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WEATHER REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER.
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T. D. Pattullo Scores the McBride Government

The following speech by Mr. T. D. Pattullo, Liberal candidate for the Provincial Legislature, was delivered at a meeting held at Prince Rupert, November 5:

Mr. Pattullo in opening his speech referred to the particular duties devolving upon the Dominion and Provincial governments at this time, also the necessity of each and every individual doing his part in whatever capacity. While the supreme duty of the Dominion government was the prosecution of the war, coincident therewith careful thought must be given to economic conditions in order to safeguard both the immediate and the distant future. In this regard upon the Provincial government as well as the Dominion rests heavy responsibility.

The legislature at Victoria passed a vote of \$80,000 to two favorites of the government for no adequate services rendered. The fact that the legislature possessed the power of giving that the validity of law, did not permit the validity either of right or of morality. No doubt the Prime Minister of the Province would tell us that he was strictly conforming to the "Golden Rule" in making this grant, namely that he was doing unto others as he would have them do to him.

The government at Victoria had lost even a semblance of a proper perspective of the fitness of things. So long had it been engaged in debauching the electorate through public works and jobs and promises of public works and jobs that it had itself become callous just as criminals in long practice become callous.

The power to do certain things did not necessarily make right or wise the doing of them. In fact to do them might be grossly immoral.

He had no sympathy for or commendation of the spectacular action of the Prime Minister of the Province in buying submarines at a highly fictitious values for the protection of our coasts; it was a direct implication that the Ottawa government was derelict in its duty, and a slap too at the British Admiralty.

The speaker had no respect for a man who would wrap himself up in the old flag with loud exclamations of patriotic sentiments, while at that very moment he was despoiling the people both of their money and the natural resources of the province.

"I believe," said Mr. Pattullo, "that all grafters in war time ought to be shot, but I am not sure that they are deserving of a better fate in time of peace."

If the government instead of buying submarines and dealing with matters outside its jurisdiction had done well the things

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Bulgarians Attack French Positions

First British Blood Spilled on the New Front

Saloniki, Nov. 4, via Paris, Nov. 9.—The Anglo-French advance on Strumitza from the south is proceeding slowly. The first British blood was spilled on Saturday. The Bulgarians continue their costly but fruitless attacks against the French who hold an entirely entrenched position at Krivolak. The French left wing stormed a Bulgarian artillery position on Wezen height (4000 feet in altitude) nullifying the Bulgarian effort to pass Babuna defile. The French then formed a junction with the Serbians at Phares, completing an unbroken line from Perlepe, Gradsko and Krivolak to Borolobo on the Bulgarian frontier. A second Bulgarian expedition ascending the Treka valley and the Tetovo road to Uskup, was checked and thrown back on Saturday with heavy losses.

Russians Repulse Enemy's Attacks

Petrograd, Nov. 9.—The official communication says: "In the Dvinsk region we captured, after a stubborn fight with the bayonet, the village of Ujenicuki on the western shore of Lake Sventen, taking one hundred prisoners. Near Komarow north Kolki, the enemy thrice attacked and thrice was repulsed. Our artillery set fire to an enemy's ammunition magazine at Berestiang south of Kolki."

Austrian Submarine Sinks Italian Liner

582 Souls on Board Many of Survivors Seriously Wounded

Rome, via Paris, Nov. 9. It is officially reported that the Italian-American liner Ancona has been sunk by a large submarine flying the Austrian colors. She carried 422 passengers and 160 of a crew. Two hundred and seventy survivors, some of them seriously wounded, have been landed at Bizerta. It is not yet known if there were any Americans on board.

Albanians Ready to Attack

London, Nov. 10. (Special despatch) A Bucharest despatch by way of Geneva received early this morning says that 60,000 Albanians are preparing to attack the Serbians in the rear at Monastir and Prirand.

The Poisoners Poisoned

Basel, Nov. 9. French aviator destroyed a poisonous gas factory at Doonach, Alsace, with the result, workmen were suffocated.

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

S.S. Camosun arrived at nearly midnight on her southbound trip on Friday last week. There was quite an exodus from our town. Visitors and residents to the number of eleven had decided to wipe the mud off their feet and go south.

