

MUCH TALK ON THE ADDRESS, BUT VERY LITTLE NEW

Fredericton, March 8.—The feature of the session of the house this afternoon was the moving of an amendment to the address by the opposition expressing regret that owing to the large deficit no mention had been made of any policy of economy or retrenchment. Before a vote

was put on the amendment adjournment of the debate was moved by Hon. P. J. Veniot, who will have the floor when the house resumes tomorrow at 2 o'clock. Four speakers took part in the debate today—John L. Peck, of Albert; R. K. Tracey, of Carleton; S. J. Burlock, of Carleton, and J. M. Fiewelling, of Charlotte. Mr. Peck attacked the government for the manner in which the prohibition act was being carried out and he went on record as being against the raising of new revenue by the sale of liquor. Mr. Tracey outlined the aims of the Farmer party, which, he said, were to improve conditions in the rural districts. He advocated an act similar to that of the Manitoba rural credits act to aid the farmers. Speaking of expenditures, he said that if double the amount had been

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spent on the roads the people would still be asking for more. S. J. Burlock spoke in opposition to any cut in stumpage rates and said that the lumbermen ought to be willing to take a chance the same as the farmers. He thought the administration of the health act was costing too much. Mr. Fiewelling criticized the government for increasing the price of school books. He also attacked the hydro-electric development at Musquash. In conclusion he moved an amendment to the address to the effect that as there was a large deficit regret was expressed that the speech from the throne did not contain any reference to a policy of economy or retrenchment. Mr. King submitted the first report of the contingencies committee. Notices of enquiry were given for Tuesday next as follows: By Mr. Fiewelling—As to whether E. S. Carter had made a trip to British Columbia on public business and as to whether his expenses were paid by the province and the amount of same. By Mr. Young—As to work done on

the provincial normal school building and the cost of the same. By Mr. Richards—As to whether the government has purchased the Queen Hotel property in Fredericton or taken an option on the same; also the purchase price and whether any payment has been made. Hon. Mr. Robinson submitted the sixty-first annual report of the department of lands and mines. Hon. Mr. Roberts submitted the annual report of the provincial hospital for 1921.

IMPERIAL CROWDS SEE FINE PICTURE Gloria Swanson and Milton Sills in Elinor Glynn's "The Great Moment"—Very Elaborate.

Imperial theatre was packed to capacity last night at both shows, when Gloria Swanson and Milton Sills, most popular film stars, were the centre players in Elinor Glynn's first out-and-out movie fiction, "The Great Moment." It certainly takes Madame Glynn to put the finishing touches on a love story. It also takes the Paramount people to put the elaboration—the lavish sets, delightful gowns and the thousand et ceteras—to build the story up. "The Great Moment" is not only the first starting vehicle for Gloria Swanson but is the first original story written by the famous author of "Three Weeks." Because of the production accorded the story, "The Great Moment" is proving a box office attraction. If Nadine inherited the gypsy temperament of her mother, it's hard to understand why she accepted the plans for her marriage as arranged by her English father. Not until after the father broke one engagement for her to force her into another marriage and that had been annulled—and then some—did Nadine assert herself and choose her own husband. Another funny twist is where Nadine, after finding herself married to the man she really loves, signs a paper annulling the marriage. However, they say that's Director Wood has made a lavish bit of entertainment, particularly in the latter reels, when the heroine is being entertained in Washington by a rich man who wants to marry her. The "parties" that are staged are probably among the most spectacular seen on the screen yet. In smaller matters as well director Wood has done good work. The incident in which Nadine is bitten by a snake is well done, and there are numerous other moments equally well handled. The interest is well maintained throughout. Miss Swanson is attractive as Nadine, and her variety of costumes and appearance generally is less bizarre in character than usual and in much better taste. She is gorgeously photographed. Her performance is very good, and others who do equally good work, but of course haven't as much to do, are handsome Milton Sills, Alec B. Francis, Helen Dunbar and Arthur Hull. Nadine Pelham, the daughter of a gypsy woman and an English nobleman, is in love with Bayard Delavel, an American engineer, though engaged to her cousin, Eustace, according to her father's arrangement. Through his misunderstanding the father forces Nadine to marry Delavel when the two are found alone in the latter's cabin. Misunderstanding again causes an annulment, following which Nadine, in an effort to forget, becomes notorious in Washington. Her father, by a snake bite, is proved her will power this time she engages herself to Hopper, only to be confronted by Delavel on the eve of her wedding to Hopper. It never takes place, for Nadine goes back to Delavel. This same programme will be shown again today, but tomorrow there is an entirely new bill, the feature of which will be our old friend William S. Hart in another of his early western classics, "Three Word Brand," a gripping heroic of Indian days and early settlers. The serial extra.

A former military man in this city will have cause to rejoice today over the honesty of Joseph Fleming, of 83 North street, when a large check and also a small sum of money is returned to him. Mr. Fleming found the check and money early last evening in North street and at once took it to the central police station, where he turned it over to the detectives who expect to be able to return the money to its owner today.

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LARGE CLASS FOR TRAINING COURSE

The scout leaders' training course, under the St. John District Council, Boy Scouts' Association, commenced last evening in Trinity church schoolroom with twenty-five registering to take up the six weeks' course. Dr. G. B. Peat presided at the meeting and, in opening the school, outlined the programme that would be taken up. He welcomed those who were present and urged them to adopt the motto for the course, "Every man to bring another man." The subject for the main address of the evening was "The Need of the Scoutmaster and His Place in Scouting." Rev. Canon R. A. Armstrong discussed this theme in a spirited manner. He declared that the scoutmaster was the main pivot in the scout organization. For a scout troop to maintain permanency, it must possess a real, live scoutmaster at the head of affairs. He outlined what he considered the main essentials in the make-up of the ideal scoutmaster. While the scoutmaster did not necessarily need to know and be able to do everything, yet, Canon Armstrong averred, he at least should be an expert in one line, so as to be a real leader and thus win the respect of the boys in his charge. The scoutmaster should try to interest the parents in his work and should be needed instruction in one particular phase of scout work, there were men in the church congregation whom he could fall back on for assistance. The ideal scoutmaster, in the speaker's opinion, was the father, who, he declared, was "God's ordained scoutmaster." In conclusion he urged the scoutmasters to study their boys and encourage them to develop their talents. After the address, fifteen minutes were devoted to instruction on tenderfoot tests. Later, refreshments were served. The next class will be held next week. Members of Loyalist Chapter I. O. O. E. supplied refreshments, with Mrs. J. L. McAvity as convener.

MORE THAN A BILLION.

Controller Charles L. Craig of New York City, announces that, for the first year in the city's history, the gross receipts and gross expenditures in 1921 both were in excess of one billion dollars. Gross receipts aggregated \$1,248,429,411, including all transactions between funds and the city treasury and city sinking funds. Gross expenditures amounted to \$1,194,706,153. The entire overrun for 1921 may be noted as being in excess of two billions of dollars, the controller points out, but after eliminating all the entries reflecting interest transactions, the actual cash receipts totaled \$1,050,813,512, while the actual cash payments amounted to \$1,002,089,204.

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