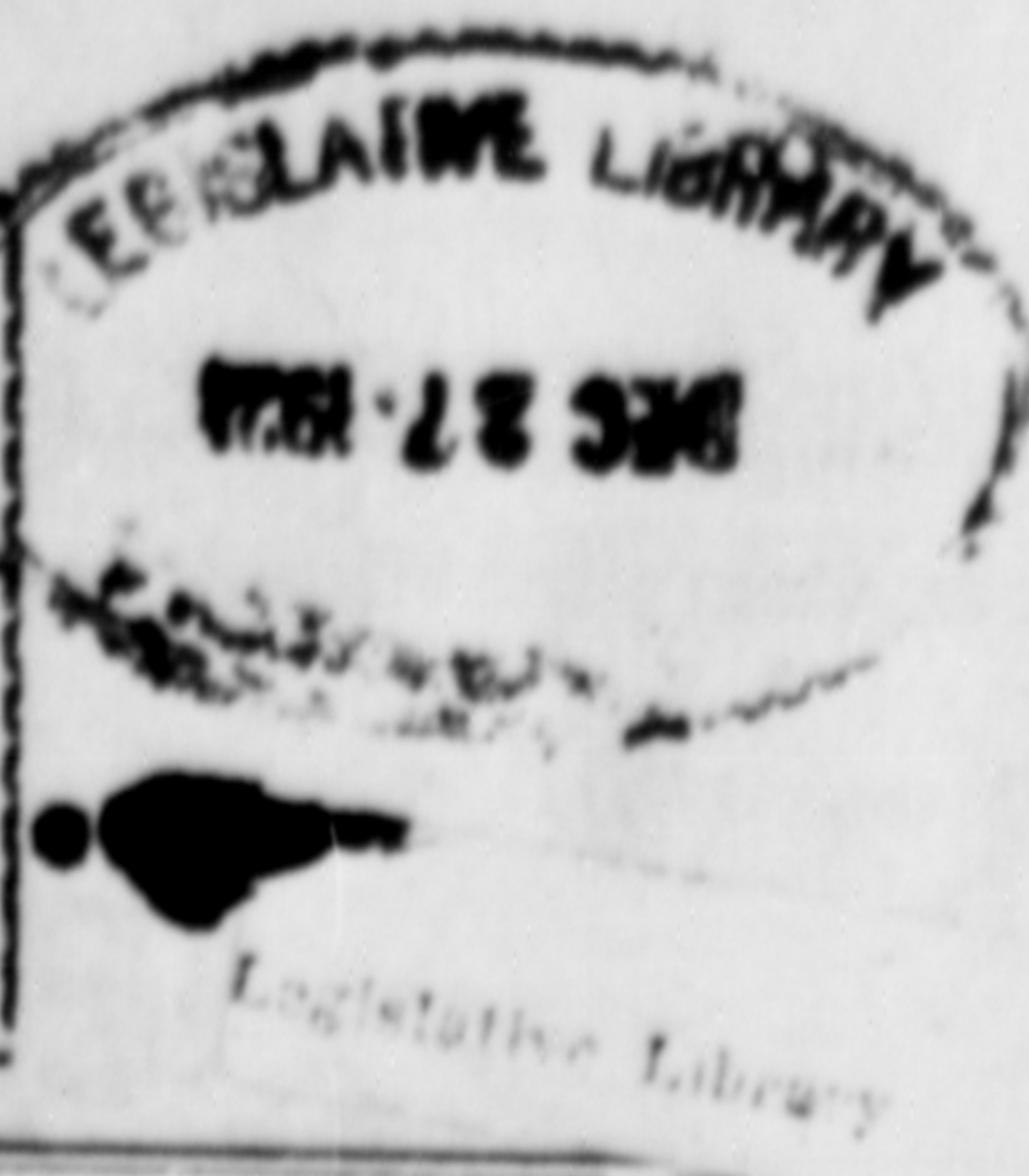


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Attorney General Farris has Resigned

GRERAR GOES TO MEET MACKENZIE KING FOLLOWING CAUCUS

Progressives Expected Join Mackenzie King Forming Government

SASKATOON, Dec. 21.—The Progressive caucus here ended yesterday without a statement of any kind for publication. A. T. Grerar, leader of the group, is going to Ottawa to confer with Mackenzie King, who it is understood has offered Mr. Grerar any cabinet position he may choose except minister of justice if he will join the administration.

The members of the caucus deny any serious difference of opinion in the caucus regarding the future policy of the group. Grerar expressed satisfaction with the outcome.

Students of the political situation forecast that the Progressives will agree to support Mackenzie King and share the responsibilities of government if certain pledges are forthcoming from the Liberals.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—The reason given for Mackenzie King including the portfolio of finance in his offer to Mr. Grerar is that he is already pledged to Mr. Fielding.

