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MANUFACTURING AND AGRICULTURE

St. Andrew's Brotherhood Wins Debate From John Street.

An interesting debate was held in the school room of St. Andrew's Church last evening on the subject: "Resolved that for the development of Canada Agriculture is more important than Manufacturing." The affirmative was ably supported by Mr. W. C. Mikel, K.C. and Mr. I. L. Moore represented the Brotherhood of John Street Church and the negative was taken by Mr. W. J. Campbell and Major R. D. Ponton representing the Men's Club of St. Andrew's Church.

Mr. Mikel gave an eloquent address in support of the agricultural interests of the country, pointing out that it was the country's greatest wealth producer. In Rome, the citizen who faithfully tilled the soil was regarded as an example in patriotism. The unrest of the farmer had its source not with the farmers but the I.W.W.'s and Bolsheviks were associated with manufacturing. Mr. Campbell who was the first speaker for the negative contended that manufacturing made agriculture possible and moreover was the source of the mental and moral enlightenment of the nation. Manufacturing not only making agriculture possible but newspapers and books and in fact all education.

Mr. Moore for the affirmative pointed out that three-fifths of the population of Canada was agricultural. The farmer worked longer and harder than the mechanic. The farmer was the owner of his land in

the majority of cases and consequently took more interest in his work than the employee. The raw material of agriculture was never exhausted. The raw material in the manufacturing industries often was difficult to obtain and in many cases was exploited. The farmer never went out on strike, his occupation tended to longevity which was a great asset in national development.

Major Ponton compared manufacturing to the hub of the wheel and mines, forests, rivers, land to the spokes. Without manufacturing nothing moves, nothing is exported. Agriculture was only one source of a nation's wealth. Employees in manufacturing plants learned in their vocation discipline which was necessary to good citizenship. The manufacturing interests produced the shells, the guns, the ammunition which drove out the Hun. If it were not for tractors and other farm machinery the farmer could not carry on.

Mr. Mikel in his five minutes concluding the debate indulged in some good natured banter in dealing with his opponents in the debate and gave a rapid fire summary of arguments in support of his contention that agriculture was the more important industry.

The judges were Revs. Swayne, Wallace and Elliot and gave their decision in favor of the negative. Mr. J. O. Moffatt acted as chairman. The meeting closed with the National Anthem.

Startling Figures at Timber Probe

Spanish River Co. One Year Paid Dividend of Hundred and Sixty-Two Per Cent.

Sudbury, Ont., May 12.—The timber probe resumed at Sudbury before the Riddell-Latchford commission. The best part of the day was taken up in a re-examination of officials of the Spanish River Lumber Company. B. W. Arnold of Albany, N.Y., president of the Spanish River Co., testified that in the last eight years his company had paid dividends of \$1,155,000 on a capitalization of \$200,000. Twenty-five per cent had been the lowest dividend paid in any one year and 162 the highest. Asked if his firm had re-employed cutters since the commencement of the investigation, Manager W. J. Bell replied in the negative. J. A. Ferguson,

superintendent of woods operations for the same firm, admitted, however that three cutters had been re-employed and two of these had been sent to points fifty or sixty miles away.

In the Wrong Berth. Bush Foreman John Nash, also of the Spanish River Company, stated that during one season he had bossed operations on berth L, thinking that he was on berths M or N.

"It is possible that the company could return to the government all the logs cut on the dearer berth as having been cut on the cheaper berth without your knowing the difference?" asked Mr. Justice Riddell.

"Yes," replied witness. More witnesses, employees of lumber companies, admitted having taken affidavits as to the accuracy of returns to the government without having verified the figures. Indications are that the session will last the week here.

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, SALVATION ARMY AND ROTARY CLUB ARE TO CO-OPERATE

At Great Mass Meeting at City Hall on Friday Night—Commission Form of City Government, Housing Problem and Salvation Army Campaign Will be Debated by Able Speakers.

The Forum Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, at a conference yesterday afternoon, arranged to consolidate the public meeting at the City Hall on Friday night with the Rotary Club meeting for the same evening on which occasion the Salvation Army drive for funds will be given new impetus. The meeting will also consider two important questions which have been before the people for some time. The first is the housing programme, and it is expected that the Director of Housing or his assistant will be here to explain the new housing legislation under which the city is about to begin operations. The new Housing Act provides for the appointment of a housing commission in each city; the plan is to take advantage of the

provisions of the Act and, as this is the first step in any work that may be undertaken by the city, it is not unlikely that the City Council will immediately appoint such a commission in order that the housing programme can be undertaken at once. The second question to be considered is the establishment of a commission form of government for Belleville. This question has been under consideration for some time and is rapidly gaining favor here. An invitation to attend the meeting has been extended to the City Manager of Westmont and, if the meeting goes on record as favoring such a change in city administration, the City Council will be asked to put the matter before the people to vote upon at the next January election.

Morning Dispatches

ITALIAN CABINET RESIGNS

ROME, May 12.—Premier Nitti and his entire cabinet have resigned after failing to win a vote of confidence.

GRAND TRUNK NOW THE PROPERTY OF THE PEOPLE

OTTAWA, May 12.—The Grand Trunk became the property of Canada at 4:30 yesterday afternoon when the Governor General gave his assent to the bill.

T. S. R. ASKS PERMISSION TO INCREASE FARES

TORONTO, May 12.—The Street Railway have asked the government to allow an increase in fares to meet the demands of the men for an increase in wages.

FINED \$600 FOR FAILURE TO FORWARD INCOME TAX RETURNS

WINDSOR, May 12.—Six men were fined \$600 for failing for six days to send in income-tax returns.

ODESSA REPORTED CAPTURED BY THE POLES

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 12.—The Russian embassy here received a message that the Poles have captured Odessa, the most important sea-port of South Russia.

