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TORIES REFUSE CONSIDERATION TO LABOR

INTERESTING TIME WHEN RAMSAY MACDONALD FACED PARLIAMENT TODAY

British Parliament Reassembles

Ramsay Macdonald Makes First Speech Since he Becomes Premier

Opposition in Fighting Mood Makes Things Lively Feeling Ran High and one Question is Ignored.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Parliament assembled today for the first time under a Labor government. The Conservative chiefs transferred to the front bench on the speaker's left to act as official opposition.

"Tay Pay" O'Connor, father of the House of Commons, crossed the floor and sits henceforth on the ministerial side, prepared to give an independent support to the Laborites.

Premier Ramsay Macdonald, in the first speech as head of the government, this afternoon called attention to the fact that no party had a majority in the House. The new conditions, he said, would necessitate alteration in the habits of members, as individuals they would have to vote more and more on their personal responsibility and not merely as party politicians.

Further, the premier said, the Labor government would not go out of office as a result of any snap division but only if defeated on a substantial issue.

Mr. Macdonald thanked the "calm, sane businessmen" who warned investors not to make fools of themselves because of the advent of a Labor government, and he appealed to the country to keep steady.

Grilled by Tories

The new labor ministry had the initial experience of being grilled by the opposition today when the Macdonald cabinet made its first appearance in the House of Commons. The chamber was crowded, the opposition benches were filled and ex-premier Baldwin occupied the leader's seat.

The Tories were clearly in fighting mood and opened hostilities by loud shouts of "speak up" when Ben Shoor, chief government whip, made a motion in a low tone. This was repeated with other ministers and is a departure from the forbearance usually given a new cabinet. Feeling ran high during the period and controversial questions were hurled at the Government from many quarters.

The Government benches continued to furnish weak voices as the session progressed and often the ministers had to fall back on the old formula "I must ask for notice on that question," which evoked ironical cheers from the opposition.

Question Ignored

When Commander Kenworthy asked if the Government's condolences on the death of Lenin had been conveyed to the Soviet, Premier Macdonald did not reply.

GERMAN FINANCES

Committee of Experts Makes Recommendation to Reparations Commission

BERLIN, Feb. 12.—Definite plans for the establishment of the German Bank on a gold basis have been formulated by the committee of experts considering the question of securing Germany's finances. The committee will advise the reparations commission to put the plan into prompt operation.

BALDWIN AGAIN CHOSEN

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Former Premier Baldwin has again been chosen as leader of the Conservative Party.

LABOR WAS FORCED MAKE APPOINTMENT

Lord Chelmsford Got Position Because Sea Lords Refused Work Under Unsuitable Man

GLASGOW, Feb. 12.—The reason the Labor government appointed a Conservative peer, Lord Chelmsford, to be first lord of the admiralty was given by James Maxton, a Labor member of Parliament at a demonstration last night. He said it was simply because the sea lords refused to work unless the head of the admiralty was a man suitable to the position.

SNOWSTORMS OVER EUROPE

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TUT'S SARCOPHAGUS WAS RAISED TODAY

LUXOR, Feb. 12.—King Tutankhamen's sarcophagus was raised today. It is understood that the body of the king found inside is enclosed in one of the most splendidly gilded mummy cases ever found in Egypt. The case is about 9.21 feet long.

TOTEMS BEING AGAIN CARVED

Local Bank Manager Places Order That Revives Industry on Islands

MASSETT, Feb. 12.—Through the efforts of H. St. G. Leg, manager of the Bank of Montreal at Prince Rupert, the Massett carvers of Indian totem poles have delivered a number of totems to institutions in the east with the result that the art has been encouraged and revived. The totems were eight feet high and were carved by the only two experts of the Haidas now remaining, Robert Ridley and John Mark.

The work on the totems shows a resemblance to that done ages ago with the crests and legends in figures of animals and birds from the top to the base. The painting is done in Indian colors of black, white and red.

