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WRECK DAMAGE, BIG LIFE TOLL IN STORM

LIGHTNING, WIND AND RAIN SWEEP OVER COUNTRY

Buildings Wrecked and Crops Ruined; Wires Crippled MANY FATALITIES

Autist Killed at Portland, Me.; 6 Drown in Susquehanna When Boat Upsets

NEW YORK, Sept. 14—At least eight persons are known to be dead as a result of Sunday's electrical storm in the east, which broke a record-breaking September heat wave.

Two women and two children were drowned in the Susquehanna River, at Cly, Pa., last night, when their row-boat capsized in the storm.

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NEW YORK, Pa., Sept. 14—Four persons were drowned last night when a small boat was caught in a storm in the Susquehanna River at Cly, near here.

THE heaviest downpour of rain which has occurred in months in this section set in on Saturday night and this afternoon was not over according to indications.

Early this morning lightning struck the planning mill of Stanley Douglas, Limited, in Devon, tearing a hole in the roof.

CONSERVATIVE GAIN IN WEST FORECAST

Hon. Robt. Rogers Says Progressives Shot to Pieces, Liberal Strength Waning.

Canadian Press. MONTREAL, Sept. 14—"I think that four western provinces will have a surprise in store for the people," said Hon. Robert Rogers, former member of the Conservative cabinet, who arrived here over the week-end.

Mr. Rogers said that the western Conservatives had felt cheered with the success recently made by the party in Eastern Canada, especially in Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick.

LEASE CANCELLED

Maine Central Drops Operation of Line Into Canada, Losing Money.

Canadian Press. PORTLAND, Maine, Sept. 14—The Maine Central Railroad Company, has given notice that it has cancelled the lease which it has held the past 35 years of the Herford Railway, extending 83 miles from the boundary line between Vermont and Canada, near Beecher Falls, Vt., to Line Ridge in Dudswell, Que., as of November 1.

The line is said to have been operated at a large deficit.

New N. B. Cabinet Expected to Meet In Capital Tuesday; Here Wednesday

NEED OF MARITIME ADVERTISING STRESSED

Two White Women, Sisters, Are Tarred and Feathered By Mob In Jacksonville, Fla.

Canadian Press. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Sept. 14—Two white women were tarred and feathered by a mob of 150 men here, Saturday night, police learned last night. The women were seized while walking toward the city prison farm, where they had been sentenced to serve a 30-day sentence on a disorderly conduct charge.

The women had served less than two weeks of their sentence. They were taken to a secluded spot, and tarred and feathered. Late last night they were brought back to Jacksonville and left out of an automobile on a downtown street, clad only in gunny sacks. The women are sisters.

KING HERE ON SEPT. 21, MEIGHEN NEXT DAY

Premier to Open Maritime Campaign at Amherst, and Opposition Leader at Halifax, on Next Tuesday—Itineraries are Announced.

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 14—Premier Mackenzie King, and Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative leader, will open their political campaigns in the Maritime Provinces on Tuesday, when the former will speak at Amherst and the latter at Halifax.

The Premier, following his Amherst meeting on Tuesday, will speak at St. Peters, Sept. 16; Halifax Sept. 17; Kentville Sept. 18; Charlottetown Sept. 19; Saint John Sept. 21 and Moncton Sept. 22.

Mr. Meighen's itinerary includes: Halifax Sept. 18; Stellarton and New Glasgow Sept. 19; Rexton, N. B. Sept. 21; Charlottetown Sept. 19; Moncton Sept. 21; Susex Sept. 22 and Saint John Sept. 22.

MEIGHEN IN MONTREAL

MONTREAL, Sept. 14—Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, Conservative leader, paid a brief visit to Montreal this morning on his way to Halifax. Mr. Meighen arrived from Toronto at nine o'clock, and left for the east about two hours later.

