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SPEECH SAYS LITTLE

If the Legislature at Victoria develops no more than is mentioned in the speech from the throne, a summary of which was published yesterday, it might as well not have assembled. But it is certain that things will develop there. It has become a habit of late not to let the members into the confidence of the government until the appointed time.

However, it is not thought that there will be great happenings, this year either in the Dominion or Provincial Houses. A let-up in the amount of legislation passed might be a good thing for the country.

RIGHT OF FREE SPEECH

The fact that they are in the government service does not seem to stand in the way of Americans expressing themselves. They like to say startling things and possibly that accounts for Admiral Plunkett making a suggestion of war between United States and Britain.

While many people have the right of saying things, to say them is not always wise. Possibly we all say more than we should. At any rate the admiral has raised a tempest in a teapot and it may have an influence on future action of governments.

SELLING OURSELVES TO OURSELVES

During the last few years Canada has sold herself to the rest of the world. The productiveness of her natural resources, her manufacturing advances, her export progress and her increased per capita wealth, have caused statisticians to sharpen their pencils to a fine point and take another crack at the figures, with the idea that they might have been wrong, only to find a comparison which made them gasp for breath.

Yes, Canada has sold herself to the rest of the world. Now, but one thing remains—Canada should be sold to Canada. Guess Canada will have to take a half day off sometime and sell herself to that fortunate class of people known as Canadians.

When the rest of the world knows good things about us that we do not know about ourselves, it is time we started to check up. Not for the purpose of boasting, but just so that we may be satisfied, or better still, that we may refrain from being dissatisfied. The following facts are significant of what it should mean to be a Canadian:

Greater wealth per capita than any other country in the world.

Greatest grain growers in the world and growing to only one-sixth of the possibilities.

Foreign trade four times greater in proportion than that of our neighbor to the south.

Second largest fisheries in the world.

Third largest gold deposits on earth.

Leading the nations of the world in trade increase since 1918.

Per capita wealth increased from \$1100 to \$2406 during the last three years.

Greatest increase in national prosperity on earth during the past 17 years.

And, taking it over a period of 25 years, manufactured products have increased from two hundred and forty million to thirteen hundred and eleven million.

Forest products have nearly quadrupled, and general foreign trade increased by eighteen hundred and eighty-two million.

And, best of all, more than 70 per cent of all Canadians own their own homes—another world's record.

Here is the most interesting fact connected with the story—it has been done without fuss or feathers—without working our heads off—without becoming hysterical to the point of sacrificing our last drop of blood in pursuit of the almighty dollar.

With the preceding facts and figures in hand, it does not require much of an analyst to determine that the average Canadian in every walk of life has earned more and saved more, with less effort, than any other man on earth. Consequently, he must have enjoyed life better—had more honest-to-goodness fun while he was doing it.

So let them continue to say: "You can't hurry a Canadian." Who wants to hurry when circumstances permit you to get there more quickly by the other method?

Now is the time for

SHREDDED WHEAT



Heat and serve with hot milk
Protects the family's health
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FULL STORY OF RESCUE PRIESTS

Rescue Party Went Ashore From Destroyer in Motorboat and Whaler

PROTEST IS MADE

Demand for Chinese British Subject Ends in Man Being Handed Over

Details of another exploit by a British warship in Chinese waters are told in the full story of how the destroyer Seraph rescued a party of Roman Catholic nuns and priests from Swabua, near Swatow, according to reports in English papers.

A Chinese Christian convert from Swabua arrived at Hong Kong on Boxing Day and reported to the Roman Catholic Bishop Valtorta that three priests and seven nuns were being held prisoners by Communists at Swabua and that a Chinese priest was under sentence of death and had been awaiting execution on Christmas morning.

The priests were two Italians and Father F. Wong, a Chinese British subject born in Hong Kong. The other captives were three Italian sisters and four Chinese nuns.

All were arrested by Communists in December for preaching Christianity and were paraded through the streets. The European priests and the nuns were held prisoner while the Chinese were taken to an hotel which the Communists had confiscated. At first the captors ordered the Chinese nuns to be led to the common prison, but the priests protested, whereupon the Chinese nuns were allowed to join the Italians.

Father Wong was chained by his neck and feet and kept with the other prisoners in a filthy god from which prisoners were led out daily for execution. On the walls of the prison hung the executioner's swords and pistols. The mission building, the convent, and the orphanage were completely sacked and closed down.

