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Regina Leader: "The people of the West have every reason to organize to the limit and rise in their might in opposition to Robert Rogers. He has been the worst enemy of Canada and more particularly of Western Canada, that ever secured a place of influence and power in the public life of this country. Looking over the years that he occupied a position in the government of Manitoba, the people of that province can today partly realize what his ascendancy there meant to them and how the whole political life of that Province was lowered to a plane which made Manitoba a by-word among the provinces. The people there, by painful experience of their own financial problems, know of the results of his reckless administration."

ELECTION RUMORS.

Commenting on the statement handed out to the newspapers last week by Premier Foster, the St. John Times has this to say:

"Premier Foster, in an interview last evening, pointed out that the question of a general election had not been considered by the government, but that ample notice would be given if an appeal to the people should be deemed necessary. Something, no doubt, will depend upon the course pursued by the opposition party. Will Messrs. Murray, Jones, Baxter and Smith resign their seats, or will they and their colleagues in the House attempt to brazen it out in connection with the revelations made before the royal commissions? If they adopt the latter course a general appeal to the people may become necessary much earlier than would otherwise be the case. It is quite obvious that the Legislature must be purged, one way or the other. There is still no indication of the course the opposition will pursue and therefore the question of a general election may not be cleared up until after the House meets."

Most of the election talk heard recently seems to have originated with a graft newspaper, which, having bled its party white, is now sitting astride the political fence waiting for something to turn up.

THE MIRACLE OF 1918.

One can hardly believe that it was but nine months ago that Hindenburg boasted to the battered world that he would eat his dinner April 1 in Paris, riding horseback to that meal as the conqueror of France, the master of Great Britain and the marshal of Mittel Europa.

That was but nine months ago. It seems like nine years. It was only nine months ago that Field Marshal Haig confessed that Great Britain was at the end of her reserves, "Our back is to the wall," he said. "We must win with what we have." And it was less than nine months ago that German shells were dropping in the Paris streets.

Early in 1918 the German army was camping on the graves of a half million British dead, cooking their rations with fuel made of the crosses that marked British burial places. In mid-summer, 1918, the enemy seemed to have grown in brute strength by four years of hammering. Certainly he had lost none of his arrogance, for he was roaring out the terms of his "German peace," and demanding everything he had gained and lost as his price for quitting.

Yet all this time he was hiding in his closet the skeleton of a beaten navy, the crumbling rear of a decaying army and the fibreless mess of a civilian population.

And then the inevitable came: the Hun that had stabled himself for four years in the clean and holy places of his better neighbors has slunk away to his own soil. The remnant of his boasted navy has gone to jail on call of the conquerors, and the Rhine, divine German stream, is policed by the men at whom the Germans have bawled

ed their crude contempt for half a century.

All this has come out in the great year of the world 1918.

St. John Telegraph: The Standard's campaign editorial is interesting in one respect, which is the bold announcement that the old candidates and the old leaders of the local Conservative party are to be put forward again, in spite of their records, and that the people will be asked to endorse them and the acts and policies, the sins of omission and commission, of which they were guilty. We shall see presently how the country likes that. The old flag, which today should be more than ever sacred, because of the blood poured out so freely by Canadians in its defence, is now to be waved vigorously in an attempt to cover up the record of men who dragged New Brunswick's good name in the mire for their own selfish and base purposes while the sons of this province were giving their lives for the common cause.

The Standard, which is the mouthpiece of the patriotic potato and Valley Railway boodlers, is trying hard to raise the loyalty cry against the provincial government. It no doubt hopes by this means to detract public attention from the scandals which have involved some of its most intimate friends and backers. The course being pursued by the St. John organ exemplifies the truth of old Dr. Johnson's famous utterance that "patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel."

La Presse: The municipal council of Calgary wants Germany to pay an indemnity of a thousand million dollars to Canada. It is a wish which every Canadian will gladly endorse. It remains to be seen how it can be realized when Canada has not the right to say a word at the Peace Conference. Let us hope that John Bull will take good care of us.

When the York county councillors were paid a modest wage of \$2.50 per day for attendance at the council board, they generally disposed of the business of the annual meeting in three days. Now that they are paid at the rate of \$5 per day, it takes them five days to get through. In other words, the councillors did more hustling when the pay was small.

The York Municipal Council, at its recent meeting, doubled its grant to the Victoria Public Hospital. The hospital is a most worthy institution and the action of the council in increasing the grant will no doubt meet with the hearty approval of the ratepayers of the county.

The White Star Line steamer Olympic is now en route to Halifax with another five thousand troops on board.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Occasionally we hear of a man who manages to make good by following his wife's advice.

