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WEATHER REPORT FOR APRIL.
Compiled by Mr. C. H. Urseth, of the Bella Coola Observatory.
Temperature: Maximum, 55. Minimum, 36.
Highest Max. (27th) 68. Lowest Min. (21) 32
Rainfall, 2.55 inches.
Rainfall for the year (1915) 34.33 inches.

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75,000 Fresh Troops in Attack on Verdun

Germans Repulsed at Deadman's Hill

Paris, June 1.—Complete repulse of the German attacks on the eastern slope of Deadman's Hill was announced by the war office this morning. Germans bombarded the French positions with greatest violence in region of Deadman's Hill throughout Wednesday. Intense artillery duel continued last night on the east bank of the Meuse. No other important actions around Verdun. Air squadron early today dropped twenty shells on Thionville and Augun stations completely destroying them, also 50 shells on supply depots at Azannes. Most of them hit the mark causing great loss of life and severe property damage. Germans have thrown over 75,000 fresh troops into action this week according to reports received at the war office. Since February, one million Germans have been in action around Verdun. 300,000 have been killed or put out of action.

Germans Claim French Falling Back

Berlin, June 1.—(Official report.) The French are retiring from Hill 304 and its surrender is imminent. This is the last strongly fortified height remaining in their possession northwest of Verdun. Several French positions on the summit already evacuated. The next general assault will probably bring them into the hands of the Germans. French are offering desperate tenacious resistance, but are really falling back.

Railway Magnate Dead

St. Paul, June 1.—Out of respect to the memory of James J. Hill, the great railway magnate, all theatres here cancelled matinees and every wheel in the railway system he organized stopped for five minutes at the time of his funeral at St. Paul.

Provincial Election Sept.

Victoria, June 2.—The amendment to the liquor act comes into force today for the duration of the war. All bars to open at 11 o'clock and close at 10 p. m., and no liquor meals during prohibited hours must be served.

The House prorogued and writs for the general election will be issued on June 5th. Election to take place in September.

Wants U.S. Troops to Leave

Washington, June 1.—President Wilson receives sharp note from Carranza asking for definite explanation of the presence of American troops on Mexican soil. Conference between generals Gartia and Pershing, commanding expeditionary force in Casa Grande, advises United States not to withdraw troops.

New York, June 1.—For the murder of his millionaire father-in-law, Waite was sentenced to die at Sing Sing during week beginning July 10.

German Attack Costly Failure

Greatest Effort Yet Made by Teutonic Forces on Verdun Ends in Failure

Paris, June 2.—More complete accounts reaching here from Verdun show the battle raged from May 27 to May 30 and which ended in costly check for the Germans was the greatest effort made by the Teutonic forces during the whole Verdun operations. More heavier guns and denser masses of troops assembled along three miles of French front from Hill 304 to the Meuse, than any previous attack. The French stood firm under avalanche of shot and shell and drove back wave after wave of the flood of Teutonic infantry. They surrendered only about 100 yards in Caurettes wood where the trench was obliterated by the terrific fire from German big guns.

Germans Admit French Occupy Their Trenches

Berlin, June 2.—(Official German report.) In the attack on our positions southeast of Deadman's Hill the French obtained a foothold in the first line of our trenches over an extent of 400 metres. French made repeated assaults on German lines, but other than at point mentioned the enemy were beaten off with extremely heavy losses.

Austrians Make Progress

Rome, June 2.—Current bulletins on the campaign in southern Tyrol record continued gains for Austrians, but they have not reached the main line of Italian defense which bars the way to the Venetian plain. According to a Cophenhagen dispatch, reports from Berlin says that Dr. Liebknecht is being tried for treason and if convicted will get ten years with hard labor.

Saloniki Forces Make Move

Berlin, June 2.—A general movement of Anglo-French forces at Saloniki towards the Macedonian border has been in progress for some time is reported in the official statement by Bulgarian army headquarters.

Longshoremen Strike

Seattle, June 1—Shipping completely tied up in all Pacific ports when the threatened strike of longshoremen went into effect at 6 a. m. today. Temporary coast strike headquarters was established here last night. Situation regarded as serious.

