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People Who Would Edit the Paper.

Every editor, especially in a small town, knows how many people wish to run the paper for him. They think he never does anything right, but if they had the paper they would make it a wonderful success. Some of these people have made successes of their own business, but most of them may be counted among the failures or among those who have done "not so well."

The other day a person suggested that if the Daily News would include a colored supplement on Saturdays it would be a great thing and the result would be that people would buy it instead of the Vancouver or Edmonton papers. We know it. We should like to have a colored supplement, but the extra income from it would not pay the express on the ink used in printing it, at the present stage of development of the city.

Politics Seldom Suit Anyone.

No one is ever satisfied as to the political stand a paper takes. The Liberals think it should be more Liberal and the Conservatives more Conservative and the independents more independent and if there are any other parties it should favor them more. No paper ever ran a campaign satisfactorily and never will and if the editor is wise he will never try.

One thing, however, most of them seem agreed, and that is that every now and then the paper should "get after somebody," or "roast somebody." That is what people like, but it is not what they are particularly willing to pay for.

The people who are usually very anxious to control the policy of the paper are those who never or seldom advertise in it. They may be subscribers or at any rate they buy a copy now and then if they cannot borrow one, but they want to tell the editor how he shall conduct his business.

It is one of the traits of humanity to think it is easy to do the other man's business, but particularly so in the newspaper game. It is everybody's business.

Loyalty to Your Party Pays.

A letter signed "Independent" was received this morning and is not published for obvious reasons. In the first place it introduces the personality of the editor of this paper into the discussion, something which has nothing to do with the campaign. The editorial articles are given as the official view of the paper and not as the view of any one man. When the editor is away or indisposed or lazy, the articles are written by some other person and any day may or may not be his. He is not an issue in this campaign and refuses to be dragged into it.

However, the writer of the letter suggests that this paper benefits financially from supporting the Mackenzie King party when it is in power. That is a mistaken idea. When the Borden war government was formed, federal newspaper patronage was eliminated and although it was re-introduced to a small extent by the Meighen government which followed, it was again abandoned by the Mackenzie King government and all newspapers in the country were treated alike, wherever possible. That took place in Prince Rupert, as well as elsewhere. But even if there had been discrimination, which so far as we know there was not, the amount of income from federal government sources would hardly pay the wages of the office boy one week in the year.

These sort of stories are just in line with the policy of insinuation being carried on by the Conservative party just now. It is against such a policy the Liberal party has been protesting.

Another part of the letter, which makes it impossible of publication in this paper, is that it makes aspersions on the character of a dead man. We refuse to be party to such.

Laugh a Little Now and Then.

The elections are on and we are inclined to take things rather seriously. We get worked up over this matter of winning the election and do and say things which perhaps in our saner moments we would not do and say. Let us change off now and then and laugh a little. Let us forget the political campaign for half an hour and tell our opponents a story or get them to tell us one.

You Liberals who expect to win, don't be too serious about it. Everybody knows you are going to win, so why worry? Life has to be lived after the election is over and while it is on remember that your opponents are pretty good sports, but they want to reduce your majority as much as possible.

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Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

August 27, 1916

J. E. Merryfield, who accompanied Hon. William Mansfield on his trip to the Queen Charlotte Islands, says that the Conservatives will sweep the Islands and predicts he will get a 2 to 1 majority in the riding.

Prof. Hermann S. Hering of Boston, Christian Science lecturer, will speak at a public meeting to be held this week in the Westholme Theatre.

The funeral of the late Andrew Melke, who died last week, took place this afternoon. Rev. J. F. Dimmick officiating. Deceased, who was 40 years of age and a native of Scotland, was employed by the railway company.

In The Letter Box

STABILITY BOGEY

Editor, Daily News:

The Tories tell us that what this country needs is stability of tariff. They assert that it is not that the Liberals have given us a tariff which is too low, nor yet one that is too high, but they affirm with a great waving of arms, and scratching of the ground, like a terrier at a rat-hole, that the thing moves up and down too frequently under the Liberals. Of course the claim is not true. Stability cannot be attained with a tariff which is extremely high. Every person knows that, who stops to think. The Tory appeal is to those who never think or to those other unfortunates who lack entirely the capacity for cerebral stimulation.

