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DAILY EDITION



FRIDAY, DEC. 5, 1941.

Premier Pattullo Resigns . .

Yielding to an impossible position in which he finally found himself placed, Thomas Dufferin Pattullo, Member of the Legislature for Prince Rupert, as might have been expected, has announced his resignation as Prime Minister of British Columbia.

Now that Mr. Pattullo has resigned, there is no point to be gained, no purpose to be served, in discussing the whys and the wherefores of his retirement.

Mr. Pattullo loved public service. He had his heart in the task. He enjoyed his work, was always confident that he was doing a good job. Not even his most severe critics, and he had many critics as all men of decisive action and convictions are bound to have, can say that Mr. Pattullo was not wholly public-spirited. He loved this province and it may not be unfitting for us to suggest that his every action was imbued with the desire to serve its best interests. It was undoubtedly because he felt that he still had a job of work to do that he held on as grimly as he did despite the forces that were working against him. We can imagine that there was a good deal of heartache in these happenings of the last few days.

Since Prince Rupert first sent Mr. Pattullo to the Legislature in 1916 he has sat continuously in the treasury benches except for the few years that he was Leader of the Opposition. His record for length of public service is unequalled and for quality, we feel justified in declaring, unsurpassed.

The retiring Premier, when the emotions of the present circumstances have passed, may well be justified if he retains some feeling of satisfaction that he has given British Columbia a great quantity of fine service. The history of the province, when it comes time to be dispassionately appraised, will record Mr. Pattullo as one of British Columbia's great men. He had his faults, he had his failings—he has been charged with egotism and with obstinacy—but the things he has done for this province during the past quarter of century, during trying times and troublous, during boom, during depression, far outshadow any mistakes or faults and will provide him with a lasting monument.

As for Prince Rupert, the seat shall be fortunate if it is able to retain him as its member in a private capacity. His experience, his ability, his vigor, his determination, his knowledge could all serve us in good stead. We welcome Mr. Pattullo's intimation that he intends to continue as member for Prince Rupert.

Mr. Pattullo is the quality of a man whose talents, it may be expected, will be in demand. We know one thing, he will not be content to lapse into comparative idleness. Whether or not being a private member, will be a sufficiently active capacity for his dynamic personality and talents remains to be seen.

British Columbia and Prince Rupert have been fortunate in having his services these many years. His successor in the sphere of Premier will have a mark to aim at, but Mr. Hart too is a man of ability and capacity, more especially in the field of finance.

Winter Conditions . . .

Prince Rupert has had its first taste of winter this year. And another winter finds conditions and circumstances somewhat changed here, due largely to the presence of a much larger and more congested population.

Ere another snowfall or cold snap occurs, it might be timely to suggest the importance of being particularly careful about fire. There are danger points, particularly where housing is crowded. Fire at any time is bad enough. It could be particularly distressing right now.

Another thing is the use of the streets for sleigh riding against greater motor traffic than there has ever been here before, particularly in some parts. No doubt, the police have that in hand and will, when needs be, take measures necessary to reduce the risk of accident.

There are also more young people on the streets and when snow is plentiful and soft they will have their snow-balling fun. It is to be hoped that they will have due regard and respect for their elders, particularly the old folk. We have been told that boys the other day threw snowballs at an elderly man, broke his glasses and injured one of his eyes. That was very unfortunate and the boys who did it are deserving of rebuke.

Take Your Choice Of War Services

Many Things Women May Do In Old Land

LONDON, Dec. 5:—There may be others, but there are at least

13 of the voluntary war services open to women in the United Kingdom: Women's Royal Naval Service, Auxiliary Air Force, Auxiliary Territorial Service, Land Army, Navy-Army-Air Force Institutes, Auxiliary Fire Service, St. John Nurses, Munition Workers, Mechanized Transport, Voluntary Services, Red Cross Nurses, Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A.

GOLD AND ECONOMICS

Northern Miner Discusses Suggestion Of Regina Newspaper To Quit Mining Of Yellow Metal

A Regina daily newspaper, commenting on the Kirkland Lake gold mines strike, makes seriously the suggestion that, as gold is not an essential, the mines might as well remain closed and the labor that operates them might be diverted to more constructive activity.

