

was greater than was needed, and the bulk of this decrease is because of the unexpected balance in 1933-34.

### PENSIONS REPORT BEFORE COMMONS

Canadian Press  
Ottawa, Jan. 26.—Hon. Murray MacLaren, Minister of Pensions and National Health, yesterday afternoon tabled in the House of Commons the annual report of his department for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1933.

In the work of the pensions division of the department there was a slight decrease in certain directions.

The report on activities of the war veterans' allowance committee shows that on March 31, 1933, there were 4,867 ex-soldiers in receipt of the allowance. This allowance was provided some years ago to relieve from necessity the aged or totally incapacitated veteran whose resources are insufficient for his adequate maintenance.

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—The Conservative Party held the first caucus of the new parliamentary session yesterday, with Prime Minister Bennett imparting to a practically full attendance of his followers in the House the government's programme for the next few months. No official information was available, but it was understood the matter of curtailed expenditure in every department of government was discussed, along with the proposal to inaugurate in the near future a programme of public works.

#### U.S. TRADE REPORT

Washington, Jan. 27 (Associated Press).—Another large export gain in December was shown by Department of Commerce figures yesterday to have given the United States a favorable trade balance of \$59,000,000 in that month, and a favorable balance for the year 1933 of \$226,000,000.

#### GOLD MARKING ACT

### GANGSTER HABEAS

#### Lawyer at Tucson Makes Effort to Get Group

Canadian  
Tucson, Ariz., Jan. 26.—Local nationalists have replaced fight for freedom of mid-western desperadoes and henchmen. They have shot their formidable prisons, by day on the strategy of L. Van Buskirk to get county jail here, where under heavy guard since Thursday.

Buskirk planned habeas corpus as bond at \$100,000 or more quartette. He laid first extradition procedure and Ohio, where wanted for murder, possibly other mid-western they terrorized.

Bail for Dillinger, known as the "hanging" gang, was fixed yesterday each as fugitives in Pierpont, soft-spoken who scoffed at the who trapped him, also are charged with

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