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Dishonesty in the Services

A MOVE to have an investigation made of the 1 federal defence organization, with particular reference to fraud and thefts was thrown out in the House of Commons Monday.

Perhaps these irregularities in Army personnel behaviour as reported in the news of late can be explained, but they do not indicate that Canadian military men are less trustworthy than any other class of citizen.

The large-scale thefts of government property does indicate, however, that there is more opportunity for that kind of thing in the public service than in private industry, because government property is probably less zealously guarded than private property.

In private industry the rule is "attend to business or go bankrupt." All responsible officials know

Executives know that their own prosperity depends on the prosperity of their employers, and they act accordingly.

In the government service there is no such incentive to do one's best, for government enterprises don't go bankrupt. No matter how inefficient they are, they always have the taxpayers to fall back on to make up any losses that might arise out of their negligence.

These are things we should think of when we are asked to entrust our industries into the hands of the government.

Importance of Voting

THE secret ballot is the lifeblood of democracy. It is our shield against political oppression. So long as we have this right, we maintain the power to choose the kind of government we desire.

But if we lose this right, we loose freedom.

More than 9,000 citizens in the Prince Rupert riding are on the voters' list. They have the opportunity to exercise their right June 12, day of the British Columbia provincial election. Every eligible voter who is physically able to do so should cast his or her ballot.

Not to vote is an indication that we do not appreciate our rights. This is very dangerous, for we may lose them—and our freedom.

Every Canadian voter is free to cast his ballot the atmosphere at Ottawa. Still for any candidate or political party of his choice. The all-important thing is that he vote!

Scripture Passage for Joday "God shall supply all your need."-Phil. 4:19.

gasoline, into one's tank.

Avenues. The short streets, for

example, are being taken care of.

WOKING England (CP)-Her-

bert King did not appear in court

when fined for driving without

IT'S WELCOME

ray ... Reflects and

How long the blocks of con- Yesterday, 5th Street was fin- Liberals in 1930? crete, formerly part of the war- ished. Instead of roughness, and time warehouse in the railway a scattering of hundreds of good yard will remain where they are, sized stones at the corner of 2nd no one appears able to tell. Avenue, it's all now fit and Though hard to handle, because smooth—a welcome convenience of size and weight, they could be alike to anyone on foot or in car. useful in construction. The original owner of that corner, was the late David H. Hays, brother of the first president of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway.

and other wooden premises once for cruelty to animals." stood near where today there's nothing much save ungainly looking chunks of cement. One whistling cold morning every stick burned down. The only change since then has been the arrival of what will once again, be building material. Anyway it should be, for the stuff has never been anything else.

Fourteen divorce applications were awarded at the May Assize in Prince Rupert. There was one in 1868 and that was for all Canada. How the country

Home coming troops from China wear a touch of color. Vancouver's cheering thousands, Sunday, saw plenty of blue and white, and blue and yellow, indicating the United Nations as the erect ranks marched smartly

Northern B.C. Power Co. Ltd. tions of the west, the license of an automobile driver is taken Prince Rupert, B.C. the influence of liquor. In other

As I See It



Can Liberals Last?

OTTAWA: Candor compels me to report that one reason why the parliament of 1952 is less exciting and colorful than the one I first saw in 1915, or those of, say, 1925 or 1933, is because the Liberals have things so much their own

The Liberal regime has been in power now longer than any other save one in history. Tha old master Sir John A. Macdon ald came in in 1879 and hi party went out in 1896. But here remarkable difference When Macdonald died in 1892 his party began to go to pieces When King passed off the scene the Liberal party went ahead with no sign whatever of

They say the one thing this world you can't beat is the law of averages. The law averages should be working against the federal Liberals now. But, if so, there is no sign o it. The by-elections may give some surprises. But this government does not act to me like one that thinks it might be beaten next year.

What is more to the point, the Opposition parties do not act like groups which really hope to upset and overthrow the government.