They were: H. S. Clements, M. P., S. Cameron, H. D. Brown, F. A. Johnson, C. J. P. Phibbs, J. Williams, Miss Annie Liverton, Mr. and Mrs. F. Broughton and Mr. and Mrs. W. Gross.

Mr. Sanford Cameron of the Pacific Dredging Co., Vancouver, returned from a hunting trip in the upper part of the valley. He, together with Mr. H. S. Clements, tried to find bears, but these sagacious creatures on the approach of such formidable antagonists took to the mountains, where the weight of the enemy forbade pursuit.

Mr. E. C. Clayton, treasurer of the local Red Cross funds, reports another \$2.80 to be added to the sum realized at the concert and lecture, making the total receipts of that occasion \$34.00.

Rev. T. C. Colwell has been spending several days visiting the settlers in the uppermost part of the valley. This settlement is some 70 miles away and is generally called Stillwater.

Next Sunday (tomorrow) Rev. Colwell will preach his farewell sermons at the Lower Bella Coola schoolhouse in the morning and at the Mackenzie schoolhouse in the evening. He will be going away on the next southbound steamer to enlist in the Ambulance Corps for the war.

Mr. Harry Grainger will leave for the war at the same time.

Mr. W. E. Gallienne, with some men, is putting new roofs on the government warehouses at the wharf.

O. W. Healey, representing the wholesale grocery house of W. H. Malkin Co. Ltd., of Vancouver, is in town looking up business for his house.

In what one of our clerical friends terms as an epidemic of weddings must in the first place be mentioned Mr. Frank Broughton, our genial and unobtrusive provincial constable, who on the 4th of November was united in bonds of marriage to Miss M. Nordschow of Hagensborg. The wedding took place at the residence of the bride's mother. Rev. H. Sageng officiating.

Miss Nordschow is the daughter of the late Mr. Eric Nordschow, who was one of the most prominent members of the settlement. The best wishes of the community follow the young couple on their joint journey through life.

Mr. and Mrs. Broughton went away on a short wedding tour.

Mr. A. Atkins, the popular bookkeeper of the cannery who has so often given pleasure to the people of Bella Coola by his splendid singing at numerous entertainments, also took the fatal step the other day; by being married at Steveston. The name of the lady concerned is not learned. Mr. Chas. Lord supported Mr. Atkins during the ordeal.

On October 25th at Vancouver Mr. W. Linnell, late engineer of the cannery launch Kwatna, was united in the bonds of matrimony to Miss Hilda Leigh; she came all the way from Warrington, England, to be present on the occasion.

The Young People's Society at Hagensborg held a very successful meeting last Saturday. There was a large crowd and a good program.

No doubt some of our readers will be interested in the following letter received by Mr. and Mrs. S. Le C. Grant, from their son, Fred. The letter was dated "Somewhere in France," Oct. 10.

Since writing to you last, we have moved around again and are now close to a camp which we left last Sunday. Today I received the Courier, which is of great interest to me. Our boys came out of the trenches night before last and marched all night to where we are now. There were nine casualties in our regiment—3 killed and 6 wounded. Our artillery has been very active along the whole line today, one or two shells are fired every second, so it means a good number to keep that up steady. The Germans hate shell fire more than anything and will not face it. When a German airship flies across the line to our side it very seldom gets back, for our Tommies, with their expert shooting, generally bring it down. The German snipers are about the worst things we have to contend with. We are moving on to another place this evening and it has stopped raining and looks as though it might be fine for a

The Machine Gun Committee held a meeting last week. The treasurer announced that he had received instructions from the Militia Department at Ottawa, to place the money raised for the machine gun to their credit at a bank, and a machine gun would be sent to the front in a comparatively short time.

The following subscriptions have been received since the publication of the last list:

J. R. Holte - \$5.00
 Theo. Liverton - \$5.00

The treasurer was instructed to forward \$1000 according to the directions of the Dominion government.

Any money in excess of that needed for the purchase of the machine gun will, when collected, be turned over to the Red Cross Fund.

Church Notice

LOWER BELLA COOLA: Church Service, 11 a. m.

BELLA COOLA: Sunday School, 10:15 a. m.

Church Service, 7:30 p. m.

All Are Welcome.

Rev. T. C. Colwell, R. A., Pastor

H. S. Clements, M. P. Meets His Constituents at Mackenzie School

The crowd that assembled at the Mackenzie schoolhouse on the evening of Friday last week to listen to Mr. H. S. Clements, M. P., report on his work as the Federal representative of the Comox-Atlin district was as large as the house could well accommodate.

