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FLYING THE PACIFIC

Today flying the Atlantic is becoming rather a common ought not to have been paid at all. what it was doing in this regard. feat and attention is being turned to the Pacific. The difficulty is that sufficient fuel cannot be carried to enable that it had been arranged that the amendments to the firm service flation, etc. The resolution was adthe planes to fly such a long distance.

And yet in a few years flying the Pacific will be as com- and that we would sit from 11 to 6 sion and it was evident that a great mon as is flying the Atlantic today. Hundreds of people in the evening. He also announced difference of opinion existed among try. are working to solve the problems of long distance flights that the government of Canada the various members of the House, and improved engines with greater correction necessary with greater correction necessary with greater corrections and improved engines with greater corrections necessary with greater corrections. and improved engines with greater carrying power will tering into any negotiations of grade step to go back to the apresult in the difficulties being minimized to such an extent trade with soviet Rusia. He took the pointment of postmasters by patthat plenty of people will take advantage of the opportuni- occasion to notify this on account ronage. The appointment of a ties that offer.

OTHER DIFFICULT PROBLEMS

We seem to be concentrating our energies on mechanical improvements and yet when a problem arises such as that bills passed through and then, in these appointments will be made. which has afflicted the world recently, it seems impossible of solution. Given a too great supply of food and other commodities on the one hand and on the other many people members from that province occu- ength. it being pointed out that without food and other commodities, yet we have not sol- pied the time of the House up to ow was the time for the governved the problem of how to place the food and other com- the hour of 11 o'clock. However, it nent to control these deposits of modities in the hands of those who need them without pauperizing the needy. Here is a problem that is worthy in this department were rushed of the thought of the best minds.

Many suggestions have been made as to how to deal with this matter but experimenting is difficult and very being made from the members refew problems are solved without actual experiment. Immediately a suggestion is made to conduct an experiment, the slim attendance in the House, very keen opposition develops and the experiment is

quashed.

ANOTHER GERMAN CRISIS

Recently there was a crisis in German affairs when serious opposition was offered to the re-election of President a quorum of the House and, if there von Hindenburg. Today there is a cabinet crisis caused by are less than 20 members at any the resignation of Chancellor Bruening and the taking over of the conduct of affairs by a less moderate leader.

Many people are watching Germany as one of the danger spots of the world or from other points of view as the possible salvation of the world. In any event we can look to Germany to keep us interested for some time to come.

CHURCHILL AND PRINCE RUPERT

There is much in common in the situation of Churchill and Prince Rupert. Both are new ports and both aspire to commendable measure and one the be grain shipping ports. Each has an elevator, modern and nunicipalities of British Columbia with the usual facilities for cleaning and drying grain.

Both Churchill and Prince Rupert have certain strate- and practically the whole aftergic advantages but they are to a large extent offset by the noon session was taken up by Quefact that there are established routes for grain shipping bec members which, to me, seems and that it is difficult to divert from those routes.

For the second season the federal government, under bers on both sides. Even though the when he did so one of the mempressure from the prairies, has backed the Hudson Bay House is anxious to hurry along, we bers moved that the House proceed route by removing entirely the port and elevator charges had to sit patiently and listen to with the orders of the day which at Churchill as an inducement to ship that way. Prince tories of whales and fishing in the was tantamount to cutting down all Rupert never had any such inducement offered by the Hudson Bay given by members who discussions on this important quesgovernment, either present or past. The port has had to represent these northern constition. This precipitated a vote and fight its own way without aid and the situation is any- ne of those incidents which makes gasoline was defeated 83 to 43. thing but encouraging.

Today Prince Rupert is at a point where mature con-liamentary affairs. sideration should be given and this consideration should be followed by action. The policy of laissez faire must give rise at 6 o'clock, at the suggestion me as if the oil companies had place to such action as will bring about a change. The elevator was built by the people of Canada for use as a ter- the estimates on railway earnings minal shipping port and not a storage house. The will of and, inside of some five minutes, but, before passing, necessitated the people has been defeated by various interests and the millions of dollars affecting every voting again—to vote in the House

port has had to suffer as a result.



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A Week's Doings at Parliament

By Tom Reid, M.P.