Robert Ridley is to complete an order received from the Board of Trade at New Westminster for a specimen of a totem pole similar to the ancient one now in possession of the city of Prince Rupert. His intention is to obtain a large cedar tree forty feet in height which he will carve. New Westminster made an offer for the old totem secured by Prince Rupert but the pole was allowed to go to the northern city so that the Indians might have an opportunity to see it occasionally and show their handiwork.

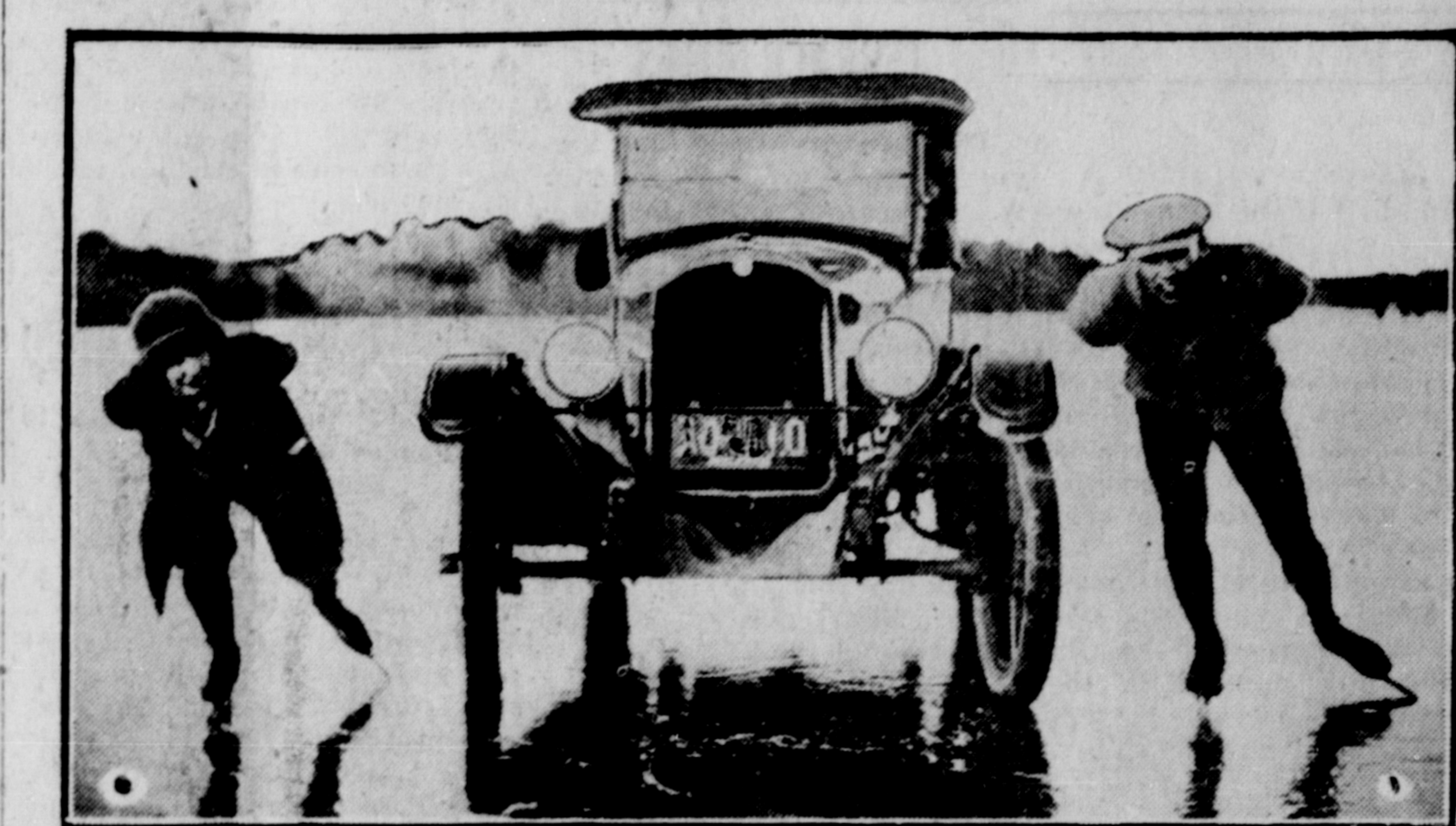
It is possible that another totem may be secured for Prince Rupert during the coming summer.

