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PROCLAMATION

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor will hold a public reception in the Legislative Assembly Chamber on the evening of Monday, July 22nd, at 9:30 o'clock (daylight saving time), in honour of His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada and Her Excellency the Countess of Bessborough, on the occasion of Their Excellencies' farewell visit to the Province of New Brunswick.

Those attending the reception will bring two visiting cards.
Dress—Uniform or Evening Dress; decorations.

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BLOCKADING ETHIOPIA

One way to win a war is to blockade the enemy and thus prevent him from receiving the wherewithal to make war. Blockade was one of the weapons used against Germany. It was very efficiently employed by the North against the South in the Civil War in the United States.

International law demanded that a blockade be actual. A neutral does not have to recognize the mere declaration of a state of blockade. Orders in Council, Milan and Berlin. Decrees are no longer effective. Ships and armies must interpose between the blockaded country and the would-be trader.

No one knows these facts better than Mussolini. He can not blockade Ethiopia unless there is a declaration of war, since a blockade without war is unknown in international law. He knows Ethiopia will not declare war, since she has taken her stand on the League of Nations compact and the Pact of Paris, which provide her, in theory at least, with allies only in case she does not go to war. And Mussolini, while he may undertake a punitive expedition, is not likely to declare war. That is one reason he is developing the theory that Ethiopia is not a nation. There is no rule against fighting tribesmen who menace a frontier. There are plenty of rules against going to war with a recognized nation.

So instead of blockading Ethiopia to prevent her from getting munitions, Mussolini sets up a test of friendship. A nation that refuses to allow its nationals to sell arms to Ethiopia is friendly. All others are unfriendly.

TO REMAKE MOSCOW

Soviet Russia is starting a new and gigantic program—the rebuilding of Moscow. The job will take ten years. The intention is to make it the most modern city on earth. Its present size of 71,250 acres will be enlarged to 150,000. Its population is expected to increase from 3,600,000 to 5,000,000. Many old buildings will be torn down. New boulevards will be constructed. There will be six new 4,000-room hotels 50 new movie houses, 500 schools, seventeen hospitals and nine department stores.

Brilliant is the idea. Constructive is the plan. But the most important ingredient will be missing, officially. In material things, the Soviet Government aspires and occasionally achieves. But what of it? Utterly lacking, officially, is the spiritual. And without the spiritual, life is purposeless.

To attempt to withhold from Russia credit for certain of its scientific enterprises would be silly. We can admire much that is done with sticks and stones. But what Russia is doing with human souls is one of the greatest crimes of the ages. Inevitably the spiritual will assert itself. It has never entirely perished, even in Moscow. But even before the civic ten-year-plan has reached its goal, the gang of the Godless may be driven out, Russia's "rationalistic" debauch may have bended and then, indeed, may Moscow celebrate,

SNAPSHOTS

Why is gasoline selling in Montreal at from fifteen to seventeen cents per gallon while down in this province we pay thirty one and a half cents including the tax. We are less than seventy miles from the sea. Montreal is five hundred miles. Where does the rake-off go?

Visitors to the A & B water sports who are remaining over should appreciate the fact that our local merchants furnished the prizes for the A. & B. club regatta and patronize them.

It is always the local man who is called upon to chip in to affairs of this kind—not the mail order houses out of town where some people send their money.

What are they going to do with the poor kiddie at the hospital who was roasted on the N.B. Power Commission transformer? It's time some one got busy and helped the father out. Where does Major Lawson, M. P. P. fit in?

Nearly two months since Dempsey was shot dead in the head and back and no trace yet of the murderer. It may not be funny, but it's strange.

No wonder that the people around Jacquet River shake their heads as well as their hands at the delay.

A personality sketch of Stanley Baldwin says the prime minister "favors a ripe old pipe" and adds, rather superfluously, we think that he is "an outdoors man".

Il Duce's next difference may be with the Dionne babes, on the ground that they have pushed him around in the picture pages.

After all, Hitler was lucky to escape with a few jeers for his manner of munching asparagus. It might have been one of those five-ply club sandwiches.

City - Province To Fete Their Excellencies Here

City and province will play hosts to Their Excellencies, Lord and Lady Bessborough on the occasion of the vice-regal party's visit here on Monday, and detailed arrangements for the civic welcome and Lieutenant-Governor MacLaren's reception, have been completed.