A few minutes after eight Mr. S. Le C. Grant, president of the local Conservative club, called the meeting to order with a few remarks eulogistic of the member present, who, he said, was a man who kept his promises.

The popular member on ascending the platform was greeted by hearty applause.

He began by regretting that he had been unable to visit Bella Coola as often as he would have liked, but owing to the size of his district, which was the largest and most difficult to traverse in Canada, he had been unable to do so. Of the time not spent attending the sessions of parliament he had used three-fourths in travelling, looking after the needs of his district. He then spoke of his successful efforts in securing a telgraph line to Bella Coola, in reducing the rates for telegraph messages, and improving the mail service. He justly prided himself that he had not used his position to oust capable officials on account of their politics.

He then paid a tribute to the honesty and ability of Premier Borden, who had tried to keep every pre-election pledge which he had made. He scored the Liberal Dominion Senate for voting down the appropriation of \$35,000,000 for three dreadnoughts, and said it made him ashamed that he was a Canadian; as there never had been as much as a copper voted for the protection of the Empire.

He criticized the legacies left by the Liberal government; one of which was the boundary line of Manitoba and Quebec.

The Canadian Northern Railway subsidies had proven not sufficient to complete the road. The Borden government had, upon the urgent solicitations of the promoters, loaned the company \$45,000,000, and in security the government now holds almost a majority of its stock. He predicted that this road would in time prove one of the most valuable assets to Canada.

Then the Liberal party's policy towards the Grand Trunk Pacific received its share of criticism. The line east of Winnipeg was a mistake and should not have been built. The cost was excessive, and \$40,000,000 had been grafted in the construction. The Liberal government had promised

that the road would cost only \$13,000,000, while he declared it would cost over three hundred million dollars.

Upon his election to office he found the Comox-Atlin district the most neglected in the Dominion. This neglect extended to every department of the service. By his persistent efforts since he began to look after its interests the Dominion government had spent \$1,500,000 in the district. He made special mention of the value of the fishing industry, which represented an asset of \$15,000,000. He had seen to it that the natural spawning grounds of the salmon had been cleaned up and taken care of. He believed this part of the work of greater importance than the operation of hatcheries.

He regretted that war conditions made it impossible at present to appropriate sums for many public works, but knew the people were reasonable and would not require it under the circumstances.

In spite of a sympathetic and very friendly audience it seemed significant he was unable to elicit any applause to that part of the speech in which he paid a high tribute to the Conservative candidate for this district and pleaded for his election.

He then spoke of Canada's contribution in men and money to the war, and the need of providing for the crippled soldiers.

He minimized the graft in the purchase of supplies for war and stated that only \$6000 had been misappropriated in the expenditure of \$50,000,000 for war purposes.

He mentioned his share in the organization of a regiment of soldiers to be known as the Comox-Atlin regiment, and promised to send a recruiting officer here if needed.

He closed by assuring his hearers that he should always take an active interest in the welfare of the district and as long as he remained a member of the parliament would look after its needs.

Rev. W. H. Gibson then made an ardent appeal to the young men to join the colors.

Before closing by the singing of the National Anthem, the meeting expressed its appreciation of Mr. Clements services as Federal representative by a rising vote of thanks.

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We beg to remind our readers that the Courier having completed its third year...

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The Two Spirits.

People who flatter themselves of being more broad-minded than the average mortals, try to assume that there is not much difference between the forces opposed to each other on the battle-fields of Europe.

If, on one hand, the claim is made that this war be fought until the militarism as accentuated by Germany be forever crushed; they again maintain that Germany had as much right to amass armaments on land as Britain to maintain a superior navy.

It was natural for Britain in her insular position to develop a strong navy; and we, while being no military experts, maintain that Britain's powerful navy was not a menace to the development of liberty and independence and commerce of any of the European nations.

has been benevolent, giving as much freedom to the different peoples under her protecting flag as their development permitted.

Our highly educated and enlightened critics know as well as we do that the spirit of Germany is of an entirely different nature. Her great armaments have not been accumulated for purposes of defense, because it was not in the interest of Europe as a whole to have Germany weakened in any way.

Foolish, Dishonest or Negligent.

