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SHOW COMPANY IS MERELY A TRICK

Proceedings at Investigation of Alberta's Railway Scandal Expose True Character of Waterways Corporation

ODD MANIPULATION OF CAPITAL STOCK

Railway and All Its Interests Practically Placed Under Control of Canadian Western Construction Company

EDMONTON, April 15.—W. L. Walsh, chief counsel in the Great Waterways investigation, at the session this morning went far towards proving the fact that the G. W. Railway Co. was a myth, that the Canadian Western Construction Co. controlled its interests, and that the \$50,000 of paid up stock had been paid out again to Clarke for expenses when he produced the minute book of the Great Waterways Railway Co. and read extracts from minutes of meetings held in Edmonton and New York.

At the organization meeting of the company held in Edmonton in the fall of 1908 the \$50,000 stock was subscribed as follows: Clarke, \$4,000; Clarke, \$5,000; Wm. Bain of Winnipeg, \$1,000; G. B. Minty, \$4,000; with A. C. Fraser of the Merchants Bank, Edmonton, as manager. A resolution was immediately moved voting Clarke the whole \$50,000 for fees and expenses in connection with securing the special act for the survey authorized by such act.

It was further moved by B. R. Clarke, brother of W. R. Clarke, that W. L. Clarke receive a salary of \$25,000 as president of the company. B. R. Clarke announced at this meeting that he contemplated the formation of a construction company to build the road, and thereupon resigned as director and William Bain was elected director in his place. It was then moved that the contract be entered into with the construction company whereby the construction company would build the road for the consideration that the railway company would transfer to them all the balance of the stock, amounting to \$25,000, and the entire net proceeds of the sale of the bonds, also any subsidy that might be secured by the Dominion government. The construction company was to protect the railway company from any other company that might be formed to build the road when the railway company could take it over free from liabilities, and the agreement was entered into on November 22nd after it was formally authorized at a meeting held in New York.

Mr. Walsh stated that he would have to wait until the return of A. C. Fraser from the east to verify these statements.

S. B. Woods asked Mr. Walsh to read the clause in the act as to the right of the company transferred to the railway company. The clause referred to prohibited the company from transferring their franchises and powers to any other company, but Mr. Walsh deemed that this did not affect the transfer to the construction company.

Evidence was adduced by Mr. Walsh this morning in the shape of letters exchanged as intermediary between Rutherford and Clarke in furnishing information as to the progress of the construction of the road, although Mr. Cornwall denied that he had any intention of acting as intermediary, and again swore that he had no interest whatever in the Great Waterways other than his anxiety to get a road into the country.

The letters produced showed that as early as the fall of 1908 Premier Rutherford was displaying anxiety for the success of the project, and had apparently then decided to guarantee the confidence which he was placing in Clarke. The Premier's note and apparently several letters mentioned the confidence which he had in Clarke, and Mr. Bennett exchanged Cornwall rather badly this morning in the cross-examination when he gained a statement from Cornwall to the effect that Cornwall knew nothing of the company in form of the guarantee act, which suggested a guarantee of not more than \$12,000 a mile, and which was to have been presented to the provincial government in 1907. Cornwall denied any intimate knowledge of this draft agreement, although he had no interest in it, but otherwise he is a perfectly sound horse tonight.

PEOPLING PRAIRIES

More Immigrants to Occupy "Ready Made Farms" American Influx Large

CALGARY, April 15.—Advisers received from England are to the effect that so much interest has been aroused in the Canadian Pacific "ready-made farms" that there is every indication that the company will be taxed to the limit to provide a sufficient number of these desirable farms to meet the demands of the worthy British and European agriculturists who are continually applying forms will not be ready for some little time.

