

## ATTACK MADE ON LIQUOR LAW

Bootleggers are getting their liquor supplies on the Liquor Board's individual 25-cent permits, Leopold Macaulay charged in the Legislature last night. The former Highways Minister asked Premier Hepburn to say if the Liquor Board had a system of control showing how many permits any one person bought.

"The bootleggers could buy their liquor easily on the 25-cent permits," Mr. Macaulay said, "and I have no doubt that's what they're doing."

The former Minister made an indirect reference to administrative trouble which, he charged, the Government was having to face in the sale of the individual permits. The point was not pushed, but Mr. Macaulay recalled that the opposition had recently lost two hats on Legislative wagers, and offered to wager another one that there had been individual permit trouble.

The criticism of the individual permits was the high point of an attack on the Hepburn liquor control administration. What he claimed was the "sales" motive of the Liquor Board came in for criticism, and Mr. Macaulay said the board was not like Hydro, which could properly push its wares.

"I don't agree with Mr. Shields on everything," he said, "but when you can stand on his church steps after meeting and when you can see nine to eleven beverage rooms all lit up—that's overdoing it."

The former Highways Minister's liquor charges were the only sensational part of a speech which was devoted, in the main, to a more measured criticism of the Provincial finances; to a denial of some of the Government's financial claims, and to an appeal for unemployment action.

"All isn't well," he told the Legislature when he talked about jobless men in the closing minutes of his speech. "The Government must find something more drastic to cure unemployment."

The former Conservative Minister switched off unemployment to say that in his opinion the present Government at Ottawa was a conservative Government—"with a small 'c.'"

"What we want in Canada today is liberal-minded men, with a small 'l,'" Mr. Macaulay said.

## LEADERSHIP RACE ENTRY IS HINTED

A caustic reference to Rev. W. G. Martin, who as Minister of Welfare under the Henry Government was one of the few clergymen ever to attain political prominence in Ontario, was made yesterday in the Legislature by M. M. MacBride, Liberal member for Brantford, and conqueror of Mr. Martin in that riding in the last election.

"The gentleman," said Mr. MacBride, "has been doing a lot of speaking around my riding, and I am wondering whether he has any aspirations toward the Conservative leadership. I must say I like him a great deal less than the present Leader (Hon. G. S. Henry). He has been saying a lot about the beer parlors. In other words, he's condemning the very thing he helped to enact. Personally, I'm not very enamored of the beer parlors, but if there is evil in the situation he ought to know it, because he had a hand in it."

## REORGANIZATION PLAN AMENDED FOR PAPER FIRM

### Government Approves Altered Scheme for Company

The Ontario Government ban on the Aldrich-Gefaell plans for Great Lakes Paper Company reorganization was lifted last night when Hon. Peter Heenan revealed the details of amendments to the plan, and said that the Government had no further objection to it as thus amended.

The amendments, the Lands and Forests Minister said, provide that no dividends can be paid until the market price of newsprint is \$45.30 per ton.

Mr. Heenan said the Government had also been given assurances that the Aldrich-Gefaell contract will at no time disturb the market price.

#### Ontario Charter.

The Federal charter of the Upper Lakes Pulp and Paper Company, the Great Lakes successor, is to be replaced by an Ontario charter.

The Minister's statement, in part, follows:

"In reaching a settlement the Receiver of the Great Lakes Paper Company and the publishers included in the Aldrich-Gefaell group agree that the date when the Receiver's substitutional contracts become effective shall be extended from April 1 to July 1, 1936. With the removal of this impending threat the Government was able to enter into discussions leading to amendments to the Aldrich-Gefaell plan and other assurances giving adequate protection against dangers which the Government and the newsprint industry as a whole has opposed during the last few months. These amendments are also satisfactory to the representatives of Great Lakes bondholders and others concerned, with the result that the settlement may be described as amicable in character.

"Under the Aldrich-Gefaell plan as amended no dividends can be paid until the market price of newsprint is at least \$45.30 per ton, compared with today's price of \$41 per ton, and dividends cannot be paid then if the payment of them will have the effect of reducing the market price below \$45.30.

"The Government has also been given assurance that the Aldrich-Gefaell contract will at no time disturb the market price, and that the new Upper Lakes Pulp and Paper Company, successor to Great Lakes, will adhere to co-operative policy. The Federal charter of the new company will be replaced by an Ontario charter, placing the company under Provincial jurisdiction.

"With these amendments and assurances established, the Government has no other objection to the Aldrich-Gefaell plan, and, as far as the Government is concerned, there is now no obstacle to completion of the plan. I believe that the amended plan is also a distinct improvement from the bondholders' point of view, and that the newsprint industry and the public will regard the settlement as constructive.

## GARNISHEE SYSTEM ABUSES CLAIMED

Debate in Legal Bills Committee on Major J. H. Clark's bill to prohibit garnishees before judgment was cut short at Queen's Park yesterday by sending the bill to a subcommittee. Another measure giving the Ontario Association of Land Surveyors power to discipline members was sent to the same committee.

The abuses in the garnishee system which Major Clark complained of could be remedied by requiring creditors to file affidavits showing their claims are bona fide before garnisheeing. W. E. N. Sinclair, K.C., suggested. Attorney-General Arthur Roebuck took a cautious view of both bills, and it was on his suggestion that they were sent to the subcommittee.

## BILL IS WITHDRAWN FOLLOWING POLICY

### Would Have Set Engineering Regulations

In line with the Ontario Government's recent decision to restrict organizations having powers of disciplining and licensing members, the bill of the Association of Professional Engineers was withdrawn in the Private Bills Committee yesterday.

The bill sought to establish who could operate as a professional engineer and set up certain regulations governing the profession.

"We have carried the policy of being foster parents to these monopolies a little too far," stated Welfare Minister Croll. "We feel that in the matter of self-government this bill should be withdrawn. We intend to go into the whole question some time next year."

## Session May Be Called Saturday

PREMIER HEPBURN may have the Legislature meet on Saturday of this week to push Legislature business forward.

As the House adjourned last night the Premier said the Budget debate must be continued without any delay until the House can get into supply. Once in supply, the House will begin to pass the money votes for the year opening April 1. It is reported the Premier is thinking of holding a Saturday sitting to expedite business—the first in Legislature annals since 1926.