The general opinion expressed here is that the Progressives will agree to join the Liberal cabinet, but they will probably want several seats in the cabinet and definite pledges in regard to the agricultural implements and machinery and other articles which particularly affect the farmers. There is a possibility that the Progressives are taken in several Liberals who were expected to hold portfolios which will have to be left out, and this will cause dissatisfaction in the Liberal ranks.

Drury Refuses Cabinet Position.

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—Following the United Farmers' caucus, Drury told his followers definitely that he had decided to refuse the offer of Mackenzie King to join the King government. The necessity of waiting for Grerar and Hudson to visit Ottawa from the west probably means that the King cabinet will be announced until next week.

SASKATOON, Dec. 21.—The conviction seems to be firmly fixed in the minds of the majority of the Progressives who attended the meeting of the caucus of members-elect to Parliament here yesterday that a working alliance with the Liberals for the purposes of government was not beyond the statesmanship of the party leaders. Grerar goes to Ottawa to confer with Mackenzie King at the week-end.

NEW PICTURES OF PRINCESS MARY AND HER FIANCE



The accompanying photographs of Princess Mary and her fiance, Viscount Lascelles, just received from England, are the first to reach this country since the announcement on November 22 of the engagement of the only daughter of King George and Queen Mary to the heir of the Earl of Harewood.

Princess Mary was "snapped" in her happiest mood while visiting a nurses' home in Brighton a few days after the formal announcement of her engagement to a typical son of Britain was greeted with enthusiasm throughout the Empire.

The camera caught Lord Lascelles while engaged in one of his favorite pastimes—attending a race meeting. The occasion was a point to point race at Bramham Park, in which some of the best riders among English gentlemen participated. He is a keen sportsman, owns a string of race horses and is an acknowledged authority on the turf.

Lord Lascelles is a member of one of the wealthiest English families. During the war he was one of the bravest soldiers, was wounded three times and once gassed. He is no stranger to America, having visited here and also in Canada frequently. In addition to being heir to an earldom, he has a large fortune in his own right.

FARRIS IS OUT OF GOVERNMENT

Resigned by Wire From Ottawa
 but is Asked by Premier
 to Reconsider.

INTO PRIVATE PRACTICE

Oliver Suggests Matter Stand
 Until Has Personal Inter-
 view With Him.

VICTORIA, Dec. 21.—Premier Oliver today made the dramatic announcement that Hon. J. W. deB. Farris had resigned from the provincial cabinet. He stated that his action was due to personal reasons. A telegram conveying the resignation to the Premier was received this morning and came like a bolt from the blue.

Premier Oliver stated this morning, following the announcement of the resignation, that he had replied to the Attorney General's wire requesting him to reconsider his position and in any event allow the matter to stand until his return and the Premier has had an opportunity of discussing the matter with him.

Mr. Farris has been at Ottawa for a short time taking part in a case in the Exchequer Court on behalf of the Government of British Columbia. He holds the dual position of Attorney General and Minister of Labor. He indicates his intention of taking up private practice.

NO CONCESSIONS BY FRANCE TO GERMANY

Premier Briand Refuses to Con-
 sider Any Reduction in
 Amount of Reparation.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—Premier Briand in conference with Lloyd George in London refused firmly to consider any further reduction in the total amount of reparations due from Germany.

ADDRESSED SCOTTISH SOCIETY LAST NIGHT

Col. McMorde Spoke on "Pion-
 eers of Pacific Coast"—
 Musical Numbers Also.

There were sixty persons present at the social evening of the St. Andrew's Society which was held last night.

Col. S. P. McMorde delivered a short address on "Pioneers of the Pacific Coast" which was highly appreciated.

Musical numbers included songs by Mrs. James Lee, J. N. Sinclair and Dave Gay and a solo by John Bremner. W. Hughan Davies was accompanist.

Following the program, dainty refreshments were served.

President S. D. Macdonald was chairman and A. Clapperton and William Brown were the committee in charge.

JUDGMENT RESERVED

Right to Tax Liquor Imports
 Argued Before Exchequer
 Court.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—The federal government's right to tax liquor imported into British Columbia was argued before the Exchequer Court. J. W. deB. Farris representing the province, judgment was reserved.

It's never too late to spend.

BOOTH TRIP UNDER G. T. P.

R. S. Nowes, chief steward of the Prince Rupert, who arrived in the south today, says the trip will be his five-hundredth in the service of the company. He has been in the service of the company over ten years and is well and favorably known to all who travel on the steamer.

LAKE SHIPS ARE ASHORE

Nineteen Mastinn on Sand
 Far Near Buffalo Follow-
 ing Big Gale.

BUFFALO, Dec. 21.—Nineteen big lake vessels are ashore here as a result of a big gale. With water in the outer harbor more than a foot below normal virtually no progress has been made in releasing them. They are resting on sand bars and in the mud as a result of Sunday's storm and the subsequent fall in the level of the lake.

