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BRITISH BUDGET PLACED AT £812,641,000

19 MILLIONS FOR NEW EXPENDITURE SLATED

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FRANCE TO START PAYING THIS YEAR

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LONDON, April 26.—France will begin to pay her war debt to Great Britain during the present British fiscal year. This was one outstanding announcement made by Right Honorable Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, today, in presenting the budget to the House of Commons. France's initial payment will be £4,900,000.

LONDON, April 26.—Introducing the budget in the House of Commons, Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, estimated that the cost of running the British government for the coming financial year will be £812,641,000.

This figure includes nearly nineteen million pounds for new expenditures including empire marketing and other necessary expenditures. The dead weight debt on March 31, he reported, was £7,616,000,000. The floating internal debt was reduced by nearly £38,000,000 during the past year.

The chancellor told the House that during the last year the attempt to place the coal industry on an economic basis had overshadowed all other questions.

COAL SUBSIDY COSTLY.

The coal subsidy, he said, had turned a possible surplus of £5,000,000 into a deficit of nearly £14,000,000. He declared that the nation was richer than a year ago, that general trade was improving, but that basis industries were depressed.

Mr. Churchill stated that the consumption of beer and spirits had decreased during the year because of his taxation. Under the budget as presented the existing rate of taxation for 1926-27 would be continued.

ECONOMY URGED.

The chancellor said that further reduction in expenditure was imperative, and that the cabinet committee on economy would continue its work.

He asserted that all estimates of the three branches of the military services would be considered jointly. This statement was taken by observers as foreshadowing the Ministry of Defence, which would combine the permanent services.

He said that the revenue in the permanent branches of the government was barely holding its own, with a strong and swelling tide of expenditures, and that therefore the outlook for them was somewhat bleak.

79,941,000 DEFICIT

He estimated the revenue for 1926-27 on the existing basis of taxation at £804,700,000. Thus the estimated deficit is £79,941,000.

HIGH WATER WATER ON OROMOCTO RIVER

Level at Mouth Rose Foot Since Sunday; Two Driving Crews Sent

Special to The Times-Star. FREDERICTON, April 26.—The River Valley Lumber Company, with mill at Oromocto, this afternoon sent a driving crew to the north branch of the Oromocto, and another to the Rockwell stream, also in Oromocto waters. This is the first despatch of driving crews in this section, although some work on brooks has been done. Stream driving is more than three weeks late.

WATER RISING

The Oromocto river at its mouth rose one foot since Sunday morning and the ice there is breaking up. Further up the river the ice is firm and extremely high water is feared.

The upper Nashwaak is rising, but ice is still hanging.

The Nashwaak Pulp and Paper Company will drive 9,000,000 feet on that river, the quantity being less than usual, as the company bought much pulpwood instead of cutting it.

The Saint John river continues to rise, but the ice is still solid.

News Association Formed In Japan

TOKYO, April 26.—Dissolution of Kokusai, Japan's national news agency, and the formation of a new non-profit mutual news association similar to The Canadian Press in Canada, the Associated Press, in the United States, was announced today following a meeting of representatives of the empire's largest vernacular newspapers.

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DOUBLE SALE OF BRASS TOLD OF IN COURT CASE

Cyril Moore Testifies To Seeing Three Boys With Cart

Further evidence was given today in the case of Lloyd Kenney and Joseph Gaudet in connection with alleged theft of brass from the A. R. Williams Machinery Co. Joseph Jacobson, manager of the Maritime Iron and Metal Company, 42-54 Pond street, told of buying 180 pounds of brass scrap from Hymas Slavit, on April 20. He mixed it with other brass scrap and sold it to I. Goldberg, on the following day.

To Mr. Hennebery he said that he had paid \$28.50, or eight cents a pound for the brass. He had it as scrap and did not value it as worth \$400. To Detective Biddiscombe he said he could not put a replacement value on the brass fittings.

