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would be one time, and in a few years too, a waterway from the foot of the Rocky mountains to Winnipeg was a good one.

"I believe the scheme is practicable," he said; "what is more, I do not think it is going to cost a great deal of money. I want to say also that where the Saskatchewan river joins Lake Winnipeg there is a magnificent waterway—one of the greatest in the world." In conclusion Mr. Pugsley said he thought the present structure was one of the best pieces of engineering work on the American continent. He formally declared the locks open amidst great applause.

When Mr. Connée introduced his famous Bill into the House of Commons, he contemplated nothing less than handing over to a private company the control of a system of lakes and rivers, which might with little trouble be so connected as to form a waterway from Lake Superior to Edmonton. There was included also as part of the system a route from Brandon to Lake Winnipeg to connect with the main route. It is fortunate for Canada that the Conservation Commission exerted its influence just in time. There is no reason why any private company should own, control or limit in any way the trade over such a route. If such a route is possible, it should be constructed, operated and controlled by the people.

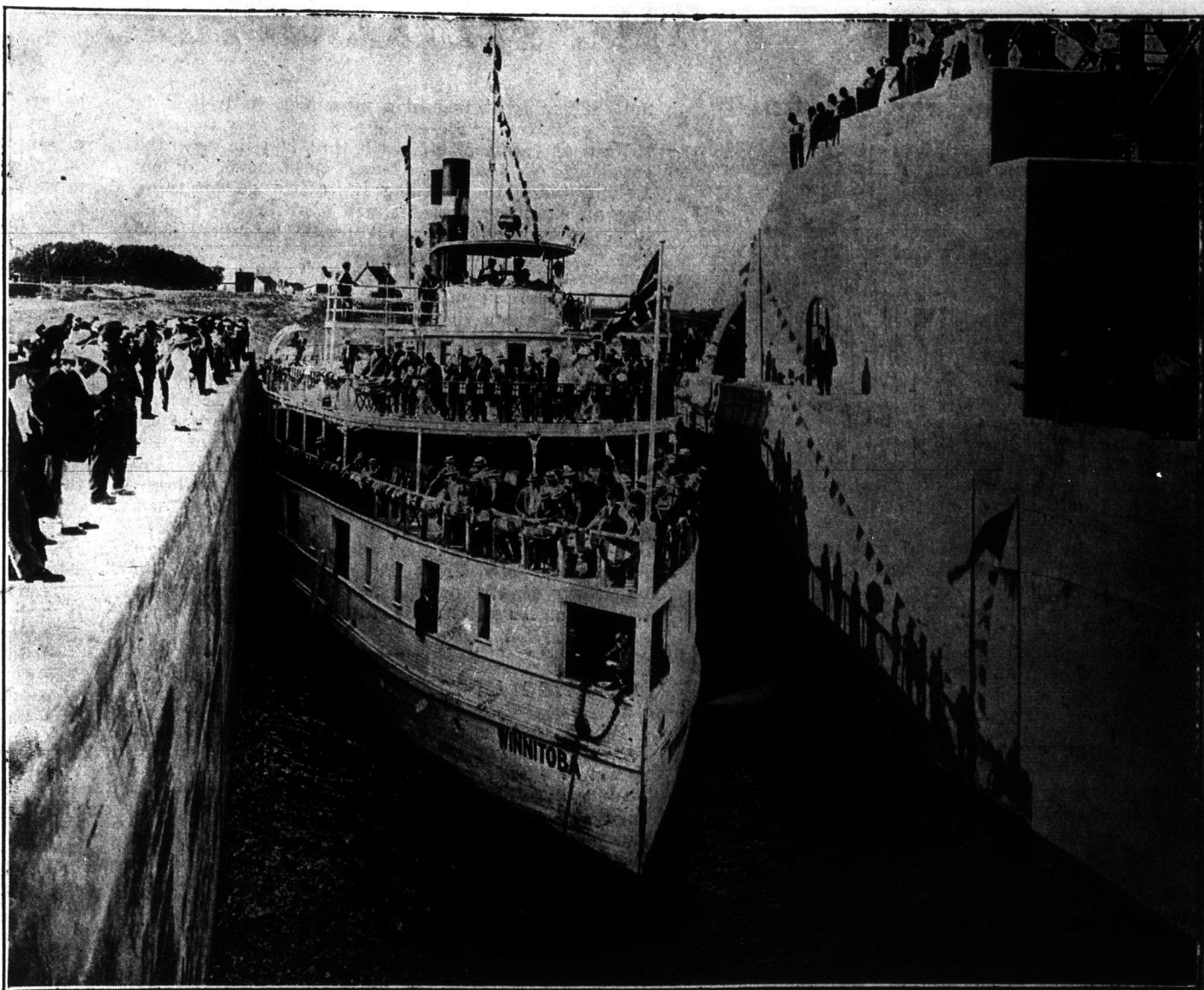
Mr. Connée's Bill, however, called attention to a great possibility. No doubt in the course of time this possibility will become a reality. There are parts of the system which in our own day we can hope to see in operation. One of these is a water route from Winnipeg to Edmonton.

The first step in the construction of this route has just been completed. St. Andrew's Locks on the Red River were officially opened this month, and with similar works on the Saskatchewan, and some dredging and clearing of passages, boats of no small tonnage can go from the capital city of Alberta to the capital city of Manitoba.

