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## RAILROAD POLICY HAS BEEN DECIDED UPON

### MACKENZIE KING DEFENDS POLICY OF LETTING PARLIAMENT DECIDE ON WAR

#### Mackenzie King Defends Policy of Government Regard to British Ultimatum and Railway Matters

OTTAWA, Feb. 2.—Following a criticism of the government by Arthur Meighen, leader of the opposition, chiefly directed at the railway policy and the attitude of the government toward the British communication regarding the Near East crisis, Premier Mackenzie King replied at length. Parliament was packed for the occasion and he told them that the Lloyd George query in September whether Canada would wish to be allied with the British ultimatum of threatened war against Turkey came to Ottawa only after the press had carried despatches saying New Zealand had signified a desire to send troops.

The premier said he cabled to London for an opinion as to whether the crisis was grave enough to warrant the summoning of parliament. London replied that it was not and the cabinet decided they could declare war on Turkey only with the consent of the full parliament, therefore they could not participate in the ultimatum.

Mr. Mackenzie King said the British government still refused permission for Canada to publish the text of the original message but Premier King said he was willing to let Mr. Meighen, as a member of the Privy Council, see the message. He would also show it to the leader of the Progressives.

The premier, discussing the railroads, said Mr. Meighen's charge that the Grand Trunk and the Canadian National were not yet amalgamated in spite of the government's promises was not true and amalgamation had already taken place.

These were the high lights of the day which saw the opening of the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne. The debate on the address is being continued in the House of Commons today. Robert Forke, Progressive leader, being the first to speak. The Senate debate will be carried on by Senator Bennett of Calgary.

#### MONTREAL GETS HEADQUARTERS OF NATIONAL RAILWAY

TORONTO, Feb. 2.—It is officially announced that the headquarters of the Canadian National Railways is to be removed from Toronto to Montreal.

This is the consummation of a move that has been under consideration for some time and has been the subject of bitter controversy.

OTTAWA, Feb. 2.—It is stated here that the recommendation of the C. N. R. board to move the headquarters of the system to Montreal has not yet been approved by the government. Hon. G. P. Graham, acting minister of railways, repeated the statement today that the government had not yet reached a final decision.

#### GERMAN LABOR APPEALS U.S.

Asks That Country to Intervene in Europe to Prevent Disaster

BERLIN, Feb. 2.—Organized German labor, speaking for more than half the population of Germany, sent an appeal to United States Congress that America should intervene in Europe as American honor can save the world from disaster.

The Germans did not even consult the government about the message but went direct from the council room to the telegraph office.

#### ONE BANDIT ROBBED TRAIN

Stole Express Packages of Several Thousand Dollars and Made Off

REGINA, Feb. 2.—A lone masked bandit boarded the Canadian National train No. 6 ten miles from Regina, crawled into the express car and held up and bound the messenger at the point of a knife. He took the keys and rifled the express packages taking several thousand dollars, the exact amount not yet determined.

The bandit left the car when the train slowed up at the Regina yards and the police are pursuing him.

REGINA, Feb. 2.—The actual financial loss in the C.N.R. express robbery here last night will exceed more than \$500 it is stated.

#### STEENS' LIMITED IS INCORPORATED

This Firm and Prince George Coal Concern Announced in B.C. Gazette This Week

VICTORIA, Feb. 2.—The incorporations announced by the provincial government this week include that of Steens' Ltd., Prince Rupert, capital \$10,000; and the Central B.C. Coal Co., Prince George, \$35,000 capital.

#### BRITISH LIBERALS MAY UNITE IF LEAD OF PEERS FOLLOWED

LONDON, Feb. 2.—The members of the House of Lords have taken the first step toward amalgamation of the Liberal forces. A meeting of Liberal peers, headed by Earl Buxton, passed a resolution in favor of union of the Lloyd George and Asquith Liberal groups.

