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SHALL WE STOP IMMIGRATION?

On a great many important questions we agree wholly with the point of view of labor, but on that of immigration we have not been able to do so altogether. Speaking generally labor seems to be against immigration into Canada. This we believe is a wrong view. Yet we think they are right in criticizing the methods of securing immigration and paying bonuses to third parties to bring people to Canada.

Canada has vacant lands and numerous undeveloped resources and these do not morally belong to the few people who live in Canada. They were a gift to the world and Canada at present has a right to administer them, not for her own particular benefit, but for the benefit of the world. To seize on half a continent and populate it with only eight or ten million people when in other countries the people are being crowded together so thickly that it is difficult for them to live is not just.

In England there has been a cry for many years that the land belongs to the people and not to a privileged few. So in Canada. The land does not belong to the ten million privileged few who live here. It is there for the people who in other countries have no land and who are willing to cultivate it. If that is not true, the land should have been left here for the natives to use as hunting grounds and white people should have remained away.

But there are other things besides land in need of development. The mines have to be worked, the fisheries used, the lumber to be cut. Also, there are railways to be built and operated. All these need men to do the work.

We realize that this just need for men has been used by some people to bring in more than were needed at one time and thus cut down wages and lower the cost of living. Yet if we were to wait until every man in the country was employed we should wait for a century. Such a condition never exists. Last year came about as near it as possible.

ELEVATOR FIASCO

If the elevator had been operated as promised and as was intended when the lease was granted to the Wheat Pool by the government, there would have been no unemployed problem in Prince Rupert this last winter and the city would not have had to spend $5000 on relief work. It is the failure of people of that type to do their duty by the community that causes hardship by disarranging all the plans of the men who are unable to look forward and protect themselves.

TRACING UP THE TITLES

The opposition in the English parliament is trying to find a way to ascertain why titles were granted to certain people in that country. They want a law passed making it necessary to make public any amounts above five hundred pounds paid into campaign funds. This, it is thought, would deter any person making large donations in the hope of receiving a title in return.

It is to prevent the English system of trading in titles or in granting titles to the rich just because they are wealthy that Canadians are objecting to the granting of titles in Canada. There have already been too many such titles given in the Dominion.

ENFORCING THE LAW

(Vancouver Province)

Attorney-General Pooley, who, as the chief law officer of the crown in British Columbia, is charged with the duty of enforcing all laws, has issued a warning to police commissioners, bootleggers and the owners of property on which liquor is sold illegally. The liquor laws of the province, he says, must be enforced, and the spirit as well as the letter of them must be observed. There was applause from both sides of the house when Mr. Pooley made his statement in the legislature on Friday and, we are satisfied, there will be applause from the people of British Columbia as well.

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NEWS OF NORTHERN B.C.

SMITHERS

Zona, five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Eby, succumbed Saturday night to pernicious aenemia. She was about to be taken to the Prince Rupert General Hospital. Business in town was practically suspended when the funeral was held on Tuesday by Father Vallieres.

Extensive alterations are being made around the local provincial government buildings. Living quarters upstairs may be converted into offices to keep pace with the growing requirements of the district.

Dr. J. McIntosh Bell, C. A. Banks and other officials are on a visit of inspection to the Duthie mine.

Six or eight men are engaged under A. Roy McDonell in the work of putting in a fish ladder at Moricetown Falls on the Bulkley River. An appropriation was made by the Department of Fisheries for the work which is expected to greatly assist the propogation of salmon in the upper reaches of the Bulkley River.

A popular local couple were united in marriage last Monday evening when Miss Sybil Sonstance Ashwell, for two years identified with the Post Office staff, became the bride of Clifford Gregg Barrett of the C.N.R. roadmaster's department. The ceremony was performed at the home of Mrs. D. C. Sangster by Rev. J. T. Smeeton. Mr. and Mrs. Barrett have left to take up residence at Prince George to which point Mr. Barrett has been transferred.

An executive meeting of the Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia is to be held in Smithers on March 18.

PRINCE GEORGE

George Milburn registrar of voters for this district, has served notice upon one thousand voters that their names will be struck off the list unless they make application for reinstatement.

