

# Americans Driven South By New Red Drive

## Public Is Worried Over Britain's Defence Plans

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### Gravity Of International Situation Is Causing Concern

LONDON (CP)—The gravity of the international situation with its ever-present menace of a world war is causing growing concern in many quarters about Britain's own defences.

The questions being asked are similar to those during the critical period that preceded the march into Poland in 1939.

Authorities have been expressing an anxious public opinion that Communist aggression is unlikely to plunge the world into another war. But the man who has not forgotten the lessons of the last war is Neville Chamberlain, "peace in our time" man.

## Fifth Column Is Worrysome

ROME (CP)—The Korean war has given officialdom of Italy an acute case of fifth column jitters.

Steady Communist losses on the peace-time front of elections and the labor movement plus optimistic reports of United States aid had lulled Italians into a sense of security. Then the Italians took a close look and found that Palmiro Togliatti still claims 2,500,000 comrades—the biggest Communist party in western Europe.

Italy's 300,000-man army, navy and air force are the smallest of the major Atlantic pact forces.

Implications of these twin realities jolted the country.

Premier De Gasperi, winding up a Chamber debate on the Korean war, devoted most of his speech to the fifth column danger.

While a search for arms caches has unearthed enough material in the last three years to equip a small army, police believe there is still much more hidden.

## No Canadian Troops Going

OTTAWA — Prime Minister L. St. Laurent announced last night, following a cabinet meeting, that Canada will send no ground forces to Korea at this time although it might join an international force if such were formed.

No. 426 Squadron of the Royal Canadian Air Force will be sent to the Pacific to carry supplies, the eight or ten planes to leave Montreal within a day or so for San Francisco and Japan.

All three fighting services will be immediately strengthened.

## Pool Building Tenders Victoria For Approval

Bridge and Dredging Co., with a bid of \$702,587 for both new Booth Memorial and King Edward schools, was the lowest received by the school board for its construction program. Tenders opened for a special meeting of the school board last night.

Bridge and Dredging Co. \$702,587  
Edward \$423,320  
White & White \$279,947

## Minister Is Coming Here

Prince Rupert will have a visit from a federal cabinet minister next Wednesday evening.

Hon. James G. Gardiner, minister of agriculture, his wife and two daughters, will be here aboard the steamer Prince George.

They have been on a trip to the Yukon and Alaska over the Alaska Highway and the steamer is making a call at Haines to pick them up.

They will be going through to Vancouver.

## Flash

**TWIN TORNADOES**  
LIMA, Ohio — Twin tornadoes slashed through Lima and Van Wert last night, causing damage of more than \$1,000,000. Three hundred homes were damaged and 30 persons injured, but no one was killed.

**COMINFORM MEETS**  
BERLIN — An important meeting of the Cominform is under way in Berlin as the Communist propaganda campaign mounts in various parts of the world.

**PRICES MOUNTING**  
VANCOUVER — Wholesale price of sugar went up 25¢ per hundred today while coffee jumped 2¢ per pound.

**B.C. PRODUCTION**  
VANCOUVER — It is admitted that the possibility of attack on the British Columbia coast would have to be part of the gamble in stepping up arms production there. There is little likelihood of large scale aircraft production. Munitions plants in Canada have been out on a stand-by basis.

**INCOMPATIBLE?**  
TOKYO — Somewhat incompatible with today's development in Korea was an announcement of General MacArthur yesterday that a major repulse of the North Koreans meant that they had lost their chance to take South Korea, and failed. "There will never again be the same opportunity," said MacArthur.

**FLIGHT AUTHORIZED**  
OTTAWA — The cabinet at a conference on Wednesday authorized the flying of a Canadian squadron to Korea, to co-operate with the United States forces on transport. The flight will be from San Francisco, starting within another few days.

## No Conditions In Korean Peace

LONDON (CP)—Prime Minister Attlee today told the Commons that ending the war in Korea cannot be conditional to acceptance of Communist China into the United Nations. The statement, in effect, backed the United States rejection of the move by Prime Minister Nehru of India to seek peace in Korea by bringing Red China into the United Nations. Attlee said restoration of peace in Korea cannot be made conditional on the settlement of other issues.