San Francisco, June 2.—Shipowners shortly after noon today granted increase of 5 cents per hour to 4000 longshoremen who struck work at six this morning.

Japan May Act

Tokio, June 1.—China may cause Japan to intervene in the protection of her subjects in the Shang Tung province.

Dublin, June 1.—A rebel plot to kidnap Sir Edward Carson's wife was frustrated through the cancelling of holidays in Antrim.

THE PURITY OF THE BALLOT MUST BE PRESERVED

Conclusions Drawn From Evidence Given at the By-Election Investigation.

It may seem that the Courier gives more space to the inquiry of the by-election scandals at Vancouver than its importance warrants. That in view of the great majority obtained by the Liberal candidate the crime committed had no appreciable effect upon the final result. But admitting that such is the case yet the practise of corrupting the ballot is a crime of a nature so serious that its perpetrators should be held up for public condemnation and their punishment insistently demanded. This crime is the tainting of our free institutions at the fountain head. And that being the case we offer no apology for reproducing two editorials from the Vancouver Sun dealing with inferences to be drawn from the evidence given up till two weeks ago:

The Plot Exposed.

We gather from J. L. Sullivan's evidence given yesterday the following facts:

1. J. L. Sullivan had been told by Sullivan, Sr., four or five days before election day, that the "pluggers" were coming to Vancouver.

2. On the following day he received a letter from his friend Carroll stating that he had been asked to "get men to vote for Macdonald," and asking him what he thought of it. Strange to say, he "DID NOT ANSWER THE LETTER," but "took steps to stop any plugging."

3. His first step was to forward the letter by James Reed, license inspector, to the Conservative executive, whereupon he was called upon by F. W. Welsh, who informed him that the matter had been discussed with the premier and Mr. Tisdall and "they would stop the men at the border. But, strange to say, although the premier and Mr. Tisdall had all the powers of the Provincial and Dominion governments at their backs, THEY DID NOT STOP THEM AT THE BORDER. They did not ATTEMPT TO STOP THEM AT THE BORDER.

4. On Feb, 24th he returned to Seattle and met Carroll and White who were both his friends, and who told him that one was handling a gang of men and the other the money. IF HE HAD NOT BEEN IN LEAGUE WITH THEM HE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE INFORMATION.

5. At the boat in Seattle he saw Monty White and fifteen others and sent a wireless to F. W. Welsh. If the object was to have them stopped or arrested on arrival, it is strange that NO EFFORT WAS MADE to prevent their landing in Vancouver.

6. An elderly man having told him that more were going to Vancouver by train that day, another wireless was sent to Welsh. NO EFFORT WAS MADE to arrest this batch at the train.

7. On Friday afternoon the day before election, he heard from his brother Pat that more men were coming by boat and train. He carried the news to Mr. Reardon of the Metropole hotel; Mr. Eager, secretary of the Hotel Keepers' Association, and on Friday night he and Reardon went to the train to MEET THE ARRIVALS. They did not have them arrested.

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Some Suggestive Contrasts.

J. L. Sullivan admits that he knew on Feb. 21st or 22nd, that a gang of "pluggers" were coming from Seattle to take part in the Vancouver by election.

There is no evidence that any living Liberal was aware of the fact.

J. L. Sullivan admits that he showed Carroll's letter to James Reed, license inspector.

As Mr. Sullivan was the champion of the "wets," his admission throws an interesting light upon the relations of the "wets" and the license inspector.

There is no evidence that any Liberal received a letter from Seattle detailing the movements of the pluggers.

J. L. Sullivan admits that through the license inspector the Conservative executive was furnished with the Carroll letter so that they might be fully apprised of the pending invasion of the pluggers.

There is no evidence that the Liberal executive had the faintest suspicion that anything of the kind was about to take place.

J. L. Sullivan admits that F. W. Welsh fully informed the premier and Mr. Tisdall of the oncoming of the hosts.

There is no evidence that Mr. Brewster or Mr. Macdonald had received even a hint of what was contemplated. The chairman of the investigating committee has stated that there is no suggestion that Mr. Brewster knew anything about the plot. There is not a scintilla of evidence that Mr. Macdonald was aware of the coming invasion.