CANADIAN GIRL MARRIES PRINCE

Lois Frances Booth, Granddaughter of Lumber King, Becomes Bride of Dane

OTTAWA, Feb. 12.—Yesterday at four o'clock, Lois Frances Booth, daughter of Fred Booth and granddaughter of the multi-millionaire lumberman, became the bride of Prince Erik of Denmark. The lady is now Her Highness Princess Erik Countess of Rosenberg.

The ceremony was a spectacular one, among the distinguished guests present being Prince Vlademar, father of the groom, Governor General and Lady Byng, the Prime Minister, the Danish consul and all official and social Ottawa. Bishop Roper of the Anglican Church officiated.



Two world's records for the hundred yards were broken on Onoto Lake, Pittsfield, Mass., by Everett McGowan, of St. Paul, Minn., and Gladys Robinson, of Toronto, Canada. Photograph shows the skaters and the car that paced them.

FORMER RESIDENT OF CITY PASSES AWAY

Robert Lepine, Father of R. V. G. Lepine, Died in Halifax on Sunday

Robert T. Lepine, father of Ralph V. G. Lepine of this city and former resident of Prince Rupert, passed away in Halifax on Sunday morning.

The late Mr. Lepine, who resided here almost all of 1922, 69 years of age. His son here is the only child and he was a widower. He is survived by two brothers—George Lepine, San Diego, and John Lepine, Netley, New Jersey, and one sister, Elizabeth, residing in Halifax.

The funeral took place this afternoon at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Halifax, under Masonic auspices. Deceased had been a member of Virgin Lodge, No. 3, A.F. & A.M., Halifax, for 34 years.

Small Fortune May Result from Salvage Job on Coal Barge Griff if Claim Capt. Swanson Allowed

The Prince Rupert Boat House launch Pachena bids fair to bring in a small fortune for her owners as a result of having salvaged the Amur's coal barge Griff last Friday, it is said along the waterfront. While Capt. Swanson, on being questioned this morning, was loath to lend any light to his side of this interesting salvage case, it is understood that a salvage claim for half the value of the barge and her cargo may be demanded in this case. There was 714 tons of coal on the barge which is 130 feet long, 14 feet in depth and 40 feet beam. An unofficial estimate is made placing the value of the barge and her cargo at \$30,000 or \$35,000. If the owners of the Pachena should get half of this figure it would mean between \$15,000 and \$17,500.

Capt. Swanson did make the statement, however, that the barge had been delivered safely at Inverness cannery and tied to five dolphins without a pound of the coal having been lost. She has now been turned over to the receiver of wrecks whose duty is to hold her until all salvage claims have been settled.

GERMAN RAILWAYS TO BECOME NORMAL AGAIN

PARIS, Feb. 12.—An agreement between the French railway administration and the British Cologne district has been reached whereby normal operation of the railways in the Cologne area, which have been interrupted since the Ruhr occupation, will be resumed.

President Coolidge Refuses to Accept Advice of Senate and is on his Dignity Regarding Rights

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The Senate yesterday adopted a resolution asking President Coolidge to call for the resignation of Secretary Denby. The preamble states that the oil leases signed by Denby were made in violation of the law and under circumstances indicating corruption.

Mr. Coolidge answered the Senate resolution declaring that no official recognition can be given the Senate relative to their opinion in regard to cabinet or other officers under executive control.

"I do not propose to sacrifice any innocent man for my own welfare, nor do I propose to resign in office any unfit man for New Jersey, and one sister, my own welfare," said the president.

