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Assistance For Britannia Homeless

Disaster Overcame Britannia Village Friday Night Last—Fifty out of One Hundred and Ten Houses Swept Away by Torrent—Mission City To Hold Tag Day For Unfortunates.

Still the work of searching for the missing at the Britannia disaster is being carried on and gradually each resident is being located. The casuality list is large but the homeless are being brought to the city of Vancouver, while a large subscription list of between $50,000 and $75,000 is to be raised for the relief of the destitute ones.

The cause of the catastrophe is ascribed to a combination of circumstances.

First, official records show thet the unprecedented amount of 5.74 inches of rain fell in the district during the 24 hours previous to the flood. Then, a warm Chinook wind was blowing, which melted the snows in the mountains, adding their quota of water to the already swollen stream. Then, according to Japanese eye-witnesses who were in the mountains at the time, a cloudburst took place. An enormous cloud which hovered over Goat mountain literally changed in a flash into a solid sheet of water.

More than a mile behind Britannia Beach, away on the opposite side of Goat mountain and 300 feet above the village, are three dams used to provide power for the mines. These dams today are all intact. Halfway between the dams and the beach is a wider valley, ending in a considerable gulch and canyon. Here there must have accumulated a lake many acres in extent, for in some way a natural dam of driftwood held back the waters there. When the pressure became too great the whole thing gave way, a solid wall of water swept down on the town.

ABBOTSFORD SUPERIOR SCHOOL

Division I. Teacher, M. McDowall.
Percentage, 91.91.
Proficiency—2nd yr. High School, Lawrie Coogan, Ella Fraser; 1st yr. High School, Eleanor Blatchford, Kate Parton; Entrance Class, Naomi McPhee, Mary Millard.

Division II.
Proficiency—Junior IV., Ernest Rowles, Eva Ware, Ronald Hay; Joseph McDonald, Wesley Hay, Phyllis Whitchelo.
Percentage, 89.49.

Division III. Teacher ,Carol Mason.
Percentage, 91.12.
Proficiency—Int. III., Charley Wevurski, Elsie Stady; Jr. 3rd, 1st Doris Weatherby, Edwin Webster; Sen. II., Barbara Brydges, Camille Trethewey.

Division IV. Teacher, Miss M. Seldon.
Percentage, 89.
Proficiency— 1st Reader, Marjorie Weston, Stanley Prosloski; Jnr. 2nd, Violet Rucker, Vera Bedlow; Snr. 2nd, Harry Gibson, Billy Pernoski.

Division V. Teacher, Olive Alexander.
Percentage, 96.21.
Proficiency—2nd Primer, Ralph Fountain, Gordon Hay; 1st Primer, Ethel Johnston, Selma Schluter; Receiving class, Muriel Wright, Boydell Hill.

We learn that the new stores to be opened will be conducted along departmental store lines and one of the most complete stocks giving a wide range of prices to be found outside the large business centres will be on display. It is felt that this will fill a long felt want in the community and only needs the support it deserves to make Abbotsford the business centre its good position warrants.

Mr. Fritz Bergerain, of the prairies visited Mr. A. Klairsen lately.

Subscription Contest Is Started

The subscription contest for the Post started on Saturday last and quietly a number of subscriptions have been taken and the following young ladies have been awarded, so far, the number of votes opposite their name:

District No. 1—North of the Yale Road and west of Riverside road,
Margaret Hutchison 5000
Dorothy Lee 5000
Margaret Gillen 5000
Thelma Taylor 5000

District No. 2—East of Riverside and north of Yale,
Annie McCrimmon 5000
Isabel McPhee 5000
Irene King 5000
Lillian Ball (Clayburn) 5000

District No. 3—South of Yale Road and east of Huntingdon Road (lower),
Ina Fraser 5000
Margaret McCrimmon 5000
Eva Loney 50000
Jennie Good 5000

District No. 4—East of Huntingdon Road and south of Yale,
May Wilson 5000
Daisy Stadey 5000
Elsie McConley 5000
Hazel Curtis 5000

Next week we intend to publish the names and number of votes up-to date. Further particulars and subscription books may be had from Mr. A. McCallum.

Be sure to leave number of votes with Mr. McCallum on Thursday evening next for Friday's paper.

