

Drop In Tax Collections Gives Ottawa Nov. Deficit

OTTAWA (CP)—The government reduced defence spending in November, but another drop in corporation income tax collections shifted the monthly accounts into the red for a deficit of \$168,000. This compares with a surplus of \$9,000,000 in November, 1953.

The surplus for the first eight months of the 1954-55 fiscal year now is down to \$91,688,000, about one-third the \$275,088,000 surplus for the corresponding period a year ago, Finance Minister Harris announced Thursday in his treasury statement.

Bills tend to pile up towards the end of the year and last year this pattern reduced the final surplus to about \$45,000,000. This year the

government aimed at a nominal \$4,000,000 surplus, but the current spending pattern continues to indicate the government will end the year next March 31 in the red perhaps by more than \$100,000,000.

November's defence expenditures dropped by almost \$10,000,000 to \$148,902,000 from \$158,941,000 last year. This cut the eight-month outlay to \$775,789,000, down \$96,479,000 from \$1,069,268,000 in the corresponding 1953-54 period.

But over-all spending for the month—defence and non-defence—rose slightly to \$330,215,000 from \$329,458,000, reflecting heavier outlays for family allowance, health program, veteran affairs, pot office administration and transport.

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—HOLIDAY DANCE, Hamilton Hall, Tuesday, December 28th. Canteen.

—UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA, Kensington, Sunday, December 26th. Church School 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship 11:00 a. m. Evening Worship 7:30 p. m. Christmas Cantata repeated by Senior Choir. Summerfield 2:30 p. m. Rev. Lewis M. Murray, B. A., B. D., Minister.

—THE NEW LONDON PASTORAL CHARGE—The Presbyterian Church in Canada. Services for Sunday, December 26th. St. John's, Clifton 11:00 a. m. Geddie Memorial 2:30 p. m. Long River 7:30 p. m. Mr. Goodwill MacDougall will preach. Rev. E. H. Bean, Interim Moderator.

—THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA—Services for Sunday, December 26th. Kensington, Sunday School 10 a. m. Divine Service 11 a. m. Freetown Divine Service at 3 p. m. Keir Memorial, Malpeque, Divine Service 7:30 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Rev. E. H. Bean, B. A., B. Th., B. D., Minister.

—HAS RECOVERED—The many friends of Mr. J. Watson MacNaught, M.P., are pleased to note that he has recovered from his recent attack of influenza and is able to be out again to extend to all and to receive the compliments of the season. —S.

—CONDITION IMPROVING—It was learned last evening that Judge W. E. Darby, who has been a patient in the Prince County Hospital for some time is somewhat improved in health but will remain in hospital over the Christmas holidays. His many friends express the hope that he will soon regain his usual good health and extend to him the wish for a pleasant Yuletide season and a happy New Year. —S.

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Social Worker Angers Ladies

MONTREAL (CP)—A New York social worker, who was expected to give "a charming little speech," Thursday left a women's meeting buzzing with indignation over his opinions of Montreal.

Seymour Kline, addressing a 20th anniversary luncheon of the Women's Social Service Organization of Montreal, began this way:

"There are many different facets of life in Montreal and the social

service field here offers a challenge."

Mr. Kline then went on to criticize the transportation system, the school system and the weather.

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Total expenditure for the eight months increased to \$2,517,996,000 from \$2,514,455,000 last year. Treasury revenues continued to decline, mainly because of lower corporation tax collections.

Total November revenues dropped by about \$6,500,000 to \$330,047,000 from \$338,508,000 last year, reducing eight-month collections to \$2,809,684,000, down \$179,859,000 from \$2,989,543,000 a year ago.

Railway Revenue Figures For Aug.

OTTAWA (CP)—Operating revenues of Canada's larger railway systems declined \$10,991,905 or 10.6 per cent in August while operating expenses dropped \$8,346,759 or 8.8 per cent.

The bureau of statistics said Thursday that railway operating revenues amounted to \$92,630,521

compared with \$105,622,426 for August 1953. Operating revenues declined to \$86,001,731 from \$94,348,490.

As a result, net operating revenues fell 28.5 per cent to \$6,523,790 from \$27,388,885 and net operating income declined 44 per cent to \$2,361,527 from \$4,215,404.

For the first eight months of the year operating revenues totaled \$715,216,391 compared with \$802,092,451 in the same period in 1953. Expenses declined to \$675,192,026 from \$739,651,532.

Operating revenues have registered monthly declines ranging between \$6,000,000 and \$14,000,000 since the start of the year. At the same time monthly expenses have shown slightly smaller drops.

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