

As I See It

by
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Election Forecast

A FRIEND of mine stood on the main corner of Vancouver on the day of the British election count. He was waiting for his wife (even as yours and mine) to arrive. The nearby newsboy was very much disgusted. "Look at this," he said. "Philpott has always been a friend of Churchill. Yet Churchill is winning, exactly as Philpott predicted yesterday."

His champion paper-seller actually blamed me for the Labor defeat, and I hope both he and I are around for the next British election for I can tell him now I will be forecasting differently.

However, as I have already written out on a limb so many times, and as I have guessed the Saskatchewan outcome for B.C., there is my guess on the B.C. election.

THINK the plebiscite for hard-liquor lounges will be beaten. Then in doubt play safe, is a repeated human instinct. The advocates of legalized hard-liquor sale by the glass have not won their own argument.

FIGURE that the Liberals, Conservatives and CCF will each poll the same approximate percentage of votes that they did in the recent past; but as we now have two Conservative parties running instead of one that is Social Credit as well as the old-style Tories—a further analysis is necessary:

Just for fun, here is my guess of the outcome on the next counts. Please note, I am not so foolhardy as to try to guess the number of outright party victories. The figures are my guesses as to party standings only.

To Lead on First Count

Liberals	31
CCF	8
PC and SC	8
Tom Uphill	1

UNDER the straight, above-board British system of voting, results such as indicated here would automatically mean:



C.M.A. VICE-PRESIDENT—G. W. Lawrence, president and general manager, Sangamo Co. Ltd., Leaside, Ont., was elected first vice-president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association at the 81st annual meeting held in Toronto. (CP PHOTO)

a government with a sufficient working majority. Unfortunately, under the confused, un-British system we have imported for this B.C. election nobody can guess much further as to the final outcome with any certainty.

Alberta's experience is that the candidates which lead on the first count also lead on the final count. But Alberta has never had a hodge-podge vote like this one in B.C. We could even have the astounding result of a Social Credit government elected on second, third or fourth choices—although that party would not stand a snowball's chance to take B.C. in a straight party fight.

When the smoke and dust has cleared I expect to see the Liberals emerge as the winning party, probably by a whisker-width. I also expect the CCF to gain seats, even though they may drop one or so around Vancouver but pick up others.

I expect the Conservatives to be the chief sufferers from the Social Credit blitz from Alberta. But the most short-sighted advice is that given by one CCF candidate—that is to "plump" for one candidate only.

This election will not likely be won outright on the first counts. To refrain from marking your second, third and fourth choices is simply to allow other people to have several votes to your one.

For instance, if you do not want Social Credit or another party at the top as the next government of B.C., make sure that you put that party at the bottom of your list of choices.

Impressive Display Seen In Graduation Exercises

It was an impressive display. Close to 500 proud parents, relatives and friends thronged the large auditorium of new Booth Memorial High School Friday night to witness the first class of Grade XII students graduate from their new school.

Graduation exercises, in which 17 beautiful girls and 20 striking young men took the feature part, were climaxed by presentation of scholarships and school awards.

The IODE \$100 bursary went to Verna Jean Graham, presented by Mrs. J. A. Teng, IODE representative. Jean Mary Cheshier received the Soroptimist scholarship of \$100, presented by Mrs. Willsa Ray, past president of Prince Rupert Soroptimist Club.

Both scholarships were given for students outstanding in not only their work, but for outstanding sportsmanship and personality.

Two prizes also were given by the school, presented by A. M. Hurst, high school principal. July Nelson was awarded her prize for best work in the commercial course.

Noboru Yamamoto received the award for top work in the university entrance course. "You were right up there," said Mr. Hurst as he made the presentation.

One of the most impressive parts of the ceremony was the valedictorian address by Patricia Margot Brown.

With complete assurance in her poise, Miss Brown delivered her 15-minute address with emphasis and sincerity.

She called on the students of her class and citizens to help foster peace in the world, now

strife-ridden.

G. W. Graham, inspector of schools, delivered his address of advice to the students. Master of ceremonies was R. H. Davidson, vice-principal, who gave a thumbnail sketch of each student, introduced to the audience individually. The high school band, conducted by Mr. Fred Huber, played several selections.

A reception of parents by the graduating class followed.

These are the graduates: Anne Rose Appleton, Earl William Edward Becker, Sheila Kay Bennett, Patricia Margot Brown, Gordon Eugene Ernest Cameron, Jean Mary Cheshier, William George Clark, William Campbell Dickson, William Louis Donaldson, Roald Joel Fenness, John Alexander Finlayson, Verna Jean Graham, Marcel Kenneth Helgason, Nancy Margaret Hill, Ann Patricia Hill, Rena Fern Ingram, Ross Sheldon Ingram, Morris Berton Kaardal, Richard Paul Kilborn, Kenneth Roy Malcolm, Marna Rae Mark, Patricia Ann Martin, William Henry Morrison, Gael Iona Mary MacRae, Judith Minerva Nilson, Margaret Claire Ritchie, Norman Sather, Muriel Elaine Shier, Alfred Simonson, Marion Joan Smith, Margaret Stephen Strachan, Roy Isao Tsuchiya, Dennis Matthew Waters, Roy Arnold Clarence Webster, Leona Margaret Webster, Robert Edward Wood, Norobu Yamamoto.

Personals

The Wrens of HMCS Chatham announced there will be a dance in the naval drill hall on Friday, June 13. Everyone is welcome.

