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MEMBERS NEW GOVERNMENT TAKE OFFICE

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS OF PROVINCE INDICATED BY HIGH PRICE OF BONDS

J. Ramsay Macdonald and Cabinet Take Office Today and Meet This Afternoon; Interesting Records

LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Labor ministry took office at noon today after having been officially sworn in. Premier Ramsay Macdonald immediately called a cabinet meeting for this afternoon.

The cabinet appointments attracting most attention are those of Lord Chelmsford as first lord of the admiralty, and John Wheatley as minister of health.

Lord Chelmsford's appointment is termed by one Tory paper as a "great shock." He was former viceroy of India and no one guessed he had any labor

affections. Wheatley's inclusion is regarded as a sop to Glasgow extremists.

There are seven trade unionists among the ministers, many of whom sprung verily from the loins of the people. J. H. Thomas, secretary for war, started life as an engine cleaner.

William Adamson, secretary for Scotland, commenced work at nine and worked 27 years as a miner.

Thomas Shaw, minister of labor, worked in a mill half time for ten years of age.

F. W. Jowett, minister of works, was a half timer at eight years old.

John Wheatley, minister of health, was one of a family of eleven, which for years lived in a single roomed apartment.

New Premier's Record

Premier James Ramsay Macdonald, who is also secretary of state for foreign affairs, worked on the land at twelve years of age. He was born at Lossiemouth in Morayshire in 1866. At school his extraordinary ability and unflagging industry caught his master's eye and he was persuaded to study for the teaching profession. By way of Bristol he wandered to London and achieved his first great success, as he regarded it, in addressing envelopes at fifteen shillings a week.

He studied incessantly; in course of time became private secretary to Thomas Lough, M.P., drifted from Liberalism to Fabianism, but never into Syndicalism; and proclaimed by tongue and pen the faith that was in him. As editor of the Socialist Library, on the London County Council (1901-04) and as Labor member of parliament for Leicester (1906-18), he proved his capacity as a powerful force in the Labor movement.

He was secretary of the Labor party 1900-11; chairman of the Independent Labor party 1906-09; and leader of the Labor party 1911-14.

Setback During War

The outbreak of war was Mr. Macdonald's undoing for a time. He declared that the war was the result of the existence of the Entente and the alliance, and that Great Britain was in it in consequence of the foreign policy of Sir Edward Grey (Viscount Grey) who with Mr. Asquith had withheld the full truth from the nation.

These views cost Mr. Macdonald, first the sympathy of his Labor colleagues, next his chairmanship of the Labor party, and lastly his seat in the House of Commons. He denied that he was a pro-German.

"I am," he once said, "a pro-European, a pro-democrat, and a pro-internationalist."

During the war Mr. Macdonald rendered conspicuous service on the continent with motor ambulances and field kitchens. He attempted to re-enter the House of Commons when Will Crooks' seat at Woolwich became vacant in

1921, but was defeated.

Writer of Books

Mr. Macdonald is the author of a number of books including "Socialism and Society," "Labor and the Empire," "Socialism and Government," "The Awakening of India," "The Socialist Movement," "The Social Unrest," "National Defence," "The Government of India," and "Parliament and Revolution." For many years he has splendidly helped in all his work by his wife, Margaret Ethel Macdonald, a daughter of the late Dr. J. H. Gladstone, F.R.S., and a niece of the late Lord Kelvin. Mrs. Macdonald died in 1911.

Viscount Haldane

Viscount Haldane, Lord Chancellor, was minister of war in the cabinet of the late Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman. He received that post in 1905 and later was made Lord Chancellor, having visited Canada in that capacity in 1913. For several years, on account of his sympathetic professions towards moderate Labor, he has been spoken of as a possible Lord Chancellor in a Labor government. Recent events have thus brought this prediction to pass.

Lord Haldane for many years was a staunch Liberal. On account of his sympathies with Germany, he was somewhat under a cloud during the war, but history has cleared all this up and has proved that he was fully alive to the German military menace for many years and that, as Minister of War, he had even taken steps to combat it. The war was declared in 1914 the seals of the war office were being held temporarily by Mr. Asquith, the Prime Minister. At his request, however, Lord Haldane took charge at the War Office and started the machine of mobilization. The next day the War Office was handed over to Lord Kitchener.

Native of Scotland

Lord Haldane is a native of Scotland. He received his early education at Edinburgh and later studied philosophy at Gottingen, Germany. It was here that he first acquired his eagerness in pursuing German thought.

