

COUNCIL AND THE TRUSTEES CLASH

MAYOR MORLEY WOULD APPEAL TO RATEPAYERS

Ask Them at Next Election to Decide Status of School Board

(From Saturday's Daily.)

On motion of Mayor Morley, it was decided at last evening's meeting of the streets committee of the city council that the ratepayers should be asked at the approaching municipal elections to decide the exact status of the school board in its relation to the general affairs of the corporation, and particularly as to the respective jurisdictions of the council and the former body. His worship's action followed a report from the city solicitor that the school board is desirous of securing a lot adjoining the Kingston street school site for the purpose of adding to the grounds whereon it is intended to erect an addition to the school. It was suggested by George Jay, chairman of the school board, that the city expropriate the land and hand it over to the board to be used for school purposes. The solicitor added that to meet the wishes of the board in this matter would entail a great amount of work in his office.

Mayor Morley thought the time had arrived when the council should find out if the school board is a civic institution or a private corporation. He instanced that when the trustees were considering the agreement with the city about the Spring Ridge lots they had engaged another solicitor instead of coming to the city solicitor. The city council has to find the money for school purposes, but perhaps the board would like to appeal to the electors direct and carry on its business independent of the council altogether. He moved that the council be given an opportunity of expressing themselves in that matter by means of a referendum to be taken at the next municipal elections.

This carried unanimously. Regarding the lands need to be expropriated for the new High school at Spring Ridge, the solicitor reported that he had received offers to sell from the following: Lim Bang, blks 44, 45 and 56, \$15,000; A. Hendry, lot 1, blk 45-46, 2,375; H. W. Dobson, lot 2, blk 45-46, 600; E. J. Martin, lot 3, blk 45-46, 1,850; J. G. Brown, lots A and B, blk 46, 5,362; W. Marchant, pt. lot 59 and 165, 4,250; H. J. Saunders, lot 62 and 78, 3,000. All the offers save that of Mr. Saunders will be accepted, and in his case arbitration proceedings will probably be taken.

WINNIPEG MAYORALTY.

Mayor Evans Decides to Take Field Against Ministerial Candidate.

Winnipeg, Dec. 3.—As a result of the campaign waged in municipal politics by Dr. Shearer and his fellow clergymen of Winnipeg in connection with the establishment of a segregated area in Winnipeg, Mayor Evans has taken the field to oppose the ministerial candidate, E. D. Martin. Although he had definitely decided to retire after two years of office, Mr. Evans' decision was altered by the personal representations of two controllers, Messrs. Harvey and Waugh, both of whom were in the field for the mayoralty, but who will withdraw as a result of Mayor Evans' action. This request was the culminating one of three weeks of incessant delegations and has made a bitter attack on Dr. Shearer and the local clergy.

In the investigation into charges that the segregated district for social vice had been established by the city authorities, Adjutant McElheny, of the Salvation Army rescue home, was the only witness Thursday. Adjutant McElheny stated some of the difficulties he was confronted with in rescue work. "My wife and the workers," he said, "found it very difficult to get girls away under any circumstances, because they were surrounded by luxury. We were having a good time, and when they wanted to get away there were certain restraints—whiskey and opium. That is what they told us."

