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THE DYSART GOVERNMENT GOES OVER THE TOP WITH A SURPLUS

OPENING OF THE LEGISLATURE MAY BE FEBRUARY 17

Or February 24 May Be Decided Upon As the Opening Date

Always Opens Thursday

An Effort May Be Made To Complete Business Before Easter Season

While no official announcement has yet been made, it is probable that the forthcoming session of the New Brunswick Legislature will open on either Thursday, Feb. 17, or the following Thursday, which will be on Feb. 24th.

There is a story told of one member from Charlotte county who used to come to Fredericton on snowshoes in the days before Confederation and used to carry a bundle of codfish on his back.

An effort is generally made to have the session completed by the Easter

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ROBICHEAU CASE UNDERWAY AT ST. JOHN TODAY

Grand Jury Brought In True Bill Against The Prisoner

(Special to The Daily Mail)

SAINT JOHN, Jan. 12—Following the indictment of William Robicheau on charge of murder brought in by the Grand Jury yesterday Robicheau was placed on trial this morning before His Lordship Mr. Justice Fairweather.

The scuffle in the street, said Judge Fairweather, was observed by a number of witnesses but I do not think any one of them knew the prisoner.

There was also the evidence of Frateur, the Italian, he continued, who purchased a gun from the accused three months ago and sold it back to him before the night of the crime.

"I think now," Mr. Justice Fairweather concluded, "that I will ask you to retire with the bill of indictment and call before you the witnesses you would like to hear and bring in your findings—no bill or true bill."

P. J. Hughes, K.C., Fredericton, is Crown Prosecutor. G. Earle Logan is defending the prisoner.

Government Has a Surplus

THE FIRST Provincial Government surplus since 1929 is announced today in a special issue of The Royal Gazette following an audit by P. S. Ross & Sons, Chartered Accountants.

The announcement regarding the surplus, which is made today should be a source of satisfaction not only to the Provincial Government but also to the people of New Brunswick.

IT IS WORTHY OF NOTE THAT THIS SURPLUS HAS NOT BEEN DUE TO NEW TAXATION NOR HAS IT BEEN DUE TO NUMEROUS SUCCESSION DUTIES WHICH ARE A FREQUENT SOURCE OF INCREASED RECEIPTS IN DIFFERENT YEARS.

WHEN ONE CONSIDERS ALSO THAT THE DYSART GOVERNMENT HAS DURING THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS INTRODUCED OLD AGE PENSIONS, RESTORED FREE SCHOOL BOOKS, MADE A START IN NECESSARY IMPROVEMENT IN OUR EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM AND HAS SET UP VARIOUS NECESSARY NEW DEPARTMENTS IN THE PROVINCIAL SERVICE THE SHOWING IS A REMARKABLE ONE.

Even the best friends of the Dysart Government did not expect the news that is announced today through the report of P. S. Ross & Sons, Chartered Accountants.

MOTOR MAGNATES TOP HIGH-SALARIED RANKS

U. S. Treasury Figures Show, However, That Big Incomes Are Still Made By Movie Stars

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12—A Congressional Committee giving the public a peek into the 1936 pay envelopes of the United States highest paid industrialists, movie stars and financiers, disclosed today that Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., of General Motors, topped the list with \$561,311.

The House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee divulged the information, which had been given to the Treasury, by corporations which paid employees' salaries, bonuses, commissions and other compensation of \$15,000 or more during the 1936 tax year.

Thirteen men received in excess of \$300,000 each for the year, the report showed, and nine of them were officials of the General Motors Corporation.

Gary Cooper Leads Parade In the entertainment world, Gary Cooper was tops with \$370,214. Ten movie and radio stars received more than \$200,000.

In addition to Cooper, this group included Ronald Coleman, \$362,500; Claudette Colbert, \$350,833; Mae West, who led the list for the preceding year, \$323,333; Madeline Carroll, \$287,913; Warner Baxter, \$284,384; Marlene Dietrich, \$269,333; Ruth Chatterton, \$249,500; Charles Boyer, \$249,145; and Rudy Vallee, \$238,744.

The report showed that 336 General Motors Corporation officials received \$15,000 or more, and 56 of them got at least \$50,000.

Some of the other top-flight industrialists and their compensation included: Eugene G. Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, \$180,000; Charles M. Schwab, Bethlehem Board Chairman, \$150,000; James H. Rand, Jr., president of Remington-Rand, Incorporated, Buffalo, N. Y., \$118,871; Ernest T. Weir, board chairman, Weirton Steel Company, Weirton, West Virginia, \$71,755. Weir also was listed as receiving an identical amount from the Great Lakes Steel Corporation.

C. W. Dayo, president of the F. W. Woolworth Company, drew \$216,445, the report said, and eleven other officials of the same concern received more than \$50,000 each.

The names of few women appeared

Premier and Hon. F. W. Pirie Will Visit Plantations

HAVANA, Jan. 12—Greeted by members of the Cuban Government and banking officials Premier A. A. Dysart of New Brunswick, accompanied by Hon. F. W. Pirie, arrived here yesterday on the United Fruit Company steamship Quirigua.

THERE MUST BE PEACE IN FRANCE WILL ENJOY SPECIAL TRIPS

(Special to The Daily Mail) PARIS, Jan. 12—Premier Chautemps is doing everything in his power to clear up the strike situation. He stated that he would do anything rather than have the strike continue.

Severe 'Quake Puts Fear In People Jap. Islands

(Special to The Daily Mail) TOKIO, Jan. 12—A severe earthquake shook an unusually wide area of Japan today, sending thousands of frightened Japanese rushing from their homes.

