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LAPOINTE ATTACKS LEADER OF OPPOSITION

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK IS FELT IN ENGLAND AND RECORDED AT VICTORIA

Earnest Lapointe Flays Arthur Meighen for his Gospel of Gloom Tour

OTTAWA, March 15.—In the House of Commons yesterday Ernest Lapointe, minister of justice, answering criticisms of Arthur Meighen, opposition leader, made during a speaking tour during the summer, said the Conservative campaign was a "carnival of misrepresentation," and the speech of Mr. Meighen on the address in reply to the speech from the throne had been filled with dismay and bitterness.

Spreading the gospel of gloom and whispers of death throughout the country had been Mr. Meighen's occupation during recess, he said. Apparently Mr. Meighen was trying to make it as difficult as possible for the present government to clean up "the ghastly muddles and messes" which had been their legacy from their predecessors in office. Mr. Lapointe denied that Canada's taxes were higher than those of any other portion of the Empire and closed with an appeal for national unity.

It is understood that an arrangement has been reached by the three party whips that a division shall be reached on Tuesday night and it is stated in Conservative circles that no further amendment to the address will be moved.

CONFERENCE ON LABOR MATTERS

Deputy Minister McNiven Returns From Meeting in Edmonton and Tells of Outcome

VICTORIA, March 15.—Labor supplies for western industries will be handled on a much more satisfactory basis than ever before as a result of a conference between labor officials of the governments of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba in Edmonton this week. J. D. McNiven, deputy minister of labor, returned from Edmonton yesterday and reported that a new basis of co-operation between the four provinces in labor matters would be the chief outcome of the conference.

LOCAL BOAT CLAIMS SALVAGE IN COURT

Action for \$5,000 Started in Vancouver—Second Claim Likely to be Settled Out of Court

Salvage in the sum of \$5,000 is claimed by the owners, master and crew of the local gas boat Pachena from the steamer Anur in an action commenced in the Admiralty Court at Vancouver. It is based on assistance rendered the Anur when she was stranded recently on White Cliff Island near here.

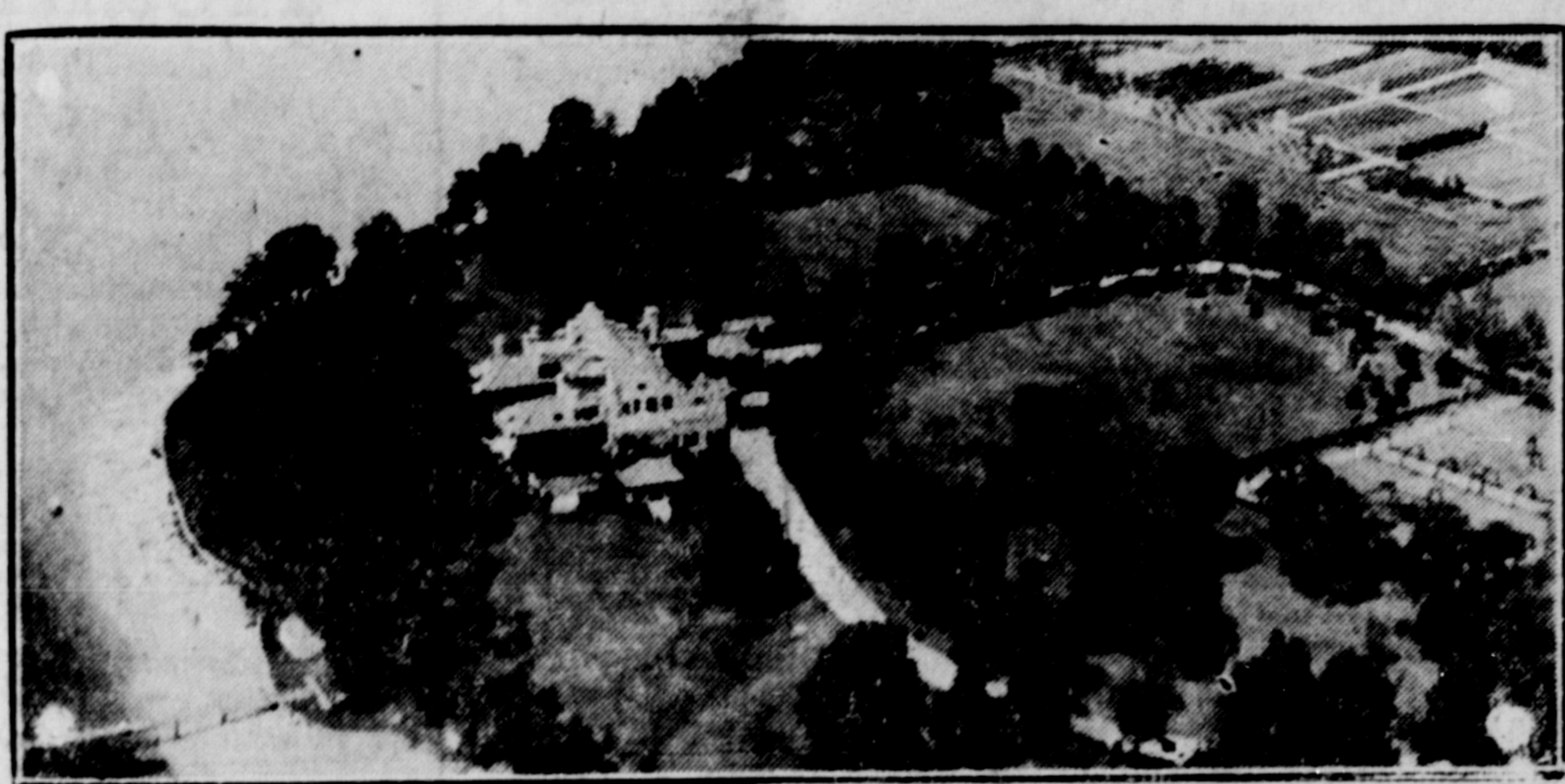
This action has nothing to do with a separate claim of one half of the value of the barge and coal which was being towed by the Anur when she stranded. This claim, which is considerably higher than the other, will be settled out of court it is expected.