It is now learned that the Empire of Britain is plying of eighty settlers, including the families of the "ready-made farms" now available. These farms were also recently to those parties. Most optimistic reports are being received from England from members of this party, and the word that they are sending back must induce friends to endeavor to arrange to come to Canada. Immigration Agent Wind, in speaking of the American influx, announced that he had dated this year for the first time the number of immigrants from the United States and other countries who are sending out large numbers, and in the vicinity of Calgary announced that he will have appointed by the first of

SENATE TALKS OF CABLE RATES

Government Bill Sent to Railway Committee to Permit of Parties Interested Being Heard—Canada's Coinage of Same Value AS U. S. PIECES

OTTAWA, April 15.—The senate put through a variety of business today. The second reading was given to the currency bill, Sir Richard Cartwright stating to Senator Levesque that he thought Canadian gold coins would circulate in Great Britain at the same value as they had in Canada and at the same value as American gold coins in England at present. The circulation there would be limited. He thought power was not taken to make \$250 gold pieces. He thought the \$5 coins would be the smallest gold coin Canada would make.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell asked if the government had considered that one of the results of making Canadian gold coins the same value as those of the United States might be the shipment of such Canadian gold to the United States when the demand for gold was great. At one time, when he was in the government, the Canadian banks presented Dominion notes in large quantities for redemption in gold which was held by Canada in American coins. The redemption was stopped by redeeming the notes with British sovereigns, which the banks were of no use to them in New York.

Sir Richard Cartwright said for many obvious reasons it was desirable to have Canadian coins of the same value as those of the United States. The second reading was given to the bill to amend the telegraph act, and Sir Richard Cartwright stated that the persons interested asked to be heard, and he thought they would depart from the usual practice of taking public bills in committee of the whole and send it to the railway committee. The parties interested had been given the option of being heard. The senator thought this might as well be done in the commons.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell said he would gladly support the motion, and it was a popular impression among business men that the rate of cable companies and the American Cable company and the Anglo-American company and the American Cable company were too high. He had no objection to the bill, and he thought it was a good thing to have the rate of cable companies and the American Cable company and the Anglo-American company and the American Cable company reduced to a reasonable rate.

The bill to amend the telegraph act was reported to the committee without amendment and slated for third reading. The government bills given second reading were one to amend the Indian act, to amend the irrigation act, and to amend the militia pension act. Third readings were given to the following bills: To incorporate the Ontario and Ottawa Railway company, respecting the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway, and the Columbia Railway company, respecting the Brandon, Saskatchewan and Hudson Bay Railway company.

HORSE CAUSES MUCH TROUBLE

Falls Into Manhole in New York Street and Paralyzes Traffic of District—Rescued Without Serious Injury

NEW YORK, April 15.—Prince, a big bay wheel horse in the delivery service of a downtown department store, got into a manhole in the city of New York today, and the incident caused much trouble. The horse fell into the manhole and paralyzed traffic in the district. The horse was rescued without serious injury.

STORM KILLS THREE

Cyclone Sweeps Across Aviation Field in France, and Works Serious Havoc

MOURELON, France, April 15.—A cyclone storm struck the aviation field at Camp Chalons today. The storm was very severe and caused much damage. Three men were killed and three others injured. The workshops of Henry Farman were destroyed and the hangars were wrecked, causing a loss of \$30,000. Several aeroplanes and dirigible balloons were blown down, and the railroad station was damaged.

Premier Lawyer Drops Dead

COLEMAN, Ont., April 15.—Judge Dunlop, one of the most prominent lawyers in the state, and the father of the famous Dow liquor tax law, dropped dead today at his home in Bellefontaine.

Dynamited Self and Family

NEGAUNEE, Mich., April 15.—Frank Hartman, a miner, aged 23, placed a stick of dynamite under the bed in which his wife and three-year-old daughter were sleeping. When the dynamite was exploded the man, the woman and a boy were blown to atoms. The girl had a miraculous escape, being found practically unharmed on the floor of the room. The three dead were terribly mangled.

Telegraphers May Strike

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 15.—The railway telegraphers have broken off negotiations with officials of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railway, and have asked National Officer Peterson, of the order, to come here. The indications are that the operators on the road will be polled on the question of a strike. The final offer the road made today, according to the committee, is less than half the amount asked for.

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GERMAN DISTRICT CHANGES SIDES

Significant Victory of National Liberals in Prussian District Long Held by Conservatives—People Displeased

BERLIN, April 15.—The National Liberals won a remarkable victory in the election of a successor to the late Count Edg. von Stolberg-Wernigerode, who was president of the Reichstag until the time of his death on February 19th.

