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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH, 1955

PROCLAMATION

LOUIS O. BREITHAUPT

CANADA

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her other Realms and Territories QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

To Our Faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario and to every of you—GREETING:

PROCLAMATION

A. K. ROBERTS, }
Attorney-General. } **W**HEREAS it is expedient for the purpose of reconstituting Select Committees of the Legislative Assembly to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario, WE DO WILL that you and each of you and all others in this behalf interested on Thursday, the eighth day of September now next, at Our City of Toronto, personally be and appear for the actual Despatch of Business, to treat, act, do

and conclude upon those things which, in Our Legislature for the Province of Ontario, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favour of God be ordained.

HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the GREAT SEAL of Our Province of Ontario to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS:

THE HONOURABLE LOUIS ORVILLE BREITHAUPT, Doctor of Laws,
Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of Ontario,

at Our City of Toronto in Our said Province this twenty-fifth day of August in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five and in the fourth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND

G. H. DUNBAR,
Provincial Secretary.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the First Day of the First Meeting of the Twenty-fifth Parliament of the Province of Ontario for the Despatch of Business, pursuant to a Proclamation of the Honourable Louis Orville Breithaupt, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province—Roderick Gilmour Lewis, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, laid upon the Table of the House a Roll hereinafter fully set out containing a list of the names of the Members who had been returned at the General Elections to serve in this Legislature; which said Members having taken the Oaths and subscribed the Roll, took their seats in the House.

TWENTY-FIFTH GENERAL ELECTION

Office of the Chief Election Officer,
Toronto, September 7th, 1955.

This is to certify that by reason of the Dissolution of the last Legislature on the Second day of May, A.D. 1955, and in virtue of Writs of Election dated on the Second day of May, A.D. 1955, issued by the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to the hereinafter named persons as returning officers for all the Electoral Districts in the Province of Ontario, for the election of Members to represent the several Electoral Districts in the Legislature of the Province in the Parliament convened to meet on the Eighth day of September, A.D. 1955, the following named persons have been gazetted as duly elected to represent the Electoral Districts set opposite their respective names as appears by the Returns of the said Writs, deposited of Record in my office, namely:

Electoral District	Member Elect	Returning Officer
Algoma-Manitoulin	John A. Fullerton	E. W. Davis
Brant	Harry Corwin Nixon	John P. Fraser
Brantford	George T. Gordon	Kenneth L. Coles

