

BRITISH RAIL SCHEDULES AGAIN BACK TO NORMAL

BOTH SIDES CLAIM VICTORY AS RAIL STRIKE IS ENDED

Settlement Saves Premier MacDonald From Necessity of Government Arbitration.

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London, England, Jan. 29.—Settlement of the engineers' and firemen's strike on British railroads, reached early today by private negotiation between the strikers and the railway managers, prevented the new Labor government from being drawn into an embarrassing controversy. Normal train schedules were resumed today.

Fortunately for Premier MacDonald, he was relieved of the necessity of government arbitration with its onerous duty of taking an impartial stand between the aggrieved workmen and the capitalists.

All political reactions from the strike, therefore, are cancelled, as the men return to work satisfied that they gained their point, while the railway managers are equally satisfied that they have upheld their side of the case by refusing to put aside the agreement proposed by the national wages board. Both sides claim a victory as usual.

The real sufferers, the traveling public and the affected industries, are relieved by the settlement, but they view with grave misgivings the total cost of disrupted railway service. Besides 2,500 railway workers who have been idle for ten days, over a quarter of a million workers in other industries have been thrown into enforced idleness.

The industry suffered most severely, there being nearly two hundred thousand idle in various fields. Iron and steel furnaces at Barrow, West Hartlepool, Ebbw Vale, and Swansea, are damaged down and possibly will not be able to start again until next week.

At the ports thousands of dock laborers are idle on short time. It is impossible to trace the endless ramifications of the strike reactions, but figures are compiled in only a few sections of the country show that millions of pounds have been lost. Even to the striking engineers their fight cost a great deal more than they gain by the settlement just reached.

PIONEER TRUCK DRIVER FREED IN TRUCK CASE

W. Niles Denied He Deliberately Halted Progress of North Belt Car.

When George Wood, London Street Railway motorman, rang the bell to get a motor truck out of his way on January 23, the driver did not swerve one iota from the tracks. Mr. Wood was compelled to slow down his car for two blocks as a consequence and on advice of the railway, halted William Niles, driver of the truck, into court on a charge of deliberately obstructing traffic.

Richard Tuttle, conductor of the North Belt car, of which Wood is motorman, confirmed the latter's evidence regarding the obstructionist tactics of the truck. Niles, however, said his cab was closed and did not hear the going.

"I was going 12 miles an hour and keeping my eye on the traffic just ahead," Niles said. "I didn't think to look at the motor which would have shown that the street car was in the rear. I drove on the tracks because the road was cluttered with snow-drifts. If I had known the car was there I would have got out of the way."

The court stated that Niles was not to blame, and dismissed the case. The defendant, on leaving, said he was the first truck driver in London, and had never appeared in court before.

CITY BONDS OF \$1,000,000 TO BE AVAILABLE IN WEEK

City Treasurer Bell has still about \$1,000,000 worth of London debentures for sale. These will not be available for at least a week, however, following yesterday's sale of \$243,000. What is known as "protection" is given for a week after a sale.

CHIMNEY FIRE.

The Fire Department responded to a call sent in from the corner of Ridout and Chester streets shortly after 8 o'clock this morning. A chimney fire was extinguished with no loss.

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News From City Churches

ST. MARK'S A. Y. P. A.

Following a jolly sleighride which covered many miles of territory in the London East district, the A. Y. P. A. of St. Mark's Church were entertained last evening at the home of the president, James Mirehouse, on King street. Games and a hot supper were enjoyed. The latter was served by Mrs. Mirehouse, Jr., Mrs. Mirehouse, Sr., and Mrs. Harry Pearson.

CRONYN MEMORIAL A. Y. P. A.

Born of first-hand experience, Professor W. J. Russell's knowledge of conditions in and the possibilities of Northern Ontario has interested a great many people in the city. Last evening Professor Russell spoke on this subject to the A. Y. P. A. of Cronyn Memorial Church. Rev. Ridley Parsons, the president, was in the chair, and the conclusion there was an hour spent in games.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

To a young and very eager audience of the Junior Auxiliary of Cronyn Memorial Church yesterday afternoon, Miss Eva Hasell, one of the most interesting and adventuresome workers of the Church of England in Northwestern Canada, told some of her thrilling experiences. The children spent some time with their mothers in addition to hearing Miss Hasell, who told them much concerning the children of the mission schools for whom they were working.

ST. MATTHEW'S A. Y. P. A.

The combined societies numbered about fifty last evening when the A. Y. P. A. of St. Matthew's Church, East London, entertained the A. Y. P. A. of St. George's Church, West London. The president of the former, Charlie Powell, was in charge of the program for which a splendid program was prepared under the convener, Reginald Parker. Miss Beatrice Jones and Miss Winifred Parker convoked the refreshment committee.