This country district of East Prussia had been carried by the Conservatives, practically without opposition in every election for forty years. In the election of the National Liberals, the candidate of the National Liberals, was chosen with a majority of nearly three thousand votes.

The overturn is attributed to popular dissatisfaction over the government's Prussian election reform and the Prussian election reform. The National Liberals' leader, which was organized last summer in opposition to the government, has been a prominent land owner, also played a prominent part in the campaign against the Conservatives.

With Many Passengers HALIFAX, April 15.—Arrived, Tuesday, from Liverpool with 51 first class, 27 second and 1,103 third class passengers.

AFRICAN RUNNER TO TOUR UNITED STATES

R. E. Walker Practically Decides to Visit America in Effort to Lower Some Records.

LONDON, April 14.—R. E. Walker, the great African runner and the hero of the 100-meter race at the Olympic games, thinks he can best some of the old records in America. Walker is partly lured by the good fortunes of Dorando and other foreign runners in America, and also because he thinks the tracks are better and the athletes there more conducive to running there.

In a recent conversation the Natal runner said he found the English climate very severe on him. He would like to put on a few pounds in weight, and as he has only just reached his majority, there is every reason to think he will fill out a bit. He considers his weak spot in sprinting is his disposition to slow up a trifle between the half-way and three-quarter mark, and he proposes devoting all his efforts to overcome this. Walker is a splendid example of the modern sprinter. He is a great sprinter and athlete should concentrate their thoughts on the effort to increase speed with each stride taken.

BANK CLEARINGS

All Canadian Cities Show Substantial Increases in Last Week's Operations.

NEW YORK, April 15.—Bradstreet's weekly bank clearings for the Dominion of Canada are as follows: Montreal—\$25,693,000, increase 57.0; Toronto—\$28,243,000, increase 42.6; Winnipeg—\$15,115,000, increase 49.3; Vancouver—\$9,018,000, increase 47.1; Ottawa—\$3,853,000, increase 45.0; Quebec—\$1,223,000, increase 25.2; Calgary—\$2,717,000, increase 120.0; Halifax—\$1,074,000, increase 23.4; Hamilton—\$1,848,000, increase 51.1; John N. B.—\$1,825,000, increase 23.8; Victoria—\$1,800,000, increase 53.0; London, Ont.—\$1,774,000, increase 41.5; Edmonton—\$1,199,000, increase 47.8. Bradstreet's weekly report on the state of trade will say tomorrow; Trade Canada is very satisfactory. The banking orders are good, and business on all accounts shows expansion since the end of the year. There is an indication to buy until the price situation becomes clearer. Retail trade is active, and extensive building operations are

GOES ABROAD IN SEARCH BIG GAME

HAMILTON, April 15.—Eddie Cotter, the Burlington boy, winner of the 1905 race and holder of the record of 2:51.53, left for Africa today, accompanied by Dick Baker of Toronto, trainer, who handled him in the Brampton race last year. Cotter will have a month in England to prepare for a month for each female who served in the Federal army during the Civil War is provided in a bill today reported to the Senate by Senator Root from the committee on pensions. The nurses have made long contention for this concession, and the bill has passed the senate by a large margin. There are fewer than 200 of these nurses now living, and the expense of the pension would be less than \$20,000 a year.

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DIES OF RABIES

NEW YORK, April 15.—C. E. Pierce, a veterinary surgeon of Welleville, Ky., who applied for admission at Bellevue hospital today, saying that he feared he was badly scratched during the operation. He was bitten last December by a dog, but this animal was apparently in normal condition.

Mr. Pierce, who had enjoyed his usual health until yesterday, noted alarming symptoms and consulted his physician, who advised him to hurry here and consult specialists. He was near collapse on his arrival here today. He was taken to Bellevue, where the first symptoms of hydrophobia attacked him within a few minutes after his arrival and the disease then took its usual rapid course.

TALKS OF RECIPROcity

WASHINGTON, April 14.—On leaving the White House today Senator Root was asked about the progress in getting Canada and the United States together for reciprocity.

