

Platform of the Provincial Conservative Association of Alberta

Adopted in Convention at Red Deer on the 12th and
13th days of February, 1909

1. RAILWAYS:

The immediate construction of railways in those portions of the Province which do not now enjoy railway facilities or competition is imperative, and this Convention pledges its earnest support to the same.

This Convention is of opinion that the construction and operation of such railways by the Government of Alberta is the most desirable method to be adopted, but as under existing conditions such method cannot be immediately employed, such railways as are urgently needed should be built with the aid of a guarantee of bonds to a reasonable amount by the Provincial Government under such conditions as will ensure their immediate construction, and will secure to the Government control of the traffic rates over the same, and the right to purchase them on fair and reasonable terms.

2. PROHIBITION:

This Convention pledges the Conservative party to submit to the vote of the electors of the Province the question of prohibiting the sale of and traffic in intoxicating liquors in the Province, and to pass an Act for the total prohibition of the liquor traffic in this Province to the full extent of the Provincial power in that respect if upon the taking of such plebiscite 60 per cent. of the vote cast is cast in favor of such Act.