TRINITY A. Y. P. A.

Following a short business meeting, the A. Y. P. A. of Trinity Church devoted most of their time last evening to rehearsal for a new play which they are to present. The rehearsal was the somewhat intriguing little, and this will be presented a short time before Lent.

KNOX CHURCH W. M. S.

The season opened most auspiciously to the W. M. S. of Knox Presbyterian Church with their first meeting of 1924 last evening. The new officers assumed their places, and the choice of a speaker for the inaugural meeting of the year was a particularly happy one. Miss Elizabeth Thom, who has recently returned after working as a missionary amid the thrills and perils which Armenia has afforded of late years, spoke to the W. M. S. on her work there.

Mrs. Symington and Mrs. D. A. McKay were in charge of that portion of the evening devoted to "conservation" which was the topic. Mrs. V. K. Greer read the Bible lesson and Miss Anderson gave the opening prayer.

FIRST METHODIST Y. P. S.

A particularly timely subject was dealt with by Mr. Jared Vining, president of the Young People's Society of the First Methodist Church on "Public Utilities and Public Ownership." The program, over which Mr. E. H. Hardy presided, included a duet by Messrs. McGregor and Brown and for which Mr. McDougall played the accompaniment. Mr. George Blake gave the Bible reading. Games and contests were ended at the conclusion of the formal program.

DUNDAS CENTRE LEAGUE.

"The Influence of the Teeth in the Making of a Citizen" was the unique and interesting subject of the Dundas Centre League of Dundas Methodist Church last evening by their president, Dr. B. E. Wilson. The program, which was given by the Dundas Centre League of Dundas Methodist Church last evening by their president, Dr. B. E. Wilson. The program, which was given by the Dundas Centre League of Dundas Methodist Church last evening by their president, Dr. B. E. Wilson.

MARION KEITH CLUB.

At a short business meeting held last evening, the Marion Keith Club of St. Andrew's Church arranged to give a supper for the Girls' Cabinet of the city next week from next Saturday. Following this meeting, the girls attended the lecture on Palestine given under the auspices of the Young People's Federation.

ST. ANDREW'S MISSION BAND.

The Robinson-Gunert evangelistic party, was the guest of honor at the meeting yesterday afternoon of the King's Own and Outlook mission bands of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. In addition to being the guest of honor, Mr. Kofford provided a splendid part of the program, telling the children in a most interesting fashion the Old Testament story of Samuel.

LECTURE AT ST. ANDREW'S.

With an attendance greatly larger than was expected, the Young People's Federation of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church are more than encouraged with the success of the first event held this year under their auspices. This was the lecture given last evening in St. Andrew's Hall by Rev. Frank A. Robinson of Toronto on "Palestine." Mr. Robinson has travelled extensively in the Holy Land and many of his views shown were taken by himself. The lecture was given to a musical accompaniment by Miss Gurnet, the Chicago pianist, who was in the city with Dr. J. H. Morgan. Every organization in connection with the church was well represented.

FIRST CHURCH FEDERATION.

Under the direction of Mr. Hubert Eckert, president, the Young People's Federation of the First Presbyterian Church held a successful skating party last evening at Victoria Park. The choir, C. S. E. T. C. G. I. T. Kappa Phi, Service Band, C. G. I. T. Alumnae, and other organizations.

ASKIN STREET LEAGUE.

Epworth Leaguers of Askin Street Methodist Church enjoyed a skating party at Thames Park last evening. Following this, they returned to the church, where a typical winter's night supper of beans and brown bread and coffee was served under the direction of the social convener, Mrs. LeRoy Hiles. A sing-song was enjoyed, with Miss Florence West at the piano.

HALE STREET LEAGUE.

Clarence Weakes presided over last night's meeting of the Epworth League of Hale Street Methodist Church, when the topic was taken by Miss Elsie McLeod, on "Citizenship." Howard Young arranged the program, which included the reading of the Bible lesson by Herman Coulke, an explanation of this by Mildred Barons, and a solo by Miss Mildred McGuffin, accompanied by Mrs. George Shaw. There was a delightful piano duet also by Mrs. Earl McLurg and Miss Wilson.

ST. JAMES' A. Y. P. A.

The A. Y. P. A. of St. James' Church went from South London to extreme North London last evening, when they held a tobogganing party on the University Hill. The trip was made in a huge truck lent for the purpose by Mr. Edmund Abey, and in which the party returned to the church to enjoy the hot supper. This latter was prepared under the direction of Miss Hilda Carter and Mrs. Husbands. About thirty-five members attended.