There is a tremendous sentiment all along the border of the two countries for reciprocity in natural products," he said. "The time has passed when the United States was a mere importer of raw materials and a producer of manufactured goods. Canada has adopted a policy of protection for her manufactured products, but there is unquestionably deep interest among several million people of both countries in bringing about a mutually satisfactory understanding regarding reciprocity in natural products."

SEEK POWER FOR LARGE ENTERPRISES

Companies Apply for Water Records to Supply Motive Power for Electric Process, Smelters and for Sawmills

During the past few weeks several important water powers on the northwest and west coasts of Vancouver Island have been staked and applied for by companies apparently desirous of the principal of these being the West Coast Power Co. of 514 Fort Street, which Mr. Alonzo Alexander is managing director, and which has now before the Chief Water Commissioner important applications for water powers on Gordon and Nitinat rivers on the coast of Vancouver Island, which are capable of developing 300,000 horse power.

Now appears upon the scene the Barkley Sound Power Co., which has a capital of \$1,000,000 (as is the West Coast Power Co., Ltd.) and in which Mr. Alexander is understood to be similarly interested. This company is applying for 2,800 cubic feet per second, to be taken from the Sarita River, there being a difference of 200 feet in elevation between the intake and the return of the water to the river, which would produce another 100,000 horse power. The Barkley Sound Power Co., similarly incorporated and managed by Mr. Alexander, is applying for 2,800 cubic feet of water per second from Wilroy River, which flows above the canyon, with a head of 200 feet.

The explanation made to the Chief Water Commissioner as to the projects of the company requiring the development of such immense water powers, and other powers on the west coast are even now being similarly staked in that they will shortly be required in the operation of sawmills, electric and electric process smelters, the latter in particular demanding prodigious power to be thoroughly successful in the promotion of the establishment of which Mr. Alexander and his associates are at present so busily engaged. Another large power company, the incorporation of which has been announced during the current week, and which will confine its operations to the Kootenay district, is the Kootenay Electric Co. Ltd., of which Mr. Alexander is also a shareholder. This company proposes to take 4,000 cubic feet per second from the Pend d'Oreille river, a point half a mile from its junction with the Salmon river, and to generate a general power business on a pretentious scale.

JOHNSON'S TEN-MILE RUN

CHICAGO, April 15.—A ten mile run through the parks was Jack Johnson's main work here today. He finished strong but decided that the work was enough for one day.

EMILIE SPOKEN

SAN FRANCISCO, April 15.—The German ship Emilie, which sailed from Tacoma, October 9, with a cargo of grain for the United Kingdom and is now out 187 days on the voyage, was spoken April 4. There had been a great deal of anxiety over the non-arrival of this vessel. The only other vessel of the October grain fleet from Tacoma still unreported is the British bark Zinta, which sailed October 29. She has not been spoken since November 12.

GETS MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, April 15.—President Taft's solicitor for the success this season of his home team, the Washington American club, which in last year's pennant race finished last was shown today when he presented to Walter Johnson, the Washington pitcher, a message from the President. The treasured souvenir of Pitcher Johnson is the baseball which President Taft threw into the diamond when the game opening the baseball season between Johnson and Walter Johnson was played at the White House today, and the President wrote upon it. For Walter Johnson to be the pitcher for the American club in the pennant race is a great honor, and it is a great honor for the President to have written a message upon the ball, the president despatched the White House messenger to the base ball park, where Johnson proudly displayed his treasure.

REVELS TO POLITY FANCIERS

Revels to poultry fanciers have invited Mr. M. A. Jull to visit and address them on the 5th of May.

COAL OPERATORS ASK CONCESSION

Propose That Miners Refuse to Work for Firms Outside Association—Wage Conference May Prove Successful

CHICAGO, April 14.—A tentative agreement granting the closed shop to the operators was discussed today between the coal miners and operators of Illinois at the sessions of the joint scale committee. A secret vote is said to have resulted in the agreement of the miners not to work for coal firms which remain outside the Illinois Coal Operators' association. Feeling ran high during the meeting, as every militant miner opposed the granting of the closed shop to the operators. While today's vote is official, it is said the question will be reopened. The operators declared that they will not retreat from their demand for the "closed shop" extension to their agreement.

PITTSBURGH, April 14.—The second day