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British Parliament Faces Big Problems for Settlement

Opens Tomorrow With Labor and Irish in Opposition and With Home Rule, Mines and Railroads to Deal With.

Labor Now is Largest of Political Parties

Workers Backed by Viscount Haldane and Sir John Fisher on Platform of Nationalization and Restriction

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

LONDON, February 9.—The British Parliament will reassemble tomorrow with several of the weightiest problems of construction still hanging over its head. The financial situation, the question of the nationalization of mines and railroads and the Irish problem, are three of the most important subjects with which the session is expected to grapple without delay.

The laborites promise to move an amendment to the address providing for the nationalization of mines, while the Irish Nationalist party expects to attack the government policy of repression which they blame for the Irish disorders.

The Home Rule Bill probably will be brought forward at an early date, the cabinet having overhauled it during the past week.

At a conference with Viscount French, Lord Lieutenant and Governor General for Ireland, the bill may prove very different from that expected. A proposal which is finding support in England is that it should be made an enabling bill, rather than one which would impose a new system upon Ireland, leaving it to the Irish people to decide by some form of referendum whether they will accept it and try to put it into effect.

Labor Ministry. Heavy clouds appear to be gathering behind the coalition government owing to the steadily increasing power of the Labor party. Some of the best informed politicians profess to see the handwriting on the wall that the formation of a new ministry by the laborites is only a question of time. George Nicoll Barnes and George H. Roberts, the last two labor ministers in the cabinet, have resigned, leaving the coalition government without any representation from the party, which has been elected by a landslide in the recent by-elections. The labor party is now numerically the largest political organization in Great Britain.

Out for Labor. Meanwhile men of widely different types such as Viscount Haldane and Admiral Sir John Fisher, have come out for labor, in the nationalization of industry and opposition to armaments are two of the strongest planks in the labor platform.

David Lloyd George contemplates a bill giving miners a large share in the management of the mines, but last week he refused a suggestion by representatives of the miners that he embody in the bill the recommendations of the Sankey Commission for a measure of nationalization.

BELLINGHAM BANKS BAN ALL CANADIAN SILVER CURRENCY

BELLINGHAM, Feb. 9.—The local banks announce that beginning today Canadian silver will be subject to the same rate of discount as other Canadian currency. It is estimated that one-third of the silver in circulation in Bellingham is Canadian.

