

EULER WILL BE HOST TO BELGIAN PARTY

Touring Business Men to Be
Entertained at Luncheon
in Ottawa Today

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From Capital

Ottawa, May 30. — (P) — Political commentators in Ottawa are finding little these days upon which to exercise their talents, since the spotlight has been largely shifted to London where Prime Minister Mackenzie King and four prominent Cabinet Ministers are representing Canada at the Imperial Conference.

Administrative affairs in the capital are pursuing a quiet course, with no new policies being promulgated and the work of cabinet council largely reduced to authorizations of expenditures voted at the last session of Parliament.

Election battles in British Columbia and Nova Scotia cause very little activity in Ottawa, where the gossip deals more with the forthcoming Liberal convention in Alberta and the political situation in Ontario and Quebec. Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, has left for the West and will attend the Alberta convention.

Revenue Minister J. L. Ilsley, who is also Acting Finance Minister while Hon. Charles Dunning is in London, spent the past week in his native Nova Scotia, but is expected to be in his office Tuesday.

Alberta, after having twice defaulted on bond maturities in the past year, following refusal of the federal Treasury and Bank of Canada to lend the necessary money to meet such obligations, came back again last week with requests to both sources for funds to meet a maturity of \$1,650,000 on June 1.

In the absence of any official statement from either the bank or the Finance Department, it was assumed the requests were both turned down. The Bank of Canada, in its report on Alberta tabled at the last session of Parliament, failed to recommend any assistance for that province in paying its way, apart from the relief loans which are granted all provinces.

The bank's report on Saskatchewan and Manitoba did recommend provision for loans to meet running expenses in those provinces, \$1,500,000 for the former and \$750,000 for the latter. The amounts were voted in the estimates but no provision exists in any statute for loans to Alberta other than those for unemployment relief.

ENTERTAIN BELGIAN PARTY.

The party of Belgian business men who have been touring Canada will be guests of the federal Government tomorrow, and after visiting local commercial plants will be entertained at luncheon with Hon. W. D. Euler, Minister of Trade and Commerce, acting as host.

Transport Minister Howe is making progress with inauguration of the Trans-Canada Airways and last week completed arrangements with Toronto civic authorities whereby the interests of both will be served, and the federal Treasury will contribute \$450,000 for landing field facilities in that city.

Toronto's desire to develop the Island airport site as a port for both land and sea planes will be satisfied, and the Government's need of immediate development of a suitable field for instrument flying in connection with the Trans-Canada Airways, will be met by construction of a properly equipped airport at Malton, near the city.

Senator Raoul Dandurand, Acting Prime Minister, who spends the greater part of his time in Montreal, will preside over the regular weekly Cabinet meeting Wednesday