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MUST GIVE AID IN PROPORTION

Premier Says Claims of All Educational Institutes Must be Considered

APPROVE WESTERN GRANT

Two things the Province must remember in deciding upon a policy of aid to universities, Premier Drury told the Legislature yesterday, in discussing the university estimates. One was the financial ability of the Province to pay. The other was a due sense of proportion between the universities and other educational institutions that needed support as well as universities.

"There are a great many people in Ontario who never have seen and who cannot see the inside of a university, and we must meet the educational needs of Ontario in a manner to give due regard to all."

Dr. Hugh Stevenson of London said that the Government had done right in making the grant it had to Western University. He thought that it would become the Provincial university in a short time for the western part of the Province. It cost the citizens of London \$1.75 a head to keep the Western University going. If the city of Toronto duplicated that, he said, it would be providing \$600,000 to \$700,000 a year.

Extols Commission Report.

Hon, Howard Ferguson extolled highly the report of the University Commission, and read extracts from it of private benefactions to the University of Toronto to show that that institution had not been dependent entirely upon Provincial aid, and had not been neglected in a financial way by the citizens of Toronto.

Hon. R. H. Grant, Minister of Education, declared that the policy outlined in the University Commission report was the policy he would adhere to until some alternative policy was presented which he could accept. He said that President Falconer of the University of Toronto had told him a week ago that there was no doubt that the University of Toronto would receive the \$50,-\$000 grant from the Rockefeller fund. President Falconer had told him also that the capitalization of the million-dollar endowment had not been given to any university in Canada for five years, and would not be given until universities complied with the conditions.

Amicable Solution of Problem.

Mr. H. H. Dewart said that Western and Queen's Universities, with larger endowments, could give the same education as that given in the University of Toronto. The House was satisfied that the Government had seen its way clear to arrive at an amicable solution of the financial

problem of university aid.

The Liberal Leader said he did not think that the succession duties was the proper basis upon which moneys should be granted to universities. "Should the revenue of the University depend on the death of a certain number of people who happen to have a certain amount of money?" he asked. He contended that this was not a fair basis on which to deal with the matter. Succession duties, moreover, should not be for the benefit only of the University of Toronto. Out of that revenue the Government had to deal also with charitable institutions.

He compared endowments left to McGill with endowments left to the University of Toronto, much to the advantage of the former, though he paid handsome tribute to the gift of

the Massey estate.

W. E. N. Sinclair, South Oxford, was against changing the name of the University of Toronto. Every

education dollar spent on higher would bring full returns.

Obligations Are Recognized.

"The Government has never contemplated abandoning or strangling the universities of Ontario," said the "Speaking for the men behind me, they have all recognized the obligation to the University. I speak particularly of the University of Toronto, because I recognize it is the Provincial University.

"There are two things the Province must remember in dealing with this problem. First, the financial ability. We must cut our coat

according to our cloth. We cannot be unlimited in our support. are limited by what the Province can bear.

"Then there is our sense of proportion. There are other education'al needs to be supported. I wish we had an unlimited purse—a purse without a bottom."

Mr. Ferguson - I tell you, you would go some then, wouldn't you? Thomas Marshall, Lincoln, said the results of work done in the University could be brought to others by those who were in attendance at the University. The greater equipment in the University, both in professors and in facilities for work, the greater good could be effected by the students.

Need for Research Work.

Continuing the debate after the dinner hour, Hon. G. H. Ferguson, drawing attention to the Premier's reference to "due proportion of expenditure on education," said that out of a total revenue of \$100,000-000 Ontario was spending only 6 per cent, on education. And of that total, he said, less than one-third was going to the Provincial University, the University of Toronto. While Queen's and Western had their field to work in, he thought their particular usefulness was along the line of elementary higher education. Special attention should be paid to the Provincial University, he thought, to make it the centre for post-graduate studies. Too much money, he thought, could not be expended on scientific industrial research work. The Conservative Leader made eloquent reference to the necessity of high-class educational facilities in the interests of citizenship and national welfare.

Major J. C. Tolmie pointed out that the Province had now come to the parting of the ways with respect to making proper and adequate provision for the Universities.

PROVINCIAL POLICE TO HAVE GOOD HEAD

Attorney-General Promises an Early Appointment Which Will Satisfy

"It is desirable that eventually the Province should take over entirely the payment of Police Magistrates," was the view expressed by Hon. W. E. Raney yesterday in the Legislature in discussing supplementary estimates.

Mr. Raney said that in the appointment of a Magistrate the appointee ought to have the confidence of every section of the community.

Mr. H. H. Dewart suggested that there should be a Magistrate located in York county outside of Toronto.

Discussing proposed changes in the police organization, the Attorney-General said that his plan was to have Provincial officers the High Constable in each county. "I am looking forward to making such a recommendation next year," he said.

"You are not going to resign, then?" inquired Hon. G. H. Ferguson.

Provincial Chief Appointment.

"Not for two or three months," smilingly said Mr. Raney. The Attorney-General said he