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## Liberals Preparing General Election

### GREAT MAJORITY OF BRITISH LABOR TURNS DOWN LENINE PROPOSAL

#### Convention of Liberals Soon to Nominate Candidate for the Next Dominion Election

The annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Liberal Association in the rooms of the Association, Second Ave., last night decided to recommend to the district executive that steps be taken at once to call a convention of Liberals of the Skeena district in order to choose a candidate to contest the election at the forthcoming Dominion general election.

#### EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA IS NOT WANTED

Mr. Stork said it was now thirteen years since the first Liberal meeting was held in Prince Rupert. They had seen Governments come and Governments go but the Liberal Association carried on useful activities. He congratulated the party on its strenuous and successful year just completed. A Liberal Government was safely installed in office at Victoria and with a good working majority. The work was not completed, however. There were strenuous times ahead. The Government at Ottawa would be compelled either by the lapse of time or other reasons to seek a verdict from the people of Canada. The evidences were many that the present government would not be returned to power.

#### LIBERALS ELECT THEIR OFFICERS

Speaking of the Liberal leader, Mr. Stork said Mr. Mackenzie King was a man with a wonderful grasp of conditions and the best man for the job. His grandfather had been a great Liberal and the mantle of Sir Wilfred Laurier had fallen on able shoulders. There were other big men in the party. Ernest Lapointe who was here recently; William Duff, who championed the interests of Prince Rupert so ably in regard to fish ears, and Mr. Kennedy. These men had been reassured of success at the next election by the tour which they had conducted, and the by-elections had borne out their convictions.

#### W. E. Williams is Chosen to Preside Over Local Association

At the regular annual meeting of the Prince Rupert Liberal Association held last night in the rooms, Pallisio block, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Honorable President, W. E. Williams.  
Honorable Vice-president, John Oliver.  
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First Vice-president, T. McClymont.  
Second Vice-president, George Johnston.  
Secretary, F. G. Dawson.  
Treasurer, E. H. Mortimer.  
Executive: Fred Stork, Martin O'Reilly, J. McNully, A. H. Sullivan, L. W. Batmore, James Steen, G. W. Nickerson, S. E. Parker, W. T. Kevgin.

#### CONFER REGARDING MORE PENALTIES ON GERMAN PEOPLE

Paris, March 30.—Lloyd George, Worthington Evans, American war secretary, and Marshal Wilson are reported here to have been in conference to discuss the extension of military penalties upon Germany as a result of her refusal to pay twelve billion gold marks before May 1st for reparations.

#### HEAD REPARATIONS COMMITTEE



M. Briand, the French Premier, photographed with Lloyd George, Britain's Prime Minister, in London a short time ago. M. Briand is on the left.

#### Increased Tax Rate but Lower Taxes Owing to Reduction of Assessment

Estimates for the year 1921 amounting to \$279,401.51 net as compared to \$254,000 for 1920 were approved by the city council last night. The gross expenditure shown is \$314,101.44 with an estimated revenue from police court, trade licenses, road taxes, log taxes, etc., amounting to \$41,000 leaving thus the net amount given.

The rate bylaw for the year providing for taxation to cover the estimates was given its first reading. This bylaw provides for a taxation rate of 30.82 mills made up of 19.99 general, 5.845 schools and 4.985 money debts.

#### WOULD BREAK FROM CANADA

Although the taxation rate this year is over five mills higher than last year this is counteracted by a reduced assessment roll to the amount of 37 per cent. On this account the actual taxation on lots generally this year will be less than last year even with the higher rate.

The increase in rate has been made necessary by a reduction of \$648,818.50 in the assessment roll. Last year's assessment roll not including the G. T. P. assessment was \$9,422,197.50 and this year with the railway assessment included it is but \$8,773,649, making apparent the extensive reduction in the assessment. Added to this reduction in the assessment roll and causing still further increase in the taxation rate is unforeseen expenditure in the sums of \$18,000 and \$4,000, the former for unemployment relief work and the latter for a special hospital grant.

