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\$29,500 Deficit Is Anticipated

Another And Still Larger Deficit Predicted By Premier Saunders For The Coming Year. Budget Speech Last Night Dealt With Mounting Liabilities.

A deficit for the coming year of \$29,500 was forecast by Premier Saunders in his budget speech last night.

The total revenue of the province Mr. Saunders estimated at \$799,467 and the total expenditure \$828,000.

He itemized the estimated revenue for 1929 as follows:

Dominion Subsidy	\$ 497,181.82
D. N. R. Property Tax	40,000.00
Public Lands	100.00
Provincial Secretary's Fees	1,250.00
Prothonotary's Fees	2,000.00
Registrar of Deeds, Charlottetown	4,800.00
Registrar of Deeds, Summerside	3,000.00
County Court, Fees	5,000.00
Fines and Penalties	100.00
Hedders' Licenses	1,000.00
Falconwood Hospital Fees	8,000.00
Private Bills Fees	350.00
Casual Revenue	500.00
Amusement Tax	6,000.00
Fire Insurance Companies	12,000.00
Life Insurance Companies	7,000.00
Life Insurance Agents' Premium Tax	300.00
Life Insurance Agents' Licenses	300.00
Fire Insurance Agents' Licenses	38.00
Accident and Guarantee Companies	900.00
Brokers' Tax	1,500.00
Trust and Loan Companies	900.00
Banks	13,500.00
Telegraph Company	800.00
Seamship Companies	350.00
Electric Light Companies	1,300.00
Telephone Company	1,400.00
Succession Duty	40,000.00
Real Estate, Income and Personal Property, current	110,000.00
House, Dog and Road Tax	25,000.00
Arrears of Taxes	20,000.00
	\$799,467.88

done away with this year. Last year he had budgeted, he said for a deficit of \$15,000. But due to attention to economy consistent with excellent public service the deficit was only some \$1500. In every department, save only that of public works a substantial saving had been made. The speaker went on to quote from the Public Accounts in illustration of this, showing the savings which had been made in the different departments.

COMPARATIVE EXPENDITURES

In the first part of the year 1927 the Conservatives spent \$24,000 during their period of seven and one half months in office. We spent in our period in office \$329,000. This works out at \$48,000 per month for the Conservatives and \$70,000 for us. This year we spent \$821,951 or at the rate of \$68,000 per month—\$18,000 per month less than the Conservatives did when they were in office in 1927. Premier Saunders then went into Public Works expenditures in some detail—particularly expenditures on the roads. He went on to contrast the roads of 1928, after gravel had been applied, and improvements effected with the new road machinery, with the roads as they were in 1927.

In the Public Works Department, he said, aside from expenditure on roads, the expenditure compared very favorably with that in the years 1921, '22, '23 and '24.

While we are receiving \$125,000 more money than we were two years ago, we are losing income by reason of \$55,000 to \$7,000 loss in revenue as a result of the policy the Liberal party have pursued in regard to prohibition, also due to the cutting off by the Conservatives of the poll tax, and the land tax.

He scored The Guardian for saying the province had gone behind \$200,000 instead of some \$1500, saying that there was a difference between a debt and a liability. The fact is, he stated we have borrowed \$270,000 on capital expenditure, \$170,000 borrowed for travelling and \$100,000 for road machinery. He asserted that, if they wanted to sell the road machinery they could get \$91,000 for it; also \$20,000 for the Newport ferry boat—just about what was paid for them.

ROAD MACHINERY

As to the road machinery—\$18,500 was put away for a sinking fund, to meet the debentures which mature in ten years, and the same for the travelling, whose debentures mature in twenty years time. "In other words we have liquid assets of \$111,000. Take that from \$192,000 and at most we have increased the liabilities of the Province only to the extent of \$81,000."

It was true however, that, year by year, we had been increasing our liability, without any effort to fund the debt. This was bad business, but debt funding could only be done by increased subsidies, or increased taxation.