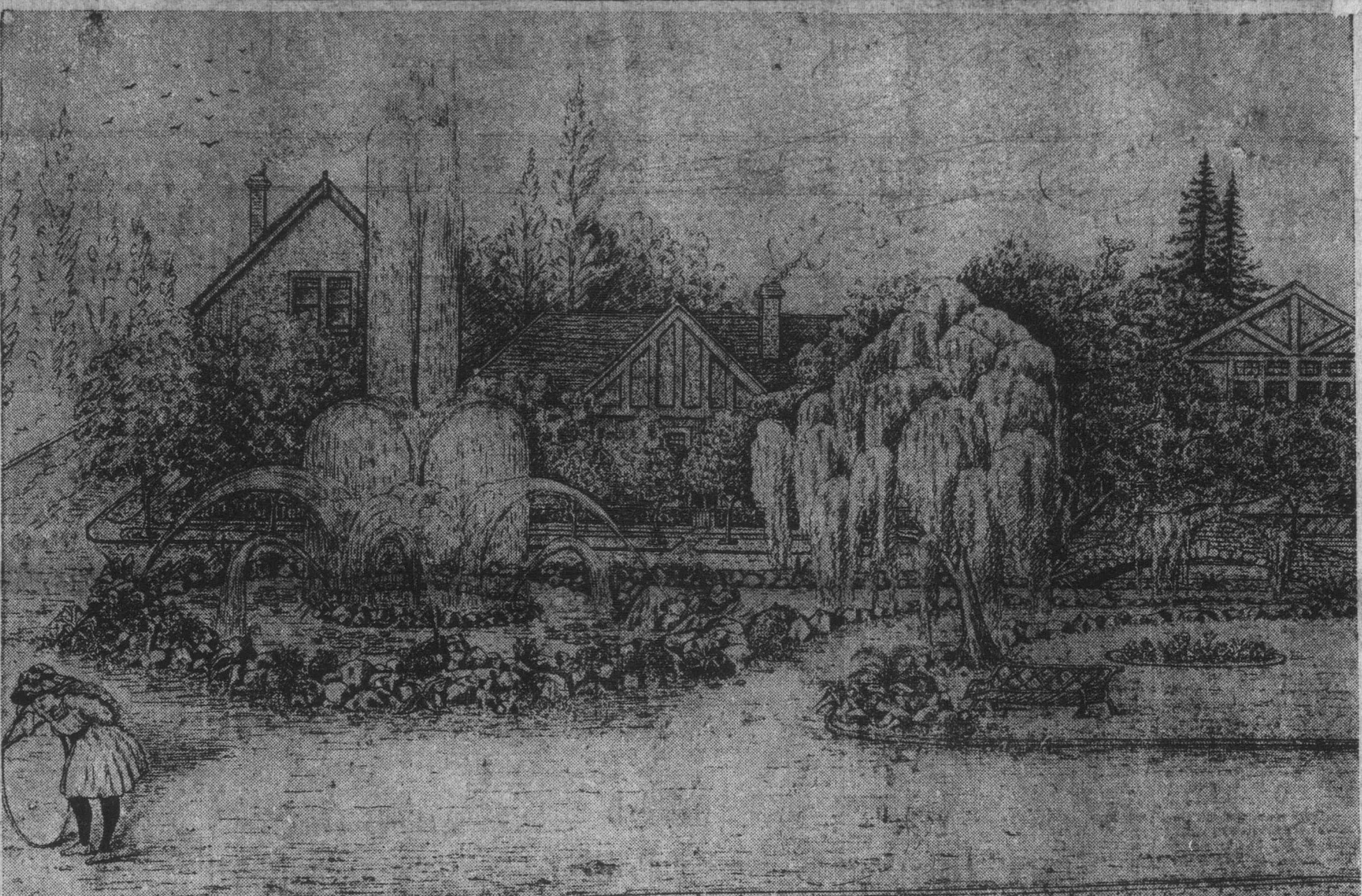
STATION AGENT KILLED.

Slain in Fight With Bandits Who Lost Safe and Escaped

Salt Lake, Utah, Dec. 3.—Bandits held up the railroad station at Devil's Slide, Utah, murdered the station agent, robbed the safe and escaped, according to a report received here today. A later message stated that the robbery was discovered when the dead body of C. E. Turner, agent for the Union Pacific railroad, was found this morning. Turner had been shot in the head and the safe in the station looted. The body was found by Mrs. Turner. Next by lay a revolver with empty shells in the cylinder. The safe had been dynamited. Devil's Slide is thirty-six miles east of Ogden. Three men suspected of the murder and robbery left on a freight train in the direction of Salt Lake. Sheriff's officers are pursuing.

AVIATOR'S FALL.

New Orleans Dec. 3.—Despite a fall of 75 feet yesterday Aviator Augustus Post announced to-day that he would go into his aeroplane again to-day. Barring a few scratches and minor bruises he has nothing to show that he fell such a distance. His escape from a fall is considered little short of miraculous. Post fell into the branches of a tree and was let down by easy stages to the ground.



