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Today's Weather

Prince Rupert—clear, light southeast wind; barometer, 30.00; temperature, 60; sea smooth.

Today's Tides

High 1:15 a.m. 20.3
Low 7:38 a.m. 3.4
High 13:40 p.m. 20.1
Low 19:55 p.m. 5.1

QUEEN ASTRID OF BELGIUM KILLED

PRACTICAL PLAN FOR NEEDS OF DAY OFFERED BY LIBERALS

Feasible Not Visionary Platform Required Says Tom Reid in Speech Here

Asks People to Consider Coldly What Seems to Be Best Program—Pays Tribute to Olof Hanson and Tells of His Good Work.

"The Liberal party does not come before the electorate at this time promising a panacea or cure of all ills but we do present for your consideration a practical plan which we believe is best designed to meet present day conditions," declared Thomas Reid, M.P. for New Westminster in the last federal Parliament, in a practical and business-like address at a public meeting last night in the Moose Hall, opening the campaign here in support of the re-election of Olof Hanson as Member of Parliament for Skeena in the forthcoming federal election.

Speaking for almost two hours, Mr. Reid discussed the Liberal party's position on major and immediate problems confronting the Dominion today such as unemployment, trade, industrial development, control of credit and investments, safeguarding of the national railways, electoral reform, public financing, international relations and social and economic reform. There were about 400 persons present at the meeting over which A. J. Prudhomme, president of the Skeena District Liberal Association, presided. Olof Hanson also spoke briefly, leaving most of the time of the meeting at the disposal of Mr. Reid for his discussion of the issues of the day.

"Before the heat of the campaign, we ask you to review the statements and utterances of all parties," said Mr. Reid, "and to decide which you consider the most effective in meeting the practical problems which face this country." With all this talk of theories and promises of setting up a heaven on earth, we ask you to remember that it is practical problems that have to be dealt with. It is to be hoped that you will choose practical men such as you have in Olof Hanson, to deal with practical affairs."

In opening Mr. Reid expressed the belief that British Columbia had lost a lot in the past due to the fact that it had in so many cases sent its members to Ottawa men who thought more of party than they did of the people who elected them. He thought British Columbia members might well follow the example of those of the Maritimes all of whom worked together. Irrespective of party, in the interests of their provinces.

The speaker referred briefly to some of the things that Olof Hanson had been able to accomplish at Ottawa despite the fact that he had been in Opposition. He had been successful in obtaining a subsidy for ships coming to this port to load cargo on salmon lifted, enabling fishermen to ship their fish to any market, he had fought unremittingly for the removal of the 2c duty on fish entering the United States, he had taken a leading part in the fight for a new federal building. "It is not always the members who get the big headlines in the newspapers that do the most useful work," declared Mr. Reid. "Often the quiet and ostentatious members are the most valuable. And let me tell you that your member commands the respect of the entire membership of the

House of Commons which is something to be proud of."

Liberal Politics

Opening on to his discussion of Liberal politics, Mr. Reid pointed out that the political situation today was much different than it had been in 1930. Then there were but the two major parties. Now there were four. He was pleased to see the interest that was displayed in public affairs here as evidenced by the large meeting. After all it was the people's business. If this interest had been displayed years ago, it would have been better. Mr. Reid pointed out that it was not the intention of the Liberal party to engage in a mud-slinging campaign. That was a poor substitute for the discussion of problems and policies.

Notwithstanding the charges of Mr. Stevens and others that the Liberals had stolen their platform, Mr. Reid pointed out that the Liberal party was presenting to the electorate today the platform as set forth by Mr. Mackenzie King on February 27, 1933, before the Reconstructionists were even thought of and even before the C.C.F. Regina conference. Rather had the other parties adopted Liberal policies. Nor did he blame them for adopting things that were good.

The Liberal party believed unemployment was Canada's most urgent national problem. Mr. Reid said. Its intention was to deal with present emergency conditions through a representative national commission which would co-operate with the provinces and municipalities in the administration of unemployment relief and an endeavor to provide work for the unemployed. As permanent measures the Liberal party was pledged to introduce policies which would serve to provide employment by reviving industry and trade and to introduce a national system of unemployment insurance. Mr. Reid made it clear that the Liberal party was not in favor of non-contributory unemployment insurance. If non-contributory unemployment insurance was to be given the workers in the city, what about the farmer in the country who worked his twelve and fourteen hours a day to make a living? The present system of relief camps should also be done away with and the men given useful work at decent wages and treated as humans.