WAGES DISPUTE

VANCOUVER, Dec. 31.—The Trades and Labor Council has pledged itself to petition the provincial and civic governments for a decrease in fares on the street cars if the British Columbia Electric Railway enforces the recent award of the conciliation board granting the company a decrease of ten per cent. in employees' wages. The men vote on the award on Thursday.

SHAREHOLDERS OF GRAND TRUNK ARE APPEALING CASE

LONDON, Dec. 21.—In the judicial committee of the Privy Council the petition of the Grand Trunk Railway shareholders was granted. The petition asks for an appeal to the Privy Council from the award of the arbitration board which fixed the price of the G. T. P. property.

WAR DECLARED IN SIBERIA

LONDON, Dec. 21.—A report to the effect that the government of the far eastern republic has declared war on the republic of Vladivostok has been received through Helsinki.

ALASKAN RADIO STATION BURNS

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, Dec. 21.—The Government radio station worth \$100,000 was destroyed by fire which started as a result of a defective stove.

PROMINENT CLERGYMAN AND EDUCATIONIST IS DEAD AT TORONTO

TORONTO, Dec. 21.—Professor James Ballantyne, of Knox College, is dead aged 64. He was a prominent clergyman and educationist and was moderator of the recent Presbyterian General Synod. His death was sud-

Capt. George Selig Shot and Killed for Bear by Companion when Hunting

Captain George Selig, brother of the late William Selig, who met with a tragic death at Gow Bay over a year ago when he was run down and killed by a train, is dead as a result of a no less tragic occurrence two or three days ago on the west coast of the Queen Charlotte Islands, when he was mistaken for a bear and shot and killed by a fellow hunter, E. Lockwood. The launch Eagle, of which Captain Selig was the owner and skipper, arrived in port this morning at 2:30 o'clock with the sad news and the dead man. An inquest is called for 2:30 this afternoon by Coroner J. H. McGillivray.

The Eagle and her crew left here a few days ago for the halibut banks, but finding the weather too rough off the Queen Charlottes, Captain Selig and Lockwood, who is about 23 years of age, decided to go ashore to hunt. They agreed to separate and left in different directions. Not long after, according to Lockwood's story, he saw something go over a dead-fall. Thinking it was a bear he shot and immediately heard a yell. Proceeding immediately to the scene he found that he had shot the captain. He gave an alarm shot for those who had been left on the boat and they arrived shortly after. They took the wounded man to the beach but he expired shortly after. He had been shot through the shoulder and lung. Immediately setting out for Prince Rupert they reached here early this morning.

Captain Selig was one of the best known figures on the local waterfront. He was a fisherman of long experience and before sailing on the Eagle he had been skipper of the Canadian Fish and Gold Storage Company's schooner Chief Skugaid. He was a native of Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, and was about 50 years of age. A widow and two sons, residing in Seattle, survive. Captain Selig is an uncle of W. J. Selig, 516 Fifth Avenue East. The body is in the hands of the B. C. Undertakers.

Only recently Captain Selig rendered splendid service to the local fishing fleet when the storm caused a number to break away from the floats. He worked all night to get the boats back safely and was accorded much praise by the fishermen and others who benefited thereby.

Attacks Are Made On De Valera In The Dail Eireann

DUBLIN, Dec. 21.—Arthur Griffith yesterday accused de Valera in the Dail Eireann of withholding the terms of the cabinet's instructions to delegates in London and fooling the Irish people regarding what went on before the delegation met Lloyd George.

De Valera angrily denied secrecy and promised to publish the whole facts.

Delegate Milroy also attacked de Valera and said the president's proposed form of oath differed only in wording and not in effect from the form accepted by the Irish delegates.

De Valera promised him the acceptance of the treaty should be submitted to a vote of the Irish people.

Twenty speakers were still to come in the Dail yesterday before the vote could be taken.

DUBLIN, Dec. 21.—(Noon)—Arguing in Dail Eireann for the ratification of the Anglo-Irish agreement, George Gavan, one of the Irish plenipotentiaries, said Lloyd George had issued an ultimatum to the Irish plenipotentiaries requiring them to sign the treaty under the threat of immediate hostilities. The treaty, however, he thought should be ratified.

Eamonn Duggan, another of the plenipotentiaries, denied he had been bluffed into signing the treaty. He said he had signed it in calm seclusion and with due consideration of the country, the living and the dead. He warmly urged ratification.

George McMorde returned to the city this morning after having spent some weeks visiting his old home in Victoria.

"Council only begets disaster."

GALETTA, Dec. 21.—Nearly 200 Khalifat volunteers were arrested here Tuesday. Cases against 263 persons were heard by the courts and all but seven of the prisoners were convicted.