

CONTROL PROV. LEGISLATURE SAFEGUARDED BY THE POLICY OF PRESENT ADMINISTRATION

Attorney General Refutes Criticisms Opposition Leader

Initial Expenditure Old Age Pensions Thoroughly Explained
Untrue Statements Clinched
Procedure of Government Safeguards Provincial Connection With Throne

(By Mrs. J. L. Neville)
The debate on the Address was resumed in the Legislature yesterday afternoon at three o'clock. In the absence of the Speaker the deputy Speaker J. G. Boucher was in the chair.

Hon. J. B. McNair, Attorney General of the Province, continued the debate on the Address in reply to the Speech from the Throne. In his opening remarks Mr. McNair referred to the solidity of the British Throne and the loyalty of its subjects. The Commonwealth was composed of a number of autonomous constituencies united by a common allegiance to the Crown.

In replying to the various criticisms levelled at the government by the Leader of the Opposition, the speaker ably defended the progressive programme upon which the government had entered. He clearly showed that the present administration was carrying out its pledged programme.

The cost of setting up the machinery for operating the Old Age Pensions was an initial expenditure that would be lessened each year while money to old age pensioners would increase. He explained to the satisfaction of the House the policy of the government in regard to the matter of free school books and dwell upon the proposed educational developments.

A considerable portion of his speech was devoted to the proposed changes in the B.N.A. Act and how they affected the provinces. He pointed out the advantages accruing from the stand taken by New Brunswick at the Dominion Provincial Conferences held at Ottawa last year.

The speech delivered by Mr. McNair follows:

I am sure that no utterance during the present session struck the minds of Honorable members with the force and significance which accompanied (Continued on Page Two)

LAST CHIEF CAPTURED AND SHOT

(Special to The Daily Mail)
ROME, Feb. 25—The last Abyssinian chieftain who has been holding out against the Italians has been captured and shot by a firing squad at Addis Ababa. The Abyssinian chieftain was 35 years old and had been in charge of Abyssinian power on the southern front.

CLEVER BUSINESS MEN ARE VERY OFTEN POOR SCHOLARS

Ontario Educational Authorities Judged Pupils From Wrong Viewpoint

TORONTO, Feb. 25—How many of Toronto's successful business and professional men were clever and brilliant at school? How many of them were just average?

Hon. Dr. L. J. Simpson, Minister of Education, thinks that probably many of them would admit they were able to just get by.

In his address at the joint Big Brother annual meeting held at the Simpson's Arcadian Court recently, he deplored the mistaken idea of par-



HON. J. B. MCNAIR
Attorney General, who clearly defined progressive policy of government

TWEEDSMUIR TO VISIT ARCTIC IN SUMMER

EDMONTON, ALTA., Feb. 25—Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor General of Canada, will spend considerable time in Western Canada this summer and will include a visit to Akklavik, and Herschel Island in his itinerary, according to word received here today from J. A. MacKinnon, member of the House of Commons for Edmonton West.

Herschel Island is in the Arctic Ocean about 1,450 miles northwest of Edmonton, and Akklavik is on the Mackenzie River about 125 miles southeast of Herschel Island.

After attending the Calgary Stampede, the Governor General will continue north to Edmonton and Waterways, Alta., according to present plans. He will leave Waterways July 22 on a Hudson's Bay Company steamer and travel down the Mackenzie to Akklavik and continue to Herschel Island.

Lord Tweedsmuir will return by (Continued on Page Four)

Hard Surfaced Roads

WE wonder if there is anybody in the Province of New Brunswick today who would like to go back to the days of the horse and buggy and to the time when the highways were little more than rights of way. In wet weather they were paths through the mud and in fine weather they were merely receptacles for dangerous clouds of dust.

Only once removed from the old conditions were the dusty roads of a few years ago. Everyone recognizes that the time is here when these dusty roads have to give place to modern highway conditions. Our people are entitled to these and in addition to this the hard surfaced roads will bring millions of dollars into the Province by way of tourist travel. There is no doubt about it that with all our boasting of tourist travel that the Province has lost much of this because of the dusty roads. This was brought forcibly to our minds a few days ago by a conversation we had with a visitor from the United States who have travelled all over this Province and who expressed his appreciation at the advances being made by the Government to improve the dangerous, dusty condition of our highways. A good start has been made in this improvement and much yet remains to be done. The people of this Province who recognize that the time for modern highway construction is here will look to the Government to give them modern roads.