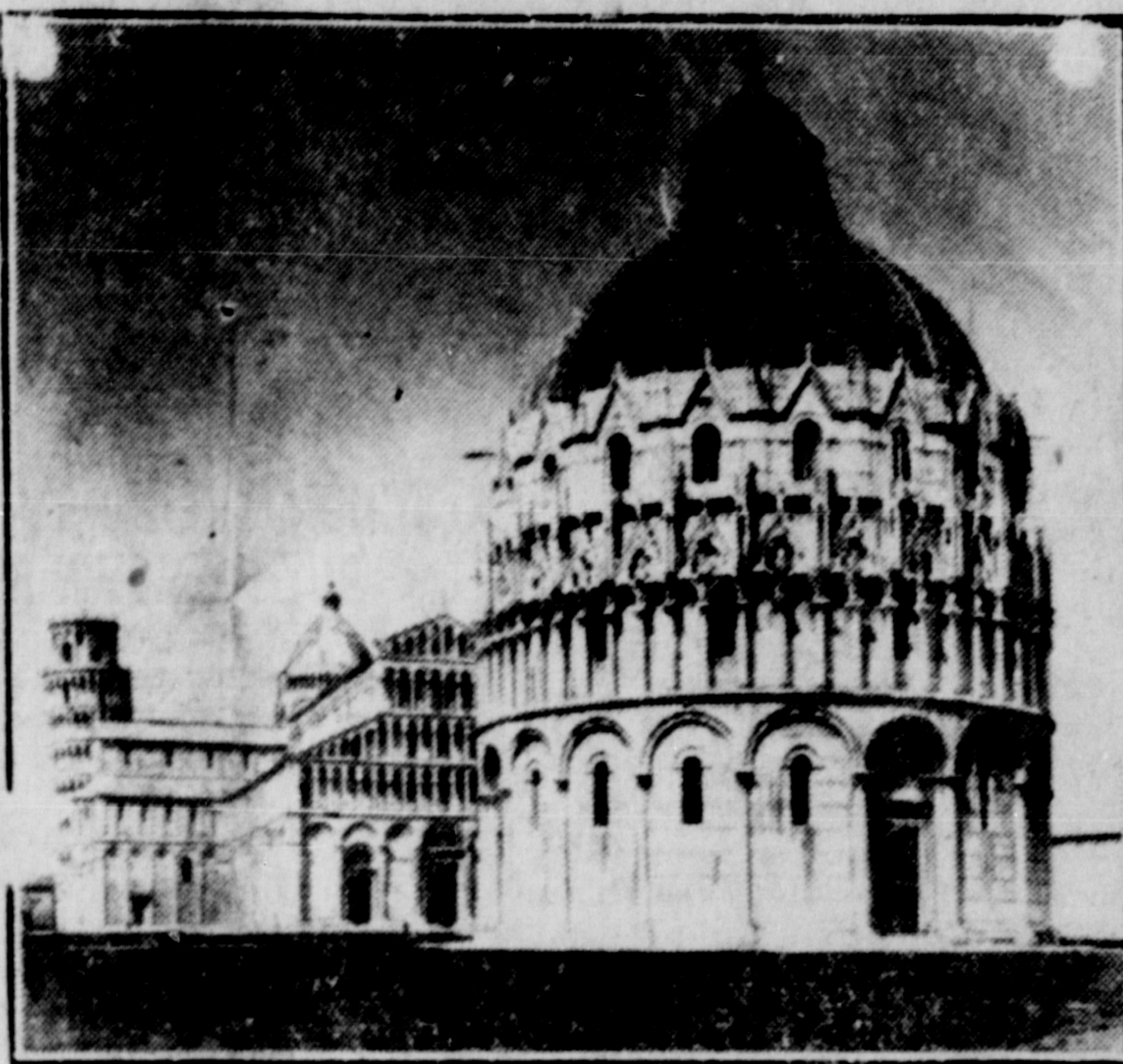
NO ARRANGEMENTS FOR GAS BOAT FISHING IN SKEENA BY CANNERIES

While fishing for salmon with gas boats will become legal this year, none of the canneries in the district are making preparations to provide fishermen with such craft, J. W. Nicholls, controller of the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., stated this morning.

Fishermen will, however, be able to use the craft independently and take their chances on the open market in disposing of their catches.

DAUGHTER OF MARQUIS UNDERGOES OPERATION

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Lady Alexandra Curzon, youngest daughter of the Marquis of Curzon, whose engagement to Prince George has been reported underwent an operation yesterday for appendicitis.



