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**PERIOD OF CRITICISM**

This is a period of criticism. When we suffer we look around to find out the reason and often pitch upon the wrong one. At any rate we are ready to criticize anything or any person and try something new just because it is new in the hope of a change for the better.

The danger of this attitude of mind is that it is just as likely to make things worse as to bring about improvement. However, a change is often beneficial even if it is not a change for the better. It upsets a lot of theories which prove impracticable.

**CIVIC AFFAIRS**

It is clear that the time is approaching for the civic elections because the Ratepayers Association is again active. This organization is a great safety valve for voicing pent up emotions. The present association has lasted longer than any similar organizations in the past, possibly because of the continued depression. At any rate it does good by drawing attention to the ratepayers' side of civic questions and thus bringing about a balance in public questions which is eminently desirable.

It is now about a month to election day and it will be wise for Prince Rupert people to consider well the question of civic representation. It is to be presumed that a mayor and council will be needed, if only for ornamental purposes. At any rate no harm can be done by being alert to the situation and seeing that the best available men are placed in the field.

**COMMISSIONER PROBABLE**

It seems hardly likely that it will be necessary for local people to act in the matter of securing a commissioner to take charge of the affairs of the city. It may be looked upon as a sure thing that the provincial government will act before very long and that governmental affairs will be taken out of the hands of the people until the financial condition of the city is restored. The change will not mean that the city will escape any of its just obligations. No city has ever escaped payment by defaulting. All that it means is that a person will be appointed who will be responsible to no one but the provincial government and who will be ruthless in the matter of collections and payments.

## Useful Yuletide Gifts

Aluminum Roasters	Copper Tea Kettles
\$2.00 to \$3.50	\$2.00 to \$3.25

**Thompson Hardware Co. Ltd.**  
Third Ave., Prince Rupert

Carving Sets Mail orders carefully filled. Fishing Tackle

**The Letter Box**

**TASK OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**

Editor, Daily News:—  
With the annual election of school trustees at hand it is to be hoped that the voters will choose carefully the three representatives that are to be elected. A policy of economy is necessary but at the same time the children must get an education that will enable them to meet the demands of modern civilization.

The qualifications for trustees are purely material according to the law. They must possess certain property qualifications. Surely the first essential is an interest in education, not a selfish end. And surely too the parents of the children now attending school should be interested in the selection of trustees. That is so that children attending the primary schools should be the care of the trustees as well as those attending the high school.

It seems that most of the economies of the present board have been at the expense of the primary schools. Manual training, a very practical training, has been dropped. Home economics has been dropped except for the few who began it two or three years ago and who are now at high school. The commercial class was limited and many children forced to take the course laid down as a qualifying course for the university. And this although the last principal of the high school recommended the cutting out of the senior matriculation. There are eight attending this class. When one considers that there are eight hundred attending the elementary schools and only eight in the senior matriculation there seems to be something wrong with the system. There are 10 teachers at the high school for 250 pupils and five grades. Yet the proposal has been made to close one division at Seal Cove where there are two teachers and over 50 pupils in four different grades.

As it now stands all the five trustees have children at the high school and it is doubtful if one of them has a child at the public schools. Maybe this accounts for the situation.

There is no easy task ahead of the trustees next year and they need all the sympathy and encouragement that they will get but there should be members who are interested in the elementary schools as well as in the high school. After all the latter tends directly to supplying material for the white collar jobs.

EX-TRUSTEE

**Twenty Years Ago**

In Prince Rupert

December 13, 1912

J. A. Meeker and D. Clarke have been awarded the contract for the building of a new two-room school building at Seal Cove. The school board, at its meeting yesterday, received three tenders for the job, that of Messrs. Meeker and Clarke of \$4635 being the lowest. Other tenderers were Mitchell, Currie & Watt and Emil Kauffman.

Teddy Leggett was the winner of a lucky ticket in a drawing at the Majestic Theatre and won a prize of \$10 in gold.

Magistrate Alfred Carss sailed this morning on the Prince Rupert for Victoria where he will spend the Christmas and New Year holiday season with his family.

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**The Dictatorship of Mussolini in Italy of Temporary Nature During Revolution and Reconstruction**

(By Victor Basso-Bert—Article 5)

After having engineered the revolution in Italy and having brought it to a successful conclusion, Mussolini set himself eagerly at his new task of outlining the program for the new social order. Rome with its twenty-seven centuries of history afforded him the best retrospective background that anyone could desire for inspiration and guide.

Although absorbed by the voluminous and multifarious duties of his eight portfolios at one time in the transitional and eventful period between October 28, 1922, and April 3, 1926, the date of the promulgation of the first law regulating the corporative state, Il Duce found sufficient time to study, supervise and direct the establishment of the fundamental principles of the new state. The constitution of Italy was amended to suit the new form of government. The codes introduced were all new. In fact all the laws of the country were amended piece by piece.

The changing of the economic structure implied the complete revision of the legal status of all the factors of production and exchange, and of the relation between men and the state. Under the new scheme, party politics became absolutely unnecessary. While private property and private initiative remained undisturbed, the labor organizations, through the syndicates, became the propulsive organs of production and also beneficial instruments of social order and peace.

The nation, as conceived by Mussolini, is above the individual, categories and classes. The individuals, categories and classes are the instruments that the nation uses to achieve her greatness. The interests of individuals, categories and classes have their standing recognized only with the conditional understanding that they are subservient to and essential to the superior interests of the nation.

The changing of a social system after a revolution requires an iron rule—a dictatorship. Mussolini assumed the reins of power when the communists were about to proclaim the dictatorship of the proletariat, Italy being at that time in a state of turmoil and chaos. In ten years he has accomplished his task in a masterly way. The new social order is now well under way and the dic-

tatorship is a thing of the past. Il Duce is today merely the Premier of Italy.

The socialization of the means of production and exchange, as advocated by socialists, would substitute state ownership for private ownership, state initiative for private initiative. Fascism on the contrary regulates with the rigid structure of the corporative state all the economic factors, makes property perform the social function destined by nature without the elimination of private initiative. As a matter of fact Fascism considers

**Acquaint Cook if she forgets—**

**OXO**

**Beef in Brief**

**OF INTEREST TO WOMEN**—We are repeating, for a limited time only, the offer of a British-made, 13" aluminum cooking spoon for the return of only 30 Oxo Cube Red Wrappers. OXO Limited, St. Peter Street, Montreal

private initiative the primary factor of production.

Fascism is essentially a Roman conception greatly influenced by humanism, where the spiritual values are not ignored. The civilization of mere materialism and money is finished. Life is not only a business but a mission.

The universal mission of the Rome of the Caesars, of Christian-

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Mr. and Mrs. John McRae