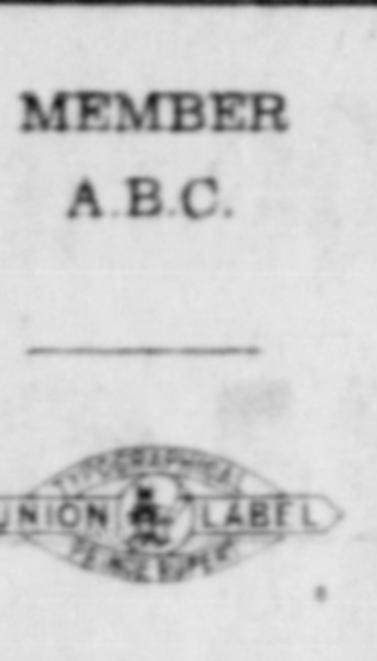


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Liberals and Skeena . . .

The Liberals of Skeena riding, having become so used to the old reliable Olof Hanson that it was difficult to think of anybody else to represent them at Ottawa, has at length made its choice for a new government candidate in the person of Edward T. Applewhaite. Returned soldier, hustling insurance man, qualified barrister, churchman, capable speaker and student of public affairs, the choice of Mr. Applewhaite would appear to be a happy one. He should be a worthy standard bearer and, backed by a properly and organized campaign, should have more than an even chance to win in a fight which everyone concedes is going to be a hard one.

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Tributary Hydro Electric Power

A few days ago the question came up as to how much undeveloped water power there was for industrial purposes in the immediate vicinity of Prince Rupert. Checking the matter up it is found that within forty miles of the city there is over 100,000 horsepower of undeveloped water power which could support an industrial population of possibly 1,000,000 people. Developed waterpower contiguous to Prince Rupert amounts to only 7,600 h.p.—6,000 h.p. at Falls River and 1,600 h.p. at Woodworth Lake. Waterpower potentials in close proximity to Prince Rupert include the following:

Falls River, 32,000.

Woodworth Lake, 3,600.

Brown's Mill, (Eestall River), 17,000.

Khatda Lake, 27,000.

Thulme River, 18,000.

Union Bay, 10,000.

In addition there is a development at Anyox with a potential of 15,000 and at Kalum Lake near Terrace 12,000 to 18,000 h.p. both of which could be readily available in these days of long transmission.

The School Board's Letter . . .

The propriety of publishing a communication which was sent to the city council recently on behalf of the board of school trustees and in which certain comments were made in regard to the salaries paid and the quality of teaching talent attracted thereby was questioned at the meeting of the board of school trustees last week. The city council rightly saw no objection to placing the communication on the agenda paper to be read in public session. Since the letter had a bearing on the estimates for the year, the comment in respect to the quality of teaching talent being evidently in justification of an increased salary scale, it was quite fitting that in our line of service to the public the correspondence should have been published by this newspaper. To make particularly certain that there should be an accurate report of the letter in question the Daily News published it in its entirety with the exception of two or three sentences.

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TOWNSEND PLAN AGAIN



"Look what my mother-in-law sent me for my birthday—a beautiful new straight razor!"

IRISH LACK ERSE TERMS FOR BILLS

DUPLIN, March 14 (UPI)—Erse is one of the official languages of the Oireachtas (parliament) and Prime Minister de Valera's government has been trying to popularize its use but not one of 221 bills introduced during the years 1938 to 1944 was in that language. English was invariably used in the bills which were signed by the president in that language. No bill in Erse may be presented for signature unless it has been passed by both Houses in that language.

This year the bill—"The Business, Employment and Social Insurance Act"—was introduced by Rep. Homer D. Angell (Republican, Oregon), a Portland lawyer and member of the last four congresses.

It has gone to the committee on ways and means where an identical bill Mr. Angell introduced last year, failed to make any headway.

The proposal is to tax gross incomes by a special levy of three percent (with \$100 a month exemption on personal incomes) to build up a fund for distribution among those qualified and willing to accept the conditions under which it may be received.

The amount of annuity would depend upon the number of applicants and the amount in the fund which will be distributed on a per capita basis, monthly.

May Have Thorny Path

Rep. Angell, who did not appear enthusiastic about the chances of getting his bill through Congress, said he thought the fund should provide monthly payments of \$60 or \$70 but it would depend upon the national income and the number of claimants.

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