On the morning of October 30, predicted Mr. Low, "Mackenzie King will be Prime Minister with a clear majority over all parties. Arthur Meighen hasn't the ghost of a chance of heading the returns on the night of October 30. There are 245 seats in the federal house under redistribution, of which almost half—119—are held in Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Quebec.

MacDonald Cancels Canada Tour Plans

Canadian Press. LONDON, Sept. 14—On account of the general elections in Canada, October 20, Ramsay MacDonald, former Labor Prime Minister of Great Britain, who was scheduled to speak at a number of places in the Dominion this fall, has cancelled arrangements. He may visit the United States, however, landing at Quebec, and proceeding at once to the United States.

Father Dead, Mother Charged With Murder, Kiddies Suffer

Canadian Press. HULL, Que., Sept. 14—Father dead and mother in jail facing a charge of murdering him, four little children, aged three, five, six and eight years, respectively, are facing starvation, the loss of their home and lack of schooling. The little tots are the children of Mrs. Romeo Paquette, common-law wife of W. H. Martel, former Ottawa butcher, whose death from Paris green poisoning is being investigated by the authorities.

They stood on street corners in Hull and canvassed homes with baskets of crab apples. The little children walked all the way to Templeton, where their father owned a property and orchard. When they walked the weary miles back to their temporary home in Hull at night, they brought with them baskets of crab apples which they had worked all day to pick from the trees.

WOMAN DEAD; 3 HELD

Montreal Roamer is Found With Severed Artery Believed Received in Quarrel.

Canadian Press. MONTREAL, Sept. 14—Mrs. A. Grandchamps, 42 a roamer in the city of Montreal, died yesterday from a severed artery in her arm, sustained, the police believe, during a quarrel. Mrs. Grandchamps, Pierre Forest and Joseph Roy are held at witnesses for the inquest.

THE engagement of Mr. F. C. Cornell, of Montreal, to prepare the Maritime Province case in regard to freight rates marks an advance in the affairs of Eastern Canada. It is without doubt the most important undertaking that engaged the attention of the business men of this part of Canada for many years.

That the provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island have joined hands in financing the undertaking suggests at once that the provincial governments, as well as the people of the Maritime Provinces, are seized with the importance of insuring that justice be done to this part of Canada in so far as freight rates are concerned. It is noteworthy that Prince Edward Island, the smallest of the provinces, was the first to pledge its support. In the past spasmodic and detached efforts have been made to present the case of this section of the country, but for the first time there is absolute non-political co-operation and a determination to see that everything possible is done to place in the hands of the Railway Commissioners the information necessary to enable them to intelligently consider Maritime conditions.

THE brief is being prepared, at the suggestion of the Privy Council that the Railway Commission fully investigate freight rates as applied to the Maritime Provinces. Mr. Cornell will have the assistance of other freight rate experts. It is necessary, however, to place at his disposal all information bearing on the difficulties under which all industries in the Maritime Provinces labor as a result of freight rate discrimination. In order that he and his associates may intelligently prepare their case, all manufacturers and other business interests in the Maritime Provinces should see to it that Mr. Cornell is fully advised as to any complaints they have to make in regard to existing freight rates.

The Maritime Provinces have their opportunity to state clearly and definitely in what directions they expect relief. IF THEIR CASE IS INSUFFICIENTLY CLEAR, THEIR FAULT WILL LIE AT THEIR OWN DOORS. Therefore it is essential, in the interests of the Maritime Provinces, that all classes of business endeavor to present their claims at an early date AND TO PRESENT THEM IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO LEAVE NO DOUBT AS TO WHAT IS MEANT AND WHAT IS DESIRED.

