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## Tories Open Fire With Questions

### Civil Service Jobs, Hepburn Finance Legislature Ammunition

Conservatives opened the session-long fire of "questions" at Queen's Park yesterday. The first rattle of the Opposition musketry was lengthy, but there were no surprises. New Civil Service appointments, financial figures, and Liberal lawyers were prominent targets.

Two questions will uncover information still undisclosed at Queen's Park. Hon. W. H. Price wants to know what "K.C.'s" were cancelled last year, and how, and on whose recommendation. The liquor and beer brands listed since July have aroused the curiosity of Conservative Whip J. F. Hill, and he asks, in addition, the names of manufacturers and agents.

Costs of relief, costs of the Securities Commission, cost of Royal Commissions, revenue figures, farm loan figures, corporation tax figures, salaries and names of all new Civil Service appointees and a request for Hon. Arthur Roebuck's pending Fire Marshal report fill the list.

Hon. Leopold Macaulay asks a new query. How many miles of ditches were filled in prior to the change of Government? How many miles of ditches have since been dug out again? How many miles of ditches have been

## Roosevelt Thanked For Return of Mace

Ontario yesterday thanked Franklin D. Roosevelt for the return of the Mace of 1812.

The Legislature unanimously approved Premier Hepburn's resolution—"to extend to the President and Government of the United States of America its grateful appreciation"—"and that this House deeply appreciates the friendliness and good-will towards his Majesty the King and his subjects."

"The return of the Mace shows that we harbor no animosities over 1812," said the Premier. Its return, he held, was a reminder of responsibilities in a world concerned with the problem of peace.

The home-coming of the Mace, Hon. George S. Henry stated, "was not only a friendly action between the United States and ourselves." To the Opposition Leader it stressed the place of Ontario and Canada—in a preferred position designed to play an important part in interpretation of the British Empire to the great Republic to the south.

Colonel Fraser Hunter (Liberal, Toronto St. Patrick's) referred to the similar feeling on the part of his Majesty's armed forces, and Sam Lawrence (C.C.F., Hamilton East) added his word of agreement.

"As a party of one," said Mr. Lawrence, "I am glad to place myself on record and join with the resolution."