Cdr. J. A. Charles, RCN, accompanied by Lt.-Cdr. M. O. Jones from Ottawa will visit Chatham to discuss training and communication.

readers

• S.O.N. meeting Monday, June 9, 8 p.m. (1t)

• A vote for TOM CHRISTIE is a vote for you. (1t)

• Vote TOM CHRISTIE No. 1 to preserve YOUR personal interests. (1t)

• C.C.F. Committee Rooms in Metropole Hall open evenings from 7 to 9:30. Phone 790 (137)

• Attention Elks. Important lodge meeting tonight at Elks' Home. Please attend. (1t)

• Regular Moose meeting Tuesday, June 10, 8 p.m. (136)

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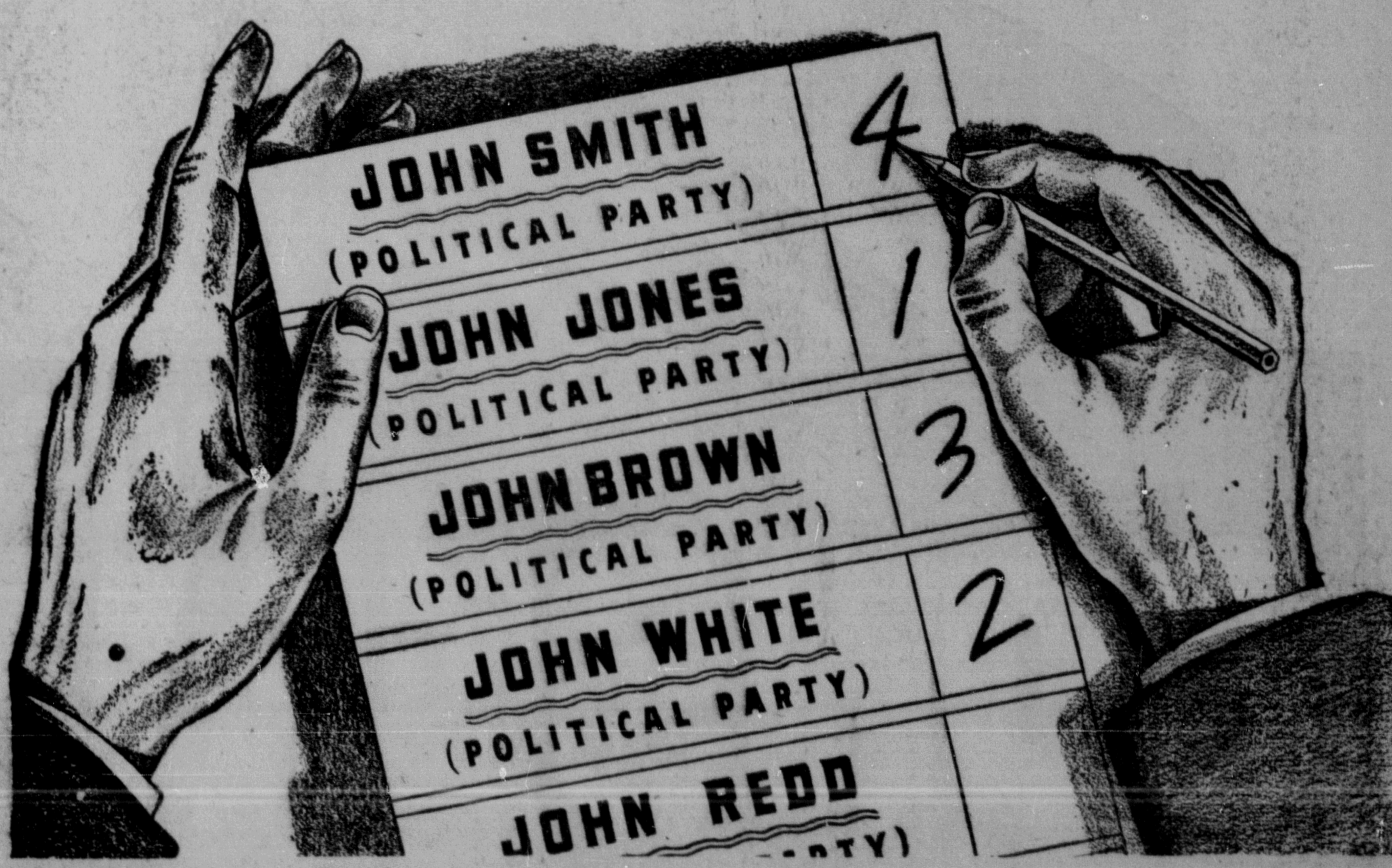
HERE'S WHY THE NEW SYSTEM IS BEING USED

The Voting system has been changed to enable every voter to cast his ballot for more than one candidate in order of his preference.

When you vote under the Alternative Vote system YOU GET MORE THAN ONE CHOICE. This will prevent any candidate being elected on a minority vote as has happened in the past. The candidate so elected in each riding will have received an absolute majority over all other candidates combined.

HERE'S HOW YOU VOTE WITH ALTERNATIVE VOTING

The Alternative Vote is as simple as the voting system used before only, instead of marking an X against your one choice only, you can mark 1-2-3-4 with your first choice as number one, your second choice as number two and so forth in order of your preference.



CUT OUT THIS MESSAGE FOR REFERENCE AND DISCUSSION.

Fred H. Hurley, Chief Electoral Officer

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Hear the second important speech by the Leader of the B.C. Progressive Conservative Party
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- HERBERT ANSCOMB
- E. C. CARSON
- L. H. EYRES
- R. C. MacDONALD

CFPR (and 8-Station Network) 10:15 p.m.

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