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# NEW HITLER OFFER IS MADE

## The Daily News

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER  
PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 1939.

**Weather Forecast**  
Prince Rupert and Queen Charlotte Islands—Moderate to variable winds, mostly fair, becoming somewhat warmer.

**Tomorrow's Tides**  
High 12:15 p.m. 18.2 ft.  
Low 6:04 a.m. 4.9 ft.  
18:14 p.m. 7.3 ft.

### No Compulsory Military Duty In Canada As Yet; Volunteers Being Asked

OTTAWA, August 26: (CP)—Defence Minister Ian Mackenzie announced last night that volunteers will be called from the non-permanent militia at once to bolster up the permanent force in such special military duties as manning coastal defences and guarding "certain vulnerable points."  
The minister's statement made it clear that "no officer or man shall be under compulsion to report for duties considered necessary for national security at this time."  
Canada's air force units were ordered yesterday to be in readiness to move to stations they will occupy in case of war.

### POLAND ACCEPTS BUT GERMANY TURNS DOWN ROOSEVELT PROPOSAL

United States Chief Executive, However, Makes Another Appeal to Hitler—Still Hopes For Ultimate European Peace

WASHINGTON, D.C., August 26: (CP)—President Ignace Moscicki of Poland late last night accepted the conciliatory suggestion of President Franklin D. Roosevelt of the United States and agreed to refrain from hostilities provided that Germany also agreed to do so. Despite rebuff of a previous peace overture, President Roosevelt last night addressed a second appeal to Chancellor Adolf Hitler to settle the Danzig issue by negotiation rather than by war.

### German Bomber Brought Down?

PARIS, Aug. 26: (CP)—A Haras News Agency dispatch from Warsaw early today said that Polish anti-aircraft batteries at Odynia shot down a German bomber late last night.

### ARMS CALL TO FRANCE

Daladier, Though Appealing For Peaceful Settlement, Assures Poland Of Her Stand

PARIS, August 26:—Premier Edouard Daladier, addressing the French nation and the world yesterday afternoon, called France to arms and repeated assurances to Poland that France would be behind that nation in any resistance of aggression. The French nation was ready to make any sacrifice in the interests of peace and liberty. Daladier also made an eleventh hour appeal for settlement of problems by negotiations and pointed out that the very lives of 33,000,000 Poles were involved in the present crisis.

### Halibut Sales

**Summary**  
American—79,000 pounds, 8c and 10c.  
Canadian—62,500 pounds, 7.1c and 5c to 7.3c and 5c.  
**American**  
Arrow, 36,000, Royal, 8c and 6c.  
Polaris, 40,000, Cold Storage, 8c and 6c.  
**Canadian**  
P. Dorreen, 20,000, Atlin, 7.3c and 5c.  
Cape Race II, 6,000, Pacific, 7.1c and 5c.  
Oslo, 22,000, Booth, 7.2c and 5c.  
Ingrid H, 14,000, Cold Storage, 7.3c and 5c.

## Berlin Insists That Polish Issue Is Being Peacefully Met; Feuhrer Calling Halt

TURNING POINT SAID TO HAVE COME EARLY THIS MORNING—EARLIER PREPARATIONS BY REICH FOR INVASION SAID TO HAVE BEEN RESCINDED

"REALLY BIG DECISIONS" BEING ARRIVED AT IN BERLIN, ROME, PARIS AND LONDON SAYS OFFICIAL GERMAN GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN

BERLIN, August 26: (CP)—All contrary indications notwithstanding, it was reliably stated in Berlin today that Chancellor Adolf Hitler was now definitely moving for a peaceful settlement of the Polish issue. The turning point, a spokesman contended, had come at 2 o'clock this morning. At that time, the informant said, an order to begin operations along the Polish border at Danzig was rescinded. The informant stuck to his viewpoint that war had been averted even when he was showing later developments including Germany's prohibition of private aviation, the stoppage of boat service to Danzig, cancellation of a large number of trains and designation of Upper Silesia as an "area of military operations." All these measures, the informant said, had been decided upon earlier and were now being executed as it always took time for an order from the top to come through to those who must give it effect. High Army quarters, the informant said, had strongly advised Hitler to show the same willingness to negotiate that Polish President Moscicki had shown in his reply to President Roosevelt. The result, the informant said, was British Ambassador Sir Neville Henderson's mission to London today. Paris and Rome were also advised of Hitler's latest offer, the informant said. This assertion was borne out by information divulged by a government spokesman this morning to the effect that "really big decisions" are being arrived at in Berlin, Rome, Paris and London. At 2 o'clock this morning telephone and telegraph communications with foreign countries were resumed after an interruption of seven hours.

