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The Centennial is You*

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**Hon. E. C. Manning:**

Good Evening, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have a very interesting program for you tonight. I have with me two of your hard working provincial Ministers who are going to give you a few highlights of matters concerning the work of their departments. First, the Honourable Mr. Henry Ruste is going to talk to you about the new regulations for Game Bird Hunting Certificates, and say something to you about the great program of Alberta Provincial Parks that we are developing in this province. Here, Ladies and Gentlemen, is the Honourable Mr. Henry Ruste . . .

**Hon. Henry Ruste:**

Ladies and Gentlemen: It is a privilege to be with you at this time and to bring you two items dealing with the Department of Lands and Forests, namely game bird licensing in the Fish and Wildlife Division, and matters of interest in the Provincial Parks Division.

During the last few weeks I have had many requests for information concerning these items.

The Wildlife Certificate was established in 1964 with each hunter being required to pay \$1.00 for his certificate, to which he attached the necessary stamp depending on what he wished to hunt. This amount is used to pay partial compensation through the Wildlife Damage Fund to our farmers for crops damaged by wild life, and it is proposed, beginning this year, to pay partial compensation for livestock shot accidentally by hunters during the big game hunting season.

As a result of this new program, which incidentally has been requested by several organizations, and because of the depletion of the Wildlife Damage Fund, the cost of the Wildlife Certificate will be increased to \$2.00. The Wildlife Certificate which will cost \$2.00, to which is attached the

Resident Bird Game Stamp (the cost of which is \$2.50, which is unchanged since 1947), will continue to be available at our Provincial License Vendors. In addition to the Provincial Wildlife Certificate and the Resident Bird Game Stamp, which together this year will cost \$4.50, is a Federal Government requirement — new this year — that the hunters of ducks and geese, will be required to purchase a Canada Migratory Bird Permit at a cost of \$2.00 which will be available at Post Offices. In other words, the cost to hunt ducks this year will be \$6.50 as compared to last year's \$3.50 — the increase being \$1.00 additional contribution to the Provincial Wildlife Damage Fund, and a \$2.00 contribution for the federal Canada Migratory Game Bird Permit. As well, the duck and bird hunter will have two calls to make — the usual one to the provincial outlet for the Provincial Certificate and Stamp, and one to the Post Office for the Federal Permit.

Dealing briefly with Provincial Parks — because of the increased attendance at our Provincial Parks and the recognition of this government for the desire of our citizens and visitors for areas where they may relax, be it swimming, boating, camping or just plain loafing, the Members of the Legislature approved an increased budget for the Provincial Parks Division of 35%. These additional funds will be used to meet the ever-increasing demand for camping, picnicking space and facilities in many of the 43 established parks, notably Aspen Beach, Beauvais Lake, Bow Valley, Cypress Hills, Dilberry Lake, Lac Cardinal, Little Bow, Pembina River, Rochon Sands, Taber, Thunder Lake, Wabamun Lake and Writing-On-The-Stone Parks.

Looking into the future, the planning section of the parks division has also had an increase in funds for the planning and the initial steps

necessary for the development of new parks which require research and on-the-ground-surveys to provide lay-out plans for immediate and future development. Parks affected under this program are Jarvis Bay at Sylvan Lake, Sir Winston Churchill at Lac La Biche, Micquelon Lake and Aspen Beach at Gull Lake. Proposed parks will be dealt with in order of priority such as Slave Lake and Moose Lake. Increased attendance also adds to our maintenance cost, not only in the form of wages, but also for equipment for sanitation purposes, to maintain roads within the parks, for the beaches, parking and camping areas. Not to be forgotten are our wilderness areas and our historical sites.

During my inspection trips as Minister of Lands and Forests, I have been impressed by the varied scenery and the many facilities available in Alberta from the Cypress Hills Provincial Park in the south-east of the province to the Peace River country in the north. I am sure there are many Albertans who do not realize what there is to see in Alberta. Truly a camper's and holidayer's paradise, we have in Alberta our National Parks, together with our Provincial Park system, our highway camp sites, and for those who really like to get out with nature, our rustic camp sites along the forestry roads from Hinton to the Crowsnest — happy holidaying.

**Hon. E. C. Manning:**

Thank you, Mr. Ruste. "Alberta for Albertans", as you know, is the slogan of your government, and I hope thousands of you will take advantage this summer to see these areas that Mr. Ruste has drawn to your attention which offer such tremendous possibilities for enjoyment of Alberta people.

Our second guest tonight is the Honourable Mr. Ambrose Holowach, our Provincial Secretary.

He is here to talk to you a little bit about the Glenbow Alberta Institute which was established at the recent session, and also I hope he will say something to you about Alberta's and Canada's Centennial plans. Mr. Holowach . . .

