

UNIVERSITY WILL OPEN NEXT FALL

First Meeting of Senate Decides to Start Classes in September—An Historical Occasion.

(From Tuesday's Bulletin.)

The first meeting of the Senate of the University of Alberta was held in the Old Fellows' Hall, Strathcona, yesterday, the following members of the Senate being present: Hon. Mr. Justice Stuart, chairman; Hon. A. C. Rutherford, Minister of Education; Dr. H. M. Tory, president; R. S. Jenkins, Dr. W. D. Ferris, James McCann, Geo. Harcourt, P. J. Nolan, E. J. Hutchings, Hon. Mr. Justice Beck, J. J. Gaetz, Dr. Gaborath, Dr. O. Noel, H. H. Shindler, John McDougall, members of the Senate. The members of the Senate absent were Dr. J. H. Riddell, Senator Dr. R. G. Bell, Baniff, and G. A. Kennedy, Macleod.

The meeting was called to order promptly at 10.30 and on motion of Dr. Rutherford and Dr. Tory, Hon. Mr. Justice Stuart was voted to be the chair. The chancellor-elect, Mr. N. D. Mills, Mayor of Strathcona, to address the meeting. Mr. Mills briefly welcomed the chancellor and members of the Senate to Strathcona and expressed the pleasure felt by the citizens when the announcement was made that Strathcona was to be the University center for the Province. He also assured the Senate of the cooperation of the City Council and the people of Strathcona, in trying to make the surroundings accord with the dignity of the University.

Mr. Harold W. Riley was appointed secretary of the Senate until such time as the university should appoint a registrar.

Maintenance of University. After the formal opening, addresses were made to the Senate by Dr. Rutherford and Dr. Tory, the president of the University. Dr. Rutherford mentioned that 200 acres of land had been purchased for the university site at a cost of \$150,000. He estimated that the land was now worth at least \$300,000. He pointed out that the government had made provision for the running expenses of the university by granting twenty per cent of the tax collected under the Corporations Taxation Act and also 20 per cent of the income from the university tax.

He also called attention to the fact that the government had taken upon itself the responsibility of securing a president of the university, who is with us to-day. He assured the Senate that the present government are liberally disposed toward education and, no doubt, future legislatures would be very liberally disposed toward the university. He also mentioned the fact that the government had indicated in the future in such a way as to meet the wishes of the university in connection with an historical occasion.

An Historical Occasion. Dr. Tory, president of the university, said that this was an historical occasion. The establishment and organization of a university is a great work in the beginning of which only a few can have the honor of participating. He congratulated the Senate upon the fact that it was not a work of reorganizing a disorganized institution, but we are founding a university which will be for the benefit and upbuilding of the Province as a whole. He congratulated the Senate also upon the fact that we are starting with religious strife and animosities in the founding of the university, but that as a united Province we are starting to bring to pass an institution that will mean much to the development of the life of the community. He stated that we have been free to make our own tradition within the Province, that we must use tradition and past experience of similar institutions as a guide and take from these the best they have to offer. He pointed out that the establishment of a university would be the culmination of the educational system of the Province. That in the educational system the university would be the highest scholastic attainments to be found on the continent. Secondly, we must have a library commensurate with our needs. In this respect we will have the co-operation of the government in the establishment of the provincial library, and we hope of the various elements in the Province which may be benefited by the presence of a library. He pointed out that our aim should be to have in Alberta a library suited to the student need, but with a public side to it, emphasizing particularly a traveling library scheme, which might be made useful to every teacher, and to every school board in the Province.

To Furnish Library. Dr. Tory took the occasion also to announce that Dr. Rutherford, who had already done so much for the university, had agreed to furnish the library at his own expense with a complete set of works by Canadian authors. This will be a very valuable contribution to the University, and the Province as a whole.

The third thing he emphasized is the equipment suitable for an institution such as the University of Alberta is hoped to be.

The question of the date of opening classes was then discussed, and Dr. Tory explained that he had carefully studied the situation in the Province and had reason to believe would be ready for the opening of classes in September, and why in some ways he would prefer that we should wait a year before opening classes nevertheless the circumstances seem to warrant our taking the necessary steps forward, and he would recommend that classes would be opened in September next. After some discussion it was decided by the Senate to open the university for classes in September of the present year. It was decided to accept the offer that had been made by the school board of the City of Strathcona for the use of their west end school building for university purposes for the current year.

The Courses Offered. It was decided to offer courses leading to the degrees of B.A. and B.Sc. in Arts and the course of B.Sc. in practical science. This made it necessary that one faculty should be organized, and it was decided to organize a faculty to be known as the faculty of Arts and Science. Dr. Tory submitted the calendar for the university, which he had prepared, giving outlines of the courses that should be offered for the current year and after very careful consideration the same scheme as provided for in the calendar was adopted by the Senate and ordered to be published. Dr. Tory was given authority by the Senate to bring together such a staff as would be required to carry out the work offered in the calendar for the current year.

