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NEED OF UNITY IN THE COUNTRY

Ernest Lapointe, M. P., Says There Are More Things to Unite Than to Divide.

FRENCH CANADIAN'S INTERESTING ADDRESS

Says Members of Government are Bolsheviks Because Governing Without a Mandate.

One of the interesting features of the big Saturday night meeting at the Westholme Theatre was the masterly address of Ernest Lapointe, the leader of the French-Canadian section of the Liberal party in Canada. It was full of life, it sparkled with humor and the points were driven home by means of strong contrasts. He announced himself as a plain unadulterated Liberal, not a Liberal Conservative.

Mr. Lapointe explained that the existence of Prince Rupert was the result of the work of the greatest Canadian that ever lived, Sir Wilfrid Laurier. His work, however, had been minimized by the party that followed him in power and now the transcontinental line to this port had become only a branch. It was the policy of the Liberal party to see that Laurier's work was finished.

No Mandate.

The speaker said that when the body was sick, the doctor had no right to be indifferent, and when the body politic became sick the people who were the only ones who could provide the remedy, had no right to be indifferent. The present government was a weak one and was not in harmony with the majority of the people. Its purpose had been achieved, its mandate had expired.

It was a breach of faith to use the mandate obtained on a totally different question, namely the winning of the war, in order to carry on now.

Arthur Meighen had appealed to the people to stay with the Union Government until it had achieved its end.

The end was now achieved and the people should be asked for a new mandate.

At the time of the last election a circular had been sent out to all the military camps stating that the only question before them was selective conscription. They had never discussed any other problem. In the Yukon the candidate was not nominated until a month after the soldiers had voted for him. "Is it fair and is it just to the soldiers who are called upon to vote in such special circumstances to use the power then given them to deal with matters which have nothing to do with those discussed at that election?" he asked.

Fourteen candidates, the speaker said, were elected by the mili-

tary vote overseas and of these Col. Peck was one. Mr. Stork was defeated in that way. The speaker said he had nothing against Col. Peck, however, who was a gallant soldier, except that he was keeping bad company at the present time.

Liberal and Conservative.

Speaking of the formation of the new party at Ottawa, the National Liberal and Conservative party, Mr. Lapointe asked was it sincere to choose such a name. A man could not be both Conservative and Liberal. There was as much difference between them as between vice and virtue, beauty and ugliness, cold and heat, the square and the circle. The Liberal Unionist had no more right to the word "Liberal" than the smuggler had to the title "free trader."

Not only was there a new party formed at Ottawa without consulting the electorate, but there was a change of leadership. Borden and Rowell, the two strongest men of the cabinet, had gone out. It was the same party with the same men except that the good ones had gone away. Robert Rogers, whom no one could accuse of being a Liberal, had said the cabinet was "a cabinet of tinkers, jobbers and second-hand dealers." Meighen had become premier and had enunciated a new doctrine, that of "nation builders."

Bolsheviks and Fakirs.

At Portage LaPrairie the whole community had turned out to welcome Mr. Meighen after his elevation to his present position and he had spoken smoothly and talked of unity. At a Conservative picnic farther east, however, he had changed his tune and had referred to the Liberals as Fakirs, Bolsheviks and I. W. W. In fact if dirt was trumps he would hold a good hand.

In every country, Mr. Lapointe said, the program of reform had been associated with such epithets as Bolshevik. They were not Bolsheviks although they believed that a larger number of the people were entitled to a larger degree of happiness. He told the story of the bat which was sometimes a bird and sometimes a rodent. When with the birds at Portage Mr. Meighen sang with the birds and said "see my wings." When at the Conservative picnic, however, he claimed to be one of them and shouted: "Long live the rats!"

As a matter of fact the Liberals were not the Bolsheviks. Bolsheviks were those despised people who cling to a mandate which does not belong to them any more.

The Government, the speaker concluded, had appealed to all the racial and religious prejudices in order to keep office. What the country needed, however, was unity. They may have differences but there were more things to unite them than to divide.

William Duff, M. P.

William Duff, M. P., who is interested in fisheries and is looked on as the marine man of the party, said he was impressed with the possibilities of this part of the country from a fishing point of view. He said it was a pity that in the department of fisheries at Ottawa there was only one practical fishing man. He considered the fisheries should be free for everyone and the license should be no higher than in the lobster and mackerel fisheries of the east. He favored the employment of gas boats, just as they did at other places. In Nova Scotia, every fisherman operated his own gas-boat and they should do the same here.

In conclusion Mr. Duff said the Government would fall short of its duty if it did not develop the ports in order to market the products of the farms, the mines, the fisheries and the other industries of the country. The ports both on the Pacific and Atlantic should be developed, and in order to secure that, he advised this community to return a man sympathetic to Mr. King who would be the next premier of Canada.

PAYS FOR G.T.P.

