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Prairie Crops And This Port.

With the establishment of this port as a grain export centre, we all become particularly interested in the condition of the crops on the prairies and in the interior of British Columbia, and this paper has tried its best to keep readers in touch with conditions as they arise from time to time, just as has been done in connection with the fish business.

The latest news, coming through on the wire Saturday, was that the prairie crop was likely to be as large, or very nearly as large as last year. This does not mean that the yield per acre will be as large, but that the total crop will be almost as large, the difference being made up by increased acreage, particularly in the western part of the prairie country.

This, of course, means much to this port. The indications are that in the territory from which we should expect to draw, the gross amount of grain offering for export is just as large, if not larger, than last year.

Balanced Budget and Tax Reductions.

The Government of Mackenzie King had two financial acts to its credit during its term of office. It changed an annual deficit to a balanced budget and also reduced taxes. One of these reductions came on the income tax and another as a reduction of duty on motor cars. Of course there were others, but these have been mentioned as outstanding examples.

The reduction of the auto tax does not mean any change in production and the manufacturers seem about as prosperous as ever. Yet they would like the Meighen Government to go back so that they might make some extra profits.

Late Repentance in Fish Trap Licenses.

Last year the Liberal member for this district promised the fishermen that he would see that no fish trap licenses were issued in this territory and he stuck to his word. Directly the Meighen Government came into power, the licenses were granted and the wishes of the fishermen in that respect flouted. Then Mr. Meighen found it impossible to expect any support here if he stuck to his position, so he struck his colors, pulled down his flag temporarily and ordered the licenses cancelled.

One of his lieutenants, speaking at the Westholme Theatre, declared that fishing would stop last Monday. It did not. Fishing was kept up as long as there were any fish to catch and then the order was given to stop. So next year, if Brady is elected, it may be expected that traps will be allowed again, further investigation that is promiced having demonstrated by that time that traps should be used.

The fishermen have been clear on this matter. There is no need for further investigation. But they are only fishermen. The officials of the Conservative administration knew the condition exactly and it is no excuse for Mr. Meighen to say he did not know. The party knew, and their first act was to grant the licenses.

Get on List of Voters This Week.

It is announced that during this week people eligible to vote at the forthcoming election, but who are not yet registered may yet get their names on the list by applying in person to the revising officer, Norman Watt. Also any members of the family may be put on the list by any other member of the family.

By this time it should be known to most people whether they are registered or not. The political committees have both been working faithfully and if any are left off now it is their own fault. We strongly urge that every person eligible ascertain definitely if his or her name is on the list.

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CUSTOMS GRAFT AND LIBERALS

Action Was Taken by Mackenzie King Declares Manitoba Newspaper

The dates which have been given from the customs debate, taken from Hansard, show two things says the Manitoba Free Press. First, that from the fall of 1924, the King government, upon the request of citizens who considered themselves aggrieved, took a series of progressive steps toward the suppression of smuggling through the Port of Montreal. And second, that until the end of the year 1925, the Conservative opposition displayed no interest in the condition of corruption alleged to exist in the administration of the customs department.

From the fall of 1924 until the 10th of December, 1925, the King government took steps against smuggling which produced the following consequences:

(1) Reform of the laws against smuggling.

(2) Messages of appreciation of the government's efforts against smuggling sent to the government by commercial associations in eastern Canada.

(3) The dismissal of J. E. Bisaillon, of the Port of Montreal.

(4) The obtaining by the King government of evidence which would enable them to make a thorough clean-out of the corruption existing in the administration of the customs laws.

The record of the King government's interest in having smuggling suppressed goes back, therefore, to 1924. The record of Mr. Stevens' interest in smuggling, the record of the Conservative party's interest in smuggling, begins officially on January 20, 1926, January of this year. Unofficially it begins a few weeks earlier, about December 5, 1925.

On January 20, 1926, Mr. Stevens placed a motion on the order paper of the House of Commons calling for an investigation into the prevention of smuggling. On December 5, 1925, public notice had been given in the newspapers that this motion was coming forward.

On November 27, 1925, Mr. Boivin, minister of customs, sent Detective Duncan to get evidence against Bisaillon, the preventive office at Montreal; the evidence on which Bisaillon was dismissed.

When Mr. Stevens gave notice of his motion on January 20, 1926, he asked for the production of the report made by Detective Duncan to Mr. Boivin, and request was so framed that it betrayed the fact that Mr. Stevens already knew the contents of that report.

Thus it was partly upon evidence secured by the King government's efforts and employees that Mr. Stevens based his attack upon the King government and on George Boivin.

The gentleman who asked the King government to investigate smuggling in 1924 was a Mr Sparks. In co-operation with the government Mr. Sparks became possessed of quantities of evidence regarding smuggling; and this evidence Mr. Stevens admits was passed on to him by Mr. Sparks.

