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Third Session of the Second Legislative Assembly Opened

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PROGRESSIVE POLICY OUTLINED IN SPEECH

Northern Railway Development is Forecasted in Speech From Throne.

With all due ceremony, the third session of the second Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta was formally opened by His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Bulye, shortly after three o'clock p.m. yesterday with the reading of the speech from the throne.

The speech from the throne outlining the progressive policy which the government has prepared for submission to the members of the Legislature at the present session.

The attention of the members was called to the need of trunk roads between the municipalities and the rural sections of the province, to the general railway situation, not only in the north, where railways are urgently needed, but also in the south, where the pressure of immigration has forced settlement practically out of reach of the railways.

The reading of the speech from the throne, the new members were introduced to the speaker by R. Michener, leader of the Opposition. The members introduced were the four Conservatives—John Riley, of Glendon; T. M. Tweedie, of Calgary; John Kemmis, of Pitcher Creek; and J. S. Stewart, of Lebbridge.

The debate on the address from the throne will not begin till Monday, when the address in reply to the speech will be made by J. L. Cote, member for Athabasca, and seconded by Dr. Campbell, member for Ponoka.

Edmonton's Bank Clearings for This Month Break All Previous Records.

Edmonton's bank clearings for the month of November reached a total of \$14,178,824, over a million and a half more than the total for any previous month in the history of the city.

consideration, and a bill to provide for that purpose will be laid before you. Measures dealing with rural and town municipal organizations, to provide for the more economical and effective administration of the public services, and in regard to the insurance of crops against destruction by hail are being prepared and will be duly submitted to you.

Since we last met His Majesty has been pleased to appoint His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught to be Governor General of Canada.

During the month of October last, my government and the province generally were represented at the Dry Farming congress, held this year in the State of Colorado.

My government has found that the work being done by the department of agriculture, through the several demonstration farms in the province, is deserving of recognition, as it secures the prize for the greatest number of awards obtained by any exhibitor.

Your attention will be invited by my government to the general railway situation, not only in those northern portions of the province, where railways are urgently required, but also in those parts in the more southern portions where the pressure of immigration has forced settlement out of practical reach of such railways.

PRINCESS PATRICIA LEAVES FOR CANADA.

London, Dec. 1.—An interesting crowd, mostly ladies, witnessed Princess Patricia's departure from London today.

CHINESE BANDITS ARE SWARMING THE CITIES

Despotic Military Rule They Rob Banks, Stores and Houses Without Being Motivated—Piracy Has Been Checked in Some Parts.

Hong Kong, China, Dec. 1.—Although the reign of piracy on the West river has been checked by the vigilance of guards on board river steamers, the situation on shore is utterly chaotic.

The public accounts for the last fiscal year will be laid before you as well as estimates of the amounts required for expenditures during the coming year.

I now leave you to the business of the session having full confidence that your deliberations will be divinely guided to the best interests and welfare of the province.

TEACHERS MAY ACT AS IMMIGRATION AGENTS

Proposal is Made by Winnipeg School Board that the Education Department Might Be Converted Under Auspices of Department of the Interior.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 1.—To make teachers' excursions a permanent policy, to cause them to serve an objective as well as a subjective purpose, and to place their general arrangement under the Dominion Department of the Interior is suggested by the Hon. Robert Borden yesterday.

Smallpox Threatened Quebec. Montreal, Nov. 29.—That the province of Quebec is threatened with very serious outbreak of smallpox in the near future is the opinion of Dr. Follisier, the provincial health officer.

FEDERAL HOUSE TO ADJOURN ON THURSDAY

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 1.—It has practically been decided that parliament will adjourn on Thursday next, December 7th, over Christmas.

RUSSIA MAY HAVE TO ADMINISTER SPANKING

Persian National Council Has Rejected Russian Ultimatum—An American, W. Morgan Shuster, is the Cause of the Difficulty.

Tehran, Persia, Nov. 30.—The national council has rejected the Russian ultimatum by a big majority. The foreign minister has resigned.

Ala Ed Dowich Shast. Berlin, Dec. 1.—A telegram to the German cable company from Tehran says that a revolver shot was fired this morning at Ala Ed Dowich, brother of the former Persian minister at Berlin.

Tehran, Persia, Dec. 1.—The police have discovered several bombs which, it is alleged, had been prepared for the assassination of W. Morgan Shuster.

London, Dec. 1.—The Times in an editorial, says it regrets the peremptory action of Russia in Persia, but refuses to believe the United States will endorse Mr. Shuster's proceedings.

CHIEF ENGINEER OF G.T.P. IS LOOKING FOR SUPPLY ROUTES

G. T. P. OFFICIALS STRIKE OUT OVER GRADED SECTIONS BETWEEN EDMONTON AND PRINCE RUPERT—BOTH ENDS PROGRESSING—THREE HUNDRED MILES READY BY 1ST JUNE, 1912.

Montreal, Nov. 29.—Mr. B. B. Kellner, chief engineer of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, is expected to reach the city of Quebec in a few days after having crossed the Rockies by the Yellow Head pass, following the grade and right-of-way all the way from Edmonton to the Pacific ocean.

Some weeks ago Mr. Kellner, accompanied by Mr. Jack Stewart, of the contracting firm of Foley, Welch and Stewart, who are building the line, and a British Columbia, started out from the capital of Alberta, expecting to strike the western terminus of the G. T. P. before winter sets in.

Subsequent information goes to show that only about forty or fifty miles of track have to be laid from the summit of the Great Divide, where a gap between Tete Jaune Cache and Port George will probably be reached during the coming year.

PORTFOLIO OF RAILWAYS AND TELEPHONES

Government Proposes to Divide Duties of Public Works Department.

A bill providing for a new department, that of railways and telephones, will be introduced in the legislative assembly by the government, probably next week.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 1.—In consequence of the rejection by the Persian National Council of the Russian demands, Russia has ordered the troops now concentrated at Reht, the capital of the province of Chilan, 45 miles from Ensel, on the Caspian sea, to advance to Teheran.

They thought that resistance on the part of the Persian government to the Russian demands would awaken foreign attention, but some of the members pointed out that Kellner's advice had hitherto only led to Persian humiliation.

Notice of Twenty-Five Bills. Notice of twenty-five bills to be brought before the legislative assembly at its present session have been posted on the bulletin board of the House.

Of the government bills, the most lengthy are the Rural Municipalities Act and the Act Respecting Towns. The former, in printed form, occupies 71 pages of the regulation paper and the latter is close to 100 pages in length.

The government will bring down a bill regarding corrupt practices in elections as a reinforcement of the Rural Municipalities and Towns acts. This bill will provide for practically a re-enactment of the provisions of the ordinance in regard to controverted municipal elections.

The bills of which notice has been posted, are as follows:—Rural Municipalities Act (Govt.) Canadian Northern Western Railway. Alberta Pacific Railway. Corrupt Practices in Elections (government).

PLAN OF SEATING OF MEMBERS

Table listing names of members and their constituencies, including Speaker, Opposition, and Government members.