

LIBERAL IS PRIME MINISTER

For First Time Since 1911 Canadian Parliament Will Be Controlled by Liberal Cabinet.

(By Associated Press)
OTTAWA, Mar. 8.—For the first time since 1911, a Liberal prime minister will hold the reins of government when the 14th Parliament of Canada is opened by Governor-General Byng next Wednesday.

W. L. Mackenzie King, the new premier, is the first of his party to hold that office since Sir Wilfrid Laurier was defeated more than two years ago on his policy of reciprocity with the United States.

While lacking much of the pomp and circumstance that mark similar events in Great Britain, the convening of the Canadian Parliament is accompanied by observance of many traditions. A few relics of medieval pageantry, borrowed from the "mother of parliaments" at Westminster, have been retained and probably will continue.

The Governor-General, in full dress uniform, drives to the House of Parliament in the state carriage, attended by a guard of honor, mounted and afoot. He enters the Senate chamber and occupies the Speaker's chair.

Then a functionary known as the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, clad in silk knee breeches, silver hose, buckled shoes, tailed coat adorned with rosettes and a cocked hat, proceeds to the Commons chamber, where the members of Parliament are waiting patiently and gives three commanding raps on the door.

The sergeant-at-arms of the Commons, who is also attired after the fashion of Cromwell's day, goes to the door and investigates the rapping. He returns to announce to the Speaker of the Commons the arrival of the messenger from the Senate. The Speaker orders that the messenger be admitted. In comes the Gentleman Usher, who, after making three low bows to the Speaker, announces that the Governor-General demands the presence of the Commons in the Senate Chamber. Three more bows and the Gentleman Usher takes his leave.

After him comes the sergeant-at-arms with the great mace of the Commons at the close of his shoulder. Behind the sergeant-at-arms marches the Speaker of the Commons, in gown and ermine hat. Behind troop the members of Parliament. As many as can squeeze themselves into the Senate chamber sit on the floor. The Governor-General reads the speech from the throne. Then Parliament is open for business.

The first task is election of a speaker, who is always a member of the dominant party.

For this office Premier King has selected Rodolphe Lemieux, of Montreal, a parliamentarian of 26 years' experience. He served as postmaster-general in the Laurier government prior to 1911.

Election of the speaker by the members of the House of Commons is a formal ceremony. The speaker is elected by the members of the House of Commons.

The government commands about one-half of the members of Parliament. The official opposition group, numbering about 50 in a House of 235 members, is led by Arthur Meighen, the defeated premier, who is paid a salary as opposition chief.

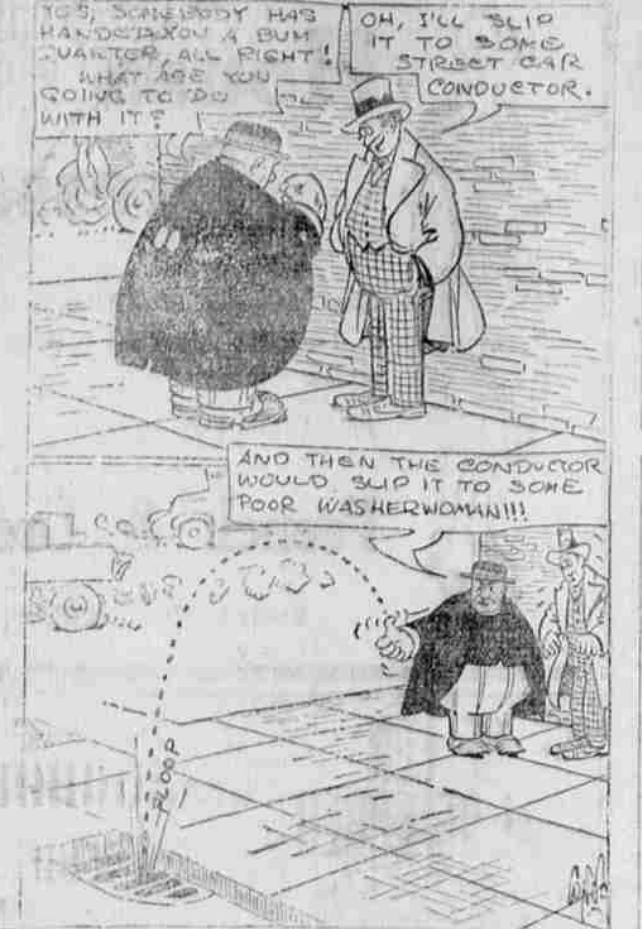
An unofficial progressive group of 60 odd members is commanded by T. A. Crerar. This group is expected to support the government on most of its policies, but mainly on the tariff, liberals and progressives uniting in their belief in customs duties "for revenue only," as against the conservative program of protection.