CHALMERS LADIES' AID.

The Ladies' Aid of Chalmers Presbyterian Church met last evening at the home of Mrs. G. Triggs, 103 Waterloo street, and at which the hostesses will be Mrs. McHarg, Mrs. Triggs and Mrs. Stanfield.

PLAY AT ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

"The Country School M'am" was the highly successful play presented last evening at St. Luke's Church, Broadhedge, by the Masonville Dramatic Club. The play was given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid, and attracted an attendance sufficiently large to fill the parish hall to overflowing.

ST. DAVID'S A. Y. P. A.

"Resolved, that tariff reform is most beneficial to the British workman than free trade," was the somewhat formidable subject undertaken for debate last evening at a meeting of the A. Y. P. A. of St. David's Church. The victory, awarded by the members who acted as judges, went to the negative side, supported by W. Paice, although the affirmative side was ably upheld by Henry Green. Following this, there was a burlesque debate which afforded a great deal of fun. The subject of this was: "Resolved that a silk hat is more elegant than a straw hat." The affirmative side, which the victory was accorded, was upheld by the rector, Rev. R. D. Mess, and the president of the society, W. Duddridge, went down to defeat in support of the straw hat.

RIDOUT STREET LEAGUE.

"Citizenship" was the topic at last night's meeting of the Epworth League of Ridout Street Methodist Church, with Henry Muma in charge. Mr. Hosking gave a paper on the subject. The league are entering upon a campaign, not merely to gain new members, but to stimulate interest on the part of everyone now connected with it. Four groups were formed under the leadership of the four vice-presidents, and the group which makes the least progress will be obliged to banquet the most progressive team. Mrs. (Dr.) Waid contributed a delightful solo at this meeting. It was arranged that the league should celebrate its anniversary on the first Sunday evening in March.

KING WINTER IS EASY ON PURSE OF COUNTY

Old King Winter has been fairly easy on the purse of the County of Middlesex so far. Engineer Charles Talbot stated today that money expended on clearing away snow drifts on the Middlesex roads would not be more than \$200 up to the present time.

ENGINEER REPORTS ONLY \$200 EXPENDED FOR KEEPING ROADS CLEAR.

"This is not much, compared with past years," said Mr. Talbot. "A few years ago we spent over \$1,000 on the Proof Line road alone during winter months. The same amount has been spent on Lambett road in the past. Last winter was one of the mildest in years, and we spent no money in keeping roads clear."

OWNER OF MOVIE HOUSE FILES SUIT FOR \$450,000

Associated Press Despatch. New York, Jan. 29.—Sydney E. Samuelson, proprietor of a theatre at Newton, N. J., today filed in federal court suit for \$450,000 under the anti-trust law, naming Will H. Hayes and a number of the largest motion picture producers and distributors in the United States as defendants.



HAMMERS USED BY SLAYER.
The above picture shows the two hammers used by the murderer of Mrs. Martha Crooks, Jameson avenue, Toronto. The police, who are working on the crime, hope to identify the slayer by these weapons of death.

Students Now Realize Need Of Higher Education, Says Principal of Collegiate

T. S. H. Graham Points to the Greater Numbers Attending High Schools Today.

STANDARDS ARE RAISED
Only 3 of 343 Pupils at South High Influenced by the Adolescent Act.

Students of today are realizing the need for better and higher education, according to Principal T. S. H. Graham, London South Collegiate, and for that reason are remaining in school longer than in former years. This answer was given in reply to a question concerning the reasons for the increase in the high school population of the city, while that of the public schools has shown an apparent decrease.

Mr. Graham told The Advertiser that the students see that they must acquire a good sound education in order to be able to cope with the demands made on them in after life, and for this reason are continuing their studies at high school as long as possible.

Another reason for the increase, he stated, was that universities have raised their standards of entrance, and now demand an honorific education in at least two subjects before a student will be accepted.

This has had the effect of increasing the number of senior students who wish to go through university and now can only obtain their matriculation by careful and applied study through all the years of high school.

HOPES C. N. R. REVENUE WILL EXCEED INTEREST

Most of Bond Issue Proceeds Goes to Obligations and Expenditures.

Canadian Press Despatch. Montreal, Jan. 29.—Henry Thornton said last night that 70 per cent of the proceeds of the recent \$50,000,000 C. N. R. bond issue is to be devoted to the liquidation of capital obligations and expenditures for capital account.