The British Columbia Central Teachers' Institute will hold its annual convention here during the Easter vacation. Thomas S. Carmichael of Prince George is president of the organization; F. G. Cook, Vanderhoof, vice-president and Mrs. Luella Martin, secretary.

The Prince George Board of Trade last week passed a resolution asking the legislature to oppose the granting of a charter to the Canadian Northeastern Railway to build a line from Stewart into the Peace River country.

Mrs. R. W. McLeod left last week for New Westminster to join Mr. MacLeod who has been transferred to that point in the service of the Dominion Fisheries.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Sutton and family left last week for New Westminster where they will take up residence, Mr. Sutton having been transferred to the Fraser Valley as district horticulturalist for the provincial government.

VANDERHOOF

The Cariboo Presbytery of the United Church of Canada has elected officers as follows for the year: chairman, Rev. Cecil Lancaster secretary, Rev. H. T. Allen; convener of home missions, Rev. P. Connal; chairman of the maintainance and extension fund, Rev. David Donaldson.

George Snell shipped a carload of grain to Otway last week.

Sir John Pitka of Stuart Lake was a business visitor in town last week, it being his first visit here in two years.

The Women's Auxiliary to the local Anglican Church has elected officers as follows: president, Mrs. Otto Hammond; vice-president, Mrs. Harry V. Taylor; secretary treasurer, Ms. Roy M. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Richmond of Asquith, Sask., are visiting with their daughter, Mrs. R. H. Moore.

W. H. Miller spent a few days in Prince George last week receiving medical treatment.

Miss Grace McIntosh, who is practically recovered from severe burns she sustained some weeks ago while cleaning clothes with gasoline, is visiting in town with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reid.

John Hoskins, after having been a resident of Vanderhoof for eight years, left last week for Prince Rupert.

BURNS LAKE

Word has been received here of the recent death in Seattle of Mrs. Ross, mother of Mrs. J. H. Gain, who formerly resided on the north shore of Francois Lake.

Mrs. F. Carroll and Mrs. P. J. Carroll and daughter, Patricia, are visiting at Decker Lake.

Axel Nelson is receiving treatment in the Burns Lake Hospital for injuries sustained while working in the Roberts tie camp at Colleymount.

Harry Karlson, who sustained injuries in Kurt Unger's tie camp at Lippincott Bay which necessitated the amputation of two toes, is a patient in the Burns Lake Hospital.

Miss Christina McLeod has arrived here from Prince Rupert to take a position as bookkeeper in the Burns Lake Garage.

The Letter Box

Sacramento, Calif.,
February 28, 1929.

Editor, Daily News:—

Most thrilling is the news, just received, that your new quota system of immigration has, with statesmanlike vision, been made an actuality. Of course, this will stimulate certain reactions. A few will insist that they want a type of "cheap" labor that IS cheap in every sense of the word. The godd sense of the vast majority of Canadians must prevail herein. Canadians will remember that the cost of "cheap" labor, like the cost of war, is borne by taxpayers for many future years. Your natural resources are yours. They will remain yours with ever increasing values, whether you exploit them today or tomorrow.

Of course, there is herein really but one issue at stake. Canada's British-Nordic culture is endangered because of the differential birth rate. One Latin American family boasts of 25 living children from a marriage contracted 28 years ago. At this rate this couple would eventually have 625 grandchildren. Their competitor, the old-stock Anglo-Saxon father who must rustle to feed, clothe and educate a brood of 3, can expect at his rate, 9 grandbabies. 625 to 9 is an extreme case. But there IS a vast difference between the British-Nordic and the Mediterranean, also the Alpine birth rate. Such a competition means Canada's sinking to Latin America's level.

A descendant of Yorkshire forbears, dare not the writer suggest that your Quota came none too soon!

Very earnestly,

IMMIGRATION STUDY COMMISSION

By C. M. GOETHE,
President.

Canada sends about 30,000 tourists to visit Great Britain every year, while about 90,000 leave the United States annually for the British Isles, according to official figures sent to the Institute of Foreign Travel by the British Board of Trade.

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