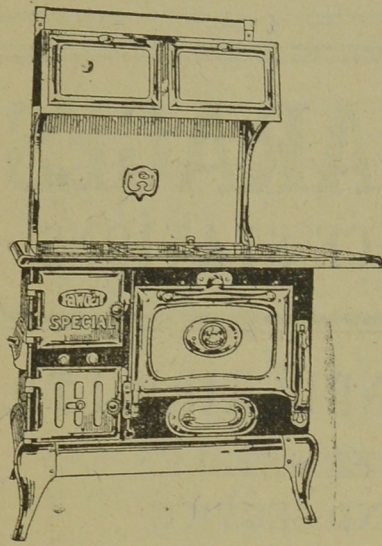


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ESTIMATES FOR 1930 BROUGHT DOWN IN THE LEGISLATURE, SURPLUS OF \$51,908 PREDICTED

Another Record Breaking Revenue is Forecasted
By Hon. A. J. Leger—An Increased Appropriation For Agriculture—Provincial Police Estimates Slashed.

The Province of New Brunswick will have a record revenue of \$6,615,029, for 1930 and this will make possible the fourth surplus in as many successive years, according to estimates presented in the Provincial Legislature this afternoon by Hon. Antoine J. Leger, Provincial Secretary-Treasurer, in his fifth Budget Speech.

The estimated surplus is \$51,908 and it is figured after more generous provision is made for agriculture, education, public health, immigration, exhibitions, hospitals and other important public services than ever before, although, at the same time, there is evidence of economies by curtailments that have been made in certain departments in order to make the surplus possible. One of the most drastic cuts is the reduction of expenditures authorized for the Provincial Police by more than \$12,000; another is the cut of over \$45,000 in the appropriation for the Forest Service. The estimated expenditures for 1930 total \$6,563,121, as compared with actual expenditures last year of \$6,580,592.

Motor Vehicle Revenue

The outstanding factor in bringing up the revenue of the Province to the estimated amount of \$6,615,029, as compared with an actual total revenue last year of \$6,589,969, despite a reduction of approximately \$120,000 in the estimated return from Territorial Revenue, is Motor Vehicles Revenue. From motor vehicle license fees it is estimated that \$885,000 will be received, as compared with \$782,318 last year, while gasoline tax is expected to produce \$600,000 as compared with actual receipts of \$538,691 from this source in 1929. In other words Motor Vehicle Revenue this year is expected to reach the new high total of \$1,485,000 as compared with actual receipts from this source last year of \$1,321,010.

More for Agriculture

The most outstanding advance in the estimated increases in expenditures is that for the Department of Agriculture, for which \$297,758 is being appropriated. Last year the actual expenditures of the Department of Agriculture amounted to \$245,367 as compared with \$158,852 the previous year. Therefore, the increase which has been made in the appropriation makes almost as much money available for the encouragement of Agriculture in 1930 as was actually expended two years ago. The increased appropriation for Agriculture is to be expended largely under the heading of general expenses of the Department of Agriculture, for which \$252,803 is being appropriated as compared with \$209,761 actually spent in 1929. There will be an increased amount available for assistance for exhibitions this year, \$29,355 being set aside for that purpose as compared with \$21,970, actually devoted to this purpose in 1929. An additional amount is also being made available this year for the Immigration and Industry Branch of the Department of Agriculture, the appropriation for this purpose being \$15,600 as compared with \$13,636 expended in 1929.

For Education

The estimate for the Department of Education shows an increase from \$633,656 expended in 1929 to \$636,467, estimated for 1930. This advance is accounted for entirely by the annually growing item of deficiency in the fund for pensions for teachers. Last year \$28,836 was devoted to this purpose, and for this year \$32,000 is required.

