

PREMIER APPEALS FOR GREATER UNITY AMONG PEOPLE OF DOMINION

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King in Speech At Kitchener Urges All To Exercise Spirit of Good-Will — Prime Minister Receives Enthusiastic Welcome in Visit To City of His Birth.

KITCHENER, Sept. 13.—Let us wherever we see it seek to replace ill-will by good-will. Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King told 500 members of the Kitchener Board of Trade at the dinner given in his honor here tonight. "Unity could be achieved by a spirit of good-will," he urged. There must be unity between capital and labor; between the different races of the Dominion; between the provinces; between all parts of the empire and between the nations of the world. This was the supreme aim of all governments.

The prime minister stressed the necessity of governments protecting the rights of minorities and of respecting the opinions of groups. Liberty of the individual was an absolute necessity in making for progress and development.

In opening, Mr. King again referred to the warmth of his welcome, stating that he was particularly impressed with the children. He asked the members of the board of trade to see that the children were brought up in happy surroundings. They were the future citizens of the Dominion.

There was something greater than party politics—the government of the country. The citizens of a country had the right to demand "the general attitude" of the men in charge of public affairs. There were certain fundamental questions which must be understood. First of all, he believed the business of government was not a matter for one mind, but for many minds. A multiplicity of counsel made for wisdom. The roundtable talk of the council chamber made for progress. When sixteen men sat around a round table discussing national policies, it was impossible for any one to lead the others astray. It was impossible for any one will to govern the nation. It was a matter for the collective will of the council. This was one of the greatest safeguards of the rights of the people.

Cabinet, in turn, was bound to all expression of opinion in the Commons. Nothing was to be gained by excluding any class from expressing their views. "The voice of the people is the voice of God." This might be said to be going too far, but no man could defend a wrong in the open. Therefore, the more discussion, the better. The country would be kept in the path making for moral order.

Must Respect Minorities. In all matters pertaining to government the views of minorities must be respected. All could not think alike. The aim of all should be to keep the country united and the people happy and contented. In government, matters could be carried on better when the rights of the individuals were protected. The roots of progress were in the initiative of the individual.

There was a great danger in Canada of losing sight of this fundamental fact. During the war many began to look back but it must not be forgotten that things must not be done for the people which the people could do best for themselves.

There were two authorities, the authority of force and the authority of reason, and the latter was destined to triumph. On one hand was the law of blood and death and on the other the law of health, peace and work. It was the duty of all public men and of the people as a whole to work for peace. The bitter spirit of the past must be buried. There must be but one note, that of what is best for the common good of all. It must be the note governing all the nations of the world. Goodwill must replace ill-will. It was only on the surface that people really differed; underneath was the good strata that made for goodwill and progress.

Robb Outlines Record. Hon. J. A. Robb, minister of trade and commerce, gave an outline of the work of his department, and particularly of the efforts being made to increase Canadian trade. He brought a message of greeting from Quebec to Ontario and especially to the constituency of North Waterloo.

W. D. Euler, member for the constituency of Rankin (Liberal, South Perth), and James Malcolm (Liberal, South Bruce) united in complimenting the board of trade on its welcome to the prime minister.

Tomorrow the prime minister will renew old acquaintances throughout his former constituencies of North Waterloo. The trip will be made by automobile, the party leaving here early in the morning, and returning late in the afternoon. Mr. King will leave Kitchener tomorrow evening for Toronto on his way to Newmarket. He will return to Ottawa Sunday morning.

The speech which Premier King delivered this afternoon upon the occasion of his first visit to his home town since his elevation to the prime ministry, will live long in the memory of district residents who were privileged to hear a speech of such actual presence, the memory of which will be treasured as a possession surpassing all else that life can bring.

Recalls Boyhood Days. "May I out of the experience which life has thus far brought," the prime minister said in opening, "an experience rich in joy and sorrow, in variety and opportunity, beyond that of any man of my years. I say in all sincerity and humility that next to the actual presence, the memory of a good father and a good mother is a possession surpassing all else that life can bring."