WHAT UPPER PANDORA AVENUE MAY BE MADE TO LOOK LIKE

The accompanying sketch shows a portion of the ornamentation scheme. It is proposed to follow in connection with the improvement to the wide upper portion of Pandora avenue. The plans for the same have been drawn by J. P. Ferrabee, of the city engineering staff, and the sketch reproduced shows the manner in which that gentleman intends to treat the

height of ground lying between Chambers and Cook streets. It is proposed to take advantage of the natural formation of the ground, convert this portion into a miniature landscape garden commencing at the top end with a combined rustic summerhouse and pergola. The cluster of rocks near this intended to be converted into a cascade falling at different levels and

spanned by two bridges of rustic oak work, or rock, as shown in sketch, until it reaches the lower portion on Cook street. At this point a rockery fountain is planned for, consisting of nine jets, viz: one central main jet, four minor outward jets and four medium inward jets, as suggested above, with water lilies, rocky plants, etc. The designer proposes that this fountain shall be provided with colored electric lights for night effects

and an electric pump to utilize the water again and again at small cost, to obtain a continuous display. When necessary the water may be drawn off for irrigation purposes on the spot and again be replaced without waste. A system of electric lighting may be installed for night effects among the trees and pergola foliage which will not only light the way and distract but add to the beauty of the scene.

The lower narrow portion, between Cook and Vancouver streets, will be treated in a different manner and consist of a rustic oak pergola down the centre with a concrete, or gravel, walk and curbs ten feet wide. The central pergola, extending the whole length of this section, which can be utilized as a public walk, will be covered with rose and various other selected climbing plants in the most effective manner.

VIEW ST. SCHEME MEANS BIG SUM

STREETS COMMITTEE GETS RUDE SHOCKS

Owners Demand One Hundred Thousand Dollars in Excess of First Estimate

(From Saturday's Daily.)

The streets committee of the city council got a rude shock last night on the presentation of a report from the city solicitor as to the cost of the lands which will be required in the extension of View street from Broad to Government. His estimate exceeds the preliminary estimate made by the city assessor and the engineer by over one hundred thousand dollars.

The solicitor pointed out that he had been in communication with the various owners and had received the following offers:

B. C. Land & Investment Agency, acting for Douglas Estate, the owners of the land, sixty-six feet on Government St., \$3,000 per foot	\$198,000
Claim of A. E. Allen for damages for loss of tenancy	10,000
Claim of H. B. and Wm. L. B. Young, for damages for loss of tenancy	10,000
Claim of David Spencer, Ltd., for frontage on Broad St., sixty-six feet at \$2,000 per foot	132,000

Total purchase price \$350,000. Members of the committee discussed the report at length, and were plainly disturbed at the disclosure of the huge expenditure involved. It was pointed out that there had undoubtedly been an increase in values since the announcement of the intention of the city to proceed with the project, but in respect to some of the tenancy claims all agreed that these were excessive, and an effort will be made to have them amicably adjusted. The city solicitor and the mayor were empowered to go into the matter more fully with the owners and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

WOMEN WILL VOTE.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 3.—The women of this state will exercise their first rights of equal suffrage next Tuesday. In county bond elections throughout the state women may vote, according to the opinion just given by Attorney-General Bell.

In Seattle alone 2,000 women who have registered will be privileged to vote on the \$600,000 bond issue for a waterways district.

DIES IN WOODS.

Whitefish, Mont., Dec. 3.—Ray Forcum, a well known Great Northern engineer, was found dead yesterday by a searching party near here. Forcum had been hunting deer, and as he was known to have been afflicted with fainting spells, it is believed he died during an attack of that kind.

FLOOD FOLLOWS BREAKING OF DYKE

Thousands of Farms Inundated in France—Many Persons Have Narrow Escapes

Devalce, France, Dec. 3.—Three thousand farms were inundated by the water of the river Loire in the vicinity of Nantes today by the breaking of a dyke above that city. The inhabitants of the flooded district barely escaped with their lives, abandoning their homes and live stock.

Thousands of head of cattle were drowned in the waters, which covered the ground to a depth of from six to ten feet.

