

SMALL NATIONS IN EUROPE FEEL NEED FOR ARMS

Even Pacific Denmark Joins
Military Race as War
Fears Grow.

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LONDON, April 9.—The contagion of the worldwide armament race has infected every nation in Europe, large and small. The smallest and most peaceful countries, whose only object is the maintenance of national security, are startled by the war preparations of their big neighbors. They too have commenced spending to build up their defenses.

Even Pacific Denmark, which most nearly achieved the ideal of disarmament, has felt impelled to introduce a defense bill of \$4,371,000 for modernization of her army and construction of new warships in the next six years.

Equally peaceful Norway is preparing a defense bill in which the Socialist leaders are demanding an increase in the military budget estimates from \$9,348,000 to \$13,530,000.

Sweden already has boosted her military budget from \$28,268,000 to \$37,355,000. And has a special appropriation of \$27,250,200 which may be spent in three years to purchase modern war material.

Holland Boosts Army

Holland, with her vulnerable empire in the Dutch East Indies, is quickly strengthening her army. She is adding 100 airplanes to her air force, building eight submarines and rushing her frontier defenses to completion. Already 42 to 44 blockhouses along her border are ready.

A year ago Holland voted \$36,000,000 to be spent on airplanes and antiaircraft guns. Her plans to resist invasion include calling on her traditional enemy, Water, as her strongest ally in wartime by cutting her dykes and flooding great areas of the Netherlands.

Holland rejected Fuehrer Hitler's offer last January to guarantee her neutrality. She contended that her integrity was axiomatic. Not subject to written agreements. But she prepares to fight, if necessary.

Belgium, Europe's European battlefield, is engaged in shaping new diplomatic defenses aimed to free herself from any commitment to France or anyone in wartime. She has a new foreign policy based on her independence, neutrality and impartiality toward her neighbors. This was one of the objects of King Leopold's recent visit to London.

Maintains Mobile Force

Under a new military statute, Belgium maintains a mobile armed force of 30,000 soldiers trained to bear the brunt of any attack pending the mobilization of a supporting field army of about 650,000 men. Her entire army, however, is strongly fortified, chiefly with steel and concrete underground forts. This year, Belgium is spending \$66,312,000 on her army and other defenses and she has \$25,600,800 in her extraordinary budget also available.

Austria is planning to raise loans equivalent to \$50,000,000 of which \$5,000,000 will be devoted to additional armaments.

All the Balkan nations are rushing defense increases. Yugoslavia maintains 115,000 soldiers under arms but Premier Milan Stoyadinovitch said that counting trained reserves, the country could put 1,000,000 men in the field. This year's military budget totaled \$57,318,000—nearly one-fourth of the whole budget and about \$1,650,000 more than last year.

Hungary's Army Small

Hungary, with only a small army of 35,000 men, raised her military budget \$792,000 to a total of \$19,324,800.

Rumania, with 140,000 men in her army, has a total budget amounting to \$19,240,000. She has an appropriation of \$2,965,920. In her ordinary estimates as well as \$1,535,500 for an extraordinary spending program.

The larger middle European nations—Poland and Czechoslovakia—are wedged in between powerful and mutually hostile neighbors. Germany and Soviet Russia. They occupy a dangerous situation in the event of war in which either neighbor is implicated.

Poland's position is illustrated by a current joke in Warsaw that the Polish national salute now consists of the right hand raised in the Hitler salute and the left hand simultaneously raised in the Communist clenched-fist salute.

Poland has launched a five-year plan of extensive rearmament aided by a new French loan of \$119,730,000. To be spent largely for war materials in France. This year she will spend in her regular military budget \$145,766,400 plus \$26,572,000 of the French loan besides \$47,450,000 from her extraordinary armaments credit. Totalling \$219,788,400—or over half the total regular budget, the largest proportion in any nation except possibly Germany.

New Defense Measures

Poland maintains 273,000 soldiers. Her new defense measures include a scheme for concentration of her national war industries in the so-called "strategic triangle" in the middle of the country where water, power, oil and gas are available.

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Cast Chosen for Operetta



Betty Hartzell (left), Jeanette St. Clair and Robert Glauke are among members of the cast of "A Plantation Romance," an operetta to be presented at Broad Ripple High School next Friday night. About 100 pupils are to appear in the production. It is being directed by Raymond Hall, music teacher, and was written by Mrs. Milo Stewart, English teacher.

GOES TO FINALS

Arthur Northrup, a Shortridge High School Junior, is to represent his school in the final round of the State Discussion League Contest to be held in Bloomington, April 16. He won local and district contests.

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Shifting vital industries from vulnerable regions in upper Silesia will take 10 years. It is estimated at a total cost of \$500,000,000. It is planned to spend \$150,000,000 this year.

Czechoslovakia is an island of democracy in a sea of totalitarian regimes. Sometimes she is characterized as "The Belgium of the next war." She is supplementing her alliances with France, Russia and the Little Entente by heavy reinforcements of her military strength.

This year, her regular military budget is \$47,464,000, plus an extraordinary appropriation of \$15,286,200 from Czechoslovakia's defense loan. This is in addition to \$104,700,000 from the defense loan allocated for gradual re-equipment of her forces, of which a portion will be utilized this year.

Her aviation expense estimates were raised from \$3,036,300 to \$3,664,500. Czechoslovakia maintains 163,000 soldiers in her army.

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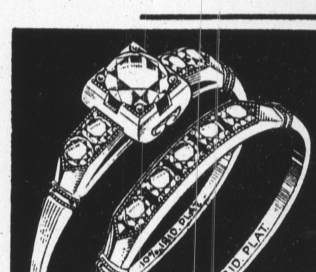
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