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PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE MEETINGS

The Conservative Candidates for the Electoral District of First Queen's will meet the electors in the following places in dates set forth:—

BONSHAW HALL, APRIL 19.
TYRONE LOT 65, APRIL 20.
BRADALBANE HALL, APRIL 23.

Meetings will begin at 8 p.m. Government candidates are invited, and will be given half time.

WALTER G. MacKENZIE,
FRANK MYERS

LIBERAL MEETINGS

A meeting of the Liberal workers of the following polls will be held as follows:

Mayfield Hall April 19
 North Wiltshire Poll at Geo. Kitson's April 20
 A joint meeting of all the North side Liberal workers in New Glasgow Hall, April 23
 A joint meeting of all South side workers in Clyde River Hall April 24.

All meetings at 8 o'clock.
 Liberal candidates will be present.

W. R. LePAGE
GEO. KITSON.

Health And

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amount in dollars is small in this Province compared with the larger Provinces I will deal in percentages only. In the year ending March 31, 1949, we led all Canada with 88%. In the year ending March 31, 1950 we placed fourth with a percentage of 89. In the year ending March 31, 1951 we placed third with a percentage of 82. In the summary to December 31, 1950, totalling the projects for the three and one half years, we again led all of Canada with a percentage expenditure of almost 70.

"It is surely significant that the work of this Department has been well expanded and handsomely repaid by money from the Federal Treasury. If we showed lack of imagination or if we showed indifference we would not have accomplished so much for the people of this Province.

Professional Training

"I will now enumerate some of the things we commenced within the past four years by our acceptance of the program offered by the Federal Government.

"In a program of professional training we succeeded in providing training (mostly at Canadian Universities) for doctors, nurses and some other professional people. They can now do more efficiently the work which was expected of them. All those who took training were graduates in their particular fields and the assistance given was to further their education in special work.

"The people trained remain in the Province for at least one and one half years and in Canada for a further period of one and one half years. We find that if we give training to persons born in this Province they will continue to work here although the salary which they receive may be less than that which they might get in other Provinces. The full cost of this training program is paid by the Federal Government.

"In the control of Tuberculosis we took over the work of the Mobile X-ray Unit and supplied the funds for its support. We expanded the preventive phase of checking this disease by setting up clinics in various parts of the Province. Last year this preventive section showed a marked increase in work and new cases found. It is therefore hoped that, by the joint use of X-ray and our travelling clinics, we can contact our T.B. patients at an earlier stage in the disease and thereby help them to recover sooner. Our death rate from tuberculosis has so decreased within the past few years that we now believe that we will have vacant beds in our Sanatorium before long.

"In the Cancer program inaugurated by the Department we have in the past four years established something which will be of benefit to all our people. Early diagnosis of this disease will save many lives. The records now kept and

the training presently being given to some of our doctors will in the next two or three years work miracles in helping those who suffer from cancer. Until a cure is found early diagnosis is the only remedy and we are working to that end as rapidly as possible. In the expenditure of money, we, in this Province, pay 50% of the cost; the balance is paid by the Federal Government.

Mental Health

"In the field of mental health we have been unable to accomplish as much, but in the fiscal year which is just ended we have been training doctors who will be able to establish clinics in mental health similar to those now in use in the tuberculosis field. You all know that with the stress and hurry of life as it is today, there is a tendency to have a greater percentage of mental illness than we formerly had. In the fall of 1950 we secured the services of a trained occupational therapist. This lady has performed a useful service for the patients in the institution. It would be interesting for any one of you to see the many fine things that the patients have made under the direction of this occupational therapist. With such service available and made interesting to patients, the percentage of recovery is much greater.

"Our plans for the future include the building of a treatment centre on the spacious grounds at Falconwood. In this treatment centre mentally ill patients will have the advice and opinion of highly trained persons who will be qualified to administer the most modern methods of helping the mentally ill. The building will be so located that it will be easily accessible to the present buildings of the Hospital.

"Up to the present, when our people required special treatment for mental diseases they were admitted to the Nova Scotia Hospital. Recently we were advised that the Hospital in Nova Scotia was overcrowded and that it would no longer be possible for them to provide accommodation and treatment there for residents of Prince Edward Island. We really anticipated this situation and have been looking into the field of planning for the new building for almost two years. We now have plans which we consider suitable for the new building. As soon as specifications are completed we will commence the construction of this treatment centre.

"Another field of mental health which is giving us concern is that of the care of retarded children. In the past year we have, in conjunction with the other Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland, been investigating the possibility of a home where these children may be trained. The case of the retarded child has been before the Women's Institutes for some time and I am now happy to announce that we have been able to accomplish much more in the past year. It now appears that with the co-operation of our neighbouring Provinces we will

be able to have a home in the near future.

Hospital Construction

"Another agreement we had with Ottawa was on hospital construction. In this, as in the Cancer grant, we pay dollar for dollar with the Federal Government. With this money we have been able to provide additional bed capacity for the Charlottetown Hospital, the Prince County Hospital and the Prince Edward Island Hospital, and to help build the Tyne Valley Memorial Home and the new Health Centre, and provide additions to the Provincial Sanatorium. There will be a further grant for the treatment centre at Falconwood to which I referred a short time ago. The present high cost of hospital construction is a great detriment to any organization or community having expansion plans in view. These grants from both Governments have helped all the hospitals I mentioned.

"The Hospital grant is paid to any hospital if the building meets the requirements laid down by the Dominion architect. If the hospital does not meet the necessary requirements for fire protection a grant would be refused. Any hospital commenced before April, 1948 was required to show in a manner satisfactory to the Dominion Treasury Department a detailed statement of expenditures.

