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ALLIES HOLD AT WONJU BUT FLANKING THREAT GROWS

Truman Asks Huge Tax Boost, Price Controls

Claxton Replies To Legion Charges Of Equipment Shortages

OTTAWA, Jan. 12.—(CP)—Defence Minister Claxton said tonight the Government has placed orders for more than \$425,000,000 worth of war planes and ships and that deliveries of clothing on order should let the forces meet any anticipated situation.

He said the question of compulsory training in the reserve forces—advocated strongly by the Canadian Legion—is "of course a matter for the Government and Parliament."

Mr. Claxton issued a statement in reply to a Legion charge that there is "a serious shortage of ships, planes and equipment and even boots and clothing" for the armed forces and that there is an "admitted absence of adequate organization necessary to any appreciable expansion of the reserve forces."

The Legion made the charge in issuing a call to its branches to mobilize public opinion to back a demand for compulsory training in the reserve forces.

Mr. Claxton's statement took up the Legion's contention that equipment shortages constitute a major obstacle to any program of compulsory training in the reserves.

He said "there are no shortages of equipment that would affect the position," and added:

is not followed.

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Plenty Uniforms

"We have over 50,000 units of battledress in store and \$35,000,000 worth of clothing and textiles on order. We outfitted the 10,000 men taken on for the special force and are pressing on so that deliveries of clothing, including boots and shoes, should enable us to meet any anticipated situation."

"We have more than doubled the actual fighting units during the last six months and we are going to do everything necessary to defend our country and take our full share in collective defence. The program I expect to put before parliament will leave no doubt in the minds of the Legion or anyone else about that."

Legion Pressing For Compulsory Military Service

OTTAWA, Jan. 12.—(CP)—The Canadian Legion, voice of 300,000 veterans, sent out the signal today for a nation-wide blitz campaign designed to overcome cabinet objections and bring compulsory military service into effect in Canada.

The Dominion command of the country's leading veterans organization announced it is calling on 2,200 Legion branches to besiege members of parliament with demands for compulsory part-time training in the reserve forces.

The coast-to-coast attack is being timed to strike in the first week of parliament's new session, starting Jan. 30.

Legion leaders in a memorandum now being circulated, charged that there is "a serious shortage" of military equipment, "including even boots and clothing," in Canada but argued that this only makes more urgent the need for immediate action to improve the situation.

Their call for conscription is expected to be echoed shortly in one form or another by another important veterans group, the Conference of Defence Associations, now meeting here. It consists of senior war-time officers now back in civilian life.

In parliament's first week, the Legion memorandum calls on every branch to do three things to "focus public attention on the urgent need for immediate government action."

These include special meetings open to the public; wires to the local M.P. to tell him of the meetings and that the Legion is looking for his active support; sending word to national headquarters of steps taken so a concentrated attack can be mounted here.

Legion leaders said Canada is "facing the gravest period in her history" and they couldn't accept cabinet statements to them that conscription at this time is out.

Coming Events

- Mail your Films to Garnhum Photo Studio, Charlottetown.
- Harness Horse Ice Racing at Riverside, Wednesday, January 17th. Quarter-mile heats.
- Afton Hall, Purina Hog Show, 7:30 P. M. Wednesday, January 17th.
- Dance, Bridgetown Hall, Jan. 15th. Sale of Pies. In aid of Rink.
- Holy Name Box Social, Bingo, Dance, Town Hall, Georgetown, Wednesday, January 24th.
- Come to Card Party in Darnley Hall, Wednesday night, January 17th.
- Dance in Darnley Hall, Monday night, January 22nd. Sponsored by W. I.
- Zion W. M. S. Cake Sale, Saturday, January 13th, 2:30. Holmans Hardware Department.
- Pantry Sale at Douglas & Jones, Kent Street, Saturday, January 13th, at 2:30 P. M. by Cornwall-York Point W. I.
- Hear Dr. Florence Murray speak on Korea at Afton Hall on Jan. 16th. Lunches. Rice Point Women's Institutes.
- Rummage Sale, Auspices Ladies Auxiliary Y. M. C. A. (Euston Street Entrance) today, 6:30 P. M.
- Receiving Hogs at Crapaud for Canada Packers Limited, until 12 noon each Thursday. Robert Dawson.
- Hockey, North River Rink, Saturday, January 13th. Nine Mile Creek Bull Dogs vs. Covehead Red Wings. Canteen Service. Game time 8:30. Skating after game.
- Don't miss William Holden, William Bendis in a great Western Show "Streets of Laredo" at MacDonald Bros. Theatre, Mt. Stewart, Saturday only. Show time 8 P. M. Plus Comedy.
- Buying pigs Monday at Fred-erickton, Tuesday 9 a.m. Brookfield, 10 a.m. Milton, 11 a.m. Charlottetown Market Square, 1 p.m. Pownal, 2 p.m. Vernon River, 3 p.m. Montserrat. Paying 24 dollars a pair for good pigs over 30 pounds each. Will also buy smaller ones. Knud Jorgensen.

