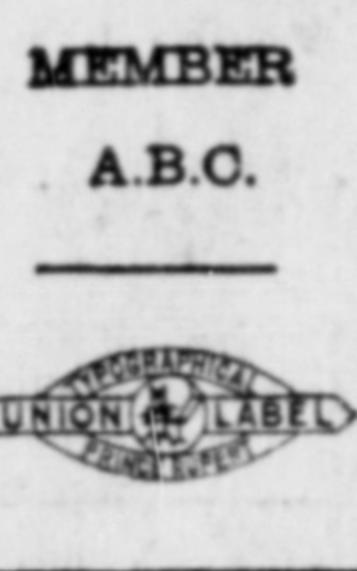


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There Is An Issue Here Too...

There may not be an official Coalition candidate in the field for Prince Rupert since Former Premier T. D. Pattullo decided to go it alone and run as an independent, committed to no party or organization and free to act as he sees fit without fear or obligation, yet the issue between the candidates is quite as distinct as in any other riding in the province. There are the C.C.F. and Labor-Progressive candidates, both espousing the principles of socialism and both tied up to organizations which quite evidently insist, if they are to remain under their aegis, on a very substantial measure of control over their actions and utterances. Then there is Mr. Pattullo, still advocating free enterprise and the only candidate who, evidently committed to no group, is certainly not sold on the idea of socialism or regimentation.

Extraneous considerations may have entered into the current campaign in Prince Rupert but the general issue is clear enough and, for voters of conviction and we do pride ourselves upon having convictions based on some measure of intelligent considerations, there would appear to be just as good reason here as anywhere else to be active and enthusiastic. Actually, the issue between principle of Coalition and Socialism are just as sharply defined here as anywhere.

What happens in Prince Rupert on October 25 will be quite as important to the future conduct of affairs provincially and locally as in any other of the seats which vote that day. Those who might be inclined, for some reason or another, to be indifferent might bear that in mind.

You By Your Vote...

What sort of government do the people of British Columbia want?

That question of course will be a matter of high and low debate until the ballots are counted on October 25.

Meantime the relevant question ought to be: What kind of a govern-

ment will British Columbia have if its people are sensible?

Politicians—despite many rumors and a few instances to the contrary—are practical people. Our politicians now, by the color and complexion of their election campaigns, are telling us at least what they think we want.

They are backing their candidates with their own conviction that we, or a majority of us, really want the program and policy which they are proposing.

There is nothing wrong with that. Quite the contrary, there is everything right with it in the pursuance of our system of democratic self-government.

It is the belief and conviction of the candidates supporting the coalition government that a majority of the people of British Columbia want a continuation of the sort of government which the coalition has exemplified for the last four years.

They believe, these coalition candidates, that the people of British Columbia, as to the majority of them, favor a moderate, unrevolutionary, progressive, honest and competent administration of the province.

The people, by their votes, are to say whether they are right.

Lifting Prince Rupert's Face...

As we move to publicize Prince Rupert more widely in the endeavor to attract increasing number of visitors to the city, we would do well to remember that we are assuming thereby the obligation of making the place interesting and impressive to the visitors who will come.

We might as well face the fact that Prince Rupert during these recent years of war has become anything but attractive. In fact it has become run down and dilapidated and that down-at-heel appearance and dilapidation is to be noted very much in the streets and public property.

The time has come when something will have to be done about raising the face of this community and the municipality itself will have to take the lead in the matter.

We have said before and we repeat it now that, if the civic responsibility is accepted and something really done about it, the citizens themselves may be counted upon to match the effort in the improvement and beautification of their properties.

Meantime a dilapidated and broken-down street is not a very attractive setting for even the most beautiful of garden properties.

Says "Monty"—

CANUCKS POOR SOLDIERS BUT GREAT FIGHTERS

"You Canadians are not much as soldiers but you have great qualities as fighters!"

Hearing these words from the lips of Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery in Sicily was one of the greatest thrills in the four-year military career of Pte. James Colussi who returned last week from overseas.

"Monty," Pte. Colussi said, "shattered the parade ground stiffness of the Canadian troops whom he was inspecting by standing up in his car and shouting 'Gather round, men.' There followed one of those informal discussions between the army commander and his men which made Field Marshal Montgomery one of the war's most beloved field commanders."

Pte. Colussi landed in Sicily in June, 1943 with the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, attached to the Canadian First Division and was still with it almost two years later at Nijmegen, Holland, when the war ended.

During that interval the Canadians with the British Eighth Army fought their way along the Italian boot to Russia, near Ravenna in Northern Italy, when they were abruptly sent to the western front last March. The journey across France was one of the most pleasant experiences he had.

"We sailed from Leghorn on an American troopship and landed at Marseilles. No one knew where we were going, so it had the quality of an adventure. We travelled in our trucks across France, through Luxembourg to Brussels."

As the Canadian First Division passed through the French countryside the people of the towns and villages acclaimed them wildly, although they were not supposed to know who the Canadians were.

"The whole operation was supposed to be secret and we were not allowed to speak or give cigarettes to the Frenchmen. However, they knew who we were," Pte. Colussi said.

Other outstanding experiences of his overseas service was an audience with Pope Pius XII in the Vatican and a three day pass in Paris which he considers the most beautiful city in the world.