Isaac Goldberg, junk dealer, 320 Prince William street, told of a visit by a detective to his shop and the removal of the brass. His partner, Hymas Jacobson, had bought the brass from Joseph Jacobson and had paid ninety cents a pound for it.

SAW YOUTHS

Cyril Moore, an acetylene welder who was working on a job in Nelson street on April 21, told of going home from that job and to see three boys with a handcart and a half filled bag on it at the back door of the Hotel building. While turning his car around he saw the boys bring out another bag. He had to stop owing to car trouble and saw a third bag brought out of the alleyway. He told them that if they were stealing they would be arrested. The two prisoners looked like the boys he had seen and he could not positively identify them. One was a colored boy. The witness went to the basement of the police court building and on his return said the cart there looked quite like the one the boys had had.

Mr. Hennebery, the witness said the bags appeared to be heavy. The boys were leaving the alleyway. He did not see them leave any building.

At the request of Mr. Hennebery the case was then adjourned until Friday at 2.30 o'clock.

The prosecution was conducted by Detective Biddiscombe. E. J. Hennebery appeared in behalf of Kennedy and Gaudet and L. McC. Ritchie for the A. R. Williams Machinery Company.

Restrictions Placed On Canadian Milk

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Milk and cream imported from Canada would be required to meet health requirements of the respective states to which it is shipped, under a bill drafted for introduction today by Representative Tolley, Republican, New York. A similar measure is expected to be introduced today by Senator Lenroot, Republican, Wisconsin. The bill would affect bulk shipments into practically all border states.

Winnipeg Rector Warns of Americanism In Dominion

WINNIPEG, Man., April 26.—Canon Berthel Heene, rector of St. Luke, presiding at a St. George's Day service for the Daughters of the Empire, declared that there was a grave danger of Americanism instead of Canadianism being developed in the Dominion.

"Be well assured of this," he said, "that the nation that gives Canada the bulk of its reading matter, and provides the bulk of the motion pictures is doing more to Americanize Canada than anything else. In accepting these we are doing a great national service for the United States."

SECOND PLANE PLANS TO SEEK CAPT. WILKINS

Arctic Explorer Has Been Missing For 11 Days

NOT HEARD FROM

Left Fairbanks, Alaska, By Air For Point Barrow On April 15

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, April 26.—Failure to hear from Captain H. H. Wilkins, who left here 11 days ago for Point Barrow with the first plane of the Detroit Arctic expedition, speeded the search for the missing explorer. Captain Wilkins and Ben Eielson, his pilot, hopped off for Point Barrow, April 15.

Although Major Thomas G. Langphier, commander of the second section of the expedition, and those under him, expressed confidence that the advance plane had reached Barrow, efforts to pick up radio signals from them, yesterday, were not successful. Captain Wilkins carried a short wave radio set, which, it was believed, would enable him to send back messages. The fact that Barrow now has from 18 to 20 hours of daylight, and only a short dusk between sunset and sunrise, makes the search more difficult.

Messages sought

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Comedian, Neck Broken In Finale Of Act, Smiles At Unsuspecting Audience, Dies

CHICAGO, April 26.—His neck broken in the finale of a comic vaudeville sketch, while the unsuspecting audience laughed his approval, Ralph Mackenzie, an 18-year-old vaudeville performer, died here yesterday. Mackenzie played the part of an old professor, who was hazed by a group of college students, and finally tossed in a blanket.

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Young Fredericton Couple Married Today

Special to The Times-Star. FREDERICTON, N. S., April 26.—The wedding of Miss Rita McGinnis, daughter of James McGinnis, and Michael McAllinden, both of Fredericton, was solemnized this morning at St. Dunstan's Church, Very Rev. Dean Carney performing the ceremony. After a honeymoon the young couple will reside in this city.

TERMS OF 15 N. B. SHERIFFS END SOON

Changes Are Expected in York, Sunbury and Kings Counties

Special to The Times-Star. FREDERICTON, N. B., April 26.—Sheriffs for the 15 counties of New Brunswick will begin their terms of office on Saturday May first. It is expected that appointments will be gazetted in the near future.

