes to 49, refused to discuss in detail Blum's bill for drastic financial powers.

**NEED STRESSED FOR NEW CABINET**

Daladier had ready in his pocket a tentative cabinet list even before the Senate sealed the fate of Blum's Government, the fourth ministry supported by the Popular Front coalition of left parties.

The need for speed in forming a new Government was stressed on all sides with Reichsfuehrer Hitler's plebiscite on Austro-German union scheduled for Sunday.

Many Frenchmen expressed fear the plebiscite might be followed quickly by a new Nazi "expansion" in central Europe unless France had a strong Government.

Daladier, president of the Radical-Socialist party, one of the components of the Popular Front, has been minister of national defence and war ever since Blum formed the first Popular Front ministry June 4, 1936.

### Succeeds Blum



EDOUARD DALADIER

Premier-elect of France who yesterday took over the task of forming a new National Union Cabinet.

## SECOND FIERCE OFFENSIVE BY INSURGENTS

### Franco Masses 40,000 Troops To Sever Government Territory.

(By The Associated Press) HENDAYE, France, Apr. 8—Spanish Insurgents drove a second swift spearhead toward the Mediterranean sea tonight, counter-balancing a Government drive southwest of Madrid.

The Insurgents, already massing to assault the Catalonian coastal city of Tortosa, swept down Mount Turmel, 27 miles to the south, and were only 12 miles from the port of Vanaroz.

Government troops, meanwhile, struck into Caseres Provinces 100 miles southwest of Madrid in an effort to launch a large offensive of their own.

Insurgents massed 40,000 men in preparation for a new attempt to take Tortosa and cut completely the narrow link between Catalonia, Spain's northeastern corner, and the rest of Government territory.

Just across the Ebro river the Government had a defending army at least as large.

To the north and west, Insurgents methodically were consolidating their newly-won territory around Tremp and cutting Catalonia's power supply.

But southwest of Madrid, thousands of Government militiamen were reported to have advanced over a 25-mile front.

Penetrating into the eastern tip of Caseres Province they held a line described as bulging westward from Villar Del Pedroso and continuing on south to Alia.

Outlining why he refused to pledge Great Britain to go to the aid of Czechoslovakia, Mr. Chamberlain declared such a pledge would be a gamble, not with money but with the lives of men, women and children.

"I am not prepared to enter into a gamble of that kind," he continued. "Although the stern necessity for war may arise in the future as it has arisen in the past, I would not give the word for it unless I were absolutely convinced that in no other way could we preserve our liberty."

The methods employed by Germany to bring about union with Austria were "extremely distasteful" to the British Government, the Premier said, adding:

"One result of the shock of the inclusion of Austria in the Reich has been seen in the general desire throughout the country to do something to demonstrate our solidarity."

Turning the nation's resources to construction of weapons of war was "hateful and damnable," but "I cannot shut my eyes to the fact that under the present conditions of the world we have no alternative but to go on with it because it is the very breath of our British

## JAPANESE DRIVEN BACK 7 MILES

(A.P. By Guardian's Special Wire) SHANGHAI, April 9—(Saturday)—Chinese reported today their "overwhelming" victory at the battered little city of Tairchwang in southern Shanghai province drove Japanese forces seven miles from the city in all directions. These reports said two major divisions were defeated decisively and were in full retreat.

Japanese continued to deny claims of Chinese successes, insisting that Tairchwang still was occupied by Japanese forces and that the drive toward Sushow, important Lunghai railway junction, was progressing.

Foreign sources, although unable to confirm either of the conflicting assertions expressed, believed the Chinese had scored at least a temporary victory and were inflicting heavy punishment on the invading troops.

Eye-witness accounts were lacking, but it was believed Japanese forces lacked artillery ammunition or had exhausted their supply lines and were unable to cope with the numerically superior Chinese.



STRONGER THAN EVER

General Chiang Kai-shek is head of the Kuomintang or National Party of China following an emergency meeting of the organization recently. He is the first to fill the post since the party's founder, Dr. Sun Yat-sen, died 14 years ago. Already in possession of supreme military authority, he now is China's most powerful political leader.

### \$1,000 For Two Cases Of Rhubarb

(By The Canadian Press) VICTORIA, Apr. 8—It cost a Chinese farmer \$1,000 for two cases of Japanese-grown rhubarb—so the farmer, who wished to remain anonymous, claimed.

According to the farmer he picked up the rhubarb at a wholesaler to deliver to a white friend as a favor.

The Chinese peddler saw him, reported to the Victoria Chinese association for boycott of Japanese products.

Although the farmer claimed he would make no profit, the invoice showed the rhubarb consigned to him. The association suggested a \$1,000 contribution to the Chinese medical aid fund or boycott by the entire Chinese colony here, He paid.

