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Not Live Too Much In The Future.

The tendency in the west is for everyone to gamble on futures. Many people bought real estate in Prince Rupert years ago with the idea of becoming rich quickly, just as they did in many other cities, and today they find themselves still holding on but with a great deal of the fancied value gone. The difficulty in a small town is to forget the past. We refuse to bury our dead.

Again and again it has been made clear to us that we have to do business on the basis of the present rather than the future. We are all hopeful for the year that is opening before us and it is expected that important developments will make the city more prosperous, but to make our individual budgets based on those developments would be foolish. We must learn to cash in on our experiences or the experiences are not worth anything.

Economies Are Demanded Everywhere.

Economies are being demanded everywhere. Prince Rupert is not by any means alone in this regard. It is being generally realized that people must cut their coats according to the cloth they have and not try to make two coats out of material sufficient only for one. This realization is causing some heartburnings in every city. Men who in the past have been in the habit of playing fast and loose with public funds do not like to have to curtail. The proceeds of economizing is always unpleasant until we become used to it. There are times, however, when it is necessary and everywhere throughout the country that is being realized. Borrowing in order to liquidate our debts is bound to prove fatal in the end.

Elections Are Not At Present Demanded.

There is talk of elections both in this province and in connection with the Federal government. Neither are necessary or desirable at the present time so far as an outsider can see. In the provincial arena there are a few people with money getting their names into print and calling themselves the Provincial Party and they are shouting at the tops of their little voices for an immediate election. No one else is heard from and the government would be foolish to listen to these inspired capitalists or hirelings of capitalists. In the Dominion there are three parties, but two of them have similar aims and objects. These are the Liberals and the Progressives. The tendency is for them to get together and no election is needed in order to do that. They may easily unite politically when their aims are similar.

Elections are always expensive and they are bad for business. They make people excited and unsettled and tend to keep people from work and thus impoverish the country. A little more attention to individual duties and less desire on the part of individuals to pose before the public would benefit the whole country.

Labor Grows And Becomes Conservative.

The old days of labor exclusiveness is passing and with it goes the radicalism of the past. In Britain labor as a political entity is making immense strides. Since 1900 the number of members in the British parliament has been increased 21 times and the total labor vote in the country has increased 37 times. In 1900 the labor party elected nine members and polled 118,003 votes. In 1923 it elected 192 members and polled 4,386,845 votes.

The party has gradually widened the scope of its appeal to the people and has gradually taken in people from all walks of life. As most of the people of the country work at something, practically all, both men and women, are eligible for membership in the party. Even titled people have joined and are helping to carry out the program of the party in a modified form.

Naturally the accession of this support from other than trade union ranks has had a modifying influence on the policy of the leaders who feel that they can only hope to succeed by continuing to receive that support. Labor leaders are also beginning to realize that things political are not always what they seem. Theories do not always work out in practice and experiments with the body politic are dangerous. Gradual changes are always to be preferred to sudden movements.

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Urges Members of Rotary Club to Give Attention to Things Other than the Gross Material

"Without literary expression Canada can never take the place she should have among the nations of the world," declared Douglas Durkin, the novelist, in concluding an address before the Rotary Club at their luncheon at the St. Regis Cafe yesterday afternoon. He mentioned in the course of his speech the rightful pride the people took in their material institutions and welfare but urged that there was more to a city and more to a nation than material life. What, for want of a better expression is spoken of as the spiritual life, the development of the deeper and more lasting things was what really constituted the greatness of a city or of a nation.

Mr. Durkin spoke appreciatively of the privilege of being able to speak with a man who had been the inspiration for Ralph Connor's Sky Pilot presiding. Since coming here he had had the pleasing experience of reviewing the history of the city as expressed in the pages of the files of the Daily News. He found that when the city was scarce two months old she had a newspaper to interpret the life of the city to the outside world. Before incorporation a corner lot had been sold at $17,500 and the purchaser considered it worth twice that sum the next day. Before the Kelly's Cut episode there had been a blast in which 25 tons of virite was exploded which moved 250,000,000 pounds of rock in one shot. He traced the development of the material and moral life of the city through the news columns of the paper to the point where the city had became as respectable and law abiding as any in the country. Some day this terminus of the great trans-continental line would not only show material progress but would appear in the art and literature of the country.

Railway Building

With a vein of humor, the speaker told how he had been partly responsible for Prince Rupert being here in that when employed at railway building he had helped complete a section of line between Dauphin and Prince Albert. Without that section Prince Rupert would not perhaps have been possible. He had worked on a survey gang, on the dump, had driven a team, and had helped to build bridges. In fact there was scarcely any part of railway construction in which he had not taken part. At that time he was at the end of steel. The end of steel had gradually pushed its way west until today it ended at this city, a city of which they could well be proud.

Changing his theme somewhat, Mr. Durkin then mentioned that it was not in its history that a city made its mark in life but in the virility with which it expresses itself in its hope for the future. No doubt Prince Rupert would take its place among the cities as a leading port but the success it achieved would depend upon its leading citizens. He was not a prophet but as a common citizen with a hope for the future he saw this city attain greatness. The development of the Oriental trade, the trade with Alaska, as a grain outlet from the prairies, with elevators here, they were building on a solid foundation. He would however sound a note of warning. Many were more fitted than he to bring a message of material development. He asked his hearers to extend their horizon, to get away from their particular problems and to view the growth of national consciousness.

The Really Important

The country had been building material wealth but since a recent crisis in history the feeling had come over the people that something else must supplement this material progress if the nation was to be worthy of the name. The people of this country had to take a back seat to those of the old land in this regard. As Canadians they had to face the fact that they had practically forgotten the finer things of the spirit. This is where the writer, the poet and the artist comes in—to fulfil his rightful function and to appeal for recognition of the important service to the nation of men whose field is that of the imagination. The country must give expression to its emotional experience. He found that even lawyers and businessmen, in the secrecy and quiet of their homes enjoyed the classics. He told of meeting a lawyer on the northbound steamer who carried in his pocket a copy of "Julius Caesar."

