

LARGE INCREASES FOR RAILWAY MEN

McAdoo Award Raises Salaries Below Three Thousand Dollars.

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Lower-Paid Employees Get Advances of Forty-Three Per Cent.

Ottawa, July 15.—Just before midnight the Canadian Railway War Board issued a statement to the effect that an order had been made increasing the wages of railway employees in Canada.

The Canadian Railway War Board issued today an order increasing the wages of railway employees in Canada as follows: That not later than the first of August, 1918, and so much earlier as the various wage schedules have expired, raising back in many instances to the first of May, 1918, the so-called McAdoo award, affecting the wages and hours of service of railway employees in the United States, shall be put into force throughout the Dominion.

In all cases where the McAdoo scale of increases would raise the worker in a given position less than the pay he now receives, his present rate will be maintained, but in those cases where the increases given to a certain position since December 31, 1915, exceed those which would be allowed under the McAdoo award.

This means that a sum of between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000 per annum will be shared as increases by the 140,000 railway employees in Canada.

To the rates paid December 31, 1915, will be added increases as high as 43 per cent. in the case of the lowest grades of labor. Amendments now being negotiated in respect to particular applications of the McAdoo award, however, will be adopted in Canada as they are made.

One of the main principles of the award is the recognition of the increase in the cost of living and the adjustment accordingly of all railway wages under \$3000 per annum. In the case of increases to the lower-paid classes of American railway labor.

Under the McAdoo award, and as it is now adopted in Canada, a position paying \$50 per month on the 1st of January, 1915, would now pay \$72.50, and one paying \$75 per month, now \$107.50; \$100 a month, now \$132.50; \$125 a month, now \$177.25; \$175 per month, now \$243.75; \$200 a month, now \$281.25; \$250 a month, now \$356.25; \$300 a month, now \$428.75; \$350 a month, now \$501.25; \$400 a month, now \$573.75; \$450 a month, now \$646.25; \$500 a month, now \$721.25; \$550 a month, now \$796.25; \$600 a month, now \$871.25; \$650 a month, now \$946.25; \$700 a month, now \$1021.25; \$750 a month, now \$1096.25; \$800 a month, now \$1171.25; \$850 a month, now \$1246.25; \$900 a month, now \$1321.25; \$950 a month, now \$1396.25; \$1000 a month, now \$1471.25; \$1050 a month, now \$1546.25; \$1100 a month, now \$1621.25; \$1150 a month, now \$1696.25; \$1200 a month, now \$1771.25; \$1250 a month, now \$1846.25; \$1300 a month, now \$1921.25; \$1350 a month, now \$1996.25; \$1400 a month, now \$2071.25; 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