When Mr. Sparks rose in the House on February 2, 1926, and denounced the King government, and denounced George Boivin, of the grossest misconduct in the customs administration, he did so on the strength of evndence which the King government itself, in its exertions against smuggling had been the principal party in obtaining; and in obtaining for the express purpose of renovating the conditions existing at the Port of Montreal. That is where Mr. Harry Stevens comes out when the record is examined. He is shown as a receiver of evidence gathered by the King government; he is shown making use of that evidence in a tremendous attack on the King government for the express purpose of bringing that government down and destroying the political career of George H. Boivin. He is shown making an attack which he could not have made had the King government not been engaged for more than a year in collecting evidence that would enable them to put smuggling down.

That is what the record shows—and the plain inference that is left with the reader is that it was not the reform of the customs which excited the Conservatives in their stand on smuggling, but the destruction of the Liberals; and that the uproar about smuggling by which they deafened and confused the ears of parliament, and with which they are now seeking to deafen and confuse the country, is merely the device by which they hope, all other devices having failed them, to climb into the seats of power.

THE MAN IN THE MOON says:

Goats can eat anything but it does not always agree with them. You can tell that by some of the married men you see around town.

She fed her husband food galore
But she cooked it all, you see,
And if she keeps on feeding him
He'll soon a widower be.

Jake wants to know why bathing girls are always said to be beauties. He says he has not noticed it.

She was a bathing beauty,
So full of grace and snap,
Yes, she was a bathing beauty,
And she did not care a wrap.

People are wondering whether it is true that Brady refused to remain in the field as a candidate unless the Premier cancelled the fish trap licenses.

They are also wondering whether there will be another political fiasco next year, should Meighen be returned.

There once was a fisherman bold
Who tried a politician to hold;
So he spread out his net
To see what he could get,
But the Tory left him out in the cold.

Baseball fans talk of taking up a collection to buy a new stocking for Howard Frizzell, to get Schenkler's jersey washed, and to file down the voice of Jack Watts when he roots at the games.

It takes a very enthusiastic baseball fan to appreciate a double-header, especially when punctuated by argument.

LIMERICK CONTEST CLOSED ON SATURDAY

Number of Verses Submitted With Final Rush at End of Week

There was rather a rush to get the final limericks in for the contest which closed on Saturday night. Much gray matter must have been used up in composing the verses, some of which were good and some not so good.

As usual in competitions of this sort, a great many do not quite realize what is wanted and write verses of any kind, some quite irregular and not eligible for a prize. The following are some of the entries:

In this port on the Queen of the Oceans
Folk are torn with conflicting emotions.
Rain and grain from afar,
High tariffs and tar,
Each in turn have caused mental commotions.

So Brady is in the big run
For fame, fortune and fun.
He is up to his chin
And he sure would get in
If his family were all twenty-one.

There was an M.P. named Stork
Who was sent to Ottawa to work.
Whilst he was there
He worked for Prince Rupert's welfare,
And back again we will send him to the electorate chair.

Fred Stork is not much of a speaker
But Brady appears to be weaker,
He's slung so much mud
And shed so much blood,
He'll soon be a lost office-seeker.

With schools he has severed connection
To join in the present election,
He bellows and thunders
And says he'll do wonders
If voters will give him protection.

Not To Be Thwarted

Doctor—Your master is decidedly better, Thomson, but very irritable. He must not be thwarted.

Butler—He expressed a desire to wring my neck, sir.

"Well—er—humor him."

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Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

August 23, 1917

F. C. Wade is writing seathing articles in the Vancouver Sun, of which he is Editor, against the Bowser government and he predicts that it will be wiped out in the provincial election to be held this fall.

The Trades & Labor Council's plans for its Labor Day celebration are proceeding and it was assured at the meeting of the council last night that it would be a successful day. Funds are being liberally subscribed by merchants, hotel men and others.

Contractors who were engaged on G.T.P. Railway construction in this district, have left for China where they have secured railway building contracts aggregating 1800,000,000.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

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E. Price, Cassiar Cannery; S. Shefsky, C. A. Smith, J. G. Reeves, G. E. Marler, L. Wilson, M. R. Tate, H. Nuck and M. H. Corrigan, C.N.R.; A. Hurrock, North Pacific; Mrs. M. Corrigan and daughter, Prince George.

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Prince Rupert Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate at Massett, B.C.

TAKE NOTICE that Eugene H. Simpson of Massett, occupation canner, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at the northeast corner of Block 10, Massett Townsite; thence easterly 150 feet; thence southerly 1,000 feet; thence westerly 150 feet; thence northerly 1,000 feet to point of commencement, and containing 3 acres, more or less.

EUGENE H. SIMPSON, Applicant.

Dated June 5, 1926.

NOTICE

IN THE MATTER of an application for the issue of a Provisional Certificate of Title for Lot eight (8), Block thirty-five (35), Section five (5), City of Prince Rupert, Map 923.

Satisfactory proof of the loss of the Certificate of Title covering the above land having been produced to me, it is my intention to issue after the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof, a Provisional Certificate of Title to the above land in the name of HELEN ADAMS. The original Certificate of Title is dated the 14th of October, 1925, and is numbered 185351.

H. F. MACLEOD, Registrar of Titles.

Land Registry Office, Prince Rupert, B. C. 7th August, 1926.

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