Uusual Pomp and Ceremony At Opening of Ontario Legislature

Salute of 15 Guns For New Lieutenant-Governor

Session Promises To Be A Fairly Active One

With all time-honored ceremony and color, the fourth session of Ontario's Eighteenth Legislature will be opened this Wednesday, at three o'clock, by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, His Honor Dr. Herbert A. Bruce.

The Henry Government has indicated through press and platform that there is no likelihood of an early provincial election. Opposition critics say that the session of Parliament at hand is the last before the present governmental administration appeals to the country. Only time can tell.

Everything is ready for the opening. The Legislative Chamber has been completely renovated: the temporary seating accommodation for the usual crush of notables has been in place for days: and the staff of pages who will be in attendance during entire sessional period have been quietly groomed for their jobs for several days now. Demand for tickets—for all four galleries—has been unusually large.

The Lieutenant-Governor, who will grace the Legislature throne Wednesday for the first time, will be attended by Col. H. M. Hilchie, his new personal aide, and will have an escort of Royal Canadian Dragoons, under command of Lieutenant Ardagh. At the parliament Buildings steps he will inspect a guard of honor from the Royal Canadian Regiment, under Major Neilson, and then will proceed indoors in company with Premier George S. Henry. The customary salute of 15 guns will be fired by field artillery stationed on the north side of the buildings.

The session promises to be a fairly active one, although legislation is being kept down to the minimum and nothing in the way of new taxation is so far hinted.

Col. Alexander Fraser, former personal aide to the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, will stand by tomorrow and watch Col. Hilchie perform the ceremonial duties which were his lot for so many years.

Hon. Edward A. Dunlop, Provincial Treasurer, will not be able to attend the opening because of illness.

BORN

McLEAN — At Durham hospital on Sunday, February 12, 1933, to Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McLean, Priceville, a son.

If you did not feel the depression before, the new taxes will remind one that it costs a great amount of money to keep a country going—up or down.

THE DEBT SITUATION

A school boy's explanation of the world debt situation. Supposin' there were only 1200 turnips in the world. A farmer living two and a half miles from Fergus has 800 of them. Farmers at Meaford, Chesley and Duntroon owed the Fergus farmer 2400 turnips, but had among them only the remaining 400 in the world. Yet the Fergus farmer insists on being paid in turnips. He won't take potatoes, onions clover seed or even hogs. He won't let his turnips grow seed so that the other farmers can grow more turnips. How is he going to be paid? That Fergus farmer is the United States. When it is gold instead of turnips everybody gets muddled up. Pass up head!

MRS. WOLSTENCROFT LOSES HER BROTHER

Mrs. (Rev.) J. R. Wolstencroft left on Monday morning to attend the funeral of her brother, Mr. Wm. McMurray, who died at his home in Detroit on Friday morning at the age of 47 years. Death was the result of a stroke. The late Mr. McMurray was born at Shelburne. Besides his widow and one son he leaves to mourn one brother and one sister, Mr. Jas. McMurray of Owen Sound and Mrs. Wolstencroft of Flesherton. The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon.

Hon. T. L. Kennedy, Minister of Agriculture, in addressing the annual meeting of the Dual-Purpose Shorthorn Club, urged the members to study feeding and blood lines, in order to increase the butter-fat production of dual-purpose herds in the province. The members reported brisk bidding and good prices at the various sales held during 1932.

HOCKEY

Come to the Big Hockey Match in the FLESHERTON ARENA on

Thursday, Feb. 16

when

Proton vs. Flesherton

The locals were defeated by this team in the last battle and are out to win this game. Be sure to attend if you want to see thrills, spills and tumbles.

ADMISSION

Adults 15c, Public School children 10c

19 Below Zero Was Weather Last Week

Despite Drifting Roads Are Still Open For Traffic When Large Plow Went Through

Out of the west came sub-zero weather on Wednesday of last week, when the temperature registered 8 below at 7 p.m. Thursday morning the thermometers registered 14 below and on Friday morning the lowest was reached with 19 below zero. The cold weather was accompanied by high winds and considerable snow that filled the highways making motor traffic very difficult. Early Saturday morning a provincial snow plow came through and opened the highway, but the high wind soon piled more drifts, although cars could run, though with difficulty. Late Sunday night the plow returned, allowing a couple of large transports and quite a number of cars, which were snow bound, to follow through.

Along with the cold weather came the problem of frozen water systems in almost every home in the village and blow-torches were worked overtime in thawing out pipes.

Friday afternoon the intense cold commenced to moderate and Monday was a beautiful balmy day, causing the snow to melt in protected spots. The weather was the severest experienced in two years.

