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## VICTORIA REPORT

... by J. K. Nesbitt

### Another Law to Break—Hospital Insurance Stirs People—What Next for Bennett?

VICTORIA.—It now appears we have another law that the government knows it can't enforce in its entirety. For years the Liquor Law has been on the books and the government knows it can't be enforced because the public won't co-operate in enforcing it.

Now we have the Hospital Insurance Act and the government has enunciated the thoroughly bad principle that if you can't pay—well, nothing much will happen to you. True, blood can't be drawn from a stone—but for cabinet ministers to stand in the Legislature and advise people to break the law is not only dangerous, it leads to contempt for all laws on the part of the public.

Mrs. Tilly Rolston said at the beginning of the session that, with hospital insurance, the government has a lion by the tail. Her statement seemed extreme at the time but not so now. In the memory of this reviewer, no subject has stirred up the people quite like hospital insurance.

It has become a political question within the Coalition, of course. Finance Minister Anscomb is determined that it will pay its own way. The Liberal wing of the Coalition would have taken the deficits from Consolidated Revenue or increased the sales tax—the painless way. Mr. Anscomb would have no part of it. Maurice Finnelly, Liberal-Coalitionist of Similkameen, gave the show away. He said hospital deficits couldn't come from consolidated revenue because of the political viewpoint of the Minister of Finance. Mr. Anscomb, giving his budget, said a most extraordinary thing—as from one cabinet minister minister to another. He said he hoped Health and Welfare Minister Turnbull would administer the Act in a realistic fashion because, if he didn't, there'd be more shortages. Mr. Anscomb seemed to say that he hadn't much faith in Mr. Turnbull and his Liberal colleagues.

It's not often a Government loses five supporters over a major measure. But that's what happened over hospital insurance—and W. A. C. Bennett, Conservative-Coalition, South Okanagan quit the government benches altogether and became an Independent. And, standing in their places on the floor of the House and defiantly voting against the Government were Andrew Whisker of Cowichan-Newcastle; Maurice Finnelly of Similkameen; Mrs. Tilly Rolston of Point Grey and Dr. J. J. Gillis of Yale.

Mr. Bennett, having made his decision, and gone through with it, seemed to have a sense of new-found freedom. His desk was changed from the front

### REPORT FROM PARLIAMENT (Continued from page 2)

should be charged with rent for the space they occupy in government buildings, and for other services, including postage, was carefully considered and was not—I am glad to say—adopted.

It was my privilege to move the second reading of the B.C. Telephone Company bill applying for amendments to their incorporation Act. I endeavoured—I doubt if successfully—to ward off discussion of the merits of the various sections, by quoting authorities which stated that such discussions should take place in committee. The bill was "talked out" which means that it was not concluded the day it was introduced and has now gone to the foot of the list to await its turn on the "next round."

I was very much impressed with the friendly and helpful way in which "Mike Pearson" of External Affairs intervened in a debate on a private member's resolution asking for certain consideration for Newfoundland under the Migratory Birds Convention. Mike, with a disarming smile, admitted complete ignorance of turrs and bullbirds which were the subject of the resolution. He defended the Convention as advantageous to both Canada and the United States and thought that an amendment to the Convention as demanded in the Newfoundland resolution might be impossible, but he volunteered without delay to enter into discussions with the U. S. government to try to get for the Newfoundlanders the privileges they were asking for.

You certainly never know what you are going to run into in this business. We have received from the Senate a special Act of Parliament to extend the time for completing the patent application of one George R. Hanks, who apparently made some technical slip in this application, which cannot be corrected any other way.

government benches and placed up against the CCF. Mr. Bennett seemed happy and content. Everyone speculated on his future. What does the future hold for this stormy petrel? There were those who said he's finished; others that he's just starting to become a noted provincial political figure, that he would organize the Social Credit and attempt to lead that party to victory in the next election.

The Government, after the first shock of seeing one of its supporters walk out, was doubtless glad for Mr. Bennett has been a constant trouble-maker in caucus. Now that he has gone the Government will get its way a little more easily.

Mr. Bennett's action created a housing problem in the Legislative Buildings. He no longer can use the Coalition members' room, and there isn't anywhere else to put him but some corner will be found after the Easter recess. The CCF members have a big common room; Opposition Leader Harold Winch has his own office; Tom Uphill, being a party of one, has his own room and Mrs. Tilly Rolston has a room to herself.

## ... HOUSEKEEPING ...

### VEGETABLES ON PARADE—MANY FACTORS ENTER INTO COOKING

In the store, closely grouped together, are vegetables—the crisp, green leafy ones, bright yellow ones, the red, the whites, the strong flavored, and the mild flavored, all awaiting the lot that shall be theirs. Just think of the good color, the interesting texture, and the variety as well as food value, they give to our meals.

Long ago people didn't know about the many vegetables which we use today. We remember reading old stories where tomatoes were considered poisonous. What would we do without them today? Spinach came to us from Persia; onions and their kin originated in Asia and were used in Biblical times; carrots got their start in the near East; Letts and Swiss chard were known to the Romans; the Irish potato, contrary to its name, is supposed to be a native of the Americas.

According to food rules we should have at least one serving of potatoes and at least two servings of other vegetables, preferably leafy, green or yellow, and frequently raw, each day. Does your family get its fair share of vegetables? Canadians, we find, do not eat nearly as many vegetables as do our neighbors to the south.

