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General Sir A.W.Currie (4)

Passenger Agent of the Western Lines of the C.N.R. sent for me when here in Victoria and, after going right into the matter with me, and finding out that I had no axe to grind other than the good of this community, told me that if I got it through the C.N.R. would spend money for advertising; all we should have to do would be to take care of the tourists when they got here. I had informed him that I was hoping the Government would put me on the honorary commission where I could carry out the programme I had in mind, therefore the personal equation. Now that I am going after the interests of the Island only, I want your assistance. It is not necessary for me to tell you the beauties we possess and the natural advantages to be found here for a summer holiday between the months of May and September, you know these facts. We have approximately a thousand miles of good roads, scenery unsurpassed on the American Continent, and an excellent summer climate. All that is required is advertising sufficiently and certain small improvements in the way of automobile facilities to get here from Seattle and Vancouver. I might say that Vancouver will certainly not help us to build up this Island, as they foolishly think they can exist without the other cities in the Province.

Here is where you come in. Now that I am elected I am going to start right away to get action so that we can feel