

The Dominant Note in the New Era

Opinions of Representative Western Canadian Citizens

Second Selection

MR. LIONEL HAWEIS
Author of "Tsogalem," etc.

I have no hesitation in saying that in my opinion the dominant note of British Columbia at this or any other season might reasonably sound for such a breed of public men as will honestly take the chores off her hands. She's lovely, and she's willing; but she might be cleaner, don't you think?

HON. JOHN OLIVER
Premier of British Columbia

. . . The dominant note for every person should be unselfish service in bringing about an economic and just stabilization of the conditions under which society exists.

SIR CHARLES HIBBERT TUPPER, K.C.

With all the vexed questions now confronting Canadians, we should never forget that the people govern. In times of peace, bullets are never required in a country where the ballots control.

MR. F. H. MOBLEY, M.P.P.

Encourage and promote the development of the natural resources of the province to the extent that they will not only meet the present demands for increased opportunities for labor, but will be productive of a large and permanent revenue to the country, and thereby lessen the burden of taxation.

In a covering letter to the Editor, Mr. Mobley adds that "it may be argued that this cannot be done owing to financial stress, but I still insist that much can be done along this line if a united effort is put forth."

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MR. GEORGE RORIE
Chartered Accountant and Auditor

The dominant note most appropriate at this season should, in my opinion, be self-vivisection. If every person in our fair province were carefully to examine himself, cut out all dead and decaying mentality, thus leaving room for new growth, then combine scientific thinking with practical Christianity, educate his children along the lines of Boy Scout principles, the Y. M. C. A. and Speculative Masonry, thus would be evolved a public who would refuse for one moment to stand for political, civic or individual unrighteousness or uncleanness, and with whom the words "home" and "society" would no longer be prostituted.

MR. R. W. DOUGLAS
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I think the dominant note should be one of thankfulness and joy that our country is out of danger and that its people should have contributed so wholeheartedly in its defence. The future should be confronted bravely by us all, working shoulder-to-shoulder for the common welfare. Nagging criticism of each other should cease and be replaced by mutual emulation towards worthy ideals.

MR. J. S. GORDON
Inspector of Schools

In my estimation the dominant note to be struck in this nominally Christian country should be, "Back to the simple teachings of Christ." In them is found the solution of all