Flood conditions in many parts of France are serious and appeals to the authorities for aid are being made.

MAN FROZEN TO DEATH

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 3.—Killing frosts as far south as the Florida peninsula, were reported today. The Florida orange crop is believed to have suffered severely, although growers kept smudge fires burning in their groves throughout the night. Jacksonville, Mobile and Augusta report the most damaging frosts of years. The mercury dropped to zero at Augusta. Sandy Stewart, an aged negro, was frozen to death at Augusta.

PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 3.—The Central Labor Council of Portland will support San Francisco in its fight for the Panama-Pacific exposition, no matter whether the fair buildings are built under an open shop or strictly union shop principle, according to leaders today.

At a meeting of the council last night the members voted almost unanimously to throw the support of organized labor to San Francisco in her fight for the fair.

SIX DAYS BICYCLE RACE.

New York, Dec. 3.—The annual six-day bicycle race will open to-night in Madison Square Garden. Among the contestants are such well known riders as Cramer, Clarke, Rutt and Spring, representing America, Australia and Germany.

A feature of the meet will be a ten-mile relay race with Bobby Walthour and Elmer Collins on the last lap. Collins and Cramer are picked to win their individual events.

DEATH OF AERONAUT.

Quebec, Dec. 3.—Jacques Faure, nephew of former President of France, died here yesterday of typhoid fever. Faure, who was 37 years of age, was one of the competitors in the recent international balloon race from St. Louis. He became ill while hunting in the Lake St. John district.

ATTACK ON TURKS.

Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, Dec. 3.—A dispatch to the Frankfort Zeitung from Salonica, European Turkey, says that a Greek band attacked a column of Turkish troops near Santa Quaranta, mortally wounding three. A Turkish company patrolling the region near Monastir fell into an ambush.

NO SMOKING ON CARS.

(Special to the Times.) Toronto, Dec. 3.—The railway board has confirmed all the innovations introduced by the Toronto Railway Company, abolishing smoking and enforcing pay-as-you-enter system. The changes were opposed by the city.

BUILDING UP CANADA'S NAVY

TEN MILLIONS WILL BE SPENT FOR WARSHIPS

Ten Vessels Will Be Completed in Six Years—Half Dozen Tenders Received

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—Plans for the Canadian navy development are to be pushed. It is calculated that it will take a year to establish a shipbuilding yard, and it is believed that at the end of three years the first ship will be ready and the last of the ten completed at the end of six years, at a total cost of about \$10,000,000.

The whole order for six destroyers and four Bristol cruisers will go to one firm, six British and two Canadian firms competing for the contract. One of the Canadians is a Pacific Coast contract, hard sought by the British because it means their establishment in Canada, with government aid in the form of a dry dock subsidy and extra price for vessels.

William McK. Maitland Dougall, of Victoria, has qualified for a cadetship in the naval college at Halifax in the competitive examinations. Only twenty-one out of thirty-four who took the examinations passed.

RAILWAY IMPROVEMENTS.

Southern Pacific and O. R. & N. Will Spend \$1,000,000 at Portland Next Year.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 3.—One million dollars will be expended in improving the terminal facilities of the Southern Pacific and O. R. & N. company in Portland within the next year, according to J. P. O'Brien, general manager of the Harriman lines in Oregon, today.

Among the improvements under consideration is a proposition to construct additional car shops in East Portland at an aggregate cost of approximately \$700,000. Over 350 men are employed at the shops and many of them are required to work outside on account of the insufficient quarters.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

(Special to the Times.) Napanee, Ont., Dec. 3.—Rev. F. T. Dibb, pastor of St. Margaret's church, while boarding a train as it was in motion, slipped off the platform and was instantly killed. Deceased was 46 years old. He leaves a wife and two children.

HALF MILLION DOLLAR FIRE.

Petersburg, W. Va., Dec. 3.—Fire, which started early to-day, destroyed two blocks in the heart of this town and is still burning, although it is now believed to be under control. The loss is estimated at \$500,000. So far as known there were no casualties.