"This issue calls for an annual interest payment of \$2,500,000, being at the rate of 5 per cent. It is the policy of the administration to make only such capital expenditures as will be productive of increased revenue or will result in decreased expenses in an amount that will considerably exceed the rate of interest called for."

TWENTY WRITE EXAMS FOR ASSESSMENT VACANCY

Approximately 20 applicants for a vacant position in the city assessment office wrote their examinations last night under the direction of Commissioner Harry Bennett.

All applications will be submitted to the finance committee Wednesday night, however, while the commissioner will also tend his personal recommendation, based upon last night's examination.

WOMAN PASSENGER GIVES BIRTH TO BABY ON TRAIN

Canadian Press Despatch. Ottawa, Jan. 29.—While travelling from the West on the Continental Limited of the Canadian National Railways to this city, Mrs. E. Skehan, a passenger, gave birth to a baby girl, on Sunday, it became known today.

Mrs. Skehan, in company with her husband, was coming to the capital to visit her parents. When the baby arrived there was no doctor on the train, but a French lady volunteered to act as nurse. On her arrival at the station she was conveyed to a local hospital, where it is stated that both are doing well.

CATTLE DISEASE UNDER CONTROL

Associated Press Despatch. London, Jan. 29.—A satisfactory sign that the foot and mouth epidemic among animals is being defeated under subjection by the authorities is that in the past week only 46 cases of foot and mouth outbreaks were reported. This is the smallest number reported since August 27 last.

Grave Problem of Dress Now Confronts Londoners And Back Comes Suspenders

Designers of Clothes Rule That Belt Must Pass.

TOUCHES FOUNDATION

Knickers Are Style, and Businessmen Must Don Morning Coat.

Do you wear suspenders? A rather personal question, perhaps, but one of great importance to the well-dressed man. Local haberdashers will tell you that any man who wears a belt is much behind the times and is in danger of becoming a social outcast.

Information on this point comes from the Merchant Tailor Designers' Association, which ended its annual convention in New York yesterday. One of the most serious things discussed was suspenders. Should suspenders be worn in preference to belt? The convention unanimously voted "Yes," adding that mild, tropical weather would henceforth be the only excuse for wearing belts.

This decision touches the very foundation of the masculine wearing apparel problem. The battle between the belt and suspender has reached a stage where the pros no longer speak to the cons, and vice versa. Yesterday, however, a body blow was delivered to advocates of the belt. And local men's wear merchants intend to support that decision, throwing the whole weight of their influence on the side of the suspender.

The basis of this radical change is the fact that Valentino wears suspenders. This news was very definitely confirmed by chance, a newspaper photographer having taken a picture of the mighty sheik, which revealed that he never wore a belt. When the word reached respectable haberdashers they stood aghast. Something had to be done immediately, for it is well known that Rudolf's fancies in the world of fashion are the same as law. Thus, the men's wear specialists had no other alternative but to decree suspenders for the coming season.

Another sensational decision on the part of fashion dictators is their indorsement of the knicker. This spring and summer any man or woman who hasn't at least three pairs of knickers will be ostracized by the elite. They come in checked, brown and white and black and white—so when you are tired of playing golf in them, you may play checkers on them.

Further, if you do not appear at the office in a morning coat, commonly known as "rock," with striped trousers, you will be very much out of the man of energy. The "go-get-em" type, a sack coat, black or dark gray, with striped trousers and derby hat is the vogue. For those of more dignity, however, the only thing is a top hat, preferably of silk. Tiepins are still "vulgar," according to the merchant tailor designers.

BRITISH FACING STRIKE AT DOCKS

Railway Walkout Just Settled When More Trouble Looms.

Associated Press Despatch. London, Jan. 29.—No sooner had the railway strike been settled, as announced early this morning, and the British public was settling down to the hope of normal conditions after the recent upset than another section of British labor issued a threat to strike unless its demands were conceded.

At a conference of the dock workers, which was held yesterday to instruct the members of their union to withdraw their services on February 16 in all the ports of Great Britain unless in the meantime a satisfactory settlement of the wage dispute is reached.

The existing wage agreement which the union has notified the employers will expire next Thursday gives a minimum rate of ten shillings daily in the larger ports and nine shillings in the smaller ports. The dockers' union had submitted an application for an increase of two shillings daily, with a proportionate advance in piece work rates, and the establishment of a maintenance scheme to meet the problem of casual labor by providing a guaranteed week's work of pay.

MASKED BANDITS ROB LYNDONVILLE, N. Y. BANK

Canadian Press Despatch. Lyndonville, N. Y., Jan. 29.—Four armed and unmasked robbers yesterday held up the Citizens' State Bank of this village and escaped with \$17,000 in silver, bills and gold. Not a shot was fired during the robbery, which consumed less than ten minutes. The bandits, driving a big touring car, headed south from Lyndonville, and turned west towards Niagara Falls and Buffalo.

