

strong pressure, any sort of generous interpretation to the recommendations of the Whitley Committee. The newly-appointed Joint Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Labor, Sir James Masterton-Smith, is an influential member of the Official Side of the National Whitley Council, and he has earned the respect and confidence of the staff by his conduct of the negotiations.

—*New Commonwealth* (London).

Politics

"On the recommendation of the Labor Party Advisory Committee, which is considering changes in the machinery of Government, the Joint Parliamentary Subcommittee of the Party Executive and the Parliamentary Party are asking the Prime Minister to receive them on the question of facilities being granted to civil servants to take up Parliamentary candidatures. Under the present regulations a civil servant must resign his position before he can fight a Parliamentary election, and, in the event of defeat, he is not able to return to his former job. This of course means that few of them can afford to take

the risk of losing an election, with the result that the civil service and postal societies can only run a very small number of candidates. The deputation is asking that a civil servant should be granted leave without pay while he is contesting an election. This concession is granted in New South Wales by Act and in France by custom."—*The Civilian*, (London).

Equal Pay

Major Hills (C.U., Durham) asked (in the House) the Prime Minister whether the Government intended to take any action to carry out the resolution of the House on May 19 on the subject of equal pay for women civil servants.

Mr. Lloyd George replied: His Majesty's Government have carefully reviewed this question in the light of the discussion in the House of Commons on the occasion referred to. In this connection my hon. and gallant friend will remember that important and far-reaching changes were recommended in a recent report of a Committee of the National Whitley Council on the organization of the civil service, to which the consent of his Majesty's Gov-

ernment was conveyed through the official side. Steps are being taken to give effect to these recommendations, and, pending further experience, the Government do not feel justified in varying them. In the nature of things these recommendations can only be tentative, and the Government are prepared to review the situation afresh within a reasonable period of time, which in no case will exceed five years, and will, I anticipate, be considerably less.

As *The Civilian* goes to press it is learned that an order has been issued by the Secretary of State Department to the effect that meetings of civil servants are forbidden in public buildings in Ottawa. The order makes it appear that it is applicable only to meetings of organizations affiliated with the Labor movement. The president of the Associated Federal Employees of Ottawa is taking such action as the case deserves.

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PROMOTED DEPUTY

J. C. Saunders has been selected to fill the vacant position of Deputy Minister of Finance, from which T. C. Boville, C.M.G., retired some months ago.

Mr. Saunders is another deputy head who has risen from the lowest ranks of the civil service. He received his first appointment in 1882 and has spent thirty-eight strenuous years in the department. He rose through successive grades to the post of chief accountant, which he attained in 1905, and after twelve years longer service he was appointed assistant deputy minister.

Mr. Saunders is fifty-eight years of age and a native of Halifax.

A WAR ECHO

Lieutenant-Commander C. P. Edwards, director of wireless telegraphy, Department of the Naval Service, was invested with the insignia of an Officer of the Order of the British Empire at Toronto on September 22. The appointment is in recognition of the important services to the

Canadian and Imperial forces rendered by Lieut.-Comm. Edwards during the late war.

PERSONAL

J. Vernon Mackenzie has resigned the position of Canadian Trade Commissioner at Glasgow to become editor of McLean's Magazine.

D. W. Johnston has resigned from the Exhibits and Publicity Branch of the Department of Trade and Commerce to re-enter journalistic work.

Major Maurice Pope, M.C., son of Sir Joseph and Lady Pope, was married at Chaumont-Gistoux, Belgium, on September 2, to la Comtesse Simonne, daughter of le Comte and la Comtesse Jean Jules de Monceau de Bergendal.

Jean Christina, youngest daughter of James White, deputy head of the Commission of Conservation and Mrs. White, was married on September 7 to Sydney C. Stevens of London.

Edward C. Little, son of W. C. Little, of the Department of Railways and Canals, and Mrs. Little, was married on Septem-

ber 7 to Anna Mary Johnston.

William Joseph McDonald, of the Department of Customs, was married on September 7 to Mary Edna Lantier.

F. E. Buck, B.S.A., the noted horticulturist, who has resigned from his position in the Department of Agriculture to become professor of Horticulture at the British Columbia College of Agriculture, was tendered a farewell dinner by his Ottawa friends and presented with a handsome club bag.

William S. Byers, of the Customs, Niagara Falls, was married on September 15 to Marion Upper of that city.

Bryce M. Stewart, of the Department of Labor, was re-elected president of the International Association of Public Employment Services.

Prof. E. E. Prince, Commissioner of Fisheries, was elected vice-president of the American Fisheries Society.

Robert B. Veits, of the Department of Finance, was married on September 25 to Helena, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ward C. Hughson.