

# ASKS COMMONS APPROVAL

## Chamberlain Will Present Conscription Measure To House For Ratification

Wants House of Commons to Accept Scheme  
Before Hitler's Address Tomorrow

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, April 27.—Prime Minister Chamberlain of Great Britain made it clear in the House of Commons today that he wants the proposed conscription measure approved by the House before Hitler's address tomorrow. The Prime Minister did not mention the Fuehrer's address specifically, but it was known that it was this event he had in mind and that the British government leader wished to have the country solidly behind him on the measure before the Nazi Leader spoke.

There were no doubts today that the British Prime Minister would not get a confidence vote on the measure. Although conscription, which calls for the compulsory enlistment of all young men of the ages of 20 and 21, was a departure from an old British tradition, the opinion in England was generally summed up in the words "It had to come." Not since the days of Oliver Cromwell and the Commonwealth has military conscription in peacetime been resorted to.

Meanwhile, London as well as every other European capital was anxiously awaiting Hitler's address. The contents have been carefully guarded, and it is said that only Mussolini outside of the German High Staff knows what new charges the Fuehrer will throw at the world.

In Berlin great preparations have been made for the historic speech on which the peace of the world may well hinge. Loud speakers have been set up on the many streets for blocks around the point from which the address will be given. Public houses and other buildings have been similarly equipped, and in strict contrast to his last address when he closed off a short wave broadcast because German people were listening to an American station, Hitler has taken every care that all Germany will hear his words.

## In Brief

CHARLOTTETOWN, April 27.—Between the "devil and the deep blue sea" is Mrs. C. St. Clair Trainor whose husband will oppose her father, Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan in the forthcoming provincial elections for the fifth district of Queen's County. Dr. MacMillan is Leader of the Conservative Party.

SKOWHEGAN, April 27.—Authorities last night arrested two of four who escaped the Somerset County Jail in Maine. All four after their break to liberty this week were supposed to have been heading for the New Brunswick border.

LONDON, April 27.—England philosophically accepted conscription of its young men of 20 and 21 years in age yesterday with expressions, it had to come and was a step in the right direction.

SAINT JOHN, April 27.—Elmer Henderson, 21-year-old Saint John man was sentenced to two months in jail and fined \$100 and costs with an alternative of an additional month's jail sentence and had his driver's license suspended for one year when he pleaded guilty to a charge of failing to stop after an accident.

## MORE DYNAMITE STOLEN FROM ONTARIO QUARRY

TORONTO, April 27.—Ontario dynamite thefts continued in the Jordan district yesterday and police organizations concentrated on efforts to combat the thefts which have caused fears of sabotage.

Thefts at Jordan included 110 sticks of dynamite, 100 feet of fuse and 130 fuse caps and were taken from the South Township quarry storehouse eight miles from St. Catharines. It constituted the entire supply of the warehouse.

## HITLER MAY PAVE WAY FOR PEACE PLANS

(Special to The Daily Mail)

BERLIN, April 27.—Tomorrow's speech of Adolf Hitler will likely reject the Roosevelt plan for ten years' peace and will offer a peace declaration it was believed in official circles.

Contents of the address are closely guarded and the only foreigner to know of its phrases is Mussolini who has been keeping close contact with the Reich Leader. The address is expected to leave the way open to negotiations by the powers.

## APPEAL FOR CANADIANS TO PRAY FOR PEACE

TORONTO, April 27.—Canadian religious bodies have called on the people of Canada to join in prayer for peace. The appeal is signed by prominent leaders of the Salvation Army, the United Church, the Presbyterian Church and the Church of England as well as Baptist convention of Ontario and Quebec.

## Canada's Defence Programme

### SAY BARBOUR TOLD THEM HE KILLED GIRL

DALHOUSIE, April 27.—Two former prisoners in the jail and a sheriff's clerk testified before Judge J. H. A. L. Fairweather yesterday that Robert Barbour, now facing his second trial charged with the murder of Margaret Harris, that the defendant had declared he killed the girl.

Napoleon Legere, clerk in the office of the sheriff and Patrick Wilnot, who was in jail as well as Robert Darbyson, said that Barbour told them he had killed a girl.

Six other witnesses were heard including Jackie Harris, brother of the dead girl, Frances Barbour, sister of the accused and Mrs. John Harris, mother of the deceased. Under cross-examination Dr. Caliete Doucet said the head injuries suffered by the girl might have been suffered in a fall.

## GATINEAU POWER COMPANY ANNUAL MEETING

MONTREAL, April 27.—The annual meeting of the shareholders of Gatineau Power Company was held in Montreal yesterday at which 1,440,668 shares were represented out of a total of 1,643,240 shares.

