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New Year May Be Momentous Politically.

The Twentieth Century has witnessed many momentous years. Comparatively speaking, 1924 may be expected to eclipse all preceding years in many ways, and from a purely political viewpoint this is true.

Before this "New Year" has given way to another, political history in British Columbia will have been made and recorded. And while politics are often considered apart from national and provincial development, the fact remains that the two are one.

It is absolutely essential that at this stage of British Columbia's growth a strong, progressive, virile administration should be in power.

The party system of politics has been the foundation of Anglo-Saxon national life. Just as Christianity revolutionized the world, so have Anglo-Saxon principles of government and justice dominated, the latter being the logical sequel of the former. The truth of this is forcefully illustrated by the adoption of those principles by practically all progressive nations.

Where third parties—Labor, Progressive, Socialist, Soviet or Independent—have sprung into existence, they have invariably materialized through a temporary disruption of old-line party practices, which have caused a demand for reform—not of acknowledged party principles but a reform from the digressions directly responsible for that disruption.

Electors Alone Will Decide New Party's Fate.

Today in British Columbia a third party has sprung into prominence, but the elector alone can decide the genesis of the movement. If founded upon sincerity it will prevail but if grounded in selfish ambition or motivated by the lust for personal profit the movement must naturally fail.

Probably before another winter comes a general election will be held. The wiseacre names September as the logical month. Meanwhile, a Royal Commission will pass judgment upon the Oliver government and the Conservative opposition leader. That white elephant, the P.G.E. Ry., is the "ace in the hole," and the political prophet, who is often not without honor even in his own country, foresees the complete vindication of the Oliver administration, as well as the opposition leader, and the consequent downfall of the aspiring McRae forces.

Statements on the floor of the Legislature, from members holding all shades of political opinion, concede the Hon. John Oliver has headed his government with honesty and integrity of purpose. That is perhaps the principle which will result in victory for the government party when the issue is again placed before the electorate.

Political Situation Will Be Cleared Up.

With the time getting short before the appointment of the Royal Commission to investigate Provincial Party charges, unusual interest is being manifested by the man in the street. Premier Oliver has been commended and condemned for promising an investigation. Those public men chiefly interested in the development of British Columbia maintain that there is nothing to investigate in connection with the government's handling of the P.G.E. Ry., and therefore public money should not be spent on an enquiry. Premier Oliver has always held this view and taken the stand that until definite charges were made money should not be wasted on a Royal Commission. However, he maintains that the public life of the province is directly affected and harmed through the spreading of charges of wrongdoing and it is in the public interest to clean the matter up.

Undoubtedly, the investigation will have a far-reaching effect. Third party adherents admit that if they are unable to substantiate their charges their party will die, while Mr. Bowser, opposition leader, recently declared at Sidney that if the charges made against him were true he should not be representing Vancouver in the Legislature nor leading his party.

So the political situation will be cleaned up once and for all. In the opinion of those versed in public affairs, the bluff of the Third party has been called; both government and opposition will be completely vindicated and at the coming general election the voters will witness a straight two-party fight. With the Third party made up largely of disgruntled Conservatives, who demand a change in leadership, the advantage naturally lies with the Liberals, who anticipate a sweeping victory when election time comes.

Capital ..... $ 8,000,000
Reserve and Undivided Profits ... 2,067,074
Total Assets 128,299,679

The Bank's Annual Statement has just been issued and copies thereof are available for anyone, on application, at any branch of the bank.

UNION BANK OF CANADA

Prince Rupert Branch A. T. Broderick, Manager

The Man in the Moon SAYS:-

DON'T think people judge your generosity by the amount of advice you give away.

THE cry in some American quarters seems to be "Ford for President and free Lizzies."

ALTHOUGH a looking glass will not reflect the future, it gives a darned good reproduction of the past.

MISS Horowitz is the only lady rag dealer in New York. While the lady has a liking for rag picking it does not necessarily follow that she has any use for ragtime.

IT has been said that Henry Ford is another Lincoln. Probably a motor chauffeur would discover a slight difference.

A FELLOW in recounting a dream to a chum said "I dreamed I was climbing a step ladder to heaven and had to chalk a sin on every step." "Well," said his chum, "What about it?" "The funny part of the thing was that I met you coming down again for more chalk," replied the dreamer.

CANADA is importing honey from the States. The Canadian bee must be doing a lot of buzzing around and very little real beeing.

THE quickest way to get rid of a burglar looking for money in your house in the early hours of the morning is to get up and help him look for it.

INTERMEDIATE SUNDAY SCHOOL OF METHODIST CHURCH ENJOY PARTY

Trail Rangers Honor Rev. G. G. Hacker and Present Him With Gold Pencil

Some sixty members of the Methodist Church Intermediate Sunday School department were present last night at a New Year's party in the social hall of the church.

Divided into groups, the assembly played games under the direction of Miss Muriel Grant, Miss Haddock, Earl Barrie and Rev. G. G. Hacker. Novel features were gypsy fortune telling booth conducted by Miss Violet Taylor and a menagerie in charge of Miss Stella Nickerson and Miss Dora Thompson.