On the extreme left is seen the Leaning Tower of Pisa, unusual because it is rarely seen in comparison with some of the other buildings. The bell tower or round Campanile was begun by architects in 1174.

Negotiations are on for the Purchase of Building and Dock formerly used by Sea Products

While confirmation is not available locally, it is understood that a deal is under way for the purchase of the plant near Seal Cove formerly occupied by the defunct Pacific Sea Products Co. and that successful negotiations may result in another industry being established.

Rumor has it that a well known fishing company, operating several canneries on the coast, may purchase the plant and start another modern cannery here. It would mean considerable employment in the summer months at least.

B.C. CREDIT BETTER YET

Provincial Bonds Bring Highest Price Recorded in Many Years

VICTORIA, Jan. 23.—British Columbia government bonds sold yesterday at the highest price in years. Two million dollars' worth sold at 96.877, netting 5.22 interest. The price is eight points above the estimate made by John Hart, minister of finance, in his budget speech.

Of the maturities sold yesterday, one million were refunds of a short term loan which matured last October. The second million was for conversion of treasury bills.

The bonds are issued for 25 years at five per cent. The successful bidders are a syndicate made up of Wood Gundy of Toronto and two American financial houses.

PAYMENT IS MADE ON BIG MISSOURI MINE AT STEWART

STEWART, Jan. 23.—Trites and Wilson, the Fernie mining men, have continued their option on the Big Missouri mine on Salmon River by making a substantial payment under the agreement by which they hold control of the property. Already they have spent a good deal of money in development and the showings have been so good that they feel warranted in going ahead. The intimation is that this property, which has been bonded by many, including Sir Donald Mann, is yet to prove a mine which will make someone a fortune.

EIGHTY MILLION BUSHELS OF GRAIN LIKELY COME WEST

That is Estimate of Edmonton Bulletin for the Coming Year

The Edmonton Bulletin says: "The report of Mr. Mothersill on the conditions surrounding the grain trade at Vancouver is interesting and informative. He confirms the opinion previously expressed by others that forty million bushels of last year's Alberta crop will go out via the western route. That is about one-quarter of the wheat grown in the province last year. If with inadequate facilities against disproportionate railway rates, the western route takes out one fourth of the provincial wheat crop in the first season that the movement has been energetically encouraged, the practicability of that road to market will have been established beyond dispute, and the growth of future traffic assured. Elevator construction now under way will double the handling capacity at the port by the time another crop has ripened, and it is not beyond reason to think that eighty million bushels of the wheat to be grown in Alberta this year may be sent overseas by way of the Pacific."

ENGINE EXPLODED

YOUNGSTOWN, Jan. 23.—An engineer, fireman and inspector were killed when the engine of a passenger train exploded at Aliquippa, Pennsylvania.

DIED IN LONDON

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Captain Michael Ryan, 60 years of age, band master of the Royal Canadian Regiment, died here.

THREE MINISTERS WITHOUT SEATS BUT ONE MAY BE A PEER

New Premier Expected to Appoint Large Cabinet: Henderson Already in Office

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Seats must be found for three new cabinet ministers' names, Hon. Arthur Henderson, secretary of state for home affairs; Sir Sydney Oliver, secretary for India; and Brigadier General C. Thompson, air minister. It is expected that Sir Sydney Oliver will receive a peerage and will sit in the House of Lords.

It is understood that Ramsay Macdonald contemplates appointing a large cabinet. The seats of office have not been changed since the announcement made yesterday. Arthur Henderson has already taken over the duties and is devoting himself to the strike which is tying up business in the country.

LADIES' AUXILIARY OF HOSPITAL ASS'N ELECTS ITS OFFICERS

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Prince Rupert General Hospital was held last night and the following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. R. C. Parsons, First Vice-President, Mrs. Gandow, Second Vice-President, Mrs. H. F. Glassey, Third Vice-President, Mrs. James L. Lee, Secretary, Mrs. E. C. LaTrace, Treasurer, Mrs. Harry Atkins, Representatives to the Board, Mrs. Henning and Mrs. D. W. Morrissey.

Annual reports of the activities of the Auxiliary were submitted and will be made public at the annual meeting of the Association to be held next week.

FISH ARRIVALS

Five Boats Marketed 123,500 Pounds at Exchange this Morning

Five halibut schooners marketed catches totalling 123,500 pounds at the Fish Exchange this morning. Four American boats had 107,500 pounds and one Canadian 16,000 pounds. Prices still continue to drop.

Arrivals and sales:

American

Imperial, 6,500 pounds, at 13.6c and 8c, to the Pacific Fisheries.