SERAPH TO THE RESCUE

As soon as Bishop Valtorta received the report late on Monday evening he called on the governor and asked his assistance. The bishop was put in touch with Sir Reginald Fyrrhitt, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, who immediately ordered the destroyer Seraph to prepare to leave. The Seraph steamed from the harbor at midnight, carrying on board Bishop Valtorta, who had volunteered to act as interpreter, and a Chinese priest named Father Chan.

The Seraph arrived at Swabua on Tuesday, and a rescue party, led by Commander R. B. Wilmot Sitwell, put off in a motor boat and a whaler. At least 200 soldiers were seen on the shore. They frantically signalled to the sailors not to land.

Bishop Valtorta told the crowd that there was no reason to be afraid and that they simply asked for the surrender of Father Wong and the release of the other missionaries. Wading knee-deep into the water, a soldier took from the bishop a letter to the chief of police.

After a wait of half an hour the reply was received that the authorities were ready to surrender the European captives, but that since Father Wong was Chinese he must be dealt with under Chinese law.

A second note was then delivered to the Chinese, saying that the Seraph had come specially for Father Wong, who was a British subject. His immediate release was demanded, and Commander Wilmot-Sitwell fixed a time limit for the reply. Half an hour later a written reply arrived saying that since Father Wong was a British subject he would be handed over.

The reply contained a haughty protest that the Seraph had no business in Chinese waters without permission and a threat that if the visit was repeated the Chinese would fire on the warship.

THE CAPTIVES FREED

Soon after all the captives were handed over, including two Chinese foundlings from the convent. The head executioner accompanied the party to the warship, and shook hands with Father Wong before his departure.

While the negotiations were proceeding the Seraph was cleared to guard against any possible attack from the shore, and landing parties got ready.

The rescued party said they believed that the Communists feared an attack by the Canton government's anti-Red troops, and that they therefore seized the missionaries as hostages, and would have put them to death in the event of an attack.

Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

Mrs. Florence White of Vancouver has been appointed official visitor for the Canadian Red Cross at No. 4 Canadian General Hospital, Basingstone, England.

The first meeting of the new police commission took place this afternoon with Mayor McClymont and Commissioners S. D. Macdonald and George Hill in attendance. The annual report of Chief W. H. Vickers showed that the sum of \$9,261 in fines had been collected during the year 1917.

A deputation from the Independent Boat Owners' Association waited upon Mayor McClymont this afternoon asking that, as a means to prevent bait shortage, either the city or government make use of Pearl Harbor near Port Simpson for the storage of herring alive.

SEES POSSIBLE ALASKAN TRADE

Railway to Stewart is Viewed With Some Favor at Lethbridge, Alta.

LETHBRIDGE, Jan. 25.—Much interest is shown here in the proposed Lethbridge to Peace River railway with a Pacific coast outlet as this has long been a dream of Lethbridge business interests. The Lethbridge Herald speaking editorially says: "Lethbridge is hardly likely to start a boom on the strength of the charter now being sought at Ottawa for a railway running from Lethbridge through Edmonton to the Peace River and northwesterly to Stewart, B.C. At one time the application for such a charter might have given real estate a fillip, but people are somewhat more conservative today so far as real estate values are concerned."

"But there is one factor in connection with the proposed road which might make it desirable from the standpoint of U.S. investors. Stewart, B.C. or the Portland Canal is just across the canal from Alaska. The only present means of transportation between Alaska and United States which owns that territory is by means of ships plying between the U.S. west coast and Alaska. Now Alaska is rich in minerals, coal and also in pulp wood, especially pulp wood. The United States is facing a famine in pulp wood so far as the territory south of the 49th parallel is concerned. Naturally Alaskan pulp wood will be exploited to make up for the deficiency to some extent at least."

FISHERIES OFFER TRAFFIC

These and other developments in the interior of Alaska make real connections between United States proper and Alaska of paramount importance. The Alaskan fisheries in themselves offer much traffic for such a railway line.

"Now from the Alaskan boundary at Stewart to the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul by rail would be less than four days much more rapid transit than by the present boat routes from Nome to Seattle and thence overland to the twin cities. Alaska-U.S. trade over the proposed Lethbridge-Stewart railway would therefore offer that road a very considerable traffic while there is no doubt that the grain traffic from Alberta points to Stewart would be a considerable factor in making the road pay. Especially would this be the case if the Orient market for our wheat develops because Stewart is 500 miles closer to Japan than is Vancouver."

The Herald merely mentions these possibilities as an indication of what may lie behind the application for the charter for the Alberta, Peace River and Pacific railway. As we said before, however, we hardly think it warrants a boom in real estate values at the present time," concludes the Herald.

Man in the Moon

ITS better to be careful for five minutes than dead all the rest of your life, declared Pat.