## HOUSE OF COMMONS ADJOURNS

OTTAWA, April 8—(CP)—The House of Commons adjourned until April 25, giving the members two weeks, in which to visit their constituents.

Attendance was slim in the House tonight as many members had already left to start their Easter holidays.

## L. P. U. VOICES INDIGNATION AT OPPOSITION

### Undercover Whispering To Block Workmen's Compensation Act Charged At Meeting.

A meeting in the Laborers Protective Union Hall last night, expressed indignation in a resolution, "at the action of those men opposed to the Compensation Act, whispering and using private influence without speaking out in open." The resolution moved by Mr. Daniel Coughlin, chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Committee of the Laborers Protective Union and seconded by Mr. Lemuel Rush, secretary of the committee also declared "we place ourselves on record as being strongly in favor of the adoption of the Workmen's Compensation Act. The resolution was adopted unanimously.

The meeting, advertised as a "citizens meeting," was presided over by Mr. J. W. Bambrick. Speakers included Messrs. Daniel Coughlin, Dr. J. T. Croteau, Professor of Sociology and Economics at Prince of Wales College and St. Dunstan's University, William Somers, William Hughes, Lemuel Rush, Arthur Gormley, Daniel Gillis, J. Poirier, R. Gallant, Joseph Swallow, J. W. Coughlin, J. Purcell, Arthur Wright, Daniel Coughlin, first speaker, explained efforts to have the Work-

## Warn Government Province Headed For Bankruptcy

### Scathing Comments On Broken Election Pledges And Governmental Extravagance From Messrs. Stewart And Hughes.

In the Legislature last night, amid a ghastly silence from Government benches, Premier Campbell and his colleagues sat and heard two of their party supporters devote most of their time in the Budget debate to a scathing analysis of the difference between the Liberal election platform and the Government's performance in office.

The revolting members were Messrs. W. F. Alan Stewart, First Queens, and Mr. Wade Hughes, Fifth Kings.

Taunted with the reminder of the party's pledge to balance the budget ANNUALLY Hon. T. W. L. Prowse, the only Government spokesman last night, said he did not recall that any such promise had been given. The pledge, as he recalled, was to balance it before the end of their term.

Other comments from disgusted Messrs. Stewart and Hughes:

"The balanced budget is a will-of-the-wisp like the phantom that we have seen off our coast recently. The farther we go after it the farther it goes."

"If Mr. Lea's financial programme had been carried into effect we would be on a sound financial standing—not in the case we are in now!"

"The course we are proceeding on leads to a repudiation of debts and to a condition of affairs epitomized by the Farmers Creditors Arrangement Act."

"The Fishermen's Loan Board of which the President of the Executive Council is chairman, exceeded their administrative estimate by one hundred per cent."

"Public Works expenditures may be all right but the blue-books do not indicate they are."

"If we go on as we are doing, in a very few years, whatever Government is in power in this Province will find not only the treasury empty but the credit of the Province exhausted."

These and other pointed criticisms were interlarded with milder speeches from other members.

Mr. Saville led off when the House met after recess last night. He was followed by Mr. Stewart, Hon. Mr. Prowse, Mr. MacKinnon, Mr. Anson, Mr. Hughes, and Mr. Baker, who adjourned the debate after expressing regret that more Government members had not attended.

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## Conservatives Meet To Name Convention Date

OTTAWA, April 8—(CP)—The second stage in the national Conservative reorganization program was held last night when members of the House of Commons and the Senate, with party workers from every province will meet here to fix a date for the national convention.

A committee of some 40 members will be organized and sub-committees appointed to look after the numerous details involved in a national convention.

Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, who called a national conference of the party a month ago and announced his resignation, resigned from leadership at the close of the present session of parliament, will convene the committee.

It is expected a date will be fixed for late in June. Ottawa was decided upon at the March meeting as scene of the convention, the first since Mr. Bennett was chosen leader on second ballot.

## Former Member Dies At Peterborough

PETERBOROUGH, Ont., April 8—(CP)—Robert Richard Hall, 72, Liberal member of Parliament for Peterborough West from 1904 to 1906, and a well known lawyer, died here today.

A former Perth County Judge, Mr. Hall was president of the Colonial Weaving Company and at one time was co-publisher with R. M. Glover of the Peterborough Examiner.

## 7 Found Dead From Asphyxiation

PAMPAS, Tex., April 8—Seven persons who apparently had sealed themselves in from one of the worst blizzards ever known in the normally sunny Texas panhandle, were found dead of asphyxiation today in their residence west of here. The dead were two men, a woman and four children, living in an oil field dwelling.

## Declines To Extend Welcome

(C. P. by Guardian's Special Wire) TORONTO, April 8—Mayor Ralph Day today declined to officially welcome a Spanish delegation visiting the city.