Some changes are expected as the result of the defeat of the present government August last.

CHANGES TALKED

Reported current here to the effect that in Sunbury, Charles Bliss will be appointed in place of James W. Goan who has held office for several years. The expected appointee is a son of the late James Bliss who was sheriff of Sunbury for some years.

In York the expectation is that John B. Hawthorne will remain sheriff although appointed by the late government.

Another report is that in Kings the appointment of H. V. Dickson, M.P.A. as sheriff which was expected, may not be made. Fred T. Sproule is an applicant for the position.

RUSH DAYS HERE FOR INCOME TAX PAPERS

Friday of This Week Will Be Last Day For Filing of Returns

The office of the federal income tax inspector in the Post Office here anticipates a heavy rush of business this week as the time limit for all returns under this tax act expires on Friday, April 30. Lieut. Col. N. P. MacLeod, in charge of the New Brunswick district, said today that the staff had not had time to check up returns yet, but he thought they were well up to payments made in former years. Mounted police are on duty at the office during the filing period.

RUSSIA, GERMANY SIGN AMITY TREATY

Will Last For Five Years; Affirm Desire For Peace and Neutrality

BERLIN, April 26.—The amity treaty signed last Saturday by Germany and Russia will run for five years and sets up a basis of relations between the two countries in four separate sections. First, both governments agree to view the treaty of Dapallo as a basis for their relations; second, they both affirm their desire for peace; third, they agree to regulate all political and economic problems concerning both by mutual agreement. Fourth, each pledges neutrality in the event of an attack by a third party on the signatories.

REPAIRS COMPLETED.

Repairs were completed last week to the Public lighthouse which was damaged by fire during the winter. A new signalling apparatus has been installed which shows a white light visible six seconds and eclipsed four seconds, according to announcement made this morning by H. F. Morresey, inspector of Lighthouses.

MRS. R. TRUE DIES

Aged Resident of Lincoln Passes Away at Fredericton Home of Niece

Special to The Times-Star. FREDERICTON, April 26.—Mrs. Rebecca True, widow of Albert True of Lincoln, died at an early hour this morning at the home of her niece, Mrs. Jas. Pringle, 140 Charlotte street, aged 87 years. The deceased had resided in Lincoln practically all of her lifetime, but came to Fredericton to spend the winter with her niece. She suffered a stroke of paralysis some time ago and died after a few weeks' illness. Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Mary Patterson, of Lincoln, Mrs. Jane Bird, of Fredericton, and Mrs. Elizabeth Sewell, of Vancouver. The funeral will take place Tuesday.

REPLACING BUOYS.

The C. G. S. Laurentian left this morning for Digby to place about 15 buoys in position in Annapolis Basin for the summer season. These are removed each fall on account of ice conditions.

Nerve Saves Life of Girl Hero

While making a speed of 130 miles an hour at Dayton Beach, Fla., the car driven by Joan La Coate, noted French racer, caught fire. Her brakes would not work. She drove into the surf at an angle. The pressure of the water halted the car. This picture was taken the moment Miss La Coate (crouching in inset) jumped out. Three days later she smashed three world records, traveling at 138 miles an hour.



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Cloudy and Cool

FORECASTS

MARITIME: Fresh westerly winds, partly cloudy and continued cool today and Tuesday.

NEW ENGLAND: Fair tonight and Tuesday, continued cool to-night, slowly rising temperature in interior Tuesday, diminishing northeast and west winds.

Temperatures

TORONTO, April 26.—Lowest Highest during 8 a.m. Yesterday night

Victoria ... 66 80
Calgary ... 46 74
Edmonton ... 42 74
Winnipeg ... 38 60
Toronto ... 38 46
Montreal ... 32 50
Saint John ... 40 56
Halifax ... 40 60
New York ... 44 60 49