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Brief Budget Address On March 18 Promised

Intimation that the Budget address would be a brief one was given yesterday by Premier Hepburn when he informed the Ontario Legislature that the Budget would be brought down on Friday, March 18.

The Premier, in his statement, pointed out that the Friday sitting would be short, and he added that he did not expect to deal at great length with the Budget.

The information was given in response to questions put to the Premier immediately before adjournment by Hon. Leopold Macaulay, Conservative House Leader, who declared that in asking for guidance as to when the Government would bring down legislation to validate the Quebec power contracts he was motivated solely by

a desire to expedite the business of the session.

As Leader of the Opposition, said Mr. Macaulay, it was his object to "have differences on subjects that should be discussed," but not on matters of trivial import that had no bearing upon the good government of the Province. This attitude, said Premier Hepburn, would earn "the commendation of all right-thinking people in the Province."

The power legislation, he said, would be brought down as soon as certain Orders-in-Council bearing on the matter had been passed by the Quebec Legislature. These, he understood, would be passed Tuesday. He again pointed out that the House would not be called into night sessions until it was considered necessary by the two Leaders.

Bill to Curb Mail Schools Introduced

You can't learn to ride a horse unless you get on his back, and you can't learn a highly technical trade without practical application to the work, Col. F. Fraser Hunter, Lib., St. Patrick's, declared yesterday in introducing an amendment to the Trade Schools Act before the Ontario Legislature.

Colonel Hunter, in explanation of his bill, said there were a number of correspondence schools in United States and Canada that were "exploiting the youth of this Province" in correspondence courses on highly technical subjects such as Diesel engineering.

Students taking these courses, he contended, were required usually to sign a rigid contract and after they found by taking a few lessons that they could not learn the subjects, they found also that they could not get out of the contracts and were forced to pay for the entire course.