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As an additional evidence that the McBride government is incapable of handling conditions in a growing country, the following will suffice: Large sums of money are being spent every year to induce foreigners to come to Canada. Many of these find their way to British Columbia, and when they get here they are not allowed to enter even the primitive calling of a fisherman. According to the government regulations they must become British subjects before they can secure a license, which means that they must lie around for three years before they can enter their chosen calling. There are a large number of such cases to be found in the vicinity of this city and nothing is being done for them. This is surely a stupid way to develop a new country.

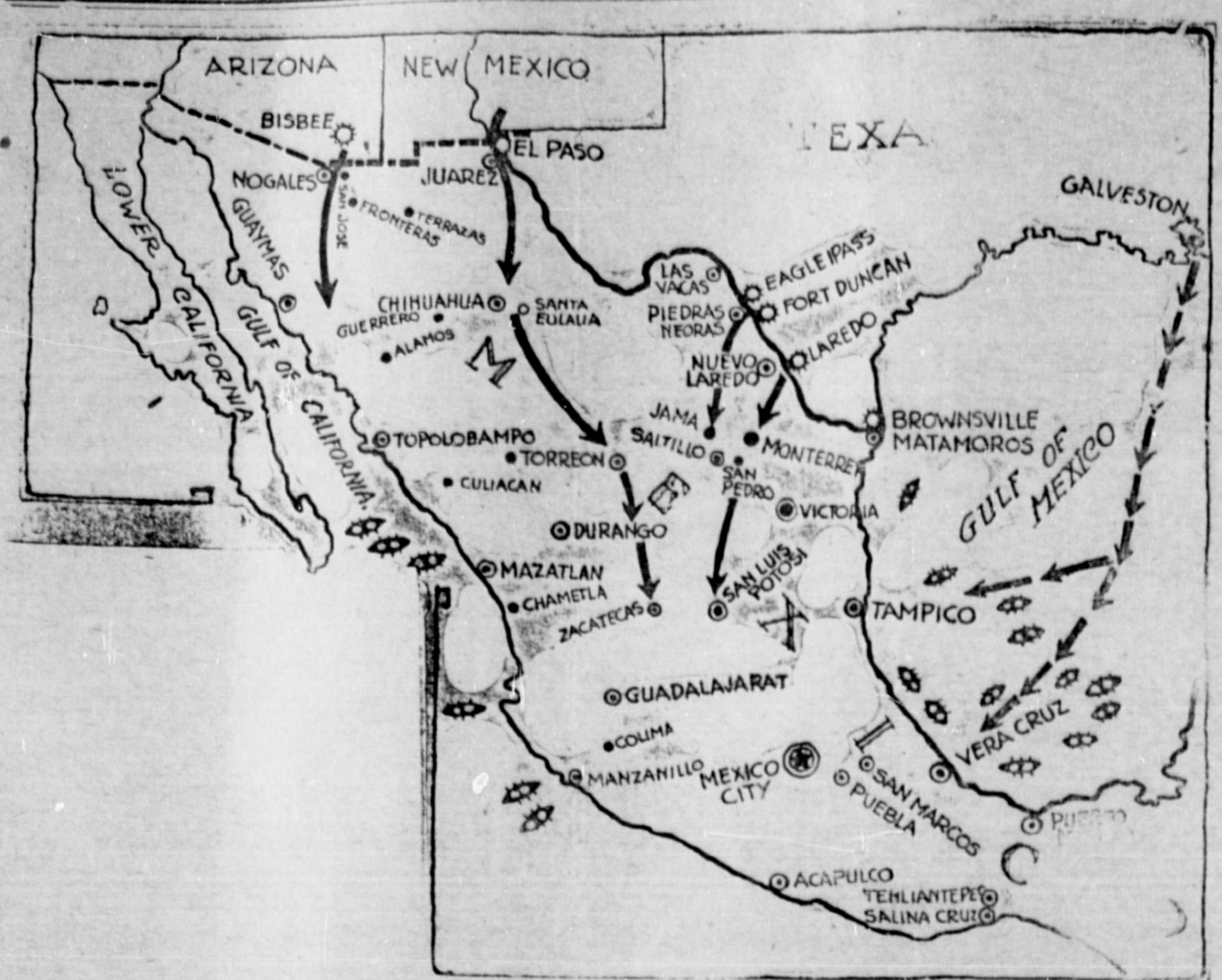
This also shows the insincerity of the Conservative governments. When the Liberals were in power at Ottawa the great cry was for a white British Columbia. Now that they are in power, however, very little is being done to wrest the fisheries from the Japanese. It is repeatedly said that white fishermen cannot be had. If this is so the most of the blame lies with the government, when they allow conditions to exist whereby new arrivals are not allowed

to fish. If we are going to invite white foreigners to our shores let us give them a chance to make good and throw away this foolish notion of saving jobs for the man who has a vote.

