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CURIOUS POLITICAL SITUATION

A curious political situation has arisen in Vancouver. William Dick, member of the legislature and elected on the Conservative ticket, has made a public attack on Premier Tolmie and his government. He objects particularly to the spending which has been going on and the consequent increase in taxes.

It is hardly to be supposed that one rebel in the Conservative camp will affect the strength of the government sufficient to hasten their end. They are too firmly entrenched for that. The public castigation is likely to make them more careful and possibly even to change their policy somewhat. That is about all. There is also a possibility of Dick being read out of the party.

NOT TURNED LIBERAL

It must not be presumed that Mr. Dick is turned Liberal. There is nothing in the latest despatch to indicate that. It is just the case of a man of independent mind saying what he thinks of his friends and comrades. He is a millionaire or pretty nearly so and in getting his money has been in the habit of ordering people around and having his own way in financial matters. Now he probably wants to order Premier Tolmie around, and naturally that cannot be done. He is simply one of a group, each of whom has a say in the administration with the premier as the chief voice.

MINING SITUATION

The slump in the price of copper is turning the attention of mining men once more to the production of gold, which is always a stable commodity. Gold is not being produced in keeping with the development of trade. Australia produced less than ten million dollars worth last year and India is barely maintaining her regular production. South Africa is making no progress and United States is not producing enough for her own trade requirements. To what extent British Columbia will benefit by this condition remains to be seen. There are all sorts of possibilities.

INTERESTING INQUIRY

We have an inquiry from Winnipeg from a man who asks in regard to mixed farming in this locality and if there is nothing in that line, what else has Prince Rupert to offer one with, say, a thousand dollars.  
If anyone has a suggestion to make we should like to hear it and if anyone wishes to get in touch with this man we shall be pleased to give him the address so that he may write to him personally. There ought to be something in Prince Rupert that a thousand dollars would turn.

WARMTH IS NEEDED

Crops on Prairies Are Coming Along Nicely, Official Report Says

WINNIPEG, May 12.—Cool, wet weather with rainfall varying from light showers to heavy downpour has been prevalent over most of the grain growing districts of Western Canada during the past week, according to the weekly report of the agricultural branch of the Canadian National Railways. Practically all points advise early sown wheat from two to four inches above the ground and plants are sturdy, dark green in color and the temporary roots are being replaced by an intensive permanent root system. No points report much growth for this period and warm weather at an early date not only speed grain germination but would assist the growth of wild oats and weed seeds, thus ensuring the destruction of the first growth of noxious weeds previous to the seeding of barley and oats as many districts are endeavoring to refrain from starting coarse grain seeding until weeds have had a chance to sprout.

All Manitoba has had good general rains and wheat already above ground varies from 50% to 75% of the total acreage sown in some districts. Coarse grain seeding in some districts is nearing completion while in others this operation is only beginning. Frost was recorded at numerous points on May 5 but

no damage followed and, while the rains have delayed work about one week, the land is in excellent condition and no points report soil drifting.

In Saskatchewan the general heavy rain of May 4 preceded local showers at numerous points nearly every day last week. Snow from one to three inches fell along the Kur-oki-Wadena-Clair sub-division and also along the Tisdale line. The Yorkton-Touchwood sub-divisions report land is too wet to work and seeding operations have been delayed about one week.

The southerly districts of Saskatchewan report frosts but no damage from same, fall rye is making rapid growth and stooking well. The only territories in Saskatchewan not reporting rain are the Cutknife-Craik subdivisions, but these districts have sufficient moisture to insure good germination.

In Alberta wheat seeding is practically completed and coarse grains already in the ground vary from 50% to points at which this operation is just commencing. Early sown grain is showing up well and, while a few points report high winds, no soil drifting has been evident and Alberta, as with the other two provinces, desires warm weather to assist growth.

Weather in the Peace River country has been cloudy and cool with a few light rains and wheat seeding varies from 50% to fully completed. The soil has plenty of moisture and conditions are favorable. Pastures are lush and all classes of livestock are in good thriving condition.

Receipts on western stockyards are very light but price of cattle and hogs remains strong and all suitable offerings find ready buyers.

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The Letter Box

PEACE RIVER

Editor, Daily News:—  
During the coming summer the present government will call a general election. Now is the time for the people to demand to know what the government is doing or is going to do regarding the Peace River outlet.

The progress of Prince Rupert is of vital importance to the Queen Charlotte Islands. As Prince Rupert advances so will the islands. By making Prince Rupert the Peace River outlet, it would be building up the north.

It is now time for our politicians to come out and declare themselves as to what stand they will take in this very important matter.

ISLANDER.