WORK IS PROGRESSING

It is noted with a great deal of interest that progress is being made on the Matsqui-Sumas-Abbotsford hospital.

In this connection the hospital board are particularly desirous of getting in all available funds, and remittance of the amounts due by those who subscribed will now be appreciated. Also, now is the time for those who made a resolve with themselves that if the hospital were a reality they would give a certain amount to help a good cause along. All admit that the district needs a first-class hospital and it is nice to say, maybe when it has accomplished something that all appreciate, 'I helped to build that institution.' Get a claim on it by donating.

GET-TOGETHER-BANQUET

November 17th next the Abbotsford and District Board of Trade will hold a Get-Together Banquet in the Abbotsford Hotel dining-room at 7:45 p. m., at which Mr. D. E. McKenzie, secretary of the provincial exhibition will speak on "Fairs" in their relation to agricultural development; Mr. W. L. Mackin, of Chilliwack, on the subject of "Good Roads;" and Mr. B. A. McKelvie on the "Made in B. C." movement. Other prominent speakers have been invited. Tickets may be had at the Royal Bank of Canada, Bank of Montreal and Weir's Drug Store, or from the officers of the Board of Trade.

The President of the Abbotsford and District Board of Trade announces that contributions towards the relief of sufferers in the Britannia Beach disaster, Coquitlam and other flooded areas will be received at the Royal Bank or the Bank of Montreal and remitted promptly to the central committee. (Ed. This affords all the opportunity of a Thanksgiving donation that will do unbounded good to the homeless.)

Mr. A. E. Hunt was at the coast on Monday.

Mr. J. A. McGowan returned home from Vancouver on Monday evening.

Mr. William Crawford has accepted a position with M. DesMazes.

The Abbotsford Garage has received the contract for wiring of the hospital, and Mr. Wright of that firm has the work well in hand.

Coquitlam Has Flood Disaster

Port Coquitlam Experiences the Biggest Flood Disaster in History of That City—No Lives Lost—Loss Of Property Totals Large Amount—Traffic Bridge and C. P. R. Bridge Taken Out.

Port Coquitlam, October 29—With the flood waters, which have practically isolated this community subsiding rapidly, Port Coquitlam is now taking stock of the biggest flood it has experienced in many years and which has caused considerable damage and the greatest inconvenience but, so far as can be learned at the moment, no loss of life or injury to humans.

The tale of the flood includes the collapse of the Canadian Pacific Railway bridge, which tied up the main line; the sweeping away of the wooden span of the traffic bridge; the carrying away of several buildings, and the inundation of many others. Several families had to be taken from their homes in boats, and are temporarily homeless.

While it was the first impression that the flood had come so suddenly as to suggest that there must be some other cause than excessive rainfall, it is now mooted that such was not the case. Even as long ago as last Wednesday, before the heaviest rain had fallen, the Coquitlam river was high and was roaring down under the bridges. With the excessive rains which folicwed, the river rose rapidly and brought down great quantities of debris, logs and other floatsam The railway bridge began to be imperilled and C. P. R. gangs worked to clear it.

During the night the superstructure was washed off its piers and sank in the boiling stream. The western span of the traffic bridge built of timbers, went out.

C. P. R. Resuming Traffic Gradually

The Big Transcontinental is Held Up On Account of the Many Bridges Being Washed Out — Trains Through on C. N. R.

Trains are beginning to pass over the C. P. R. again after the flood period of last week and are running on schedule time, or making a big effort to do so.

With about half a dozen bridges out between here and North Bend it was impossible to "carry on" and C. P. R. trains were sent in to Vancouver by various routes, over the C. N. R., latterly to Mission south to Huntingdon and thence over the Great Northern to Vancouver. And some trains left Vancouver via the latter route.

It will probably be some time before the bridge at Port Coquitlam will be rebuilt, but a diversion is being made and used probably by tonight.

Mails from the coast and from the east were all delayed. Finally a route via the B. C. E. R. to Clayburn and thence by auto to Mission City furnished the residents on the north side of the Fraser from Mission to Deroche with the required daily papers and mail. Sunday without light and no mail was a historic day in this district.