Considerable damage was believed to have been done by the tremors, which lasted 20 minutes. The 'quake extended over the large islands of Kyushu and Shikoku as well as most of the southern part of the principal Japanese island of Honshu.

Prolonged Campaign Against Chinese Is Believed Certain

(Special to The Daily Mail) TOKIO, Jan. 12—The Japanese War Office today called for a new conscription law to mobilize additional man-power for the war in China, while Emperor Hirohito presided over an Imperial conference on the conflict.

WORLD CRUISERS WILL ENJOY SPECIAL TRIPS

(Special to The Daily Mail) MONTREAL, Jan. 12—A journey to the other end of the world to meet a ship which sailed from New York three days ago had its beginning today when Gordon T. Frayne, Montreal, left here by train for Toronto.

From Toronto, Mr. Frayne, who is General Agent, Cruise Department, Canadian Pacific Railway, will go to California and then to Vancouver to sail January 19 in the Niagara for Honolulu, Suva and Auckland, N. Z.

Inclusion of new territory in the Canadian Pacific world cruise itinerary this year is the reason for the 23,000 mile journey undertaken by Mr. Frayne. In consultation with the government tourist departments of Australia and New Zealand he will check all details of shore excursion programs, special train trips and other matters connected with sightseeing in this territory never before visited by Canadian tourists.

Calls Conference Of Industrial Heads

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12—Leaders of five of the nation's largest industries invited to the White House yesterday to meet with President Roosevelt, agreed to co-operate with the Government in the administration's plan to elevate business for 1938.

Dysart Government Has Surplus at Close of Fiscal Year Ending October 31

Surplus of \$29,090 of Ordinary Receipts Over Ordinary Expenditure is Announced.

THIS IS FIRST SURPLUS SINCE 1929

DURING FIRST YEAR IN POWER GOVERNMENT REDUCED THE DEFICIT—SECOND YEAR IT SHOWS A SURPLUS

'It Is The Goal Towards Which We Have Been Striving'

After a series of deficits, the Province of New Brunswick closes its fiscal year, ended October 31st last, with its first surplus since 1929.

Instead of an estimated deficit of \$293,729, including supplementary estimates, in the 1937 budget, the Government has realized a surplus of \$29,090 of ordinary receipts over ordinary expenditures, an improvement of \$322,819 over the estimate, it was disclosed in the audit report of P. S. Ross & Sons, published in a special issue of the Royal Gazette, Tuesday.

"That," said Hon. C. T. Richard, Provincial Secretary-Treasurer, in a statement to the press, "is the goal toward which we have been striving. It is a source of great gratification to me and to members of the Government and I am sure the announcement will be received with tremendous satisfaction by everyone in the Province."



HON. C. T. RICHARD Provincial Secretary-Treasurer, who says goal has been reached

The Provincial Government had a surplus for the fiscal year ending October 31st. The surplus is \$29,090 of ordinary receipts over ordinary expenditures, an improvement of \$322,819 over the estimate. This was announced in a special issue of The Royal Gazette, which contains the report of the audit made by P. S. Ross and Sons.

The surplus so announced is the first since 1929. During the first year of office of the present administration the Dysart government was able to make a reduction in the large deficit of the previous government, and as the second year closes a surplus is announced.

The details of the finances of the Province are published on another page of The Daily Mail today and are well worth reading, as they give a clear statement taken from the auditors' report.

This surplus has been received after having set aside from the ordinary revenue the sum of \$315,595 to be applied to the reduction of the public debt.

The increase in revenue has not been due to succession duties, upon which the governments sometimes depends. The revenue from this source was below what it was estimated it would be. Neither was it due to tax increase. It was due to good solid business administration in each department of the service. The result of this independent audit by P. S. Ross and Sons is a gratifying one.

CANADA'S MOST BEAUTIFUL MAPLE LEAVES EXHIBIT

(Special to The Daily Mail)

MONTREAL, Jan. 12—Canada's most beautiful and largest maple leaves, winners in the annual Maple Leaf Contest held last fall by the Canadian Travel Bureau at Ottawa, the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Canadian National Railways, will be shown from January 12th to 19th at the Cornwallis Inn, Kentville, N. S.

The leaves, the best of thousands which were submitted from across Canada for the contest, have been carefully preserved and are attractively displayed to give an idea of the beauty that is Canada's during the autumn. Included in the display are the five most beautiful leaves, headed by the one which won the \$100 first prize for Mrs. A. Mitchellson, Toronto.

Now in the midst of a cross country tour, the leaves are in great demand as an exhibit at many centres. A schedule has been arranged, however and it is being strictly adhered to,

'We Have Gone Over The Top,' Says Premier A. A. Dysart

'We have gone over the top,' observed Premier Dysart in commenting upon the audit report of the finances of the Province.

"Since 1929, the year of the last provincial surplus," he added, "New Brunswick has piled up deficits aggregating \$4,415,953. The last year of the previous administration left us with a deficit of \$703,117. In the present government's first full year of office we were able to reduce this to a deficit of \$424,993 and today—at the close of our second full year of office—we have been successful in converting a deficit into a surplus."

"That record, I am satisfied, requires no comment. It speaks for itself."

"I think it necessary and fair" added the Premier, "to point out, however, that the surplus has not been brought



HON. A. A. DYSART Premier, who discusses the Surplus

about at the expense of curtailed services. On the contrary, during the last two years we have improved efficiency and substantially enlarged the field of public service. We have provided old age pensions, which alone cost the Province more than a half million dollars per year. We have restored free school books. We have increased assistance to vocational schools. We have started to bring our educational system to a standard of modern requirements and we have launched seriously into the field of

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despite many requests to have it changed so that the leaves can be shown at other cities.