SEALS AND SEA LIONS

Skidegate, May 9, 1930

Editor, Daily News:—  
A short time ago one of our local merchants sent a box of seal noses to the fisheries department at Prince Rupert to collect for bounty, which is \$2.50 each.

The department found 13 sea lion noses among them, for which they refuse to pay bounty. This small action of the department seems utterly brainless, which once again proves how very incompetent our fisheries officials are when every practical fisherman knows how destructive the sea lion is to the salmon and halibut. Only this last winter at a mass meeting of fishermen held at Skidegate Mission they asked the government to pay \$15 each bounty for these waters. It's the same old story with our so-called fisheries department, penny-wise and pound-foolish.

E. C. STEVENS.

ISLANDS SERVICE

SKIDEGATE, May 12:—The new district steamer service given by the Canadian National Coast Steamships with ss. Prince William from Prince Rupert to the Queen Charlotte Islands shows another marked advance in transportation facilities to the islands.

The first steamer to run to the Queen Charlotte Islands was provided many years ago by the Hudson Bay Co. This vessel used to come over on a yearly schedule.

Later in turn came the Canadian Pacific Navigation Co.'s Danube, commanded by Capt. Myers; the C. P. N. Princess Louise, Capt. Foote; the Coquitlam, Capt. Absalom Freeman, and the steamer Nell, Capt. Madden. The last mentioned vessel made its headquarters at Georgetown, near Port Simpson.

In 1897 there was a marked improvement in service when Skidegate used to get a boat every month. Even at that, letters were often sent down from Massett to Skidegate by packer at the rate of 25c for each letter. The packer would have to walk the beach all the way from Massett to Skidegate.

In the boom days of 1911, the British Columbia Coast Steamship Service of the Canadian Pacific Railway instituted a fortnightly service. The late Capt. Locke, who commanded the old Amur and later the Princess Beatrice on this run, did a great deal to help the people of the Queen Charlotte Islands. A notable event in the marine history of the islands was the visit to Skidegate Inlet in 1910 of the big C. P. R. coastal liner Princess Charlotte with an excursion party of investors.

Since 1911, the Grand Trunk Pacific Coast Steamship Service and then Canadian National Coast Steamships have had the steamboat business to the Queen Charlotte Islands pretty much to themselves and, for nearly 20 years, the sturdy old liner Prince John has been a regular caller here. For the first 10 years of that period, the Prince Albert was used on the route and, in more recent years, the Prince Charles. The latest addition is the steamer Prince William on a weekly schedule out of Prince Rupert.

District News  
VANDERHOOF

The formation of a livestock pool is being advocated for this district. Before taking any definite action, the Nechako Farmers' Institute is holding a stock taking campaign.

The post office building at Glenannan on Francois Lake was completely destroyed by fire recently. The building was owned by A. G. Annan of the Hotel Endako.

The marriage will take place here shortly of Miss Eve Georgina (Girle) Byrd and Robert McCurdie Richards, both of Vanderhoof.

The local Church of England has started conducting services at Fort St. James, the first having been held yesterday.

Judge H. E. A. Robertson of Prince George presided over a sitting of the County Court here last Thursday, naturalization being granted to the following: Lars Olof Dahlgren, Johan Felix Johansson

and Lars Enoch Dahlgren of Fraser Lake; John Boor and Spas George of Vanderhoof; William Henry Dickinson of Fort St. James, and Walter Febreney of Engen.

The village commissioners have decided to build a new sidewalk on the west side of Lampitt Avenue from Columbia Street to Douglas Street.

TERRACE

The Canadian Legion held its weekly dance Saturday with a six-piece orchestra supplying the music. A good-sized crowd attended. All enjoying themselves.

The Parent Teachers' Association met Thursday evening at the school, to discuss the plans for May 24, which is to be school sports day here. Pupils of Miss E. A. French played piano solos during the evening.

An Orange Lodge was organized here Tuesday evening, comprising eighteen members.

Burnett's Garage delco shed accidentally caught on fire Friday afternoon, caused by a spark get-

ting into some gasoline in a bucket. The blaze was soon extinguished saving much damage being caused. Mr. Burnett and Norman Yack had their hands badly burned by seizing the burning bucket to throw it out of doors.

Jack Agar, who has been visiting his brother, J. B. Agar, left Saturday for his home in Swift Current, Sask.

Archie McLeod, station agent, is confined to his bed with an attack of pleurisy. A relief agent from Smithers is replacing him.

Mrs. Ardagh returned from Vancouver on Saturday, after spending the winter months there, and in other points south.

James Tyler, who spent the winter in Kent, England, at his old home, returned Saturday.