J. L. Sullivan admits that F. Welsh, Conservative aspirant and general roustabout, visited him to discuss the matter.

There is no evidence that any Liberal visited Mr. Sullivan, or anyone of the Seattle gangsters.

J. L. Sullivan admits that F. W. Welsh got him to go to Seattle, where he saw Carroll and White and completed his information as to the schemes of the "pluggers."

There is no evidence that any Liberal went to Seattle or knew any one of the "pluggers" or anthing of their schemes.

J. L. Sullivan admits that he went down to the Seattle boat and mingled with Monty White and the gang.

There is no evidence that any Liberal performed the kind of-

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Jottings of Bella Coola and District

S. S. Camosun arrived at the very unusual time of eight o'clock Sunday morning. The only reason that can be assigned for this extraordinary occurrence was that some of our valient soldier boys were on board eager to reach their respective homes on a short furlough. If you read the names and know the circumstances you can easily see the connection.

The arrivals were H. G. Anderson, Ingvald Urseth, Hans Helgeson, R. A. Teebay and Mrs. D. H. Hoage. It being rather early in the morning it was found that nobody wanted to go away.

Privates H. G. Anderson and Ingvald Urseth came up from the camp of the 102nd Battalion in quarters at Comox, for the purpose of saying the last goodbye before going to the front.

Mrs. D. H. Hoage, after staying away for quite a length of time, found the attractions of Bella Coola too strong to resist and has now taken up her residence in the small house opposite the hospital.

That R. A. Teebay came up from Rivers Inlet on a short visit in spite of his strenuous duties as engineer of the launch Merlin, was in the nature of things inevitable. His family had arrived in Bella Coola one week earlier and they had not met for several months.

Hans Helgeson of Metchosin, near Victoria, was another arrival by the last mail steamer. This is his second visit here, having paid a short visit about thirteen years ago.

Mr. Helgeson is one of the oldest pioneers of the province. He arrived at Victoria in 1858 from California, where he had preceded the celebrated "forty miners" by two years.

He is in the best sense of the word the embodiment of the progress of the Pacific coast and especially of British Columbia, where he has laid down the greater part of his life work. He has taken an active part in the development of the province since his early arrival, Mining in the Cariboo at first, later in the fisheries, then in agriculture; in all of these chief industries of the province he attained prominence and success because of his practical good sense, ability and sterling integrity.

During his long career he has at all times enjoyed the confidence of all people with whom his numerous activities have brought him in contact; which may be evidenced by the fact that he has served several terms as member of our legislature, representing first the Cariboo and later the Esquimalt constituencies. We believe he holds the unique distinction of being the only one of his nationality who has had a seat in our legislature. Having arrived at a ripe old age and having ample means at his disposal he has retired from all business pursuits. His latter years have been spent partly amidst the scenes of his childhood in Norway and partly with his son at the family homestead near Victoria.

It is his intention to spend a few weeks visiting his countrymen in Bella Coola and enjoy our fine climate and other attractions.

From reports of the proceedings of the Methodist conference held at Victoria, we are glad to note that Rev. W. H. Gibson will remain in charge of the Bella Coola Indian Mission, where he has spent a number of years in a more than usual successful ministry.

From the same source we learn that the vacancy in the pastorate of Bella Coola and vicinity caused by the enlisting of Rev. T. C. Colwell has not yet been filled, but "will be supplied."

The troubled minds of our shippers of potatoes were relieved early Saturday morning of last week by the belated arrival of the freighter Prince Albert. It took on about sixty tons of potatoes for different destinations, namely: Ocean Falls, Prince Rupert and Anyox.

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Hill rejoices in the arrival of a boy in the family. He arrived at the hospital on Wednesday morning. Mother and child are doing well.

Empire Day came very near being witness to a conflagration of some dimensions, but the calamity was averted by the timely observation of Mr. A. C. Christensen. There had been some smoldering embers left of a small fire of the week previous in the vicinity of Johnson's mill. It was thought, however, that it was entirely out. Such not being the case it somehow manto assume threatening proportions at a time when everybody was away attending the celebration nearly two miles away at the Indian village. Mr. Christensen being at home was aroused by the great volumes of dense smoke rising, procured assistance and was fortunate in arresting the fire before it had done any real damage. If it had gotten beyond control it would in all probability have swept the greater part of the townsite.

