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Munshi Wants Emergency To Continue

25/ **'PUBLIC MUST NOT CRITICISE
GOVT. FOR MISUSE OF POWER'**

By A Staff Reporter

A FERVENT plea for continuing the emergency was made by the Swatantra Party leader, Mr. K. M. Munshi, in Bombay on Tuesday.

"As long as our position on the northern border is not stabilised, the emergency must continue," he declared.

Mr. Munshi, who was addressing the Rotary Club of Bombay at the Taj Mahal Hotel on "The emergency and its implications," said the emer-

gency presupposed an external threat and military preparedness to meet it.

He warned the people to be prepared for more taxes, to tighten their belts and make greater sacrifices to increase defence production. It was not proper to criticise the Government for mis-using the emergency or for not controlling waste. Reports of China massing troops poured in almost daily. The country must take steps to meet all eventualities.

Mr. Munshi said "our real and true friends are the democracies. The present conflict was between democracy and totalitarianism.

He said it was fallacious to say that India had won her freedom by non-violent means. Many factors had helped the country gain independence. He felt that the defence expenditure had to be considerably stepped up to meet the Chinese danger.

Rotarian president Dr. Jai F. Bulsara was in the chair, Rotarian R. G. Saraiya proposed a vote of thanks.