While we are conducting a newspaper supporting the Liberal party, we have been under the impression that in spite of the so called war scandals the Conservative Dominion government was nearly, if not fully, as clean as any other government.

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and expel him from office.

Our Dominion government, at the demand of the opposition in parliament, appointed a commission to investigate the charges of fraud in connection with the purchase of material for war purposes.

This commission has found ample material for investigation and many scandals have been unearthed; this is well and good as far as it goes, and we hope and believe that the Borden government will prosecute all those who have made themselves criminally liable.

But what puzzles us is why in so many cases it should be found necessary to have a special commission to discover the frauds. There are officials in large numbers who have something to do with every transaction involving the payment of money from the public treasury.

Every bill is scrutinized and vouchers required as proof of its genuineness, and any ordinary intelligent being who attended to the duties of passing on the bills he was paid to examine would be able to see the fraudulency of nearly all the transactions laid bare by the investigation of the commission.

To illustrate, that there must be something very near collusion between these officials, we will quote from the Vancouver News-Advertiser's report of the second sitting of the Davidson war con-

tracts commission held at Regina, Saskatchewan. We omit the discovery of forged freight bills of feed and hay never bought, as frauds of that kind would, under normal circumstances, be somewhat obscure and not easy to detect.

Records showed that for the week ending March 14 the stock of feed on hand was nil; during the week 234 tons were purchased; over 7000 feeds were given the horses mobilized during that week and at the close of the week ten tons remained; the next week's report showed on hand March 21, ten tons; purchased during the week, a little over four tons; left at the end of the week after the usual feeding, 50 tons.

Sir Charles Davidson asked the witness Mackintosh whether he would characterize these reports as absurd or fraudulent, witness replying absurd and impossible.

Sir Charles Tupper Is Dead.

Sir Charles Tupper, the greatest of Canadians, has past away in his 95th year. He died at Bexley Heath, England, October 30.

In him Canada has lost the last of the Fathers of Confederation, those who laid the solid foundation of Canada's stability and greatness. His name will always be known in Canadian history as one of her best.

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To him was given the great privilege of serving his country in the highest positions within its gifts for a term extending over half a century. It is not for the present generation to form a just estimate of the services he has rendered, it is for us to imitate him in his love for his country and fidelity to duty.

