

FARMERS' HORSES EXEMPT IN SEIZURE

Minor Amendments to Legis- lation Brought Into House

A twenty-minute session of the Ontario Legislature yesterday saw four amendments to present acts brought down, all of which indicated minor changes in existing legislation. Two formal special committees which have not been called in years were named: one on the management of the library, and the other to direct expenditures for art purposes.

The most interesting of sought legislation is perhaps contained in reference to a clause in the Execution Act. Hitherto under this legislation a farmer's team of horses and harness were not exempt from seizure for debt. The change will make it possible for the farmer to keep his horses and necessary harness with other already-exempted articles and stock.

The introduction of the amendment to the Execution Act brought out the first cross-floor barb from Hon. Harry C. Nixon, Progressive Leader, who wanted to know, amid laughter from members, if it meant execution of ridings and a six-year term for the Government.

An amendment to the Sale and Chattel Mortgage Act providing extension of time for registration after the statutory period had elapsed brought the assurance from the Government that there was to be no moratorium on chattel mortgages.

Several Mining Act changes were introduced to clear up details in sections pertaining to holdings and fees charges. A clause in the Mechanics' Lien Act will be changed to provide for easier methods in bringing an action to trial. Several reports, many of them already made public, including the Hydro Royal Commission report and the University of Toronto report, were tabled by Hon. George H. Challies, Provincial Secretary.

The House adjourned until Monday, when another session of introduction of bills and amendments will proceed.

DEFICIT ANNOUNCED, BUT GROWTH NOTED

Annual Report of Uni- versity Is Tabled in Legislature

A bulky sheaf, the twenty-sixth annual report of the University of Toronto was tabled in the Legislature yesterday by Provincial Secretary G. H. Challies. It stated the deficit of \$217,310 shown up to June 30 last had been met by the university, having been charged to the special contingent fund created some years ago from favorable balances; this reduces the fund's extent from \$355,191 to \$137,881.

The report emphasized the continued growth of the physical plant of the university, despite adverse conditions, but pointed out the program of expansion had rendered it impossible to keep abreast of maintenance and operation problems.

The deficit of \$217,310 was due to the receipts being \$2,707,519 and the expenditures \$2,924,829 for the year ended June 30 last.