The cost and type of our highways must depend upon the social and economic results derived from highway expenditure. The roads of the horse and buggy days certainly are not suitable for the motor vehicles and heavy traffic of today. The rapid expansion of heavy trucks and motor buses using roads built at public expense have to be considered. These have come to stay. Rapid travel and safety today require harder roads and wider roads and decreased grades.

The better type of roads have increased the area within which business can profitably be done. The carpenter, the painter and the doctor can now go twenty-five miles to work as cheaply and as quickly as they could have gone one mile before the days of automobiles and good roads. Farmers and business men near good roads find it easier and cheaper to go long distances to markets. Churches can be reached more easily at greater distances. The area served by hospitals is extended. Social isolation is broken down and community interests are broadened out. For the most part the cost of maintaining these improved hard surface highways is placed on the users of gasoline, of the motor vehicles and of the large trucks.

Expenditures of huge sums of public money for the construction and maintenance of our highways is a development of the twentieth century and neither the public nor the governments that administer public affairs can ignore this fact. There is no sane person today but who will admit that not only business and other economic conditions but also the safety of life and limb depend upon a modern system of highways.

There is no more important phase of public work of the government today than its services and how these services are to be financed. It is the duty of governments to see that the safety, health and education and moral well-being of the people are to be maintained. Taxpayers are all anxious for the maintenance of these services. They are anxious to shift the burden over to the coming generations rather than dig down and pay current expenses. They want and must have necessary services for which they are unable to pay. It is up to progressive governments to provide these services.

There is no person in the Province today who wishes to continue or to go back to the old horse and buggy days, or to the roads choked with dust. The money spent in this Province on good roads today is money well spent. And every section of the Province wants these roads. No member of the Legislature will say that his County should not have good roads.

The present Provincial Government recognizes the necessity of providing hard surfaced roads, and we believe that no member of the Legislature, no matter whether he is on the right or the left side of the Speaker, will deny this necessity. Therefore extravagant adverse criticism regarding hard surfaced roads is unjustified and comes with poor grace.

Trade Agreement Extension Between Britain and Ireland

(Special to The Daily Mail)

LONDON, Feb. 25—The Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs has announced an extension of trade agreements between Great Britain and Ireland. Irish horses are to enter England free of duty while sugar and a few other articles will be permitted to enter in Ireland free of duty.

Government Forces Meeting With Successes

(Special to The Daily Mail)

SPAIN, Feb. 25—Government forces are meeting with successes, according to reports. They have further penetrated into the city of Cairo and they claim further successes on the south-east of Madrid. The capital has again been bombed by the insurgents. Thirty-one bombs have been dropped and 70 casualties are reported.

YUKON JUDGE USES PLANE

But Admits He Prefers Travelling on Ground

OTTAWA, Feb. 25—Mr. Justice C. D. Macaulay, the Yukon's only judicial officer, might claim the title of "The Flying Judge."

In Ottawa consulting the Department of Justice, his Lordship frequently used the airplane in his judicial rounds, but he prefers ground travel.

He said he did not dislike flying. "But I have responsibilities," he explained. "Besides I'm getting to be an old man."

He has been on the Bench in the Yukon since 1902. He holds Court at White Horse, Mayo, Keno and Dawson City. Once he called a session at White Crown, near the Arctic Ocean.

LUMBER CREWS 'RUSH' SHIPMENTS, BRITISH MARKET

Colin C. MacDonald, M.L.A., Kings County, who is attending the legislative session here, is employing 200 men, on day and night shifts, near Woodman's Point on the Saint John river. The crews are "rushing" lumber shipments which are being made to England and other markets in Europe. Mr. MacDonald's crew is accomplishing a feat hitherto unknown in the lumbering industry of this province. From the standing timber in the forests to part of a lumber cargo placed in the hold of a vessel, steaming down the Bay of Fundy for England, in 24 hours is the work which is being accomplished by these men.

Just as soon as the axemen have felled a tree and trimmed it, it is loaded on any one of the eight trucks and rushed to either the Woodman's Point or the Lingley mill.

Cut and Trucked
There it is immediately cut up into lumber and placed aboard another truck, which brings it right to the wharf in West Saint John or at Hilliard's wharf on the East Side. Taken right from the truck to the hold of the vessel, the final truckloads are actually on the high seas as a high-grade lumber cargo, less than 24 hours after they first felt the bite of the woodsman's axe.

The 200 men work in crews of 10. All work is done night and day. Most of the lumber is shipped on the Head boats for Ireland, with some of it being consigned to England, Mr. MacDonald said.

