

Outlines Role of Federal Gov't. In Unemployment

OTTAWA, March 28 — (CP) — Finance Minister Abbott told the Commons tonight in his budget speech that the Federal Government "cannot and should not" attempt to assume responsibility for regional problems of unemployment.

To his mind, he said in the fiscal portion of his financial account, the proper role of the central government was fourfold: 1. Through its fiscal and general policies, it should try to create a "favorable climate for healthy economic expansion and development."

2. It should have "careful regard in planning its own operations for the best timing and the best placing of its capital and developmental expenditures."

3. It should recognize "a special responsibility" for the promotion and development of basic primary industries and other industries of national significance.

4. It should be ready to co-operate actively with provincial governments, and through them with municipal governments, in meet-

ing regional problems that "threaten nationwide economic repercussions."

There had been differences which had led the general public to overlook, or at least to underestimate, the "very large amount of practical day-to-day co-operation" between the Federal and Provincial Governments. There actually was "a great deal of this working together."

Mr. Abbott made his comments in reporting on 1949 employment, which had turned "moderately downward" after rising through the year until August or September. While employment was down one per cent at the end of the year, total labor income was up five per cent over the preceding year.

Unemployment totals had been higher because of the continued growth of the total labor force.

"The outlook for 1950," he said, "seems to be that the volume of employment will increase moderately but it is possible that it may not catch up with growth in total labor supply."

will charge other departments for mail services, and that it will be able to show a modest surplus on a commercial basis of accounting."

Highlights Of Fiscal Portion Budget Speech

OTTAWA, March 28 — (CP) — Highlights of the fiscal portion of Finance Minister Abbott's Budget Speech:

Estimated budgetary surplus of \$111,000,000 for the 1949-50 fiscal year, compared with \$95,000,000 for 1948-49.

Revenue for 1949-50 estimated at \$2,549,000,000, a decrease of \$222,800,000.

Expenditures estimated at \$2,437,500,000, an increase of \$261,600,000.

Estimated net debt at end of fiscal year \$11,665,000,000, a decrease of \$111,000,000.

Canada's reserves of gold and United States dollars totalled \$1,204,200,000 at March 25, compared with a low of \$461,000,000 in December, 1947, and with \$1,117,100,000 at Dec. 31, 1949.

Consensus of informed views about the outlook for 1950 is that employment, output and price levels in both Canada and the United States will show no great change from 1949.

Volume of employment will increase moderately but it is possible that it may not catch up with growth in total labor supply.

Devaluation of the Canadian dollar has improved Canada's trading position.

The Government is a little disappointed at the apparent inability of overseas countries to resume their traditional share of the Canadian import market.

BROOKFIELD W. I.

The regular meeting of the Brookfield Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Pearl McLeod on March 7. Meeting opened by repeating the Creed in unison. Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed. Roll call was answered by nine members and three visitors were present. Collection, eighty cents.

A letter of thanks was received from Jean McLeod for fruit when she was sick. There were no reports from either the sick or school committees. The Red Cross convener reported no material had been received yet. A letter was read re the Blue Cross.

Miss Joyce Nicholson and Mrs. Reagh Moore were appointed on the programme committee for next month. Mrs. Donald Campbell invited the members for the next meeting. Meeting closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer. Two contests were put on by Miss Catherine McLeod and crocheting was enjoyed by all present for an hour. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess.

BRIGADE HELPED

BIGGLESWADE, Bedfordshire, England — (CP) — Members of the St. John Ambulance brigade from two nearby villages give their services free at week-ends to the Biggleswade people. Last year they worked more than 517 hours.

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Would End Free Use Of The Mails

OTTAWA, March 28 — (CP) — Finance Minister Abbott indicated in the Commons tonight that the Government is thinking of dropping the "franking" privileges by which Government departments use the mails here.

In the fiscal portion of his 1950-51 budget speech, he noted that the Post Office is paying its own way, when wartime increases in letter rates are included, and said he hoped the growing cost of postal services could be covered by charges for these services.

"In due course," he went on, "I would hope we can arrange that it will be charged with all proper expenses of its operations, that it

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SOUTH BEDEQUE W. I.

The March meeting of South Bedeque W. I. met at the home of Mrs. Charles Henderson. The president, Mrs. Charles MacFarlane was in the chair. The meeting opened by all repeating the Creed. Nineteen members answered to roll call and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The correspondence was read and discussed, also notes of appreciation were read from members and friends who received fruit and "get-well" cards.

The sum of \$3.00 was voted to be sent to the Charlottetown Infirmary, to be used as a treat. The programme consisted of an old fashioned spelling match, which caused lots of laughter and amusement. Another item on the programme was a display of various kinds of Handicraft done by the members by way of needlework, knitting, crocheting and nookings, etc. A very beautiful hooker-rug, done by Mrs. Cyril MacFarlane, covered a great deal of interest and enthusiasm. Lunch was served by the ho. ess.

with the different members assisting. Next place of meeting to be at the home of Mrs. Robert Waugh.

SUCSUMBS TO WOUNDS

MONTREAL, March 28 — (CP) — Alphonse Beaulieu, 43-year-old night-watchman who shot himself five times in an attempt to commit suicide, died today. Beaulieu had been under police guard since last Friday when he fired one shot into his head and four shots into his stomach. The fourth shot, which penetrated his stomach, was fired after police ar-

rived on the scene to find him lying on the floor saying, "I'm trying to kill myself, but it's hard."

BEER AND SCISSORS

HAMBROOK, Somerset, England (CP) — Sunday customers at the Black Horse tavern here not only order their regular pint but a haircut as well. The local barber Frank Adams has no shop of his own and the tavernkeeper lets him use the pub's parlor.



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