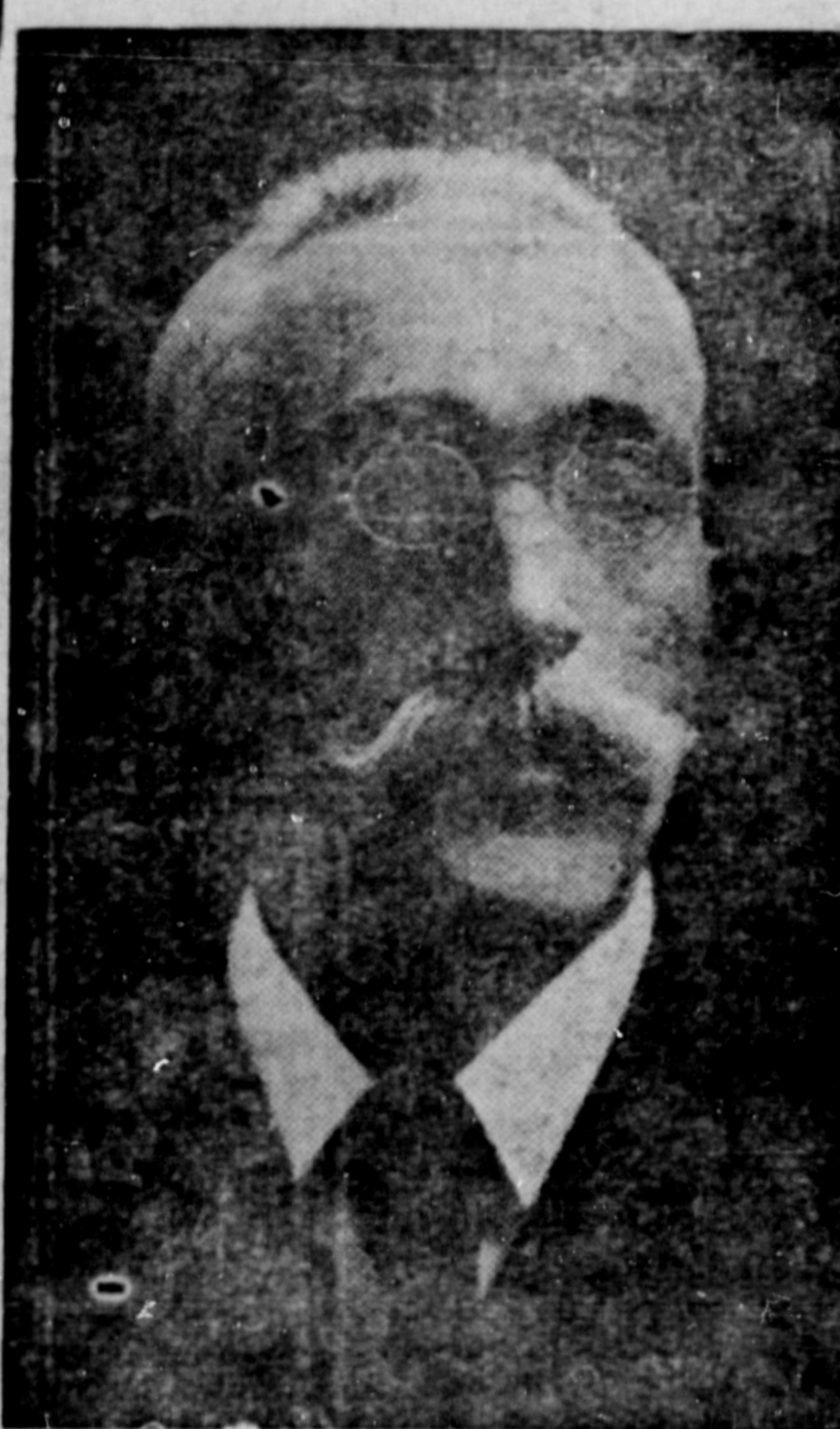
TONIGHT EMPRESS THEATRE

Shirley Mason

"The Final Close Up"

ALSO
Two-Reel Comedy
"The Immovable Guest"
Canadian News Gazette

WOULD SMELT IRON ORE



F. A. PAULINE

Member of the B. C. Legislature for Saanich.

Mr. Pauline addressed the Legislature last week on the subject of a smelter for British Columbia and dealt especially with the electric process. In the course of his remarks he said that magnetite ores were now being treated successfully by the new twentieth century process of electric smelting. Magnetite ores, without the admixture of other ores, also are being successfully reduced from their natural state to high-grade pig iron within the space of two hours. This ore, continued the speaker, is being taken by water from British Columbia to Seattle and there smelted by the Steel Smelters Company of that city. While these works are not yet complete, one furnace, said the member for Saanich, has been in successful operation for some time, and three others will soon be ready.

Mr. Pauline informed the House that he had visited the Seattle smelter; a few days ago and had seen for himself the quality of its product, which iron experts had agreed was first-class. He went on to cite a reference to British Columbia's iron development prospects, accredited to the editor of the Canadian Mining Journal, in which that eminent authority had expressed the views that if there existed a market for British Columbia had all the necessary favorable outlook. And on the subject of markets Mr. Pauline relied upon the late William Blakemore for his data. Mr. Blakemore had been of the opinion that an iron and steel works on the Pacific Coast of British Columbia of sufficient scope and adaptability could secure for it-

ALL READY FOR PLAY TONIGHT

Excellent Showing of "The Magistrate" at Rehearsal Last Night in Westholme Theatre

Judging by the rehearsal which the Prince Rupert Amateurs held in the theatre yesterday, "The Magistrate" tonight should be the best play the society has yet put on. It is a higher class production than the others, but full of humor and eminently suited for semi-professionals and high class amateur companies.

Manager Pudney has doubtless found it difficult to weld the various parts and make them fit and work together, but he has been wonderfully successful. Happily he has had a number of members who are no strangers to the histrionic art and who take the leading parts in the play.

