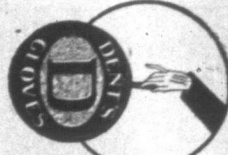


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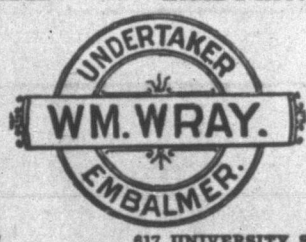
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HOW A LACROSSE PLAYER WAS ELEVATED TO THE PEERAGE

(By a Side-Liner.)

Toronto—Do you know that lacrosse has been making greater headway in the United States during the three seasons since the war than ever before in the history of the game? It was a physical director at Harvard university who once said that lacrosse was the finest game ever invented for developing every side of a man—his moral as well as his physical qualities. It requires self-control as well as poise, and real gameness as well as stick-handling ability. Though the qualities of Canada's game have always been admitted and admired, our cousins to the south seemed to feel that lacrosse required too much patience to master. It is a game that takes some years to learn to play well, and many boys find that it is too difficult for them, so they turn to a less expert sport. For many years lacrosse teams flourished at isolated spots in the United States. John Hopkins university in Baltimore, the Crescent club, Brooklyn, and the Mount Washington college. It must have been sheer enthusiasm that kept the sport alive, as it was difficult for them to arrange games. For a number of years before the war, some Canadian team went down to New York almost every Saturday from the middle of May until July 1. Thus, the Crescents imported their opposition. Then there was also the annual tour of the University of Toronto team.

Since the war, few Canadian lacrosse teams have been receiving invitations to New York. That was partly due of course, to the high cost of travelling. However, the fact had an added significance. The Crescents have been fading more and more teams on the American side of the line able to give them a battle. Toronto university team still makes its trip, but the only other line-up that were guests of the Crescents this season was St. Simon's. That team has been down there many times, and are very much at home with the Crescents. In fact, it was a little like a family reunion when they gathered round Herb Scott last year with the Salts and this season one of the scoring aces with the Brooklyn club.

Noted Many Changes. It was the seventh time that Bill Scott and "Dad" Heyes had been down to the Crescents to play. This pair got in on the first trip made to New York by St. Simon's a number of years before anybody ever thought of a European war and every time that the club has gone down since, they have been along. The last time that they visited New York to play lacrosse was in the spring of 1919. Since then, as has already been mentioned, few Canadian teams have been needed to fill the American lacrosse schedules.

Anybody who has been going to New York to play lacrosse for the past decade will note one distinct change. There is a bigger crop of new players coming along, and they are not, as they so often used to be, Canadians in exile. The American colleges are turning out good men every year, so that the Crescents no longer need to use the same old players season after season. Many players who have visited New York will be surprised to hear that the veteran, Bob Wall, has only figured on the Crescent line-up once this season. He had become almost a tradition with the Crescents. It seemed as though his place on their home was as solid as Queen Victoria's place used to appear to be on the British throne. Wall was one of the old Shamrocks of Montreal, and played with the team in its greatest days. He was the sort of home player that is not seen very often nowadays—bigger than Conacher.

He retired in favor of the younger generation, but he and another of the veterans, Dobbie, who is an old Brookville boy, wanted to have a game against the Oxford-Cambridge team. They turned out for that one contest. Here is one little incident to indicate that the name "veteran" came correctly applied to Dobbie. When the Crescents entertained St. Simon's after the game, Louis Hall of the Salts had a dance with Mr. Dobbie's daughter. How many lacrosse players in this country have daughters old enough to attend dances? Over here, life is one long sweet argument if a fellow tries to stay in lacrosse after he marries.

The Crescents' success in the United States, say that the visit of the Oxford-Cambridge team did more to help the game in their country than anything that ever happened over there. Lacrosse got more publicity in two months than ever before in an entire season. Syracuse university, where they have one of the strongest teams in the United States, arranged for the trip of the Englishmen, and were behind it. They looked after the financing, and that was no easy job, as some \$10,000 was the sum required for the tour.