Such a suggestion serves to accentuate the sectionalism of Canada and the lack of knowledge of fundamental economy as its affects the Dominion as a whole. Easterners can scarcely claim to understand fully the problems of the West. They observe that it is periodically necessary to go to the rescue of the wheat producers by furnishing subsidies. They know that there has in recent years been great hardship on the prairies. With their more diversified sources of revenue the Easterners, including the farmers, do not experience the severe cyclical movements of prosperity and depression common to Westerners.

It is true that the East subsidizes Western coal and may be asked to subsidize Western oil. It is true that the East has furnished in the past very large amounts of money for Western relief. There has not been much complaining about this.

However, the West has never tried to study closely the economy of the East or of the Dominion as a whole. Some wild economic notions have had birth on the prairies. The C.C.F. is in favor of the government operating the mines, of all kinds. The C.C.F. has advocated the creation of money without backing, claiming that the banks manufactured it anyhow. It took Graham Towers, head of the Bank of Canada, four months to give the Western members a rudimentary education in money and economics, last year. To read in Hansard the proceedings of the committee which was appointed in the House to study the subject was an eye opener in C.C.F. philosophy and ignorance.

When a Western paper undertakes to deal offhandedly with such an industry as mining it is under a heavy handicap, weighted down with lack of knowledge. If gold is a non-essential now in Canada, what is wheat? We have more wheat than we know what to do with. The whole of Canada pays the West a subsidy on wheat and the Western farmers certainly know it. We have more wheat than we can find storage room for. It is an embarrassment. What of gold? We can sell it in the United States, every ounce that we produce, and we can get United States funds for it, which is something that the wheat farmers cannot do. Part of the money we get for gold we pay the western farmers. More importantly, we can purchase in the United States materials and essential machines or war.

To remark casually that the Kirkland Lake gold mines might as well remain closed, now that they are shut down by a strike, is to disclose an abysmal ignorance of the economics of the situation. The suggestion that mine labor might be diverted to more useful purpose—such as making munitions, no doubt—is absurd. Would the Regina paper have an exodus from the north to the south or would it move munition-making machinery to the North from the South? The idea has a Hitleresque tinge. Apart from that it is silly.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

December 5, 1916.

The city council last night discussed interruption to city light and telephone services owing to recent severe storms. The most of the trouble had been caused by open wire leads, the maintenance of which had been rather neglected while funds were being conserved for the putting in of a new system. Superintendent Kennedy reported.

G. R. Naden & Co. have staked certain water power rights in this district on behalf of a private company.

The sum of \$43.55 was realized at the Red Cross sale of which Mrs. A. E. Oakley and Mrs. S. J. Winsby were in charge.

There's No Need Of Story-Tellers

Get Out The Old Phonograph and Give Yourself a Break.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5:—Story hour is a cinch if you can turn on a record at your house when Johnny calls for another story.

You can choose Christmas stories, fairy tales, a Chinese fable, history stories and songs he would like to hear from 11 children's albums just released. If you are all for the old, old stories, you can have them or the modern movie cartoon kind.

Among the popular records, in the current catalogue are "Songs and Stories from Walt Disney" by Paul Wing, "Hans Christian Anderson Fairy Tales," dramatization of A. A. Milne stories, "Gulliver's Travels" by Frank Luther nursery rhymes from Mother Goose, sailor songs, cowboy songs and operettas and symphonettes for boys and girls.

You can get help from your phonograph with your children's homework. The records range all the way from music appreciation and language lessons to patriotism, physical education and music tests.

You can get records for first graders interested in pets at home, in farm animals, flowers. And you can choose records for children in the third grade including "Famous Birthdays," and "Flood Control." And there is a wide variety for high school pupils.

BRAZIL'S "CH" Sao Paulo in Brazil is often called "The Chicago of South America."

Queen's Mannequin Now Fire-Fighter

Charming Sally Davidson Is Serving as Telephonist.

LONDON, Dec. 5:—Sally Davidson who modelled dresses for Queen Elizabeth has joined the London Fire Service as a telephonist. Employed as a model by the house which designs many of the Queen's clothes, Sally was known as the "Queen's Mannequin."

She had been chosen to parade clothes for the Queen's inspection because she approximated the Queen in appearance. Sally is dark, blue-eyed, quiet and smiling.

Canada at War 25 Years Ago

December 5, 1916.

David Lloyd George, secretary of war, resigned from British cabinet and Prime Minister Asquith handed in the resignation of the ministry. Twenty-six women killed and 30 injured in north England munitions factory explosion.

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