PERSONALS

Mrs. E. A. Hunt and daughter, Flossie, returned from Ontario last week, where they have been spending several months.

Miss Vera Hunt was home from Vancouver for the week-end.

Mr. Robert Gillen of Alberta is spending his vacation with his mother, Mrs. C. Gillen.

Mr. R. Leary has returned home from the prairies where he has been harvesting.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Boyd of Vancouver, formerl yof Abbotsford, visited friends in town this week.

Mr. McKie has returned home from the prairies.

Miss Eleanor Lovedar, who is training at the Vancouver General Hospital, has been spending some time at her home here, on account of ill-health.

Mrs. Stinson had the misfortune to break her wrist.

The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Fraser on Wednesday afternoon, November 2nd.

ODD FELLOWS' HOLD WHIST DRIVE

On Wednesday evening one of the most successful card parties ever held in Abbotsford was given by the Odd Fellows in the Masonic Hall.

Twenty tables of military whist, representing twenty countries of the world were played. The players at the table representing Italy were awarded the first prize and were: Mrs. Bousfield, Mr. Adams, Mr. Silvers and Mr. W. Fooks. The consolation prizes were won by Mrs. Clarence Buker, Mrs. Stinson, Mr. Miller and Mr. Coogan, at the table representing Norway.

After lunch was served many enjoyed the dancing, music being furnished by Mrs. Weatherby, Miss Olive Alexander and Mr. W. Fooks, who played the violin.

SALE OF WORK

A very succesful sale of home cooking was held in the Masonic Hall on Saturday afternoon last, by the Ladies' Aid of the Presbytarian Church. During the afternoon tea was served. The sale was well attended and the sum of $65 was realized.

Miss C. Mason and Miss Marion Seldon of Clayburn were visitors to Vancouver last week.

M.-S.-A. HOSPITAL AUXILIARY HOLDS MEETING

A meeting of the ladies of Matsqui, Sumas and Abbotsford was held in the Theatre on Tuesday afternoon, the object being to organize an auxiliary to the new district hospital. The meeting was called to order, when Mrs. W. Fadden of Whatcom Road was asked to preside, and Mrs. M. M. Shore to act as secretary, until the various officers were elected.

The officers were elected as follows: President Mrs. Hannah Fraser; vice-persidents, Mrs. J. L. Preston, and Mrs. R. L. McCulloch of Clayburn; secretary, Mrs. J. K. McMenemy; treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Barrett.

Itw as decided that the Auxiliary would start preparations for a big bazaar, to be held before Christmas.

Owing to the high water on the prairies, a great many ladies were unable to attend the meeting. However, forty-seven joined as members and the number will probably be more than doubled.

Meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of the month, in the Bank of Montreal Chambers.

WHIST DRIVE

Under the auspices of the W. A. of St. Matthew's, a very enjoyable whist drive and dance was held in the Masonic Hall, on Friday evening, October 28th. Eight tables were played, Mrs. McMenemy winning the lady's first, and Mr. Charlie Roberts winning the gentleman's first. Miss Evelyn McMenemy and Mr. T. McMillan were awarded the consolation prizes. Refreshments were served, after which a number enjoyed the dancing.

MASQUERADE BALL

The Abbotsford G. W. V. A. assisted by the Women's Auxiliary will hold their third annual masquerade ball on Friday night, November 11th, Armistice Day, in the Alexandria Hall.

Miss Bessie McMillan, of Powell River, visited her aunt, Mrs. McMillan, recently, before going to St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver, to train for a nurse.

Services will be held in St. Mathew's Anglican Church at Abbotsford every Sunday night at 7.30. Rev. T. E. Rowe, vicar.

Closing Out Sale

THINGS ARE GOING WITH A RUSH

We are busier than we anticipated. Everything must go. Prices are so ridiculously low, that they have to be seen to be appreciated.

Linoleum, No. 1 quality $1.10 a yard.

Men's Work Shirts, values up to $3.75 to clear at **$1.95**

Job line of Men's Underwear, Men's Shirts and Drawers, to clear ..... **95¢**

All boots reduced **25** to **50** per cent. We are too busy to give a detailed list. Come and see these things.

BE WISE, stock up on your groceries.