## Red Leaders Meet For Discussion

BERLIN (CP)—The top Communist leaders of Europe and Red China gathered in Berlin Wednesday night for what appeared to be an important cominform discussion. Palmiro Togliatti, Italy, and Jacques Duclos, France, were among the arrivals. The Soviet delegation included M. R. Suslov, secretary of the Russian Communist party central committee.

### THE WEATHER

**Synopsis**  
Fine, settled weather has moved in over the province and most of British Columbia will enjoy sunny skies and warm temperatures today and Friday.

**Forecast**  
North Coast Region—Cloudy with a few sunny intervals today and Friday. Little change in temperature. Light winds. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow—At Port Hardy, Sandspit and Prince Rupert, 50 and 65.

## Lid Blowing Off Defence Costs In Canada As Effort Is Mounting

OTTAWA (CP)—The Korean war has blown the lid off Canada's defence costs, already at a peacetime high. The government has authorized an immediate, wide program that will add millions to the defence budget.

It will mean an accelerated Canadian defence effort — adding possibly 8,000 men to the regular forces by a special recruiting campaign, doubling production rates of fighter planes and providing additional aid to the United Nations in Korea.

The R.C.A.F.'s No. 426 transport squadron based at Montreal will join in the U.S. airlift for Korea but will not take part in the actual fighting. All three forces are to ignore present manpower ceilings and bring their regular units to fighting strength. Present strength is about 47,000 men.

In announcing the program, Prime Minister St. Laurent said Canada will not send any ground troops to Korea "at this stage" but he said the government would consider Canadian participation in any United Nations plan to recruit an international force for the Far East war.

The Prime Minister warned that "grave decisions lie ahead." Canada's record defence budget for this year may be boosted from \$425,000,000 to more than 500,000,000.

## King's Return Is Approved

BRUSSELS (CP)—King Leopold was voted back to his throne by the Belgian Parliament today. He has been in exile since the war, opposition to his return being based in the main on his early surrender to the Germans in 1940.

A joint session of both houses of parliament today cast 193 affirmative votes for the return of the king. Most opposition Socialists, Liberals and Communists did not vote. There are 387 members of both houses.

### MINISTER TO SPEAK

Defence Minister Brooke Claxton will be heard tonight from 6 to 6:30 over station C.F.P.R. He will speak on the Korean situation.



LOBSTER KING — King Neptune, otherwise known as John Mackenzie, is crowned king of the annual lobster carnival at Pictou, centre of Nova Scotia's lobster industry. Officiating is Mr. Justice Keller Mackay of the Ontario Appellate Court, a native of Pictou. (CP Photo)

## BASEBALL SCORES TODAY

**American League**  
Boston 6, Detroit 5 (11 innings).

**National League**  
Philadelphia 10, Pittsburgh 9 (11 innings).

**Pacific Coast**  
Portland 8, Oakland 7  
Seattle 6, Hollywood 7  
San Francisco 5, San Diego 6  
Los Angeles 4, Sacramento 1

**American**  
St. Louis 1-3, New York 16-4  
Detroit 9, Boston 5  
Cleveland 4, Philadelphia 0  
Chicago 4, Washington 5

**National**  
Boston 3, Chicago 11  
Philadelphia 3-2, Pittsburgh 2-4

**Western International**  
New York 4-3, St. Louis 18-10  
Brooklyn-Cincinnati postponed  
Yakima 9, Salem 0  
Tacoma 8-1, Spokane 3-3  
Tri-City 6-12, Vancouver 4-0  
Wenatchee 4, Victoria 3

## Alaska Is On Alert

**Jets Ready To Move Off At Moment's Notice Of Sneak Attack**

**FAIRBANKS**—All air fields in Alaska have been out on the alert with jet fighter planes standing by on a 24-hour basis ready to take to the air in the event of a "Pearl Harbor" sneak attack. The radar watch has been tightened up on a continuous basis.

## TODAY'S STOCKS

(Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co. Ltd.)

