

SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATURE OPENS

Will Deal With Cheap Money Problem

Regina, Nov. 7.—The Saskatchewan Legislature was opened with the usual ceremonies today. The speech from the throne, which was read by Lieut.-Gov. Brown, indicated that several important measures will engage the attention of the legislature, including one dealing with the question of agricultural credits. The speech from the throne was as follows: "Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the legislative assembly—

"It is with sincere pleasure that I am able, in opening the second session of the third legislative assembly, to express earnest thanks to Divine Providence on account of another excellent harvest. In a province to which the result of labor of the husbandman is of first importance, and to a legislative assembly which contains so large a number of men whose occupation is agriculture the harvest season now drawing to a close cannot fail to be gratifying, resulting as it has done in a generous yield of grains of unusually high quality.

"I am sure that the people of Saskatchewan join heartily in the pleasure which all Canadians must feel over the recent return to Canada of their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and the Princess Patricia, and are especially thankful for the restoration to health of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Connaught after a critical illness, which throughout Saskatchewan, as elsewhere, occasioned keen anxiety.

Business Situation

"The business situation in our province is doubtless in some degree affected by the financial contraction which has been and is apparent in the world's money centres. While it would not be true to say that we rejoice at this condition, yet I may express the hope that lessons of prudence and economy are being taught thereby which will eventually make it beneficial rather than otherwise through a consequent strengthening of the foundations of our industrial and commercial fabric.

"The eighth year of Saskatchewan's provincial existence was marked by the elevation to the rank of cities of two urban communities, viz., North Battleford and Weyburn. I was delighted to be privileged to take part in the inaugural ceremonies of both these cities. These were events serving to bring to notice the splendid growth which has taken place within our borders since Saskatchewan became a province.

Livestock Production

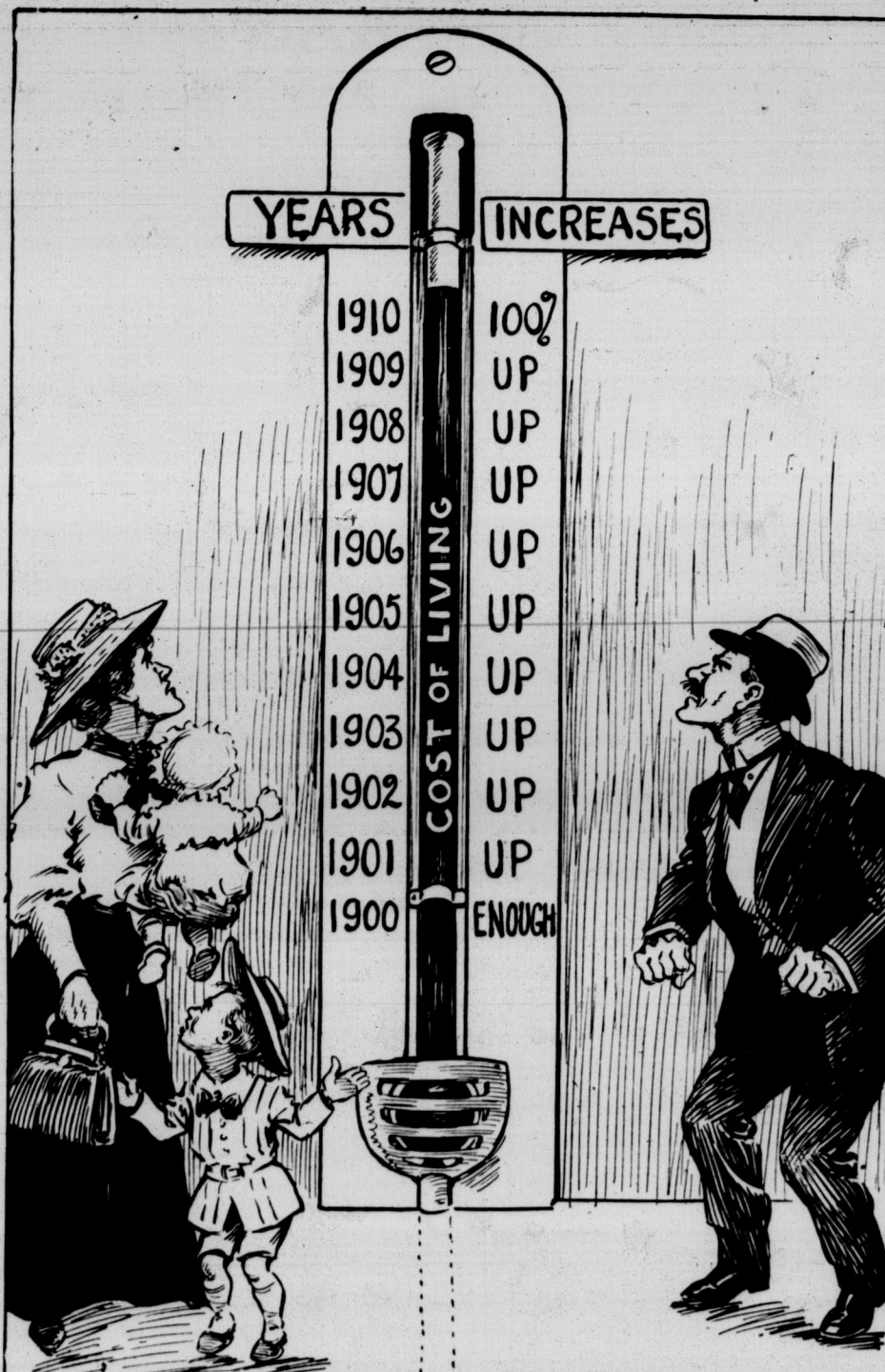
"The year has witnessed a marked increase in the attention paid by the farmers of the province to livestock production. It is gratifying that such should be the case, in view of the world-wide scarcity of certain classes of stock and the satisfactory prices that are now being paid for nearly all the products of animal husbandry. Recognizing the increasingly large part that stock raising and dairying must and should play in our agricultural development my government proposes to continue fostering these important branches of agriculture in every practicable manner.