B. F. Jacobsen among his many duties as farmer and hotel keeper manages al o to find time to look after his logging operations, conducted by a crew of men on his holding at the head of South Bentink Arm. He made a flying trip out there the first of the week and found everything progressing in fine shape. He states that logging is carried on by different parties all along the inlet. The Ocean Falls Co. is starting two new camps.

Church Notice

Sunday School - 10:45 a. m.
Church Service - 7:30 p. m.

Preacher for Sunday—Rev. W. H. Gibson.

All Are Welcome.

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"Salus populi suprema est lex."

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 1916.

The Strength of Innocence.

In going through the reports of the investigation of the illegal voting at the Vancouver by-election one episode in the sorry spectacle proved very attractive to our mind. It showed that honor and innocence have a strength comparable to a fortified position.

Mr. M. A. Macdonald, the Liberal member of our legislature from Vancouver and president of the Provincial Liberal Association, has been the one person whose character above all others it has been the aim of the majority of the investigating committee to blacken, by trying to prove by many false witnesses that he was connected and benefited by the vote pluggers employed at the election which gave him such an overwhelming majority. To an impartial observer it will, even before the defense has had an opportunity to bring in its witnesses, be plain that the attempt to injure the character of the Liberal member has utterly failed and will eventually prove the truth of the saying that "those who dig a grave for others will themselves fall into it."

As the "one higher up" implicated in this nefarious affair Mr. Macdonald was called before the committee the other day to be examined and as it was thought searchingly cross-examined to ascertain his alleged guilt. But when he appeared before the committee his antagonists were struck dumb as it were. In the face of his undoubted honor, integrity and innocence of this crime, his accusers were not so hardened that they were able to approach him even with any insulting questions or incriminating inferences. They had nothing to say whatever, not one question to ask; they listened to his story of how he had conduc- his campaign to be elected, and his transparent straightforwardness and truthfulness in telling his story were of such a strength that no voice could be raised in even the slightest criticism.

Truth crushed to earth will always rise again.

Those who in this campaign are fighting for purity in politics, for economy in public affairs, for a proper regard of the interests of the public at large, will emerge at the close of the coming election with victory perched upon their banner.

Our Coast a Summer Resort.

The war in Europe has made the tourist traffic across the Atlantic an impossibility as far as most of the warring countries are concerned, and the few neutral countries accessible are not of sufficient extent to make it worth while to make a long voyage. Therefore "seeing America" is the obvious thing for the tourist to do at this time and last year saw an unprecedented flow of travel to the rocky fastnesses of the west and the intricate channels and inland seas of the northern Pacific Coast.

Hitherto it has been fashionable for the wealthy to visit the European countries when in search of pleasure and rest, which is expected to be found and enjoyed on a trip in vacation. But the fact that it has been fashionable is not a warrant that it also will give the pleasure and sense of restfulness which is necessary in order to recuperate the spiritual and intellectual forces subjected to the strain, wear and worry of the great pace set by society, business and profession in these times.

We believe that the grandeur and beauty of scenery found along our northern coast and in the valleys traversing the mountain ranges is equal to any found in farfamed Switzerland and the coast of Norway. It should only be necessary to point out this fact to the travelling public and when they have been induced to come and see for themselves we are convinced that they would be so well pleased that this part of the world would become as popular and attractive as those of foreign lands.

We are glad to note that the Union Steamship Co., whose boats make weekly calls at Bella Coola, has published a booklet "North by West in the Sunlight" which contains a description of a trip on board one of its comfortable steamers along this charming coast, with its many wooded islands, its parallel snow capped mountain ranges, its quaint nooks, hamlets and camps with their mixed and primitive denizens of many races and nationalities.

