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COOLIDGE SWEEPS COUNTRY; REPUBLICAN MAJORITIES IN HOUSE AND SENATE LIKELY

Local Men Talk on C.N.R. Short Line to St. John

TORONTO WRITER PUTS FORWARD RAILWAY PLAN

Prominent St. John Men Express Strong Views on the Project.

KEEN INTEREST

Rails Would Cut Across Maine to Shorten the Haul.

An article of great interest to the port and the province, on St. John's chances to become a great grain port, which appeared in the Toronto Globe, is re-published in today's Times-Star, together with comment upon it by prominent local men.

Whatever may be thought of a short C. N. R. line across Maine to shorten the haul from Winnipeg to St. John—and opinions differ—the Toronto Globe's article and the discussion of it will be read attentively here, particularly at this time. The Globe article and several important interviews follow here:

Toronto Globe Article

VALUE OF TRANSCONTINENTAL OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PORT OF ST. JOHN.

There is another feature of this case of grain transport that should also be considered. That is the comparative cost of haul by lake and rail and by all rail. The Government report gives the Canadian wheat export from the St. Lawrence of the 1922 crop at 97,000,000 bushels. That, practically, was the volume arriving at Montreal by lake and rail. The export from St. John was a little over 12,000,000 and from Portland a little under 17,000,000 bushels. Practically the volume finding its outlet by way of St. John and Portland is the total of all-rail shipments. The difference in volume between lake-and-rail and all-rail shipments by way of Montreal is therefore the difference between 85,000,000 and 29,000,000, or practically one-third rail to the winter ports of St. John and Portland and two-thirds lake and rail to the summer port of Montreal. St. John is 461 miles and Portland 297 miles by rail beyond Montreal.

Lake Haulage in Rail Miles.

The present rail distance Montreal to Winnipeg is 1411 miles by C. P. R. and 1872 miles by the National. By lake and rail the C. P. R. distance is 419 miles from Winnipeg to Port William and 865 from Port McNeill to Montreal, or 1284 miles of rail haul, with two transfers, as against 1411 miles all rail with no transfers. The lake part of the mixed route is therefore equal to 627 miles of the total rail haul. In comparing the cost of all-rail and lake-and-rail haul it is necessary to remember that lake-and-rail haulage includes two transfers, with corresponding delays and expenses, that do not come into the all-rail haul. Grain must be transferred from railway car to elevator at Port William and then from elevator to steamer. At Port McNeill it must be transferred from steamer to elevator and from elevator to railway car. The handling, storage and other charges for these two handlings amount to four to five cents a bushel. The export gives the average lake freight from Port William to Georgian Bay ports as follows: 1918, 4.32; 1919, 3.18; 1920, 4.11; 1921, 2.91; 1922, 4.13; and 1923, 4.07. To these freight rates must be added the cost of two handlings as above stated, in order to get a fair comparison with the all-rail rates. In 1923 the lake rates to Georgian Bay ports varied from 2.86 to 4.72, in 1922 from 2.46 to 6.25, in 1921 from 2.28 to 4.39 and in 1920 from 2.99 to 5.64. Rail rates, of course, do not vary and, therefore, business calculations can be made in advance with more certainty on the all-rail than on the lake-and-rail route.

Value of Lake Haul.

If but Quebec were adopted as Canada's chief summer port for the export of her wheat there would be still another factor to be considered. The main line of the National Railway system connects Quebec with Winnipeg by 1,350 miles of line, 60 miles less than the C. P. R. line and 22 miles less than the National line from Winnipeg to Montreal. In comparing the possibilities of the Quebec-Winnipeg direct line with the lake-and-rail route from Montreal, the figures work out this way: Rail connections Winnipeg to Montreal, 2100 miles; Montreal to St. John, 1000 miles; St. John to Portland, 1000 miles; Portland to Montreal, 1000 miles. Total, 5100 miles. Quebec to Winnipeg, 1350 miles; Quebec to Montreal, 1000 miles; Montreal to St. John, 1000 miles; St. John to Portland, 1000 miles; Portland to Montreal, 1000 miles. Total, 5350 miles. (Continued on page 2, first column)

N. Y. Governor Is Re-elected

SMITH'S VICTORY IN NEW YORK STATE IS SPECTACULAR ONE

Democrat Governor Re-elected in Face of Republican Sweep

TEAM MATES BEATEN

Is the First Governor to be Chosen for His Third Term in State.

