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MUCH MORE HOPEFUL

Prince Rupert people may cheer up, for the silver lining to the depression cloud is in sight and it is said that there is already a slight improvement in general conditions. To what extent if any it will reach Prince Rupert this fall is somewhat problematic, but there is certainly a change coming over the attitude of Canadians and there will be improvement soon.

It is said that the demand for manufactured goods is increasing, that railway business is improving, that more railway employees are on the job than there were a month ago and that employment on the railways will increase very considerably soon to handle the expected large crop on the prairies.

There has been a thorough reorganization of industry and everything is now on a new basis. People are forgetting the wild period of inflation and gambling and are now carrying on in a different way. Expenses have been trimmed almost to the vanishing point. Businessmen have taken their losses and written them off. While a few have succumbed to the pressure, the majority have withstood the financial storm and will be ready to take advantage of any slight improvement in the market.

It has been stated that there could be no improvement as long as commodities remained at such low prices, too low to allow anything for the producers. Now there have been slight increases in some products indicating an increasing demand.

Political and international affairs are getting down to a better basis and it may be expected that the day of the agitator is almost past. Improvement in general conditions has already commenced and it will reach Prince Rupert before very long. It will be slight at first but will gain momentum as it proceeds. In the meantime everyone is feeling better over the outlook.

PICNIC IS ENJOYABLE

Happy Day's Outing By Staff of Watts' Grocery Stores at Tugwell Island

The annual picnic of the staff of Watts' Grocery stores was held yesterday at Tugwell Island, about thirty persons being present. Despite the rainy weather which prevailed in town, the picnickers had excellent weather at Tugwell and a very happy day was spent by all. George Frizzell's power cruiser Laura F. II provided the transportation for the picnickers. Departure was made at 9 a.m. while all were safely home by 11 p.m.

There was a sports program during the afternoon. Ladies and men tied one-all in a football game while the ladies demonstrated their superiority in softball by winning 14 to 10. Bob Arthur was the winner of the fat man's race, Misses Yvonne Terrien and Lillian Lowe won the three-legged race while Jack Nelson was victor in a push-the-bottle race. In the children's races the winners were Phyllis Beale and Joyce Watt.

Aviation Pioneer

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ending from the Jardin d'Acclimation in Paris in an air ship which he had constructed and named "Brazil." From that time on he was a world figure in aerial development.

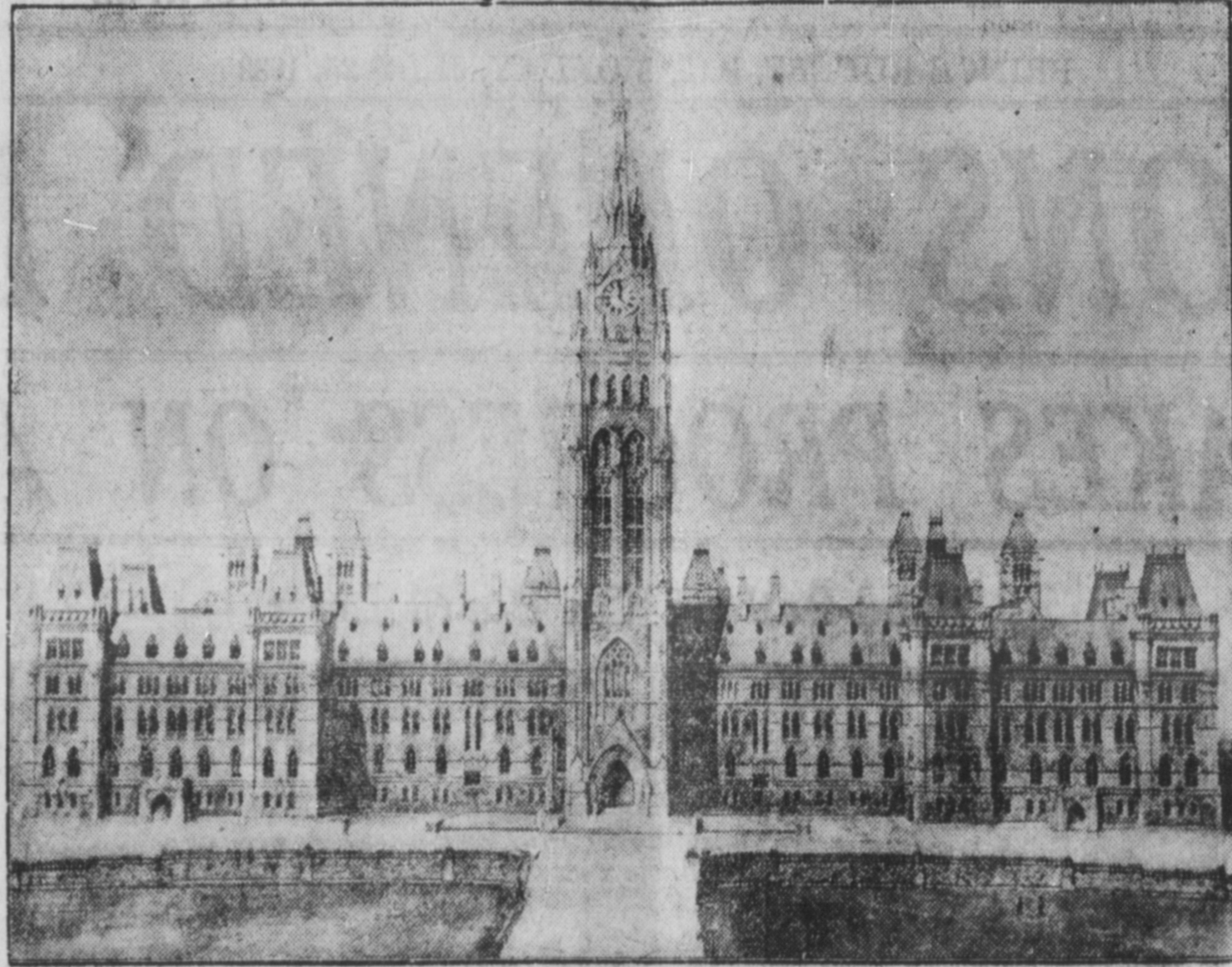
Between 1898 and 1906 he built seven lighter than air ships, all of which bore his name in numerical sequence.

In 1903 he erected at Neuilly the first airport. He kept there a fleet of dirigibles which were used for flights over the house-tops of Paris.

In 1905, Santos Dumont turned to heavier than air craft. Applying his knowledge of gas engines, he experimented at first with a vertical propeller but gave that up and constructed a box kite type of machine which on September 30, 1906, he took off the ground at Bagatelle, flying 250 feet at a height of four feet and at the rate of 18 miles an hour.

Next Santos Dumont tried hydroplanes, using the Seine at Paris as an experimental "field." He had indifferent success and went back to and machines, finally evolving the monoplane which eventually became his most notable contribution to aeronautics.

Let's Give a Lead To Ottawa Conference



The Imperial Economic Conference is trying to work out a scheme by which the nations of the Empire will spend more of their money at home instead of sending it to foreign countries. In that way they expect to increase the prosperity of the nations of the British Commonwealth.

Prince Rupert people can give Ottawa a lead by spending their money in their own city and thus increase the prosperity of Prince Rupert. The principle is very similar and much easier to carry out. All that is needed is a determination on the part of local people that they are going to help their own town and share in her progress.

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