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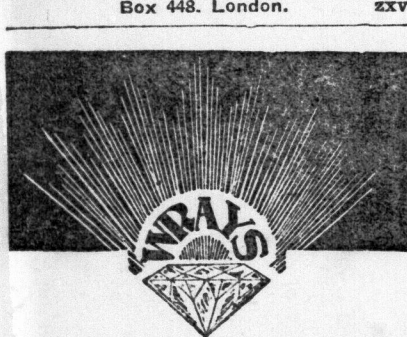
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BEGIN ARGUMENT UPON RAILROAD CHARGES TODAY

All Evidence Has Been Put In—Carvell Tries To Speed Up Case.

TO WIND UP THIS WEEK

Coyne Contends Increase On International Traffic Will Be Large.

OTTAWA, Aug. 19.—(By Canadian Press).—All the evidence having been put in, argument in the railway rates case will be commenced tomorrow morning. It is expected that the various counsel will get through not later than noon Saturday and an effort may be made to wind up the hearing on Friday evening.

Shortly before adjournment this afternoon Chief Commissioner Carvell again stated that it would be necessary for him to leave for Nova Scotia on Saturday afternoon on business in connection with the case. He said that he had no desire whatever to curtail the argument, but suggested the possibility of dividing up the time so that the case could be concluded this week. He added that if this were not possible he would postpone his visit to the East.

Mr. W. N. Tilley, K.C., expressed the opinion that the case would be able to divide up the time as suggested. The last evidence presented today was put in by Mr. E. M. MacDonald, who represented more particularly the Maritime Provinces Boards of Trade.

Matter of Policy.
Mr. MacDonald touched on the matter of the policy in respect to the railway rates. The people of the Maritime Provinces, he said, are of the opinion that the Government-owned National Railways are so great that it will be impossible to meet them without going to the public treasury, and that the present application should be dealt with from the standpoint of the fact submitted in connection with the position of the C. P. R.

Mr. MacDonald quoted figures to show that the International Railway carries 85 per cent of the passengers and over 50 per cent of the freight handled by Government-owned railways. It was unfair, therefore, he said, that the losses incurred by the operation of this system should fall on the shoulders of the people of the Maritime Provinces.

The examination of Mr. W. J. Moule, assistant controller of statistics of the C. P. R., occupied practically the entire sitting up to the time Mr. MacDonald spoke.

In answer to a question by Mr. J. P. Coyne, representing western boards of trade, Mr. Moule stated that the C. P. R. had derived about \$6,000,000 revenue last year from the transportation of troops and Chinese coolies. The railway would not, of course, receive this revenue this year.

Mr. Coyne asked him if a considerable proportion of the business of the C. P. R. was international.

Mr. Moule replied that the C. P. R. was a considerable international business.

Would Mean Million.
Assuming that the international traffic was twenty per cent of the whole, Mr. Coyne then asked if it was not a fact that the decision of the railway commission granting an increase in through rates would mean a million dollars a month to the C. P. R.

Mr. Moule agreed to this without accepting Mr. Coyne's assumption of traffic proportion as being correct. He was not sure it was correct. He agreed that the international traffic was increasing.

Mr. Tilley asked the witness a number of questions pertaining to the cost of coal and the amounts spent in hauling fuel for the C. P. R.

Mr. Moule stated that Pennsylvania coal was hauled an average of 410 miles and was used, he thought, as far west as the city of Brandon, West. The average haul for western coal was 227 miles and the average eastern haul was 55 miles.

The average cost of moving the coal on western lines was \$1.48, and on eastern lines 47c, or a difference of about a dollar. Coal obtained at points in Eastern Canada cost \$5.50 at the pit's mouth, and that obtained in Western Canada \$4.70 a ton.

Mr. Moule estimated that the average price for coal would be \$1.50 higher per ton than it was last year. He was doubtful whether it would ever come down in price. Western coal had advanced 100 per cent in price since 1915.

FINISH HEARINGS FOR LAKE CARRIERS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—Hearings were concluded today on the application of about 60 Great Lakes and coastal steamship lines filed with the shipping board for rate increases in conformity with advances granted the railroads by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The board plans to act on the applications before next Thursday, when the rail rates become effective.

Representatives of carriers and shippers testified today, the latter making no protest against a general increase for water carriers, but urging that part of the additional revenues go for "increased facilities."

Application of the Great Lakes Transit Corporation for a freight increase of 40 per cent was opposed as unjustified by F. R. Levine, representing shippers at Duluth, Minn. The corporation has had no deficit, and pays an annual dividend on its common stock, he said.