Dobson — Williams

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the parsonage, Maxwell, on Saturday, Feb. 11th, 1933, at 3 o'clock, when Miss Mabel Olive Williams, daughter of Mrs. Beecroft and the late Mr. James Williams, of the 10th line, Artemesia, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Joshua Dobson, son of Mrs. and the late Mr. John Dobson, of the 12th line, Osprey, Rev. Mr. McNeil performing the ceremony. Their attendants were Mr. Ernest Fenwick and Miss Teressa Leppard. The bride looked charming in a pretty frock of monet blue crepe-back satin trimmed with grey, with hat, shoes and stockings harmonizing. After the wedding ceremony the bridal couple drove to the home of the bride's mother, where a sumptuous wedding repast was served to the immediate relatives, the table being centred with a delicious wedding cake. A pleasant evening was spent, after which the newly-weds departed for the groom's home, where they will reside for a while. We join in extending our heartiest congratulations to them and hope they may enjoy many happy and prosperous years of wedded life.

Charity covers a multitude of sins but up in Sturgeon Falls it hasn't successfully covered a multitude of crooked transactions in relief charges.

South Grey Retains Identity In Ontario

Many Seats Cut Out, Others Are Added—22 Seats Less School Grants Are Cut

Premier Henry last week turned the official light on the redistribution bill to be presented shortly to the Ontario Legislature. Premier Henry admitted that the Government would press for a cut of 22 seats from the present House membership of 112. Toronto will lose three seats, Hamilton and Ottawa one each and Premier Henry intimated that all sections of the province would feel the effects of the redistribution axe. The minimum population of an electoral district will be set at 25,000; in the cities the basis will be 50,000 or over.

A 20 per cent. cut in all departmental expenditures, Premier Henry further announced, was the aim for this year of the provincial budgeting committee at Queen's Park. To attain that objective, he said, would mean a greater than 20 per cent. slash in some items. Last year, the ordinary expenditure of the province had been some $55,000,000, inclusive of indirect relief charges, and approximately $16,000,000 in provincial debt interest. That 16,000,000, he said, was a fixed charge and could not be reduced. In all other items—"all along the line," as he put it—the budgeting committee was cutting to the bone, taking care wherever they recommended their reductions that the long-prided efficiency of various services to the people would be affected as little as possible.

As one illustration of departmental retrenchment, Premier Henry cited the 20 per cent. reduction that has been applied to all school grants with the exception of the academic high schools which are to be cut ten per cent. With co-operation in this connection from the various school boards concerned, there need be no depreciation in the standards of education, he felt.

D. J. Taylor, progressive of North Grey will have reduced boundaries in his constituency, while South Grey, represented by F. R. Oliver will lose some territory to the new Dufferin riding. Most of the ridings in Ontario figure in the shuffle, some being dropped and merged with other constituencies. Mitchell Hepburn, Liberal leader, will have all Elgin County in which to be elected in place of East Elgin. It is proposed to make a fifth York riding. Simcoe county with its three representaives, will likely be reduced to two with part of its territory going to one of the two Dufferin ridings. The changes are only proposed and the details and boundaries of each will be fixed later.

ABOUT SCHOOL ASSESSMENT

Editor of The Advance:
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As we were the ones responsible for the deputation meeting the council concerning the school rates, we would like to make the following statement.

We merely asked the council about an equalization as we have been paying 11 mills and the village 8 mills

Mr. Bellamy, being present as clerk, is also secretary of the school board Assessor Boland was also present They immediately informed us that an equalization had taken place two years ago, which gave the village 70% and the rural district 30 per cent and this they claimed to be the proper equalization and that it was not necessary for an equalized assessment to have the same rate, this we did not agree with.

On a properly equalized assessment the rate will be the same, but on a guessed at affair such as this one the rate will be different. From figures available this is how it stands: Total assessment $238,120, divided as follows:

Village assessment .... $178,600 or 75%
Rural assessment .... 59,520 or 25%
Total money raised $2082
Village ..... $1428 or 68.59%
rate 11 mills
Rural district ..... $654 or 31.41%
rate 11 mills

ASSESSMENT AS IT SHOULD BE
Village ..... $1561 or 75%
rate 8.75 mills
Rural district ..... $521 or 25%
rate 8.75 mills

Can any one show us where we are wrong or unjustified in our claim?