Canadian National Report Brought Down-Slim Attendance as End of Session Approaches-Prorogation By Deputy Governor General

There is an air of excitement among the members as the end of the session draws nigh and many of the members on are busy packing up. An uneasy feeling prevailed in the House when the report of the committee on the Canadian National Railway affairs was read and moved for adoption. Had any discussions of a political nature started at

this stage no one could have fore-#_ cast how long such discussions cose, there was much bustle in the 40 might have lasted. The report, rooms as it was expected that the the floor of the House, Mr. Gar-, this matter still to be continued on ing that the question of agriculture which was unanimous, subjected House would prorogue some time diner moving a motion asking that the following day. the directors to some criticism for early the following week. allowing the purchase of a home in Monday, May 23—This was en- regard to the whole question, parti- close either today or on Thursday, one subject and that may well be, Montreal for Sir Henry Thornton tirely a day of legislation-some which will cost some \$200,000. The very important and lengthy bills expense account of officials was being debated and passed, two of also criticized. They were also asked them affecting insurance and takto reduce salaries on the higher of- ing up the greater part of the day. ficials and, in the matter of pen- it is doubtful if the majority of the sions, to have these reviewed as it members fully comprehended the had been brought out in the com- various clauses in these bills but mittee that excess pensions were we were forced to accept them being paid and some pensions that trusting that the government knew

the evening. Post Office estimates before the House rose, all estimates through which will put an end to

is evident that many members est number I counted in the House at one time was 60 and, at anothe period of the day, some 28 members were in their places. It is interesting to know that 20 members form

time, the House can be adjourned. A very important measure to municipalities was introduced in connection with the Soldier Settle nent Board whereby the government could transfer to the provinces or municipalities lands which were obtained by the Soldier Settle ment Board and which are not under contract of sale to any person It also provides for the payment of axes, etc. This, to me, seems a very have long asked for. Official estinates came up before the House

of the Prime Minister, the chair- quite a few sympathizers in the man of the committee started in on House. department of the government takes up 15 to 20 minutes' time. The were passed through, just as fast bill was adopted 77 voting for, 20 as the chairman called the number against. Before the hour of noon of the item. It is during these times three bills were introduced for the you have to be on your toes-that final reading and passed, namely: is if you have some matter of im- The Customs Tariff: The Income portance you want to speak of in War Tax Act and Excise Act any of the items called because, if In the afternoon the Radio Bill you do not rise quickly or are not was finally passed and adopted, the in your seat, your chance of speak- salary for the chairman being fixed ing at the time is gone.

One learns very easily that the ers \$8,000 each without any provi-House of Commons, besides being sion being made this year for sua distinguished assembly, is at perannuation allowance. times also a cold-blooded assembly! The question of the Beauharnois

as well.

TO A CONTROL OF THE PARTY OF TH

The Prime Minister intimated The bill in connection with the House should meet on Saturday Act created a great deal of discusof an article which had appeared costmasters, where the annua! rein the press to the effect that such venue of such post offices does not negotiations were under way. He exceed \$3000, is now entirely in the declared this was not true or cor- hands of the minister instead of under the Civil Service Commission. There were quite a number of I have my own opinion as to how

Under the estimates of the inwere again before the House and lian Department, the question of again it was Quebec night. The radium was discussed at some

For some reason, known only to he government, the report of the committee on gasoline prices had further acrimonious accusations seen left on the table without its adoption being moved and, so as to presenting the province of Quebec. bring the whole subject of gasoline Saturday, May 21-Judging from rices before the House for discusion, Ed. Young, Weyburn, although not a member on that committee. have departed for home. The great- noved that it be now adopted. He nade it quite clear that he was not n favor of the report but was taking this method so as to bring the matter up for discussion.

From about 11 o'clock to 12 the sales tax was debated, Mr. Rhodes, ninister in charge, making some mendments thereto. He mentioned the fact in regard to the three percent impost tax that the government expected a revenue from this tax of \$16,000,000. He stated that, n regard to the six percent sales 'ax and the three percent impost tax, the government needed revenue and these were the two methods of obtaining same. The bill passed at

the stroke of 12. Tuesday, May 24—Although this was Victoria Day and a holiday throughout the city, the House sat is usual, meeting at 11 o'clock in the morning. The expected discustion on gasoline prices did not materialize. Mr. Young, the day previous, had been asked by the Prime quite a waste of time, being mostly Minister to wait until today before tuencies and then we witnessed the move to discuss the question of ne sometimes ponder on our Par- Practically every Conservative member and a few Liberals voted Just as the House was about to with the majority and it looked to

The Civil Service Bill was passed

at \$10,000 and the two commission-

Heat, Light and Power Co. was In the evening, after the House again brought in for discussion on

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vacated as being in the interests of they are at present. agriculture throughout the coun- When the House met at 3 p.m. amendment was 47 for, 17 against.

districts in Alberta, eggs had drop- cupying the time of the House. To of His Excellency the Deputy Govped as low as three cents per dozen me it seemed there was a great ernor General with a flare of trumand butter had fallen in two years deal of repetition in many of the pets and a salute of 21 guns at 11:45 from 39c to 17c per pound.

