

*Matters for  
Discussion*

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British Columbia  
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at Ottawa, Ont.

January 6th 1939

Rt. Hon. W.L. Mackenzie King,  
Prime Minister of Canada,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mackenzie King,

Sorry not feeling up to snuff today.

To save time may I suggest matters which I would like  
to discuss with you.

1) Alaska Highway. It is desirable that matters shall be pursued so expeditiously, that construction may begin before the end of the year. In this connection I feel assured, that Skagway can be made a free port of entry without any commitments whatever as to control of highway. I would never consent to any control of highway other than that we exercise now in British Columbia.

2) Yukon Territory.

3) General Road Work. There should be a Federal policy over a period of years to construct and maintain main arterial highways, either by the Dominion Government singly, or in conjunction with the Provinces. Unless the Dominion has a definite road policy, public opinion in British Columbia will not be responsive.

4) Unemployment.

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5) Finance. I hope you feel that I stand for sound finance, but I think we are entirely too circumscribed at Present and must find ways and means of financing desirable and necessary public undertakings.

6) Japanese question. There should be total exclusion and also a treaty between the United States and Canada covering the continental shelf with respect to fishing, otherwise we may be assured Japan will enter the situation.

7) Titles. Have question of titles brought up on the floor of the House. I would like to see you leave matter entirely open to will of Parliament. My concern in this is that men who are serving their country as they see the light, such as Hamber in B.C., may receive some recognition.

Chief Justice Archer Martin asked me to convey most cordial greetings and appreciation to yourself and to assure you, that the courts of B.C. are working in much more harmonious manner than had heretofore existed.

Very sincerely yours,

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Right Honourable W.L. Mackenzie King,  
Secretary of State for External Affairs,  
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Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

May I direct your attention to your file with reference to representations made by the Japanese Charge d'Affaires regarding the decision of our Fisheries Department not to issue any licenses this year for salting of dry salmon, and my reply thereto sent by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor to your Department, copy of which is enclosed.

For your information I enclose copy of letter received from the Japanese Consul at Vancouver and my reply thereto. You will notice in the second to last paragraph of the Consul's letter he states that he is most anxious to assist us in carrying out our policies. In conversation, he had referred to the Japanese "colony" in British Columbia. I may be prejudiced and may be putting a wrong interpretation on his intentions, but we in British Columbia would like to see the day when all the Japanese are repatriated to their own country.

With kindest regards,

I beg to remain,

Very faithfully yours,

"T. D. Pattullo"

