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GOVERNMENT ROAD BUILDING IN SALMON RIVER VALLEY

CRITICISM OF WASTE AND EXTRAVAGANCE FOR PRIVATE BENEFIT MADE BY RESIDENT OF STEWART FROM PERSONAL OBSERVATION

Editor Daily News: I read with careful interest letter of Mr. W. W. Rush in your issue of March 10. Little fault can be found with his severe criticism of the administration of the affairs of the provincial road department situated at Stewart, Portland canal, and the ring responsible for same. In all essentials he is undoubtedly correct, and has certainly rendered a public service in calling attention to what he well describes as a demoralizing situation. To concede that the road department has secured 50 per cent efficiency, judged by results achieved by the average private concern, is indeed generous. Moreover, the blame cannot be laid at the door of the men who do the real work, as their efficiency is admittedly well up to, if it does not surpass the average standard for this class of work. All work is carried on with an utter lack of system, and in the most haphazard and wasteful manner imaginable. Trails are built where members of the ring, or their friends, want them, quite regardless of the needs of others, and general utility. I will deal with the trail work of the Salmon River valley, from my personal knowledge and observation.

made to lay the blame on the individual who did the crusing, but he refused to be made the scapegoat, maintaining he had only carried out the specific instructions given him. I have every reason to believe that this wasteful stupidity resulted from a malicious desire to keep the trail as far as possible from a property in which I and others were interested, because we declined to be dictated to by the ring. However, to their intense disgust, they realized there was now no alternative but to follow our old foot trail to within 500 yards of our camp. At this point it was diverted, crossing Cascade creek by means of a bridge, and continued on to the door of the Indian cabin. From Cascade creek to its termination, a distance approximately of two miles, the difference in elevation is 1,500 feet. Alternately climbing miniature precipices and meandering through swamps as it does, it was seen to be impossible by all but those responsible, and has since been abandoned.

Late in the summer of 1913, a gang was sent to the bridge on Cascade creek for the purpose of building a new trail from the bridge to the Indian property, ending this time at a point 300 feet further down the mountain side at the Indian company's proposed new camp and tunnel site. We are told this is to be the trunk trail for this section, but it is freely predicted that it will share the fate of the one that preceded it. Had the direction of the trail work been in capable hands, and free from the control of the ring in Stewart, a good grade could have been easily obtained which would also, at the same time, fill another important requirement, that of the greatest service to the greatest number.

This whole district is dotted with monuments which offer convincing and irrefutable evidence of the general incompetency, or worse, of the road department. Yet our friend the editor of the Portland Canal Miner says: "Even the political opponents of the government concede that Mr. C. J. Gillingham is one of the best road builders in the province." This is regarded in Stewart as such a good joke that its frequent reiteration is forgiven.

Last spring so soon as the preparations for the season's work were under way, a circular letter was sent to the government employees at the various camps (including men known to be citizens of the United States), pointing out that it was their duty to pay a dollar and join the Conservative association. Most of the men considered this a "hold-up" and worse, than the extortions of the employment agency sharks, whose practices are condemned in the recent report issued by the provincial labor commission. When a few days later the assistant and superintendent followed the letter up personally for the purpose of taking the men's "applications," very few had sufficient moral courage to resist this obvious attempt at intimidation. The few that did refuse to pay for their jobs have since been the victims of covert discrimination. It is not expected that anything so crude will be perpetrated on the road gangs this spring.

It is also understood that men staying at a certain hotel will

given the preference in the matter of government employment over men staying elsewhere. In return, these men are expected to reciprocate by "blowing in" at that hotel.

For the past two years Stewart has had to depend for its existence almost entirely on government expenditures, which have been large. This fact has put a powerful weapon in the hands of the ring, which they have had no scruples in using to the fullest extent, in order to suppress and eliminate all opposition to their domination. On account of the greater portion of the present small population being beneficiaries of the government, either from necessity or otherwise, it is not difficult to understand why there is so little public opinion against this tyranny.

That this deplorable state of affairs prevalent in the economic and political life of the district should reflect itself in its social life was inevitable. The family life of the community is harassed by individuals to whom moral rectitude and decency are clearly unknown, and to whom the sanctity of the home and all it implies has absolutely no meaning. So overbearing and arrogant have these social vandaes become that no home can feel confident of its immunity from their sinister intrusion.

A searching examination into the administration of the road department and all its ramifications would be welcomed by all but the ring. To imagine that Mr. W. Manson is ignorant of the pernicious activities of his satellites here is to make an excessive demand on one's credulity. He should pay us a visit and stay awhile to investigate in person these matters—upon which I have briefly touched, but which I will go into fully, along with other matters, at a time and place when it will be most efficacious. To do this he would have to elude the vigilance of the "faithful," who upon the occasions of his rare visits here have carefully guarded him from the time of his arrival until his departure. That the members of the ring are actuated by any party principle is manifestly absurd. If at a future election the political complexion of British Columbia should be changed, these mercenaries would instantly prove themselves political chameleons, in an effort to retain their seats at the political "pie counter." The ring has been for some time, and still is, torn with internal dissension and discord. While secretly working against each other, to the casual observer they are apparently united.

With the coming of spring and the resumption of the activities of the road department, these differences will in all likelihood be temporarily shelved to the detriment of outsiders.

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