PRESBYTERIAN COUNCIL OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

Good Progress Reported During Year at Annual Meeting Last Night.

All last year's officers of the local Presbyterian Council were re-elected at the annual meeting held last night, with Rev. W. R. McIntosh heading the list as president.

The meeting, which was well attended, heard glowing reports of progress and efficiency, as well as a report of the financial condition of the council. Following this presentation of the reports, the council decided to make the customary grants to churches, the same procedure as in past years being followed.

TURKS TO GRANT FURTHER CONCESSIONS TO GROUPS

Associated Press Despatch. Constantinople, Jan. 29.—Major B. E. Clayton-Kennedy, representing the Ottoman-American Development Company, is still in Ankara, the Turkish capital. It is reported that the new minister of public works, Suleiman Sivri Bey, has reconsidered the abrogation of the Chester concessions, and will offer further facilities to the Clayton-Kennedy group.

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YOUNGER PEOPLE URGED TO WORK TO HELP DISTRICT

B. Y. P. U. Holds Big Rally at Egerton Street Church.

HOPE MISSION WINS

A memorable rally was held by the B. Y. P. U. of London in Egerton Street Baptist Church last night. Supper was served to the officers of the various societies, after which a round-table conference was held on various methods of work.

In the auditorium the societies from the various Baptist churches were seated in groups, spaces being allotted to each. The Egerton street orchestra made things lively by their excellent numbers, while a massed choir assisted in the singing.

"Wanted—a Man" was the subject discussed by Rev. Andrew Inmie.

"The B. Y. P. U. must remain an agency for bringing young life to Christ," he said. "God is banking on you, and he wants you to step out. I listen to the tramp of young men going down every day, and I ask what's the trouble. The answer is inefficiency. God wants men he can use, so he called and used Luther; he called Knox, who cried, 'Oh God, give me Scotland or let me die.' The 'one was when France needed a man and Gambetta marked himself as the outstanding orator and statesman of his time. God wanted a man in the south and he used Abraham Lincoln. Lift Up District.

"Young people, you can lift your district to the confines of heaven or let it drop to the confines of hell. This time demands men of great faith, large hearts and a ready hand, men who can live above the fog. Today God wants workers in every department of his work. The world today is looking for a church where Jesus is. We know he died, and that he arose, and we know he is going to save his world. It's a wonderful reality and the greatest truth in the world. Men want a salvation that will take them the whole distance.

"Young people, you dare not let business or pleasure or any other thing stand between you and the salvation of a man's soul. The sin that burns boys and girls today is the sin that keeps you from God. The heart of the Master opens to you, but you hold back for fear of criticism. You will never have peace until the Lord says, 'Thy sins are forgiven thee.' Forget your own feelings, forget your rights; God wants you and he has something for you to do. Never forget the outstanding business of saving men. Never give up until the need which is in London has been met, solved and gloriously answered. God wants men in London who will save the price of getting in line with God. He will use the usable man to the utmost."

A count of those present showed that the following: Adelaide Street, 39; Maitland Street, 24; Egerton Street, 120; Wortley Road, 49; Hope Mission, 63; Kensal Park, 11.

The shield for the largest percentage of attendance went to Hope Mission B. Y. P. U.

DEMANDS FOR FLIER 'NO. 8' INCREASE IN CITY

C. N. R. Officials Considering "Comeback" of N. Y.-Chicago Special.

Whether old "No. 8," on the Canadian National, the through train from Chicago to New York will do "comeback" in the middle of April is still on the knees of the railway gods.

Ernie Ruse, C. N. R. ticket agent here, says the return of the popular "No. 8" is only a rumor so far, although there is a strong local demand for its reinstatement. He explained that in the old days when it was running it was mighty useful to people from the east, who had come into London for show or a concert or something. They could get No. 8 at half-past twelve to take them home, as it stopped at Ingersoll and Woodstock. It arrived in New York at half-past four the following afternoon, and gave its passengers a daylight ride through New York State.

Altogether it was a mighty sociable, chummy, useful train any way you look at it, and Londoners and others are hoping it will be restored to its usefulness and their convenience as an early date.

GREATLY IMPROVED.

James W. Roch, employee of the Crystal Lake Ice Company, who underwent an operation in Victoria Hospital on Thursday for the removal of his left eye, which was badly pierced by a pipe staff while he was cutting ice near the Cove, was reported this morning to be greatly improved.

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