

NOVA SCOTIA BOOKS TO BE LOOKED OVER BY ACCOUNTANTS

Premier Holds Change Will Increase Efficiency and Save Money

OUTLAY ON RECENT SCRUTINY IS \$50,000

Chisholm Opposes Plan and Visions Carnival of Patronage

HALIFAX, Feb. 17.—The auditing of Nova Scotia's public accounts, recently the subject of an independent examination by a Montreal firm of accountants, furnished the subject for this afternoon's only debate in the Legislative Assembly, when Premier Rhodes moved the second reading of the Government bill rescinding all appointments under the Audit Act and empowering the Government to secure the services of one or more chartered accountants yearly to audit the public accounts.

Incidentally it was disclosed during the debate that the recent independent audit was made at a cost of approximately \$50,000.

WOULD SAVE MONEY

In moving second reading of the bill Premier Rhodes said he believed it would make for "greater efficiency and marked economy." He read extracts from reports of the accountants who recently completed an independent audit, in which it was stated that the provincial accounts and bookkeeping had been handled in such a manner that the auditors could get little information from them.

Premier Rhodes pointed out that the present "so-called" audit costs the province approximately \$15,000 annually, whereas under the system outlined in the bill the cost would be approximately \$6,000. He realized, he said, that the passage of the bill would throw some people out of their positions, and he regretted the fact, but he said the interests of the people as a whole must be considered and that was the justification for the bill which accomplished the two-fold object of economy and efficiency.

CHISHOLM OPPOSES PLAN

Hon. William Chisholm could see no reason for abolishing the old audit act. If it had been poorly administered, that was no reason why it should be destroyed. He believed that, properly administered, the old act constituted the best safeguard of the public finances. He pointed out that the provincial auditor was independent to a greater extent than any public accountant the Government might engage, as he could be dismissed only for cause and then with the approval of both legislative bodies and the governor-in-council. No auditor could be more independent, he declared.

"CARNIVAL OF PATRONAGE"

Mr. Chisholm connected the measure with what he termed "the carnival of patronage and corruption." The old act gave the auditor power to testify under oath, but the new bill did not, he said. The old act provided that cheques could be issued only under the supervision of the auditor, whereas the present act did not, he pointed out, and charged that the clause regarding the issuing of cheques was what the government wanted removed. It would be suicidal, said Mr. Chisholm, to abolish the protective features of the old audit act.

TO RECEIVE SUGGESTIONS.

Hon. G. S. Harrington, Minister of Works and Mines supported the bill, declaring that there was every disposition on the part of the government to many any such amendments to the measure, in committee, that would make for better safeguarding of the public finances, in keeping with economy. Suggestions would be thankfully received, he said. Referring to the shortages discovered by the independent audit, the minister said that while they amounted to only \$17,000 over a period of 43 years, it had been indicated by the auditors' report that the total amount could never be finalized, owing to the

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RELIC OF SEVENTEENTH CENTURY



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STARTS EXTENSIVE AGENDA HERE TODAY

Miss Campbell of Federal Department of Agriculture Arrives

Miss Helen Campbell, lecturer and demonstrator for the dairy branch of the federal department of agriculture, arrived in the city last night from Fredericton, where she was one of the lecturers of the short course for home economics now in progress there.

Miss Campbell began her program of lectures and demonstrations in Saint John this afternoon with a talk before the Mothers' meeting of St. Paul's church.

Some special features of her visit here, which have been arranged by a Red Cross committee headed by Miss F. Stetson, are an entertainment for the children of the city to be given in the Imperial theatre on Saturday, Feb. 27 at 10.30 a. m., a visit to the County Hospital to address the patients there and a visit to the Saint John Infirmary. Miss Campbell will give an address for the children's story telling hour in the Armory on Saturday of this week.

A few more meetings have been added to Miss Campbell's program during the last few days and there will be further meetings can be arranged.

AMUNDSEN PLANS FLIGHT IN EUROPE

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 17.—Captain Amundsen plans to make a preliminary flight in a dirigible from Spitbergen to Paris, London, Pusan and Leningrad before starting from Spitbergen to Alaska this year, he has announced.

Captain Amundsen said he would begin his second attempt to fly over the North Pole in April if the dirigible was ready by that time.

BRITAIN CONSULTS DOMINIONS ABOUT CHANGE IN LEAGUE

Chamberlain Points Out Difficulty in Always Acting Unitedly

EMPIRE DELEGATES FREQUENTLY MEET

Wedgewood Asks if Canada Isn't as Important as Brazil on Council

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The suggestion that the Dominions should be consulted before the British delegate to the council of the League of Nations voted on the question of a new permanent member of the council in addition to Germany underlay several questions that were asked in the House of Commons today.

Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, replying, said the government already was in communication with the Dominions on the matter. He pointed out that a permanent seat at the council was attributed to the British Empire, but the extent to which the occupant of the seat at a given moment could speak on behalf of the Empire in each particular case and the character of the communications passed between the Imperial government and the governments of the Dominions.

PARLEYS FREQUENT.

The dominions were separately represented on the assembly of the League of Nations, Sir Austen continued, and the dominions representatives there acted on instructions from their governments, although frequent consultations of all the empire delegates were held. With regard to the future, Sir Austen said, the Imperial government would pursue the same policy of consultation with the dominions regarding other applications for permanent membership on the council as it would on any other international issue of importance.

Colonel J. C. Wedgewood, Labor, asked whether representation by Canada on the council of the League of Nations was not as important to the peace of the world as representation by Brazil.

Sir Austen Chamberlain deprecated

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ROLL CALL IS HELD

Jewel Rebekah Lodge at Home to Its Members Last Night

Jewel Rebekah Lodge, No. 6, I. O. O. F., met last night in Goldfellow hall, West Saint John, and held a roll call of all members. Sixty members responded. At the close of the business meeting the officers of the lodge were at home to all the members. Red geraniums and red hearts made an effective decoration for the serving table.

