DEFENCE LOANS BILL AGREED TO

NO OPPOSITION IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON, Tuesday. THE Defence Loans Bill passed its second reading in the House of Commons last evening. The Bill is aimed at raising £200 million for the purchase of new war matériel. The House was adjourned without debate on the Bill, which will now go to a Committee of the Whole House for further consideration.

Arms Unemployment

Mr. Watson, the Minister of Labour, said that the unemployment figures for this week showed a slight increase. The figures for the week ending February 22 were: Men, 1,234,000; Women, 632,000; Children, 192,000. The total unemployment figure for the week was 2,058,000.

POLISH MINISTER TO VISIT BRITAIN

Mr. Edward Czerny, the Polish Minister for Foreign Affairs, is due to arrive in London on Friday for talks with the British Government. The talks are expected to be concerned with the situation in Poland and the possibility of Polish troops joining the British forces in the Far East.

JAPAN IS DESIROUS OF A NEW UNDERSTANDING

TOKIO, Tuesday. JAPAN has declared its desire for a new understanding with the Western powers, but the Western powers have rejected the proposal. The Western powers have said that Japan must first cease its aggressive actions before any new understanding can be reached.

POLITICAL TERRORISM

Leader Sentenced To Death

MOSUL, Tuesday. The leader of the Communist party in Mosul was sentenced to death by a military court. The leader was accused of treason and subversion.

PROSPERITY RETURNING TO FRANCE

PARIS, Tuesday. The French economy is showing signs of recovery, with industrial output increasing and unemployment figures falling. The government is hoping to continue this trend by implementing economic reforms.

NATIONAL TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT OF U.S.

WASHINGTON, Monday. A national tribute to President Roosevelt was held in Washington last evening. The tribute was attended by many dignitaries, including Mr. Churchill, who praised Roosevelt for his leadership during the war.

RAJPUT DISPUTE SETTLED

Gandhi Breaks His Fast

Jaipur, Monday. The dispute between the Jat and Rajput communities in Jaipur has been settled. Gandhi, the Jat leader, has broken his fast after a week of hunger strike.

SPANISH WAR "Orderly Surrender" Likely

LONDON, Tuesday. The British Government has announced that it believes a "orderly surrender" of Spanish Republican forces is likely. The Government has been in contact with various groups, including the Nationalist leader Franco, who has expressed a willingness to negotiate.

BIGGEST BATTLE OF YEAR IN CHINA

Desperate Struggle On Line 350 Miles Long

HEIONG KONG, Tuesday. The Chinese Government has announced that it is facing the biggest battle of the year on the line 350 miles long. The battle is being fought against the Japanese forces, who are advancing rapidly.

EMPLOYMENT IMPROVES IN BRITAIN

12,220,000 AT WORK

LONDON, Monday. An improvement in employment figures for January has been announced. The number of people employed in the country increased by 2%, reaching 12,220,000.

SURVEYOR FOUND DEAD WITH THROAT WOUNDED

A SOLICITOR WANTED

LONDON, Tuesday. A solicitor, aged 36, was found dead with a wound in the throat. The police are investigating the murder.

TENNIS

Quist Wins M.C.C. Title

Canterbury, Tuesday. Mrs. Quist won the M.C.C. women's tennis title last evening.

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