

clearer understanding of what is required to make Canada's public service a model to all nations. (2) On Publicity, so that the people may be educated as to the merits or demerits of the system under which the country's business is conducted. (3) On Outside Service. The secretary explained that whereas the Inside Service had a most efficient organization, able and ready to take care of its peculiar interests, the Outside Service, with its greatly increasing personnel, could not be so well served by one man as in the past. The personnel and the functions of these committees will be brought to the attention of the service on another occasion. A further special committee was appointed to act as sponsors on behalf of the service in connection with the Civil Service Bills, so that no point may escape scrutiny. The following gentlemen compose this committee:

T. H. Burns, R. A. Clarke, customs, outside; C. Halliday, W. J. Cantwell, post office, outside; E. H. Hinchey, inland revenue, outside; A. Paré, Walter Todd, inside service; F. Grierson, convenor.

Other important matters were discussed, and the meeting adjourned after a hearty vote of thanks on the part of the visiting delegates to the officers and members of the Civil Service Club for their hospitality in throwing open the doors of the club for their benefit.

On Tuesday morning the Inland Revenue delegation called on the Hon. Mr. Nantel, accompanied by the Secretary of the Federation, the spokesman being Mr. W. F. Miller, Collector of the Port of Hamilton. Mr. Nantel was most kind and very interested in the memorial, and assured his visitors of every consideration, and suggested that a copy of the memorial be handed to the Minister of Finance.

Thus, for the time being, ended a strenuous two weeks of studious ses-

sions of Civil Service politics. All the visiting delegates expressed the opinion that the various meetings and delegations were necessary at this time, and considered their time was profitably occupied, and the expenses of their long journeys justified.

The case of the Customs Outside Service will be presented in due course, and in that connection it has developed that not a little credit for the energetic movements of the past few days is due to the officers of the Customs Outside office in Ottawa. This fine body of civil servants started one of their number, Mr. T. H. Burns, on a scouting trip, and the last heard of him he was still going.

The Inside Service may rest their case until the bill is submitted to the special committee, Mr. Paré, the President, and Mr. Todd, the Secretary, being both members of the Federation committee in charge of the bill.

SOME INCREASES.

The greater part of the sitting of the House of Commons on March 9th was given up to the estimates of the Department of Inland Revenue, and these being in charge of Hon. W. B. Nantel, one of the Quebec ministers, the men from the Ancient Province were in their element, and talked to their hearts' content. During the course of the discussion Mr. Nantel announced his intention of increasing the salaries of the outside service of his department.

Hon. L. P. Pelletier, Postmaster-General, also told the House that he was considering increases for letter carriers, as a result of the extra work entailed by the Parcels Post.

There is now practical unanimity that America was peopled from Asia by way of Behring Straits. As to the time, there is no definite criterion, but it seems likely that it was following, or at least in the decline of the glacial period from the northern part of the continent.