The prime minister said that he had not a sufficient vivid recollection of his birth to be able to recall any of the happenings on that occasion, but he had heard that his father was addressing a political meeting "the time I arrived in the world." Quite

Visits Home Town



HON. W. L. MACKENZIE KING.

KITCHENER residents by the thousands welcomed Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, prime minister of Canada, on his visit to his birthplace Wednesday. The premier, in his address, referred touchingly to his boyhood days, his father and mother and his school teachers.

evidently the political star was then in the ascendant, he added.

Mr. King recalled the scenes of his boyhood, "the home on Margaret avenue," which was associated with other people's orchards, "one of them containing the best snowapples he ever tasted. The prime minister also had a word of recollection for Billy, the ancient family horse whose hide was indifferent "to the impressions one or the other of us tried at times to make upon it." Memories of school days brought out the names of Mr. Suddaby and Mr. Connor, the school principals, and his punishment at their hands for playing "hooky," through the lure of the "swimmin' hole" in the Grand River.

From the school the premier passed to the church, remembering the names of his former pastors, Rev. Dr. Dickie, Rev. Donald Tait, Rev. Dr. Winchester and Rev. Robert Atkinson, all worthy of their "high vocation," and to whose influence he owed much. It was not to governments that nations must look for the secret of enlightenment, but to those institutions which mold the thoughts and characters of the men who were to serve their country.

Reviews Political Activities.

The prime minister recalled that he was just sixteen years of age when his father first moved away from Kitchener, and that it was just sixteen years later that he returned to the place of his nativity to contest North Waterloo for the Federal parliament. In the period of sixteen years which had since elapsed, Mr. King had on six other occasions been a candidate for parliament, either at general or by-elections; three times in this riding; once in Prince Edward Island, and three times in North York. In three out of the total of seven he had had the pleasure of being returned to parliament by acclamation, once in this riding, once in Prince Edward Island, and once in North York. On two occasions he met with defeat, once in North York and once "here in North Waterloo." On two occasions his party had carried the day when he was returned as a member, the last time in North York and the first time in the general elections of 1908. In North Waterloo he had experienced the most equal division of political honors, one defeat, one victory and one acclamation.

"It is for that period of renewed association with the place of my birth that all today," he said, "I thank you with particularity. It was the beginning of my direct association with the politics of our country, and a beginning of which I shall ever feel deeply proud. I think I am right when I say that I was privileged to make many new friends during the time that I had the honor to represent this constituency in parliament, and whilst I had many and formidable opponents, I have yet to discover the individual whom I could term either a personal or a political enemy."

Realizes Responsibility.

"I think that you will agree that I took my victory more with a sense of the great responsibility it imposed than with any thought of personal achievement; and I took my defeat without a word of question or complaint. Since those days there have been many changes of political opinion on the part of many of the electors in this constituency, in common with the rest of the country. We shall have missed the first of all lessons of the period through which we have passed if it has not taught us a larger toleration and a greater respect for opinions which may differ from our own. The world has passed through a period of travail and sorrow, such as was unknown in its previous history. You have shared in that anguish of mind and heart, some of you more deeply than any have known. What is to be the outcome of it all for the people of our country, and for you, the citizens of my native town and country? Is it to mean the arousing of new bitterness, the deepening of old prejudices, or is it to mark the birth of a larger toleration, a greater desire on the part of each to fathom the mind and the heart of the other? In a word, is the world's sacrifice to constitute a legacy of ill-will born of the differences of class or creed or origin? Or is it to mean the rebirth of good-will, as the spirit of a new brotherhood uniting in common higher purpose, men, communities and nations alike? If I mistake not, the purpose of this great gathering, it is that you may make evident this spirit of good-will by which the wounds and divisions of war are to be healed, and beneath which the enemies of the past are to be buried and our nation's future strength and greatness assured. If in anything there remains aught of difference between you, let me remind you that time brings many changes, that nothing born of prejudice or passion is likely long to endure; that magnanimity and charity

will cover a multitude of sins; that in the regeneration of this world itself the stone which the builders rejected becomes the chief stone of the corner.