THE Boards of Trade in Saint John, Halifax, Moncton and

Reduction In Port Charges At Saint John Advocated

By A. M. BELDING

MONTREAL, Sept. 13—The Canadian Pacific Railway does nothing by halves. Q. J. Street, city freight agent, who lived in Saint John for over ten years and was G. P. R. traveling freight agent, took me in his car, accompanied by J. G. Galley, contracting import freight agent, and spent the day introducing me to exporters and importers. W. T. Marlowe, general foreign freight agent, provided me with a list of people it was desirable to see, arranging them in zones to facilitate the work. He also gave me a tabulated list of import and export rates via Maritime and United States ports, from points between Montreal and Windsor, and cheaper than via New York. He also gave me lists of summer and winter sailings out of Saint John and Halifax to show the ports reached by these routes. In short the Canadian Pacific has greatly assisted and will continue to assist me in every way.

My first call was on L. N. Penetton, of the Imperial Hat Mfg. Co. Mr. Penetton said he preferred to use Canadian ports, but found it necessary to make some imports via Boston. The company had even been offered such attractive rates on one occasion that they were able to bring goods from Hamburg to New York and thence to Montreal cheaper than they could bring them direct. With regard to Boston business, Mr. Penetton gave the interesting information that there was a firm in Saint John itself who patronized that route instead of importing direct. For himself, he desired to use Canadian ports and did so for the most part.

W. R. Eakin, of McLean, Kennedy, Ltd., who operate the Head Line steamers out of Saint John in Winter, gave me a copy of a letter from the Houston Company, dated Aug. 6, giving their reason for using Halifax for their sailings next winter, and omitting Saint John. This is a South American service. The Houston Company compared rates between Saint John and Halifax as charged last winter on a steamer at each port. The figures are:

Table with 2 columns: Saint John, Halifax. Rows: Wharfage, Towing, Pilotage, Total.

In submitting this comparison the company wrote in regard to wharfage that "it is impossible to say what (in Saint John) we shall be charged, in view of the system they have of charging top wharfage."

Mr. Eakin said the port charges at Saint John should not be increased, but lowered. Regarding South American business, he said it could be greatly increased through Canadian ports if our importers would support our own ports instead of using American. The importers use Boston commission houses, and New York is also a competitor. Mr. Eakin said his company had been refused business when he was able to show a saving in freight by the Canadian route. Some Canadian export goods are shipped through our own ports are also shipped through American ports. There is a big business to be got down there, Mr. Eakin declared, and our own people are to blame that they do not. He said the Government should make it desirable for these traders to use our own ports, and suggested a preference.

H. T. Diplock of The Steel Company of Canada, Ltd., informed me that the company used Canadian ports except in cases where tonnage was not available. Just now there is fierce competition in the steel and blast trade. Belgium, Germany, Luxembourg and France are all after it. Belgium grants an export rate and Germany gives a rebate. The United States with its vast production of steel is also a keen competitor for business in Canada, and the steel imports into this country are very large. Mr. Diplock declared himself strongly in support of Canadian trade through our own ports.

The Belding Corticelli Company, George Dewe informed me, is found it necessary to utilize the fastest route for silks, because they are so valuable. Belgium grants an export rate and Germany gives a rebate. Tonnage is not always available for Canadian ports. The element of time is most important, as is shown by the speed and right of way given by the C. P. R. to silk trains from Vancouver. Mr. Dewe said the policy of the company was to use Canadian ports whenever practicable to do so.

VICTORIA, B. C.—If eastern interests succeed in having low east-bound rates on export grain established at the railway board's special session on September 29, the British Columbia Government will appeal immediately to the Privy Council, Premier Oliver has stated.

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Two other archbishops, Most Rev. C. E. Worrell, M. A., D. D., D. C. L., Archbishop of Nova Scotia, and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, and Most Rev. G. Thome, D. D., D. C. L., Archbishop of Algoma and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario, will assist him.

PRAYERS ANSWERED

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 14—After prayers for rain had been offered up in virtually every church here yesterday morning, cooling showers fell during the day, breaking a two months drought.