In writing to Ben. H. Spence, chairman of the Canadian Committee to aid Spanish democracy, the Mayor said he was "a true friend of democracy" but matters involved in "the visit of the delegation" are so controversial and little understood that "I have come to the conclusion it would be inadvisable to attend this meeting for the purpose of conveying civic greetings."

## LATE NEWS FLASHES

MEXICO CITY April 8—(CP)—Great Britain today formally branded Mexico's expropriation of the Mexican Eagle Company's oil wells as a denial of justice, and demanded their return to the British-owned company.

Owen St. Clair O'Malley, British Minister to Mexico, acting on instructions from London, tonight called upon President Lazaro Cardenas to submit the protest against the expropriation which affected 17 companies. They conferred for half an hour with Foreign Minister Eduardo Hay as attending.

MADRID, April 8—(CP Havas)—A heavy government artillery barrage signalled the renewal today of operations along the front immediately west of Madrid.

Interest in the newly-launched government offensive in Toledo and Caseres provinces meanwhile centred in the plight of a number of civilians who were forced to join beleaguered insurgent troops in the village church at Carras Callejo.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., April 8—(AP)—The four-masted Canadian schooner Reine Mary Stewart ran aground tonight, apparently as she headed into this harbor for shelter from the easterly storm.

Shore observers said she was fast in the sandy edge of the harbor channel, off West Chop Light. They said she apparently was in no immediate danger unless the storm grew much worse.

BERLIN, April 8—(AP)—Field Marshal Hermann Goering tonight told a Berlin mass meeting: "We were the avvil long enough. Now we are the hammer again, and we are hitting hard."

The declaration came during a eulogy of Adolf Hitler as the man who ended the task begun by the "Iron Chancellor" Bismarck, unification of Germany.

What has been advertised abroad as Germany's greed for power is really just a yearning of Germans in Europe to live together in one family, Goering said.



REMEMBER A TELEPHONE POLE NEVER HIT ANYBODY!

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, April 8—Minimum and maximum temperatures:—

Dawson	16	40
Victoria	50	60
Edmonton	30	62
Toronto	22	56
Quebec	32	36
Ottawa	26	38
Montreal	28	42
Halifax	26	44
Charlottetown	24	36

FORECAST  
Maritime East: Winds shifting to easterly and increasing to strong; mostly cloudy, followed by some rain or part snow.  
High tide this morning at 6:16 and this afternoon at 5:44.  
Sun sets this afternoon at 6:37 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:26.  
Full moon April 14, 2:21 p. m.  
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

## Ontario Blanketed With Snow

TORONTO, April 8—(CP)—An unreasonable blizzard swept into Ontario today 12 days after the official advent of spring, and left a blanket of snow over Central and western parts of the province.

Borne on wind that reached velocity of 36 miles an hour in Toronto at one time, the snow melted as it fell first a few hours after the dawn. But the continuous fall soon piled it up except in places where heavy traffic crushed it into slushy water.

Late in the day the blizzard, which piled six-foot-high waves along the Toronto waterfront, interrupted power service in the city for six minutes. Toronto pilots escaped damage from the storm but at Hamilton planking was ripped from a harbor commission dock.

## COMING EVENTS

- Reserve April 27th for play "The Wild Oats Boy" in Grandview Hall. L-1560-4-9-11
- Reserve Easter Monday night for the big dance in Fort Augustus School. L-1561-4-9-11
- Cake sale at Maritime Electric today in aid of 9th. Trinity Scout Troop. L-1075
- Rummage Sale, Social Hall, Trinity Church, Sunday, April 9th, 6:30. L-1076
- Borden Line Club loading hogs, lambs, calves every Tuesday, hours 12 to 3. L-348-12-3-5-11
- Cake sale at Philanthropic Club of Baptist Church at Moore & McLeod's Saturday afternoon. L-1539-4-8-21
- Measuring Party and Entertainment Clyde River, Wednesday, April 13th. If stormy Thursday. L-1566-4-9-11
- Livestock Marketing Board will bring car of cracked corn and corn meal to Bedford if sufficient orders are assembled. Book at once with your secretary. L-1558-4-8-21
- Pox Meats—Boneless Horse Meats 5/6c, Beef Tripe 4/6c, Corn for meats such as Beef Cheeks, Cal and Lamb Hearts, Ground Meats, etc. Island Cold Storage Ltd. L-814-3-15-11
- Springfield Dramatic Club will present their 4-act play "The Village Lawyer" in Summerfield Hall Tuesday, April 12th at 8 o'clock. Admission 25c and 15c. If not fine, following night. L-1531-4-9-12

## Newspaperman Ordered Out Of France

(A.P. By Guardian's Special Wire) PERPIGNAN, France (at the Spanish border), April 8—An Italian newspaperman, Filippo Belotti, was ordered to leave France today 48 hours.

He was arrested Thursday at Cerbers, near the Spanish border, when he took a photograph of refugees arriving from Government forces. He had taken other pictures on the frontier.

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