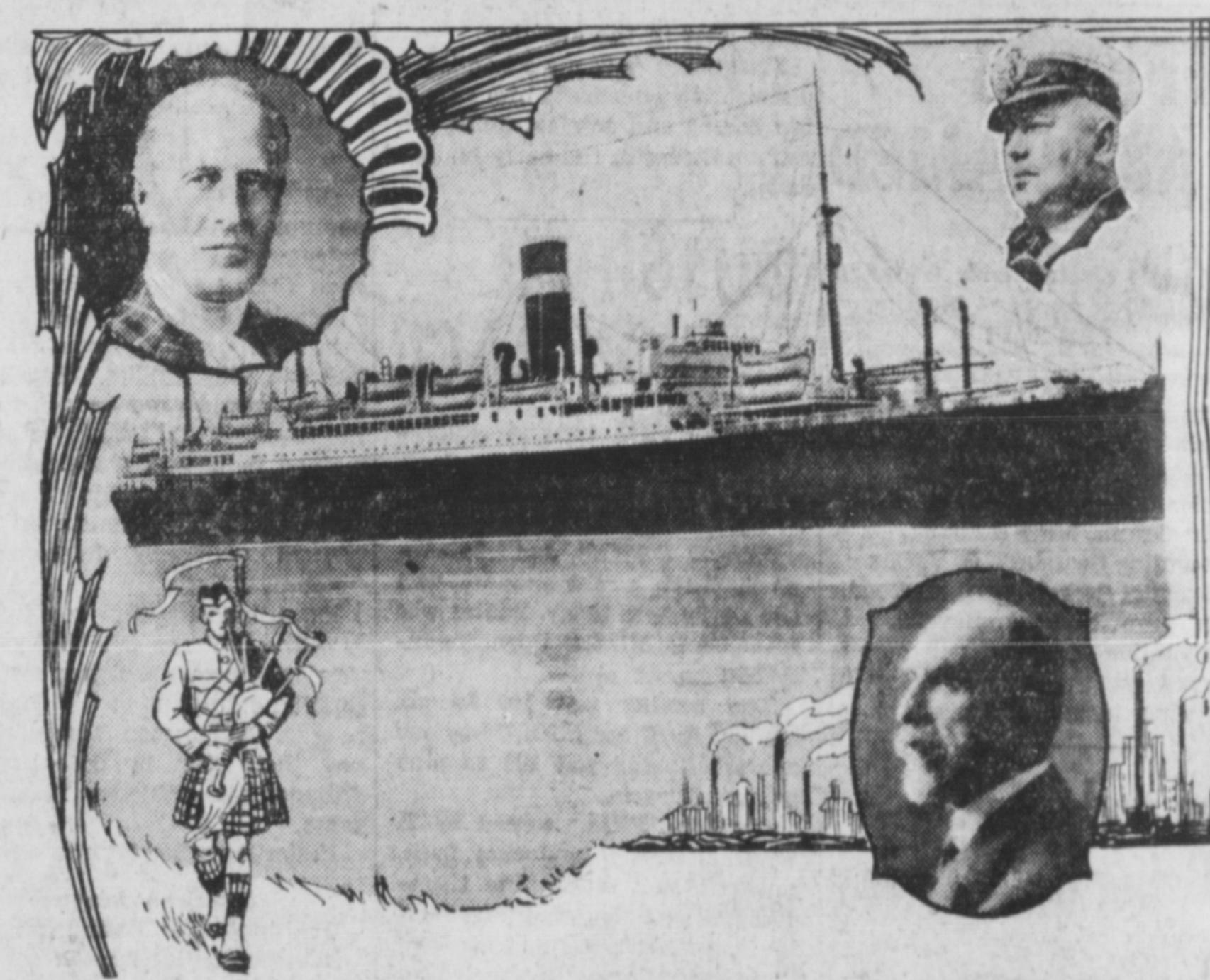
The House rose at 11 o'clock with ture and I believe I am safe in say- of the seventeenth Parliament.

feeling is now that the House will

the discussions on agriculture were Thursday, May 26-We meet for It was pointed out that, in some continued, some four speakers oc- prorogation and await the arrival remarks made regarding agricul- a.m., this ending the third session

throughout Canada has been spoa royal commission be appointed in Wednesday, May 25—The general ken to more often than any other cularly relating to the jurisdiction the numbers getting gradually less considering the acute conditions of water power, as between the as the closing day draws near. prevailing among the farmers, No province of Quebec and the Domin- Up to the hour of I o'clock mat- prosperity can be looked for until ion government, and also advocat- ters, affecting agriculture generally this one class of producers is in a ing that a federal hydro commis- were still being discussed. Hon. Mr. better position than it is in at the sion be set up to control the elec- Weir, minister of agriculture, being present time. One wonders, howthe last speaker, endeavored to ever, just why this motion should At 10 o'clock a resolution was in- show the House how the tariff had be introduced on what is practically troduced by the United Farm group really helped the prices on farm the last day of the session as this asking, among other things, for an products. It is difficult to visualize could easily have been done many export market board to control in- how prices on agricultural products weeks ago when more time and opportunity to participate. Vote on

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