POOR DOCUMENT
MC2035

MARITIME POLICY TO BE FRAMED AT CHARLOTTETOWN IN SEPT.

DELEGATES AT MONCTON HEAR PLEAS FOR UNITY

To Name Committees to Report Back on Transportation, Industrial Development and Economic Status of Seaboard Provinces

WILL USE HALL WHERE "FATHERS" MET

Representative Business Men From All Sections Urge Unity of Action in Pressing Claims of East on Rest of Canada—Three Premiers Unable to Attend

BY J. J. DUNLOP
Staff Correspondent of The Times-Star.

MONCTON, July 15—Maritime claims for the betterment of economic conditions in these provinces will be crystallized into definite shape at a conference to be held in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, about the middle of September in time for formal presentation at a great Canadian economic convention to be held in the fall, according to a decision reached at the opening session of the Maritime conference here this afternoon, with representative business men from all parts of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island in attendance.

The resolutions committee report, presented by A. D. Ganong, of St. Stephen, recommended that the subjects of transportation, industrial development, immigration and the economic status of the Maritime Provinces be discussed at the present conference and referred to select committees whose recommendations will be placed before the Charlottetown gathering.

This was adopted unanimously and at the evening session all but the question of industrial development were carefully considered.

In Historic Chamber

Sentimental interest attaches to the decision to meet in Charlottetown, as the second conference will be held in the very chamber where the Fathers of Confederation met to discuss the Dominion pact.

Wallace L. Higgins, Prince Edward Island, president of the Maritime Boards of Trade, under whose auspices this conference is being held, presided at the sessions, and seated with him on the platform were Miles E. Agar, vice-president, and A. M. Belding, both of Saint John.

The special speaker at the afternoon session was Hance J. Logan, K.C., M.P., Amherst, his subject being the recent trade agreement with the West Indies. Mr. Logan made a deep impression by his explanation of this pact which he declared would operate greatly to the benefit of the Maritime Provinces.

Unity Is Keynote

The discussions at the evening conference, which lasted until 11 o'clock, were madaked by pointed speeches of excellent character, the dominant note being that of a plea for unity of action in pressing the just demands of the Maritime Provinces. Tomorrow morning's session will be given over to the clearing up of all consideration of the topics on the agenda and appointment of select committees.

Premiers Detained

The three premiers were unable to be present. Premier Veniot of New Brunswick, sending his regrets by telegram that pressure of other matters prevented him from attending, but expressing good wishes; Premier-elect Rhodes, of Nova Scotia, being unable to come because of the incoming of his Government tomorrow; and Premier Stewart, of Prince Edward Island, being detained by the ceremonies incident upon the "Old Home Week" in progress in his province.

Evening Session

The evening session was confined largely to a discussion by representatives of the subjects brought forward by the resolutions committee. Speeches were limited to ten minutes and the discussion was productive of many interesting sidelights on conditions throughout the Maritimes.

No Replacement

The first subject was that of Immigration, it being introduced by F. Maclure Sclanders, commissioner of the Saint John Board of Trade. He sketched conditions as they existed throughout the Eastern Provinces and said that little or nothing had been or is being done to replace the losses through immigration. The Maritime Provinces during this period had contributed much in money and people to the Western Provinces, and they deserve better treatment in this regard than had been conceded to them.

He strongly advocated the standardization of farm products. He asserted farm people were becoming discouraged with conditions.

Develop Farms

He urged the development of homesteads in the form of our vacant farms and said that homesteads in the west were not being taken up because they were now located in inaccessable parts of the country. This was a fact that should weigh heavily in favor of the Maritime Provinces, he said. Settlement of our vacant farms was our most pressing need. Agriculture and industry went hand-in-hand, he said. Given prosperous farming community and all things would be added unto us. The business men of the provinces he pleaded, should take a greater interest in teh farming industry.

Following Mr. Sclanders, Matthew Lodge, director of the C. N. R., spoke on this question. It was not fair to place all the blame on the railways for populating the West. For the last six months, he said, he had been taking up this matter with Sir Henry Thornton, president of the C. N. R.

Much Duplication

He found that there was considerable duplication by the Dominion Government and the C. N. R. in securing these settlers. As an instance, he pointed to Boston where two offices were maintained in addition to one at Worcester. All told the Government and C. N. R. maintained 24 offices throughout the United States, yet last year only 6,060 people were settled in Canada, mainly through the efforts of these offices. This was at a cost of $200,000.

