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THE COMING SESSION

In an editorial, under the caption of "The Coming Session," the Victoria Colonist says: "Recently there have been evidences that the Liberal members will, during the coming session at Ottawa, oppose an extension of the life of Parliament. Throughout the Liberal press there is at present a systematic, though veiled, attempt to justify this step."

To any right-thinking man, there is no need to look for justification of the opposition to the proposed further extension of the life of the present Parliament. It has been so clearly apparent that the Borden Government is a square peg in a round hole that the difficulty of all but the most rabid partisans will be to find the slightest justification for its continued existence.

The Victoria organ of the Tory party goes on to say that, if a Federal election is fought now, the issue will be the conduct of the war and that the recent happenings in the various provinces, where the Tories have been ignominiously driven from power from coast to coast, will have no bearing whatever on the result. Is there anything in the conduct of the war by the Borden Government and its friends, especially its friends, to justify its return to power?

Have the people of the Dominion regained confidence in the party which permitted its friends to make millions out of the sufferings of our soldiers? Have the people of Canada forgotten "Colonel" John Wesley Allison and his fellow profiteers? Have they forgotten the paper shoes; the Ross rifle, which the government persisted in using for a year after it had been condemned as a service weapon; the millions of dollars worth of equipment which was piled up in England as useless, and the enormous commissions taken by friends of the government who were innocent of all knowledge of the supplies which they were permitted to sell to the government?

Taking the Tories on their own ground, the conduct of the war, is there any justification to be found for their plea for

a continuance in office?

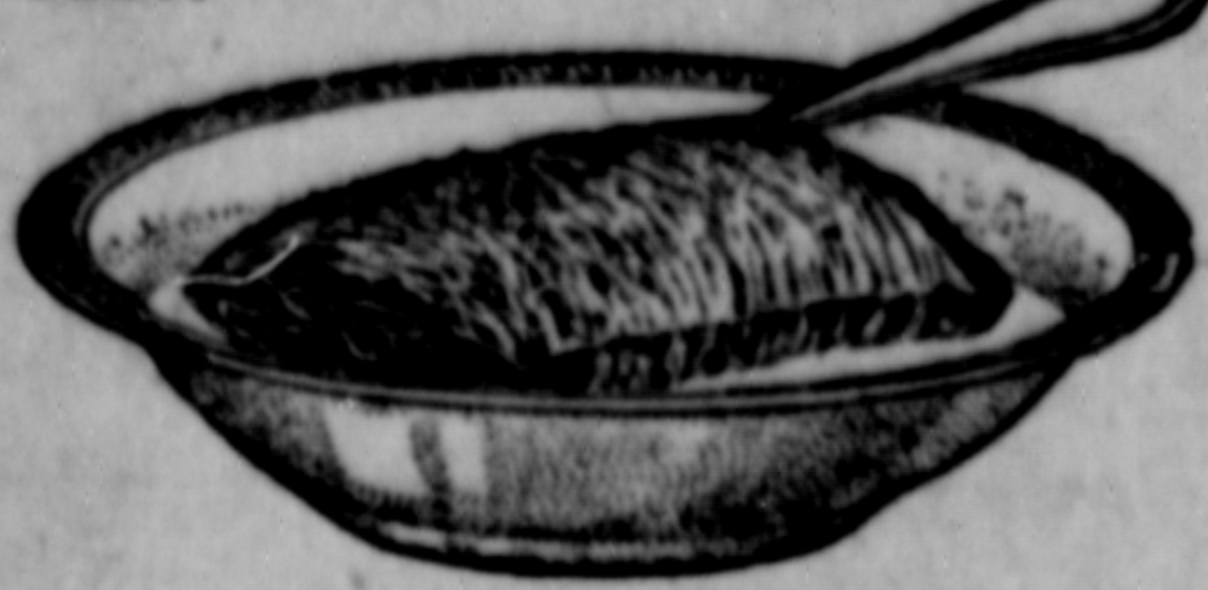
If a further extension is refused, however, other issues than the war are bound to crop up. The Borden government cannot be allowed to cover up its misdeeds under the plea that it is too busy conducting a war to be troubled with the right conduct of its domestic affairs. For instance, does The Colonist suggest that the fact that the Empire is at war is any excuse for the retention of a gentleman of the calibre of the Hon. Robert Rogers in the cabinet? Is the Hon. Bob to be allowed to play fast and loose with the domestic affairs of the Dominion of Canada simply because Ottawa is too busy with Imperial matters? Are the people of Canada to be forced to stand for debauchery at home merely because they are fighting debauchery abroad?