Vancouver	
Bayonne	.02 1/2
Bralorne	7.20
B. R. Con	.03
Cariboo Quartz	1.07
Hedley Mascot	.23
Pend Oreille	5.90
Pioneer	2.35
Premier Border	.02 1/2
Reeves McDonald	2.85
Reno	.03
Sheep Creek	1.10
Silbak Premier	.30
Taku River	.05
Vananda	.10
Salmon Gold	.04
Silver Standard	1.60
Western Uranium	.58
Oils—	
Anglo Canadian	5.00
A. P. Con	.38
Atlantic	2.50
Central Leduc	1.40
Home Oil	13.75
Mercury	.12
Oqalta	1.50
Pacific Pete	6.00
Princess	.53
Royal Canadian	1/2 .07 3/4
Royalite	11.25
Toronto	
Athona	.08
Aumaque	.18
Beattie	.45
Bevcourt	.54
Bobjo	.11
Buffalo Canadian	.17 1/2
Consol. Smelters	100.00
Donalda	.45
Eldona	.25
East Sullivan	6.75
Giant Yellowknife	6.65
God's Lake	.29
Hardrock	.33
Heva	.05 1/4
Jackknife	.05
Joliet Quebec	.48
Lapaska	.04
Madsen Red Lake	2.25
McKenzie Red Lake	.41
McLeod Cocksbutt	2.30
Moneta	.17
Negus	1.09
Noranda	66.50
Louvicourt	.13 1/4
Picicle Crow	1.95
Regocourt	.05 1/2
San Antonio	2.55
Senator Rouyn	.23
Sheritt Gordon	1.92
Steep Rock	3.25
Sturgeon River	.15 1/4
Silver Miller	.78
Upper Canada	2.04

## Flaming Taegon Given Up By U.N. Defenders

Fierce Fighting Now Going On Forty Miles South Of Provisional Capital

### CHONJU OCCUPIED

TOKYO (CP)—North Koreans today occupied Chonju, 40 miles southwest of Taejon and fifteen miles south of Iria, their previous most southerly penetration, a United States Army spokesman reported.

TOKYO (CP)—American and North Korean troops were tonight engaged in fierce fighting as far as forty miles south of Taejon after some field dispatches had said that the important key rail and highway junction had been abandoned by its defenders in the face of a new and powerful drive by the Communist invaders. Some of the Americans were trapped.

Reuters said that the last Americans had been ordered out of the blazing city at dusk after a day of street fighting in which they took a heavy toll of invading tanks.

The Communist drive farther to the west was also reported to be making progress.

Spokesmen at United States military headquarters in Korea said the Army had lost touch with General William F. Dean, commander of the United States 24th Division, fighting at Taejon, but added: "That does not mean he is missing."

A trainload of American wounded was left behind in the American retreat.

United States troops were credited with knocking out at least eleven of a score or more tanks which the North Koreans had flung against Taejon which had served as provisional capital of South Korea since the fall of Seoul.

## Arabian Oil Line To Begin Operation By First Of Year

By FRED J. ZUSY

SIDON, Lebanon (AP)—Giant steel storage tanks are mushrooming up just south of this ancient phoenician town to mark the delivery end of a giant strategic oil pipeline.

The American-owned pipeline is 1,067 miles long and 30 to 31 inches in diameter. It cost more than \$200,000,000. Oil will start moving through the line the first of next year. The initial rate is planned at 300,000 barrels a day and the flow later may be increased to 500,000 barrels.

The famous "Big Inch" in the United States when completed in 1943 was 1,254 miles long and delivered 300,000 barrels daily through its 24-inch diameter. It now carries natural gas.

The new pipeline will carry crude oil from the fabulously rich Saudi-Arabian fields in the Persian Gulf area to tankers anchored a half-mile off the Lebanese coast.

The line will save ships a 7,000-mile sea voyage around the vast Arabian Peninsula and through the Suez Canal. It will also save the present 18 cents per barrel canal toll. That's \$54,000 a day.

The shortcut by-passing the Suez Canal was talked about during the Second World War when the U.S. government granted export permits for the 323,000 tons of steel required at a time when steel was very much in demand at home.

Military strategy and advice played a big part in this decision, debated before congressional committees.

Some strategists, however, would have vetoed the project arguing it would be a ripe plum for Soviet picking in event of war. The line, they said, would be impossible to defend.

Economists predict total middle east crude production will exceed 2,000,000 barrels daily by 1953. Total Middle East crude production is already five times what it was in 1945.

Middle East oil is expected to gradually displace western hemisphere oil in European markets.

**DANCE EVERY FRIDAY NITE**  
Oddfellows Hall