It seemed to him that we were going about this matter in the wrong way. He would say that Canada could wipe out all these twenty-four offices and discharge many of the men now traveling in Europe and never miss them. He strongly criticized the overlapping and over-manning, of the Government offices.

Seek Dutch Settlers

Mr. Lodge also mentioned the very interesting fact that negotiatons were now proceeding to secure several Holland families to develop the New Brunswick marshes.

Colonel MacLaren advocated that in preparation fo the resolution a demand be made of the Government for the expenditure of a certain amount for the Maritime Provinces.

A. M. Belding expressed the opinion that those who had gone to the United States from here to live would not come back to these provinces and the thing to do was to go to the northern European countries for immigrants. He pointed to the success attained by the Scottish settlement here, New Kincardine and the Danish settlement, New Denmark.

C. H. Vroom, St. Stephen and F. R. Burke, P.E.I., spoke briefly.

Transportation

The next subject was that of transportation, it being introduced by George Ruickbie, Bathurst, former traffic expert of the Canadian Manufacturers' Associaton. Regarding the question of export business from the Maritime Provinces, he strongly advocated the use of Maritime ports instead of Montreal or Quebec. The speaker also touched on the technical aspects of the entire question.

Pleads for Unity

J. D. McKenna followed Mr. Ruickble. Referring to Mr. Logan's address in the afternoon in which he referred to the unanimity of all political parties in regard to the West Indies agreement, Mr. McKenna declared there was a lesson in this for the Maritime Provinces. The time had arrived when all must work together and forget politics, he said.

Mr. McKenna then reccounted the events leading up to the sending of Mr. Belding on his mission by The Telegraph-Journal and Times-Star, and expressed the opinion that the attention of the country was strikingly drawn to the Maritime Provinces. He spoke of the definite results attained by this mission through the inauguration of the Roosvelt and Kirkwood lines' sailings and the shipment through Halifax of products that otherwise would have gone through United States ports.

New Plans in View

He declared the newspapers of which he was president were now working on a program to follow up this mission. Concluding, he made a plea for unity among the Maritime Provinces.

On motion of Hance J. Logan, K. C., seconded by Mr. Lodge, a resolution of thanks was adopted expressing the appreciation of the conference for the efforts of The Telegraph-Journal and Times-Star in organizing this mission, making special reference to Mr. Belding's and Mr. McKenna's work in this regard. The motion carried with hearty applause. D. W. Robb, Amherst, also spoke briefly on the transportation question.

Urges U. S. Port Ban

Colonel MacLaren, in discussing the export question, gave figures to show that one-third of Canada's exports overseas were shipped through United States ports. He expressed the hope the conference would go on record as opposing the use of United States ports for Canadian exports.

H. S. Congdon, Dartmouth, N. S., delivered a forcible plea for the use of Halifax and Saint John ports for the shipment overseas of Canadian grain. J. S. Armstrong, Fredericton, also advocated strongly the development of Saint John harbor. He said he also favored the construction of a canal at Baie Verte.

C. H. Vroom, St. Stephen, said Canada possessed a great natural harbor at the mouth of the St. Croix River that could be developed at an extremely small cost to easily handle the largest ships in the world.

Halifax Problems

E. A. Saunders, secretary Halifax Board of Trade, spoke briefly on Halifax problems and said the city still was suffering from lack of facilities. He paid a tribute to the work of Mr. McKennea in getting automobile shipments through the port of Halifax that were previously going through the United States port of New London.

Freight Rates

W. R. Turnbull, president of the Halifax Board of Trade, said he fully agreed with the principles on which the conference was called. He gave it as his opinion that the freight rate question was the most important question facing the Maritime Provinces today. Up to the war, the freight rates were fairly favorable but since then trouble had arisen through adjustments.

It was very essential for the Governments of the Maritime Provinces to employ experts to go into this question thoroughly. No price, he felt, was too high to pay for this information which would show us just where discrimination was made against us.

J. O. Hyndman introduced the subject of economic adjustment of the rights of the Maritime Provinces under the Confederation pact. He first pointed out that whiel the other provinces had added much territory and grown in wealth and population, the Maritimes due rights had not been conceded. Touching the question of the old Intercolonial Railway, the speaker said the Maritimes wanted the Intercolonial back to its own status.