Reliance, 6,000 pounds at 14.1c and 8c, to the Pacific Fisheries.

Constitution, 60,000 pounds, at 14c and 8c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Democrat, 35,000 pounds, at 14.3c and 8c, to the Atlin Fisheries.

Canadian

Cape Spencer, 16,000 pounds, at 14c and 9c, to the Royal Fish Co.

POINCARÉ GETTING EXTREME POWERS FOR FRENCH GOVERNMENT

PARIS, Jan. 23.—Premier Poincaré has introduced a bill into the Chamber of Deputies giving the Government power to prohibit the importation of foreign merchandise.

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RUM RUNNING TREATY SIGNED

Representative of Great Britain and the United States Each Affix Signatures

MUST BE CONFIRMED

Will Provide for Extension of Three Mile Territorial Limit to 12 Miles

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The first official step toward the ratification of the rum running treaty between the United States and Great Britain has been taken. The treaty was signed today by Sir Auckland Geddes, British Ambassador to the United States and Secretary Hughes of the United States cabinet on behalf of their respective countries. Before becoming effective the treaty will have to be ratified by the British Parliament and the United States Senate. The present composition of the Parliament of Britain is such that no obstacle is likely to be put in the way and the Senate is pretty sure to ratify the pact, it is thought.

The Treaty provides for enlargement of the limit of territorial water from three miles to twelve for the purpose of enforcing the prohibition laws of the U.S.

BUILDING TRADES HOLD CONVENTION

Live Questions Being Discussed at Windsor Today by Delegates

WINDSOR, Ont., Jan. 23.—(Canadian Press)—Pressing problems of wage rates, working conditions, immigration and labor supply, as well as other questions affecting building and construction in Canada are being discussed at the Sixth Annual Convention of the Association of Canadian Building and Construction Industries, which opened here yesterday. Joseph M. Pigott, of Hamilton, Ont., is president of the organization; James Mackie, of Winnipeg, vice-president; John V. Gray, of Toronto, second vice-president; John Grieve, of Montreal, honorary secretary; F. B. McFarren, Toronto, honorary treasurer and J. Clark Reilly, of Ottawa, Executive Secretary.

Mayor F. J. Mitchell of Windsor, with F. W. Wilson, M.L.A., welcomed the delegates on behalf of the Border Cities. The first general session on Tuesday will be occupied by a review of the year by President Pigott, with reports by other officers of the Association. The program for the succeeding days of the convention include five discussions on immigration in relations to construction and immigration and wages, seasonal employment, apprentices, and various other subjects are taking place.

NO HERRING YET ON THIS PART OF COAST

Herring have not yet made their appearance in local waters but boats of the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. will go out next week to prospect for them, J. W. Nicholls, controller of the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., stated this morning. Local herring are mostly taken now for halibut bait purposes.

CARPENTIER IS NOT CHAMPION

Andre Bonnell Declared to Hold Light Heavyweight Honors by Default

PARIS, Jan. 23.—Apparently boxing champions are no longer to be allowed to be autocrats in their profession. One of the members of the cult who has been suffering from enlargement of the cranium has had a slip up. The French boxing federation has taken the championship from Georges Carpentier and has declared a would-be opponent, Andre Bonnell, light heavyweight champion of France, following a refusal by the champion to meet him.

GRAND TRUNK HEADS BLAMED

Commissioner Says Subordinate Officials Could Not be Expected to Refuse Offer

OTTAWA, Jan. 23.—F. H. Honeywell, commissioner appointed by the government to investigate the circumstances surrounding the payment of gratuities to the directors and officials of the Grand Trunk Railway system and interest disbursements believed to have been made out of funds intended by parliament for operation of the road, in a report to Hon. G. P. Graham, criticized the action of Howard Kelly, president of the road and Howard Scott, vice-president and treasurer, for their part in granting gratuities to officials of the system amounting to \$190,000.

The report places the responsibility for the transaction on the two officials mentioned and expresses the view that the other executives who benefited could not be expected to refuse the gift when assured by the president that it was a recognition from the shareholders of their faithful services.

COMING HERE TO MAKE PLANS FOR U.S. FLIER

Lieut. Clayton Bissell Leaving Seattle for This City to Make Arrangements

SEATTLE, Jan. 23.—Lieut. Clayton Bissell, advance officer of the army service planning a globe encircling flight, leaves tonight's boat for Prince Rupert, the first stop off for the flier after leaving Seattle. He will make the initial arrangements for the stop off at that port.

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