Incentive To Effort.

"In conclusion let me say that this demonstration of your good-will and affection will ever remain one of the proudest memories of my life. It will be an incentive to nobler effort in the service of our country and all that pertains to our country's weal. If, in the providence of God and through the good-will of those whose confidence I now enjoy, I am privileged to continue to serve the land of my birth in the parliament of our country, I can think of no reward comparable to that of being thought worthy of a like regard on the part of my fellow-citizens of this great Dominion."

Cheered and Waved Flags.

Long before the prime minister's train pulled into the station crowds of people cheered and waved flags from factory windows and roofs, and before that Mr. King took occasion to point out to his companions in his private car his pet swimmin' hole in

the Grand River and the "old home" of which he had so many warm memories.

"All right, boys. How are you?" he called from the back of the train as it sped past a group of cheering men.

"Look at those boys and girls, Rob," he directed the minister of trade and commerce, on another occasion when children grouped at a crossing waved frantically.

Arriving at the station the prime minister was greeted by W. D. Euler, federal member for North Waterloo, Mayor Greb, Mr. Sass, N. C. Hill, the good-will of those whose confidence I now enjoy, I am privileged to continue to serve the land of my birth in the parliament of our country, I can think of no reward comparable to that of being thought worthy of a like regard on the part of my fellow-citizens of this great Dominion."

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half hour, after which the party proceeded to Waterloo Seminary, where Mr. King was tendered a reception and welcome by Mayor W. G. Weichel and other public officials. In replying, the prime minister expressed his sincere appreciation of the warmth of his reception. At St. Jerome's Mr. King impressed on the boys that this was the best period of their lives, and urged the need of study in order that they might fit themselves for the struggle of life.

In the line of oldtime memories the story told here today by an ancient citizen is causing many a quiet smile.

"I can remember," says this gentleman, "when the present prime minister used to sell apples for pocket money, driving the fruit into town in a small wagon. When Mr. King went into a store to do business the other boys used to try to steal the apples. They very seldom got away with it; Billy was a good fighter."

The prime minister lunched at noon with Mr. Euler. The celebration at Victoria Park commenced at 2:30, after a motor parade from the city hall.

Recollections of his home in Kitchener occupied a major part of the

prime minister's address, with particular reference to the influence of the home, the school and the church upon the national life. Mr. King reviewed his earlier political battles in this district, and said that he had taken his victory more with a great sense of responsibility than with any thought of personal achievement. A special plea was made for a spirit of good-will. He would look for no greater honors than those bestowed upon him on the present occasion.

ANNOUNCES INCREASE IN PRICE OF STEEL RAILS

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The United States Steel Corporation announced today that it had recommended to its subsidiary companies that the price of standard rails be increased commencing Oct. 1 to \$43 per gross ton, basis f.o.b. mills, for delivery in about equal monthly installments prior to June 30, 1923. The present price, \$40 per gross base, will continue in effect until Sept. 30.

The steel corporation granted its employees a 20 per cent wage increase, effective Sept. 1.

MANY ATTEND FUNERAL OF MRS. MARY C. DALE

Pioneer Resident of Tuckeramith Township Passes Away at Advanced Age.

SEAFORTH, Sept. 13.—The funeral of Mary Chesney, widow of William Dale, and daughter of the late George M. Chesney, sen., of Tuckeramith, who passed away very suddenly on Saturday afternoon, took place on Monday from the residence of her son-in-law, Wesley Watt, Huron road, to the Clinton Cemetery, and was one of the largest motor funerals ever seen in this locality. The services were conducted by Rev. F. H. Larkin, D.D. The deceased, who was highly esteemed, was one of the pioneer residents of this township. She moved with her parents to the farm where she was married 48 years ago, and on which she resided until her death, with the exception of two years spent with her only son in Hullville. She was seized with a stroke of paralysis about three years ago.

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