Refreshments were served under the supervision of Mrs. W. H. Kergin and at the supper hour Bob Irvine, making a brief speech, referred to the many happy times that the boys had had with Mr. Hacker during the year and asked him to accept a gold Eversharp pencil as a token of esteem from the Trail Rangers. The youthful speaker hoped for a long continuation of Mr. Hacker's association. Three cheers, led by Neil McLean, were then given for the pastor who replied suitably to the honor.

The altogether enjoyable function broke up about 11 o'clock.

HOTEL ARRIVALS
Prince Rupert

R. Gooding, Shames; Mr. and Mrs. George Little, Miss Rosalinda Bowen Colthurst and St. John Colthurst, Terrace; A. M. Bee, Vancouver; Miss S. Allen, Smithers; A. Watt, C.N.R.; J. Willman, Usk.

PIPE STARTED HERE TRAVELS TO AUSTRALIA

Old Corn-Cob Has Longer Itinerary Than at First Expected—Going Around World

The old corn cob pipe which was started on a trip across Canada from Prince Rupert via the Canadian National Railway last year is far exceeding its originally planned itinerary for it is now in Australia having been to China and Japan in the meantime. Next it is going to India and Europe.

G. F. Johnstone, formerly C. N.R. city ticket agent here and now general agent in Sydney, Australia, has sent to the Daily News a copy of the Sydney Daily Telegraph which carries a picture of the much travelled corncob and also the following story about it:

There is in Sydney just now the most-travelled pipe in the world. At least the Canadian National Railroad says so, and the railway owns it, and its employees and agents are piloting their passenger around the earth.

Other pipes may have gone farther in pockets, but this corn cob with a strong string through its bowl and a tail of good tough labels the size of a hen, has made the journey alone, passed from hand to hand, from train to train, and from steamer to steamer, until it has been twice across America, through every town and village on the longest railway in the world, to the Orient, and has reached Australia on its way to Europe and home via the Atlantic.

Behind it lies a chain of paragraphs advertising the Canadian National Railways, and as everybody who handles it is bound by an immutable law to speed its passage in rhyme, it has earned the distinction of inspiring, so far, the 79 worst poets in the Anglo-Saxon universe. Some people might even be cruel enough to deny them rank as poets, but most of them are good advertising men; not the least the Canadian National people themselves, who started the pipe on its journey with the inspiring Coueism:—

Day by day in the National way
I am going farther and farther.

Halifax Poem

For the rest, the average is struck by the bard who, on the back of a baggage check in Halifax, N.B., indistinctly inscribed the information that—

The boy stood on the burning deck;
He did not hear the bell;
Along there came a National train,
And now the boy's in Halifax.

But the big thing is the propaganda. Townsmen glowing with patriotism, railwaymen with an eye to business, industries like the salmon trade dependent on transport, all speak their little pieces.

Even the Canadian Forest Service, on a card which proclaims in print the creed — "I believe that forests are fine to look at and should not be burnt down. . . . To burn down a forest is worse than to burn down a village, because forest trees take about a hundred years for nature to build up again"—bursts into song:—

Although I am old and gone to seed,
I have never used the noxious weed;
But if I did, with all my might
I'd try to use it in a pipe.
Because cigar anr cigarette
Will soon or late a fire set
And burn our forests into coal;
Leave a barren land from sea to sea
And shattered hopes to posterity.

Was In Hong Kong

The last port of call of the old corn cob, Hong Kong, is marked with the picture of a coolie smoking his native pipe and a "Godspeed to the land of the kangaroo."

Its next move will be across the Indian Ocean, and it will see no more ports till it reaches Europe, which must be something of a relief to its owners, since, if its labels keep on growing at the same rate as in the past, the C.N.R. train will have to release a freight train to take the old corn cob back to Prince Rupert when it lands in Canada again.

If you study economy—Chinaware and Dinner sets at reduced prices at Tite's. tf

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Range 4, Skeena Land District, Recording District of Coast.

Take Notice that Charles S. Murphy, of Prince Rupert, B.C., occupation Engineer, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands: Commencing at a post planted at the most southeasterly point on Channel Island, near the mouth of Gardner Canal; thence following the sinuosities of the shore line at high water mark around the island, returning to point of commencement, and containing seven hundred acres, more or less.

CHARLES S. MURPHY,
Name of Applicant.
J. SAM JOHNSON,
Agent.

Dated November 27th, 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 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.

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Steal a Little Kiss While Dancing—*Waltz* Green-Arden Orchestra
"His Master's Voice"-Victor Record 19156

What Do You Do Sunday, Mary?—*Fox Trot*
Chansonette—*Fox Trot* Paul Whiteman and His Orchestra
"His Master's Voice"-Victor Record 19145

Last Night on the Back Porch—*Fox Trot*
If I Can't Have the Sweetie I Want—*Fox Trot* Paul Whiteman and His Orchestra
"His Master's Voice"-Victor Record 19139

10 inch Double-sided 75¢ at "His Master's Voice" dealers

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