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### CHOOSING A LEADER

DRIME MINISTER KING has an-I nounced that he will retire from leadership of the Liberal Party at the next federal election. Having held the reins of leadership for 27 years, and being in office now 20 vears as First Minister of the Crown, Mr. King feels that he is entitled to a well-earned rest, as indeed he is, for his has been no easy task guiding the ship of state during the past years. It has been a job well done, and he deserves great credit from the Canadian people for the high position Canada holds in the nations of the world.

Much speculation exists regarding the man who will take his place. Approximately a half dozen names loom on top when the leadership question crops up: Ilsley, Gardiner, St. Laurent, Chevrier, Abbott, Claxton and Martin.

There are of course several factors that enter into the choice of a leader: Is he popular, dynamic, a good platform man, a good mixer with all classes? Can he hold the trust of Quebec, and the Englishspeaking provinces? Can he unify the two great races of Canada into a compact, living and vibrant Canadianism? In addition he must have a good grasp of external affairs and a keen sense of Canada's place in the international scene. He should have the confidence and trust of business, industry and labor.

### DEMOCRACY

THE MEANING of Democracy is clear and simple. Abraham Lincoln, among others, expressed it in ten words:

"Government of the people, by the people, for the people."

Webster's dictionary defines it

almost just as briefly:

"Government in which the supreme power is retained by the people and exercised either directly or indirectly through a system of representation."

And then it adds succinctly: "Brief in the practice of social equality; absence of snobbery."

It is the belief in the brotherhood of man.

It is the practical application of

the Ten Commandments. It is the knowledge that man cannot live by himself alone but that we must help each other and work together toward happiness, dignity

and self-respect. Democracy gives its citizens not only priceless privileges but imposes upon them duties of behavior and conduct.

In a true democracy there should be no tyrants, no leeches, no graft-

There should be no room for grafting ward-heelers, for overbearing cops, for selfish politicians, for caste-conscious officers and officials, for petty dictatorships and arbitrary directives.

In a Democracy every government employee should be the representative of the people and not of bosses of the people.

In a Democracy every citizen should exercise his right to vote and every one elected to office should consider the violation of his oath of office an act of perjury.

Democracy, in other words, is the principle of live-and-let-live put into practice and the realization that a nation is nothing but the aggregate of its citizens.

That is Democracy—and that's all there is to it.



VARIOUS WITNESSES TESTIFY AT MEAD INQUIRY—Attractive Mrs. Jean Bates, former secretary with the Erie Basin Metals Products Co., is shown as she told the Mead investigating committee that two company officials, Dr. Henry Garsson and Joseph F. Freeman, asked her to be " a little hazy" in her testimony. She said they had made the request in Freeman's Washington home on July 12, after she had given a statement contradicting the sworn testimony of other witnesses. Mrs. Bates' husband, Donald, sits beside her.

### Gallery Protest In N.Z. Assembly

WELLINGTON, N.Z. (P)-After istening for three days to an acrimonious debate in the New Zealand House of Representatives, W. Julius Hyde, a civil ser vant, became so incensed that he rose in the public gallery, shouted "God save my country. Here is something for Mr. Skinner (Minister of Lands) to wear' and hurled his Returned Services Association badge to the floor of the House.

C. F. Skinner has been a central figure in the debate, but the interrupter explained after he had been removed by attendants that his action was intended as a public protest against the "rottenness of party politics."

Mr. Hyde was suspended from his post with the state hydroelectric department but the suspension was later lifted. At the last general election he stood for Wellington Central against Prime Minister Peter Fraser, and polled 100 votes, against Mr. Fraser's 6.832.

The Editorial Director of Britain's National Savings Committee wrote: "Local newspapers go into every home and are read by every member of the family. They play a vital part in the civic, religious, industrial and social life of the nation."

able. "A people without vision perishes" and a system without vision and courage will perish

Mr. Chevrier, we do not like your "explanation." TWENTY-SIX YEARS

ALONG C.N.R.