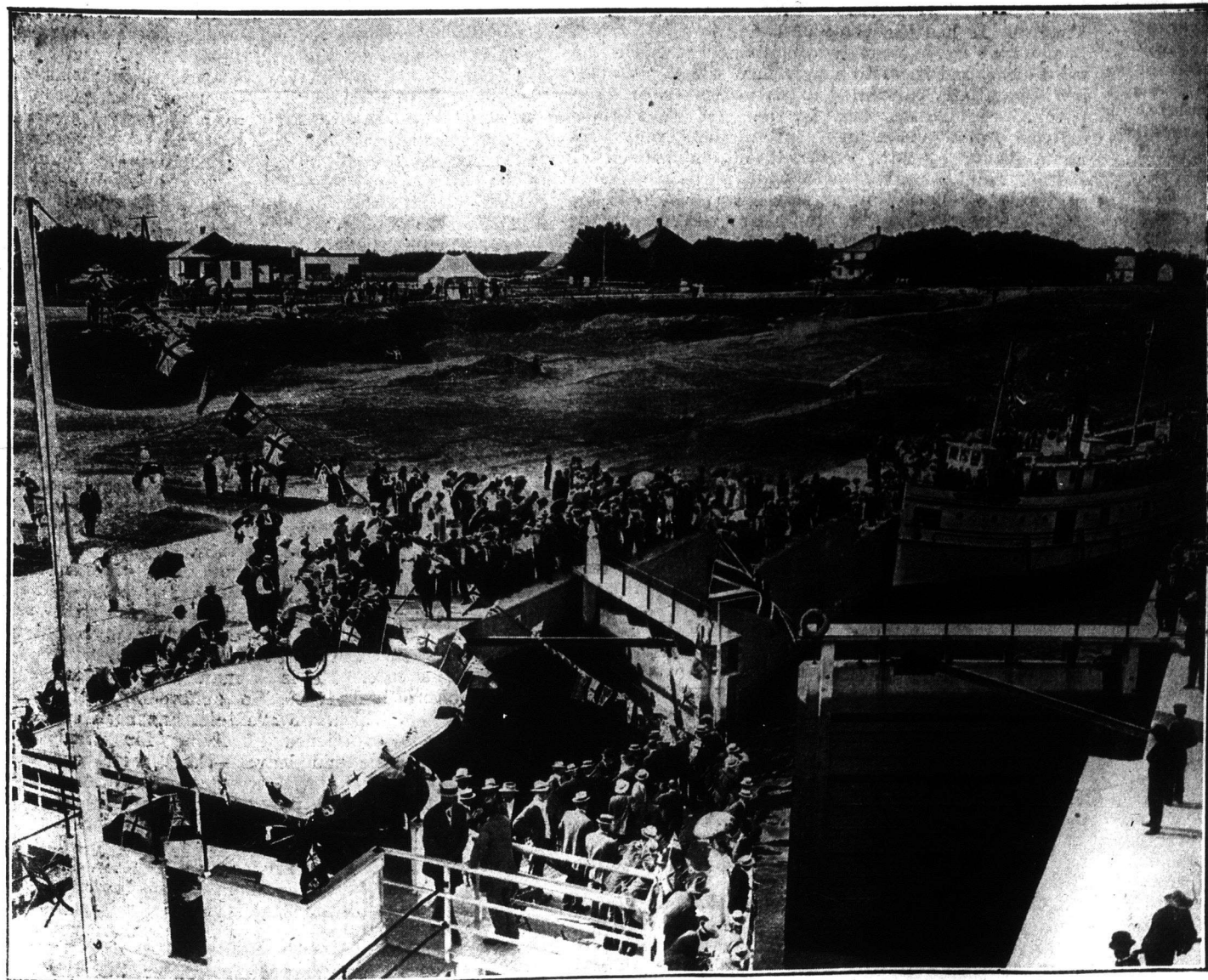
Apart, altogether from this, the value of St. Andrew's Lock to the city of Winnipeg can scarcely be estimated.

To have Lake Winnipeg with all its connecting waters within easy reach will mean a saving in fuel alone of hundreds of thousands of dollars each year. Unsettled districts along the lakes and rivers will now open up since it is possible for settlers to secure the supplies that are necessary for the

pioneer. When a route is for the advantage of both city and country there are few who will not recommend such construction as will render it workable. Up to the present the northern section of Manitoba has not been open to settlement, although there are thousands of acres of valuable land.



The Winnitoba in the Lock.



The Government Steamship Lady of the Lake leaving locks with Cabinet Ministers after Ceremony.

Fair Play.

A group of drummers were trading yarns on the subject of hospitality, says "Lippincott's Magazine," when one of them took up his parable thus:

"I was down in Louisiana last month travelin' cross country when we kinder got lost in a lonesome sort of road just about dark, and when we saw a light ahead I tell you it looked first rate. We drove up to the light, findin' 'twas a house, and when I hollered the man came out and we asked him to take us in for the night. He looked at us mighty hard, then said, 'Wall, I reckon I kin stand it if you kin.'

"So we unhitched, went in, and found 'twas only a two-room shanty and just swarmin' with children. He had six from four to 'leven years old, and as there didn't seem to be but one bed, me an' Stony was wonderin' what in thunder would become of us.

"They gave us supper, and then the old woman put the two youngest kids to bed. They went straight to sleep. Then she took those out, laid them over in the corner, put the next two to bed, and so on. After all the children were asleep on the floor the old folks went in the other room and told us we could go to bed if we wanted to, and, bein' powerful tired out, we did.

"Well, sir, the next morning when we woke up we was lying over in the corner with the kids and the old man and the old woman had the bed!"

There are mair foxes than there are holes for.

"Soor Plums!" quo the toad, when he couldna climb the tree.

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