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A Stroll Through the Park

WORK has begun on our parks. At last something is to be done for their maintenance... painting, cleaning up debris and keeping grass down should do much for beautification.

Parks are not alone for tourists to look at with wonderment. A park should be a place where the every-day worker, our city's citizen can walk through, or sit down and admire nature in the raw and relax.

Relaxation plays a big part in keeping ourselves stable—a balance of body and mind.

The fever of business throughout the week, the hustle of work on any job, is apt to tire us mentally. Relaxation is the answer, and just to take things easy for a few minutes as nature does herself is relaxing.

We can learn much from Mother Nature—let's stroll through the park.

Commemorate Our Sailors

THE Battle of the Atlantic—fought to a large extent by Canadian sailors against lurking submarines, torpedoes finding their mark in the hulls of merchant vessels and warships—is to be remembered tomorrow.

"Battle of Atlantic Sunday" commemorates the sacrifices and triumphs of more than five years of anti-submarine warfare.

But there was much more to it than blazing guns and the slam of depth charges.

Often the elements provided as bitter a foe as the human enemy. And in these perils of the war-torn sea, many a Canadian sailor and some from Prince Rupert gave up their lives for their country.

These we will remember Sunday, with a silent prayer, a kindly thought, and a realization of that for which they died.

ICELAND FARMERS ANCIENT CITY
Although six-sevenths of its area is unproductive, about one-third of Iceland's population is engaged in agriculture. Cairo, the Egyptian capital, favored by tourists for its cafes and bazaars, has a population of more than 2,100,000.

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(Opposite Capitol Theatre)

PHONE 270

Everybody Welcome



Vote...

J. D. McRAE

LIBERAL CANDIDATE

Vote Liberal—June 12th

As I See It



by
Elmore
Philpott

Why I'll Vote NO

TORONTO: Until I came east on this trip I had not made up my mind on how to vote on the B.C. hard liquor plebiscite.

But now, after a week spent in delving into the background effects, I am quite clear in my own mind:

I shall vote NO.
It seems to me that if we in B.C. vote YES on the vague question that we are being asked we are simply opening the gates to something that is likely to be a setback to our province at the very time when we should be getting ready to go forward.

HERE is how the local option system has worked out in Ontario. In centres of over 50,000 the liquor control commission can license any or all of eight different kinds of drink selling outlets REGARDLESS OF THE WISHES OF THE PEOPLE IN THE ACTUAL VICINITY.

In the suburb of Toronto in which this is written over 90 per cent of the people signed a petition against granting of hard liquor licences. Yet the board granted them.

In centres below 50,000 the law says there must be a local option vote, which must carry by a 60 per cent majority. I have spent a good deal of time studying the actual working out of this law. The plain fact is that in all the combined local option votes to date the total dry vote outnumbers the total wet vote. But the net effect is that there are more liquor selling outlets in Ontario than there ever were

before. I was astonished to note that even the most stalwart "dry" counties like Peel have recently voted "wet."

When I went out to Brampton (where my own mother, 87 years old, was born in a hotel owned by her father, Bob Menzies), I found that this was the argument that had turned the tide:

"If we do not permit liquor sale we will lose business to or (other towns nearby)."

THE MAIN reason why I now intend to vote NO in the coming B.C. plebiscite is that Ontario's experience shows that the hotel bar and cocktail lounge system:

1. Increases the total amount of alcohol sold—with the tendency also to sell more hard liquor and less beer. Ontario now spends about \$25 per year per person for milk and about \$60 per year per person for alcoholic drinks.

2. The more lax and widespread system of liquor sale has re-created a vast private ownership interest in retail sale of alcohol which did not exist between 1917 and 1947 in Ontario and which does not exist now in B.C. Do we want this?

3. The new system has corrected some of the more flagrant evils of bedroom hotel drinking. It has relieved people at dances and dinners at night clubs from humiliation of carrying their own bottles of hard liquor. This is certainly to the good.

4. But the new system has not abolished the bootlegger. Juvenile delinquency is a more serious problem in Ontario right now than it is in any part of the Canadian west. The Globe and Mail for May 9 reports the case of a school principal who called police after bootleggers had sold three bottles of wine to 14 and 15 year old girl pupils.

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UNION STEAMSHIPS

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

CHANGES IN NORTHERN SCHEDULES

Northbound—Effective Monday, May 26

- (1) Steamers will leave Vancouver for Prince Rupert: MONDAYS and WEDNESDAYS 8:00 P.M.
- (2) Leave Prince Rupert for Queen Charlotte Islands: WEDNESDAYS 12:00 Mdt. (South Island May 28 and fortnightly) (North Island June 4 and fortnightly)
- (3) Leave Prince Rupert for Stewart: FRIDAYS 12:00 Mdt. (commencing May 30)

Southbound—Effective Friday, May 30

- (1) Leave Prince Rupert for Vancouver: FRIDAYS 9:00 P.M. Ar. Vancouver SUN. 8 P.M. approx. SUNDAYS 8:00 P.M. Ar. Vancouver TUE. 8 p.m. approx.
- (2) Leave Prince Rupert for Kitimat: FRIDAYS 9:00 P.M.
- (3) Leave Prince Rupert for Kemano Bay: SUNDAYS 8:00 p.m.

For further information, reservations, tickets, please consult F. J. SKINNER, Third Avenue—Phone 568



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Reflects and Reminisces

What some of us describe as an education is what enables you to worry about things in all parts of the world.

Advice from Mr. Abbott says the cost of living is down four-tenths of a point. If the minister had neglected to send word, one is doubtful if he'd ever suspected it from time to time throughout the day.

EAST'S RESPONSE

Broadcasts are asserting that in Vancouver today the number of unemployed is 20 percent

more than what it was a year ago. This is explained by the multitudes flocking to British Columbia, attracted by the industrial boom, and feeling, because of it, reasonably certain of finding a job.

It seems that in future the CNR will be known for its diesel as well as its deficits.—Toronto Telegram.

A week hence will be Empire Day—or Victoria Day—or the Twenty-Fourth—or the sort of day we just naturally honor. Parades, trout fishing trips, ball games: these are only a very few of the events taking place around the world in all climates and at all times.

All over British Columbia Friday, weather was reported the warmest to date, but nothing serious in the shape of floods. And that should mean continued cool nights. But watch out

for warmth around the clock in this land of snow filled woods. Once, back in the early twenties, Skeena water was high enough for boats to go through railway tunnels.

Deaths have followed the recent prison riot at Bordeaux, in Montreal. Inmates had been complaining of food. There were numerous cases of dysentery. Physicians did not exactly deny

LONG CAREER
Alfred, Lord Tennyson, great English poet, was 71 of age when he died in 1850.

VAST DESERT
The Libyan area in Africa, mostly desert, covers an area of 680,000 square miles.

HEAR...

Attorney General
Gordon Wismer

at the

CIVIC CENTRE
Tuesday, 8 p.m.

Speaking on behalf of

Jack McRae

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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.

IT'S FAIR!

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.

IT'S EASY!

Further messages will appear in your daily and weekly newspapers explaining the Alternative Vote. Watch for them.

Fred H. Hurley... Chief Electoral Officer

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