Expenses Curtailed

With a smaller estimated lumber cut, the expenditures of the Department of Lands and Mines are expected to be somewhat curtailed. While \$244,477 was expended for the Forest Service last year, the estimate for this purpose this year is \$198,000, this making possible a reduction in the estimated general expenditures of the Department of Lands and Mines to \$259,400 from \$297,083, the actual amount expended last year. The es-

timates for the Department of Lands and Mines expenditures, however, give evidence of especial activity in two branches; for encouragement of mining the estimated expenditure this year is \$17,600 as compared with \$5,605, actually expended in 1929 and for colonization roads \$6,000, is appropriated, as compared with an actual expenditure of \$2,444 for this service last year.

The amount appropriated for the Provincial Police in the estimates for the Department of the Attorney General is \$205,500 as compared with \$217,565 actually expended for the operation of the Provincial Police during the past year. Curtailment in ordinary expenditures of the Department of Public Works is also promised. For ordinary bridges the appropriation is \$320,000 as compared with \$394,982 expended in 1929 for ordinary roads the appropriation is \$400,000 as compared with \$512,127 actually expended last year and for roads patrol the estimate is \$450,000.

An Election Coming

An item which only appears in the estimates every so often is the appropriation for election. Inasmuch as a general election must occur in the Province of New Brunswick this year, \$25,000 is appropriated for the expenses in connection with holding the election. The biggest item in the expenditures is \$1,802,717 for the Public Debt, of which \$1,499,255 will be necessary to meet interest charges as compared with \$1,448,743 required for this purpose in 1929 while for sinking fund \$303,462 will be necessary as compared with \$250,182 required for this purpose last year.

Estimated Revenue

The only pronounced increase in the estimated revenue of the Province as announced by the Provincial Secretary, is the increase of \$164,000 in the Motor Vehicle revenue, referred to above. The Department of Lands and Mines is expected to have a decrease of \$120,000 in its revenue this year as compared with actual receipts of \$1,209,344 last year. This year it is estimated that the receipts from stumpage from lumber cut upon Crown Land will be reduced to \$700,000 from \$813,991 last year, while a slight reduction is anticipated in receipts from the sale of game licenses and also in the miscellaneous receipts of the Department, making the total estimated receipts for this year \$1,090,100. The revenue of the Department of the Provincial Secretary-Treasurer is expected to advance from \$33,643 last year to \$36,700 this year, this advance being entirely accounted for by an estimated increase from \$10,667 to \$15,600 from moving picture fees. Taxes from incorporated companies are expected to show a slight reduction, the actual revenue from this source in 1929 being \$437,703, while for 1930 the estimated revenue from taxes on incorporated companies is \$436,638.

The higher cost of tickets admissions is expected to increase the Amusement Admission tax from \$69,274 last year to \$84,000 this year. The New Brunswick Liquor Control Boards contribution to the revenue of the Province last year was \$1,522,496, while the estimate for this year is \$1,500,000. There is little or no variation in the other items of revenue. Of the total appropriations for 1930 the amount authorized by law is \$3,491,432, while the total to be voted is \$3,071,689.

Gov't Members Back

Members of the Provincial Legislature, who were at their homes in various parts of the province during the weekend adjournment, have all arrived back for the continuance of the session today, when the budget is being brought down. The majority arrived in the city last night, while the remainder came today.

M. B. Dickie of Moncton is in the city today.

SOME DECLINES TODAY IN A NUMBER OF SECURITIES

Due largely to profit taking there was a reaction in a number of issues today on the New York and Montreal stock exchange. Radio was off 50½, Brazilian to 39½ and Nickel to 37½. Famous Players displayed some strength at 54½.

The Stock Quotations
(Quotations by McDougall & Cowans, Members of the Montreal Stock Exchange, as furnished to The Mail daily by C. F. Tilley, investment broker, 473 Queen Street, Fredericton, N. B.)

