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Dominion Employment Now To Be On The Increase

More Than 2,000 Added To Payroll February 1, As Compared With January 1—The Most Pronounced Recovery Is Shown in Manufacturing.

OTTAWA, Feb. 28—Reports from 8,992 employers reveal that there was \$95,55 persons on the payrolls on February 1, an increase of more than 2,000 compared with \$81,55, January 1, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported today. The seasonally adjusted index on the base 1914 equals 100, stood at 99.9 was higher than any month since the autumn of 1931, with the exception of January 1, 1935, when the index stood at 101.2.

The crude index rose from 94.4 at the beginning of February, as compared with 91.4 at the same date in 1934. On February 1 in the other years for which data are available, the unadjusted index was as follows: 1933, 77.0; 1932, 89.7; 1931, 100.7; 1930, 111.6; 1929, 110.5; 1928, 102.0; 1927, 96.6; 1926, 91.8; 1925, 87.1; 1924, 91.7; 1923, 90.6; 1922, 79.9; and 1921, 91.2.

An analysis of the returns by industries shows that the most pronounced recovery on the date under review was that of a seasonal character in manufacturing, in which there was an increase of 13,748 workers or 2.1 per cent as compared with Jan. 1 1935; this improvement was below the average indicated on the same date in the 14 preceding years for which data are available.

Within the group of factory employment, the iron and steel, textile, leather and non-ferrous metal divisions show largest gains. Among the non-manufacturing industries, logging (Continued on page five)

HAS NO INTENTION OF QUITTING POST

MacDonald Says Government After Speculators Damaging Credit

DONCASTER, Yorkshire, England, Feb. 28—Prime Minister J. Ramsay MacDonald said here last night he will resign whenever he feels he can no longer "pull my full weight in the boat".

Defending himself and his national government against its critics, the prime minister said:

"So far as I am concerned, I hold the position I do at the wish of my colleagues.

"When the moment comes that they find my services too dearly bought, or when . . . I myself for one reason or another—and unfortunately there are many—am no longer satisfied that I can pull my full weight in the boat I shall require nobody's advice to make up my mind what my duty is."

Mr. MacDonald disclosed the government is actively after financial speculators, whose scandals, he said, "are besmirching the financial probity of this country and damaging our credit in the eyes of the world".

The government's opponents in Parliament have demanded an investigation of the recent crash of an attempted pool in pepper, which forced three firms to the wall.

The prime minister also denied former prime minister David Lloyd George charges that the government had turned down his "new deal".

"Mr. Lloyd George said 'I am going to produce from time to time the plans themselves—actual plans.' Mr. MacDonald said, 'I'm still waiting. Until I see the plan I can neither accept it or reject it. I certainly have not rejected it yet'."

IF

"If I only had a lot of money. If I could only win a big prize. If! If! If!"

A New York sandwich man found \$42,000 worth of negotiable bonds, turned them over to their owners, was rewarded—and went mad.

A girl living in the United States won \$110,000 in the Irish sweepstakes and worried herself into insanity.

Another winner at Newton, Mass., a man is reported to have secluded himself because of the bother and worry that has come to him since he won \$55,000.

Stack up against these instances the many who won and did not worry or go mad and still you have the fact that supposedly good fortune did bring grief to these three.

In a day when there is much talk about the redistribution of wealth, not much consideration is given to the burden of property. To our way of thinking the real distribution of wealth comes of every man and woman having his share of food, clothing, shelter, fuel and reasonable luxuries, in short, security.

Too much can be a nuisance—a hazard.

Still we would like a good sized chunk more than we have just now.

THE SUPREME COURT OF CANADA RESERVES DECISION

Fredericton Dairies Appealing Against Ruling That They Must Pay Bills to Maritime Electric Co.

Word from Ottawa today discloses that the Supreme Court of Canada yesterday reserved judgment on an appeal of two New Brunswick dairies against a ruling of courts in this province that they must pay the balance of power bills to the Maritime Electric Company, Ltd., after it was discovered they had allegedly been undercharged through the electric company's error.

In the original action, the electric company obtained judgment that General Dairies, Ltd., must pay it a total of \$2,685, representing the difference between the payment made and the payment the company contended it should have demanded in the first instance.

The electric company claimed it had installed meters in the premises of the two dairies which gave readings necessitating multiplication by 10 to give true figures. It said that through an error by its employees the multi-

Flu' Epidemic In New Brunswick, Many Sick Here

An epidemic of grippe which some people are afraid might develop into flu, is now prevailing throughout the city. In two rooms of the Fredericton high school there are thirty six pupils out and several of the teachers also are on the sick list. The same condition applies to other city schools. It is said by those who know that this epidemic is decidedly on the increase at the present time.