Bent Upwards

In the same breath they tell us that the great need of this country is flexibility and stability of tariff. Can you have flexibility and stability at the same time? Stability means firmness—capacity for standing in the same place—permanence. Flexibility means capable of being bent. The Tory, of course in his inmost heart of hearts, when defining flexibility as applied to tariffs, conceives of it only as meaning capable of being bent upwards. The conception that a thing which bends upwards will probably bend the other way, has never crossed the inflexibility of mind which is a characteristic of Tories.

In a recent article the Financial Post of Toronto, an incorrigible Tory journal, asserts that the main difference between the Liberals and Conservatives, lies not so much in absolute difference of tariff view as in the way they operate the thing. The Post says:

"The Liberals use orders in council to only a minor degree in making the tariff flexible. The Conservatives give the tariff elasticity, as witness the invocation of the anti-dumping clause against vegetables and fruits. . . . Canada's tariff has not, however, under either Liberal or Conservative rule, as high a degree of flexibility as in the United States tariff under which the president is virtually a dictator."

Right of Parliament

The statement of the Post is quite true, the Liberals use orders in council to only a limited extent; they believe in the right of parliament to determine the tariff of this country—they do not believe it should be left to executive action—they face logic and common sense in this matter. You cannot have autocracy and democracy on top of each other. If this is to be a democratic country it must be a democratic country. We cannot have a democracy "where the Premier is virtually a dictator in protection." It follows, as the night, the day, that when the flexibility of a tariff is left to the executive the bending will be done in only one direction—the way which favors the privileged few.

This is inevitable in the very nature of things. Those who stand to make hundreds of thousands of dollars out of the exploitation of the people can afford to send their minions with high pay, to help in the flexing process along the particular line which they desire. The burden, of course, is borne by the common people. They foot the bill. They stand the cost.

R. J. DEACMAN.

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THE MAN IN THE MOON

says:

The man who lets politics interfere with his business is likely pretty soon to have no business for politics to interfere with.

What I like about my neighbors is that they know about as much as I do and sometimes more.

I know a whole lot of good fellows who have nothing wrong with them except their politics.

I like a good time. Frinstance I like to loaf around town and do nothing once in a while.

And I know a whole lot of people who have a good time the same way.

I once knew a man who thought having a good time meant getting drunk, and Jake says there's still some people who think the same.

I know a man who talks about honor and honesty and religion and I wouldn't trust him with two dimes.

And I know a man who has no particular religion and who makes no profession of anything but just to get by and keep going and I'd trust my soul with him, if I had one.

I think I shall get up a sweep-stake on the date of the appearance of the next sea serpent.

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POLISH PEOPLE AS CANADIANS

Official From Poland Thinks Canada Well Suited to Farmers of That Country.

MONTREAL, Aug. 27.—"There is, I believe, excellent opportunity in Canada for Polish agriculturists and it is in order to make a survey of the opportunities and to view the land, that I am now in Canada about to proceed upon the important part of my mission."

The speaker was Roman Kutylowski, who spent Monday in Montreal after his journey from Warsaw. Mr. Kutylowski is assistant director of the department of immigration, Republic of Poland, and during his brief stay in this city fortified himself with a great deal of knowledge regarding the Dominion, its rural features and the possibilities that lie before the people from Poland who desire to found new homes in Canada.

The visiting official stated here that he regarded the people of rural Poland as excellent settlers. "They are lovers of the land," he said, "and will work hard. They are all versed in their calling and form a fine type of farmer."

Other factors favorable to the emigration of Polish people to Canada, are the fact that Poland is a northern country and the people will all the more readily acclimatize here, that they are handy men and can go into the bush when necessary and that they fit into the life of the country.



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