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THE BENNETT BUDGET

The summary of the Bennett budget that has come to hand shows that it has fulfilled all the dreadful things prophesied of it. Instead of the Bennett government bringing in an era of prosperity as promised, it has found it necessary to lay a heavy hand on the people of the country in order to pay its way. This is in addition to a tremendous curtailment of expenditures which has helped to accentuate the condition of unemployment and hardship under which the country is laboring.

In order to pay the current expenditures and fixed charges and also to provide a bonus of five cents on Canadian wheat, the government has increased the sales tax by three cents on the dollar and raised the income tax on incorporated companies from eight to ten per cent. This catches every person living in the country. The sales tax is a levy on food, clothes and luxuries. All bear the burden equally. The poor man eats as much as a rich man and his food is taxed and he, the consumer, has to pay it.

The income tax was already high but it has been given a hoist. This in addition to the double income tax levied by the Tolmie government, makes a big demand on a long-suffering public.

Then there is a fifty per cent increase in postage rates on letters and various other imposts all designed to take money from the people of the country which ordinarily they would spend to keep the wheels of industry moving.

The difficulty with our system is that when times are bad and people have little money the governments almost invariably increase their levies, thus helping to crush those already down. Also they curtail expenditures thus helping to throw men out of employment to join the large army of men already trying to eke out a scant livelihood.

ESKIMOS NEAR PRINCE RUPERT?

According to a lady writer in the Canadian Home Journal there are Eskimos living near Prince Rupert. Of course it is a flight of imagination but it gives a wrong impression of the country. Go fifteen hundred miles farther north and Eskimos may be found, but nowhere in this region and we think not within at least a thousand miles.

The writer of the article is Nina Moore Jamieson and here is what she says:

"Out from Prince Rupert, perched away up on the coast of British Columbia, is a little island, where lumbermen have a camp, where fishermen put in as a port of call, occasionally, where there are by some miracle, children enough to warrant a school. The teacher is a woman with three daughters of her own—girls in their teens. What chance is there for these girls to make the natural friendships and contacts of girlhood? They know Indians, half-breeds, Orientals, Middle-Europeans, Eskimos, nameless waifs with furtive eyes—but what acquaintance can they have normally with other girls of their own class?"



Southern California clubs have appointed Reginald "Snowy" Baker, as director-general of athletic sports in preparation for their part in Olympic games of 1932. Baker, a native Australian and expert horseman, is seen putting his horse through a one-footed spin at Los Angeles.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

Former Local Man Writes on Economic Situation—Sees Improvement Generally

The following by C. J. Rogers, comptroller of the White Pass & Yukon Route, whose father, J. S. Rogers was a steamship agent here in the early days, appears in the current issue of Washington Purchasing Agent and Manufacturer.

There has been a further recession of business during the past month. The increase in certain lines during March has faded out and levels are back where they started this spring. The industries that commenced increases of production in the early part of the year have abandoned their increasing program. It is quite evident that nothing has happened to the general business state of the nation to warrant any real increase in the production level.

Raw products have decreased in prices again although as usual manufactured products have not followed in the same proportion. It is the opinion of some that considerable length of a recession is caused by the lag of manufactured prices behind the decreases in the raw commodities. The decrease in the returns of the raw producer without consequent reduction in the costs to him of the manufactured article he buys naturally takes him out of the market until an adjustment of these two values is made.

While this is unfortunate there is something to be said for the manufacturers side of it. Taking all raw products including farm production, the basic producers are usually smaller units than the firms who work up and market these products. Adjustments come quicker in the smaller units. There is not the organized resistance to reduction of labor costs in the basic producers that there is in the manufacturing end, and the basic producers do not usually have a high overhead as the other side has and which forces it to resist the declines in an attempt to keep its organization functioning. The fact also that the taking to market of raw products usually is quite direct but the marketing of manufactures entails a fairly long chain bears also on this problem. Therefore, while this lag is a serious problem there is considerable reason for it.

But, also it seems apparent that no definite climbing out of the hole can commence until these two elements of raw prices and production on the one side of manufacture prices and production on the other side come into an adjustment. While this recession has been running well over a year it is only since the first of the year that we have noticed a really strong effort by the outlet of the manufacturer, the retailer, to put prices on this merchandise that would increase his volume. In a small town near here a certain wholesaler endeavored to induce his retailers to reduce their prices but this the retailer resisted with the argument that there was no money in the town anyway and reductions would be of no avail. The town happened to be a mill payroll town and full of gloom and business was at a very low level. He finally induced one retailer in the gents' furnishing line to try the experiment. With the wholesalers help a real sale was put on. The first week's volume was \$8,000 out of a busted mill town with no money in it.

This business depression that has been running now for nearly two years has been likened to nearly everything under the sun by writers on it. Lately it has seemed to me to liken itself to the great war. When that war first struck it was taken rather lightly by most of us. We couldn't appreciate that it could amount to much and we more or less calmly waited for it to burn itself out in a few months or be settled. As the months dragged on a note of fear and despair began to take hold of the world. We began to feel that a war of the first magnitude could and was happening—a thing we thought impossible under our civilization—the end of the war only came when the world overcame its first attitude of indifference and its second attitude of despair and fear and took its coat off and went actually to work with all its resources and put an end to it. I think the analogy will be apparent to everyone. Only recently have we through our financial leaders, labor leaders and statesmen taken off our coat and started in to find out how this thing can be stopped. We have got that far anyway.