Miss Ida M. Belyea, district deputy president, was general convener and Miss Alice Silliphant, vice-grand, presided. Mrs. Jennie Grant cut the cake. Mrs. Ella Alward replenished and those who assisted in serving were Miss Laura Parks, Miss Gladys Clayton, Miss Jessie Brittain, Miss Minnie Baruch, Miss Ada Campbell, Miss Muriel Purdy, Miss Lena Slovic, Miss Helen Henderson, Mrs. Helen Nelson and Mrs. Edna Garnett.

After refreshments were served, dancing was enjoyed. Miss Muriel Purdy was the accompanist.

\$29,000,000 PAID IN DOLES.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—Great Britain paid \$29,000,000 in unemployment doles during 1925, Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, Minister of Labor, announced in the House of Commons Wednesday.

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35c Hair Brushes 2 for 36c
25c Iodine 2 for 26c
50c Ivory Soap Box 2-51c
\$1.00 Ivory Trays 2-\$1.01
50c Ivory Combs 2 for 76c
75c Ivory Combs 2 for 76c
25c Lined Meal 2 lbs 26c
10c Luden's Cough Drops 2 for 11c
15c Linen Letter Tablets 2 for 16c
15c Linen Envelopes 2-16c
10c Nipples 2 for 11c
50c Nail Buffers 2 for 51c
35c Shaving Cream (Palm Olive, etc) and 25c After Shave 36c
25c Nail Buffers 2 for 26c
25c Olive Oil 2 for 26c
25c Peroxide 2 for 26c
5c Pencils 2 for 6c
5c Pencil Boxes 2 for 6c
25c Pocket Combs 2 for 26c
25c Palm Olive Talcum 2 for 26c
\$1.00 Russian Oil (16 oz best heavy for consumption) 2 for \$1.01
25c Rouge 2 for 26c
75c Roger and Gallet's Face Powder 2 for 76c
35c Sodium Phosphate 2 for 36c
50c Tooth Brushes 2-51c
25c Tooth Brushes 2 for 26c
25c Whisker 2 for 26c
50c Writing Paper 2 for 51c
15c Writing Tablets 2-16c
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The four-masted schooner Susan A. Hagen, owned by Walter McNeill, New Glasgow, and in command of Captain G. A. Lohmes, of LaHave, is daily expected at Charlottetown from Miami to load hard pine for a port in the West Indies. The Cameron took a cargo of laths from Saint John to Miami.

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the manufacture of ice cream as a commercial industry. Jacob Fussler, Baltimore, manufactured the first in 1851.

SPECIALS AT Robertson's

24 lb Bag Golden West Bread Flour \$1.15

24 lb Bag Monarch Pastry Flour \$1.10

24 lb Bag Robin Hood or Cream of West \$1.20

98 lb Bag Robin Hood or Cream of West \$4.65

20 lb Bag Best Oatmeal 90c

9 lbs Onions 25c

5 lbs Oatmeal 23c

5 lbs Western Grey Buckwheat 28c

15 lbs Lantic Fine Granulated Sugar \$1.00

3 lbs Pulverized Sugar 25c

Good 4 String Broom 35c

3 Botts. Lemon or Vanilla 25c

3 lbs Bulk Dates 15c

1 lb Tin Dearborn's Baking Powder 32c

16 oz Bott. Pure Raspberry Jam 25c

Large Bottle Pure Strawberry 75c

2 Tins Pumpkin 25c

5 lb Tin Easfirst Shortening 80c

5 lb Tin Pure Lard \$1.10

Orange Pekoe Tea 45c lb.

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15 lbs Granulated Sugar \$1.00
5 lbs Oatmeal 25c
4 lbs Western Grey Buckwheat 25c
4 lbs Bulk Cocoa 25c
15 oz pkg Seeded Raisins 11c
15 oz pkg Seedless Raisins 14c
15 oz pkg Seedless Raisins 14c
Choice Corn, can 10c
Heaton's Pickles, bottle 25c
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Connors Bros., Brunswick In Oil 8c., 2 for 15c.

Connors Bros., Brunswick In Mustard, 8c., 2 for 15c.

Connors Bros., Jutland 9c., 3 for 25c.

Connors Bros., Glacier 14c., 2 for 25c.

Norwegian Sardines 14c., 2 for 25c.

HERRINGS in Tomato Sauce

Connors Bros. 19c.

CLAMS, Connors Bros. 22c.

LOBSTERS, Sterling Brand Atlantic 48c.

SHRIMPS, Ospaco Brand, 29c.

BONELESS COD, choice 17c. lb., 2 for 30c.

FIBRED FISH for Fish Balls 13c. lb., 2 for 25c.

OYSTERS, choice brands, 32c.

AT CUT RATE PRICES

Choice Western Roast 12c.

Choice Western Dutch 15c.

Choice Western Rib Roast, 18c.

Choice Western Prime Rib, 22c.

Choice Western Steak 25c.

Choice Western Sirloin 32c.

Choice Western Porterhouse, 35c.

Choice Veal Chops 30c.

Choice Veal Roasts, 18c. to 28c.

Pork Chops, Rind and Fat off, 35c.

Pork Chops, Rind and Fat on, 32c.

Choice Pork Chops 25c.

Choice Pork Roasts, 22c. to 30c.

BACONS—

Breakfast Bacon, by piece, 38c.

Breakfast Bacon, sliced 45c.

Round Bacon, by piece 32c.

Round Bacon, sliced 40c.

BUTTER—

Choice Dairy 50c.

Choice Creamery 52c.

EGGS—

Guaranteed Fresh 55c.