(By United Press.) Albany, N. Y., Nov. 5.—Bearing up under a hail of Republican votes in the Empire state, Governor Alfred E. Smith demonstrated his popularity when he was returned to the governorship by a majority of approximately 100,000 only to see the rest of his running mates, including the lieutenant-governor, go down to defeat, according to the story told by incomplete returns to the United Press today. Smith is the only man ever to have been elected governor three times in the state.

Woman State Secretary.

As a result of the election, assuming that early indications are borne out, New York State will join with others in placing a woman in a major office. Mrs. Florence E. Snapp of Syracuse apparently having been elected to the office of secretary of state. Another woman, Mrs. Rhoda Fox Graves, was elected to the Assembly, being the third of her sex to sit in the executive body.

TRAIN LEAVES THE RAILS; 13 KILLED

Express Between Liverpool and Blackpool, England, Hits Signal Cabin

London, Nov. 5.—(Canadian Press Cable)—Thirteen people were killed in a smash on an express train between Liverpool and Blackpool on Monday night and several were injured, three of them seriously. The train left the rails at Moss Side, two miles from Lytham and crashed into a signal cabin near the track. One of the passengers who was killed was Charles Graeme, commander of the liner Bardic. Another man who died was Ernest T. Jones, advertising agent, of Blackpool. The remainder of the killed include the engineer of the train, six women waiters, two of whom were sisters, goods clerks and seamen. Three residents of Blackpool were badly injured and may not recover. When the train struck the signal cabin it sent the cabin flying into a field. The signal man on duty at the time narrowly escaped death but received only minor injuries.

CITY PARTNERSHIP COMES TO AN END

Two New Companies in Province Incorporated—New School District.

(Special to The Times-Star.) Fredericton, Nov. 5.—Moncton Silver Black Box Company, Ltd., is incorporated with head office at city of Moncton and capital stock of \$20,000. Those incorporated are Dr. Fred A. Richard, J. Kidd Fleming and Hugh J. Fleming, both of Juniper, and George Melville of Pei, all mill owners, are incorporated as Fleming & Melville Lumber Co., Ltd., with head office at Woodstock and capital stock of \$20,000. The company is authorized to carry on a general lumbering and milling business. Rev. George D. MacLeod of Miramichi, has been registered to solemnize marriages. Local Firm Dissolved. Richard E. Sullivan and John Connor, both of St. John, who have been in business under the firm name of Peerless Coal Co., have dissolved partnership. The Board of Education has created a new consolidated school district in the parishes of Johnston and Cambridge, Queens county, with the site of the school building at The Narrows. The three districts consolidated are: Narrows No. 1, Hamtown No. 2 and Cambridge No. 12. The temporary school board is named as follows: Dr. A. D. Walters, chairman, and James Robinson, Cambridge, R. L. Somerville and Lewis Akery, Narrows, W. B. Corcoran, Hamtown.

Submarine Ashore; Pulled Off Safely

London, Nov. 5.—(United Press.)—The British submarine K-22 went aground today on the rocks off Portland Breakwater, but was safely pulled off by tugs.

"Cool Cal" Coolidge Carries Country

ANALOGY IS DRAWN BETWEEN BRITISH AND U. S. ELECTIONS

Europe Sees Similar Interests Working in Both Countries.

FRENCH COMMENT

Opinion Expressed That the Prosperity of Nation Militates Against Change.

By ED. L. KEEN. (European Manager of the United Press.) London, Nov. 5.—Europe generally regards the result of the American presidential election as due in the main to the same reasons which prompted the British electorate to turn out a Labor ministry and return the Conservatives overwhelmingly to power. The belief was generally expressed today in England and on the continent that the election of Coolidge and Davies militates against the entry of the United States into the League of Nations.

President Coolidge

The Evening Star, a consistent advocate of free trade, was the first London paper to comment editorially on the result. Under an editorial headed "Cool Cal" it declares the belief that the Republican victory was partly due to "the \$4,000,000 fund the Republicans admittedly collected from manufacturers interested in the tariff."

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Not Guilty Is Plea of Reed

St. John's, Nfld., Nov. 5.—Leonard Reid, son of the late Sir William Reid, who was president of the Reid Newfoundland Railway and other colonial enterprises, pleaded not guilty yesterday when arraigned in court charged with manslaughter. Six men were killed, two of them British naval officers, in the early morning of September 21st in the early morning of September 21st. Reid had a margin of about 200,000 votes more than half the district's total.