Bruce	Ross M. Whicher	Earl Reaburn
Carleton	William Erskine Johnston	Richard A. Bell
Cochrane North	Philip T. Kelly	Gordon Kydd
Cochrane South	J. Wilfred Spooner	J. Maurice Belanger
Dufferin-Simcoe	Alfred Wallace Downer	Delmer Gallagher
Durham	John W. Foote	Richard R. Waddell
Elgin	Fletcher S. Thomas	Harold McKenzie
Essex North	Arthur J. Reaume	Thomas Wharf
Essex South	William Murdoch	Rex Imeson
Fort William	Clare E. Mapledoram	Gordon Carson
Frontenac-Addington	David John Rankin	John A. Riddle
Glengarry	Osie F. Villeneuve	Donald Duncan MacKinnon
Grenville-Dundas	Fred M. Cass	Joseph Patterson
Grey North	Mackinnon Phillips	James Jackson
Grey South	Farquhar R. Oliver	Eric Winkler
Haldimand-Norfolk	James N. Allan	David Gunton
Halton	Stanley L. Hall	F. W. B. Fitzgerald
Hamilton Centre	William Kenneth Warrender	Charles Sydney Lees
Hamilton East	Robert Ellsworth Elliott	Malcolm K. Heddle
Hamilton-Wentworth	Ray Connell	William F. Haines
Hastings East	Roscoe Robson	Graham Mouck
Hastings West	William Elmer Sandercock	Malcolm Burgess
Huron	Thomas Pryde	J. Elgin McKinley
Huron-Bruce	John W. Hanna	William B. McCool
Kenora	Albert Wren	Clifford Hargrave
Kent East	John Purvis Spence	William Anderson
Kent West	George W. Parry	Ernest C. Brisco
Kingston	William M. Nickle	J. S. McDonnell
Lambton East	Charles E. Janes	Lyle Wicks
Lambton West	Bryan L. Cathcart	Frank L. Hogg
Lanark	George H. Doucett	Edwin M. James
Leeds	James A. C. Auld	Roy Gardner
Lincoln	Charles Daley	Mrs. Jean M. King
London North	John P. Robarts	Reginald Lamon
London South	G. Ernest Jackson	Gerald Purcell
Middlesex North	Thomas L. Patrick	Harold R. Lucas
Middlesex South	Harry M. Allen	Roy Hunter
Muskoka	Robert J. Boyer	Ernest Boyd
Niagara Falls	Arthur C. Jolley	Harry A. Parm
Nickel Belt	Rheal Belisle	Anthony Falzetta
Nipissing	John M. Chaput	James I. Martyn
Northumberland	William A. Goodfellow	Herman Morrow
Ontario	Matthew B. Dymond	Elmer Robertson
Oshawa	Thomas D. Thomas	Louis S. Hyman
Ottawa East	Jules Morin	Florian Carriere
Ottawa South	George H. Dunbar	William Ferguson
Ottawa West	Donald Hugo Morrow	Charles A. Port
Oxford	Gordon W. Innes	J. A. Newell
Parry Sound	Allister Johnston	George Zeigler and M. M. Limbert
Peel	Thomas L. Kennedy	John McCulloch

Electoral District	Member Elect	Returning Officer
Perth.....	J. Frederick Edwards.....	Wesley H. Moore
Peterborough.....	Harold R. Scott.....	Douglas L. Lawrie
Port Arthur.....	George C. Wardrope.....	T. Roy Dawes
Prescott.....	Louis Pierre Cecile.....	Eugene Paquette
Prince Edward-Lennox.....	Norris Whitney.....	Thomas Walker
Rainy River.....	William G. Noden.....	William J. Gray
Renfrew North.....	Stanley J. Hunt.....	William J. Labow
Renfrew South.....	James S. Dempsey.....	John Findlay
Russell.....	Gordon Lavergne.....	Wendell M. Stanley
Stormont.....	Peter Manley.....	Michael R. Salhany
Sault Ste. Marie.....	Clayton Harry Lyons.....	Curtis A. Scott
Simcoe Centre.....	George G. Johnston.....	Robert Brown
Simcoe East.....	Lloyd A. Letherby.....	Fisher Ganton
Sudbury.....	Gerald J. Monaghan.....	W. E. W. Cressey
Temiskaming.....	A. Robert Herbert.....	Robert Sopha
Victoria.....	Leslie M. Frost.....	Cecil H. Pardy
Waterloo North.....	John Wintermeyer.....	George Jacob
Waterloo South.....	Raymond M. Myers.....	Benjamin Unger
Welland.....	Ellis P. Morningstar.....	S. R. Allen
Wellington-Dufferin.....	John Root.....	John Gillan
Wellington South.....	Harry A. Worton.....	Roy P. Findlay
Wentworth.....	Arthur J. Child.....	Robert French
Wentworth East.....	Reg. V. Gisborn.....	Thomas J. Mahony
Windsor-Sandwich.....	William Griesinger.....	Mrs. Anne McGladdery
Windsor-Walkerville.....	M. Cooke Davies.....	Russell J. Turnbull
York Centre.....	Thomas Graham.....	Basil Hall
York East.....	Hollis E. Beckett.....	Kenneth Bryant
York-Humber.....	W. Bev. Lewis.....	Mrs. Florence Gell
York North.....	A. Alexander Mackenzie.....	Arthur Wells
York-Scarborough.....	Richard E. Sutton.....	Mrs. Jessie Bruce
York South.....	Donald C. MacDonald.....	Wilfred Royle
York West.....	William Elmer Brandon.....	Lloyd Shier
Toronto:		
Beaches.....	William Henry Collings.....	C. J. W. Hampton
Bellwoods.....	John Yaremko.....	Edward R. Maynerick
Bracondale.....	Arthur G. Frost.....	Robert Martin
Dovercourt.....	David McMaster Kerr.....	Miss Pauline Miles
Eglinton.....	William James Dunlop.....	Michael Doyle
High Park.....	Alfred H. Cowling.....	Mrs. Emma D. Elrick
Parkdale.....	William J. Stewart.....	William McKeown
Riverdale.....	Robert W. Macaulay.....	Garrett Frankland
St. Andrew.....	Allan Grossman.....	Murray Caplan
St. David.....	Henry James Price.....	J. A. Wm. Whiteacre
St. George.....	Dana Porter.....	Hugh Paton
St. Patrick.....	A. Kelso Roberts.....	J. Reginald Tuckman
Woodbine.....	Harold F. Fishleigh.....	Harry Lemmer