The demand for tickets for tonight and tomorrow has been very heavy and it is expected that the accommodation of the theatre will be taxed to make room for all who wish to attend. It is not often that Prince Rupert people have an opportunity to see a play of this kind, and they naturally are glad of the opportunity.

The Prince Rupert Symphony Orchestra is collaborating and will, under the leadership of Professor Harvey, give a number of selections.

VANCOUVER IS IN DISTRESS

Vessel Lost Rudder on Voyage to Queenstown from British Columbia.

(Special by G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

HALIFAX, Feb. 9.—The Marine and Fisheries Department has received advices by radio from the Mauretania that the steamer Vancouver had lost her rudder and was in need of assistance in latitude 39 north longitude 58.30 west, approximately 410 miles from Halifax, and 100 miles south of the trans-Atlantic steamship lane.

The Vancouver is a French steamer which sailed from Vancouver on December 10 for Queenstown.

The Court of Revision was sworn in before City Clerk Woods this morning. Mayor McClymont was appointed chairman and E. A. Woods secretary. The other members are Aldermen Perry, McLennan and Casey. They will meet at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning when immediate adjournment will be made until Thursday morning at 10 o'clock on account of the funeral of the late F. H. Mobley that will be held that day.

Carpets, floor oilcloth and linoleums at Tite's Big Sale values.

self the market in Western Canada. That market was deemed to be sufficient in itself in the multiplicity and magnitude of its requirements to maintain an industry of very large proportions, comparable with those of Eastern Canada and other countries.

Mr. Pauline is not a mining man but he is an enthusiast on the establishment of a smelter on this coast. He was formerly a partner of John Piercy, who is well known to Prince Rupert people.

BOOMED FOR THE PRESIDENCY



Herbert Hoover's candidacy for President was brought to Washington and startled the political leaders of both parties. It aroused intense curiosity as to its backing and purpose, as well as focussing attention on the question of whether Mr. Hoover is a Republican or a Democrat, or if the movement back of him represents the boom of a new party which is aiming to make Mr. Hoover its head. Mr. Hoover's history has come up for consideration, and attention is called to the fact that he comes originally from California; that he chose to dwell for a long time in Europe; that he is generally regarded as a cosmopolitan rather than as a nationalist, and that discussion of him as a Presidential possibility without knowledge of his political affiliations is somewhat incongruous. His work in Belgium is accepted as showing remarkable efficiency and as his introduction to American affairs, from which he had long been separated.

ADMIRAL BOATS WILL CALL AT TOWN OF HYDER

Famous Blue Steamers to Ply up Portland Canal During Spring and Summer.

HYDER, Feb. 9.—Word has been received here to the effect that the Admiral line of Steamships will make calls here in the near future. It is possible also that they will call at one Canadian port.

With the certainty of great developments here and at Stewart this year, there should be plenty of business to make it worth while for several steamers to call at this port. People are enthusiastic over the proposed program of the green steamers.

TERRACE TO HAVE WEEKLY NEWSPAPER

E. E. Chandler of Edmonton, arrived in the city last night and left for Terrace this morning. He has just purchased the printing plant at Terrace which was formerly used by the Terrace News Letter and will publish a weekly paper in the fruit town, to be known as the Terrace News.

Mr. Chandler is a practical printer, a young man with plenty of enthusiasm. He believes that Terrace will become an important town and he will do his bit to help bring it to the fore. He says that there are a large number of new settlers coming into the Terrace district this year and he looks for great improvements there. Mrs. Chandler accompanies him to the new location.



There will be an Emergent meeting of Tyee Lodge No. 66, A. F. & A. M. at the Masonic Hall on Wednesday, February 11th, at 1:30 p.m. sharp when the last Masonic Rites will be performed over our late Brother F. H. Mobley. All members of the Order are requested to attend.

JOHN McRAE, Secretary.

KISPIX WEDDING

Girl Just Arrived From Sweden Becomes Bride of John Haglund.