BUDGETS FOR A DEFICIT

Premier Saunders went on to say that he thought it was much better to budget for a deficit, if such was all that could be expected, rather than to budget for a surplus and reap only a deficit. This was the plan adopted last year, and it would be followed this year also.

He then went on to enumerate the various sources of revenue, and the sums he expected to receive therefrom during 1929. The total was \$799,467 and estimated expenditure of \$828,000, thus giving an estimated deficit of some \$29,500. A year ago he had budgeted for a deficit of \$15,000, and had got a deficit of

PLEBISCITE TO BE HELD NEXT JULY

Voters Will be Asked Whether They Favor Prohibition or Government Control.

In the Legislature yesterday Premier Saunders gave notice of motion of the following resolution seconded by the Hon. Mr. McIntyre:

Resolved that a Plebiscite relating to the control and suppression of traffic in alcoholic liquors be submitted to qualified electors of the Province in the month of July, A.D., 1929, on a ballot containing the following questions:

(1) Are you in favor of the Prohibition Act as now in force in this Province?

(2) Are you in favor of the sale as a beverage of beer and spirituous liquor in sealed packages under Government Control?

Wahabis Again On The Warpath

(Canadian Press)

NEW YORK, N. Y., Apr. 3.—A special cable to the New York Times from Amman, Transjordan, says:—Reports of a new Wahabi raid reached here Tuesday. The attack is considered the fiercest of any that have yet taken place.

More than 400 Howaitas, members of one of the most famous Arabian tribes, were killed. The entire camp at Jebel Belda was wiped out, even the tents being destroyed. The chieftain of this tribe is a cousin of the noted Auja Abutayb, mentioned in Col. T. E. Lawrence's book, and an outstanding Arab figure."

Another dispatch stated that about 5,000 Arabs are concentrated between Jour and Kiry at El-Melik, in Wahabi territory near the Transjordanian border. Ibn Saud's son is reported to be commanding the forces and it is therefore, the authorities believe, unlikely that they will attack Transjordan, because Saud would not risk his son.

only \$1500. He hoped a similar happy result would come this year also; moreover he hoped that we would at least secure justice at Ottawa in the matter of increased subsidies.

The speaker went on to deal with this question at some length, telling of the visits to Ottawa and Montreal in connection with the increased subsidy and also the new car ferry, \$3,500,000 had been placed in the estimates for this ship and necessary docking facilities. This matter came up at the time increased subsidies were being pressed for, and naturally the Federal Government felt, when they were spending all this money in Prince Edward Island in one year they were doing reasonably well. He conferred with the Minister of Finance who promised a committee of experts to look into the claims of this province for increased subsidies in the autumn of the fall.

He supposed this committee will report back to the Federal Government; so that this time next year he was "really hopeful" that the matter will be settled. "As to what time we will get an increase," he admitted, "it is impossible for me to say. It is impossible even for me to make a forecast."

SUBSIDIES

The Premier proceeded to go into the history of our claims to increased subsidies and the substantial justice of them. For instance, the Dominion Government had built the railways for the other provinces, and were prepared to take over the railway debt of Newfoundland, if it entered the Confederation. Why, then, were we held to account for \$3,500,000 in connection with the construction of our own railway.

He enumerated other claims—those on account of crown lands among them. The Dominion advanced us \$800,000 to buy out the landlords at

Apply for Board of Conciliation

(Special to the Guardian)

TORONTO, April 3.—Union operators in the employ of the Canadian Marconi Company on the great lakes and trans-oceanic service have applied to Hon. Peter Heenan, federal minister of labor, for a board of conciliation to establish wages and conditions, it was announced yesterday. The men are seeking wage increases and improved working conditions. It is claimed that negotiations with the company have been unsuccessful.

WORK DONE BY PUBLICITY ASSOCIATION

Outlined by Judge Arsenault in Interesting Address at Summerside Last Night.

