

Government very heavily. I think, after very careful study, that the Government has gone mad on the question of pensions, and the present machinery is ridiculous, and the cost is out of all proportion to what is being achieved. I am told that Washburn is in for a terrible "ride" from the opposition, and in addition from Sen. Ross and McMillan who are reported to have combined against the old boy, so that is not good.

Tom Blacklock and Buchanan are being some too kind to Bennett these days, and their efforts are not being confined to the Press in Canada alone, as articles are appearing in the American Press written by the former.

My news to you, if such it can be termed, seems very doleful, and while I hate that attitude, still things here are not all they should or can be.

With very kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Washburn

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