Trade Essential

Regarding trade, any party which ignored or tried to minimize its importance was trying to fool the public, declared the speaker. The nation which went out to trade freely had always given the most to its people and had enjoyed the greatest measure of prosperity. Nations which had surrounded themselves with tariff walls had always had

TACOMA AS FISH PORT

Fresh Fish for Eastern Market Is Handled for First Time There TACOMA, August 29 (Canadian Press)—Arrival on Tuesday of the first carload of fresh halibut for shipment by rail from here to Chicago marks the test of facilities of this port for the dispatch of fresh fish and may mean to a permanent large new line of business for this harbor, Port of Tacoma officials announce.

The fish was shipped by the Marilyn Fish Co. Inc. of Ketchikan. Iced in boxes it was transferred direct from the steamer Evelyn Berg to an iced car for shipment East and is expected to reach Chicago Saturday night.

Dry Dock Deal Is Under Way

No Announcement in Regard to Pulp Mill Site Yet Available

OTTAWA, August 29 (Canadian Press)—Lease of a site on the dry dock property at Prince Rupert for the Mutual Pulp Mills Limited has been under consideration by the departments of railways and public works but there has been no cabinet action as yet. An order-in-council authorizing the transfer is expected to be passed any day.

been most backward with their people in virtual slavery. And despite what might be said, there were many quarters in which trade could still be developed by Canada. The speaker recalled how Premier Bennett had turned down a trade deal with Russia whereby one million head of cattle could have been sold annually. What would that have meant to the farmer? It would have had the effect of increasing prices to the producer without necessarily raising the cost for the consumer. It would have meant work for thousands of men on railways and elsewhere. Russia, however, had talked of selling oil and anthracite coal to Canada. Mr. Bennett could not offend the oil barons.

Mr. Reid gave figures to show how Canada's trade had fallen off from \$2,600,000,000 in 1920 to \$800,000,000 in 1933, the lowest figure since 1903. The pulp and paper industry was among those which had fallen off. Bennett policies had stifled trade and the loss of trade had caused men to be laid off with resultant reduction in purchasing power. By the raising of tariffs money had been taken from the pockets of the people and placed into those of the manufacturers by means of increased prices.

The Liberal party believed that trade was the basis of industrial and commercial development and that Canada needed trade. It would promote trade with all nations and negotiate trade agreements with any countries willing to trade with Canada on a reciprocal basis. It would abolish extravagant increases in the tariff, abolish all unwarranted extra taxes on imports such as exchange and dumping duties, end the making and altering of tariffs by executive action, continue the Liberal policy of British preference by percentage reduction in existing

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BAR SILVER

NEW YORK, August 29 (Canadian Press)—Bar silver was unchanged at 65 1/2c per ounce on the local metal market today.

Maybe Looking For the Birdie



Here is one of the rare informal snapshots of Prime Minister R. B. Bennett as he examines the intricacies of a movie sound camera. Roy Tash is the cameraman. He had just finished "shooting" the Premier and his new cabinet.

Late Telegraphs

PRINCE HENRY ENGAGED LONDON, August 29.—Engagement of the Duke of Gloucester, third son of the King, to Lady Alice Montagu Douglas Scott, 33-year old daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Buccleugh, is announced.

HALIBUT BOAT BURNS

KETCHIKAN, August 29.—The crew of the halibut schooner Senator abandoned the ship on Tuesday in Hetta Inlet on the west coast when she caught fire and sank in 100 feet of water. The crew was brought here by another schooner.

ALEUTIAN ASHORE

SITKA, August 29.—The steamer Aleutian was refloated yesterday undamaged after having been ashore for several hours on Sitka sandpit.

JOHN HAMILTON'S BODY

OSWEGO, Ill., Aug. 29.—The body of John Hamilton, long sought confederate of John Dillinger, was found in a shallow grave in a gravel pit near here yesterday. He is believed to have been dead since April 1934.

ROGER'S ESTATE HUGE

LOS ANGELES, August 29.—The will of the late Will Rogers, made eleven days before he was killed in an airplane crash in Alaska, was filed for probate yesterday, the value aggregating \$5,000,000. The sole beneficiary was Mrs. Rogers, provision being made that, in the event of her death, the estate is to be equally divided between three children. Lloyds is reported to have paid \$2,500,000 in aviation insurance carried by Rogers.

NORTHLAND GAME HUNT

Montreal Oil Magnate Flies North In Plane on Long Trip

EDMONTON, August 28 (CP)—Flying into the northland, Harry Snyder, Montreal oil magnate, is leading the most extensive big game hunt ever to be made northwest of Edmonton. The party left Edmonton recently on their flight of between 4,000 and 8,000 miles.

Miss Dorothy Snyder, daughter of the leader, will join the party at Fort Resolution. Other members of the expedition are Lieut.-Col. F. M. Steel, Calgary, of federal department of lands, and George Goodwin, assistant curator of the American Natural History Museum, New York.