New York Stock Market

Alleghany Corp.	31½
American Can.	142¾
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	240
Amer. & For. Power	85½
Anaconda.	74
Bethlehem Steel.	102½
Briggs Mfg.	15¼
Canada Dry.	74¼
Can. Pacific Ry.	204¼
Chrysler.	38½
Columbia Gas.	91¾
Congoleum.	17
Cons. Gas.	117½
Curtiss Wright.	12
Fox Film A.	35¾
Gen. Motors.	45
Gen. Electric.	76½
Goodyear.	88
Hudson Motors.	56
Int'l Harvester.	92½
Kennecott Copper.	57½
Montgomery Ward.	45½
Nash Motors.	48¾
N. Y. Central.	183½
North American.	117¾
Packard.	22¼
Par-Fam. Players.	78¾
Pub. Svce. of N. J.	94½

Radio.	50½
Remington Rand.	41¾
Sears Roebuck.	91¼
Standard Gas.	115¾
S. O. of N. Y.	32¾
S. O. of N. J.	62¾
Studebaker.	43¼
Union Pacific.	225¾
U. S. Steel.	179¾
United Corp.	38¾
Warner Bros.	68¾
Westinghouse Elec.	186
Yellow Truck.	21¾

New York Curb

Amer. Superpower.	30¾
Cities Service.	39¾
Elec. Bond & Share.	99¼

Montreal Stock Market

Abitibi.	30¼
Brazilian.	39¾
B. C. Power A.	37¾
Building Prod.	27
Canada Car.	26¼
Canada Car Pfd.	30¼
Dom. Bridge.	72¼
Fam. Players Can.	54¾
Hamilton Bridge.	32
Int'l Nickel.	39¾
Massey Harris.	34
Montreal Power.	134
McColl Fron.	23¼
Nat'l Breweries.	28
Power Corp.	71
Quebec Power.	64
Shawinigan.	74
Winnipeg Elec.	42

Montreal Curb Market

Home Oil.	8.90
Imperial Oil.	24
Int'l Petroleum.	20
Noranda.	40½

DELEGATES WILL APPEAR BEFORE GOV'T

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are: first, the taxation of Stock and property of the Liquor Control Board and second, the extension of trunk roads through the cities and towns of the province. This latter matter is the most important and has been pending action since last fall.

\$50,000 BOWL, PRIZED BY EDSSEL FORD, BROKEN

Detroit March 12—The Rhages Bowl, one of the world's most famous art treasures, valued at \$50,000, was smashed four days ago by a careless workman in the home of Edsel Ford, according to a report here today. Members of the Ford family would neither deny nor confirm the report, which said the treasure, also known as the King and Queen's Bowl, was wrecked when the workman knocked it off the console of a pipe organ. Edsel Ford valued it above any of his other art possessions, it was said.

The Rhages Bowl was less than nine inches high. It was a deep blue and on the sides were the raised figures of the Persian king and queen, from which the bowl got its name. It was taken from the city of Rhages, Persia. Edsel Ford is said to have purchased it from New York collectors.

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor returned to the city last evening and is a guest at the Barker House.

MARCH MEETING VIC. ORDER LAST EVENING

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planned to hold a luncheon meeting in April. Mr. Gerald Lawson, and Mrs. J. M. Scott last night, took their places at the Board for the first time since their appointment by the Social Service council.

Mrs. Arthur Porter gave notice that a room in the Brunswick Street Baptist church could be used for the Well Baby Conference which will begin in April. At this conference now held in the Parish Church hall, the average attendance has been 32.

Conferring Today

At 2.30 o'clock this afternoon, W. U. Appleton, of Moncton, general manager of the Canadian National Railways conferred with the transportation committee of the Fredericton Board of Trade in regard to the railway's proposed change in the passenger service on the route between here and Centreville. Representatives from Woodstock and Centreville are here in connection with the matter. The local Trade members are opposed to change in the present arrangement. An alternate passenger and mixed passenger and freight service is proposed by the railway, instead of the heretofore daily passenger service.

Radio Owners Paid

Several local persons, owners of radio appeared before Police Magistrate Limerick this morning in the local police court and were convicted and fined \$5 and costs for violation of the law, in that they operated their machines without licenses. Information in all cases of being laid by H. Brannen, of St. John.

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