A meeting of Summerside members of the P.E.I. Publicity and Tourist Association was held last night and took the pleasurable form of a supper at Eddy's tea rooms, which was put on and served in splendid style. The object of the meeting which was ably presided over by Senator McArthur was to select ten teams to canvass Summerside for subscriptions to the association. This was done and the teams will start work at once.

Mr. Justice Arsenault addressed the meeting in his most interesting and convincing manner outlining the good work that is now being done by the association, work which it would be interesting when any one was in Charlottetown to go to the office there and see for themselves. He deplored that the Island had no bureau of statistics which had been proposed to the government but nothing had yet developed. He pointed out how the tourist traffic was increasing every year, making up to railways in long hauls what they had lost in short hauls through autos. From the bureau now opened in Toronto he looked for a very large increase in tourists to the Island from Ontario. In all parts the Island is getting more popular every year as a tourist resort but what we are up against is the lack of hotel and other tourist accommodation.

Judge Arsenault pointed out that last year 4,000 motor cars came to the Island and this year he fully expected 5,000. The C. N. R. had decided to build a hotel at Charlottetown which would be a benefit to the whole Island. It would be an inducement for people to come to the Island. Last year every place was filled that could accommodate people and he thought that anybody who was a live wire should get into the bungalow proposition which offered a great field for profitable investment.

After referring to the great amount of publicity P. E. Island is getting in the press from the railways and other sources, Judge Arsenault stated that the drive for subscriptions to the association now on in Charlottetown was meeting with great success, subscriptions ranging from \$5 to \$150. Last year the 4,000 cars brought an average of three persons to the car, 12,000 to the Island and over 1800 came by rail, equal to a city of 30,000 people. With the additional accommodation in the new car ferry and later on a causeway connecting us with the mainland there would be a steady increase in tourists year by year.

Mr. H. T. Holman spoke briefly stating that if Prince County had not hitherto received the benefits from tourists that the other counties had, it was from lack of bungalows and other accommodation, which matter should certainly be taken up and more money must be spent in advertising.

A meeting of motor car owners was held last at 8 p. m. in the town hall at which Judge Arsenault as president of the P. E. Island Motor League delivered a very fine and enthusiastic address, at the close of which a Prince County executive committee of five was appointed as follows: Mr. F. J. E. Wright, chairman; Messrs. H. T. Holman, Leigh Horna, Frank Arnett and Dr. E. T. Tanton.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY PROCEEDINGS

Government Will Not Give City and Towns of Province Share of Railway Grant Till Subsidy Increase Set- tled States Premier.

At yesterday afternoon's session of the Legislative Assembly, among the questions asked by the Conservative members was one by Dr. MacMillan, as to whether the Government was prepared to implement their platform promises by giving the city of Charlottetown and the incorporated towns of the Province a share of the \$40,000,000 Railway Grant.

The Premier, in answer said he hoped to deal generously with the city and towns when they got the increased subsidy from Ottawa. In the meantime, he felt, it was better in their own interests that the Government wait and see.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Wednesday, April 3

The House met at 4.25 p. m.

Mr. J. D. Stewart asked the Minister of Public Works:

1. What was the total quantity of gasoline used by or on behalf of the Government for all purposes from 1st January 1928 to 1st March 1929?
 2. What was the total cost of same?
 3. What quantity was used for road machines?
 4. What quantity for motor cars?
 5. Give the respective quantities used in several departments of the public service.
 6. Has the Government established a Government Filling Station? If not, how is gasoline purchased and how was it purchased during 1928?
- Hon. J. P. MacIntyre stated the answers were not yet ready.
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Procedure Nec- essary to Avoid Deportation

(Special to the Guardian)

BOSTON, Mass., April 3.—While positive, authoritative assurance for the many thousands of French Canadians in New England that the government has no intention of disturbing them by any wholesale deportation that would forever bar them again from entering the United States has been given by Secy. of Labor Davis at Washington, the fact that alien Canadians must take action, and immediate action, on their own behalf in order to avoid deportation proceedings was made clear here today.