Mr. West came home from Rupert Saturday, where he has been in the hospital for medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Gordon arrived home Saturday from Seattle, where they have spent the past few months. Mr. Gordon suffered from ill health and was con-

finned to bed during the latter part of his holiday.

SKIDEGATE

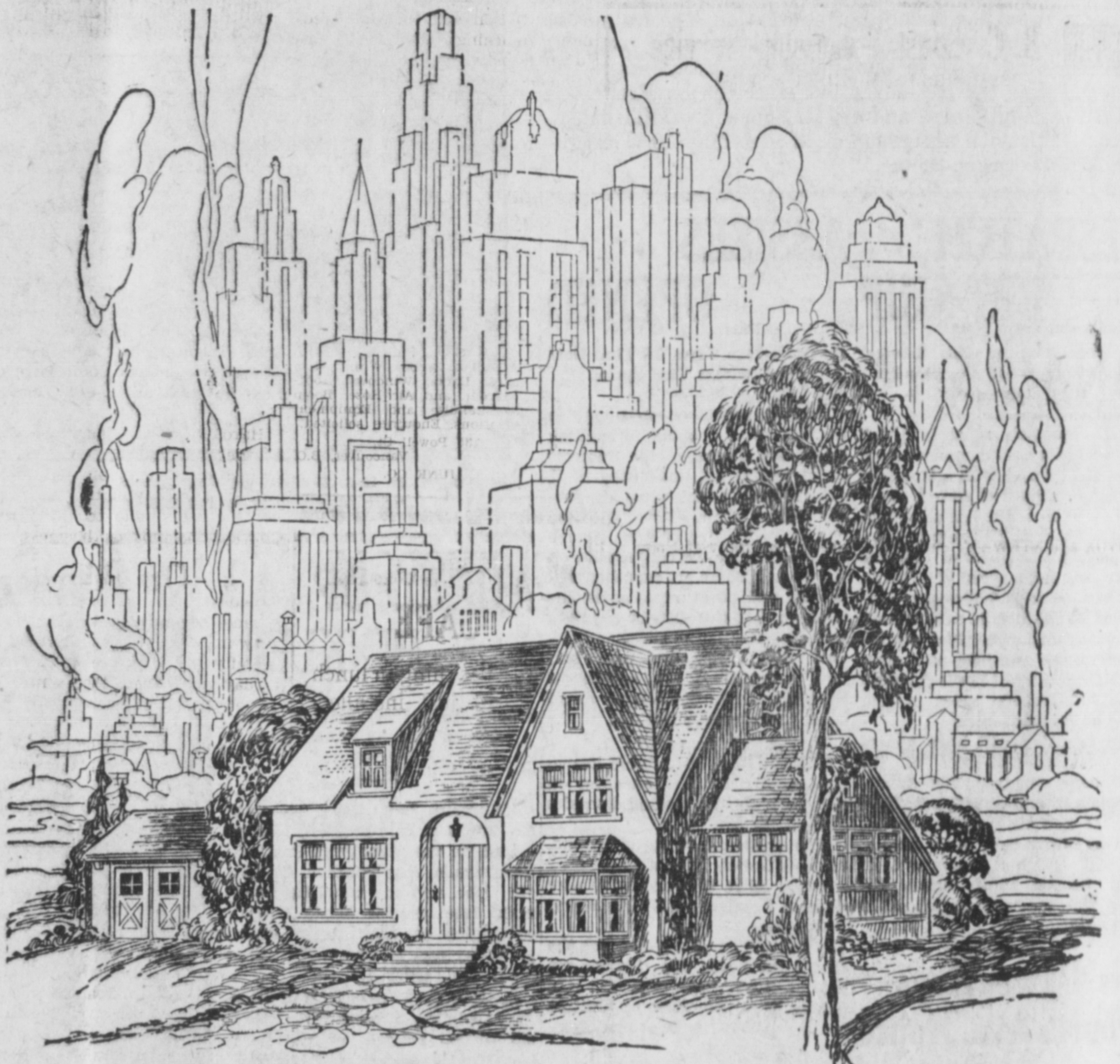
Up to date there has been no sign of spring salmon on the West Coast or in Skidegate Inlet although quite a lot of herring are showing in Skidegate Inlet.

The Standard Oil Co. of California has an engineer here looking over the oil possibilities on Graham Island.

C. W. Homer, provincial assessor Prince Rupert, arrived here last Thursday, from Massett in the course of his annual official visit to the Queen Charlotte Islands. He will be returning to Prince Rupert this week-end on the Prince William.

Owing to dangerous condition of Skidegate Mission wharf, it is now necessary for people from there and Skidegate to go as far as Queen Charlotte City to meet the C.N.R. boats.

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