Golden West Soap, a pkg. ..... **20¢**
Golden Crust Baking Powder, a tin ..... **10¢**
Malkin's Best Baking Powder, a tin ..... **20¢**

Hundreds of other values equally as good.

We have to apologize for the slow service but the rush was greater than we anticipated.

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THE ABBOTSFORD POST

J. A. BATES, Editor and Proprietor

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The member for Fernie made a very appropriate remark in the provincial house when he said that if the voters of Fernie knew the company he was keeping in the house at Victoria they would ask him to come home. Some company! We have wondered all along if the country's business was really in good hands and if Premier Oliver really meant the people of this province to think that all that has been happening is in the best interests of the province at large.

The taxation of this province is high and is yet likely to take another jump upward, but so far as we can see in the Fraser Valley the people are not getting the full benefit of monies expended.

In Dewdney riding $23,054.25 has been spent on the roads. We ask where? In Chilliwack $10,246.88; in Delta $16,378.46 and monies borrowed for these riding are; Dewdney $14,617.87; Chilliwack $3[illegible]; Delta $258,994.67.

Premier Oliver's cabinet ministers appear to be cutting quite a figure in the legislature these days. The premier sits by and takes it all in but says little except when Nicomen Island affairs are mentioned. What is the aged premier thinking about these days? Is he figuring out which of his ministers he is going to discard, or is he establishing a record for misgovernment that not even any former government could touch with a hundred yard pole. Some day we expect the premier to line up his followers, cabinet ministers and all, and say to Bowser, Say Billy, don't the boys know how to grasp their opportunity?

Editorial of Day

It is a notable fact with all the wonderful things that have been written about the so-called "country newspaper" very few of them realize all their possibilities, or what an influence they are in the world.

It is now up to the newspapers of the country, the home-town papers, to see the wonderful possibilities of such a week, where in every locality readers will be asked to subscribe for the local weekly, and in addition to the home-town paper where they were born—if they were not born where they now live.

In this way, every home-town paper will help every other home-town paper and by concentrating the efforts to one week, or three weeks or four weeks, the home-town paper will receive the publicity it is entitled to.

The home-town paper is ever ready to "boost" for the other fellow, to print item after item about this or that kind of a day or week—the time has come for it to boost and blow its bugle for itself and all home-town papers to put on a campaign of publicity, and take advantage of what other papers will do.

It is also a notable fact that very few of the readers of those papers realize what a loss it would be to them and to the world if the "country paper" should cease to exist.

The large papers, with immense circulations, tell of "world happenings" as they understand them, and display heads telling oft he latest scandals, prize-fights and the misfortunes of humanity.

But it remains for the "local paper," the "country weekly," the "home-town paper," to really give the news of the world, or that of Mr. Common People and his wife.

It is time that the country newspaper should do something to place itself on a higher plane, and also make some noise. Just one paper to start something would not amount to much, but if 1500 country papers would join in a chorus, a noise that would go around the world would be the result.—Farm and Home.

THE DIVIDING LINE

The prairie farmers have long realized that political co-operation between themselves and the farmers of this province is impossible in the realm of politics.

The difference between a prairie farmer and one of British Columbia is merely that one produces wheat and the other fruit and cream; the dividing line is that the British Columbian produces for a local market whereas the prairie farmer is a wheat miner and produces for a world-wide market.

The wheat miner is the only genuine free trader in Canada. To him all tariffs are obstacles in theory if not in fact. With the British Columbia farmer tariff protection is an absolute necessity. This applies to both fruit grower and milk producer. Without tariff protection Washington milk, eager for an outlet, would flood Vancouver and Victoria markets and our fruit growers would find American competition so strong on the prairie market that the future for the industry would be anything but bright.

The farmers are avowedly in politics for the accomplishment of free trade with the United States as rapidly as such trade relations can be secured. They want farm implements, clothing, fruit and many other things on the free list and they want free access to the American buying public for the sale of grain and beef. Ontario farmers are not such ardent free traders. The British Columbia farmer is not a free trader at all. His fruit market is the Canadian prairie and in order to secure a decent price for his product there, as well as at home, it is necessary to eliminate foreign competition as much as possible. Even now and with a tariff millions of dollars' worth of American fruit creeps into Canadian markets to the detriment of our own producers.