### All Germans Ordered Home

LONDON, August 26: (CP)—The German embassy in London yesterday instructed all Germans in Great Britain to leave as soon as possible for home.

### WATCH OF RHINE ON

PARIS, August 26:—A million French soldiers now stand posted on the Maginot Line while, immediately across the Rhine River a like number of Germans stand by the Siegfried Line.

### Nations Of Europe Continue Feverish Preparations With Hitler's Next Move Awaited

BERLIN, August 25: (CP)—Germany, like the other nations of Europe, continued feverish preparations for war today although it was still insistently denied that, despite irritation of Polish incidents, many of which were reported here, that German troops had not at any point crossed the frontier into Poland. Rumors to this effect were described in an official German communique last night as being "wholly groundless."

## Premier King of Canada Joins In Plea For Peace

CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER SENDS MESSAGES DIRECT TODAY TO MUSSOLINI, HITLER AND MOSCICKI

OTTAWA, August 26: (CP)—A message has been sent by Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King to Premier Benito Mussolini of Italy, Chancellor Adolf Hitler of Germany and President Ignace Moscicki of Poland urging them to use their great power and authority to avoid war. The message was sent through the consuls in Canada of Italy, Germany and Poland. The message said: "The people of Canada are of one mind in believing there is no international problem which cannot be settled by conference and negotiation. They equally believe that force is not a substitute for reason."  
Mr. King added: "The people of Canada are prepared to join what authority and power they may possess to that of other nations of the British Commonwealth in seeking a just and equitable settlement of the great problems with which the nations are faced."  
The messages were sent after a meeting of the cabinet council yesterday but were not released until today when those to whom they were addressed would have received them.

### Local Militia Unit Called Out Today To Volunteer For Defence Duty, Parade 2 p.m.

The war fever struck Prince Rupert directly this morning when it became known that members of the local militia unit, the 102nd Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery, had been called out to volunteer for home defence duty. The local order came several hours after Canadian Press dispatches received by the Daily News had announced that such action was to be taken in connection with Canadian militia units.

Meantime, Lieut. Col. S. D. Johnston, commanding officer of the local unit, ordered his men to parade at 2 o'clock this afternoon to receive instructions for future duty which would be on a voluntary basis. As the local unit consists of 135 men, the muster order effects the employees of a number of local business and industrial establishments. Col. Johnston would reveal no details of what the nature of his unit's activities would be nor of any arrangements that had been made. He admitted, however, that there would be definite duties for all to do. It would appear that these duties would, for the time being at least, be of local character and purely as a precautionary measure.

### Weather Forecast

General Synopsis—Pressure appears relatively high over the Queen Charlotte Islands and low in the interior. The weather has been cooler with showers in most parts of British Columbia. West Coast of Vancouver Island—Moderate variable winds, part cloudy, moderately warm with fog patches.

## NO WAR!

Peaceful Settlement Under Way, Says Associated Press Informant

BERLIN, August 26: (CP)—One of the best informants of Associated Press insisted today that compromise in the German-Polish crisis is under way and declared with optimism that "danger of a world war is definitely averted."

**NO DECISION**  
LONDON—The Cabinet adjourned tonight after sitting two-and-a-half hours without reaching any decision on the acceptability of Hitler's peace proposals. Another meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow. Throughout the day, despite indications of negotiations, there was a tendency in British quarters to restrain optimism and military preparations went ahead rapidly.

**PROTECT ROYAL FAMILY**  
LONDON—For the protection of the Royal Family in event of war, air raid shelters were yesterday placed at Buckingham Palace.

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