He suggested that at the coming Charlottetown conference, the Federal members of Parliament from the Maritime Provinces, the three Premiers and their cabinets be invited to attend in a strong effort to securing unity of action on Maritime rights. He strongly endorsed the proposal to employ a traffic expert.

Afternoon Session

Following registration brief addresses of welcome were given by George O. Spencer, president of the Moncton Board of Trade, and Alderman Doiron, Deputy Mayor of Moncton. The delegates were heartily welcomed and the wish expressed that their deliberations would be productive of good for the Maritimes.

Belding Speaks

A fitting reply was made by Wallace L. Higgins, Charlottetown, president of the Maritime Board of Trade. He then called on A. M. Belding, Saint John, whom he described as the "father of the movement." Mr. Belding was greeted heartily. At the outset, Mr. Belding paid a tribute to the Moncton Board of Trade and President Higgins, without whose initiative and energy, he said, the conference would not have been called.

Continuing, Mr. Belding said: "Three things are involved in the development and progress of the Maritime Provinces. The first is what the people of each province may do for themselves. That is not a matter to be discussed at this conference. The second is what the three provinces might unite to do for their mutual benefit without regard to other parts of Canada. That also is not a subject for discussion at this conference. The third is what the rest of the country may fairly be asked to do in forwarding Maritime prosperity and development. It is this the present conference was called to consider. If we keep the distinction clearly in mind it will save us from wasting valúable time in the discussion of matters which undoubtedly ought to be discussed, but which are foreign to the particular purpose for which we have met.

Reason for Meeting

"Why was this conference called? When the newspapers with which I am associated sent me across Canada to tell the story of the Maritimes, I was everywhere met with sympathy but also with a question. People in every city whom I addressed, or with whom I talked expressed sympathy but also asked what the Maritime Provinces really wanted the rest of the country to do. Wherever I spoke I advocated a national conference to consider the economic situation in Canada and to endeavor to remove as far as possible the causes of sectional feeling.

"Everywhere the idea of a national conference was approved, and I felt it my duty on my return to the Maritimes to get an answer to the question as to what we wanted; and to make certain, if possible, that the Maritime Provinces would sit in as a unit at the national conference. With a clear cut statement of what in their opinion should be done for them that would be so fair and reasonable as to command the sympathy and support of representatives of the other divisions of Canada, who in turn would no doubt have propositions affecting them more than ourselves and yet of a national character, for which they would desire our sympathy and support.

To Promote Unity

"Have I made myself clear? We are met here today to decide upon ways in which we think the rest of the country may fairly be asked to assist in bringing prosperity to the Maritimes.

"While we represent the Maritime Provinces, we meet also as Canadians, anxious to promote national unity, and believing that what we will submit to representatives of the other divisions of Canada, will make for National, as well as local prosperity and unity.

"Matters affecting transportation, taxation, immigration and various others may properly be considered from the Maritime standpoint and yet be National in their significance. If, however, anyone among us entertains a thought of introducing politics I am sure you will all agree with me that his train is waiting.

Harmony First

"Also, that if any delegate thinks of introducing a purely local matter he ought to change his mind; also, that no time should be wasted in discussion of past rights or wrongs, but that the discussion should be devoted entirely to ways in which our economic conditions may now be improved by the cooperation of the rest of the country. I have no hope that a complete preparation of our case can be accomplished today and tomorrow. If we can get into harmony, clear the ground, and refer to well qualified committees the preparation of statements to be submitted to a second conference, we shall have accomplished a great task. If a second conference is held, as I believe it should be, it ought to be held in Charlottetown, where in 1864 another famous conference adopted a policy which brought about the conditions that now bear so heavily upon our people."

Canada Watching

Mr. Belding then read extracts from letters he had received from all parts of Canada, evincing great interest in the Maritime movement for betterment

Continued on Page 9, column 2.

Weddings

MacLauchlan-Spence

A wedding of interest took place this afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Portland Methodist church when Kenneth E. MacLauchlan, eldest son of Rev. Neil J. MacLauchlan, was united in marriage to Miss Laura Spence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Spence, 178 Chesley street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Neil MacLauchlan assisted by Rev. H. A. Goodwin, pastor of the church.