At the high school Glendon Elgee and Charles Tweeddale, both University graduates and teachers, are supervising for a couple of teachers who are ill. It is said that in Saint John there are over a thousand people down with the grippe at the present time.

TOWN'S AFFAIRS MORE SETTLED

Woodstock Tax Drive Is Succeeding; Conditions Getting Back to Normal.

WOODSTOCK, Feb. 28—The Woodstock Town Council will resume the routine of the civic program, interrupted for a month over the question of tax collections, Monday evening. It was originally intended to call a special meeting during the latter part of February but it has now been decided that there is no immediate business requiring attention which cannot wait until the regular March meeting. The council had originally intended to deal with the budget and discuss the permanent paying program at the Feb. 8 meeting but the program was disrupted by the announcement that the town had reached the legal limits of its bank overdraft.

The council promptly suspended payment of accounts due and decided to undertake no new work until tax arrears began to come in. In the meantime, a drive to secure the arrears is continuing and proceedings are being taken against several owners of property who are in arrears.

Civic employees were among those to be inconvenienced by the council's action. They are nearly caught up in their salaries now, however, and will have a pay day tomorrow, which will leave them only two days in arrears.

Education was not made and a mistake of 9-10 occurred in its bills for a period of 29 months. It claimed \$1,931 from General Dairies and \$753 from Fredericton Dairies. The New Brunswick supreme court upheld its judgment.

The dairies, however, maintained that they had acted in good faith on receipt of the bills and that they had paid farmers a price for cream based on the difference between their sole price and manufacturing costs, of which the power cost was a factor. They contended that they should not be compelled to assume losses due to the electric company's negligence.

P. J. Hughes, K.C., of this city, appeared on behalf of the companies at the Ottawa hearing.

TIMBER TRADE BETWEEN U. K. AND CANADA

K. G. Fensom Timber Commissioner Eastern Canada, Here

Canada Objectives

Main Objective Is To Establish Permanent U. K. Market

K. G. Fensom, Eastern Canada's new timber commissioner to the United Kingdom, who is here this week in connection with a special conference of lumber representatives today talked of Canada's timber future in an interview with a Daily Mail reporter last evening.

Mr. Fensom, young and enthusiastic, and fluent, has the utmost confidence in Eastern Canada's lumber future, and is thoroughly sold on the idea that New Brunswick and the other eastern provinces can establish a permanent market in the United Kingdom. He is sailing on March 1 on the "S. S. Montrose" for London, England, where he will set up his offices.

The new timber commissioner is from Ottawa and he has spent about a year altogether in England on market extension work in conjunction with Eastern Canada timber. Mr. Fensom is lavish in his praise of Hon. L. P. D. Tilley, premier of New Brunswick, who had the foresight and initiative to see the necessity of such a commissionership from this country in the United Kingdom, and who worked towards that end in a series of discussions between the premiers of Quebec and Ontario, Nova Scotia and this province.

Mr. Fensom emphasized the chief objectives of Eastern Canada lumber interests in the United Kingdom. He believes implicitly that there is lots of room on the British market for Eastern Canadian timbers, such as spruce and birch, as well as Russia, Finland, Sweden and the United States. "We don't need to make a drive," he said, "there is sufficient market there for us all."

One object is to sell New Brunswick and Eastern Canada timber in Great Britain on its merits and stressing its special characteristics. Mr. Fensom was gracious enough to outline briefly the objectives of his new commissionership. He enumerated them as follows: (1) to create an interest in, and understanding of, and a desire to use New Brunswick woods by providing technical service; (2) inspection of factory processes, methods of construction, with a view towards recommending the best practices in known use; (3) to promote the use of wood of Eastern Canada by general publicity (inclusive of magazine articles, newspaper editorials, public addresses, lectures, correspondence and exhibits); (4) to maintain constant contact with those responsible for annual specification of large volumes of lumber and to endeavor to induce specification favoring Eastern Canada and New Brunswick woods; (5) to prepare market reports or analyses of consumer requirements, specifications for information of producers and exporters in this province and Eastern Canada; (6) to co-operate with research institutes in initiation of research having to do with the improving of utilization practices in connection with Eastern Canadian woods.

All this is in the nature of "educational propaganda" to show the merits of Canadian woods, pointed out Mr. Fensom. In endeavoring to establish a permanent market in the United Kingdom all of the efforts are distinct from buying and selling and no part is to be played in merchandising. The field of the commission is solely the technical serving of wood; to provide information, technical and otherwise such as will be of service to the consumer in the United Kingdom. (Continued on page four)

Will Decide If Red Coats Should Stay

GOVERNMENT HAS MAJORITY OF TWENTY-FOUR

First No-Confidence Motion Defeated in Commons 93 to 69

OTTAWA, Feb. 28—The Bennett government had a majority of 24 today when it beat back the first no-confidence motion of the session. By a division of 93-69, Conservatives turned down a motion criticising the administration for not presenting a definite policy to cure unemployment and end distress.