VICTORIA PROPOSING TO ERECT ELEVATOR

Talk of Forming a Local Company at That Place to Start the Business Going

VICTORIA, March 15.—A movement is on foot here to form a local company to erect an elevator. The chamber of commerce is taking the matter up and a proposal has been made that as a basis each member of the chamber should either subscribe a thousand dollars or get someone else to do so. If this were done it was thought there would be little difficulty in financing the rest.

The Canadian National Railway would be keenly interested in this movement because they have the big docks practically idle here now and the erection of an elevator would make them useful. The city, too, would aid the movement.



This remarkable air view shows the estate of Harry F. Sinclair, oil king, at Great Neck, L.I. Mr. Sinclair has returned from Europe to face the senate investigation committee on oil lease disclosures.

Better Ice and Bait Here Than Ever Before Says Controller of Cold Storage Co. in an Interview

With a large stock of fine herring bait which will fill demands for the entire season and a much improved quality of ice being turned out as a result of new machinery installation which has just been completed, the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. will be in a position this year to provide halibut fishermen with a better service than ever before. J. W. Nicholls, controller of the company, stated this morning in an interview with the Daily News.

The herring run this winter has been better than for many years past, Mr. Nicholls said. The size and quality has been excellent and, because of the fact that a great deal of the fish has been caught in the harbor very close to the plant, it has been possible to preserve it to better effect. Herring have now disappeared from the harbor but are being caught outside.

By means of the new machinery which has been installed, Mr. Nicholls stated that the ice in future produced by the company will be clear, transparent, solid and hard and will last twice as long as before. The new system eliminates discoloration and defects caused through air being taken in during the process of freezing.

TWO WESTERN HOCKEY TEAMS PLAY IN EAST

Vancouver and Calgary are to be Contestants for the Stanley Cup

WINNIPEG, March 15.—Both Vancouver and Calgary hockey teams will play in the Stanley Cup championship in Montreal. Lester Patrick, president of the coast league stated today. A game will be played here tonight and the winner will play the Canadians Tuesday night.

CANNERY AT TUCKS INLET TO OPERATE

Announcement Made That Plant is to Run in Spite of New Regulations

Announcement is made that the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. has decided to operate its salmon cannery at Tucks Inlet this summer. There had been a question as to whether it would be advisable to operate the plant owing to the regulations permitting gas boat fishing that are coming into effect this year.

THIEPVAL AT YAKUTAT

Establishes Supply Depot for Aviators and Leaving Tomorrow for Chignak.

CORDOVA, March 15.—Preparations were made yesterday at Yakutat, southeastern Alaska, for a supply depot for British aviators, who attempt to encircle the globe. The steamer Thiepval will leave tomorrow for Chignak.

Earthquake in England Startles People in the Cambridgeshire County

LONDON, March 15.—An earth tremor of sufficient violence to overturn light furniture accompanied by a rumbling noise startled the villagers of Haddenham, Cambridgeshire, this morning. Seismologists here have no record of the movement.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—An earthquake was recorded here early this morning. It was rather pronounced and is estimated to have been at a distance of 5,900 miles.

VICTORIA, March 15.—A severe earthquake was recorded at Gonzales Hill Observatory early this morning. The shock continued for two hours. The centre was estimated to be 4,900 miles away in the vicinity of Japan, South Kamchatka or in the Panama vicinity.