The vice-regal party will arrive here on Monday afternoon at five o'clock, Daylight Saving Time, and will be taken to the city hall, where His Worship Mayor Clark will present His Excellency with an address from the city. Mrs. Clark, the aidersmen and their wives will be presented to Their Excellencies. Leaving the city hall about 6:30 o'clock the vice-regal party will be taken for a short auto drive about the city and at seven o'clock. Their Excellencies will be entertained at the home of Mayor and Mrs. Clark.

At nine o'clock His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, Hon. Dr. Murray MacLaren, will tender a public reception to Their Excellencies. After the presentation of the guests to Lord and Lady Bessborough, dancing will be carried out. Hon. A. A. Dysart, premier of the province, will deliver an appropriate farewell address from the province of New Brunswick. Lord and Lady Bessborough are leaving shortly on their return to the Old Country and this is their last visit to New Brunswick.

STRIKE IS ENDED

Port Arthur, Ont., July 20. — Strike of Thunder Bay district timber workers ended today with the 2,000 men in 12 camps returning to work at the former wage rates. Included in the agreement which ended the three weeks' strike was a promise workers called on to work in thin or sparse timber would receive wage adjustments.

SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

The Victoria Hospital reported today that George Walsh, Minto miner, who was injured in a mine cave-in at the Black Diamond mine there yesterday, was showing some improvement today. Walsh was rushed to the hospital here following the accident and rendered treatment. It is expected that he will recover.

Stevens Makes His First Appeal As Party Leader

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To veterans he had a special message. He promised, if returned to power to see that the recommendations of the Hyndman commission which recently reported at Ottawa, would be implemented. Also it was his intention to have a veteran committee established in Ottawa to keep in touch with problems of the returned men so that they might be dealt with.

"There is no place in Canada for destructive revolution," he told the audience. "We are builders not wreckers. Canada is still the best country in the world to live in. But there are many, too many, who through the greed of a few are denied the right to earn their living and take their rightful place as citizens. We wish to restore these rights."

The housing bill passed at the last session of Parliament he referred to as "an act for the relief of mortgage and loan companies." It was not an effective measure to assist housing. "One clause gives the minister of finance the power to relieve all mortgage and loan companies of their losses."

The issue of the coming Dominion election was not between Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Liberal leader, and Prime Minister R. B. Bennett, Mr. Stevens declared.

The Only Question

"The only question between them is to which of the two old parties will the big interests throw their main support," he continued. "You may rest assured it will be to that party which appears to have the best chance of winning."

The real issue was "between the people and a handful of men who dominate and dictate Canada's affairs." Was Canada to recover democratic control of her affairs, or "shall we sink still lower under the devastating influence of concentrated wealth and power?"

As opposed to further concentration of power and wealth, Mr. Stevens maintained, the Reconstruction party stood for decentralization of power and wealth, restoration and reconstruction. It advocated decentralization of power and wealth, "so that all those who toil may have a larger share in the wealth they produce."

This might be achieved by lower interest rates, elimination of sweatshops and fair and equitable wages and hours of labor and stabilized prices to the farmer.

The free rights of the individual must be restored, so that the "weight of organized capital shall not by unfair methods crush the competitor who by his initiative and individual efforts seeks to serve his fellowmen and secure for himself a comfortable living."

Must Have Opportunity

And, asserted the Reconstruction leader, youth must have its opportunity. "I am not interested in the slacker—the fellow who will not work—the agitator, the seditionist, the disturber of the peace—there is no room in Canada for such," Mr. Stevens declared with emphasis. "As most of this type come from abroad they ought to be deported when convicted."

The Reconstruction party had offered a program to achieve the ends it desired to attain. This might, said Mr. Stevens, be divided into two main divisions:

1. Immediate adoption of such measures of reform as will ensure more equitable distribution of ownership and control of wealth.

2. Early adoption of such measures of reform as will ensure more equitable distribution of ownership and control of wealth.

Under the first heading certain public works had been proposed by the party which he led. These include completion of the trans-Canada highway, means of access to national parks, reforestation, elimination of level crossings and a housing program.

The demand for these things was present Mr. Stevens continued. The supply of materials and labor was there. Why, then, was the old law of supply and demand not functioning. "It is not functioning because credit is controlled and withheld by the few," he answered.