### Better English By D. C. WILLIAMS

What is wrong with this richer by two suits, underwear sentence? "They nad reached the final end of their journey." 2. What is the correct pro-

geti, cauliflower,

nunciation of "condolence"? 3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Rhubarb, spag-

4. What does the word "regenerate" (verb) mean?

What is a word beginning with te that means "limited by

ANSWERS . Omit final. 2. Pronounce

kon-do-lens, first o as in on, second o as in no, and accent second syllable, not the first. 3. Spaghetti. 4. To give new life, strength, or vigor to. "One great thought breathed into a man may ronerate mm." - Channing. 5. Temporal.

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## Flower Show Opens Ton Fine Floricultural Display to Be Feature For Balance

Of Carnival Glory of Prince Rupert's flower variety and sp gardens, now in the height of while there are also their bloom, is reflected at a ties of breeding colorful display in the common interest. lounge of the Civic Centre where Mr. C. Balagano the annual Flower Show of the H. T. Lock took a Prince Rupert Horticultural So- izing the show clety is being held. A wide variety ci exhibits was in place in and Miss Delph tasteful arrangement by noon today and this afternoon the judging is being carried out by

proceedings at the carnival tonight and the show will continue HOW CAN 1 ? ? ? By ANNE ASHLEY "Princess All

Q. Must boiling water be used for making coffee?

Charles P. Balagno, outstanding

local floriculturalist. The official

opening will be a feature of the

A. Cold water may be used estead of boiling water when making coffee. When cold water is used, heat the beverage only until the boiling point is reached. Q. How should cut glass be gave the office two parcels to put in his car. They were put in washed?

LONDON (P) — A businessman

the wrong car and its owner is

Through a newspaper column a

Chinese theatre war correspond-

ent was able to transmit a mes-

to his brother in Minneapolis,

and two pounds of sugar.

A. Wash in hot soap suds. Let the air dry it. Shine with a Turkish towel, as it leaves no lint and serves this purpose better than ordinary toweling.

Q. How can I give a good colish to unvarnished furniture? sage from a young Chinese boy - A. By rubbing well with beeswax and turpentine.

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# MR. CHEVRIER'S even years ago? "EXPLANATION"

The Editor,

Minister of Transport, in which he gives his "reasons" why the bidder. But if we follow out the contract for the construction of the new Canadian National coastal steamship should not be awarded the local drydock. am surprised that there has not been a more widespread and voluble protest from the citizens generally and from various local committees but probably the minister's "explanation" has left them speechless.

Mr. Chevrier states that letting the contract to the local ship- genuine interest of his company does its share in not only makyard would create a "serious unemployment situation" when the job was completed. Did a presumably responsible member of a government ever advance a more ridiculous argument as to why a contract should not be given? If the reason were valid then no contract should ever be let as, on its completion, there would be a cessation of work. We have felt all along that Prince Rupert was not being given a fair deal and this confirms it. It is not only a brush-off but is also an insult to our intelligence. And if it were true, why did Mr. Chevrier not tell us so months, yes



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Mr. Vaughan stated his belief that the cost of construction here branch of the transcontinental would be 25% higher than else- railway. We would like visible I read with amazement, as where. We doubt this very much, evidence of the genuine interest many others must have done, the but if it were true there would of the C. N. system in this part letter written by Mr. Chevrier, be some justification for award- of Canada. ing the contract to the lowest

> "logic" of Mr. Chevrier's "reason" the contract should not be let of the government to initiate deanywhere. Mr. Vaughan also said that he It is up to ourselves to continue thought the people of Prince Ru- to press for the development of pert should be satisfied with their present rate of progress. not fight for proper considera-Well, we are not, and I hope we tion, no one else is likely to do never shall be so satisfied as to so. We who invest our lives and sit down and not try, and work, our material and intellectual as-

> for further progress. in the development of this part ing the fullest use at present of of the Dominion. How does he the already big investment the show his interest? By taking off country has in this district but. the Prince Henry, and the Prince even more so, in developing and David, by selling the Prince expanding the resources avail-

Charles and the Prince John, and by not replacing the Prince George until more than a year after its destruction? We are looking for evidence of Mr. Vaughan's assurance of company's practical interest in the development of this port and the whole area along the northern

And statements, such as Mr. Chevrier makes, do not give us any confidence in the intention velopment of this port or district. this part of Canada. If we do sets in the area have a right to Mr. Vaughan assures us of the demand that the government



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