REBEL LEADER MUST NOT CROSS BORDER

Chief of Mexican Revolutionists Will Be Denied Haven in United States

(Times' Leased Wire.) Washington, D.C., Dec. 3.—A recent visit of Gustavo Madero, brother of the Mexican revolutionary leader, Francisco Madero, resulted today in an intimation by an official of the state department that Francisco would not be given a haven in the United States in the event that his personally conducted revolution against the Diaz government is unsuccessful.

Madero must win, or be successful enough to at least force Diaz to grant him amnesty; otherwise, if his insurrection fails, death and the confiscation of his property will be his portion. Peace Conference. Mexico City, Dec. 3.—Preparations for a conference between the government and representatives of the insurrection began today with the authoritative announcement that the Diaz officials would treat with the revolutionists.

A peace committee comprising the governors of the several states in the Mexican republic will be selected. It is reported that Rosendo Pineda, leader of the government party; Demetrio Sodi, Demetrio De La Garza and Guillermo De Landia y Escandon will be the delegates for the government.

Rafael Martinez, a supporter of General Reyes, petitioned the president today to extend clemency to the insurrectionists who surrender. It is believed that the Madristas are favorable to the peace proposals and will withhold active operations pending the overtures.

MAY BUY AIRSHIPS.

Aero Corps Suggested in Report to United States Secretary of War.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 3.—The use of aeroplanes by the war department is recommended by the board of ordnance and fortifications in its annual report to the secretary of war, which has just been submitted. An aero corps and the purchase of a number of airplanes is expected to follow the adoption of the report. The board has been conducting a series of experiments with aeroplanes. Speaking of this kind of war devices, the board reported:

"It is the opinion of the board that the art of aviation is now developed sufficiently to warrant the purchase by the war department of a number of aeroplanes of existing types and for the training of certain selected officers in the art of flying."

MORE ELECTIONS BY ACCLAMATION

BIRRELL RIDICULES ULSTER FIGHT TALK

Burns Describes the Leader of Opposition as "Fiscal Chameleon"

(Special to the Times.)

London, Dec. 3.—At the opening of the campaign 5 to 1 was being given on the Stock Exchange against a Unionist victory, but after Mr. Balfour's Albert Hall speech the price shortened to 4 to 1. So confident are Unionists of the re-election of the Northwest Manchester by A. Bonar Law to-day that odds of 5 to 4 are being bet on his election.

Seventy constituencies in England and Scotland held elections to-day. In the last parliament 38 were Liberal, 26 Unionist and eight Labour.

The following further returns by acclamation were announced to-day: Cambridge University, two members, S. H. Butcher and J. P. Rawlinson, both Unionists.

Dublin University, two members, Sir E. Carson and J. H. Campbell, both Unionists.

Essex, Chelmsford division, E. C. Petyman, Unionist.

Middlesex, Faling division, H. Nield, Unionist.

Oxford University, Sir W. Anson and Lord Hugh Cecil, both Unionists.

Staffordshire, Handsworth division, E. G. Meysse-Thomson, Unionist.

Kent, Ashford division, L. Hardy, Unionist.

Lancashire, Ormskirk division, Hon. A. Stanley, Unionist.

Wimbleton, H. Chaplin, Unionist.

Sussex, Horsham division, Earl Winterston, Unionist.

Yorkshire, Thirsk and Malton division, Viscount Helmsey, Unionist.

Belfast, North division, E. Thompson, Unionist.

Conway, St. Austell division, T. C. R. Agar-Robartes, Liberal.

Yorkshire, Holmfirth division, H. J. Wilson, Liberal.

Durham, Houghton, L. E. Spring, R. Cameron, Liberal.

Carnarvonshire, South division, E. W. Davies, Liberal.

Campanthian district, W. L. Williams, Liberal.

Dublin, College Green division, J. P. Mannetti, Nationalist.

Belfast, East McCordie, Unionist.

Dublin, St. Patrick division, W. Field, Nationalist.

Elgin Burghs, J. E. Sutherland, Liberal.

Hampshire, Petersfield division, W. O. Nicholson, Unionist.

Kent, St. Augustine division, A. Akers Douglas, Unionist.