When special counsel can advise as to the legality of the oil leases and ascertain the facts connected therewith, Mr. Coolidge said, he would take such action as seemed essential for the protection of the public interest.

FISH ARRIVALS HEAVIER TODAY

Schooner Skandia Contributes 115,000 Pounds to Day's Total of 191,700 Pounds

Halibut arrivals were heavier at the Fish Exchange this morning, eight schooners landing 191,700 pounds. The big American boat Skandia was responsible for most of the fish marketed for she arrived with 115,000 pounds in her almost bulging holds. This was after she had discharged a deckload of several thousand pounds at Ketchikan.

The prices paid were average and the men of the Skandia will have nothing to complain about when the proceeds are shared.

Of the day's business, five American boats sold 173,500 pounds and three Canadian, 18,200 pounds.

Arrivals and sales:

American

Wilson, 11,000 pounds, and Volunteer, 13,500 pounds, at 15.6c and 9c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Arctic, 19,000 pounds, at 15.1c and 9c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Reliance, 15,000 pounds, at 15c and 9c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Skandia, 115,000 pounds, at 14.7c and 9c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co., Pacific and Allin Fisheries, and Royal Fish Co.

Canadian

Rennell, 4,000 pounds; Reveille, 13,000 pounds, and Joe Baker, 1,200 pounds, at 13c and 9c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

HOCKEY SCORES

Montreal 5, St. Patrick's 3. Ottawa 1, Tigers 0. Saskatoon 4, Vancouver 3. Regina 4, Calgary 3.

Monday's Games

Edmonton 4, Vancouver 3. Victoria 4, Seattle 1.

ESKIMO WOMAN IS SUSPECTED

Noice Says She Probably Allowed One Member of Wrangell Island Party to Starve

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Ada Blackjack, an Eskimo woman, sole survivor of the Arctic expedition under Alan Crawford, probably saved herself and refused aid to Lorne Knight, a member of the party, according to an interview with Harold Noice published in the World.

Noice led the rescue party that reached Wrangell Island only to find Knight dead, and Alan Crawford, Milton Gale and Frederick Muir missing. Ada Blackjack was rescued.

Early stories paid tribute to the heroism of this woman. Noice said these were based on her own statements. Some entries in her diary hitherto undecipherable, Noice says, reveal that Ada refused to aid Knight as he lay dying and probably ate the food that would have saved Knight from starvation.

IMPOSSIBLE TO WORK ON AMUR

Salvage Steamer Tees Prevented from Getting Alongside by Stress of Weather

Stormy weather is still preventing the salvage steamer Tees getting near enough the stranded Amur on White Cliff Island to start lightening her of her coal cargo preparatory to taking her off the reef. This is the latest advice brought to the city in regard to the condition of the condition of the distressed steamer. The tug Marmion returned to port at 11 o'clock this morning from the scene of the wreck and reports the Amur still firm on the rocks and in little danger of sliding off or breaking up although she is leaking somewhat through opened seams. She has no hole in her, however, it is said, and still has steam up and is operating her own pumps.

Capt. Swanson and Capt. Ganymon returned yesterday afternoon after having stood by the vessel with the Pachena until the Tees arrived at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. They sent a man aboard the Amur and left some supplies of which the vessel was running short.

Given favorable weather, the taking off of the Amur would be a comparatively simple job, it is believed.

RELIGIOUS FANATICS DECLARE NEW KINGDOM AND 27 OF THEM DIE

BATAVIA, Feb. 12.—One policeman and 27 religious fanatics were killed and many were wounded on Sunday in a riot at Tangerang. The trouble began when 41 fanatics waved their swords and knives and declared they wished to proclaim a new kingdom of Gedeh.

The police finally disarmed the mob.

PREPARATIONS FOR ARCTIC EXPEDITION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The establishment of a weather forecasting station and an advance base in the vicinity of Nome is the objective of a vanguard of the naval Arctic expedition, which left here Saturday for Alaska.