Bella Coola, that most beautiful and extensive of all the valleys abounding in the Coast Range, holds out to the travelling public charms which in many respects are unequalled. The length of this article forbids go- into details of description, suffice to say that travellers, who from experience are competent to judge, have at different times expressed it as their opinion that the scenery of Bella Coola is not surpassed by that of Switzerland. Our hotel, our road, our climate, our fisheries, our game both large and small, from grizzlies to rabbits, our mountains awaiting to be scaled and our comparative seclusion, with the facilities of telegraph and telephone make Bella Coola a place that as a tourist resort will only have to be tried to become appreciated as one of the most attractive.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Red Cross and Patriotic Fund committee have made a financial statement covering the period from its organization in the month of April until the end of May.

The contributions to the Patriotic Fund do not appear in the statement as large as they actually are, as the several persons in the valley in the government service are contributing to the head office direct.

All the funds collected as per following statement have been forwarded to the offices of the Red Cross Society and Patrictic Fund at Vancouver.

Monthly subscriptions to the Red Cross	$ 61.50
Donations—B. D. Tenton $5.00; 2 Indians at China Hat $2.00	7.00
Monthly subscriptions to the Patriotic Fund	10.00
Proceeds at Concert	20.00
Net receipts on Empire Day	192.75
Total	$291.25

Empire Day Statement.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.		
Lunch booth	$ 76.95	Coffee	$ .70	
Lemonade stand	60.85	Cigars	2.50	
Raffles	30.00	Fruit	30.00	
Mr. Gallienne's stand	30.40			$ 33.20
Sale of badges	27.75	Total net proceeds		192.75
	$225.95			$225.95

Monthly Subscribers to the Canadian Red Cross Society.

W. Sutherland	$2.50	I. Fougner	$2.50	Mrs. Clayton	$2.50
F. Broughton	2.50	Dr. W. J. Quinlan	2.50	B. Brynildsen	2.00
O. T. Landry	2.00	R. C. Fleming	2.00	C. Carlson	2.00
H. Brown	1.00	B. F. Jacobsen	1.00	H. Sutherland	2.50
Paul Olsen	1.00	Mrs. Nordschow	1.00	P. B. Oveson	1.00
W. H. Mackay	1.00	K. B. Hallowes	2.50	Karl Brink	1.00
George Gentner	1.00	C. Allertson	1.00	O. J. Nygaard	1.00
H. Schulstad	1.00	L. C. Svisdahl	1.00	J. W. Hober	1.00
Hans Sageng	.50	John Creswell	2.00	Josephine Erickson	1.00
Hans Allertson	1.00	Mrs. W. P. Gross	1.00	L. A. Schulstad	1.00
J. H. Lunos	.50	O. Arneson	1.00	J. Ness	.50
Hans Casperson	.50	F. Jacobsen	.50	T. Svendson	.50
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H. O. Hansen	.50	C. H. Urseth	1.00	O. T. Kellog	1.00
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S. Colborne	1.00	M. B. Christenson	1.00	P. Lauretson	1.00
H. L. Sinclair	1.00	Frank Ratcliff	1.00	Walter E. Ratcliff	2.00