"This has been an exceptionally good year for us," he declared. "The (Continued on Page Four)

Indications Point To Early Navigation On Saint John River

Ice Becoming Honeycombed in Lower Sections of the River

Preparing Steamers for Season's Activities

Cutters Report the Ice Measures Only Twelve Inches in Depth

ALTA. PREMIER'S EJECTION FROM OFFICE TALKED

EDMONTON, Feb. 25—The Aberhart Government of Alberta, first Social Credit Government in the world, last night apparently faced the alternative of Social Credit or disruption.

It is 18 months since Premier Aberhart promised Alberta dividends and concurrent defeat of human poverty, but, according to the Government's own experts, not a move has been made to date in the direction of instituting Social Credit.

Angry Following
And the climax comes today when, on the eve of the opening of the Alberta Legislature, the Premier meets a reportedly disappointed following of 53 members, a fair proportion of whom are said to be bitterly angry and prepared to throw Mr. Aberhart overboard—unless at the same two-day caucus he produces Social Credit legislation.

The political picture here is almost unbelievably odd. Out of a Cabinet of nine Ministers, two have previously been ousted, and today come reports that two more—Agriculture Minister Chant and Attorney-General Hugill—are to have their administrative heads cut off.

Why? For being to moderate, according to Parliament Buildings reports. And, additionally, two Provincial members have been thrown out of the party in its short term of life, and just the other day a Federal Parliamentarian was given the axe for protesting continued absence of Social Credit.

Add that to the fact that three Aberhart Government Social Credit advisers, Douglas, Magor and Hargrave, have been fired or have quit, (Continued on Page Four)

Reports from the lower sections of the Saint John river state that in some districts the ice is beginning to be honeycombed, and that more and more water is appearing on the surface. If the current mild spell continues, it is expected that a new record will be established for the opening of navigation this year. Navigation opened last year at the earliest period in the history of the river. The ice left the river about the middle of March, and the ice-jam which carried away the C.N.R. bridge and flooded this section of the country took place on March 19th. Navigation usually opens between the 6th and 16th of April.

In some sections where ice-cutting operations are being carried out, the thickest cakes measure only twelve inches in depth, while February cutting in other years found the ice to be from 24 to 36 inches in depth.

Cars are still crossing the ice in the lower sections, but drivers are becoming more cautious day by day. In view of the present indications, preliminary arrangements already have been made to overhaul river steamers and motor vessels for the spring and summer navigation.

PREPARATIONS BEING MADE FOR REGULAR SERVICE

LONDON, Feb. 25—From March 6 onward all Imperial Flying Boats will arrive at Southampton instead of Croydon. Between Southampton and Alexandria four boats will be in and four will be out each week. The trip inward takes two days and two and a half days will be required for the trip the other way.

The Imperial Flying Boat Cambria left Southampton today for the Mouth of the Estuary of the River Shannon to test out landings and wireless apparatus in preparation for regular trans-Atlantic air service.

Stewardship Hon. David A. Croll Made Quintuplets Millionaires, Resigns Guardianship

GORDON HIGHLANDERS TO SINGAPORE

(Special to The Daily Mail)
GIBRALTAR, Feb. 25—The second battalion of Gordon Highlanders was inspected today by Governor Sir Charles Harrington who wished them health and good luck. The battalion is leaving for Singapore on the first of March.

CONFINED TO RESIDENCE
Friends will regret to hear that Neil Ganter, Beaverbrook student at U.N.B., is ill with the flu. Mr. Ganter is a guest at Beaverbrook residence.

A. C. Jones of Sussex, arrived here today on a business trip.

Over Half Million Dollars Invested in Gov't Bonds -- Gov't Guaranteed Bonds of Province and Dominion Assured Income of \$200,000.

TORONTO, Feb. 25—Hon. David A. Croll, who made the Dionne quintuplets virtually millionaires in two years, moved in the Ontario Legislature yesterday to turn over his job as special guardian—or business manager—to new hands. The change will take effect April 30.

"The only fame which comes to the quintuplets' manager is something like the reflected glory enjoyed by a movie star's husband," Mr. Croll explained to the House which two years ago put him on the board of guardians as the King's representative.

"I have this much vanity—I prefer my work as administrator of the de- (Continued on Page Four)

LABOR PARTY SKS AAMENDMENT TO FACTORIES BILL

(Special to The Daily Mail)
LONDON, Feb. 25—The Factories Bill was before the standing committee of the House of Commons today. Already 100 amendments have been made to the bill but the Labor Party is still holding out for further amendments.

TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE
Rev. Stanley McConaghy, of the Apostolic Church of Pentecost, Millville, York County, has been authorized to solemnize marriages.

Roy Carter of Truro is visiting friends in the city today.