

# SINCLAIR IS PLEASED WITH SESSION WORK OF LIBERAL M.P.P.'S

## Secure Acknowledgment That Taxation System Unjust

### INSPIRATION TO PARTY

William E. N. Sinclair, Liberal House Leader in the Ontario Legislature, issued the following statement yesterday with regard to the session just ended:

"The session just closed, while not spectacular, has in every way been most successful for the Liberal Party. Without authoritative leadership from official sources, the members have participated actively and effectively. I have directed their activities from experience obtained as Leader in the previous seven sessions. The debate on the Address took a form in which the Liberal Party, by offering its co-operation to the Government, forced agriculture to the front and resulted in the active functioning of the Agricultural Committee during the entire session.

#### Sees Taxation Survey.

"The Budget debate was directed toward taxation relief and, while the Liberal amendment was defeated in the House, the Liberals have secured from the Government, as a result of suggestions and criticism, an acknowledgment that the present system is antiquated and unjust, and there is a promise that there will be a survey of taxation in the near future.

"The Hydro received prominence due to the constructive criticism directed toward it by Dr. McQuibban and other Liberals, and the public ownership undertaking of Ontario must, in consequence, return to its former objective, a producing and distributing system of power and light at cost, rather than a system of buying power at private companies' prices with distribution on a cost-plus basis. The amendments to the Power Commission Act were closely scrutinized, with the result that valuable changes were made. The members now return to their respective homes with no formulated plan to carry to the people of their ridings other than their own, the message of the session. With full participation in all activities throughout the session and with full knowledge of all that the session involved, I, with the other members, go back to my riding to pursue my own activities, limited politically by the boundaries of my riding.

#### Thanks Liberal Members.

"I am glad the Liberal members have received full publicity in the press for all their sessional activities so that the party in general has had the inspiration which has come from their efforts. The dissemination of Liberal thought and the results of the concentrated efforts of the Liberal members of the House during the last session now fall to the lot of the Leader who has not the personal advantage of contact with them or with the sessional work. As Leader of the Opposition I want publicly to thank the Liberal members for their united efforts on behalf of the party during the session, handicapped as they were by lack of the advantages of a recognized party Leader as their director in the Legislature, and to pay tribute to them as the recognized elected representatives of the party in Ontario. I hope one and all have a successful recess at their own occupations."