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Canadian Good Roads Association's Convention

Six Provincial Governments, Federal Government and Many Municipalities Represented at Successful Meeting Held Last Week in Winnipeg—Program of Road Construction Adopted by Eight Provinces Requires \$73,000,000—"Co-operation and Co-ordination" the Convention Slogan

REPRESENTATIVES of six provincial governments, of many municipalities and of a number of local highway associations and automobile clubs, met last week in Winnipeg for the seventh annual convention of the Canadian Good Roads Association. The registration totalled over two hundred, of whom fifty were from Ontario and Quebec and about

sessions in the road-building history of this continent. The technical papers were of a high order of technical merit, the discussion was valuable, and all present agreed that from a "get together" standpoint the convention was the best ever held by the association. "Co-operation and co-ordination" was the official slogan of the meeting, and everyone tried to



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twenty-five from the three provinces to the west of Manitoba. A complete list of all who registered, excepting residents of Winnipeg, appears on another page of this issue.

The convention opened Tuesday morning, June 1st, and there was a technical session every morning and afternoon for three days, the final session adjourning about 3.30 p.m., Thursday, in order that the delegates might witness a road-building exhibiton. Upon invitation of Sir James Aikins, lieutenant-governor of Manitoba, the delegates spent Tuesday evening at government house, where an excellent musical program was enjoyed and dainty refreshments served. The annual banquet was on Wednesday evening, with over two hundred in attendance. The banquet was tendered to the delegates by the city of Winnipeg. The annual meeting of the association was held Thursday evening, concluding the program of one of the most interesting three-day

co-operate heartily throughout the three days with a view to co-ordinating highway work throughout Canada.

All of the technical sessions, and also the banquet and annual meeting, were held in the Royal Alexandra Hotel.

The convention was formally opened by Sir James Aikins and the president of the association, S. L. Squire, of Toronto. Sir James declared that the assembly had a meaning far broader than the mere scope of the meeting, for it exemplified the spirit of unity which should prevail in all parts of Canada. They were gathered from all the provinces for the exchange of ideas, and all were animated with the one object of helping in the upbuilding of the Canadian national spirit. Not only were they working to improve the highways, but they were working for the creation of that highway from one end of Canada to the other, along which the spirit of unity and harmony and progress will travel, re-