"At the Dry Farming Congress, which ended one week ago at Tulsa, Oklahoma, our farmers, by their successful exhibits, further demonstrated that Saskatchewan soil has no equal for the production of grains.

Demand Public Resources

"A delegation of my ministers attended an interprovincial conference held at Ottawa on 27th, 28th and 29th ultimo. Important matters affecting the province were dealt with, of which a report will be duly submitted to you.

"Inasmuch as the federal prime minister had failed to implement his promise to call a conference in connection with the transfer of Saskatchewan's public resources, the occasion of the aforementioned visit to Ottawa was further made use of to bring the subject again to his attention, and a meeting was obtained at which were present the prime minister of Canada, the minister of interior and members of the governments of Saskatchewan, Alberta and Manitoba. It is to be earnestly hoped that the settlement of the important questions of the transfer to the province of our natural resources may be expedited. Provincial activities in various directions are retarded and will continue to be discouraged as long as the subject remains in its present position,



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amongst these being the prosecution of a policy for the development of northern Saskatchewan.

"Amongst the events of the year in Saskatchewan not the least notable was the assembling at Regina of the annual conference of the Canadian Public Health Association. Largely attended by a wide representation which counted among its members many leaders of public health, along hygienic lines, and dealing with problems of first importance to Canada, the conference was momentous and valuable. The selection of our capital as its meeting place was a distinct tribute to the advanced position which Saskatchewan has taken in policy relating to public health administration.

Nine New Judges

"Greater facilities for the administration of justice have been provided by the inauguration of the nine new judicial districts which were created about one year ago. Three of the additional judges required to carry on the work of these districts have already been appointed by the Dominion government, and it is expected that the remaining six will be appointed shortly.

"The formal dedication of the initial buildings of our provincial university and Agricultural college took place at the time of the annual convocation of May 1. Amongst others who assisted towards making the proceedings impressive and memorable were President Falconer, of Toronto university, and President McLean of Manitoba University.

"Commendable progress is being made in the construction of a number of important and urgently-needed public buildings, notably the hospital for the insane at Battleford, the Normal school at Regina, and the new Regina jail.

Co-operative Agricultural Credit

"The growing importance which the principle of co-operation is assuming in the economic life of our province has been demonstrated during the past year by the rapid expansion and increasing financial prosperity of the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator Company, by the success which has attended the first year's operation of the Hail Insurance act, and by the recommendations contained in the report of the agricultural credits commission. This commission, as you are aware was appointed in pursuance of a resolution passed at your last session. After having made an exhaustive study both at home and abroad of the subjects confided to them, the members of the commission submitted their report to my government a short time ago, this report is now being printed and a large number of copies will soon be ready for distribution. Meanwhile you have, no doubt, observed from the summary of the conclusions of the report which was published lately in the newspapers in the province, that in the opinion of the commission the solution of Saskatchewan's agricultural credits problem will be found in a further application of the principle of co-operation. The report will be laid before you in due course, and a measure dealing with the matters involved will be submitted for your consideration.

Municipal Expenditure

"The important question of municipal capital expenditure has also engaged the attention of your government since your last session. The expediency of creating a body vested with powers of a character similar to those exercised by the local government board in England in connection with the launching of municipal enterprises has received their very serious consideration. One of my ministers made it the object of special study in London. As a result of the government's activities in this direction, a measure will be submitted to you dealing with this most important matter.

"Other measures will be submitted to you, amongst them being bills amending the acts relating to education, drainage, hail insurance, municipal law and the civil service.

"The public accounts for the last fiscal year will be laid before you. The estimates of revenue and expenditure for 1914-1915, prepared with due regard to economy and the efficiency of the public service, will also be placed before you.

"I commend the business of the session to your earnest consideration, and pray that in your labors you may have the blessing and guidance of Almighty God."

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