Those who came in across the Canadian border prior to July 1, 1924, are safe. Those who came in unlawfully since that date—that is without proper passport visas as required by the immigration law—or visitors who have overstayed their allotted time can correct this by voluntarily going back to Canada and coming in again as the law requires, without any quotas restrictions, thus saving themselves from impending danger of deportation with its bar to ever again enter this country.

If Canadians illegally in this country return to Canada and then present themselves at a port of entry, they will be welcomed and any offence that may have been committed in the past against federal laws will be forgiven them. But if they take a chance and remain here and are scooped up in the federal net they are lost. If they are not scooped in the federal net and by chance slip by it and should happen to cross the international boundary even 10 or 20 years from now, they could never get back. Thus it is plain they will be virtually barred from ever visiting the dominion.

VIENNA, April 3.—The Seipel cabinet, which has governed Austria since May 19, 1927, resigned today.

Awarded Prize For Proficiency

(Canadian Press)

MONTREAL, April 3.—Miss Lillian Donald, of Kensington, P. E. I., was awarded a prize for the highest standing and for general proficiency in the first of the 1929 graduating class of Royal Victoria Hospital school of nursing. The closing exercises were held here today.

FOUR DEATHS FROM DROWNING YESTERDAY

(Canadian Press)

CLARKS HARBOR, N. S., Apr. 3.—Two fifteen year old boys, Delbert Goodwin and Hadwin Nickerson of Lower Clarks Harbor were drowned today when their small boat capsized. The cause of the accident is not definitely known but it is presumed the boat turned over as the boys were about to overhaul a lobster trap.

Osborne Phillips of Clarks Harbor rowed past the two shortly before the mishap. He heard their screams but they had gone down when he reached the spot. He hurried ashore for help but dragging operations had failed to discover the bodies tonight.

HALIFAX, N. S., Apr. 3.—A mother who rushed into a welter of cold water and broken ice this afternoon succeeded in saving a five year old son from death but another son age four, and a nephew two years older, were dead when taken from the waters of Chocolate Lake. The dead are Lloyd Keating, 4, son of Joseph Keating, and Morris Keating, 6, son of Abner Keating.

The three boys had been playing on the shore of Chocolate Lake across the Northwest Arm from Halifax at the foot of the hill on which the houses of their parents stand. A fourth, also a son of Joseph Keating, went home to get something to eat and coming out of the house noticed that his playmates were nowhere in sight. He at once shouted the news to his mother, who ran down the hill to the lake and found that the boys had gone through the ice ten yards or so from shore in several feet of water. She was able to bring her two sons to shore.

Mrs. Abner Keating also reached the lake and entered the water in a vain attempt to save her son, whose body was recovered an hour later. Physicians succeeded in resuscitating Albert, one of Joseph Keating's sons, but Joseph, Jr. was dead. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental drowning.

Mussolini Meets British Foreign Secretary

(Special to the Guardian)

FLORENCE, Italy, April 3.—Premier Mussolini motored today from the Villa Carpena, where he is staying, and met Sir Austen Chamberlain at Villa Bagna Ripoll. Sir Austen was host to the duke at luncheon at the Villa Giolosa. Their conversation began about 11 o'clock and in the course of it they discussed the general state of European politics. At the conclusion of the interview they let it be known that their two governments were agreed on the general lines of all European policies. After this conversation Premier Mussolini offered a private luncheon to Sir Austen and Lady Chamberlain at the castle of Montalbano.

TO PROROGUE LEGISLATURE

(Canadian Press)

QUEBEC, Que., April 3.—It was stated officially at the parliament buildings today that the swearing in of the new Lieut. Governor, Hon. G. Carroll, would take place tomorrow afternoon, and that immediately following upon this ceremony the prorogation of the legislature, held since New moon Tuesday, April 9th, at up by the death of Sir Lomer Gouin would be affected by his succession in office.