#### STEWART VERY OPTIMISTIC

Minister of Lands Returns From Short Visit to Mining Camps

Hon. T. D. Pattullo, accompanied by his secretary, Capt. Watt, returned this morning from Stewart where they say everyone was extremely optimistic and happy in the expectation of the best season they have had since 1910. H. F. Kergin, M.P.P., accompanied the party, this being part of his constituency. After spending several hours at Stewart where they met a number of the people, leaving again last night.

This evening Mr. Pattullo leaves for Vanderhoof where he will spend tomorrow and then proceed to Prince George and McBride, returning to Vancouver by way of the C.N.R.

#### WHALEN COMPANY TO BUILD PAPER MILL; CONSIDERING PLANS

TORONTO, Feb. 2.—The Whalen Pulp and Paper Co. is considering plans for the erection of a newsprint paper mill. Plans of financing are being prepared for the benefit of the shareholders and will be submitted to them soon.

#### RUM RUNNERS CARRY BOMBS

So Say Prohibition Officers at Seattle: Base is Changed

SEATTLE, Feb. 2.—State prohibition officers declare the rum runners from British Columbia have started carrying bombs for defence and have abandoned their base on Discovery Island near Victoria for an obscure island in the San Juan group in order to baffle the prohibition fleet.

#### ALEUT EARTHQUAKE RECORDED IN SOUTH

Washington and Victoria Seismographs Registered Disturbances Last Night

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Earth tremors described as "rather severe" were registered at the observatory here shortly after midnight last night. The centre of the disturbance is estimated to be about 5,200 miles distant.

VICTORIA, Feb. 2.—Three earthquakes varying in intensity were recorded here last night. The location of the shocks is believed to be in the Aleutian Islands 2,400 miles from Victoria.

#### HUGHES RESIGNS AS AUSTRALIAN PREMIER

LONDON, Feb. 2.—William Morris Hughes, premier of Australia, has resigned following the defeat of his party at the polls in the recent election.

#### DEMAND FOR SILVER

LONDON, Feb. 2.—There has been an extremely heavy demand for silver from India. The London spot price is 67.77 cents per ounce. For two months delivery the price is 65.91.

#### REPLIES TO CRITICISMS.



Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King, Premier.

#### Settlement of Railway Strike in Cologne Area is Announced; Violence in Mayence District

COLOGNE, Feb. 2.—An understanding has been reached between the Cologne railway directorate and the inter-allied railway commission whereby German railway men will resume work today throughout the Cologne area.

MAYENCE, Feb. 2.—The railway strike is growing serious, there being much damage to rolling stock. A roundhouse was burned to the ground today. Several locomotives were burned and others ditched.

A German, attacking the roundhouse at Duisburg, was struck over the head by a Belgian who said the German was trying to disarm him. The German will probably die.

#### Visiting Lumbermen Given Fine Entertainment by Board of Trade and the Lumbermen's Association

The genial good fellowship displayed by the prairie visitors and the generous hospitality of the local citizens made the smoking concert tendered last night in the Elks' Home by the Prince Rupert Board of Trade and the Northern B.C. Timbermen's Association to the touring members of the Western Retail Lumbermen's Association a lively and most entertaining event both for the hosts and the guests. The affair was a very informal one and business was entirely forgotten in the enjoyment of the many features of real Western entertainment provided.

#### BUSY SEASON ON GRAHAM ISLAND

Fish Plants are Opening up and Activity in Timbering Steadily Increasing

MASSETT, Feb. 2.—It is proposed in the near future to have a fertilizing and oil plant at the south end of Graham Island to make use of the large number of dogfish in the surrounding waters.

A clam cannery is also to be installed in the neighborhood of North Beach near Massett.

With the timber camps running, the Massett Timber Co.'s mill at Buckley Bay steadily operating, and the canneries reopening this summer for the salmon fisheries, the islands will be busy this year and will become better and more favorably known to the outside world.

Mrs. S. Tall, mother of Mrs. N. B. Walton sailed this morning on a brief trip to Vancouver.