Library Emphasized

Mr. Durkin urged that there was need for higher spiritual development, higher expression than in the massing of wealth. He did not apologize for making a plea for consideration of the importance of its recognition in this city. He said the city had already shown it had an appreciation for he had visited the library and had found there a good selection from the best Canadian writers. He asked his auditors to pay attention to such names as Stephen Leacock, Ralph Connor, Bliss Carman and to more recent writers among whom he mentioned Mrs. Salverson whose book "The Viking Heart" compared well with the best. Without expression Canada could never take the place she should have among the nations.

STROLLED TWO THOUSAND MILES IN AUSTRALIA

SYDNEY, N.S.W., Jan. 11.—Edward S. Cook recently completed a leisure stroll of more than 2,000 miles, as the crow flies, from Melbourne to Darwin in the north of Australia. His object was to make an examination of mid-Australia and the northern territory to substantiate his contention that those sections were not worthless wastes. He took more than 300 pictures of scenes along the route.

Speaking of his experiences with natives in northern Australia he said they appeared to be of a better class than those of the south.

"The territory is full of surprises from the pastoral viewpoint," said Mr. Cook, "being well watered and substantially grassed and timbered. Free from droughts, the much maligned north country must soon come into its own."

MANY FRENCH COULD NOT READ OR WRITE

PARIS, Jan. 11.—France has been credited with the possession of an excellent system of education, but faith in it received a rude shock recently when the literacy statistics of two infantry regiments, recruited in 1923, were given out.

One-third of the young men, gathered largely from the farming districts of the republic, could neither read nor write. Many of the total of 700 did not know a treaty of peace had been signed after the war, and few could tell who made the laws for their country.

Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

Rev. F. W. Kerr announces that he has accepted a call to the New Westminster Presbyterian Church. He asks to be relieved at the end of February.

A complete revision of local insurance rates has been made by the B. C. Underwriters' Board. Buildings in the mercantile section are placed on an average of seven per cent.

Mayor Pattullo was accorded a splendid reception at his campaign meeting last night for the mayoralty. In addition to Mayor Pattullo and several of the aldermanic candidates, O. H. Nelson, W. P. Lynch, M. P. McCaffery, J. H. Kelly, H. F. McRae, and Fred Stork were speakers.

INTEREST IS TAKEN IN MCRAE INQUIRY

VANCOUVER, Jan. 10.—Interest over the appointment of the forthcoming Commission to inquire into charges made by the McRae party against Hon. W. Sloan and others is quickened by an intimation that the inquiry will open at Victoria before the end of January. Delay is over the naming of a judge by the Ottawa authorities to act as Commissioner.

Speaking in Vancouver, W. J. Bowser, who is also named by the McRae party as having profited from the P.G.E. promotion, declared that Sir Charles Tupper, K.C., Mr. E. P. Davis, K.C. and L. G. McPhillips, K.C. had secured sixty laymen to sign the accusation against himself, but had refrained from attaching their own names. "Nobody knew better than these three men, the responsibility assumed by those signing the resolution" said Mr. Bowser, who asserted that the signatories laid themselves open to a charge of criminal libel or civil damages, if the Commission vindicates him from the charge.

IN PROBATE.
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the Administration Act; and
In the Matter of the Estate of Anton Myren, Deceased; Intestate.

TAKE NOTICE that I was appointed Administrator of the Estate of Anton Myren, deceased, and all parties having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to furnish same, properly verified to me, on or before the 19th day of January, A.D. 1924, and all parties indebted to the Estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me, forthwith.

THOS. W. HERNE,
Official Administrator,
Prince Rupert, B.C.
Dated this 19th day of December, 1923.

IN PROBATE.
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the Administration Act; and
In the Matter of the Estate of Amanda Bolden (or Lampkin), Deceased, Intestate.

TAKE NOTICE that in Order of his Honor F. McB. Young, made this 4th day of January, A.D. 1924, I was appointed Administrator of the Estate of Amanda Bolden (or Lampkin) deceased; and all parties having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to furnish same, properly verified to me, on or before the 7th day of February, A.D. 1924, and all parties indebted to the estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

THOMAS W. HERNE,
Official Administrator,
Prince Rupert, B.C.

IN PROBATE.
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the Administration Act; and
In the Matter of the Estate of Francis M. Wade, Deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that I was appointed Administrator of the Estate of Francis M. Wade, deceased, and that all parties having claims against the said estate are hereby required to furnish same duly verified to me on or before the 10th day of February, A.D. 1924.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that all parties indebted to the estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

DATED at Prince Rupert, B.C., this 8th day of January, A.D. 1924.

THOMAS W. HERNE,
Official Administrator,
Prince Rupert, B.C.

IN PROBATE.
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the Administration Act; and
In the Matter of the Estate of Murdoch McLeod, Deceased.

TAKE NOTICE that I was appointed Administrator of the Estate of Murdoch McLeod, Deceased, and that all parties having claims against the said estate are hereby required to furnish same duly verified to me on or before the 10th day of February, A.D. 1924.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that all parties indebted to the estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

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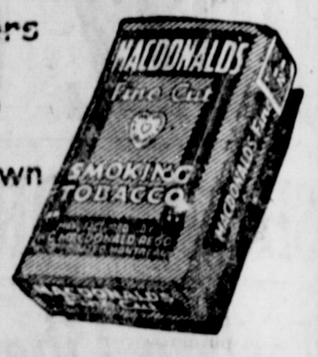

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