

industrial relations is indicated by the fact that loss of time due to strikes is only half of that of 1938 and one-eighth of the year previous, due, in large measure, to the Government conciliation service."

The speech reported an increase in the aggregate primary loads of Hydro from 1,340,000 horsepower in October, 1938, to 1,500,000 horsepower in October, 1939. The total load, including the Northern Ontario properties, was close to 2,000,000 horsepower—"the highest ever carried."

"Adequate power resources are available," the Speech reported, "to meet any present wartime needs and plans that will take care of possible future demands are under way."

Considerable legislation—some of which has been extensively forecast in recent weeks—was indicated in the Throne Speech. This includes, "as a measure of wartime economy," the highly controversial bill to establish a two-year term for municipal councils.

Legislation will also be submitted to the House for the licensing and regulating of diagnostic and public health laboratories, some of which are now operated privately, and for controlling fresh-air camps with respect to sanitation, water and food supply.

Other proposed bills would amend the Highways Improvement Act so as to require all road expenditures to be voted by the House, and would correct the errors in the new succession duties law of the special session last September. Naturally, there is no mention in the Speech of legislation that reportedly has been prepared to restore to the Province the amusements tax abandoned in 1937. That will be forecast—if at all—in the Budget address later in the session.

This afternoon the House will consider the Speech from the Throne, and Charles Fairbank (Lib., East Lambton) and Romeo Begin (Lib., Russell) will, respectively, move and second the Address in reply. Leaders' day in the debate thus precipitated will probably be next Tuesday.

## Heenan Joins Timber Probe

Hon. Peter Heenan, Minister of Lands and Forests, yesterday, on the nomination of Premier Hepburn, was appointed by the Legislature to the post on the timber inquiry committee left vacant by the enlistment of Hon. Colin Campbell, Minister of Public Works.

The new member, by direction of the organization meeting of the committee on Dec. 1, will be the first witness at Friday morning's opening session. It is understood that Conservative Leader Drew, at whose instigation the investigation was authorized by the 1938 session of the Legislature, will examine Mr. Heenan on general administrative policies of his department.

# NO CURE YET FOR CANCER, PROBE FINDS

## Further Investigation Suggested in Cases of Connell and Hett

### REPORT TO HOUSE

While unable to make a finding that any substance or method of treatment investigated has been proved to be a cure or remedy for cancer, the Ontario Cancer Commission, in an interim report tabled yesterday before the Legislature, recommended that investigations of Ensol under Doctors W. T. Connell and E. P. Johns at Kingston should be continued. Ensol is a substance sponsored by the Hendry-Connell Foundation.

The commission, which was appointed under enabling legislation of the 1938 session, filed its findings upon fifteen treatments which were advanced in the majority of cases by their backers as cures. The evidence, it is stressed by the report tabled under the name of Mr. Justice J. G. Gillanders, commission chairman, did not, in the opinion of the members, warrant the expenditure of further time and money in connection with a number of these substances and methods of treatment.

#### Hett Methods Probed.

In the case of Dr. John Emil Hett, whose secret formula was revealed to the commission, it is pointed out that the investigation of the substance, both from the laboratory and clinical approach, is now under way.

"When material evidence is available, it will be recorded and further report made on the progress of the investigation," the report stated.

A similar investigation is still being made of a substance named Glyoxylide, "said to have been perfected by and the formula of which is the property of Dr. William S. Koch, Detroit." The substance has been used by Dr. David H. Arnott of London, who, before the commission, expressed his willingness to co-operate in an investigation.

In the case of Miss Reine Caisse of Bracebridge, who "operates what she calls a 'cancer clinic,' and is the sponsor of a substance called 'Essiac,' it is stressed that she definitely refused to reveal her formula to the commission.

In a report which dealt at considerable length with its inquiry into Miss Caisse's claims, the commission found that, "after a careful examination of all the evidence submitted, and analysed herewith, and not forgetting the fact that the