Mandamus Donations. Mr. John A. McDougall was appointed honorary treasurer of the university Senate, and on accepting it, he generously donated the sum of five hundred dollars to be offered as scholarships for students entering the university. The Hon. Dr. Rutherford also offered a scholarship of one hundred dollars for a similar purpose. The scholarships to be open to students of the whole province. To this amount the Senate added the sum of two hundred dollars. The whole was left to the executive committee to arrange.

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Swiss Tunnel Completed. Bern, Switzerland, April 1.—The federal railroad tunnel between Mount St. Julien and Lake Zurich, which was completed yesterday, is nearly five miles long, and was begun four years ago.

AN OFFER FOR THE HUDSON BAY LINE

Government Has Received Proposal for Construction of Road—Purchase of Supplies Debated

(From Tuesday's Bulletin.)

Ottawa, Mar. 30.—During question time in the House of Commons this afternoon, Dr. Roche (Conservative, Halifax), was informed by the premier that a proposition had been made to the government for the construction of a railway to Hudson Bay. The proposal is at the present time under consideration. The land grant voted by parliament for such a road at a previous session, the premier informed, is still in force.

Col. Worthington was told that the government had adopted for the Ross River the Buffalo located in the militia council. The question of who will manufacture the bayonet is under consideration.

Geo. Taylor (Cons., Leeds) was informed that 8,716 Ross rifles are now in use by the Canadian militia force, the permanent force and the North-West Mounted Police. No estimate has been made of the number which will be in use by the end of 1910.

Dr. Roche was told by Hon. Frank Taylor that the Buffalo located in Elk park were purchased by Howard Douglas, manager of the Banff park, who did not receive anything above his regular salary for his services.

W. D. Staples (Cons., Macdonald), Victoria, British Columbia, and Hon. J. D. Stewart (Cons., Macdonald), Halifax, N.S., were appointed to carry out the work offered in the calendar for the current year.

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THE GOVERNMENT BUYS BELL PLANT

Hon. W. H. Cushing Completes Purchase for \$675,000—Size Denies Deal—Premier's Statement.

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Montreal, March 31.—Another step in the buying out of the Bell Telephone Company in Western Canada was put through to-day by Hon. W. H. Cushing, minister of public works, Alberta, on behalf of the government of that province. He purchased the system of the Bell Company in that province for \$675,000. Hon. Mr. Cushing has been in Montreal for a week negotiating with the Bell Company, but never giving any intimation of his mission until the deal was put through. Mr. Cushing stated tonight that the deal was so completely finished that at midnight tonight the province will take over the system and to-morrow morning every telephone in the province will be owned by the government and operated by its servants. The Bell Company at first demanded \$750,000 for its plant in Alberta, but Hon. Mr. Cushing did not want to follow in the generous footsteps of Manitoba and held out for a lower price, which was finally accepted. Mr. Cushing stated tonight that the deal was so completely finished that at midnight tonight the province will take over the system and to-morrow morning every telephone in the province will be owned by the government and operated by its servants. The Bell Company at first demanded \$750,000 for its plant in Alberta, but Hon. Mr. Cushing did not want to follow in the generous footsteps of Manitoba and held out for a lower price, which was finally accepted.

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IS \$85,000 PER MILE TOO MUCH?

Council in Committee Discusses Cost of Laying Street Railway—Mounted Constables Needed

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Is the city running itself into bankruptcy in trying to lay the best pavement and put down the best street car line in Canada or the United States? This was the question that was debated at some length by the city council in committee on Monday evening, and by the time the meeting adjourned some of the members appeared to be hopelessly at sea regarding the matter.

Alderman Melnis got hold of one idea and harped on it continually. He stated that he had invited ten tenders for the 120 miles of road west of the 120 miles already contracted for west of Edmonton. The new piece of road will bring the G.T.P. to the top of the Yellowhead Pass and into the Rockies.

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PROVINCE GETS REGISTRY FEES

Hon. C. W. Cross Successful in Mission to Ottawa—Secures Necessary Legislation.

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Hon. C. W. Cross returned this morning from the east, where he has spent the last three weeks. While away he visited Ottawa to confer with the Dominion Government about several matters in connection with his department, all of which he informed a Bulletin representative this morning have been successfully arranged. The most important, perhaps was concerning the fees received by the Registry officers, and the fund known as the Assurance fund of the Land Titles Office. The securing of this money, which amounts to a very considerable sum yearly, for the province involved the passing of legislation by the Dominion House but this has been arranged for and will be passed.

In arranging the matter, Mr. Cross not only secured these fees for the future but all the fees received by the Dominion Government since the inauguration of the province of Alberta will be handed over to the Provincial Treasurer of Alberta.

Mr. Cross avers that every trip east makes him better pleased that he is a resident of Alberta.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

A MEDICINE FOR SPRING

Do Not Dose With Purgatives—A Tonic is All People Need.

Not exactly sick—but not feeling quite well. That's the way most people feel in the spring. Easily tired, appetite failing, sometimes headaches and a feeling of depression. Perhaps ailments or eruptions appear, or there may be twinges of rheumatism or neuritis. Any of these indicate that you need a tonic medicine that does you good.

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