If there is to be a revision of the tariff on imports of fruit, it should be upward, not downward, in the opinion of most of our growers. We can produce all the fruit we need right here at home without going abroad for it, with the exception of oranges and such other products as are barred by our location.—Farm and Home.

WANTS TO SEE HIM PROSPER

One day this week ye editor was accosted by a reader of this paper who had carefully read our article in last issue, under the heading, "The Passing of the Country Merchant". He said something like the following as near as can be remembered: I am an old-timer in this province and the west, having left Eastern Canada many years ago, and my experience of the country merchant is that he is a friend of the pioneer farmer of this province. The merchant has been the means of doing more for the settlement of the west than any other factor—more even than the government. He has financed us through many a hard winter, through many sicknesses and hardships, and has often been content to wait for his money much longer than I would. I have always wanted to see him prosper, because the more he prospered the more credit he was able to extend to me if I got into a tight place. No mail order house will ever get my money for that very reason. The country merchant is a very valuable neighbor to the man on the land. People should keep their money in the home town if possible.

"Police Commissioners Clean Up Moonlight Dance Moonshine."—Okanagan Commoner.

The Man of the Hour

In this hour of Canada's most acute national crisis, the country's greatest need is leadership—not class leadership, not sectional leadership, but NATIONAL leadership. A pilot must be chosen possessing the necessary courage, foresight, breadth of vision and determination to lead the nation safely out of the existing economic uncertainty.

And one man stands out head and shoulders above all others as pre-eminently fitted for the task.

Born on a farm near St. Mary's, Ontario, Arthur Meighen is a true son of the people, a toiler who has fought his way to eminence by sheer ability and force of intellect. Entered Parliament in 1908; appointed Solicitor-General in 1914; Minister of the Interior in 1917; and Prime Minister in 1920.

At the Imperial Conference he was acclaimed by the Press of Great Britain as a great statesman, as a strong, virile, vigorous personality—alert in mind, keen and far-seeing in judgment, and with a fearless determination to stand for the right.

Professor A. D. Skelton, of Queen's University, and biographer of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, wrote of the present Prime Minister: — "He has already given proof of high administrative capacity. His personal integrity is beyond question."

Of himself, Arthur Meighen said to his constituents the other day: — "You know where I stood on this issue in 1908, in 1911, and as in 1911 I stand to-day."

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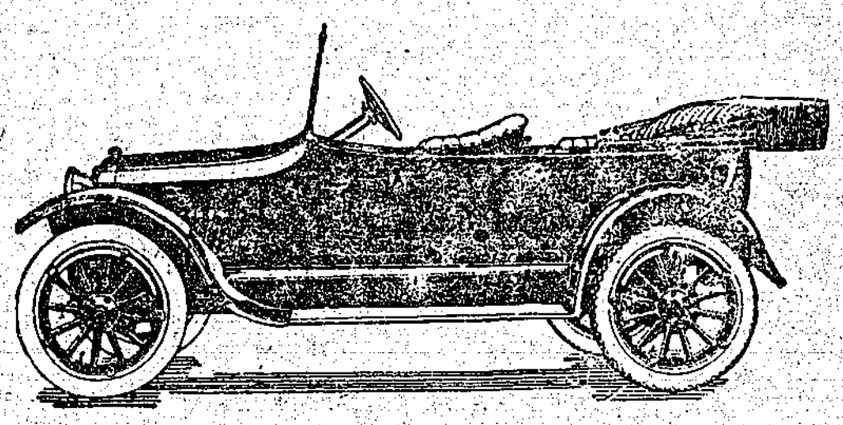

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WE SHOULD WORRY

The average Vancouver traffic police waves his club 1,987 times every four days.

British Columbia has 11,201 persons by the name of Smith.

It is estimated that 8,763 nickled corkscrews are now in use in B. C.

Oliver Cromwell wore green pants at times.

"We should worry" in Japanese is "Hoya moya."

About 41,092 citizens of British Columbia are ready to prove how they could run the government better and they are blame near right as about any old "run" could be financed the same way.

Provided proper freight adjustments can be secured, and the discriminatory freight rates against British Columbia can be removed great stimulus will be given to production in this province, it was declared before the Railway Commission last week.