There is one story that they are telling with considerable gusto in American lacrosse circles which, so far as we know, has not wandered over here. Although the British crowd has given up the right to elevate Canadian citizens to the peerage, it appears that the American press photographers have taken upon themselves to give British subjects a title, when necessary. After the lacrosse players from Oxford and Can-

bridge arrived, there was a little disappointment because the line-up did not contain a peer. There seemed to be a notion abroad that you could not get fifteen men from the English universities together without running into half a dozen earls and viscounts and such like. And here was a team consisting entirely of commoners! Now it so happens that a peer has more advertising value in a republic than in a monarchy. People would give only a passing glance to a photograph of a fine looking bunch of athletes, but directly they heard that the group contained a lord, they would immediately commence to search for the youth that looked the part. The Anglophiles would seek the best looking fellow in the bunch and declare that he was evidently "to the manner born," and the Anglophobes would try to imagine that one of them looked like some sort of decadent. Anyway, the photographers knew their business, and immediately elevated one well-set up British lad to the peerage.

That the photographers understood the national mind is indicated by the amount of interest that was taken in the lord. In fact, he found himself called upon to live up to a point where he became almost embarrassed. It is said that in some quarters, books on the peerage were almost worn to tatters by persons who wished to find out the history of his forbears so that they might talk intelligently about his castle and moat.

As a matter of fact he was helping to make history himself. He was doing something to establish one of the greatest of games in a country that has not hitherto appreciated it. The British collegians made a wonderful impression everywhere they went. Often international sport provokes more ill will than good fellowship. The visit of the Oxford-Cambridge lacrosse players to the United States seems to have been an exception to the rule, so the St. Simon's boys report.

NO DECISION YET AS TO HON. F. CARVELL

The fate of Hon. Frank B. Carvell, chairman of the Board of Railway Commissioners, is still under consideration by the government.

"No decision in the matter has been reached," replied the prime minister in the house Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Hon. Arthur Meighen asked what the government had decided in regard to the demand reported to have been made in November last by Hon. W. R. Motherwell for the expulsion of Mr. Carvell from the Railway Commission.

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PARLIAMENT NOW HAS PROROGUED

Speech From Throne Says Conference Arranged With Provinces on Unemployment.

Sir Louis Davies, deputy governor, in formally proroguing parliament Wednesday morning, reviewed legislation passed during the session which has closed. The act based on the report of the special committee on transportation costs would "effect immediate substantial reductions of freight rates in a manner which cannot fail to be of far-reaching benefit to all parts of the Dominion."

Measures adopted for returned men would do much to ensure fulfillment of the patriotic purposes they were intended to serve. By amendment to the election laws full freedom of the franchise had been secured for additional thousands of Canadian women. The speech from the throne, following a review of sessional work, stated that a conference between federal and provincial authorities on unemployment was being arranged.

Text of the Speech.

The speech follows:
 Honourable members of the senate: Members of the house of commons: In relieving you of the duty of further attendance in parliament, I desire to express my pleasure and satisfaction at the extent to which, in addition to other matters of public interest, you have found it possible to deal with the many important subjects to which your consideration was invited at the opening of the session.

Readjustment of Tariff.
 The readjustment of the customs tariff, of the consideration of which much time has been given, will, it is hoped, meet in a considerable degree the desire for tariff revision, while not creating any serious disturbance of industrial conditions.

The attention given to the question of transportation costs, the recommendations of the special committee of the house of commons which has so fully investigated the relation, will effect immediate substantial reductions of freight rates in a manner which cannot fail to be of far-reaching benefit to all parts of the Dominion.

Substantial Service.
 The measures passed to aid or control the marketing of certain farm products, and the manufacture, marketing, and sale of fertilizers; for the expansion of cold storage facilities, and for further experimental and research work in the control of fruit diseases and the eradication of bovine tuberculosis, should prove of substantial service in the development of the grain, livestock, dairying and fruit production industries of the country, and in further protection against their natural foes.

Pursuant to representations made on behalf of the prairie provinces, legislation has been adopted for the re-establishment of a wheat board, which it is hoped will meet the desire for a more equitable method of marketing Canadian wheat.

Soldiers' Welfare.
 The special committee of the house of commons appointed to examine into the questions and problems related to the welfare of soldiers and their dependents, has submitted many useful and important recommendations on pensions, insurance, land settlement, sheltered employment, and other aspects of re-establishment, which, together with the legislation based thereon, should do much to ensure the fulfillment of the just and patriotic purposes these measures are intended to serve.