In reviewing the annual report the president, G. Gordon Gale, stated that with the approval and co-operation of the Provincial Electricity Board approximately 46 miles of circuits were added to the distribution system in 1938, bringing the total up to about 1600 miles of lines serving 150 towns, villages and rural communities, including 2,500 farms. Following the installation of the 34,000 h. p. generating unit at Chelsea a new all time consolidated peak of 676,550 h. p. was established early this year.

The debenture refinancing was carried out last year, and the refunding operation which are now taking place in connection with the First Mortgage Bonds will improve the financial structure of the company and effect a reduction in annual interest charges. The savings will be used to a large extent for debt reduction.

The following directors and officers were elected for the ensuing year: G. Gordon Gale, president; Irwin L. Moore, vice-president; A. C. Brittain, treasurer; John R. Binks, secretary; Victor M. Drury, director; Lt. Col. W. Fraser Hadley, director; Louis S. St. Laurent, K.C., director; C. N. Simpson, director; John G. Porteous, assistant-secretary; H. J. McGreevy, asst.-secretary; E. Hoffmann, assistant-secretary.

## CONSCRIPTION MOVE IN BRITAIN MEETS FAVOR

PARIS, April 27.—Conscription in Great Britain as put into effect yesterday was given approval by France who were satisfied with the move although they had hoped for wider measures to improve organization of Britain's land forces. It was regarded as a constructive effort to effect peace.

Meanwhile, in Berlin, the Nazis were not particularly impressed being heavily militarized themselves. The British Ambassador Henderson has succeeded in conveying a message to Hitler but it was stated he had finished his Friday speech and would not change it.

## Rumania Notifies Powers She Does Not Want To Join Mutual Assistance Pact Now

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, April 27.—Rumania notified Great Britain and France today that for the present time at least she did not want to commit herself to a pact of mutual assistance in the event of aggression.

At the present time Rumania has been given a pledge of protection from both Britain and France in the case of aggression on the part of the Rome-Berlin axis.

The agreement, however, is strictly one sided, diplomats observed today, and considerable importance was attached to Rumania's declaration from offering to reciprocate in the event that Britain or France were attacked.

Observers felt today, however, that the Anti-Hitler bloc of nations has been strengthened by the statement of the Russian ambassador, Ivan Maisky in a speech at Copenhagen. He declared that Russia will come to the aid of Europe in the event of a conflict and gave a definite pledge of armed support.

It was generally felt that the statement indicated that Russia has adopted a distinct change of attitude towards the nations formerly in the Triple Entente which fell to pieces at the time of the Munich agreement.

## KING AND QUEEN MAY SAIL HERE ON EMPRESS BOAT

LONDON, April 27.—Reports that it was quite certain that the King and Queen would sail to Canada by ocean liner instead of the battleship Repulse were heard in press circles here but from Admiralty sources it was learned no change had been intimated to them in a change of sailing plans.

The Empress of Australia, one of the Canadian Pacific Fleet, may be commissioned as a Royal yacht. The ship was built in Germany before the Great War.

## \$1,000 SLANDER ACTION ON DOCKET MAY COURT

Two Cases on Docket  
Court Opening Here  
Next Tuesday

Two cases are on the docket of the May sitting of the Supreme Court, King's Bench Division, which opens here on Tuesday, May 20. One, a \$1,000 slander action, is a McAdam case arising out of statements allegedly made concerning a break into a McAdam barber shop, while the other case is for the collection of a sum amounting to \$773.43. Mr. Justice Richards had been assigned to the court but due to his leave of absence it is expected that Mr. Justice A. T. LeBlanc will preside.

In the McAdam case, Sterling McNally, McAdam barber is suing for damages from George Estey, a police constable of the district. The plaintiff alleges injury to credit and reputation as a result of remarks he alleges the defendant had made. The defendant in the case denies the action. Hanson, Dougherty and West are representing the defendant while P. J. Hughes, K.C., is counsel for the plaintiff.

In the second case, Fred Charters has entered suit against Magee and Nixon Co. Inc., Easton, Pa. P. J. Hughes, K. C. is representing the defendant while Hanson, Dougherty and West are representing the plaintiff, A. R. Murray is clerk of the court.

## ROYAL PARTY WILL TRAVEL BY EMPRESS BOAT

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, April 27.—It was definitely announced today that the King and Queen will come to Canada by a passenger liner, and not on the warship "Repulse" as originally planned. The change in plans has been decided upon because it is felt that the Repulse should be left in European waters in view of the tension in Europe at the present time.