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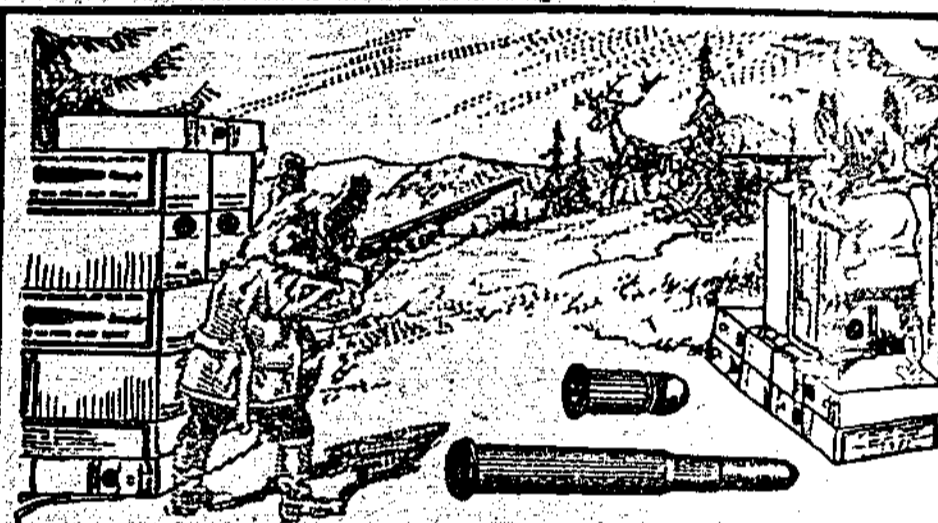
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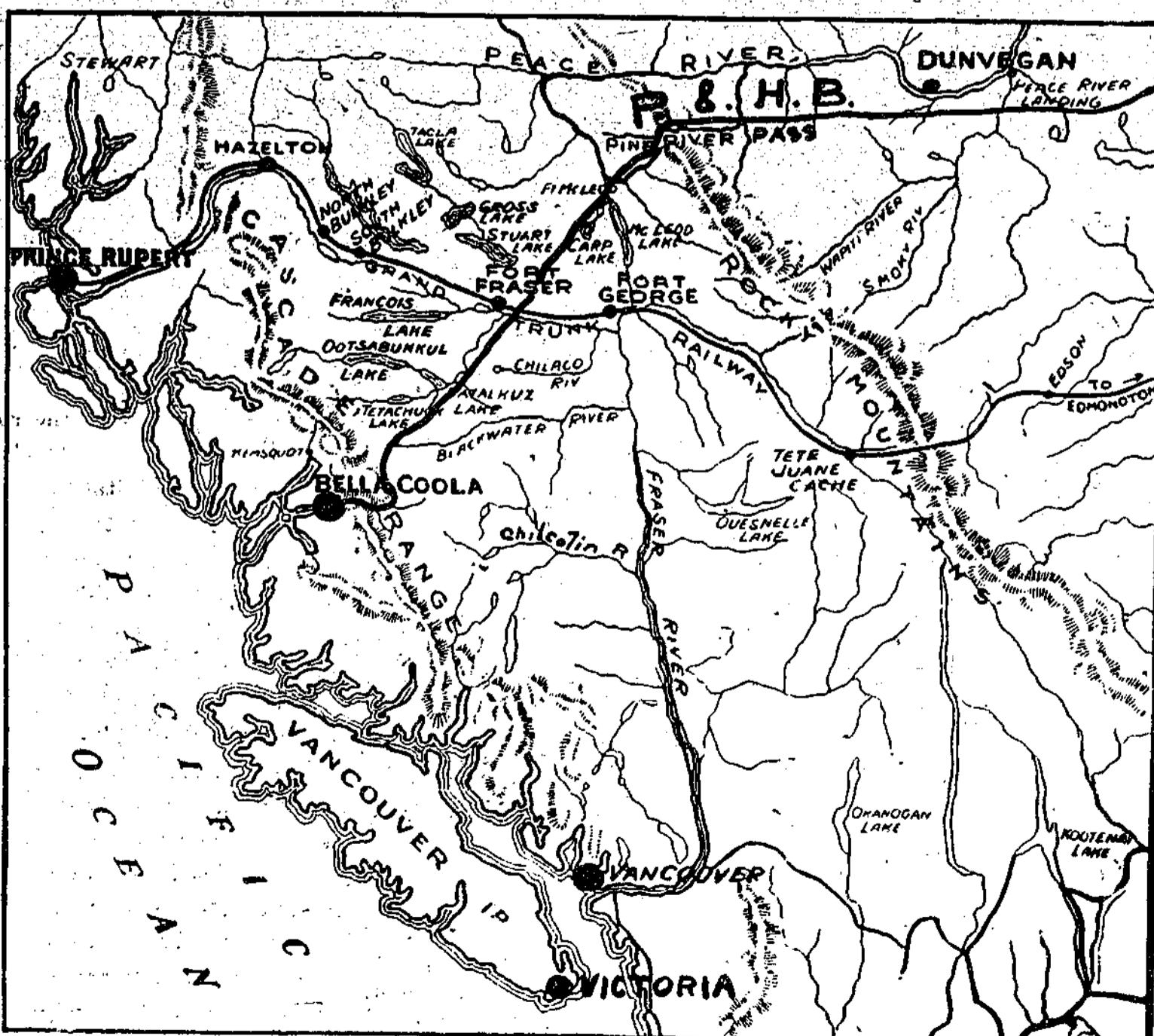
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T. D. Pattullo Scores the McBride Government

(Continued from page 1.) within the sphere of its legitimate activity, we would not today have to witness the departure from this province of thousands of good men and their families because of the impossibility of making a living, nor would we have to suffer the knowledge that of those remaining in the province an all too large percentage are just hanging on to the ragged edge in the earnest hope that conditions may change and that in some manner more affluent circumstances may be the lot of all.

a new government will be free from entangling alliances which would prevent the present government from making any reforms even if it so desired. "However," said Mr. Pattullo, "I shall tell you a few things that a new administration will endeavor to carry out," and he proceeded to deal with them. "There must be a thorough investigation into the financial affairs of the province. "Every energy must be bent towards opening up and developing our natural resources so that our population may become self-sustaining.

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