Granted, many families are using sufficient amounts of vegetables but much of the food value the vegetables should contain may have been destroyed by improper cooking. The very best vegetable, be it fresh, canned or frozen, is excellent when properly cooked, but may be ruined by poor cooking technique. Vegetables should be cooked only long enough to soften the cellulose, but not long enough to make them mushy. We like them best when they have that crisp-tender texture which each home-maker strives to attain in cooked vegetables. This, of course, all leads up to one important point—timing. When properly timed, all the sweet, natural flavor of the vegetable is retained. When overcooked, the flavor is literally cooked away. Perfect timing is not as easy as it sounds. A minute milder or timing clock will help to do the job right, but the wise homemaker uses a lot of common sense as well. Naturally, young carrots, tiny, crisp and tender and old carrots which are big, husky and mature will need different cooking times.

Follow timing directions of course, but vary the timing to suit the size of the vegetable, the age, its freshness and even its variety.

To retain much of the goodness of the vegetables they should be cooked in the least possible amount of water and the cooking liquid should be saved for gravies, soups and vegetable juice cocktails.

How should you cook your vegetables? To answer that, a great many factors enter into the picture. First of all, to what method of cookery does the vegetable lend itself. Green vegetables call mainly for boiling or steaming, but with most root vegetables almost any method of cookery may be used.

## SHIPS AND WATERFRONT

B.C. Steamships freighter Alaska Prince, Capt. Tom Garrett, arrived in port at 7 o'clock last evening from Vancouver and is unloading general cargo here today before proceeding to Watson Island. After discharging cargo there for Columbia Cellulose, the vessel will leave tomorrow for various points on the Queen Charlotte Islands.

More supplies for the Aluminum Co. of Canada road construction camp at Kemano Bay were unloaded Friday afternoon from the northbound Frank Waterhouse freighter Island King, Capt. A. E. Gough. They consisted of 28 tons of diesel oil in barrels; 150 gasoline kegs; a shipment of pipe and two large tanks for the Imperial Oil station. On her way up, the coast freighter unloaded two tanks at Namu, an eight-ton tractor for the Department of Indian Affairs at Bella Bella. General freight was left at Butedale by the Island King, which continued to Prince Rupert Saturday morning. Aluminum sulphate, cement and other supplies for Watson Is. were unloaded Saturday from the vessel which went on to Kincolith with wood pipe. While at Alice Arm, rails, lumber and one ore car are to be unloaded and 75 tons of coal will be left at Stewart. On the south-bound trip, 600 tons of concentrates will be taken on at Stewart, with the cargo completed by 200 tons of sacked concentrates from Alice Arm.

## Strange Love Story Filmed

Moving recital of a strange and idyllic love story, "September Affair," starring Joan Fontaine, Joseph Cotton and Francoise Rosay, comes to the screen of the Capitol Theatre here this Wednesday and Thursday. It is the story of two Americans in Italy who are mistakenly reported dead and make the most of the error by breaking all ties with the past to embark on a new life together.

Joan Fontaine, as an American pianist studying on the continent, meets Joseph Cotton on a New York-bound plane. Cotton is estranged from his wife and, when their plane is forced down in Naples, the two go into the city on a sight-seeing tour. The plane leaves without them and, when it crashes at sea, they are listed among those lost. This gives them the opportunity to start life anew. However, Cotton's family finally learns that he is still alive and the two return to America to choose between their new love and their old lives. The solution of the affair is reached in a stirring climax.

Scenes of the Italian countryside provide an appropriate setting for the picture.

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### FIRST AID PROGRAM

At a special first aid program sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, R. E. Eyoifson, St. John Ambulance instructor, will be guest speaker over the local radio station CFPR this evening. Interviewed by Hugh MacKenzie, Mr. Eyoifson will talk on the need of first aid instruction for civil defence. "We welcome all those who are interested in first aid to attend our classes. Women, since they are in the homes, are particularly urged to learn first aid," said the local instructor, Mr. Eyoifson. Roy MacKenzie will be the Jay-Cee news broadcaster.

TUESDAY—P.M.  
4:00—Sunshine Society  
4:30—New Zealand Adventures  
4:45—Stock Quotations & Int  
4:55—CBC News  
5:00—International Comty.  
5:10—Rawhide  
5:30—Mr. Glencannon  
6:00—Supper Serenade  
6:15—Ben Light  
6:30—Musical Varieties  
6:45—Jr. Chamber of Com.  
7:00—CBC News  
7:15—CBC News Roundup  
7:30—To Be Announced  
8:00—The Commodores  
8:15—The Nation's Business  
8:30—Record Album  
8:45—Vancouver Symphony  
9:00—Pop Concert  
10:00—CBC News  
10:10—CBC News  
10:15—Miscellany  
10:30—Ray Norris Quintet  
11:00—Weather Report  
11:04—Sign Off

WEDNESDAY—A.M.  
7:00—Musical Clock  
8:00—CBC News  
8:10—Here's Bill Good  
8:15—Morning Song  
8:30—Morning Devotions  
8:45—Little Concert  
9:00—BBC News & Comty.  
9:15—Music for Moderns  
9:30—Morning Concert  
9:50—Time Signal  
10:00—Morning Visit  
10:15—Barry Wood Show  
10:30—Melody Time  
10:45—Robin Hood's Musical Kitchen  
11:00—Kindergarten of the Air  
11:15—Roundup Time  
11:30—Weather Report  
11:31—Message Period  
1:33—Recorded Interlude  
1:45—Scandinavian Melodies  
F.M.  
12:00—Mid-Day Melodies  
12:15—CBC News  
12:25—Program Resume  
12:30—B. C. Farm Broadcast  
12:55—Rec. Int.  
1:00—The Concert Hour  
1:30—Musical Program  
1:45—You and Fashions—Cmty  
2:00—Easy Listening  
2:30—Records at Random  
2:45—Today's Guest

Tonight's train, due from the East at 10:15, was reported this afternoon to be one hour late.

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