It is reported that the change follows the suggestion of the King himself, although English papers have advocated the plan for some time. The Royal Couple will travel on the Empress of Australia, which will be accompanied by an armed naval escort.

## ONTARIO LEGISLATURE CLOSED TODAY

TORONTO, April 27.—Premier Mitchell Hepburn announced just before the session of the legislature closed at 2 a.m. this morning that the Ontario legislature would be prorogued today. As he brought the third session of the 20th legislature of the province to a close, he took a final stab at the federal Liberal Government.

## FEAR FLOODS ON UPPER SAINT JOHN RIVER

FORT KENT, Maine, April 27.—A five-mile ice jam moved down the Saint John river today and the people of Fort Kent prepared for flood conditions. The district is a low-lying area on the banks of the river and often flooded in the spring. The flood conditions in Fort Fairfield, 50 miles south of Fort Kent have remedied themselves.

## MORE PLANES FOR UNITED STATES ARMY

WASHINGTON, April 27.—Additional military preparations in the event of war were made by the United States yesterday with the announcement that fifty million dollars would be spent for an order of 6000 airplanes.

Contracts were signed with five plane manufacturers as well as equipment and engine makers. It followed an announcement by the Secretary of War Woodring to assure the people of the United States of the country's readiness and adequacy of the army.

Plans were also announced to weed out the physically unfit and the over-aged of the Army's 12,500 officers. New plane contracts were signed immediately after President Roosevelt signed a war department appropriation bill of \$549,000,000.

## CHANGE IN C.N.R. TRAIN SCHEDULE IS ANNOUNCED

MONCTON, April 27.—Changes in train schedules are announced by the Canadian National Railways effective April 30th.

The Maritime Express westbound will leave Sackville at 8.55 p.m. instead of 9.05 p.m., daily except Sunday, arrive Moncton 10.05 p.m., leave 10.25 p.m. instead of 10.35 p.m., arrive Newcastle 12.25 a.m., leave 12.30 a.m., arrive Campbellton 3.05 a.m. Atlantic Standard Time, leave 2.20 a.m. Eastern Standard Time. Arrival time in Montreal remains the same as at present, 5.50 p.m. E.S.T.

Moncton—Saint John  
Train leaving Moncton at 5.00 a.m., daily except Sunday, for Saint John will leave at 5.15 a.m., arriving Saint John 8.40 a.m.

In the opposite direction, train leaving Saint John for Moncton at 7.10 a.m., daily except Sunday, will leave at 7.20 a.m., arriving Moncton 10.20 a.m., the same time as at present.

Train leaving Saint John for Moncton at 12.30 p.m., daily except Sunday, will leave at 12.20 p.m., arriving Moncton 3.05 p.m. instead of 3.15 p.m.

Saint John—Fredericton—Centreville  
Train leaving Fredericton for Centreville at 8.00 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, will leave at 6.00 a.m., arriving Centreville 11.30 a.m.

In the opposite direction, train leaving Centreville for Fredericton at 4.00 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, will leave at 5.00 a.m., arriving Fredericton at 11.15 a.m.

Fredericton—Newcastle  
Motor train leaving Fredericton for Newcastle at 8.45 a.m., Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and in the opposite direction, leaving Newcastle at 5.30 p.m. on the same days, will be cancelled.

## POLAND WILL RESIST ATTACKS ON DANZIG

WARSAW, April 27.—Poland will oppose with armed force any attempt of Germany to take the Free City of Danzig, leading Polish newspapers warned today previous to Chancellor Hitler's address. In Poland it is felt by observers that much of the Fuehrer's address will deal with the relationship between Poland and Germany.

## Stock Market Quotations

(Supplied by W. C. Pitfield & Co., Limited at 1.30 p.m.)

The London Stock Market was very quiet today, traders apparently awaiting Hitler's speech tomorrow. Sterling was quoted at 4.68½ in New York and 4.70½ in Montreal.

The New York Stock Market was stronger this morning, leaders gaining about one point.

New York	
American Locomotive	17½
American Radiator	12½
American Smelters	41¼
American Tel & Tel	159¼
Anaconda	24
Bendix Aviation	207½
Bethlehem Steel	56¼
Boeing Aircraft	21¾
Briggs Manufacturing	19¾
Chrysler Corp	64¾
Columbia Gas & Electric	6¾
Consolidated Edison	30¾
Curtiss Wright	5¾
Curtiss Wright "A"	24¾
Douglas Aircraft	60
General Electric	35¼
General Motors	42¼

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