York City, two members, A. Rowntree, Liberal, and J. G. Butcher, Unionist.

Kilkenny, P. O'Brien, Nationalist.

ROYAL COMMISSION TECHNICAL

Reception at Legislative Address by Dr. Young

(From Friday's Daily.)

A hearty welcome to the capitol and the province on behalf of the government of British Columbia extended to the members of the Royal Commission on Industrial Training and Technical Education by Hon. J. Young, provincial secretary and minister of education, in the Oak Ridge of the Legislative buildings this morning at 10.30 o'clock. A considerable number of leading citizens, including the president and secretary of the board of trade and other officers of that organization were also present.

On the conclusion of Dr. Young's address, the chairman, Prof. Robertson, replied, briefly explaining the scope and aim of the commission, when H. G. Wilson, president of the board of trade, was examined on the subject. The commission visited several of the public schools of the city, and the sessions were resumed this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

The commissioners present were Dr. James W. Robertson, C.M. L.L.D., Hon. John M. Armstrong, Robert George Bruce, M.A., L.L.B., F.R.S.C., Gilbert M. Murray, B. David Forsyth, B.A., James Simpson and Thos. Bengough, secretary.

On the commissioners taking the seats, the chairman called on the secretary to read the royal commission which was done, all present standing.

Dr. Young then addressed the gathering. He afforded his great pleasure to be permitted on behalf of the government to extend a warm welcome to the commissioners. The government, he could assure them, had followed the itinerary with extreme interest. Here in the capitol the matters were in a formative stage, therefore the arrival of a commission set on such an enquiry as the present was especially timely.

The government of this province said Dr. Young had made some special effort to meet the growing wants of this section of Canada in the matter of education and felt some pride in the fact that the province had been crowned with a large measure of success. British Columbia was weak population, but he believed that from an educational point of view it was possibly the strongest of all the provinces in Canada. The provincial government felt that the people here had a great heritage, and that the responsibility therefore in establishing facilities for them to enjoy the heritage to the full was a heavy one. The government was trying to meet this responsibility. It had only recently determined upon the establishment of a provincial university. This project was now taking practical form, and he hoped that ere the lapse of six other years the province would be far advanced that the faculty could choose and pupils enrol.

As yet, however, British Columbia had done nothing in the matter of technical education. There was on the part of the province which had taken up, Nova Scotia, but he might mention in this connection that the government had been giving the question its earnest consideration for so considerable a period, and had not Ottawa government anticipated this in the matter, the premier and colleagues were about to embark on a policy of a technical education of the public schools in British Columbia. However, it was all the better that Ottawa had taken the lead.

In his opinion it was better that the matter should be taken up by a central body instead of by the individual provinces.

Dr. Young assured the commissioners that the provincial government would assist them in their labors to the best of their ability. They would find the people of British Columbia a sympathetic mood. At present they were groping in the dark, as it were, in the matter of technical education. He was confident that some safe road would be found out of the difficulty confronting Canada.

Concluding, Dr. Young apologized for the absence of Premier McBride who had been detained by some business and was unable to attend the morning session.

People Alive to Situation.

Prof. Robertson, replying, expressed the hearty pleasure of himself and his colleagues at the cordiality of the reception tendered by Dr. Young on behalf of the provincial government. In all the provinces where they held sessions they had found the people very alert as to the significance of the work it was proposed to embark upon. He desired to extend the special thanks of Sir Wilfrid Laurier Premier McBride and the other members of the government for the very cordial attitude which had been manifested towards the commission since its appointment was decided upon.

Premier McBride had promised every personal co-operation and every assistance on the part of the government. This had been very pleasing to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the members of the commission.

Continuing, Prof. Robertson said he recognized the truth of Dr. Young's remark that the people of British Columbia had a great heritage, and that there was a heavy responsibility resting on the government to see that the children were in respect to educational advantages to take up the enormous task of developing such immense country, so rich in natural resources. His observations arising in the province had led him to believe that the provincial government had already laid the foundation for a magnificent educational system.

Prof. Robertson then explained the scope and aims of the commission.

H. G. Wilson Examined.

The ast witness called by the