Quebec May Return To 5 Cent Fare

Quebec, Nov. 5.—To enforce its decree against the one-man operation of street cars, which the Quebec Power Company has refused to agree to, the City Council has issued an ultimatum that, on and after November 15, the five-cent fare of 1919 will be reverted to unless the company gives in. The present rates are on a seven-cent basis.

Wire Briefs

Washington, Nov. 5.—The labor department today declined to order the deportation of Luis Angel Firpo. Washington, Nov. 5.—John W. Davis today congratulated President Coolidge on his election to the presidency. Moscow, Nov. 5.—Leonid Krasin, Soviet commissioner of Foreign Trade and Commerce to Canada, today appointed Foreign Ambassador to France. Regina, Sask., Nov. 5.—Premier King and Hon. W. B. Motherwell, Minister of Agriculture, both intimated here that there was no truth in the rumor that Hon. Mr. Motherwell is to resign as Minister of Agriculture and be succeeded by Hon. T. A. Crear. Montreal, Nov. 5.—James Drury, for many years organizer of the eastern district of Canada and Newfoundland for the International Typographical Union, died at his home in Outremont yesterday, aged 61.

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French Generally Satisfied

By WEBB MILLER. (United Press Staff Correspondent.) Paris, Nov. 5.—The Republican landslide in the U. S. presidential election was interpreted by Frenchmen generally today as another manifestation of a fear of radicalism and a desire not to release a bird in the hand for several in the bush. The press generally draws an analogy between the American and British elections. The belief was expressed that Americans are so prosperous that they fear to chance any change, and that this precipitated the Republican victory.

Summary of U. S. Election Results in Eastern States

New York, Nov. 5.—The following are summaries of election results, as definitely known or indicated, in the eastern states: Delaware—Coolidge, majority 15,000. Republican gained a state seat and elected T. Coleman Dupont to Senate. Republican nominees for state offices elected. Rhode Island—Coolidge plurality more than 42,000. Republicans elected full slate of state offices, re-elected two Republican and one Democratic congressman and elected Senator Metcalfe, Republican. Republicans increase majority both houses state legislature. Maine—Coolidge majority more than 85,000. Nearly complete returns give Coolidge 136,999; Davis 41,265; La Follette 11,299. Vermont, native state of Coolidge, gave him a four to one majority, elected Republican governor and two Republican congressmen. New Hampshire—Republican landslide, gave Coolidge 97,222 plurality; increased Republican majorities in state legislature; regained governorship and a seat in the Federal Congress for the Republican party and elected Henry W. Keyes, Republican, to the Senate. New York—Coolidge swept the state gaining majority of 820,000 but Governor Alfred E. Smith, Democratic, won gubernatorial race by plurality of 113,000. Both branches of the State legislature controlled by Republicans. Record Republican Victory. Pennsylvania—Recorded largest Republican plurality in the history of the state, Coolidge majority being estimated at 900,000. Returns indicate Republican victory in 84 of 36 congressional seats. All six seats formerly held by Democrats went Republican. Opposition was recorded to a proposal to revise the state constitution.

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LATEST RETURNS INDICATE MAJORITY FOR COOLIDGE IN 30 STATES; FOR DAVIS IN 13; FOR LAFOLETTE IN ONE

Results in Remaining States are Doubtful—Coolidge Now Has Nearly Two-thirds of Votes in Electoral College—In Spite of Republican Landslide in New York, Democratic Governor "Al" Smith Scores Remarkable Personal Victory With Majority of Nearly 200,000—A Record Vote is Polled.

BY ROBT. J. BENDER. (United Press Staff Correspondent.)

New York, Nov. 5.—President Coolidge has swept the country for re-election, and according to United Press returns at an early hour today, has taken with him to Washington a clear working majority in both House and Senate.

The scope of his victory is told in the indication that at least 30 states with a total electoral vote of 384, swung into the Coolidge column, while John W. Davis appeared to have captured but 13 southern states, including Tennessee, for a total electoral vote of 136. Senator LaFollette had such a lead in Wisconsin on the basis of convincing returns early today, that his home state's 13 electoral votes seemed to be safely his. There remained in doubt Missouri, Montana, Nevada and New Mexico, a total of 28 electoral votes, all of which appeared likely to go into the Coolidge column.

Smith Unbeatable. Great as were Coolidge's pluralities, however, he was unable to prevent the victory of two popular Democratic state executives—Governor Al Smith of New York and Governor Vic Donahy of Ohio.

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