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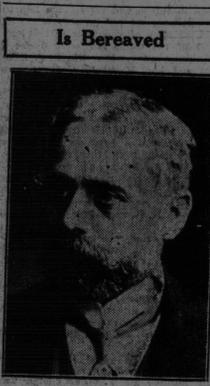
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Is Bereaved

SIR GILBERT PARKER. NEW YORK, Sept. 14—Lady Amy E. Parker, wife of Sir Gilbert Parker, Canadian novelist, playwright and statesman, is dead in Harpur Hospital here, after an illness of more than a year. She was 60 years of age.

World News In Short Metre

LONDON—Sir Robert Bird, Conservative member for Wolverhampton is the latest of the inter-parliamentary delegation to withdraw owing to the presence of Saklatvala, the Communist. Other members are considering withdrawal.

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EXECUTIVE TO BE SWORN IN AT 10 TONIGHT

Galleries Of Assembly Chamber Open to Public

TILLEY IS NAMED

Local Member Mentioned Possibility as Minister Without Portfolio

HON. J. B. M. BAXTER, K. C., will leave this evening for Fredericton, where he will meet His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Todd, and with the members of his cabinet will be sworn in as the executive of the new Provincial Government.

The ceremony of swearing in will take place in the Assembly Chamber, and the public will be admitted to the galleries for this event. Ten o'clock, Atlantic Standard Time, is the hour set for the ceremony, and it is expected the galleries will be crowded to see the taking over of office by the new ministers of the crown.

The new executive will meet Tuesday at the capital and may possibly come to Saint John for a meeting on Wednesday.

CABINET PROSPECTS

While no official announcement has yet been made of the names of the members of the executive and the portfolios they will hold, it is believed they will be as follows:

Hon. J. B. Baxter, Premier and Attorney General.

D. A. Stewart, Campbellton, Resident Minister of Public Works.

A. J. Leves, Moncton, Westminster, Provincial Secretary-treasurer.

Lewis Smith, Coverdale, Albert, Minister of Agriculture.

C. D. Richards, Fredericton, York, Minister of Lands and Mines.

Dr. H. I. Taylor, St. George, Charlottetown, Minister of Health.

E. A. Reilly, Moncton, Minister of Education.

L. P. D. Tilley, K. C. Saint John, Ministers without portfolio.

FRENCH COMMUNIST DEPUTY IS JAILED

Charged With Inciting Arabs to Revolt—Another Member is Sought.

Canadian Press. ALGERIERS, Sept. 14—Hard luck is in store for Communist members of the French Chamber of Deputies, who are trying to stir up trouble in the Algerian provinces. Deputy Henriot has been placed in jail and Deputy Doriot is being sought.

Henriot was arrested Saturday, charged with plotting against the safety of the state. No charge has been lodged against Doriot. Last week the police had to protect him from the populace of Oran, which drove him out of the city. Henriot has been organizing Communist "cells," and the police allege that in addresses he incited the Arabs to revolt.

FATHER AND SON DROWN

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Sept. 14—W. G. Holloway, 70, an accountant, and his son, aged 30, were drowned yesterday in the Humber, when the canoe in which they were salmon fishing, upset. The bodies were recovered.

The Weather

SYNOPSIS—A shallow depression has passed just south of the Great Lakes to the New England coast, causing rain in Southern and Eastern Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. In the west the weather has been fair and rather cool.

Showery, Then Fair. Forecasts—MARITIME—Moderate to fresh winds; unsettled and showery. Tuesday, westerly winds; fair. NEW ENGLAND—Partly cloudy and slightly cooler tonight. Tuesday, fair, cooler in east portion. Moderate to fresh northwest and north winds. Temperatures. TORONTO, Sept. 14, 1925. Highest during 8 a.m. yesterday, night. Lowest 62 50. Victoria... 52 62 50. Calgary... 44 68 44. Edmonton... 40 68 40. Winnipeg... 40 62 38. Toronto... 50 66 54. Montreal... 56 68 53. Saint John... 54 68 52. Halifax... 56 68 52. New York... 72 84 70.