In a speech in parliament on April 16 the New Zealand minister of defence said that the government had decided that in future its duty was not to contribute five hundred thousand dollars a year to the British admiralty, but instead to utilize the money on training New Zealanders to serve both New Zealand and England. Was New Zealand, he asked, ready to rely for protection on a mere trade alliance with Japan? Was she to have no voice in the expenditure of her contributions, and was she to have no say in questions of peace or war? It would appear that New Zealanders, like Canadians, feel the throbs of mainhood in their veins and will insist on playing their own hand in this game of nations.

That trite phrase "the member for the district" seems to have dropped out of local print. That is just a forerunner of what will soon happen the "member."

The number of government-owned launches is rapidly in-



MAP SHOWING AVENUES OF INVASION BY LAND AND SEA
 The military occupation of Mexico will be a tremendous undertaking. It will call for the full naval power of the United States and half a million men. The arrows show the routes that are open for the invasion, both by land and water, by the United States army and navy.

creasing. This is a great convenience to the officials who are helping the pioneers to open up the country, but they would not be so quickly forthcoming if it were not for the convenience they are to the local machine. Between joy riding and assisting the local member to visit his constituents, there is little time for the boats to be of any other service.

When Premier McBride visited Rupert two years ago he told us the provincial buildings would start at once, also the road around the island. It looks now as if we would need a few more visits before anything permanent is done.

Did you hear the latest about that \$35,000? If not you're slow. Just ask the first man you meet.

SQUAW KILLED BRUIN WITH AXE
 (Portland Canal Miner)
 There is at the King Edward hotel a black bear skin measuring eight feet in length, killed by a squaw living at Tombstone bay on the Alaskan side of Portland canal. The skin covering the skull bears a large rent which tells mutely in the manner in which bruin came to his death. The Indian while chopping wood heard a rustling in the brush, and realizing it was an animal, grabbed her rifle. Peering through the underbrush she discovered a huge black bear advancing towards her. Hastily taking aim she fired point blank at the best and missed him. Realizing that the now infuriated bruin would be upon her before she could reload her old fashioned weapon, she picked up her axe, and as the bear lunged forward on his haunches dealt it a crushing blow which penetrated the brain. Later three cubs were found in the brush, which speedily joined their mother in the happy hunting grounds. Joe Rogers prizes the trophy on account of its excellent fur and size.

Yukon Has Gold Yet
 Leo W. Steel, a gold miner of considerable reputation in Alaska and Yukon, and who is said to control more placer claims in that territory than the Guggenheims, states that there is a vast difference in gold mining today and years ago. He believes that there is practically no speculation in the business today, except in the initial stages, and that profits can be figured in it more accurately than in most other businesses. He also says that the Yukon and Alaska fields are only in their infancy yet, a large proportion of those regions still remaining untouched.

Profit in Spuds
 Roy E. Gault of Skagway last year planted one-fourteenth of an acre in potatoes and produced tubers at the rate of 17 1/2 tons per acre. They were sold at \$50 a ton, or \$875 an acre. The potatoes planted were Clark's Alaska seedlings, a variety that was developed by H. D. Clark, Skagway's leading farmer.

FRANK HAD LONG WALK
 Reached Fort George After Walk From Mile 190
 (Fort George Tribune)
 Frank A. Ellis who, with Jas. Armstrong of Vancouver, has charge of the sale of government lots in this district and at McBride, came in on Thursday night from the latter place and is staying at the Empress hotel, South Fort George. Mr. Ellis will leave on the return trip to McBride today or tomorrow, as he must be there by April 29, which is the date fixed for the sale of lots in McBride townsite.

Owing to the condition of the railway line from Mile 190 to here Mr. Ellis had some unpleasant adventures on his journey. He left the freight train on which he made the trip from McBride about seven miles this side of Mile 190, and walked the remainder of the journey, some 40 miles, carrying his grip. He made the walk in one day.

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 SCENARIO—I—SCOOP GETS AN EARFUL FROM THE NEXT CELL.

SCENARIO—TWICE—IN HIS EXCITEMENT, AT STUMBLING—ON TO GOOD STORY, HE FORGETS TO SAY GOOD BY—

DID YOU SEE A LIL' SAWDOFF RUNT OF A LAD IN STRIPES CUMRUNNING THIS WAY?
 HE WERENT CUZACKY AH RUNNIN' BUT HE WUZ PASSIN' EVERTHIN' THAT WUZ RUNNIN'.

SCENARIO—THRU—SCOOP IS TRAVELLING—SOME FAST—QUITE—

GEE BOSS—PEACHUVAH STORY—HOLD UP TH' FIRST PAGE—'TIL I TEAR OFF A COUPLE O' MORE COLUMNS—HERE BOY—COPY ETC.

WHUT THAH BLAZES

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