"This winter and spring we opened a permanent clinic in the Provincial Sanatorium to care for the victims of the recent poliomyelitis epidemic. Fortunately there were fewer cases of polio than in the epidemic of 1947, but there were many young people who needed special care and treatment. In this field we have secured the assistance of a trained physiotherapist and with the additional help from the staff of the Red Cross Society we hope to aid materially and get complete recovery for our polio victims.

"In the years between our poliomyelitis epidemics we gave our Federal Health grant for crippled children to the Red Cross Society to assist this worthy organization in its work for crippled children. The money for this grant is paid in full from the Federal Treasury.

General Public Health

"Another very important grant was the one for general Public Health. From the moneys which we received for general Public Health—and it is all paid by Ottawa—we have completed several projects. I will not refer to all of them, but only to some of the larger ones.

"Firstly: We were able to set up a Sanitary Engineering Division with a trained engineer who has succeeded in training two inspectors. In this Division the staff checks milk supply to and from pasteurizing plants. A few years ago the National Health & Welfare Department made a survey of the fluid milk production on the Island and it was then revealed

that the standards and quality of fluid milk were low. In 1950 another survey was made by a Mobile Lab from Ottawa and from these studies it was found that the grades have advanced beyond our greatest expectations. This was all accomplished by a staff without any noise or confusion; not by Court proceedings, but by educational methods.

"The Sanitary Engineering Department also supervises the School Sanitation program, the checking of water samples for contamination, supervises the minimum standards for tourist cabins and assists

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PARKDALE MEETING

The two Liberal candidates, F. C. Dougan and B. Earle MacDonald would like to meet all Liberals from the Royalties and Parkdale, and any others who would like to attend at Parkdale Hall, Friday night at 8 o'clock.

LIBERAL PARTY BROADCASTS

CFCY -- Charlottetown

Saturday, April 21st—Hon. Eugene Cullen—10:00-10:15 p.m.
 Monday, April 23—Hon. W. E. Darby—9:00-9:30 p.m.
 Monday, April 23rd, Premier Jones—11:00-11:30 p.m.

CJRW -- Summerside

Friday, April 20th—Fred C. Ramsay—11:45-12:00 noon
 Friday, April 20th—Forrest W. Phillips—10:15-10:30 p.m.
 Saturday, April 21st—Hon. J. A. Bernard—1:00-1:15 noon.
 Saturday, April 21st—Hon. J. Wilfrid Arsenault—6:45-7:00 p.m.
 Monday, April 23rd—Hon. W. E. Darby—9:00-9:30 p.m.

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Progressive Conservative Platform

1. AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES

The Progressive Conservative Party will inaugurate a Special Fund of \$1,000,000 to be administered by a Commission under the Ministry of Agriculture, with assistance of the employees and field representatives of the Departments of Agriculture and Fisheries for the purpose of advancing Loans to Farmers and Fishermen and those desirous of becoming Farmers and Fishermen, on long terms of Credit and at a low rate of interest for the following purposes:

- (a) for the purchase of farm lands
- (b) for the purchase of live stock, either pure bred or good grade
- (c) for the purchase of essential farming equipment
- (d) for the purchase of boats and fishing equipment by fishermen
- (e) for the purchase of fish buildings and construction of freezers, storage buildings and a fish meal plant. No down payment shall be necessary, and the sum allotted for the inauguration of this plan shall be \$1,000,000.00
- (f) Continuation of and improvement upon the present Agricultural and Fishery activities in all established branches.

EDUCATION

Adequate increase in Teachers' salaries with special attention being given to those of experience and academic qualifications.

Free School Books for all pupils up to and including Grade 12 in all Public Schools.

3. RURAL ELECTRIFICATION

Rural Electrification will be expedited by full co-operation with the distributors of power, and by granting financial assistance where conditions require.

4. ROADS AND HIGHWAYS

- (a) the inauguration of a policy of extension and maintenance of permanent Highways, with equal and fair distribution for each County
- (b) a regular patrol system on all sections of Roads at all seasons.
- (c) a further consideration of the Trans Canada Highway Contract so that its location and manner of building will be in conformity with our needs and economy. Every opportunity will be given for free and open discussion and there will be no ruthless interference with rights and privileges enjoyed for years.

5. DOMINION-PROVINCIAL CLAIMS

The Progressive Conservative Party, having always had faith in our special claims against the Dominion and having a successful record in the past in the enforcement of these claims, as evidenced by the findings of 1912, 1926, 1934, exceeding seven and one half million dollars, which findings the Liberal Party has failed to enforce, and the financial arrangements with the Federal Government being inadequate and unjust to this Province, we shall demand an Agreement which will recognize our special claims and produce for the Province revenue sufficient to meet its fiscal need.

6. ELECTION ACT REFORM

Reform and revision of the Election Act to the effect that every voter shall have a General Franchise in conformity

with the principles of the Dominion Election Act. Property qualifications will be dispensed with. Nomination deposits will be reduced to \$50.00.

7. TRUCK LICENSES

Institution of a fair and equitable policy regarding the licensing of Trucks.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE

Continuation of Public Health and Welfare activities in all established branches, and support of the Federal Conservative Policy of Pensions for all over 65 years of age without a means test.

9. TRADE

Vigorous support on behalf of the extension of trade, particularly with respect to Newfoundland. Encouragement and practical assistance to private enterprise in the development of such trade. Co-Operative Industry will be encouraged.

10. LABOUR

The institution of a Labour Branch in the Department of Industry and Natural Resources; the promotion of a Marine Slip in Charlottetown; improved harbour resources, and a Minimum Wage Law for Urban areas.

11. SALES TAX

THERE WILL BE NO TURNOVER SALES TAX under the Bell Government.