

A Message

From Major Harvey To The Voters

Dear Fellow Citizen:

Unlike the others who are seeking to represent you at Ottawa my presence on the Western Front, until a few days ago, has made it impossible for me to visit many of you before the election, much as I should like to have done so.

My home has been in this district since 1930, first at Smithers, then at Prince Rupert. I have travelled pretty well all over it and know its problems. In 1935 I was elected President of the Prince Rupert Chamber of Commerce, and two weeks before the war was elected President of the Associated Boards of Trade of Central British Columbia, an office to which I was re-elected a month ago.

I am convinced that Skeena has a great future, dependent to a large extent on the development of trade through the Port of Prince Rupert and the opening of trade routes principally to North China, Russia and the United Kingdom. Development has not occurred to any Pacific Port without subsidies, and my chief endeavour will be to arrange for the subsidizing of ships to come to Prince Rupert. This will start a flow of trade from all Northern B.C. ports and will develop markets for all that we can produce through it the district. I worked on this before the war and do not approach the problem as a novice. All our problems of development have come from limitations of markets and excessive tariffs and rates. I will work to solve these problems.

As a Progressive-Conservative I will work for:

- (a) The encouragement of free enterprise, individually and co-operatively, and the removal of restrictions.*
- (b) A fair share of the national income for farmers and fishermen, miners and loggers.*
- (c) Work at fair pay for every Canadian able to work.*
- (d) Investigation and control of monopolies and international cartels.*
- (e) Mandatory collective bargaining.*
- (f) Protection against unemployment, sickness, accident and old age.*
- (g) A national health program.*

As a soldier I will give proper representation to the members of the Armed Forces of this and the last war and their families.

As a lawyer I will present your case in an effective manner in Ottawa

As a bona fide resident of Skeena I will give you and the district as a whole, sincere and honest representation.

As a Canadian I will work for national unity and against those forces which advocate an untried, dangerous and un-Canadian political philosophy.

Finally, let me say that I am no reactionary. I believe intensely in progress, but progress will not come under the present dying and decadent regime.

Yours sincerely,

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