YET the picture could change are (with one exception) Con-CCF were to be beaten in Sask- wing, not left wing, of the Conatchewan. Or suppose (some- servative party at that. thing more improbable) that Social Credit were to sweep B.C. happen for Canada would be to Either one of the above upsets get things back to the sincere would have profound effect in two party system. Unfortunate-

Any marked gain for Social wards the French system of Credit provincially in B.C. will chaos not toward British twostrengthen George Drew's way-road stability. chances of winning the federal election of 1953. That is not because of the implications of Mr. Solon Low's remark in parliament a few days ago that the Opposition parties should get together. It is because any material gains by the Social Crediters in B.C. must be at the long range expense of the Liberals. who are the dominant federal

I am far from sure that George Drew's chances of winning the 1955 election are as slim as one might imagine from less do I figure that the public opinion polls accurely show up the chances. The latest figures show that the Liberals have about 44 per cent of popular support and the Conservatives only 31 per cent. But if you add together Conservative and Social Credit support you get quite a different picture. words, it is forbidden to pour

It seems certain that George anything, with the exception of Drew still holds the same ideas about banning the Communist party and all its fronts which he held in 1949. Would such a Black topping is at last making platform gain him votes or lose more of an appearance in the him votes in the developing business district, although this world situation? Would it help Reminisces does not apply to 2nd and 3rd him crack the solid Liberal front in Quebec in 1953 as Bennett cracked it to bring down the

> The politicians here might remember the astonishing Mitch Hepburn somersault of 1937. The then Premier of Ontario was in a nasty jam with his own party who were in rebellion against Mitch's tampering with the always-sleeping furies of the separate school question.

Mitch abandoned the separate school bill overnight and a licence. He wrote: "I have went to the province on a snap A frame, two storey building, taken over a farm with 100 pigs election platform to "Keep the containing Mr. Hays' realty and and 200 chickens, and if I leave Communistic CIO out of Canbrokerage office, with residence, them I shall be liable to a fine ada." Whatever else he did, he showed what you can do with

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an emotional issue when the atmosphere is electric enough. Less axes That was just four years before Mitch staged a mammoth public meeting to celebrate Tim Help Auto Buck's return when the ban on him was lifted.

THE GREAT contradiction our politics at Ottawa is that the CCF is the advance guard or left wing of the Liberal party They urge today what Liberal enact tomorrow. All but one of two of the CCF MPs are liberals, without the capital L. Yet the basis of the party's power in Saskatchewan where it is wan to the knife between the Liberal and CCF machines.

The Social Crediters, of course by next year. Suppose the servatives-and the most right

The best thing that could the federal field of politics. ly we seem to be moving to-

Cancer Society Tops Quota

With receipts still coming in from outlaying districts, Prince \$1000 this year.

Campaigning ended April 30. Toronto in August.

Exports

LONDON (P-Removal of credit automobiles from 25 per cent to province." 15 per cent are expected to help "Mr. McRae asked me to speak

Automobile associations, trade journals, newspapers and board of trade spokesman here all welcomed the Canadian gov ernment's decision, saying would almost certainly cause sharp increase in British car exports to Canada.

Shipments to Canada sagged last summer when instalmentbuying restrictions were made more severe. Cars already sent to Canada were returned here for re-export. At the end of 1951. British sales in Canada totalled fewer than 40 cars month compared with 6,597 in May the same year.

The increased Canadian purchases now expected may help to make up for loss of markets elsewhere in the Commonwealth, particularly in Australia.

The Austin Company, largest Canadian supplier, has decided Rupert Cancer Society expects to exhibit the Austin Seven as to over subscribe their quota by well as the A40 Somerset at the Vancouver motor show starting Quota is \$2000. They now June 16. Twenty British motor have \$2814.68, said Campaign firms will be represented at the Manager D. C. Stevenson today. Canadian National Exhibition in

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BIGGER DEVELOPMENT (Continued from Page 1)

to run things" and said "Social enterprise party candidate the "The future of " now being practised in that province."