The bride looked charming in a sand satin striped charmeen traveling suit with hat to match and carrying a bouquet of Ophelia roses. She was attended by Miss Dora Corbett, who wore orchid flat crepe with hat to match and carried a bouquet of pink roses. Little Betty Spence, niece of the bride, acted as flower girl. She wore pale crepe de chene and carried a basket of sweetheart roses.

The bride was given away by her father and Henry D. Hopkins acted as best man. Miss Lillian Bromfield was organist and Miss Louise Knight sang "O Perfect Love." Ross Corbett and Donald W. MacLauchlan were ushers.

The groom is one of the younger members of the legal profession in this city. He is very popular among his associates and has a wide circle of friends who will wish him every happiness. He is secretary of the commission appointed by the Provincial Government some time ago for the consolidation of the statutes. He was formerly on the Daily Telegraph and Globe reportorial staffs. The bride was a member of the teaching staff of King George School.

Mr. and Mrs. MacLauchlan left this afternoon on a honeymoon trip to Prince Edward Island. On their return they will spend the summer at Epworth Park.

Chesley-Tingley.

SACKVILLE, July 15—(Special)—A pretty wedding took place at 11.30 this morning in the Baptist church, Point de Bute, when Miss Janie Tingley, of Upper de Bute, was united in marriage to Byron F. Chesley, of Paradise, N. S. The church, which was tastefully decorated with flowers, was filled with interested friends. Rev. H. Carter officiated. The bride, who was given away by her brother, R. C. Tingley, looked very pretty in an ensemble costume of sand and tan, with hat to match. Arnold Tingley, nephew of the bride, acted as ring-bearer. Miss Emma Dixon played the wedding marches The ushers were Charles A. Trueman and William I. Trueman. After the ceremony the happy pair left for P. E. Island on their wedding trip, after which they will reside in Paradise, N. S.

Strange-Sweeney.

SACKVILLE, July 15—(Special)—The Holy Rosary church, Middle Sackville, was a scene of a pretty wedding this morning, when Miss Pauline Sweeney and John Strange, both of Melrose, were united in marriage by Rev. Father R. B. Fraser. The bride, who is a popular school teacher, was attended by her sister, Mrs. Helena Hartnett. The groom was supported by Edward Hartnett. The newly-weds will reside in Melrose.

Deaths

Mrs. E. C. Sutton

Elizabeth C. Sutton, widow of Edward C. Sutton, former lumber merchant of this city, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Gregory, 84 Lancaster avenue, last evening. The late Mrs. Sutton was a native of New Brunswick. She had been in failing health for some weeks. She leaves to mourn two sons and three daughters. The sons are C. P. and Walter E. Sutton, both of Saint John. The daughters are Mrs. J. A. Gregory, Saint John; Mrs. F. A. Courtney, Toronto, and Mrs. M. F. Wilson, Vancouver.

Mrs. Michael J. Hogan

The death of Marie, beloved wife of Michael J. Hogan, occurred at Petersville, Queens county, on July 14, after an illness of seven days with pluraneumonia. Mrs. Hogan, formerly Miss Marie Coll of Petersville, leaves besides her mourning husband, one daughter, Mary, nine months old. The funeral took place this morning from her late residence to St. Ignatus Church for requiem high mass by Rev. A. P. Allen.

R. H. Adamson

The death of Robert H. Adamson occurred at his son's residence at Jerusalem, Queens county, yesterday morning after a short illness. He was 77 years of age and had been engaged in custom milling for a great many years. He retired from this occupation about eight years ago. He is survived by two sons, Hepburn, at Jerusalem, and Donald, at Gagetown; also two daughters, Mrs. Frank Jewett, of Prince William, York county, and Mrs. Edward Jewett, in California.

Mrs. Reid McManus

MONCTON, July 15—Mrs. Reid McManus, of this city, wife of Reid McManus, M.L.A., for Westmorland county, died last night in a Montreal hospital, according to word received in the city today. Mrs. McManus was prominent in Catholic Women's League circles in this city, and took an active part in many branches of charitable work.

Mrs. McManus was a native of Cape Breton. Besides her husband, she is survived by seven children, six daughters, Mary, Margaret, Winnifred, Katherine, Frances and Janet, and one son, John, all at home. Three brothers, George McDonald, Halifax; Judge L. X. McDonald, Sydney, and Dr. D. F. McDonald, of Taunton, Mass., and two sisters, Mrs. Joseph McDonald, North Sydney, and Mrs. E. P. Cunningham, Moncton, also survive here.