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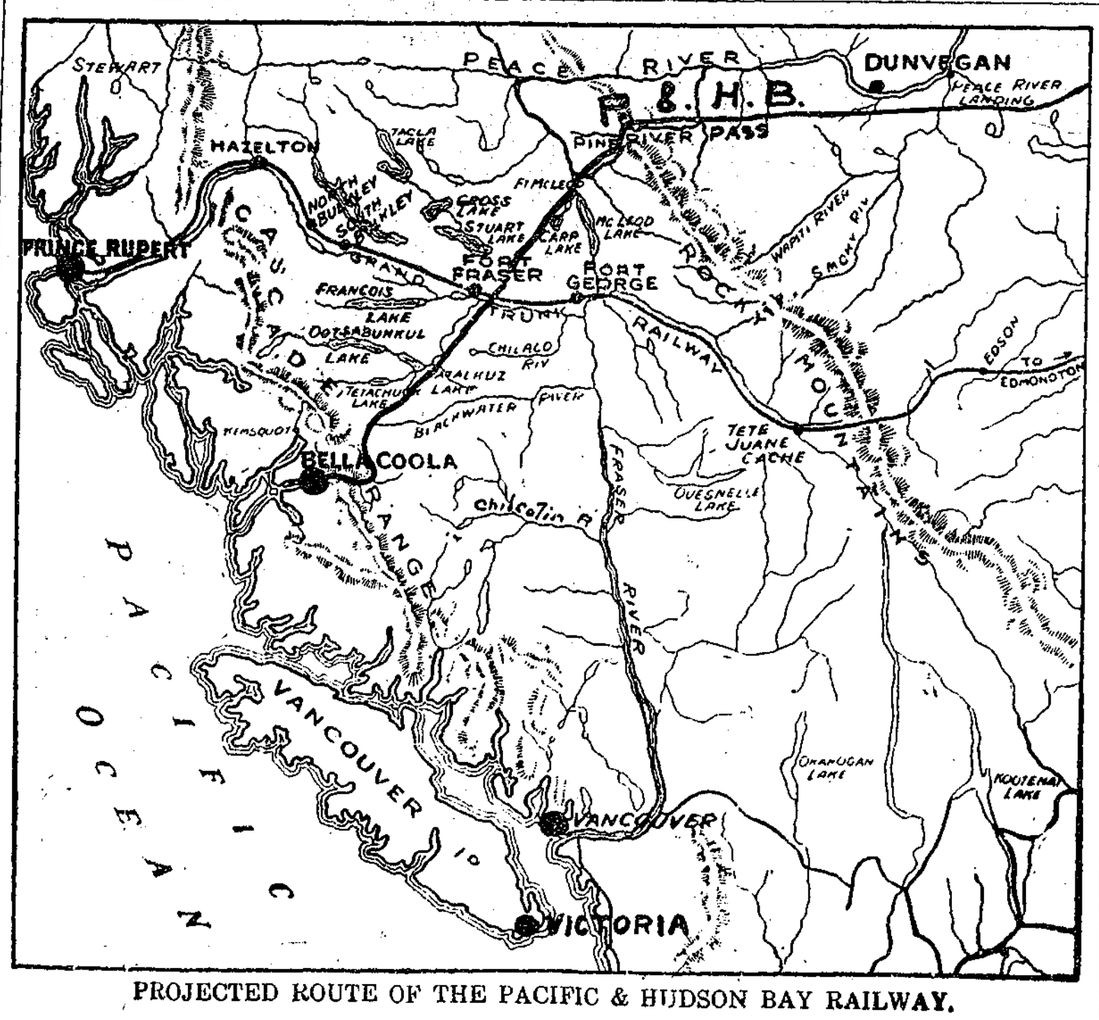
Frank Broughton	2.50	O. T. Landry	1.00	B. Brynildsen	1.00
R. Fleming	1.00	K. B. Hallowes	2.50	Hans Sageng	.50
M. B. Christenson	.50	E. Gorden	.50	O. Arneson	.50



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PURITY OF THE BALLOT MUST BE PRESERVED

The Plot Exposed

(Continued from Front Page.)

Sullivan got into touch with Hoskins, an ex-alderman in ouver (a vice-president of Conservative Association), lso Secretary Love of the ervative Association, noto- in connection with the -Love vote buying corre- ence. As a result Sullivan to Westminster to meet ight train and saw Carroll thers. Joe Hoskin met the in Vancouver. NO ONE STOPPED. NO ONE WAS ESTED at either train.

They went up to the Irving Sullivan and Waller and art were there, also Monty e. The Irving is Sullivan's and gambling joint; famous e one time home of Deal ey and the Big Nut. IT IS OF THE HOTELS THE HINE APPOINTEES OF GOVERNMENT THINK POLICE SHOULD NOT ERFERE WITH.

All the various gangs re- ed in Vancouver during elec- day. Sullivan was not only ainted with nearly all of m, but knew them intimately. T ONE WAS ARRESTED. T ONE WAS MOLESTED.