RODERICK G. LEWIS,
Chief Election Officer.

And the House having met,

The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne.

Mr. Dunbar, the Provincial Secretary, then said:

“I am commanded by the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor to state that he does not see fit to declare the causes of the summoning of the present Legislature of this Province until a Speaker of this House shall have been chosen according to law, but to-day at a subsequent hour His Honour will declare the causes of the calling of this Legislature.”

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

And the Clerk having called for nominations for the office of Speaker, the Prime Minister, Mr. Frost, addressing himself to the Clerk, proposed to the House for their Speaker, the Rev. Alfred Wallace Downer, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Dufferin-Simcoe, which motion was seconded by Mr. Oliver, and it was

Resolved, That the Rev. Alfred Wallace Downer, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker.

The Clerk having declared the Honourable Alfred Wallace Downer duly elected, he was conducted by the Prime Minister and Mr. Oliver to the Dais, where, standing on the upper step, he returned his humble acknowledgment to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by choosing him to be their Speaker.

And thereupon he sat down in the Chair and the Mace was laid upon the Table.

The House then adjourned during pleasure.

The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor then re-entered the House and took his seat on the Throne.

Mr. Speaker then addressed His Honour to the following effect:—

May it please Your Honour,

The Legislative Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me and not to the Assembly whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their Queen and Country, hereby claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates,

access to your person at all reasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from you the most favourable consideration.

The Provincial Secretary then said:

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the Assembly to Her Majesty's person and Government, and not doubting that the proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temperance and prudence, he grants and upon all occasions will recognize and allow the constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all suitable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to open the Session with the following gracious speech:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

You are here today to commence your duties as Members of the Twenty-fifth Parliament of the Province of Ontario. I am happy to extend my greetings to each of you on this occasion.

At the time of the dissolution of the Twenty-fourth Parliament three Select Committees were dealing with the very important subject matters of Certificates of Title for Motor Vehicles, Smoke Control and Air Pollution, and Toll Roads. It is very desirable that these Committees should be reconstituted and should continue with the work which was carried on by the Committees in the previous Legislature. The work of these Committees will give opportunity for the regular Session of the Legislature to deal with important matters arising out of their deliberations. Motions will be presented to you dealing with these matters.

I express the wish that you will be guided by Divine Providence in your deliberations and decisions in regard to matters which will come before you in this Special Session and in Sessions to be held in the Twenty-fifth Parliament of Ontario which will deal with matters of great importance to our Province.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

PRAYERS

3.40 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker then reported,

That, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech which he read.

Mr. Speaker advised the House that Mr. Oliver, Member for Grey South, was recognized as Leader of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition.