It's what a woman doesn't know about a man that causes her to have a good opinion of him.

Whatever else may be said of the generous hearted Bolshevik, he is at least ready to divide your last dollar with him.

Wealth seems to be well distributed. Gurs are as common on the streets today as they were last summer.

The son of the "Asbestos King" has married a chorus king. Asbestos will now get an official test.

Now, answer truthfully and shame Old Nick and his side partner, Kaiser Bill. How about those good resolutions adopted so enthusiastically over a week ago?

No difference how much Mrs. Brown dislikes Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Brown has a higher opinion of Mrs. Smith after she has heard Mrs. Smith laugh at her jokes.

As the war is academically over, may we hope that the insurance companies will resume the practice of distributing blotters, inkpots, pencils, notebooks and other expressions of good will.

Died Sunday Morning

The death occurred yesterday at her home on George Street of Mrs. Mary Craig after a short illness. The deceased was seventy-five years of age and is survived by five sons, Newton Jarvis, William Jarvis and Hiram Jarvis, H. H. Stuart and Robert Stuart, and by four daughters, Mrs. John Piper, of Bradford, N. H., Mrs. W. McKinnon, of Augusta, Me., Mrs. R. Goodine, of Proust's Neck, Me. and Mrs. S. Baxter, of Fredericton. The funeral will take place on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, service being conducted by Rev. J. S. Sutherland. Interment will be made at the Rural cemetery.

H. J. McGRATH
PASSED AWAY
LAST NIGHT

Worked for C. P. R. in the Old Days and was for Many Years in Employ of the C. G. R.

Mr. Henry Joseph McGrath a well known and esteemed citizen passed away at his home in King Street on Sunday morning. He had been in delicate health for several months, and although his condition was known to be serious the news of his death came as a painful shock to his many friends.

The late Mr. McGrath was born at Bristol, England of Irish parentage, in 1848 but the greater part of his life had been spent on this side of the Atlantic. The family removed to Boston when he was quite young and during his residence in that city Mr. McGrath served an apprenticeship as a marble cutter and completed a course in statuary and architectural work. In the early seventies he removed to St. John and later proceeded to Dorchester where he engaged in business. While the C. P. R. was under construction he went West and was for two years in the employ of that company as inspector of masonry. He also served as inspector for the provincial government on the parliament buildings in this city and later was employed by the government on bridge construction.

On the C. G. R.

In 1896 when the late Hon. A. G. Blair became minister of railways, Mr. McGrath was appointed inspector of masonry on the Intercolonial Railway and filled the position for over twenty years when he retired on superannuation. Soon after his retirement he removed to Fredericton and assisted in the organization of Concrete Builders Limited of which concern he became manager, holding the position until March of last year when he retired.

Fine Type of Man

The late Mr. McGrath had a very large circle of acquaintances throughout the maritime provinces. He was a genial and witty Irishman who made friends and kept them. He was a pronounced Liberal in politics and during his residence here had been active in political campaigns. His wife who was a daughter of the late Capt. King of Dorchester, died sixteen years ago. A family of one daughter and four sons survive the deceased. They are Miss Doris McGrath, Dr. R. H. McGrath, Sergeant Justin McGrath, who lately returned from overseas, and Cedric, all of this city, and Darcy McGrath of Toronto. One sister, Mrs. Delano resides at Somerville, Mass., and there are four brothers, viz: Gerold, James, Frank and John living in Boston.

The funeral will take place tomorrow morning with high mass at St. Dunstan's church beginning at nine o'clock. Interment will be made at the Hermitage.

Has Entered Suit

Mr. A. E. Hanson has entered suit against Messrs John E. Sullivan and Ernest Howes concerning the taking over of the Arctic Skating Rink and Bowling Alleys. The two mentioned took over the rink and alleys some time ago and after running the bowling alleys for a week tried to break off the agreement. This led to suit being entered.

Sackville Girl Appointed

Sackville Post: Miss Dorothy Hutton was a week end guest at her parents, Professor and Mrs. S. W. Hutton enroute to River Glade, where she has accepted the position of Dietitian at the Jordan Sanitarium, which is now under military supervision. Miss Hutton has for some months past been assistant dietitian at the sanitarium at Kentville, and will bring to her new office valuable experience. (Miss Hutton is a granddaughter of the late Dr. J. R. Inch, former chief superintendent of education.)

LOST—A brown fur muff at C. P. R. Station Saturday night, as the St. John train was coming in. The finder will kindly leave at the Daily Mail Office.



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