

## PROGRAMME FOR THE GOOD ROADS CONVENTION OUT

Meeting in Halifax in May Will be Busy One

T. P. Regan of St. John to Preside at One of The Sessions—An Outline of The Matters Arranged For Consideration

Montreal, April 9.—The programme for the eighth annual convention of the Canadian Good Roads Association, and exhibition of road machinery and materials, was sent out to every municipality in the Dominion this week by Secretary Geo. A. McNamee, with an invitation to attend the convention at Halifax on May 10, 11 and 12 next, to some 12,000 members of good roads, automobile, engineering and other organizations. Many municipal councils have already taken the necessary steps to instruct delegates to attend, for past experience of the conventions have shown them that their officials and members have gained a great deal of useful information from the technical papers that are delivered and the discussions that follow them, which has resulted in the saving of hundreds of dollars to the municipality. From so far distant a place as Vancouver, Mayor Gale has written that that city would be officially represented at the convention, while the Hon. S. J. Letta, Minister of Highways, Saskatchewan, and the Hon. James I. King, Minister of public works, British Columbia, are to make the long journey to the east for the gathering. Word has also been received that Premier J. H. Bell, of Prince Edward Island, and the Hon. C. W. Crosby, his Minister of public works, are going to attend the sessions, while Premier Y. A. Taschereau, of Quebec, has indicated his desire to also visit the Land of Evangeline for the convention, so that there is every indication that there will be more distinguished provincial government representatives than at any previous good roads convention. The full cabinet of the Nova Scotia government will be there, with the heads of the various Good Roads Associations of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario and other provinces.

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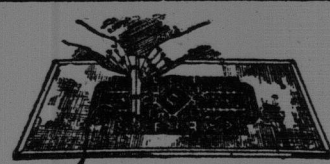
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growth of motor transportation in the past few years and its still more tremendous potentiality for the future means that large sums will inevitably be spent on the highways to make them useful for longer periods and decrease transportation costs, and the Canadian Good Roads Association is seeking through its conventions held all over the Dominion to educate the public mind to the value of improved roads for the agriculturist as well as the manufacturer and private citizens. The programme indicates that the



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delegates will have little spare time during the convention. The opening session is at 9.30 a. m. on May 10, the delegates registering previously at the entrance to the convention hall in the Technical College. After the appointment of committees the president, E. M. Desaulniers, M. L. A., will ask the Lieutenant-governor to formally open the congress, and after the Hon. McCallum Grant has spoken the visiting premiers, cabinet ministers and others will give addresses, to which S. L. Squire, chairman of the executive committee, will reply. Then the out-of-town delegates will be driven around the harbor, and the visiting Rotarians will be entertained to luncheon by the Rotary Club.

The second session, presided over by B. Michaud, deputy minister of highways, Quebec, will open with an address on the Progress of Federal Aid, by the Hon. P. J. Veniot, minister of highways, New Brunswick, followed by an address on gravel roads by B. M. Hild, provincial engineer, New Brunswick. Col. W. D. Solier, ex-chairman Massachusetts Highway Commission, always a popular figure at good roads conventions, because he always talks about something of particular interest to the district he is in, will speak on the Bituminous Treatment of Gravel and Sand Roads, and discussion of these papers will complete the afternoon session before the informal reception of delegates at the residence of the Lieutenant-governor.

The third session will be presided over by R. H. Murray, president of the Nova Scotia Good Roads Association, and the opening address will be a description by A. A. Churchill, deputy chairman of the Road Commission of Newfoundland, on the road situation in Britain's oldest colony. Chief Engineer E. A. James, of the York Highway Commission will inform

the delegates of economical methods of rebuilding gravel and macadam roads, and then William Findlay of Toronto will tell the convention of different methods of financing, bonding and providing revenue for highway construction. There will be two or three other papers in this session which have not definitely been decided on, dealing with rights of way, road bed widths, and the organization of an efficient highway department. Just after noon the annual meeting and luncheon of the Canadian Automobile Association will be held.

At the fourth session, presided over by T. P. Regan, the president of the New Brunswick Good Roads Association, the Hon. C. W. Crosby will speak on the progress of road building in Prince Edward Island, while A. P. Sandes, of Columbus, Ohio, will let the delegates into the secret of how to preserve a macadam road. Transportation questions, drainage and the handling of modern road machinery will also be dealt with at this session, which will be followed by the annual dinner and entertainment.

The president of the Ontario Good Roads Association, T. J. Mahony, will preside at the fifth session, at which Prof. A. H. Blanchard, of Michigan University will speak on Asphaltic Concrete Pavements, after an address by the Hon. S. J. Letta, of Saskatchewan, Highway bridges and cement concrete roads will also be discussed at this meeting, while at the sixth session, presided over by Hon. S. J. Letta, P. P. Sharples, of New York, will speak on refined tar in construction and maintenance, and J. A. Duchesne, general manager of Outremont, on the general question of maintenance.

The annual meeting of the association will take place in the evening, and the whole of Friday, May 13, will be devoted to a trip through the Land of Evangeline.

The complete road-making machinery of the Nova Scotia government will be on exhibition during the convention, and probably there will be demonstrations of road making. All the Good Roads Associations of the maritime provinces are wholeheartedly co-operating to make the national convention an unqualified success.



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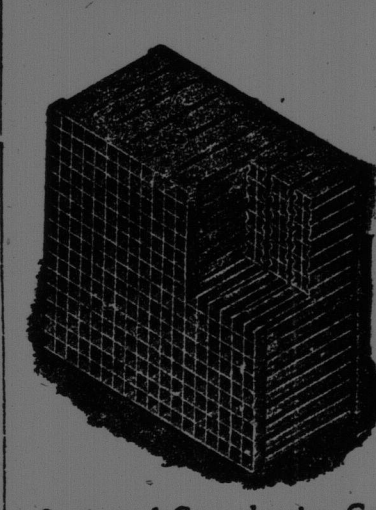
### A COMMITTEE ON GRAIN DIVERSION

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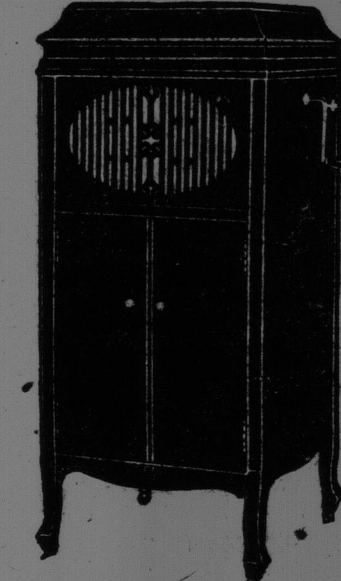
western grain to American ports. The committee will be composed of Senators Cagrain, Tassler, Watson, Turf, Nichols, McCall, Willoughby, Chapais, Webster (Stadacona) and L'Esperance. The senate adjourned until Tuesday.

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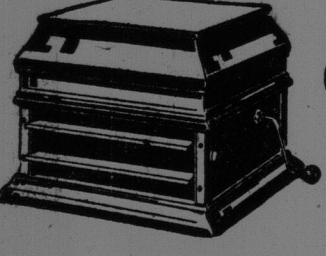


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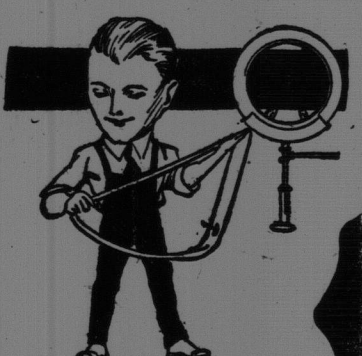


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