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Who will the four lucky ladies be? That will be up to those who enter the contest to say for themselves. The candidates should get out and work morning, noon and night if they expect to win. They should get their friends to help them. The contest editor will accept every subscription sent in with the required subscription price and the name of the contestant should be marked on the coupon.

Any young lady has a grand chance of being the lucky winner in her district and the Post will publish the votes of the leaders in each district weekly. Remember that the contest will last for three weeks only and it is up to every candidate to work hard all the time. Any information required will be gladly furnished by the contest Editor or his assistants in order that every candidate will have an equal chance of success. But it is up to the candidates themselves to

WORK HARD AND WIN

DISTRICT ONE

All that portion of Abbotsford Townsite and district lying west of the Riverside Road and north of Yale Road.

DISTRICT TWO

All that portion of Abbotsford Townsite lying east of the Riverside Road and north of the Yale Road.

DISTRICT THREE

All that portion of Abbotsford Townsite and district east of Huntingdon Road and South of Yale Road.

DISTRICT FOUR

All that portion of Abbotsford Townsite and district west of Huntingdon Road and south of the Yale Road.

NOTE—Remember it is the largest number of votes in your district that counts.

RULES OF CONTEST

1. Every contestant must be a bona-fide resident of the district in which she is competing.
2. Each coupon filled out must contain the name of contestant together with post-office address with box numbers of rural route as the case may be.
3. A contestant must compete only in the district in which she resides only, as a contestant cannot compete for the prize in more than one district.
4. Contestants must agree to abide by the decision of the contest editor as being final in all cases.
5. Cash or post office order or express orders must accompany all subscriptions sent in by contestants or their friends.
6. The votes received will be totaled each week and the standing of the candidates in each district announced in the columns of the Abbotsford Post.
7. The contest will positively close at 10 o'clock on Nov. 19th 1921. All votes received on the first mail the day following will be regarded as legal.
8. No employee of the Abbotsford Post will be eligible to compete.
9. Each contestant to win the $25 and fare for return trip to Vancouver must obtain at least 30,000 votes. Less than that number of votes will entitle the winner to a proportionate amount of the $25.00.

ENTRY BLANK

Contest Editor, Abbotsford Post—Please enter my name in your big popularity contest as outlined in the advertisement appearing in the Post. I hereby agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the contest and agree to accept the decisions of the contest editor as final on all questions.

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

DISTRICT NO. .....

The popularity of the various candidates will be determined by the number of votes cast for them. Every new subscribtion to the Abbotsford Post will count as so many votes, based on the following table:

One Year's subscription	1,000 votes.
Two Years' subscription	2,500 votes.
Three Years' subscription	3,000 votes.
Five Years' subscription	5,000 votes.

Subscription blanks will be furnished to all candidates or their friends and hard work will be necessary to win the various prizes so that an early start in the campaign should bring success. The Abbotsford Post is anxious to know who is the most popular young lady in each district and hard work on the part of the candidates will help to solve this. The price of the Abbotsford Post is one dollar per year in advance.

Subscriptions may be paid to Mr. A. McCallum who will give receipts and take the name of the candidate to which vote is to be given; or may be sent through mail to Abbotsford Post, Abbotsford, B. C.

REMEMBER CONTEST BEGINS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH, AND THE FIRST TEN SUBSCRIPTIONS PAID MR. McCALLUM, IF BEFORE 12 O'CLOCK NOON, ARE WORTH 5000 VOTES EACH.

B. C. Politics Briefly Told

British Columbia representation in the House of Commons dates back to 1872, the first general election following the entrance of the province into confederation being held in that year. During the fourth session of the first parliament of Canada, British Columbia was given six members, the province having entered confederation July 20, 1871. The representation remained at six for seven parliaments. In the parliament elected in 1900 the representation was increased by one and continued at seven until 1914. In that year a redistribution bill was passed increasing the province's representation to thirteen members, and at this number it stands today.

Inclined to Conservatism

For the first six parliaments British Columbia's members were Conservatives and not until the election in 1896 did the Liberals send a representative to Ottawa. In this year they elected four members to the Conservatives' two. The province continued to endorse Liberal candidates in the three succeeding parliaments but the Liberals failed to elect a member in 1911 and 1917.