On motion by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Porter,

Ordered, That during the present Session of the Legislative Assembly provision be made for the taking and printing of reports of debates and speeches and to that end that Mr. Speaker be authorized to employ an editor of debates and speeches and the necessary stenographers at such rates of compensation as may be agreed to by him; also that Mr. Speaker be authorized to arrange for the printing of the reports in the amount of eight hundred copies daily, copies of such printed reports to be supplied to the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor, to Mr. Speaker, to the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, to the Legislative Library, to each Member of the Assembly, to the Reference Libraries of the Province, to the Press Gallery, to the newspapers of the Province as approved by Mr. Speaker, and the balance to be distributed by the Clerk of the Assembly as directed by Mr. Speaker.

On motion by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Porter,

Ordered, That as the Legislature has been convened in this Special Session for the purpose of considering certain matters which have been laid before you in the Address of the Honourable, the Lieutenant-Governor, the House hereby resolves to dispense with the customary formal Debate on the subject matters of the Address as such matters may be debated during the consideration of the Motions submitted to the House.

On motion by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Porter,

Ordered, That a Select Committee of the House be appointed to examine existing legislation and practice in relation to the registration of conditional sales contracts and similar documents of title and pledge, particularly in connection with motor vehicles, and to consider ways of providing for a central registry for the said documents and for the issuance of certificates of title of ownership of motor vehicles.

And that the Select Committee have authority to sit during the interval between Sessions and have full power and authority to call for persons, papers and things and to examine witnesses under oath, and the Assembly doth command and compel attendance before the said Select Committee of such persons and the production of such papers and things as the Committee may deem necessary for any of its proceedings and deliberations, for which purpose the Honourable the Speaker may issue his warrant or warrants.

Said Committee to consist of nine members and to be composed as follows:

Mr. Macaulay (Chairman), Messrs. Warrender, Myers, Cathcart, Robarts, Letherby, Jolley, Gisborn and Wintermeyer.

On motion by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Porter,

Ordered, That a Select Committee of the House be appointed to examine existing legislation and practice in relation to smoke control and air pollution in Ontario with particular reference to the installation and maintenance of equipment to control smoke and air pollution and methods and ways of extending public information in connection therewith.

And that the Select Committee have authority to sit during the interval between Sessions and have full power and authority to call for persons, papers and things and to examine witnesses under oath, and the Assembly doth command and compel attendance before the said Select Committee of such persons and the production of such papers and things as the Committee may deem necessary for any of its proceedings and deliberations, for which purpose the Honourable the Speaker may issue his warrant or warrants.

The said Committee to consist of nine members as follows:

Mr. Cowling (Chairman), Messrs. Brandon, Elliott, Kelly, Macaulay, Morningstar, Murdoch, Gordon and Thomas (Oshawa).

On motion by Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Porter,

Ordered, That a Select Committee of the House be appointed to study all matters relating to toll roads and to report on the application of the same to certain areas having regard to the needs of the Province of Ontario.

And that the Select Committee have authority to sit during the interval between Sessions and have full power and authority to call for persons, papers and things and to examine witnesses under oath, and the Assembly doth command and compel attendance before the said Select Committee of such persons and the production of such papers and things as the Committee may deem necessary for any of its proceedings and deliberations, for which purpose the Honourable the Speaker may issue his warrant or warrants.

Said Committee to consist of eleven members as follows:

Mr. Robarts (Chairman), Messrs. Auld, Root, Child, MacDonald, Jolley, Mackenzie, Manley, Reaume, Sandercock and Yaremko.

The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor again entered the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and being seated upon the Throne was pleased to deliver the following gracious speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is now my duty to prorogue the First Session of the Twenty-fifth Parliament of Ontario.

In this Special Session you have adopted certain motions reconstituting Committees which ceased to exist upon the dissolution of the Twenty-fourth Parliament. The work of these Committees will enable an early deliberation by the Legislature of the important matters which they will have under consideration.

May I thank you for your attention to this important public business.

The Provincial Secretary then said:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

It is the will and pleasure of the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued and this Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