Premier King, himself a veteran of the Laurier ministry of 1911, in which he served as Minister of Labor, has surrounded himself with seasoned advisers, many of whom had cabinet experience under Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Five of the King ministry were in the administration that went down to defeat in 1911 on the reciprocity pact with the United States.

Foremost among these is W. S. Fielding, of Nova Scotia, who negotiated the reciprocity agreement with the Taft administration. The others are: Charles Murphy, of Ontario; George P. Graham, of Ontario; Henri S. Beland, of Quebec, and Jacques Bureau, of Quebec.

THE OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE—by Condo



and all 2,000 rupees from each of the three papers.

At Allahabad, government agents have called upon the Sauraj, a Hindu newspaper, to provide fresh security of 2,000 rupees after the government had forfeited the newspaper's security previously given. The Sauraj is now appearing in manuscript, like its contemporary, the Independent.

In the same city, the Democrat having failed to deposit the security demanded under the press act, has ceased publication.

Reports of arrests and convictions under the criminal law amendment act has been received from Allahabad.

INDIAN EDITORS PROSECUTED

(By Associated Press)

CALCUTTA, Mar. 7.—Editors of several Indian periodicals have been prosecuted by the government on charges of sedition based on articles favoring the non-co-operation movement, of which M. K. Gandhi is the head.

One of those arrested on that charge was the printer of the Bengali periodical entitled Banglar Katha, of which C. B. Das, president of the Indian National Congress, is editor. The case was adjourned.

The editor of the Pharansitra, whose name is Pandit L. N. Gaud, has been arrested here under the criminal law amendment act and an offer of bail has been refused.

After convicting Akram Khan, editor and publisher of three vernacular papers, the government has forfeited the security of 5,000 rupees which had been deposited in his name as keeper of the Mohammadi Press. A fresh security of 2,000 rupees has been demanded from the new keeper.

COVE PEOPLE VISITED HERE

(Special to The Observer)
COVE, Mar. 8.—Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Johnson of La Grande were visitors at the J. N. Johnson home this week.

Ray Barker arrived Friday from Salem to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Roy Barker.

Orie, the 4-year-old son of Roy Barker, is seriously ill with pneumonia at the home of George Barker.

Amy Barker, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Barker, was born in Minnesota February 27, 1891, and died at the G. M. Barker home on March 2nd, 1932, after a short illness.

At the age of sixteen she came with her parents from Minnesota to Pasco, Wash., where they resided for two years, then coming to Cove, where her education was completed and she was married to Roy J. Barker on November 3rd, 1912, when they made a permanent home on a farm two miles north of Cove.

Mrs. Barker leaves her husband, Roy J. Barker, two sons, Claude Edward, age 7, Robert Orie, age 4, and a daughter, Lois Jean, age 8 months, her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Barker, four brothers, Ray Barker of Salem, Guy, Herbert and Gordon of Cove, also five sisters, Mrs. R. H. Daniel and Nellie, Lora, Berta and Dorothy of Cove, besides a host of friends for whom it can be said "to know her was to love her."

Mrs. Barker united with the M. E. church in 1910 and has ever been a faithful and willing worker in all Christian work.

She was also a member of M. Fannie's church and at the time of her death held the office of Worshipping Lecturer, one of the most important offices of the order.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Loran at the M. E. church at 10:30 a. m. Saturday morning and the remains were laid to rest in Cove cemetery. "She is not dead, her body is at rest, her spirit inhabits the home of the blest. Nay, now but do not weep; God has given her rest, has given her sleep. She is now among God's jewels rare, shining with luster, bright and fair."

FOOD USED AS SCREEN
(By Associated Press)
MOSCOW, Mar. 8.—Gifts of food-stuffs for the famine area were used by Lithuanians as a screen for a gigantic smuggling operation, according to statements of soviet officials, who are bitter in their denunciation of alleged illegal trade operations on the part of all the three new Baltic states.

Beneath the grain and flour the Lithuanians loaded into two cars for the famine area, soviet officials say they "discovered" large quantities of cocaine, spirits, saccharine, miscellaneous food-stuffs intended for sale and even railway implements not intended as gifts. Most of the smuggled supplies were of German origin.

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