Uncle GAZAZUS is coming!

News and Views in Sport World

Sons of Canada Victorious By Score of Seven to One in Opening Ball Game of Season

The Prince Rupert Baseball League opened its playing season last night on Acropolis Hill grounds when the Sons of Canada defeated the Millionaires by a score of seven to one. Mayor Orme pitched the opening ball and it appeared by the direction the ball went, that his outcurve is working even better than it was when he opened the season

last year. There was not such a big crowd of fans on hand as might have been expected, but there will probably be a larger turn-out on Thursday when the Sons try to repeat their success at the expense of the Elks.

Bill Lambie did the pitching for the winners and let the Millionaires down with three scattered hits, while Jack Nelson did mound duty for the losers and was touched for six safeties. There were quite a number of errors by both sides but that is to be expected in the first game or two.

Sons of Canada started their scoring in the first inning, when Kenny, lead-off man, walked. Moran was safe when Nelson tried to catch Kenny at second but failed. Smith overthrew third when Kenny tried to steal and he scored. The next three batters all struck out.

They added two more in the second. Roberts led off with a single. He went to second on a passed ball and scored when Frizzell doubled to left. Frizzell went to third on a passed ball and scored when Stalker went out at first. Johnson and Kenny struck out.

Two more were added in the fourth. Roberts was safe when Stephens dropped Wendle's throw and went to second. He scored when Frizzell singled to right. Frizzell stole second and went to third when the ball was thrown high. He scored as Stalker was thrown out at first. Johnson was hit by a pitched ball. Kenny went out at first. Moran was hit by a pitched ball. Nelson tossed out Lambie to end the inning.

The final two runs were scored in the fifth. Howe was safe on Stephens' error. He was caught trying to steal second. Styles got on when Gurvich dropped his fly. He went out stealing too. Roberts singled to right. Frizzell hit to Farquhar. The ball lodged in his glove and both runners were safe. Frizzell was credited with a hit, his third of the game. Stalker hit one that took a lucky bounce over Wendle's head, scoring Roberts and Frizzell. He went to second on the throw-in. Johnson was thrown out at first.

The Millionaires got their lone run in the fifth. Stephens struck out and Kenny threw out Budnich. Smith was safe when Styles pulled his foot off the bag too fast. Bury fanned but was safe when Roberts let the ball get away from him. Nelson was hit by a pitched ball, filling the bases. Zarelli hit a liner down the third base line for a single, scoring Smith. Moran took Wendle's smash and forced Nelson at third.

Frizzell led the hitters with three hits including a double in three

times up. Roberts and Zarelli each collected two singles, while Smith made a three-bagger. Stalker was the only other batter to hit safely. Umpire Brookes, behind the plate handled the game efficiently and is to be commended for clearing the players' benches of spectators.

Box Score

Table with columns: Millionaires, S. O. C., ABR, H, PO, A, E. Rows include Bury cf., Nelson p., Zarelli lf., Wendle ss., Farquhar 3b., Gurvich rf., Stephens lb., Budnich 2b., Smith c., Moore rf.

Table with columns: S. O. C., ABR, H, PO, A, E. Rows include Kenny 2b., Moran 3b., Lambie p., Howe rf., Styles lb., Roberts c., Frizzell cf., Johnson ss.

Summary table with columns: Totals, Millionaires, Sons of Canada.

Summary—Two-base hit, Frizzell, 3-base hit, Smith; ease on balls off Nelson (1); struck out by Lambie (11), Nelson (7); left on bases, Millionaires (6), S. O. C. (5); passed ball, Roberts (2), Smith (2); stolen base, Roberts, Frizzell, Stalker; hit by pitcher, Nelson, Stephens, Johnson, Moran; time of game, 1:30; umpires, Brookes and Laporte.

CARDS WIN FROM REDS

Won Six to Five in 12 Inning Game Yesterday and Increase Lead in Standing

ST. LOUIS, June 2.—St. Louis Cardinals increased their lead in the National League yesterday by defeating Cincinnati by a score of six to five in a 12-inning struggle. It was the only game played in the Big Leagues yesterday. All American League games were rained out.

Baseball Standings

Table with columns: National League, American League, W, L, Pct. Lists standings for St. Louis, New York, Chicago, Boston, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Philadelphia, New York, Washington, Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit, St. Louis, Boston.

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Olympic Aspirants



If Elizabeth and Catherine Moxley, twin students of University of Kansas, keep up their form in discus throwing, a set of twins may be included in United States' next Olympic team.

Legion Lineup

For tonight's football match against the Merchants the Canadian Legion team will be chosen from the following players: J. Smith, Skinner, D. Jack, Erskin, G. Murray, W. Murray, F. Hodgkinson, Wm. Murray, C. Baptie (captain), Bussanich, A. Hodgkinson.

Merchant's Team

Merchants football team for tonight's game will be as follows: Gurvich, Douglas, Stiles, G. Mitchell, Currie, Hill, A. Dickens, H. Dickens, S. Dickens, McKay, Chenski, Reserves, V. Menzies, Les Amurray, C. Baptie (captain), Bussanich, A. Hodgkinson.

SOFTBALL

June 2—Drydock vs. Station. June 5—Station vs. Roundhouse. June 9—Roundhouse vs. Drydock.

BASEBALL

June 4—S.O.C. vs. Elks. June 8—Elks vs. Millionaires.

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