Then, he took a dig at the Progressive Conservative party method of drawing up a policy.

DIGS AT TORIES

"At their convention in Vancouver recently, they pushed through a platform in four hours after only brief discussion.

"They actually spent two hours getting it through and then spent two hours patting each other on the back for a fine

"Well, they may think it's sound, but you'll find it pretty weak all the way."

Speaking of reports of a split in Liberal ranks, the attorneygeneral said, "Mr. Johnson is the leader and everyone is behind him.

"That's one thing about the Liberal party. We reserve the right to disagree and we do plenty, but that's the only way to reach a decision. We don't push policy through like these others. PRAISES MCRAE

Mr. Wismer praised Jack Mc-Rae, Liberal member for Prince Rupert in the last legislature, who is seeking re-election.

"It was through Mr. McRae's efforts that we brought down some very important amendments to the Labor Act and the Liberal party, at its convention last month, approved in principle these amendments." "The Liberals regard Mr. Mc-

Rae as one of the fnest men that has come out of the north country. He is one of the best derestrictions in Canada and re- baters in the house and is well duction of the excise tax on versed in affairs of the entire

Britain's balance - of - payments to you on many things. Among them the benefits of the Hospital Insurance Act."

HOSPITAL INSURANCE

Mr. Wismer said hospital insurance is very necessary and "like anything else that's new. there's bound to be complaints at the start." Only two hours before Mr.

Wismer's address, Mr. McRae spoke over the radio from his hospital bed in Vancouver General Hospital, outlining treatment he has received through the hospital insurance. He told how "all these heavy

expenses are borne by the hospital insurance and are available to everyone. Mr. Wismer urged electors to

re-elect Mr. McRae. He then urged listeners to use their prerogative in voting this year under the new alternative voting system.

"Vote for a free enterprise party . . . the party in which lies

the opportunity to move ahead, and we will conting "Mark your first vote for Mr. unless we have stable McRae and give the other free ment."

"We must develop the Peace years you have been a co River country too," said the at- dreams. Now your dream torney-general. "We have oil and coming true." gas there and there's enough to But, don't take a ch

"There's no room for gloom in gress by electing anyth B.C. We are going ahead now free enterprise government

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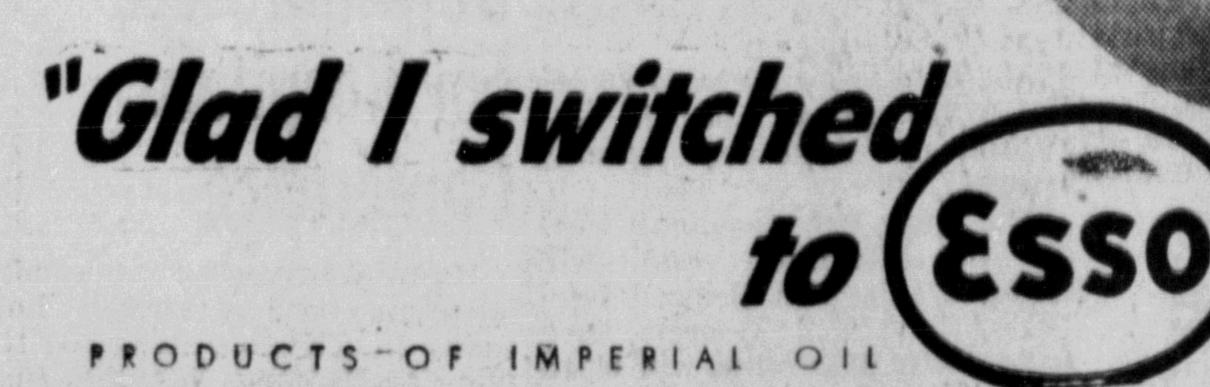
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