Mr. C. A. Donnelly of Chicago, representing the Michigan Transit Company, said the Michigan Transit Company during the first six months of this year had only earned three-tenths of one per cent on its investment, while Mr. Zillmer, Cleveland, representing the Cleveland and Buffalo Transit Company, said that company during the last fiscal year lost \$133,115.

MOTHERS' PICNIC WAS HELD AT SPRINGBANK

On Wednesday afternoon the Tecumseh School Mothers' Club picked at Springbank, and invited their husbands and families. A baseball game was played between the men and women, the score being 16 to 31 in favor of the men. Following a program of races the women were victorious in the various events were:

Pat men's race—Mr. Wilson.
Thin men's race—Mr. Tapp.
Fat ladies' race—Mrs. Holtz.
Thin ladies' race—Mrs. McEwen.
Married ladies' race—Mrs. Tapp.
Single ladies' race—Eleanor Boyce.
Single men's race—W. M. McEwen.
Small boys' race—Red Tapp.
Girls' race—Marguerite Thorne.

TWO PROVINCES TO COMBINE ON PHONE QUESTION

Ontario and Quebec Municipalities Plan United Opposition.

SPARE NO EXPENSE

Toronto, Aug. 19.—If necessary this city will spend from \$5,000 to \$25,000 in fighting the increase in the Bell Telephone rate, says Mayor Church this morning. "This agitation for higher rates, coming just at a time when prices are subsiding, must be checked. We will organize for the fight at a meeting to be held in the city hall next Wednesday. The city will also oppose any increase in express charges, and the railway board will be asked to hold a sitting in Toronto on the proposed increase to the Bell Telephone."

KINGSTON ALSO OPPOSED.
Kingston, Aug. 19.—City council last night passed a resolution opposing the proposal of the Bell Telephone Company to increase its rates.

GOVERNMENT DEFEATED.
LONDON, Aug. 19.—(By Canadian Associated Press).—The Government of Victoria, Australia, has been defeated in the House of Assembly by a vote on the public service bill.

JELICOE LEAVES.
LONDON, Aug. 19.—(Canadian Associated Press).—Viscount Jellicoe left today for New Zealand to assume his duties as governor-general.

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LABOR LEADERS ARE OPTIMISTIC ABOUT STRIKERS' RELEASE

Feel Sure Winnipeg Men Will Be Free in the Near Future.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 19.—As a result of an interview with Hon. Hugh Guthrie, solicitor-general of the Dominion, hopes for an early release of the Winnipeg strike leaders are very strong, according to a statement made by F. J. Dixon, M.L.A., who returned from Ottawa this morning. Other men who were in the party that met Mr. Guthrie were: A. E. Smith, M.L.A., of Brandon; Peter Heenan, M.L.A., and Mayor M. MacBride of Brantford, representing Ontario.

Mr. Dixon said that they met Mr. Guthrie and Senator Robertson, and that the results of the meeting were very satisfactory. The solicitor-general, Mr. Dixon asserted, promises to consider the whole matter of the men's release, but would not give a decision concerning them. Mr. Dixon added, however, that the members of the party were optimistic as a result of Mr. Guthrie's promise, and felt sure that the strike leaders would soon be free.

WEST MISSOURI FARM TRANSFERS

THORNDALE, Aug. 19.—West Nissouri farms are in great demand this season, and have been changing hands frequently during the past few months. The MacMurray-Wilson real estate firm of London has disposed of the following: A. A. Simons' 100-acre farm at Kintore to A. Sandle of Ballymore for \$18,500; William Kenney's 100-acre farm, concession seven, West Nissouri, to L. O'Neill, North Dorchester, and H. Mosson's 50-acre farm, concession three, to James Harris of London, for \$5,500. The new owners will take possession this fall.

RELIEF TRAIN WITH REFUGEES FROM FIRE REACHES KAMLOOPS

KAMLOOPS, B.C., Aug. 19.—(By Canadian Press).—A relief train bringing injured and refugees from a great forest fire along the North Thompson River, has arrived here. The fire is supposed to have started on Aug. 1 from lightning, and was fanned into a great flame by a wind early this week. Flames and heat subsided.

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ENORMOUS LOSS OF LIFE FROM FLOODS

HONOLULU, T.H., Aug. 19.—Tremendous floods are sweeping portions of the islands of Kishu and Shikoku, southwest of Honshu, the principal island of the Japanese group, overwhelming towns and villages with an enormous loss of life reported, according to cable advices to Nippon Jiji, Japanese language newspaper.

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