#### TWO ARE SHOT

Timbleague, County Cork, Mar. 30.—Capt. Wm. Good, a soldier, was shot dead here. His father was killed a fortnight ago. Capt. Reese, an official of Dublin Castle, has been shot dead.

#### British Labor Is Against Lenine in Communist Policy

SOUTHPORT, March 29.—The British Independent Labor Party rejected by an overwhelming majority the proposal to accept Lenine's twenty-one conditions for affiliation with the Third international of Moscow.

SOUTHPORT, March 30.—The majority of the members of the Independent Labor Party voted to affiliate with the International Socialists of Vienna with the reservation that the British laborites will pursue their own national policy unhindered.

The minority section decided to secede and join the Third international Communist movement.

#### COUNCIL FAVOR NEW PROVINCE

Resolution Passed at Meeting of City Council Last Night.

Approval of the Peck resolution calling for the forming of a new province of the Dominion north of the 52nd parallel was expressed at last night's meeting of the city council in a motion proposed by Ald. Dybhavn and seconded by Ald. Kelly. This approval was forwarded by wire to the member at Ottawa this morning.

The matter was brought up at the council meeting by Mayor Rochester who suggested that if the council saw fit a resolution of support be sent. Ald. Dybhavn remarked that all comment he had yet heard was favorable to the division of the province.

The City Council adopted the home rule resolution by a vote of seven to three, approving the proposal to make Vancouver Island a separate province.

#### LIQUOR BILL IS REPORTED

Thomas Uphill to Move Amendment Favoring Beer on Third Reading

VICTORIA, Mar. 30.—The Moderation Bill was reported in the Legislature at one o'clock this morning without any beer clause. While there is still time on the third reading for a member to move an amendment providing for the sale of beer and Thomas Uphill of Fernie has promised to do so, there is little prospect of any beer clause being approved.

Ian Mackenzie of Vancouver is being blamed by the Conservatives for their soft stand against a beer clause which he asserted will drive people to drinking hard liquor.

#### GERMANY RIOTS STILL CONTINUE

Break Out in New Places; Rebels Seize Railway Stations

London, March 30.—While the policy of revolt in central Germany is being carried out, the strike is spreading to Rhineland and Westphalia. Police have been killed in fighting at Essen and Dortmund and the railway stations at Dusseldorf and Elberfeld have been seized by the rebels.

The entente is permitting the arming of police. Fighting has taken place in several districts. A seizure is declared in Munster, Dusseldorf and Arnsberg.

Berlin, March 30.—A general strike and jail delivery at Gotha and a strike at Erfurt are reported here. Fourteen hundred insurgents in middle Germany are under arrest.

London, March 30.—Fifty persons were killed in fighting at Gevelsberg in Westphalia, says a Berlin message.

#### GERMAN PROTEST

Objects to Occupation of Her Territory by Allies.

GENEVA, March 30.—Germany has sent a second protest to the League of Nations against continued occupation of German territory.

#### PARSON REFUSED AN INCREASE OF SALARY

MOUNT VERNON, New York, Mar. 30.—Rev. Otto F. Bartholow, pastor of the First Methodist Church here, has refused a salary increase of \$4,000 a year. He explained that his \$6,000 salary was sufficient.

#### OF FIREWORKS EXPLODES AT CHICAGO

Killed and Many Injured, While Others Rendered Homeless

Chicago, March 30.—Six persons dead and six missing, one hundred and six injured, result of an explosion in a house in the Italian quarter is believed to have been caused by the ignition of a ton of fireworks stored near. Many were rendered homeless. Ten are dead as a result of the big explosion.

#### NOTICE

PUBLIC MEETING, under the auspices of the Prince Rupert Board of Trade, will be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Prince Rupert, on Thursday Next at 8 p.m., for the purpose of discussing and taking a stand upon the proposed New Province to consist of the Canadian Yukon and British Columbia north of the 52 parallel of north latitude. A full discussion is expected. Come prepared to take part.