Rare specimens of northland elk and black-tailed mountain sheep of the Yukon and northern British Columbia will be sought on the aerial trip. A survey of the musk-ox population and caribou migration in the barren lands will also be made.

Photographic equipment is being carried in the plane and both specimens and pictures of the northland animals are hoped to be obtained for the National Museum of Canada and the American Museum of Natural History. Mr. Snyder last year obtained for both museums

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Vancouver Wheat

VANCOUVER, August 29 (Canadian Press)—Wheat was quoted at 80 1/2c on the local Exchange yesterday, dropping to 80c today.

Beautiful Consort of King Leopold Victim Of Car Crash Today

Monarch Was at Wheel of Automobile When it Swerved As He Turned To Admire Scenery During Visit To Switzerland

KUSSNACHT, Switzerland, August 29 (Canadian Press)—Astrid, 29-year old Queen of the Belgians, was killed today when an automobile her husband, King Leopold, was driving swerved off a country road and struck a tree. She died within five minutes in her King's arms and with his lips on hers. The King was injured, suffering severe cuts and bruises besides heavy shock, but his condition is not dangerous.

FIGHT FOR THIS PORT

Tom Reid Tells Gyro Club How New Westminster Has Been Freeing Itself From Vancouver Shackles

Coast Development

General Economic Affairs Discussed in Course of Talk On Silver Question

"Keep up the fight for your port," exhorted Tom Reid, M.P. for New Westminster in the last Parliament at Ottawa, in addressing the Prince Rupert Gyro Club at luncheon yesterday. "Prince Rupert reminds me of my own home town of New Westminster. Both are cities upon a hill. Both have seemingly been in the shadow of Vancouver in its ambition to control the destiny of British Columbia. But let me tell you that New Westminster has now become a very serious competitor of Vancouver as a port. Prince Rupert, too, as the Pacific Coast develops, is bound to become a port of importance. Cities set on a hill, they cannot be hidden."

The Pacific Coast also had the East to fight against, Mr. Reid declared. The East realized the growing importance of the Pacific Coast. Last year the Pacific Coast shipped more grain to Great Britain than the entire Atlantic Coast and this despite the handicap of distance and the Panama Canal dues.

Mr. Reid referred to the St. Lawrence waterway project. If the St. Lawrence waterway was made free to American shipping so should the Panama Canal be made free to Canadian ships. The East could be expected to resist this move but the railways could not consistently oppose it for it would make more traffic for them in hauling commodities to the Pacific Coast. As it was now, with the majority of the grain transferred to steamers at the head of Lake Superior, there was only a short rail haul for grain from the prairies.

It had been suggested, said Mr. Reid, that he might speak on Social Credit. He would, however, rather wait and see how it worked out in Alberta. Suffice it to observe that Mr. Douglas, the originator of the idea, when contracting to put it over in Alberta, had demanded that he be paid in Dominion notes and not in any Alberta certificates.

The Silver Question. Discussing the subject of money

Attendants said that the King turned his head for an instant, apparently to admire the scenery, when the car swerved. The King and Queen were thrown out, Astrid's skull being fractured when she was thrown against a tree. After leaving the road, the auto, travelling 50 miles an hour, plunged into a lake.

Country Grief-Stricken BRUSSELS, August 29 (Canadian Press)—Belgium was plunged into the deepest grief for the second time in two years with the death of Queen Astrid. All businesses, theatres and the bourse closed on receipt of the news.

On February 17, 1934, King Albert was killed while mountain-climbing. Queen Astrid, a member of the Swedish Royal Family, was married to King Leopold in November, 1926. She was known as one of Europe's most beautiful princesses. Their married life was characterized by the same devotion which was so striking a feature of the lives of King Leopold's parents. Their first child, Princess Josephine Charlotte, was born in October, 1927; their second and heir, Crown Prince Baudoin, in September, 1930, and their third, Prince Albert, in June, 1934.

Halibut Arrivals

Summary Canadian—48,000 pounds, 5.4c and 5c to 5.6c and 5c. American—none. Canadian Cape Spear, 7,500, 5.4c and 5c. Cold Storage. Seamaid, 22,000, 5.8c and 5c. Atlin. Fanny F., 9,000, 5.5c and 5c. Pacific. Toodie, 8,000, 5.6c and 5c. Cold Storage.

NOT JOINING STEVENS

CALGARY, August 29.—The Social Credit party caucus yesterday decided to place candidates in as many seats as possible in Western Canada but will not ally itself with Hon. H. H. Stevens' Reconstructionist party. Nor will Major Douglas be brought to Alberta to assist in establishing Social Credit in this province.

and leading up to the question of silver, Mr. Reid pointed out that, first of all, money must have the confidence of the people. Once confidence was lost, currency was valueless. Gold and silver were valuable because the people had confidence in them. Continued on Page 2