IF some of us were alive for only five minutes it might make life worth living. The difficulty is that we are dead and do not know enough to hire an undertaker.

THE fool is the person who knows it all.

JUST a few of us are foolish enough to enjoy our work. I like scribbling these foolish things for you 'foolish people to read.

NO person acquires wisdom from books or universities or schools. Wisdom comes from living and can be acquired in no other way. But some people never live.

I CAN'T marry him, mother. He's an atheist, and doesn't believe there's a hell.

"Marry him, my dear, and between us we'll convince him that he's wrong."

TWO old Scotchmen who hadn't met since they were boys at home were renewing acquaintance as they sat on the porch of the summer hotel. One had lost an eye and was very sensitive about it. Finally the other, seeming to notice it for the first time said, "Whaur's yer ither e'e, Sandy?"

Glancing at his companion's shiny pate, Sandy retorted, "Hoot, mon! It's awa' looking fer yer hair."

FIRST prize for typographical errors should be awarded a nameless printer rescued from obscurity in "Adventures in Editing," a book compiled by Charles Hanson Towne.

The printer was setting up a page in a book of poems by Ella Wheeler Wilcox. She had written as his first line, "My soul is a lighthouse keeper."

A careless printer divided the words differently, and the poetess and her admirers nearly fainted when they saw a poem which began, "my soul is a light house-keeper."

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PRINCE Rupert is a little slow. Derby hats are not yet considered "the thing" here, except for an ex-mayor.

ONCE the women are said to have worn sensible clothing, but its all off now.

IF it were not for the danger of causing a slump in the price of pork, I would suggest that road hogs be killed.

WHAT a pity it is—yes a sad pity—that those who know all about raising children are usually denied any to raise.

I HAVE seen girls even in Prince Rupert who made me almost wish the old custom of drowning girl babies had been continued.

BLATCHFORD ON COAL BUNKERS

Says Large Ones Will be Built at Vancouver in Near Future

EDMONTON, Jan. 25.—Large bunkers for the storing of coal will no doubt be built at Vancouver within the next 12 months, either by the harbor board or private interests, stated K. A. Blatchford, M.P. for East Edmonton, on his return from the coast city. He was very optimistic over the Pacific market for Alberta coal and foresees steady development, all of which will be vastly improved by the providing of adequate bunker facilities.

The shipping business at Vancouver is growing rapidly, some 15 grain ships waiting for export cargoes when he left for Edmonton, said Mr. Blatchford. Recent purchases of three big ships by the Dollar Line also showed the development of the shipping business on the north Pacific.

The mineral boom is also being felt in British Columbia, such districts as Stewart and others showing a lot of activity. Interest was also growing in the interior of the province and it was expected that there would be heavy expansion this year.

Mr. Blatchford expressed satisfaction over the final settling of the legal action between the British and Oriental Grain Company, of which he is president, and the harbor board. He expects to leave about February 1 to attend the pending session of the House of Commons.

Effective January 23, Union gasoline will be reduced to 29c per gallon. Kalen Garage. 20

NOTICE.

Re-Certificate of Title No. 2094 I to Lots five (5) and six (6), Block nineteen (19), Section six (6).
Re-Certificate of Title No. 2901 I to Lots seventeen (17) and eighteen (18), Block twenty-six (26), Section six (6).
Re-Certificate of Title No. 8902 I to Lot nineteen (19), Block ten (10), Section seven (7).
Re-Certificate of Title No. 2447 I to Lots forty-three (43) forty-four (44) and forty-five (45), Block twenty-seven (27), Section six (6), City of Prince Rupert, M. 925.

Whereas proof of loss of the above Certificates of Title issued in the name of Ira E. Mahon, has been filed in this office, notice is hereby given that I shall, at the expiration of one month from the date of the first publication hereof, issue a provisional Certificate of Title in lieu of each of the said lost Certificates unless in the meantime valid objection as to any be made to me in writing.

DATED at the Land Registry Office, Prince Rupert, B.C. this 3rd January, 1928.
H. F. MacLEOD,
Registrar of Titles.

LAND ACT

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY TO LEASE LAND

In Prince Rupert Land Recording District, and situate at Huston Inlet, Queen Charlotte Islands.
TAKE NOTICE that Robert M. Currie of Vancouver, B.C., occupation fish packer, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:
Commencing at a post planted at northeast corner about 1,000 feet westerly from miners' cabins at head of Huston Inlet; thence westerly 20 chains; thence southerly about 12 chains; thence easterly 20 chains; thence northerly about 12 chains, and containing 24 acres, more or less.
ROBERT M. CURRIE,
Applicant.

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