Liberals enlisted all but one member of the C.C.F.-Progressive group in support of the motion which was proposed by Hon. Ian Mackenzie (Lib., Vancouver Centre). A. M. Carmichael (Prog., Kimberley) stood up with the Conservatives because he said defeat of the government would leave reform legislation high and dry.

William Irvine (U.F.A., Wetaskiwin) provided the highlight of the day's debate when he urged Dominion pensions for every man at the age of 55. This adaptation of the Townsend scheme of the United States would remove elderly people from the labor market and "make room for youth to take their places in the workshops of Canada."

SOLDIERS ON GUARD OVER LA. LEGISLATURE

Louisiana Session Hurries Through 87 New Huey Long Measures.

BATON ROUGE, La., Feb. 28—Soldiers with fixed bayonets guarded Huey Long's special session of the legislature today as it speeded four score more of his laws to passage with a new acting lieutenant-governor presiding over the Senate.

Eighty-seven measures were introduced with characteristic Huey-Long gusto when the two Houses met last night. The bills were sent to the House ways and means committee for consideration today.

Political circles were rocked last night when Thomas B. C. Wingate resigned as acting lieutenant-governor and president pro-tem of the Senate.

Senator James A. Noe, named to succeed him, said he was "through" with politics after completing his term of those offices. Noe had been prominently mentioned as Long's candidate for governor next year.

ASSERTS THAT CRIMINALS LACK IMAGINATION

CHICAGO, Feb. 28—Dr. Harry R. Hoffman, Chicago psychiatrist, believes the desperado exhibits about as much courage in his sensational forays "as a tin soldier".

Looking back into the minds of the scores of criminals he has examined as director of the Cook county criminal court, Dr. Hoffman asserted in an interview today that it is generally a lack of imagination and not courage that gives most gunmen their daring.

The criminal who unflinchingly walks in danger, Dr. Hoffman said, does so "because for one thing he hasn't the imagination to conjure an impressive picture of himself being shot, caught or convicted; he hasn't a true knowledge of the peril he is facing".

Up To Legislature of Nova Scotia To Decide Whether To Retain the Force—Contract Now Expiring.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 28—Legislation to establish a permanent civil service, an economic advisory council and a department of municipal affairs—all recommended in the report of the Jones economic commission—is expected to be introduced at the second session of Nova Scotia's 17th Legislature since Confederation, which will be formally opened March 5 by Lieutenant Governor Walter H. Covert, K. C.

Premier Angus L. MacDonald has let it be known that as far as it is in the province's jurisdiction, recommendations will be fully implemented. Representations will be made to the Dominion government regarding proposals venturing into the federal realm, of which there are money.

Discussion of the report and an extensive public works program now being prepared by the government will take up most of the session. A housing scheme, tourist promotion and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police will provide important sidelights.

The Redcoats will come into the picture because their contract with the province is nearing expiration and some question has arisen as to whether or not they will be retained.

"Some people thought it was a good thing; others didn't," the premier was quoted as replying when asked if the government favored keeping the R. C. M. P. on the job."

Premier MacDonald enters his second session in the assembly with a majority of 14—the same as last year and the same margin with which he carried the provincial election of 1933. He leads a force of 22 Liberal members against an opposition of eight under the leadership of Col. the Hon. Gordon Harrington, former premier. Reports that Col. Harrington will be appointed chairman of the board of railway commissioners have been persistent for some time, but he is not expected to leave the helm of the Conservative ship in Nova Scotia until after the legislature closes.

Highways loom large in the public works program heralded as the most extensive in the history of the province. Hon. A. S. MacMillan, minister of highways started paving the main roads last year, and it is understood that 200 miles of hard surface will be laid in 1935, on the Halifax-Truro, Halifax-Yarmouth and Amherst-Glace Bay routes.

Pushing Housing Scheme

Construction of a new administration building for the government and a new hospital is being considered, and the premier has expressed hope that a housing scheme for which \$200,000 was provided at the last session will be carried into effect.

Seeking an appeal income of \$75,000,000 within five years from the tourist business, the Government is embarking on an ambitious promotion scheme to attract more summer visitors. Charming of the seaside province will be advertised in 808 big city dailies and 3,500 smaller newspapers in the United States, Great Britain and Canada, according to plans already formulated.

PLANE STUCK IN ICE

The plane owned by the Saint John Airport and which landed in the St. John river here earlier this week, piloted by Fred Hartwick, with P. McHugh as passenger. The plane was stuck in the ice this morning and it was necessary to have assistance before the skis of the plane were released from their sheath of ice. The flyers took off at about ten o'clock bound for McAdam where after "tanking" they will take off for their Ontario destination. The plane was snowbound here for two days.