Although the premier, the n. Mr. Tisdall, the Conserva- executive, F. W. Welsh, the spective candidate; Joe Hos- a vice-president; Secretary e of the Conservative Associ- on, the secretary of the Hotel epers' Association and other ominent Conservatives—all of om were burning with a de- to land the "pluggers" in —knew of their movements, ey were, one and all, allowed conduct their nefarious opera- ons throughout election day, nd to depart in peace to their haunts and lairs in the Seattle underworld. The attorney-gen- ral, the chief law officer of the rown, whose duty it was to ar- st and prosecute these drones alien rascality, had been told Sullivan what was in pro- ess, but made NO ATTEMPT O TAKE A SINGLE CRIMIN- L INTO CUSTODY.

12. The reasons are more than vious. The witnesses have ated that THEY PLUGGED FOR THE 'WET' CANDI- ATE" in order to "keep a lot good fellows in power."

Some Suggestive Contrasts

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fice of seeing off the "pluggers" or of travelling with them, or was seen in their company.

J. L. Sullivan admits that he "wirelessed" Welsh that the pluggers were on the briny deep and would reach Vancouver in due time.

There is no evidence that any Liberal knew of their leaving, much less went to the trouble of sending the necessary despatches.

J. L. Sullivan admits that he sent another wireless to Welsh that another lot would arrive by train.

Again, no evidence that anyone performed the same kind of-fice for the Liberals.

J. L. Sullivan admits that, having been apprised by his brother Pat that still others were coming by boat, he carried the news to Mr. Reardon of the Metropole hotel and Mr. Egar, secretary of the Hotel Keepers' Association. As the "plugging" witnesses have sworn that they voted "wet," it seems eminently proper that the various hotel organizations should know that they were on the way.

Still no evidence that any Liberal knew of the approaching descent of the "pluggers" on Vancouver.

J. L. Sullivan admits that he went to meet them at the train. This was an eminently friendly act which was to be expected under the circumstances.

No Liberal went to meet them at the train.

J. L. Sullivan admits that he got into touch with Joe Hoskin, an ex-alderman in Vancouver, and Victor Love, secretary of the Conservative Association, with the rather amiable result that: He went to meet the arrivals at New Westminster, while Joe Hoskin performed the same friendly act for the arrivals in Vancouver.

There is no evidence that any Liberal met any train, or any "plugger."

J. L. Sullivan admits that they went up to the Irving hotel; Sullivan and Waller and Stewart were there. also Monty White. He was acting in the Conservative interests, he tells us, and his hotel, the Irving, was evidently Conservative hotel headquarters.

There is no evidence that any Liberal met a single "plugger" and escorted him to any hotel.

J. L. Sullivan admits that although the whole plan of campaign of the "pluggers" had been known for some days before the election to the premier, the Bowser candidate, the Tory machine, secretary Love, the license inspector, the secretary of the Hotel Men's Association, or in other words, to the entire government and liquor interests, no police were sent for to arrest a single one of the would-be criminals. On the contrary, it seems to have been a case of jovial handshaking, and "welcome to our city."

There is no evidence that a single member of the Liberal party from Mr. Brewster down, knew any of these things.

J. L. Sullivan admits that although the entire Conservative organization knew every feature of the plot, they did not, and have not, made a single arrest.

The moment the Liberals secured evidence of fraudulent voting, the offender was arrested and is now serving nine months in jail.

Like all the "plugging" witnesses Sullivan admits that he was working for the "wets."

He admits that he was working to keep the Bowser aggregation in power. As witness Kelly said, all the "pluggers" were engaged in the same task of voting for the "wets." and "keeping a lot of good fellows in power."

That they did vote and "plug" for the wets there can be no manner of doubt.

FEW VACANT STORES.

Readjustment of Seattle business, following the widespread changes imposed by the new anti-saloon law, is practically completed, according to the statements of realty dealers and rental agencies. This means that more than 300 store rooms, vacated by saloons on or just prior to January 1, have been utilized by other lines of trade, and that the general level of rentals is now practically unaffected by the retirement from business of the saloons.

Now that readjustment has been accomplished without loss, Seattle has reason to congratulate itself upon the favorable outcome. The proposed vacation of so large a number of store rooms was a disturbing influence in the local realty business for a year preceding the change. Seattle has proven its capacity to successfully meet almost any emergency, but there was a situation that promised to test its recuperative ability to the utmost. A less virile and active community would have sagged badly under the stress.