On Friday, January 30, John Haglund, a pioneer in the Kispix valley, was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Elizabeth Winter, who recently arrived from Sweden. The ceremony was performed by Rev. B. William at Hazelton and the witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Peter Haglund. The newlyweds will reside at Kispix.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS
Phonola and Phonographs to clear at special prices.—Barrie's Furniture Store.

Friday the 20th is the night of the Grand Masquerade Ball by the Knights of Pythias.

Alex. Saint of the Provincial police office, returned from Swanson Bay on the Beatrice last night.

About 35 cases of liquor arrived from the east on last night's train consigned in small quantities to local consumers.

W. J. Cash, manager of the Booth Fisheries, is confined to his home in the Besner Apartments suffering with a severe cold.

Mrs. Ellen White arrived on the Prince John yesterday afternoon from Stewart for medical treatment. Dr. Cade attended.

J. Fitzgerald, of the Bitter Creek mines, arrived in the city on the Prince John yesterday afternoon and proceeded south on the Princess Beatrice.

R. J. McDonnell returned from making the round trip to Stewart on the Prince John yesterday afternoon and left for Telkwa on the train this morning.

The finishing touches for the Whalen Company's car barge are being put on at the local drydock and the craft will be ready for service as soon as the tracks are laid on her.

J. L. McCloskey, who has been assisting W. C. Orchard in the local C. P. R. office, is leaving on the Princess Mary today for his home in Juneau. He will be succeeded in the office here by W. L. Robertson who arrived from the south by the Beatrice last night.

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GERMANS ARE RUNNING AWAY

Accused Men Leaving for Switzerland to Escape Liability Under Peace Treaty.

(Special by G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

GENEVA, Feb. 9.—Anxiety is growing in Swiss official quarters lest many Germans, accused by the Allies of war crimes enter Switzerland to escape liability under the Peace Treaty.

Vice-Admiral von Capelle, minister of the German navy, crossed the frontier yesterday; Baron von der Lancken, civil governor of Brussels during the German occupation, arrived in Switzerland from Munich and the former Crown Prince Ruprecht of Bavaria has been staying at Davos.

FINANCES OF COUNTRY ARE IN BAD SHAPE

Debt Increasing Rapidly and Interest Charges Amounting to Large Sum.

OTTAWA, Feb. 9.—According to the financial statement for the first ten months of the current fiscal year, Canada's funded debt has now reached the formidable total of \$2,447,542,908; gross debt \$3,323,087,801, and net debts \$1,900,146,168, the latter having increased by the startling total of \$62,015,109 during the month.

Of the total funded debt on which interest must be paid \$1,975,068,438 is payable in Canada, \$336,001,469 is payable in London and \$135,873,100 payable in New York. The difference between the net debt and the funded debt is represented partly by moneys still unexpended from the proceeds of the last Victory Loan and miscellaneous accounts to the credit of the Dominion.

At the outbreak of war the debt totalled about \$338,000,000 and at the end of the tenth month of the present fiscal year Canada spent a total of \$1,622,608,398 for war purposes. The borrowings as represented by funded debt, have therefore been \$486,510 in excess of war expenditures to date.

SCOTTISH FOOTBALL CUP GAME RESULTS

Matches Played on Saturday in Second Round.

The second round of the Scottish football cup on Saturday resulted as follows:—

Broxburn 1, Queen of South 0.
Dundee 1, Celtic 3.
Rangers 5, Arbroath 0.
Armadale 1, Hibernians 0.
Patrick 5, Eastfife 0.
Queens Park 3, Vale 0.
Aberdeen 2, Gala Ferryden 0.
Alloa 0, Kilmarnock 2.
Ayr 2, St. Mirren 1.
Hearts 2, Falkirk 0.
Third Lanark 2, Vale of Leven 1.
St. Johnstone 1, Morton 1.
Loughgelly 2, Royal Albert 1.
East Sterling 1, Raith Rovers 0.

NOTICE.

Owing to the length of time it takes to play "The Magistrate," the public are requested to be in their seats before 8 o'clock, as the curtain will positively go up at that time.

WANTED

Nurses wanted for Spanish Influenza. Volunteers are urgently requested to report to or to send their names to

E. A. WOODS,
CITY CLERK