Home on 30 days leave with his mother, Mrs. M. Colussi, 1140 Ninth Ave. E., he will go south to Camp Nanaimo for discharge at the expiration of his leave. He anticipates entering business but is not decided yet just what kind of business it will be.

HOME FRONT APPEAL

Previously reported	\$1909
Barr & Anderson	5
David Henderson	5
Prince Rupert Florist	3
S. Massey	2
B. Love	2
F. M. Kempton	2
George Jackson	2
Mrs. E. Graham	2
St. Elmo Hotel	2
Inlander Rooms	5
Ross Bros.	5
Dominion Baths	5
Murdo McArthur	5
Canadian Bank of Commerce Staff	8
Portland Canal War Fund (Stewart)	50
Cut Rate Shoe Store	25
N. L. Armstrong	2
C. N. Freight Staff	10
"Anon"	10
Ajt. P. O. Gorrie	5
Mrs. R. Swanson	10
Dr. L. W. Kergin	10
U. S. Army Units (partial)	226
Edmunds & Walker	25
R.C.A.F., Seal Cove	3
"A Friend"	3
Scott's Meat Market	2
Hawkinson's Laundry	5
Bulky Market	5
H. F. Wearmouth	5
R. G. Birch	5
Four donations of \$1 each	4
Total to October 11	\$2360

Mellom of the United States Army and, finally, he paid tribute to the splendid work that had been carried out by Supervisor Tuttle.

Major John Steele of Vancouver, area supervisor of Salvation Army War Services, referred to the contribution the club had given in the sustaining of the morale of men of the sea who had visited Prince Rupert. He was deeply appreciative of the co-operation and assistance of the ladies of the Navy League.

He also acknowledged the active interest of Col. Weed and Col.

To the Electors of Pr. Rupert Electoral District

I have been asked to make some public comment in respect of the national highway leading out of Prince Rupert.

Very shortly after the incorporation of this City, agitation arose for the building of a highway to meet the highway being constructed in the interior. I myself had brought in the first automobile to Prince Rupert in 1909 and, the more automobiles that came into town, the more was the agitation for the construction of this highway. At my instance, the highway was started and built out several miles at an expenditure of over three quarters of a million dollars. The road, as everyone knows, is a costly one.

In view of the fact that similar situations existed in the South and had existed in populated areas a generation before Prince Rupert was on the map, it was impossible for the Province to undertake all the work that was obviously desirable. Such money as was available had to be divided among all portions of the Province upon what was thought to be an equitable basis. In other words we have had more bread than we have had butter to spread upon it.

World War Two accentuated the need for the construction of this highway as of major importance and the Federal Government carried through the work. As a considerable portion of the highway is on the right-of-way of the Canadian National Railway, the matter of title has not been adjusted as between the Dominion and the Province. It is my personal opinion that this highway is distinctly a National one connecting Northern British Columbia with the rest of Canada and should be maintained by the Federal authority.

I submit that the matter of ultimate ownership and control of the road should immediately be adjusted between the Dominion and the Province and that meantime the road should be kept in safe and passable condition by the Province until final ownership and control is agreed upon. Agreement having been reached, the road should thereafter be surfaced without delay.

I want you to know that I propose to press for this course of action as strongly as I can.

Very faithfully yours,
T. D. PATTULLO.

NEW HOMES FOR REGINA

Two-Room Cabins Cost \$741 And Come in Three Colors—Sixty Ordered by City for Homeless Expected to be Ready Soon

REGINA, Oct. 12 (C) — The housing shortage in Regina has become so serious that a box factory now is producing homes—two-roomed cabins which cost \$741. They come in three colors, white, cream and grey, and roofs are covered with red building paper.

"They all look enough alike without painting them the same colors too," said E. A. Sundberg, manager of the box factory which produces the cabins.

The city of Regina recently placed an order with the factory for 60. A little more than a month later 10 of the houses were up and 40 others were well on the way to completion.

The factory doesn't quite pre-fabricate the cabins. First the rough lumber is finished as siding, upright lining or whatever is needed. Window sash and doors are obtained ready-made. Then the material is taken to an open lot and hammered into shape as houses.

The lot is covered with cabins, some nearly completed, some at the floor and frame stage. All over the lot carpenters and helpers are laying floors, erecting frames and finishing interiors, and painters are busy.

When a cabin is finished it is hauled away to its location. All 60 are going up in the same area, at Paskua, Edward and Alexandra Streets. The cabins are not quite completed when moved. Chimneys and storm doors remain to be put on. The city has undertaken to see that they are equipped with stoves.

As soon as possible 10 three-roomed cabins costing \$995 each will be started, and by the time winter is really here Mr. Sund-

berg hopes to have them completed—provided the cold weather doesn't arrive too fast. Even now, working on the houses in the open air is a chilly business.

No matter what the weather, the cabins will be as warm as any houses. "Why shouldn't they be?" asked Mr. Sundberg. "They are insulated with shavings and well built." Because they are being built for temporary use, they will not be equipped with plumbing facilities—but they should last a considerable time.

It's not expected that the factory will produce any more cabins after the 1/2 on contract are completed. The factory will go back to producing boxes.

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