

The General Assembly elected Sept. 1, 1959 is the 49th in the history of Prince Edward Island Legislatures and the 24th since Confederation. It has 30 members from 15 electoral districts who serve for a statutory term of five years. One-half of the members of the Legislative Assembly are elected on a property vote. Each district elects one Councillor (elected on a property vote) and one Assembly member (elected on a general franchise vote). Premiers from Confederation to 1959 are listed in the 1960 Year Book, p. 105.

The annual salary of the Premier is \$6,000 and that of a Cabinet Minister \$4,000. Each member of the Assembly is paid \$1,450 for each session attended by him and an additional \$500 tax free as indemnity for expenses incurred. The Speaker is paid an additional \$400 and a further additional \$200 tax free as an indemnity. The Leader of the Opposition is paid an additional \$800 and a further additional \$200 tax free for expenses incurred by him in performance of official duties.

16.—Legislatures of Prince Edward Island, 1935-60, as at Jan. 1, 1961

NOTE.—Legislatures from Confederation to 1923 are given in the 1924 Year Book, p. 75, and for 1924-35 in the 1938 edition, p. 110.

Date of Election	Legislature	Number of Sessions	Date of First Opening	Date of Dissolution
July 23, 1935	18th.....	5	Sept. 25, 1935	Apr. 21, 1939
May 18, 1939	19th.....	4	Mar. 20, 1940	Aug. 20, 1943
Sept. 15, 1943	20th.....	4	Feb. 15, 1944	Oct. 27, 1947
Dec. 11, 1947	21st.....	5	Feb. 24, 1948	Mar. 30, 1951
Apr. 26, 1951	22nd.....	6	Oct. 23, 1951	Apr. 27, 1955
May 25, 1955	23rd.....	4	Feb. 2, 1956	Aug. 3, 1959
Sept. 1, 1959	24th.....	1	Mar. 1, 1960	1

¹ Life of Legislature not expired at Jan. 1, 1961.

17.—Twenty-Fourth Ministry of Prince Edward Island, as at Jan. 1, 1961

(Party standing at latest General Election, Sept. 1, 1959: 22 Progressive Conservative and 8 Liberal.)

Office	Name	Date of First Appointment	Date of Present Appointment ¹
Premier and President of the Executive Council.....	HON. WALTER R. SHAW.....	Sept. 16, 1959	Sept. 16, 1959
Minister of Public Works and Minister of Highways.....	HON. J. PHILIP MATHESON.....	Sept. 16, 1959	Sept. 16, 1959
Minister of Education.....	HON. L. GEORGE DEWAR.....	Sept. 16, 1959	Sept. 16, 1959
Minister of Industry and Natural Resources and Minister of Fisheries.....	HON. LEO F. ROSSITER.....	Sept. 16, 1959	Sept. 16, 1959
Minister of Health.....	HON. HUBERT B. MCNEILL.....	Sept. 16, 1959	Sept. 16, 1959
Provincial Treasurer, Attorney and Advocate General.....	HON. MELVIN J. MCQUAID.....	Sept. 16, 1959	{Sept. 16, 1959 Sept. 16, 1960
Provincial Secretary, Minister of Tourist Development and Minister of Municipal Affairs.....	HON. J. DAVID STEWART.....	Sept. 16, 1959	{Sept. 16, 1959 Apr. 13, 1960
Minister of Welfare and Minister of Labour..	HON. HENRY W. WEDGE.....	Sept. 16, 1959	Sept. 16, 1959
Minister of Agriculture.....	HON. ANDREW B. MACRAE.....	Sept. 16, 1960	Sept. 16, 1960

¹ Minister not necessarily sworn in on date of appointment.