The following table will indicate the political complexion of members of parliament since 1872:

Year	Cons.	Lib.
1872	6	0
1874	6	0
1878	6	0
1882	6	0
1887	6	0
1891	6	0
1896	2	4
1900	2	4
1904	0	7
1908	5	2
1911	7	0
1917	13	0

In the forty-five years dating from 1872 to the last general election in 1917, British Columbia has been represented at Ottawa by sixty-five Conservatives and sixteen Liberals. British Columbia has contributed its quota to the 1911 of men who in greater or less degree have made their mark in parliament, although its representation has been small. In 1872 Sir Francis Hincks was elected in Victoria. The Hon. Edgar Dewdney, for many years a minister of the crown, represented Yale, Lieutenant-Col. E. G. Prior, minister of militia in 1896, was the member for Victoria. Hon. William Templeman, a cabinet minister, was elected in Victoria in 1806 and at a by-election in 1909 he was returned for Comox-Alberni. Hon. S. F. Tolmie Canada's present minister of agriculture, also represented Victoria until the dissolution of parliament a few weeks ago. Hon. Martin Burrel, Yale, also obtained cabinet rank.

Have Been Happy Enough

British Columbia's relations with the central government at Ottawa have been differences of opinion at various times over financial matters and the fisheries. While there has been considerable political turmoil in the province this has been confined almost entirely to the provincial arena. In the early political history of the province there was considerable bitterness displayed over the delay in the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the chief condition on which the province entered confederation.

MR. WHITESIDE IS NOT SATISFIED YET

VICTORIA, Oct. 27.—Mr. David Whiteside, M. L. A., has yet to be shown that Nicomen Island is not worth saving and to this end the New Westminster member is prepared to adjourn the debate on the amendment to the reply to the speech pending information which he requested from the New Westminster Board of Trade and Mr. W. G. McQuarrie. To The British Columbian today Mr. Whitseide stated his belief that the cost of repairing the broken dykes would be smaller than the sum announced during the debate on Tuesday.

The Cumberland Board of Trade is making a strenuous fight to have the daily train service on the E. and N. Railway to Cumberland and Courtenay continued throughout the winter.

In a single day recently more than 90,000 tons of shipping took place in the Port of Vancouver. The export trade of B. C. is increasing but at home people still give preference to goods imported from a distance.

To the Electors of the Constituency of the Fraser Valley:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Four years ago I was nominated and elected in this constituency as a Liberal Unionist supporter of the Union Government formed by Sir Robert Borden in Oct. 1917. To that Government I gave consistent and loyal support during four sessions of Parliament and also gave my best attention to the needs and interests of our own electoral district as they appeared from time to time.

I had the honor of introducing the first resolution proposing the fusion of the two parties supporting the Government which union was finally consummated on Dominion Day, 1920, under the name of the *National Liberal and Conservative Party of Canada.* To this united national party I have given my full allegiance and whole hearted support. I have absolute confidence in the Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen and fully endorse the platform and policy of his Government. I believe the Prime Minister is honestly endeavoring to reunite a war stricken people and effectually bury sectionalism. His fiscal policy of an adequate protection for every Canadian industry needing it, appeals to me as not only wise and statesmanlike but as absolutely necessary in the interests of our whole population in view of the general upward trend of tariff legislation the world over during the last two years or since the signing of the armistice.

I have advocated on the floor of the House greater restriction of Oriental immigration and believe the time has arrived when this policy can be adopted without danger of international complications.

I have received and accepted nomination as the Government candidate in the approaching general election and hope to have the privilege of discussing Federal questions with you during the campaign. If honored with your confidence and vote on the 6th of December I shall endeavor as your representative to give effect to the foregoing general policy and also support all other measures which may promote the prosperity, the comfort and best life of the Canadian people.

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Mrs. Manning of Vancouver, with her little son and her mother, Mrs. Burgess, is visiting Mrs. Alex. Bates.

The pupils of the senior room of the Superior School were hosts to the members of the junior room on Friday afternoon and treated them to a luncheon and Hallowe'en games.

