

# Liberals Win Address Vote By 63 to 18

## Nixon Winds Up Argument for Government Forces

### TORY SINS RECALLED

#### Says Proper Loyalty From Service Not Accorded to Drury

**F**ULL-DRESS division polished off the debate on the Address in Reply in the Ontario Legislature a few minutes before 7 o'clock last night.

#### Nixon Sums Up.

Liberal benchers thumped their desks with enthusiasm as Hon. Harry C. Nixon raked Conservative records of twenty years' standing when he summed up for the Government. A

nonchalant House, thoroughly accustomed to the ceremony, then proceeded to ballot four and a half weeks of usually boiling Hydro, finance, liquor and patronage argument into limbo.

"Do you want a division?"

queried Mr. Speaker, as he read off the motion, amendment, and amendment to the amendment, in reply to the Speech from the Throne.

"Oh, yes, we might as well," drawled Opposition Leader Hon. George S. Henry.

The Government piled up 63 votes, and the Conservatives presented a solid front, without an absentee. The independent parties were divided. The U.F.O. (Farquhar Oliver) went with the Government and the C.C.F. (Sam Lawrence) swelled the Opposition vote to 18.

Premier Hepburn immediately moved that the House resolve itself into Committee on Ways and Means and on Supply—the second stage of the Legislature.

#### Abitibi Review.

Pinning Abitibi guilt again on former Premier Henry, Mr. Nixon made the O.P.S. bonds only one story in a review of darker Conservative moments of the past two decades.

"This had all the appearance of an inside job," the Provincial Secretary charged as he cited 124 bonds. "The

Province was shocked. My honorable friend has been judged."

"Judged by whom?"

"By the people," Mr. Nixon answered. No factor had overshadowed the Abitibi bonds in the June election. Mr. Henry, said the Provincial Secretary, was now setting up "a delightful little court, where he is judge and jury." It was not a vindication by the people of Ontario.

Mr. Nixon made a defense, but no apology for civil service dismissals. "The Tories," he said, "seem to feel that they have a divine right to power and when they lose it they are like the proverbial she-wolf deprived of her whelps and very unpleasant to deal with."

The Premier and he had frankly predicted a clearing of the decks before the election and had been returned on that platform plank. They had made progress in the stripping of a "Tory machine" and the service had not suffered one iota.

"I was a member of an Administration that took a little different attitude," Mr. Nixon said, and he instanced the Drury Government's treatment of Hon. I. B. Lucas. "There were no changes, and we did not receive the loyalty and support from the public service to which we were entitled." Had the Conservatives reciprocated? "They tried to nail our hides to the fence. My honorable friend from Parkdale (Colonel W. H. Price) was the greatest little hide-hunter and hide-nailer of the whole outfit."

There was a taunt about the Conservative leadership. "If he (Mr. Henry) wishes to enjoy that pasture he had better look to his fences, for Dame Rumor has it that there are those who would like to oust him from the position."

"Remnant — rump — rag-tag," the smiling Provincial Secretary taunted the Opposition. "In those days (1930) my honorable friend was feeling his oats after succeeding to the mantle of the Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, and they were real desk-thumpers then—the best I've ever seen."

"The Sunday suds party" was aimed at Hon. Leopold Macaulay; the Conservatives were charged with the intention of extending liquor facilities; and eleven of the Opposition would not be sitting in the House if it had not been for rugged three-cornered fights.

Between times the Provincial Secretary harked back to the pre-election days, "when the Opposition received nothing but cold justice, and little of that," and reminded Mr. Speaker of bitter encounters with the then Premier Henry on debate schedules.

# Wider Powers Urged For Milk Board

## Tory Suggests Inclusion of Cheese and Butter Industries

Widening of the powers of the Ontario Milk Control Board so that the body would have control over the cheese and butter industries, was strongly urged before the Agricultural Committee of the Ontario Legislature yesterday by A. H. Acres (Conservative), Carlton.

"I believe," he declared, "we should strengthen the hand of the board by legislation. Larger dairies have been attempting to get control of all branches of the industry, and have interferred seriously with the operation of the butter and cheese factories."

As a result of the activities of the board, Ontario farmers recently have been receiving about \$400,000 more a month for their milk than in former years, according to J. E. Houck, Vice-Chairman of the board. The committee session was given over almost entirely to an outline of the problems facing the board, outlined by Mr. Houck and by the Chairman, J. A. McFeeters. One of the acute ones at present was the "tremendous waste," this being particularly so in connection with bottles. He also declared that the system of canvassing was an evil which worked against many operators, and predicted that next season some weight would be brought by the board against this practice.



Mr. Nixon.