Coming nearer home, are the people of Prince Rupert to be asked to forget all about the post office site deal just because the country is at war? Are they to shut their eyes and bless H. S. Clements and curse the Kaiser as they pass that \$95,000 hole in the ground on Third Avenue? Are they to turn their heads away and forget how much they are being taxed to pay the rentals of the government offices in the Federal Block?

The war has done yeoman service as an excuse for the covering up of wrong-doing, but it failed to save a corrupt government in Manitoba; it failed to save the Bowser maladministration in British Columbia, and the Borden government must suffer a like fate. If the Federal government wishes an extension of power, let it first ask the people if they are willing. If Sir Robert Borden and his colleagues and their friends have justified the confidence that was placed in them, they will be returned to power for a term of years; if they have failed, they will go down to defeat. Are they afraid to ask the question?

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HOW THE TANKS TREAT THE GERMAN DEFENCES

London, April 16.—Newspaper correspondents with the British armies in France describe at length the violent fighting which ended in the capture of Wancourt and Heninel, south of the Arras-Cambrai highroad. Some of the attackers underwent a terrible ordeal, lying on the open slopes in deep snow and an icy gale, and swept by German machine gun fire from Guemappe, while the sky above them was flashing with

the burst of shrapnel and high explosives.

When the British soldiers fought their way into Wancourt they were faced by great uncut belts of wire and waves of bullets from machine guns. The "Daily Telegraph's" correspondent, referring to this action, says:

Tanks to Rescue.

"The men were held up by great stretches of wire and menaced most evilly by an enfilade fire from machine guns. Two tanks came to the rescue and did most daring things. They came up in their elephantine way, and most skillfully guided, climbed over rough ground, cleaving through snow-drifts and mudbanks, and, breasting their blunt noses above the old trenches and sandbag barricades, they made straight for the great hedges of barbed wire and drove straight through them, leaving broad lines of broken strands. One cruised into Wancourt, followed from a distance by the cheers of the infantry. It trampled upon machine gun redoubts and fired into the German hiding places.

"A second tank struck a zigzag course for Heninel, and in that village swept down numbers of German soldiers. For 40 hours these two tanks did not rest, but went about breaking down wires and searching out German strong points, so that the way would be easier for the infantry. Even then our men had no easy fighting, as the enemy defended themselves stubbornly in places."

COAL NOTICES

SKENA LAND RECORDING DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS

Take notice that William Dixon, of Victoria, B. C., occupation accountant, intends to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the west coast of Graham Island, in vicinity of West river. Commencing at a post planted one mile south of the southeast corner of C. L. 9971; thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to point of commencement. WILLIAM DIXON, Austin Brown, agent. March 31, 1917.

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Take notice that Oliver Brown, of Victoria, B. C., occupation machinist, intends to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the west coast of Graham Island in vicinity of West river. Commencing at a post planted two miles south of the southeast corner of C. L. 9971; thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement. OLIVER BROWN, Austin Brown, agent. March 31, 1917.

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Take notice that James McNulty, of Prince Rupert, occupation merchant, intends to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the west coast of Graham Island in the vicinity of West river. Commencing at a post planted one mile south of southeast corner of C. L. 9967; thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement. JAMES McNULTY, Austin Brown, agent. March 31, 1917.

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Take notice that Joseph Rowat, of Prince Rupert, B. C., occupation prospector, intends to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the west coast of Graham Island, in vicinity of West river. Commencing from a post planted one mile south of the southwest corner of C. L. 9968; thence south 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence west 80 chains to point of commencement. JOSEPH ROWAT, Austin Brown, agent. March 31, 1917.

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Take notice that Roslyn Duke, of Portland, Ore., occupation hotel proprietor, intends to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the west coast of Graham Island, in the vicinity of West river. Commencing at a post planted one mile south of the southeast corner of C. L. 9971; thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains to point of commencement. ROSLYN DUKE, Austin Brown, agent. March 31, 1917.

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Take notice that Agnes Brown, of Victoria, B. C., occupation widow, intends to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on west coast of Graham Island, in vicinity of West river. Commencing at a post planted two miles south of the southeast corner of C. L. 10028; thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, to point of commencement. AGNES BROWN, Austin Brown, agent. March 31, 1917.

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Take notice that Frederick Moersch, of Victoria, B. C., occupation salesman, intends to apply for permission to prospect for coal and petroleum on the west coast of Graham Island, in vicinity of West river. Commencing at a post planted two miles south of the southeast corner of C. L. 9971; thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains to point of commencement. FREDERICK MOERSCH, Austin Brown, agent. March 31, 1917.

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