

FOREWORD

The manner in which your public affairs are conducted and the policies underlying that conduct is of immediate concern to you and your families. While world-wide conditions affecting the cost of living, labor and the export demand for our products are beyond Provincial control, a sound policy respecting Provincial affairs will tend to lighten your burdens and permit better advantage to be taken of opportunities afforded, just as a prudent man is better able to withstand the jibes of fortune and to benefit by her smiles.

It is the object of this brochure to give a fair statement of the position of the Province when the present Government took office, the measures taken by it, the policies underlying these steps, and the end in view. That you may judge justly a short reference also is made to the criticisms advanced by the Opposition.

It is necessary in a democratic country that the citizens of such country do from time to time pass judgment upon the conduct and management of their affairs. It is essential to the well-being of such country that judgment so passed shall be based, not on hasty, ill-considered conclusions, or on passion or prejudice, but on knowledge of the acts of its Government, reasonably and fairly considered; criticising where necessary and giving credit where credit is due. So, will we really secure

"Government of the people, for the people, by the people."