How did the Reconstruction party propose to finance its program? asked the leader. First, existing agencies which controlled credit would be asked to co-operate. "I expect them to re-

CHURCH SERVICES

Brunswick St. and George St. Baptist Churches

Union services during July 11 a.m., Brunswick St. church. 7.00 p.m., George St. church. Sunday schools in conjunction with morning service. Daylight time. Summer visitors welcome. Gerald W. Guion, pastor in charge.

Devon Baptist Church

Union services Devon Baptist Church and Devon United church. Morning worship at Baptist church, 11 a.m. 'What Can Jesus Do?' Evening worship in United church, 7 p.m. 'Creed and Practice.' Minister in charge, David L. Kennedy.

Hon. J. B. McNair Will Have Probe Into K.K.K. Letter Affair

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other citizens felt that if there was to be that kind of a campaign—"Dysart a Catholic; and Richard a Frenchman; and The Pope", that it should be dragged out and fought in the open and killed forever and he had courage enough to bring it out.

Now Hon. Mr. McNair states that the fullest investigation should have been ordered into the matter by Hon. Mr. Tilley. He claims that it is a case for a Royal Commission with power to enquire into all charges including those made by Hon. Mr. Tilley as above mentioned.

Hon. Mr. McNair, as Attorney General has with the consent of his colleagues revoked the Tilley order for an investigation and will in the near future appoint a Royal Commission to investigate all charges including those made by Hon. Mr. Tilley and his associates.

Hon. Mr. McNair is doing a public service in bringing the whole rotten business out.

Hon. Mr. McNair's statement to The Daily Mail regarding the matter is as follows:

As its last meeting in Fredericton on the 10th of July, 1935, the late Government at the instance of ex-Premier Tilley, passed an order-in-Council under the provisions of The New Brunswick Inquiries Act ordering an investigation into a statement made by me during the election campaign as to the authorship of a document known as "the K. K. K. letter".

Prior to my statement, several of Mr. Tilley's candidates and campaign speakers made charges imputing responsibility for the issue of this document to the Liberal Party and some even charged me with its authorship.

Speaking at Sussex on Monday, June 17th, the ex-Premier himself charged us with responsibility, the closing portion of his utterance being as follows:

"I wish to condemn this dastardly attempt by our political opponents to raise a religious warfare. I condemn such action from every angle. We have twelve members of the Roman Catholic faith running as candidates for this government and such an epistle is a distinct insult. I disclaim any knowledge of the letter and if I knew the person who manufactured the

spond cheerfully," he said. Secondly a larger use would be made of Canada's gold reserves, "both those now being produced and available, and the reserves under ground." The program planned, he asserted, would stimulate production and thus increase revenues greatly.

On the question of reforestation Mr. Stevens uttered a word of warning. The watersheds of the Dominion were becoming denuded, and the rivers were suffering.

Dealing with the price spreads report briefly, Mr. Stevens said "The reconstruction party will give effect to the recommendations of that report."

"The party protests against the purchase and sale of labor as mere merchandise. Labor ought to be treated always from the human standpoint. The Reconstruction party will establish a national labor board to bring about uniformity of wages and working conditions throughout Canada and to ensure the right of workers to bargain through the organizations of their choice, with the object of securing for all industrial workers a decent standard of living."

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same, I would have no hesitancy in publishing his name.

"I say to all Roman Catholic electors in this province 'be forewarned this is a pure and simple political dodge originating and being carried out by our political opponents and it carries no credit to any body who stoops to this kind of political warfare'."

On July 12th, the day the late Government resigned, a Commission signed by the Honourable Mr. Leger, ex-Provincial Secretary, was forwarded to Mr. J. A. H. Teed, K. C., of Saint John. It is based upon the order-in-council referred to but fails to authorize any investigation into the serious charges of Mr. Tilley and his associates.

"The Honourable the Premier further reports that such letter is deemed to be highly detrimental to the public life and prejudicial to the good feeling that should exist among the citizens of the province."

This being so, obviously the fullest investigation should have been ordered. It is a case for a Royal Commission with power to enquire into all the charges and counter-charges, when Mr. Tilley himself would be afforded an opportunity to vindicate himself and his associates to justify their statements.

This view is shared by my colleagues in the Government who, in order to permit an ample inquiry by a Royal Commission, with its enlarged powers, have revoked the limited investigation authorized by the Government.

So soon as time will permit me the proper prosecution of the matter, a Royal Commission will be appointed to investigate all charges, including those made by Mr. Tilley and his various associates.

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