#### MEXICAN STRIKE FRACAS ENDS FATALLY FOR MANY

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 2.—A street battle in front of labor headquarters in connection with the street car strike resulted in the death of 14 and injury to 40.

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#### General Policy C.N.R. Finally Decided upon at Directors' Meeting

TORONTO, Feb. 2.—Richard P. Gough, director of the Canadian National Railways, in a statement, announces that the Board of Directors had decided to recommend that the general office of the system be placed in Montreal.

It was decided for purposes of administration that the system be divided into a certain number of districts, sufficient to admit of economical management, but not so numerous as to create unnecessary expense.

The western district will be extended from Port Arthur and Fort William in the west to the Pacific coast in the west with headquarters at Winnipeg.

The western section includes a larger mileage than either of the other districts but on some parts of it the traffic is exceedingly sparse.

It is the intention to have each district presided over by a general manager and a traffic manager, assisted by general superintendents, engineers, and general freight agents. With due regard to the efficiency of the system, each district will be self-contained, the traffic manager being in charge of all matters relating to passenger fares, freight rates, claims, and all other matters that usually fall within the functions of a traffic department. All details of the respective departments within their territories will be left to them entirely.

It is the intention of the executive officers located at the general offices to deal largely if not entirely with matters of policy and general administration.

#### LOSS OF ALASKAN BEING INVESTIGATED

Owner of Vessel Says He Has No Theory or Opinion as to What Was Cause

VANCOUVER, Feb. 2.—Investigation into the loss of the steamer Alaskan off Pacheena Point, Vancouver Island, on January 2, resulting in the loss of the vessel and eleven men, commenced yesterday by Wreck Commissioner MacPherson.

The owner of the vessel, John Wright, under examination declared he had no theory or opinion as to what might have been the cause of the vessel meeting with disaster.

#### PREMIER SWORN NEW BRUNSWICK

Peter K. Veniot Takes Position Formerly Held by W. E. Foster

FREDERICTON, N.B., Feb. 2.—New Brunswick's sixteenth administration since confederation has been sworn in with Peter K. Veniot as premier and the balance of the cabinet the same as that which resigned with Premier W. E. Foster.

Premier Veniot was minister of public works in the Foster government. As premier he will now draw a salary of \$2,400 a year in addition to his sessional allowance.

#### BOLSHEVIKS WILL WAR ON FASCISTI

Proclamation to This Effect Made by Internationale at Moscow Today

MOSCOW, Feb. 2.—The Communist Internationale and the Soviet trade unions have proclaimed a worldwide war on fascism, it was proclaimed here today.

#### BRUCE WILL BE NEW PREMIER AUSTRALIA

Nationalist Leader Has Been Asked to Form a Cabinet Following Resignation of Hughes

MELBOURNE, Feb. 2.—Stanley M. Bruce, Nationalist federal leader in the present ministry, has been invited to form a cabinet following the announcement of the resignation of Premier Hughes.

#### MARGARET COUGHLAN SOLD FOR A SONG

Vancouver Built Steel Steamer Fetches Only \$176,000 at Auction

VANCOUVER, Feb. 2.—The steamer Margaret Coughlan, a steel vessel that was built here a few years ago at a cost of \$1,250,000, was sold at auction at the Court House yesterday for \$176,000 to John A. Kent of Toronto. It is understood she was actually bought in by the bondholders.

The Margaret Coughlan is a steel vessel of 5,704 tons gross, 3,531 tons net designed as a freighter and constructed at the Coughlan yards in 1920. She has been operated out of Vancouver.

#### COULD HAVE PAID REPARATIONS FROM MONEY SENT ABROAD

VANCOUVER, Feb. 2.—Burdick, Logan & Co. give out a stock exchange report which says: German industrialists, Thyssens, Stinnes, Krupps, etc., are estimated to have sent profits abroad to United States, Argentina, Sweden, Switzerland and Holland to the enormous sum of \$1,800,000,000 gold dollars. The German government has been unable to tax these profits, and British bankers state that if these profits were taxed, the reparations could be paid.