The favorable condition in the local rental situation is the fact that Seattle is growing, and growing just now very rapidly. Established business firms have enlarged their business space and new concerns have entered the growing field. Not only are the old retail business sections retaining their trade, but new districts are developing to the northward. With rentals generally on a remunerative basis, cash customers are again beginning to seek realty bargains.

Under present reassuring conditions the coming season should witness an appreciation of real estate value and the resumption of utility buying and speculative demand.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

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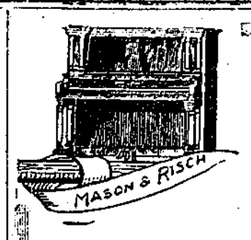

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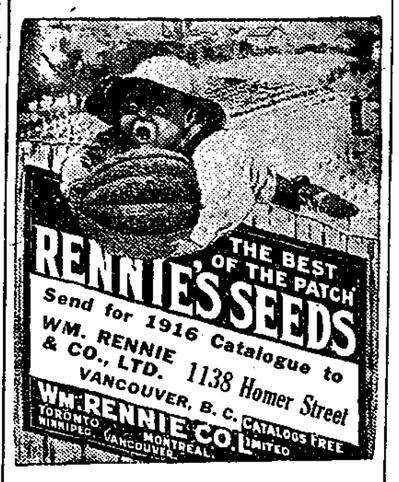

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Farmers Need Reliable Advice.

Indignation and dismay may describe the feelings of a number of shippers of potatoes about two weeks ago on receiving by wire notice not to ship potatoes to Prince Rupert as the market was glutted. Relying upon receiving $30.00 net per ton at Prince Rupert a number of farmers had refused a price of $28 per ton offered by a local merchant and had nearly filled the warehouse on the wharf with potatoes awaiting the arrival of a Union Steamship Company's steamer to take them to the northern city. Indignation was strong against the steamship company because of its failure to take away the potatoes at the time it promised to do so; and the innocent market at Prince Rupert was blamed because the prices did not hold up till these potatoes were disposed of.

While the delay of the transportation company was open to criticism the market at Prince Rupert was wholly without blame; but to our way of thinking, those persons who intended to ship a large consignment of one kind of produce to a comparatively limited market at the end of the season with the expectation of getting a larger price than elsewhere were taking chances that no prudent business man would take.

But in extenuation of their lack of prudence in this transaction, it must be remembered that the average farmer is not a business man. Neither by training nor by circumstances is he in a position to estimate the legitimate risks he may take, and because of his disadvantage in this respect should be afforded trustworthy and disinterested advice and, we may add, whether he wants it or not.

Although to some people it may seem a somewhat advanced position to take, we venture to propose as a remedy that the government agriculturist, whatever his official title may be, in charge of a certain district would be a person who by reason of his position could be able in addition to his many other duties, to give the farmers reliable information and advice on the marketing of his produce.

The government must, in spite of objections honored by age, get into as close a touch as possible with agriculture in all its bearings. It should study the up-to-date methods practised successfully in other parts of the world and adapt them to our conditions.

Even though we concede that the government is doing considerable for the welfare of the farmers, yet we must be pardoned for suggesting an extension of its work in that direction.

The government announces that Fall Fairs have been arranged by the Department of Agriculture at the following places: Prince Rupert, Sep. 20-22. Fort George, Telkwa, Quesnel, and Graham Island (Lawn Hill), the dates of all but that of Prince Rupert have not yet been announced.

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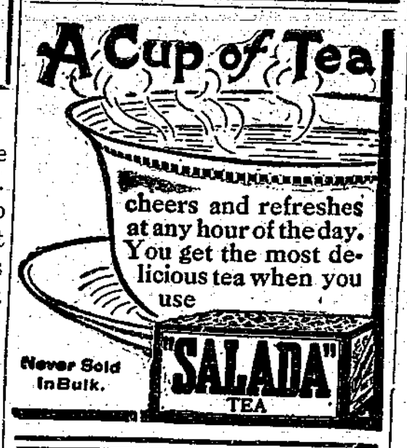

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