Sweeping Plan Draws Gasps From Wall Street

By Roger D. Greene

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—(AP)—President Truman today asked Congress to raise taxes by "very much more" than \$8,000,000,000 a year and outlined a lending-spending defence program totalling \$140,000,000,000.

He also called for broader wage-price controls, 1,000,000 more men and women in the armed forces within a few months, and 4,000,000 more in defence production by the end of this year.

In a sweeping message that drew gasps from Wall Street and some criticism in Capitol Hill, Truman laid down a program of tremendous scope and sacrifice foreshadowing an era of austerity for the American people.

Truman made it clear that the stiff new taxes would hit every pocketbook from top to bottom of the income ladder.

Accompanying his annual economic message to Congress, Truman sent a report by his council of economic advisers which declared:

"Income tax increases should be imposed at all levels, but by far the largest part of the additional revenue must come from the middle and lower tax brackets."

"These are the brackets in which the great bulk of the income is located."

Expect 70 Billion Budget

The budget Truman will present to Congress Monday generally is expected to be in the neighborhood of \$70,000,000,000 for the fiscal year starting July 1, 1951.

He said, however, that by the end of 1951 defence and foreign aid spending alone should hit a rate between \$45,000,000,000 and \$55,000,000,000 a year. That is roughly double today's outlays.

All told he called for \$140,000,000,000 in "obligational authority" in the present fiscal year and the next, ending June 30, 1952.

The total would go for actual military and foreign aid spending plus contracting, lending and loan-guarantee authority. Other government expenses would be over and above that.

One salient recommendation in Truman's message was a request for power to build defence factories where private enterprise cannot swing the job. Two years ago he asked authority to build steel plants if necessary, but Congress shelved the idea.

"Eskimo" Sets Fine Record For Service During Season

The Government owned M.V. Eskimo carried twice as much freight between Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland during the past season as she did during the 1949 season, it was learned yesterday from Mr. C. P. Reddall, shipping manager.

Over 4,000 tons or 8,000,000 pounds of freight were ferried between the two provinces by the Eskimo, stated Mr. Reddall. The motor vessel transported around 2,000 tons of freight over the same route in 1949.

The Eskimo also holds the distinction of being the first boat into the City harbour and the last out during the past season. Aided by direction from the air, the boat made her way through ice to the Railway Wharf on April 27. On Thursday of this week she sailed for Newfoundland with her last cargo.

The Eskimo's trip out of the City harbor on Thursday is believed to have been made on the second latest date that any boat ever entered or left the harbor in sixty years.

According to information obtained yesterday at the Customs Office, the "Northumberland," a steamer which used to ply between Charlottetown and Pictou, towed the schooner "Arenia" into the harbour on January 26, 1891. This is the latest recording of steamer traffic in the harbour during any season.

During the past season the Eskimo made nineteen trips between this Province and Newfoundland. Her cargo has included practically everything from livestock to frozen meats, canned goods and salt fish.

Mr. Reddall estimates that the boat has covered about 30,000 miles in her voyages between the two islands. On an average trip the boat steams about 1600 miles, he said. She is under the command of the original Captain, E. T. Terfry. Including the skipper thirteen crew members are employed.

The shipping office was a busy spot yesterday afternoon as the stevedores were flitting in to collect their pay for loading the last boat. During the season over 8,000 man-hours of work have been performed on the waterfront loading the Eskimo.

The boat will likely discharge part of her cargo in St. Pierre today and unload the remainder in St. John's. She will return to Halifax and will probably work out of the Nova Scotia port during the winter months.

Eisenhower Visits Norway

OSLO, Norway, Jan. 12.—(AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower flew through dangerous weather from Copenhagen to Norway today on the northernmost leg of his European search for fighting men and fighting spirit to oppose Communist aggression.

His four-engined U. S. Air Force transport overcame severe icing conditions to make its second hazardous landing in 24 hours.

A less-powerful plane of American newspaper men following the Atlantic Alliance defence commander, was forced to turn back over the cold waves of the Kattegat to Copenhagen, where it landed with five inches of ice frozen to the underside of its wings.

Eisenhower is due to fly to London late tomorrow or Sunday.

Hong Kong Authorities Prepare For Eventualities

(By Fred Hampson)

HONG KONG, Jan. 12.—(AP)—British authorities today acknowledged they were "preparing for all possible eventualities" in this jittery crown colony under the shadow of Communist China's armed might.

All British subjects above the age of 17—including Burmese and Chinese born in Hong Kong—were made liable for military service. The emergency ordinance requires women as well as men to register for service by Feb. 1.