**Hon. Ambrose Holowach:**

Thank you, Mr. Manning, Good Evening, Ladies and Gentlemen. I am especially pleased to report to you on an important new development in the cultural life of our province. A development which, I believe, is unique in Canada and one which has the promise of great future accomplishments. I refer to Bill 59 which has been passed by the Legislature and which establishes the Glenbow-Alberta Institute. This Bill has already generated national interest and wide support of the people of Alberta. Mention was made in the Speech From the Throne of a very generous offer by Mr. Eric L. Harvie, Q.C., and his family of Calgary, who wished to make as their contribution to the celebration of Canada's Centennial, a donation to the people of this province of the very extensive and valuable collection and properties of the Glenbow Foundation. Mr. Harvie's conception was that of a semi-public body with perpetual life to carry on the work so well begun by himself and his family through the Glenbow Foundation. Under the Bill, there will be vested in the corporation, known as the Glenbow-Alberta Institute, all the assets of the Glenbow Foundation. To provide the necessary funds for the Institute to operate, the Harvie family is providing a further gift of five million dollars.

Your government was heartily receptive to the idea of a partnership between the Harvie interests and the government to advance the objectives of the Institute, and agreed to match the Harvie gift of \$5,000,000 to form a fund, the in-

terest earnings from which will provide the income necessary to carry on the work of the Institute. The legislation also provides for an annual contribution from the province of \$100,000 towards meeting the operating expenses of the Institute. The Act provides that the Institute will be managed by a Board of Governors consisting of a Chairman and nine other persons. The Chairman will be appointed for a term of five years by the Lieutenant Governor in Council. Of the other nine governors, three will be appointed by the Harvie family interests, three by the government and three by the members of the Institute. The governors will have full custody and determine all matters as to the conduct and affairs of the Institute.

The accounts of the Institute will be examined each year by the Provincial Auditor and the governors will submit a report annually to the Legislature. The membership of the Institute will consist of representatives of our senior municipalities, of affiliated museums and art galleries, and of other interested organizations and individuals.

The objectives of the Institute, as stated in the Act are "to promote and encourage the acquisition and diffusion of knowledge of man, his arts, his history, and the nature of the world in which he lives in such a manner as to best serve the educational and cultural needs of the people of Alberta. Let me list a few specific items to show you that the concept of the Institute is a serious program of action on many fronts. Authorities granted to the Institute are:

1. The collection and preservation of specimens of nature, art works, documents and objects of man.
2. The exhibition of the collections of the Institute and the publishing of informa-

tion related thereto.

3. To undertake and support education and research in those fields in which the Institute is working.
4. To co-operate with municipalities and organizations with objects similar to those of the Institute, including the lending of collections, circulating exhibitions and the provision of technical aid.
5. The provision of grants and loans to museums and art galleries and other similar bodies.
6. The establishment and maintenance of museums and art galleries. And finally to receive further gifts and endowments to further the work of the institution.

On an earlier broadcast on this series, your Premier, the Honourable Mr. Manning, spoke of the development of the human resources of Alberta, as the focal point in the next phase of your government's dynamic program for the further development of this province. We believe that this institute will contribute significantly to our human resources development and that we may look forward to the day when our province and our nation will have many more worthwhile cultural activities and programs at all levels; and that museums, art galleries, cultural buildings and related programs will be the hallmark of a great future society, so that the full human potential and artistic skills of our people will thus grow in keeping with the growth of our great productive and economic capabilities.

May I refer to another important public matter. In just a few months the biggest, grandest, longest birthday party in the world will commence. I will not have time to tell you all, but January the 1st, 1967, with special bonfires of friendship, pealing bells, services of dedication in churches, synagogues and mosques, will mark

the beginning of 52 weeks of celebrations, pageants and festivals to commemorate Canada's Centennial. A unique Centennial train, carrying the story of Canada's history, will visit Jasper, Edmonton, Red Deer, Calgary, Lethbridge and Medicine Hat. Taking the same story to 81 other centres of the province will be the Centennial Caravan, a miniature fair on wheels, from Milk River in the south to High Level in the North. The exciting Voyageur Canoe Pageant will start in Rocky Mountain House and travel down the North Saskatchewan River in our province and 100 days later end up at Expo '67 in Montreal. Athletic programs for school children, special University programs and others in the areas of performing and expressive arts are being finalized. The Provincial and Federal Governments are finalizing many projects and plans in the name of you, the people of Alberta.

But the government cannot do it all. The Centennial celebrations, to be a success, must involve you. Every man, woman and child must participate. May I urge you to become actively interested in your birthday party and plan your participation in this important event. Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen.

**Hon. E. C. Manning:**

Ladies and Gentlemen, next week will be the closing program in this series of Tele-Facts for the current season. I want to talk to you then about the reasons why Alberta is by far the best province in Canada in which to live, in which to raise your family, in which to establish your business and in which to plan your future. I also want to discuss with you some new steps we have under consideration at the present time. I will give you a few of the highlights of our program as we close the series next week. Thank you, Ladies and Gentlemen, and Good Night.