Premier Bracken Denies Charges

New Trial Granted

(Canadian Press)

OTTAWA, Ont., Apr. 3.—A new trial has been granted by the governor-in-council in the case of Aurele Delisle of La Tuque, Que., condemned to die on Friday next. Delisle who is now confined to the cells in Quebec City, was recently convicted of the murder of his wife.

Tariff Revision Recommended

(Canadian Press)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 3.—Revision of the tariff on farm products, reduction of transportation costs by the development of inland waterways and federal assistance in marketing through a farm board were recommended by the Senate agriculture committee today by Secretary Hyde, as the basis for a sound agricultural relief policy. The Secretary read his views from a prepared statement. Although he had had a long conference with President Hoover last evening he emphasized he was speaking for himself alone.

Rebels Stage Furious Assault

(Special to the Guardian)

NACO, Sonora, Mexico, April 3.—The long-awaited rebel assault on the federal garrison at Naco started today at 9.10 a. m. Federal cavalry outposts withdrew to their entrenchments as insurgent cavalry came within firing distance of the city. The rebels continued to advance in the face of a terrific storm of rifle and machine gun fire from the defenders of the city. This correspondent witnessed the clash from a roof top within the federal entrenchments. The rebel cavalry charged fast at the entrenchments. Rebel horses crumpled to the ground as they were struck by the withering fire. The rebel cavalry composed mostly of Yaqui and Mayo Indians, fought in the approved Indian style. They circled the federal trenches closing in upon their opponents with each circle. With the rebel and federal forces less than 1,000 yards apart, the battle became one of intense rifle fire.

A plane believed to be the Southern Cross passed over the mission station Sunday afternoon, headed southward toward the sea, the rescue plane's pilot reported here by radio.



TORONTO, April 3.—Maritime, mild southwest to south winds, fair and mild.

Toronto, fair 44-30
Montreal, clear 32-28
Quebec, clear 28-14
Ottawa, clear 37-23
Halifax, clear 46-22
Saint John, clear 34-20
Boston, clear 50-38
New York, clear 54-40
High tide this morning at 7:08 and 6:31 p. m.
Low tide this morning at 5:31 and 5:00 p. m.
Summerside tide 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

Manitoba Premier Appeared For First Time Be- fore Seven Sisters Royal Commis- sion.

(Canadian Press)

WINNIPEG, Man., Apr. 3.—Appearing for the first time before the Seven Sisters royal commission, Premier John Bracken today denied corruption charges against his Manitoba administration laid by Col. F. M. Taylor, K. C., provincial conservative leader. No promise or understanding existed, testified the premier, prior to March 20th, 1928, when lease negotiations with the Winnipeg Electric Company were completed.

In denial to Mr. Taylor's allegations made during a by-election campaign in the fall of 1928, Premier Bracken stated that the Seven Sisters negotiations were not commenced in the summer of 1928; that he did not know at that time of election contributions to his party; and that there existed no secret agreement of any kind.

"Did you, yourself, receive any consideration?" asked Isaac Pitblado K. C., counsel for the government.

"None whatever," Premier Bracken replied.

That he did not know of Winnipeg Electric Company's contributions to his party until after publication of Col. Taylor's charges was the Premier's contention. Informed that the provincial party had received no such aid, he had telephoned Edward Anderson, K. C. then counsel for the company, for definite information. Mr. Anderson, now successor to A. W. McLimont, as president of the company, told him that all three parties had given contributions. The sums were \$3,000 to the Bracken-Winnipeg fund; \$3,500 to the Conservative and \$500 to the Liberals, the premier had been told.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

SYDNEY, N. S. W., April 3.—First definite news regarding the lost Southern Cross, famous Trans-Pacific plane, and its crew of four, was received here today from a rescue plane which reached Drysdale mission station. The rescue plane established definitely that Captain Charles E. Kingsford-Smith and his three companions never landed at Drysdale mission station nor anywhere near it.

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