The Mohawk camp of Trail Rangers held a Hallowe'en social in the Memorial Hall, Oct. 28th, at which the guests were the "Blue Bird Mission Band" girls and the senior S. S. class. The boys had the building prettily decorated with orange and black streamers, Jack-o-lanterns and black cats. Contests and games suitable to the season were played. After refreshments were served, Auld Lang Syne and the National Anthem brought an enjoyable evening to a close. Mesdames Forrester, A. L. Bates, McDonald, and Oswald were the patronesses.

A company of young folks paid a surprise visit to Mr. Malcolm McAskill on Wednesday, October 26 when a jolly time was spent in music and dancing.

Mrs. Charles Pihan was the guest of Mrs. Olding last week.

Rise In Fraser Unprecedented

The rise in the Fraser was probably quicker than the oldest resident ever remembers. Within the period of twenty-four hours previous to 7 a. m. on Saturday morning the river had risen some seven feet; and between that and about eleven o'clock a. m. of the same day it had risen another foot. Then it remained stationary, and has gone down considerably.

During flood time and the spring freshet the Fraser is considered going some if it rises six inches in twenty-four hours.

As a result of the rapid rise of the Fraser the Hatzic Prairie and Matsqui Prairie were floded with quite a considerable amount of water. The sluice gates in both the dykes being open the water had a free course.

Mrs. Balue of Vancouver was the guest of Mrs. W. Roberts recently.

Willie: "I think sister would rather have you call on her than Mr. Smith."

Mr. Slowboy: "That's nice of you to say so. Here's a quarter."

Willie: "Yes; she says Mr. Smith always musses her hair so."

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"THE POPPY LADY"

"The Poppy Lady of France" has come to Canada with her inspiring message, "We shall not forget."

She has brought with her millions of red poppies, reproductions of those growing on Flanders Fields between the crosses, row on row, made by the women and children of devasted France.

She is going to help Canada unite with France on Armistice Day in having two countries honor the brave dead who sleep in French soil.

On this side of the ocean the Poppy of Flanders has been adopted by the Great War Veterans Association of Canada and the American Legion and will be adopted by all the veterans of the Great War, in all allied countries, as the Flower of Rememberance, or Memorial Flower.

"The Poppy Lady," originator of this splendid idea, is going from one allied country to another to assist in having endorsed this rapidly growing movement, which seeks not only to aid the children of devasted France and the wounded veterans of each allied country, but, more important, will teach the children of the allied nations to remember and to foster the old friendships which gained new impetus upon the battlefields of Europe.

This blood red blossom, immortalized by the poem of Colonel McCrae, of the Canadian Army, has come to symbolize the graves lying Over There, and is a token of the love and gratitude France feels for Canada.

The headquarters of the movement in France is the Children's League of which Madame A. Millerand, wife of the president of France, is the honorary president.

On Armistice Day the women and children of the devastated regions will decorate the graves of the Canadian soldiers, while every patriotic man, woman and child over here will wear the poppy to show that the deeds of the brave dead have not been forgotten.

"The Poppy Lady of France" assures every relative, who so requests, that a wreath of poppies will be placed on the grave of the veteran who did not come back for this Armistice Day.

Additional information can be obtained by writing to "The Poppy Lady of France," care Provincial headquarters of the Great War Veterans' Association of Canada, In., in each province of the Dominion.

B. C. SOLDIERS ON RHINE WANTS TO STAY THERE

VICTORIA, Oct. 31.—John Gillespie, for many years a resident of Victoria, and native son of St. John, N. B., writes from Coblenz, where he is serving as company cook in the American forces under Brig. Gen. Henry T. Allen. He says the soldiers want to stay there. Service on the Rhine, he says, is the Utopia of modern military service. Beer costs only a cent or so per glass. The people are friendly; the girls are buxom; the duty is light; money goes far; the pay is good; the climate is fine; conditions are kind. He also adds that many of the soldiers have wedded German girls without official permission, and the visit of the stork in many garrison homes will bring complications when an official order is given for the removal of the troops.

The world is learning that, if it is to have permanent peace, it must rely on its hands rather than its arms. —Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

A Vancouver man recently fell on the street and bit his tongue off. Unfortunately he was not a political orator.