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CONSERVATIVE ADDRESS -ARNETT-

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in the new Department of Veterans' Affairs and Labour.

Rural Electrification

One of the planks of the Jones' platform in 1940 was Rural Electrification. I put the question to you—has this promise been fulfilled? The answer is "No". In truth, a highly paid expert has been engaged by the present government to submit a far-reaching plan which will require years to put into practical operation; yet the Liberals, in their current platform, come back to the people of Prince Edward Island with a repetition of this broken promise, in a frantic effort to obtain votes and stave off the defeat which they so justly merit. Consider this plank in the light of the broken promise of 1943, and vote accordingly. The Progressive Conservative party realizes that rural electrification is a prime necessity to the Province of Prince Edward Island, and will be of inestimable value to our farming communities, rural merchants, fishermen and others. We do not believe in the utopian solution forecast by Mr. Jones—we must get down to business. We are pledged in our platform to make provision for a Province-wide extension of rural electrification as expeditiously as possible. We can do this by co-operating with the services already in existence, and subsidizing rural lines.

The present Government, headed by a former Premier, attempts to present itself to the farmers of this Province as their sole benefactor. Yet what is the situation today? The Department of Agriculture in Prince Edward Island has been neglected. The proportionate amount of expenditure in respect to this most important department is entirely inadequate to the needs of the farming community. You are all aware of the situation existing in complete accord, the price of this product has increased to such a level that the raising of hogs is no longer profitable. All the encouragement available from the Federal Minister of Agriculture on his recent visit to this Province was the following advice: "to grow your own grain and solve your own difficulties."

The Progressive Conservative Party, when elected to power, is pledged in its platform to erect a million bushel grain elevator, with proper facilities for handling the grain stored, and as a result, the farmers of this Province will be assured of a constant and cheaper supply of coarse grains being regularly available. Machinery for the draining and ditching of low-lying land, and assistance by means of a subsidy on grain, pasture and hay fertilizers will be provided.

The Liberal candidates and other speakers are boundless in their praise of the Dominion-Provincial Tax Agreement respecting this Province, and the large amount of money received thereunder. They forget to mention the large amount of money foregone by the people of this Province in the surrender of our most lucrative fields of taxation to the Dominion Government. In the final analysis, we are paying more than to this, our subsidies have been merged in the amount received by us under this Agreement.

Long-standing Grievances

Due to our insular position, lack of resources, and restricted area, we are less favorably placed than been home a few days getting his fall work done up, when he will return to work on Mr. Wm. Arsenault Lot 6 new and up to date house.

the other provinces. Furthermore, long-standing injustices were suffered by this Province due to the non-fulfillment of the terms of our entry into Confederation. The larger provinces, being more favourably situated, obtained far-reaching benefits from the distribution of Crown Lands and other natural resources, which were not available to us, separated as we are from the mainland of Canada. The late Chief Justice Matheson, when Conservative Premier of this Province, made it his ceaseless aim to obtain redress for these grievances and injustices at the hands of the Dominion Government. As you are aware, he prepared and presented to the Federal Government then in power, a comprehensive brief, setting out our claims and the basis for same.

This brief, which was based on fiscal need, received most favorable consideration at Ottawa. In recognition of our just claims, as thus presented, an annual subsidy of one hundred thousand dollars was obtained. The Duncan Commission and the White Commission later recommended further grants, so that at the time of the acceptance, by Premier Jones, of the Dominion-Provincial Agreement, our total subsidies amounted to approximately \$374,000. Bear in mind that this was a statutory award recognizing injustices suffered, and granted in lieu of same, in perpetuity, and the door was left open for a further subsidy increase, by virtue of the minority report of Chief Justice Matheson, when a member of the White Commission.

What happened at the time of acceptance of the Dominion-Provincial Agreement? According to his own statement, Premier Jones had asked for a grant of over \$3,000,000, but he accepted \$2,100,000, which I would remind you included our statutory subsidies referred to, already acquired as a perpetual right.

Thus, the amount of additional money obtained under the agreement was about \$1,500,000, and for this we had to surrender our most profitable fields of taxation. When the matter of the Dominion-Provincial Tax Agreement came before the House, the Conservative opposition attempted by way of amendment, to introduce safeguarding clauses with regard to our statutory subsidies and provincial rights.

The Opposition resolution simply asserted that the agreement with the Dominion should contain a clause declaring that its acceptance and execution did not involve any surrender of Prince Edward Island's right to compensation for the Dominion's failure to implement the terms of Confederation, or its rights under the reports of the Duncan and White Commissions. What happened to this measure introduced to preserve our Provincial rights? After the Speaker of the House, backed by some of the Ministers, tried to table it out of order and prevent a show-down compromising the Government, this attempt to safeguard the rights of your Province was voted down by the Jones Government to a man.

Conservative Achievements

In conclusion, I wish to state that it has been presented to the electorate by a Liberal candidate with educational attainments, that the former Conservative Government of Dr. MacMillan did nothing for education in Prince Edward Island. Need I remind you that the former Conservative Government, of which Dr. MacMillan was Premier and first Minister of Education was instrumental in erecting that fine seat of learning, the present Prince of Wales College; of obtaining for the Province the Carnegie Library grant; of adding to the Summerside High School, Grades XI and XII, and providing for the salary of the teachers therein. All this was accomplished during a former Conservative regime under the leadership of Dr. W. J. P. MacMillan, the true friend and benefactor of



Mr. and Mrs. John W. McNeill of Summerside who were married at St. Dunstan's Basilica on November 24th. Mrs. McNeill is the former Agnes Blanche Costello, daughter of Mrs. Thomas A. Costello and the late Mr. Costello of Charlottetown. Mr. McNeill, who is the sports columnist of the Summerside Journal, is a son of Mrs. D. F. McNeill, Summerside.—S. Photo by Weir

Education and Public Health in Prince Edward Island. In closing, I wish to solicit the support of the electors of the Third District of Prince County for Mr. Gallant and myself. We have endeavored to visit as many as possible, and I take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation for the reception accorded us. Due to the limited time at our disposal, we were unable to see everyone; I therefore take this opportunity of requesting you to support us on December 11th, and when elected, we will endeavor to serve you in the best interests of your District.



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Howlan And Vicinity
Work has started on hauling the large house knowing as the Philip Thompson house here in Howlan to O'Leary. Strange so many Howlan houses go to O'Leary.
The genial and enterprising young veteran of World War II, namely Gerald Mathews of O'Leary who owned and operated a restaurant and dance hall for the past summer is now about ready to open his former business.
Although there is no snow, old man winter clamped down on Howlan with a few days of very cold weather in first week in December. Just a reminder that winter is just around the corner.—How.
Some of the men are taking advantage of the fine weather and cleanliness in the woods and are getting a supply of fire wood and lumber cut so as to be ready to have it on first fall of snow.
Mr. Frank Gallant, carpenter, has

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