OTTAWA, Oct. 4.—The protracted negotiations between the Saskatchewan and the Dominion Governments for the refund to the Province of money advanced by it to meet the interest falling due on the provincially guaranteed bonds of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway lines were completed when a cheque for \$862,252 was turned over by the Dominion Government to Hon. C. A. Dunnigan, Provincial Treasurer at Regina.

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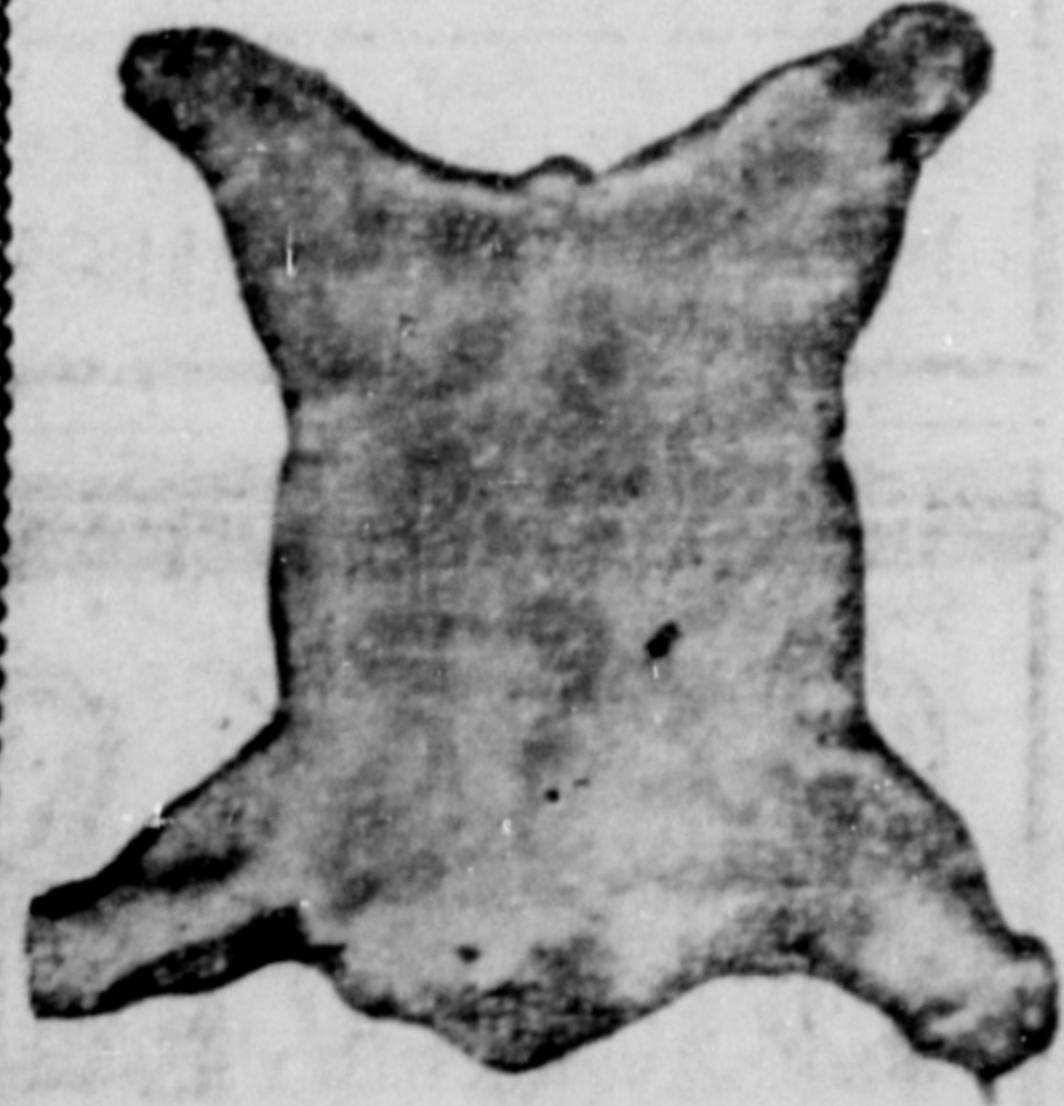
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GEO. R. NADEAU,
Deputy Minister of Lands,
Department of Lands,
Victoria, B.C.
May 5th, 1920.

NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION ACT.
R. S. C. Chap. 115.

MARITIME FISHERIES LIMITED, of Haysport, British Columbia, Head office at Vancouver, British Columbia, hereby gives notice that it has deposited a copy of the said Act deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and in the office of the District Registrar of Prince Rupert, British Columbia, on the 2nd day of September, 1920, a copy of the said Act, and plans of wharf, salmon cannery and cold storage plant proposed to be built in the Skeena River at Haysport, British Columbia, in front of District Lot 4442, Range 6, Comox District, British Columbia.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication of this notice Maritime Fisheries Limited will under Section 7 of the said Act, apply to the Minister of Public Works at his office in the city of Ottawa, for approval of the said site and plans, and for leave to construct the said wharf, salmon cannery and cold storage plant.

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