Currie's Appointment Formally Announced

OTTAWA, May 12.—Liaison Officer Arthur Currie has accepted the position of principal of McGill University offered to him a few days ago. He received the degree of Doctor of Letters from McGill this afternoon.

In a statement this afternoon, in which the appointment of Sir Arthur Currie as principal is announced, the board of governors pay tribute to the General's great war services and his fine war despatches.

Sir Robert Apparently in Excellent Health

OTTAWA, May 12.—Bronzed, and in excellent health apparently, Sir Robert Borden accompanied by Lady Borden arrived in Ottawa shortly before 1 p.m. today. He showed no traces of illness and to all queries smilingly replied that his health was of the best.

Report of Odessa's Capture Confirmed

PARIS, May 12.—Confirmation of reports that Odessa, Russia's most important outlet on the Black Sea, had been occupied by troops of Gen. Petlura, the Ukrainian commander, has been received by the Ukrainian press bureau here, that bureau reported today.

Poles and Ukrainians Deliver Mighty Blow

WARSAW, May 12.—Polish and Ukrainian forces have struck a mighty blow at Russian Bolshevik front far north of Kiev and have driven the enemy back along the Beresina River. Betulita, an important Dnieper river crossing has been captured and serious losses have been inflicted on the Soviet army. Fighting is now going on over a front of approximately four hundred miles.

Russian Reds Will Share Prisoners' Lives

LONDON, May 12.—Russian Bolshevik authorities have agreed to spare the lives of the soldiers captured from General Denikine's army in Southern Russia and those of other anti-Soviet troops who may in future be taken prisoners. A note to this effect was received by the British officials in answer to appeals sent to Moscow during the past fortnight.

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President Wilson Thought British Naval Experts Too Prudent

Senational Telegram Read Before Investigating Committee at Washington Today—Wilson Was Not Satisfied With Manner in Which British Navy Was Directing Affairs.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—A confidential cablegram from President Wilson to Rear-Admiral Sims in London, sent during the war, was read to the Senate naval investigating committee today by Secretary Daniels. It disclosed the fact that the American President was not at all satisfied with the way the British Admiralty was directing the work of the British navy and also indicated that Mr. Wilson could not understand why naval experts there were reluctant to allow American experts

to tell them just how things should be done. Mr. Wilson intimated that he considered British naval men too prudent and expressed surprise that the British Admiralty had failed to use Great Britain's great naval superiority effectively against submarine marines. He called on Admiral Sims for comments and suggestions based on independent thought and without regard to the judgment of any one Admiralty was directing the work of the British navy and also indicated that Mr. Wilson could not understand why naval experts there were reluctant to allow American experts

G. T. R. System Now Property of Canada

OTTAWA, May 12.—As the G. T. R. System became Canada's property at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the Governor-General gave assent to the Grand Trunk Bill, an order in Council will be passed this week in all provinces constituting the joint board of management provided for in the agreement to operate the system until the decision of the Board of Arbitration is known. The Canadian National Railways will appoint Messrs. S. J. Hungerford and C. A. Hayes, it is understood, as their representatives on the joint board. For the Grand Trunk Railway two will be chosen

from Messrs. W. D. Robb, Frank Scott and J. E. Dairymple. The Chairman is to be chosen by the four men thus appointed, but it is general ly understood that their choice will be Mr. Howard G. Kelley, the present General Manager of the Grand Trunk Railway. The Board of Arbitration is expected to come to a definite conclusion on the matters submitted to it for a year, as full information from the Grand Trunk Railway Company's books will have to be obtained, and investigation will have to be made to determine the value of its physical assets in many particulars.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Owen McGonnell, who departed this life May 12th, 1919.

This day brings back to memory A loved one laid to rest And those who think of him today Are those who loved him best.

Days of sadness still come o'er us Tears of sorrow often flow Memory keeps our loved one near us Whom God called a year ago.

Wife and Son.

Bancroft Woollen Mills

When sending out our circular letters in the spring of 1919, offering the wool growers of Hastings and adjoining counties an opportunity to wear their own pure wool at the actual cost of manufacturing, we had no thought that the response would be so spontaneous. We were completely taken by surprise. Our mill was taxed to its utmost capacity. Encouraged by the desire manifested by the farmers for pure wool goods, and the many letters received from satisfied customers, who tell us they made a saving of from 100% to 150% on the price of their woollen goods, we have at a very large expense thoroughly refitted and greatly increased the capacity of our mill and are now prepared to manufacture your wool into the line of goods below at the prices attached:

All wool blankets, grey or white	60c per lb.
Knitting yarn, grey, white or mottled	25c per lb.
Knitting yarn, black, blue or red	45c per lb.
Mackinaw, heavy weight, grey	60c per yd.
Mackinaw, heavy weight, black	75c per yd.
Stuffs, stripe, check or plain	55c per yd.
Double and twisted tweeds, winter weight	75c per yd.
Sheeting, white or grey, cotton and wool	70-72 in. 35c per yd.
All wool shirting, grey, 28 in. wide	40c per yd.
All wool shirting, navy, checks or oxfords	45c per yd.
Cotton and wool shirting, plain colors	28 in. 35c per yd.

We carry a full line of yarns, blankets, stuffs, tweeds, shirtings, heavy jerseys for men's underwear, strictly pure wool, all our own manufacturing, guaranteed strictly pure wool, samples and prices sent by request. When shipping wool to us address it to THE BANCROFT WOOLLEN MILLS, Bancroft, Ont. See that all tags are securely tied. Write your name and address on opposite side of tag. Advise us by letter of shipment, the class and amount of goods you may require. We guarantee perfect satisfaction and prompt returns. We are in the market to pay the highest cash price for wool you have to sell.

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Bancroft, Ont.