LOWER PRICES FOR CANNING SALMON

Packers Issue List of Rates to go into Effect This Year

VANCOUVER, March 15.—The canned salmon section of the Casadian Manufacturers' Association today issued the 1924 prices for raw salmon caught with gill-nets in District No. 2, usually known as the Northern District.

The present depressed condition of the salmon market with prices for canned sockeye salmon at less than the cost of packing has necessitated a reduction of last year's prices for raw fish. The canners state that they are packing at prices that show no return, but are packing in the hope that conditions in the foreign markets will improve. At present almost no sockeye is being sold in the United Kingdom, the cheap Siberian product having captured that market. The fall of the franc in France and Belgium, the chief markets for B.C. cheap fish, has practically put an end to any big shipments to France and packers are rather anxiously looking to the future which has no present indications of improvement.

It is anticipated that there will be less gear in the waters of District No. 2 this season for the canners are cutting down on the number of boats in an endeavor to effect a saving on equipment. The prices as issued by the canners are as follows:

FISH ARRIVALS

Seven Boats Marketed Catches Totalling 184,500 Pounds at Exchange Today

Halibut arrivals at the Fish Exchange this morning totalled 184,500 pounds—three American boats landing 160,000 pounds and four Canadians, 24,500 pounds.

Arrivals and sales: American Liberty, 45,000 pounds, at 12c and 8c, to the Pacific Fisheries; Helgeland, 85,000 pounds, at 12c and 6c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Majestic, 30,000 pounds, at 13.1c and 6c, to the Atlin Fisheries.

Canadian Ath, 8,000 pounds, and M. M. Christopher, 10,000 pounds, at 12c and 6c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

E. Lipsell, 2,000 pounds, and Margalice, 4,500 pounds at 11.7c and 6c, to the Atlin Fisheries.

KNOCKOUT MAN IS GIVEN OWN MEDICINE

Paul Berlenbach Goes Down in Fourth Round Before Jack Delaney

NEW YORK, March 15.—The sensational knockout streak of Paul Berlenbach, middleweight boxer, ended last night when he was knocked out in the fourth round of a spectacular twelve round match by Jack Delaney of Bridgeport.

FRENCH SENATE IS BEHIND POINCARÉ

PARIS, March 15.—The Senate last night gave a vote of confidence to Poincaré on the question of granting the government authority to issue decrees, the vote standing 151 to 111.

TRAIN BLOWN FROM BRIDGE

Many Killed and Injured on Indian Railway When Tornado Comes up Suddenly

DELHI, India, March 15.—From forty to fifty natives are believed killed and more than fifty injured—one, a European—as a result of a tornado striking a mixed train on the Rohilkhand-Hamann railway. The train was crossing a bridge near Bareilly and five carriages were blown over.

VOLUNTEER DUE HERE MONDAY TO LOAD ORE

Will Take 500 Tons of Dulthie Mine Product to Smelter at Selby, California

C.G.M.M. steamer Canadian Volunteer, Capt. John McKernan, is due here noon Monday to load 500 tons of Dulthie mine ore for the smelter at Selby, California. Providing she arrives on time, she should get away Monday night or early Tuesday morning. Coming direct here from California, she will call at Ocean Falls southbound to load paper.

ALIMONY IS ORDERED PAID BY LOCAL MAN

VANCOUVER, March 15.—William Goldbloom, fur dealer of Prince Rupert, was directed yesterday by Mr. Justice Murphy to pay alimony amounting to \$100 a month to his wife, Rachael Goldbloom of Vancouver, who is petitioning for a dissolution of their marriage which took place in Winnipeg 42 years ago.

The order for alimony was made retroactive to July last and must be paid until the trial of the action.

CHANGE ANNOUNCED IN ISLAND SERVICE

Prince John Will Arrive From the South on Thursdays and Sail on Saturdays

A change in the schedule of the Queen Charlotte Island service performed by the steamer Prince John is announced at the C.N.R. offices today. Effective March 27, the vessel will arrive here from the south via the Islands on alternate Thursdays and will sail on her return south on alternate Saturdays. The next arrival of the steamer will be on Thursday, March 27, and the next departure, Saturday, March 29.

TODAY'S EXCHANGE

Sterling, \$1.43 1/2.
Hong Kong, 52.75.
United States 3 15-32 premium.

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENT OF HIGH COMMISSIONER

LONDON, March 15.—The appointment of James Brown, socialist labor member of parliament, as Lord High Commissioner to the Church of Scotland is officially announced.

HOSPITAL IS BUSY PLACE AT PRESENT

Only Three Beds Not Occupied on Second Floor Devoted to Women

The General Hospital is a very busy place just now according to reports received from the institution today. The second (ladies) floor is almost full, all private and semi-private wards being occupied and only three beds being left in the surgical ward. Other departments of the hospital are also very nearly full.

BIRTH

A son was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital on March 14, to Rev. and Mrs. G. G. Hacker.