ED LOUCKS.
EMERSON WICKENS

While there are many factors that enter into the management of the poultry flock, there is nothing that will have greater influence on the poultry raiser's success or failure than the way in which he houses his flock. Birds of good breeding, no matter how well fed, will not return maximum profits unless well housed. The poultry house is the hen's home, and to be comfortable and give good production, the house should have pro-

Large Barn Burned South of Flesherton; Five Pigs Burned

Typical American Propaganda

A Cleveland manufacturer is authority for the statement that "Great Britain will in time bleed the United States white and that the U.S. will soon be like a man possessing all the gold in the world sitting on a rock in the middle of the ocean." We fear this individual is looking through blue glasses. His pessimistic view of the question will not be shared by either Great Britain or the United States. Great Britain never "bled" any nation white, but she has been compelled, against her will, to occasionally adopt drastic measures to protect herself against graft and greed.

Mrs. Sarah Stewart Died At McIntyre

Death came quietly on Monday to Mrs. Sarah Stewart of Osprey township, after an illness of several months at the age of 78 years. For some time she has been residing at the home of her son, Robert, at McIntyre and also tenderly tended by her daughter, Frances.

The late Mrs. Stewart, whose maiden name was Sarah Henry, was born in Ireland and came to Osprey township over fifty years ago with her husband the late Charles Stewart, who predeceased her about 35 years ago. She leaves to mourn a family of five sons and one daughter, **Robert** of McIntyre, **Archie** of **Toronto**, William of Brownlee, **Sask.**, **Samuel**, 3rd Line of Osprey, **Frances** at home and **Thomas of Ceylon**. Two brothers **reside in** Glasgow, Scotland.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Stewart will take place this Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock p.m., with service at Maxwell United church.

A BOY AND A GIRL

There was a tragic case reported from Peterborough. Alma Mary Johnston of North Monaghan, a 17-year-old collegiate student, took her own life by using an old revolver and the reason is said to have been that her mother refused to allow her to go out with a boy friend.

Of course some may say that it is a question for Dorothy Dix to discuss, but actually it is a problem which has arisen one time or another in a good many homes, and it has to do with boys just as well as girls.

There is one school of thought which says "No, you cannot go out." It looks upon the girl or the boy of 17 as very young, still needing parental control and positive direction. We fear that when the definite "No" policy has been adopted there is danger of coming too close to the line where complete confidence between parent and child is going to be broken, and when that is done there is nothing much left to work on. It also creates an atmosphere where it is difficult to regain lost ground.

We hesitate to express an opinion regarding a case the particulars of which are so meagre, and remarks made here are intended to have general application. In such a case it would have been much better had the girl of 17 been made to feel that she was at liberty to have her boy friend or friends visit in her home. It is not an unusual thing at all for girls of 17 to have boy friends; it has been going on in the world for years and will continue that way. The wise parent will encourage openness of meeting, and by so doing will discourage clandestine contact of sneaking out at night when opportunity presents.

Implements, 5 Pigs and Crop Went Up In Flames

Horse Kicked Lantern

Fire completely destroyed a fine large bank barn owned by Mr. Gordon Long, 1¼ miles south of Flesherton, on Monday evening, caused by a horse kicking a lantern which was hanging from a beam in the horse stable. Five pigs were burned to death, but Mr. Long was able to save the other stock, consisting of five horses, 5 cows, 1 calf and 4 pigs ready for market. Most of the implements and a buggy stored in the barn, were also destroyed by the fire. Fifteen tons of hay were stored in the barn, together with a quantity of straw and about 450 bushels of grain, which was an entire loss. Part of the loss is covered by insurance. The barn was a substantial one 40x60 feet in size and was formerly owned by the late Wm. Sharp.

The fire was caused by a horse kicking the lantern from its fastening when Mr. Long went into its stall to lift the horse's foot which it had placed over the tie strap. It immediately commenced to kick. The lantern was completely smashed when it fell, the burner coming off allowing the oil to run out and immediately taking fire. There was a burst of flame from the straw bedding and Mr. Long grabbed a fork and threw the straw and lantern outside, but as the first blast of flame reached the ceiling of the stable it went up through a man hole and caught on the straw in the mow. Mr. Long gave the alarm and immediately commenced to take out the stock and also saved the harness, except for the bridles. Mr. Geo Best, a neighbor, arrived in time to assist with the pigs.

Mr. Long then made an attempt to save the implements in the top part of the barn, but when he opened the large doors he was met with a burst of flame and in an hour the structure was razed. It is a severe blow to Mr. Long to lose so much at this time, especially with the money so hard to secure in which to rebuild. Neighbors have taken the stock to house and feed until Mr. Long has decided what course he will pursue.

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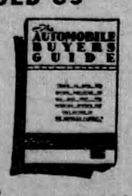

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