The funeral wil be held Friday morning from St. Bernard's church here.

Mrs. Joseph Foran

NEWCASTLE, July 15—Mrs. Joseph Foran died this afternoon after an illness of six months. She leaves her husband and eight small children, also a brother, Charles Jardine, of Newcastle. She was formerly Miss Gertrude Jardine, daughter of the late Michael Jardine.

Stores open Friday evenings until 10 o'clock; closed Saturday afternoons.

MRA

Extra Special
Boys' Straight Knickers
In navy serge. 3 to 10 year sizes.
Only $1 pr

Commencing Friday Morning

July Clearance Sale Of Men's Clothing

Values Much Out of the Ordinary Now Offered

Many men who read this advertisement will invest in a new suit in the fall and pay quite a bit more money. It's a business proposition for them to look into these values—a matter of Dollars to buy Now, two months ahead. Styles are only those that will continue in the lead for autumn.

Big Suit Sale
Offering our entire stock of business suits, sport models, youths' suits, and golf suits at big reductions. Good-looking, fine wearing tweeds and worsteds in Irish, Scotch and British Weaves. A fine assortment.
Sale Prices $17.95 to $42.50

Boys' 2-Trouser Suits
Strong Tweed Mixtures in three good patterns. For ages 8 to 18 years.
Sale $8.50

Boys' Fancy Tweed Suits
These are our very highest grade lines, among them the famous "Kloth Klads" with two bloomers (both strongly reinforced.) Values are very special.
$9.25, $10.25, $11.50, $14.75
Kloth Klads $15.75

Extra Special
Men's Fancy Tweed Suits in a wide range of patterns and models. Very exceptional value $21

Light Weight Top Coats
Including navy gabardines, coverts, mixed tweeds, etc., in Slip-ons, Raglans and Belted models.
Sale Prices—
$14.50 to $35

Special Top Coats
Fancy Tweeds with raglan or set-in sleeves. Plain full backs or belted.
Extra Value $14.50

Junior Suits
For Boys 4 to 9 Years.
Navy blues and fancy tweeds in Junior Norfolk, Middy styles, Oliver Twists and other models becoming to little fellows.
Big Bargains Here.
$3.75, $4.25, $5 and up to $8.50
(Men's shop, 2nd floor.)

Boys' Straight Knickers
In Serges, Tweeds and Corduroys. For ages 3 to 8 years only. Sale $1, $1.20, $1.40, $1.50, $1.95

BOYS' BLOOMERS
In Serges, Tweeds and Corduroys. For ages 6 to 18 years. Sale $1.75, $1.95, $2.25, $3.25

Special Sales For Friday All Day

Fancy Coat Lining
In cotton Crepe and fancy, figured Sateen. 40 in. wide. Friday Sale—
89c yd
(ground floor.)

Madras Outing Shirts With Collar Attached
Showing in two nice shades of tan with self colored, mercerized stripe. Only a few of them to be sold at this low price.
Friday Sale—
$1.69 each
(Men's furnishings, ground floor.)

A Bargain in Sweater Yarns
Your choice of over forty fashionable shades. 2 oz. balls. Friday Sale—
27c ball
(Ground floor.)

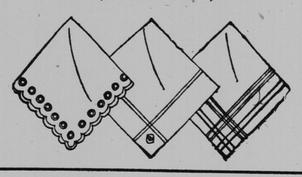
Odd Lines of Women's Silk Hose
Brown only with white clocks. All sizes. A big bargain. For Quick Clearance—
40c pr
(Ground floor.)

Children's Socks
3-4 length. Balances left from a previous sale. Odd sizes. Friday sale—
25c pr
(Ground floor.)

Women's Silk Gloves
With woven tips. Grey, fawn, mode and black. Sizes 6 to 7 1-2. Friday sale—
75c pr
(Ground floor.)

Sample Handkerchiefs
All linen with white and colored corners. Friday Sale—
25c each
(Ground floor.)

Rayon Silk Scarfs
Very soft and becoming. Pretty shades of Silver, Jade, Copen, Maize, etc., as well as black. Friday Sale—
$2.25 each
(Ground floor.)



Manchester Robertson Allison Limited
KING STREET · GERMAIN STREET · MARKET SQUARE