Malcolm MacDonald, Britain's High Commissioner for Southeast Asia, told the press, however, that British dependents would not be advised to evacuate the colony.

Seeking to allay a mounting case of war nerves, MacDonald told a press conference:

"British authorities do not anticipate any developments in the near future which would expose Hong Kong to danger. They are not con-

Some Call 'Flu Epidemic Worst Since 1918; Part Of England Hard Hit

LONDON, Jan. 12.—(CP)—Hundreds have died, thousands are ill and more are coming down with the disease every hour in the worst influenza epidemic to hit northern England since 1918.

The industrial heart of England is threatened with severe production cutbacks as the fortnight-long siege continues to ravage Liverpool, Manchester and dozens of smaller centres.

Officials say it is difficult to estimate the number who have died from the disease or from "flu-bred complications. They deny, however, reports that 3,000 died in the Liverpool area.

Extra gravediggers were hurriedly hired in Manchester. Ceremonies were held with one preacher burying as many as five victims at a single service. Clergymen were so busy with funerals that weddings and baptisms had to be postponed.

Death notices filled an entire page in a Liverpool newspaper one day this week. Most days the obituaries ran to two full columns.

The epidemic has spread to other European countries.

Reds Shift Mighty Force To New Sectors

By ROBERT EUNSON

TOKYO, Jan. 13.—(Saturday)—(AP)—North Korean troops threatened the Allied stand in Central Korea Friday with a road-block 30 miles southeast of the U.S. 2nd Division's horseshoe-shaped front, but the Allies kept the toe of the shoe nailed down.

The Chinese Communist mass on the Korean western front, building up for an expected fresh assault on the withdrawing U.S. Eighth Army, began shifting eastward on two courses.

One fed troops to the central front, either to reinforce the North Korean Reds hacking at the 2nd Division or to exploit any breakthrough.

The other poured Reds out of Osan, 28 miles south of Seoul, into a new assembly point north of Ansong, 40 miles southeast of Seoul and about midway between Seoul and Taejon.

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Princess Pats Experience Stiff Training In Korea

By WILLIAM BOSS

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MIRYANG, Korea, Jan. 12.—(CP)—The change came almost overnight.

Almost 1,000 good fellows, who had done practically everything except soldier for two months, suddenly got down to the real thing. And the atmosphere became electric with keenness.

The 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, was launched on the program devised by Lt.-Col. J. R. Stone of Edmonton and Salmon Arm, B.C., its commanding officer, to carry it to battle worthiness.

Wainwright, Alta., saw individual training completed — to a level which United Nations authorities here considered rendered the battalion as battle-ready as any in the theatre.

But for two months since — at Fort Lewis, Wash., where it staged before embarking for Korea, then more than three weeks at sea, and finally at Pusan, where it married up with its equipment — the battalion had largely marked time.

Stinking, squalid Pusan eliminated any "romantic" notions the men had had of Korea, and, regrettably, the only satisfaction it offered was in placing in their hands the equipment with which they would fight.

New Claimant For Title Of Coldest Town In Canada

SUDBURY, Ont., Jan. 12.—(CP)—The title of coldest spot in Canada, worn for years with icy dignity by the town of White River—250 miles north of here—has been challenged.

A partisan of Hornepayne, another railway town 50 miles farther north, has labelled White River's only claim to fame as "the greatest publicity fraud of the century."

Reg Pitt, columnist for the Sudbury Star, claims to have records to prove it's much colder in Hornepayne.

Pitt tells today the results of a survey, conducted with the help of Carmen Rajotte, the Star's Hornepayne correspondent. Miss Rajotte sent in a record of temperature readings taken every day throughout December in the early-morning hours.

Pitt compared her figures with corresponding Dominion Weather Office records for White River, and the "coldest spot" looked like a Florida beach resort by comparison.

On a day when White River registered a mere 18 degrees below zero, the Hornepayne thermometer hit 30 below. When it dropped to 30 below in White River, it was 42 below in Hornepayne. While White River residents sweated in a balmy 10-below breeze, their Hornepayne rivals shivered proudly in a 36-below gale.

Pitt says his records are locked away "to escape the fate of the Stone of Scone." But he demands credit where credit is due, even if it means changing Hornepayne's name to Blizzard Gulch or Snow-drift Valley.

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New Record In Chicago

CHICAGO, Jan. 12.—(AP)—Chicago police reported a record in its recent crime annals: 12 successive days without a murder.

Lieut. John Golden, head of the homicide division, said the previous record was a seven-day murderless period in October, 1950.

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Prince Edward Island—Saturday cloudy and colder, with occasional snowflurries. Wind north 20. Low and high Saturday at Charlottetown 28 and 28.

Outlook for Sunday—clear and cold.

High tide today at 2:21 A. M. and 3:10 P. M.
Sun rises at 7:49 A. M. and sets at 4:55 P. M.
Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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