Much-Needed Economy.
 The co-ordination, under one ministerial head, of the defence forces of Canada, in a single department of national defence, is certain to increase efficiency, and at the same time effect a much-needed economy in these branches of the national service.

By amendment to the election laws, full freedom of the franchise has been secured for additional thousands of Canadian women.

Substantial progress has been made in the negotiations which have taken place with respect to granting the control of the natural resources of the three western provinces to their respective provincial governments.

Better Business Outlook.
 It is gratifying to observe that the depression of business is gradually becoming relieved, and that unemployment throughout the Dominion has correspondingly decreased. The conference being arranged between federal and provincial authorities, will, it is hoped, disclose means of more effectively dealing with problems incidental to unemployment, whenever and wherever they may arise.

Very Gratifying.
 The success of the recent loan operations of the Dominion is gratifying to all. The measures adopted to provide needed additional revenue give assurance of a determination to make reasonable provision for the public service and to maintain the high credit of Canada in the money markets of the world.

Members of the house of commons: I thank you for the supplies granted for the carrying on of the public services of the Dominion. The sums appropriated will be expended with due regard to economy and efficiency. Honourable Members of the Senate: Members of the House of Commons: In view of the approval you have given to the treaties concluded at

the Washington conference on the limitation of armaments, the government will be in a position immediately to sanction on behalf of Canada the ratification of those agreements, the effect of which, it may confidently be anticipated, will be of far-reaching significance in promoting international goodwill and co-operation. I humbly thank Divine Providence for the promise of a bountiful harvest and devoutly pray that when parliament reassembles, the prospects, at present so bright, will have been realized in all parts of the Dominion.

HOW MR. FIELDING PUT OVER A SCOOP

Present Minister of Finance Was A Talented Reporter In Younger Days.

In connection with the completion by Hon. W. S. Fielding of forty years of continuous public service, Mr. F. W. Bowes contributes to the Halifax Chronicle an interesting article under the title of "The Greatest Newspaper Scoop of the Age." It describes Mr. Fielding's exclusive report of the wreck of the steamer Atlantic off Halifax harbour forty-nine years ago.

The generation of today, Mr. Bowes says, knows Canada's Finance Minister as a statesman, but "the immediate past knew him best as a journalist." He goes on to explain that half a century ago newspaper work was far different from that of today, but that even then when "editors vied with each other in emphasis and sometimes strongly personal assault" Mr. Fielding's articles were always "dignified, concise and to the point, and his conclusions clear and readily understood." Mr. Fielding, he adds, was looked upon by the owners of the paper over which he presided as a safe and dependable man, and "as a consequence of his talents the political and other editorials in The Chronicle were more widely quoted than those probably of any other newspaper in Canada."

Regarding "the greatest newspaper scoop of the age," Mr. Bowes says: "It was in connection with the wreck of the steamer Atlantic off Halifax Harbor in 1873, when out of a total of 952 persons on board only 390 were saved—562 of the passengers and crew finding a watery grave. It came about in this way: After a hard night's grind in the Chronicle office Mr. Fielding was wending his way homeward in the early morning when he encountered an excited and dishevelled man. With the astuteness of penetration and discernment of the newspaper man he questioned the stranger, who stated that he had ridden from Meagher's Head to report a terrible ship wreck. Mr. Fielding looked after the poor fellow's welfare and got particulars of the catastrophe from him. The steamer had left England and was bound to the United States (having attempted to make Halifax to replenish its fuel supply). The story was cabled to a leading journal in London and telegraphed to a leading New York paper and to one in Boston. The metropolitan publications immediately issued special editions giving the news of the dreadful calamity.

"Soon Halifax was deluged with telegrams from newspapers, firms and individuals from all over two continents for fuller particulars. It was the first day of April and people only laughed at the reports which were regarded as an 'April Fool.' Communication was very meagre but later in the day it developed that the story was anything but a hoax—it was only too true. It thus transpired that the residents of London and New York knew about the appalling disaster before the people of Halifax were aware of it."

Mr. Bowes thinks it is fortunate for Canada that such a man as Hon. Mr. Fielding is at the head of the greatest government department at this trying time, and he expresses the belief that the feeling is nationwide that the former editor of The Chronicle is "pre-eminently the man in the Dominion" who is capable of "extracting his country from the alarming financial condition brought about by the greatest war in the history of the world."

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