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Let's Get Together To Better Maritimes, Says Thornton

FORGET PAST, LOOK TO THE FUTURE, SAYS C. N. R. PRESIDENT

Sir Henry Thornton Promises Close Consideration of Maritime Case.

UNITY IS URGED

Railway Chief Would Have Round Table Discussion of All Problems.

Moncton, Nov. 25.—A clear and definite enunciation of the sentiments and the policy of The Canadian National Railways towards the three Maritime Provinces was made by Sir Henry W. Thornton, chairman and president of the National system, in an address which he delivered to the executive of the Board of Trade of Moncton tonight.

Sir Henry's visit to Moncton was made for the purpose of giving the Board of Trade an opportunity to present to him whatever matters of importance concerning the railway they had in mind, but that purpose being rendered abortive owing to important engagements of a majority of the board on civic matters requiring immediate attention, Sir Henry promised the executive that he would return to Moncton for 24 hours within the next 90 days to permit the board to discuss their problems with him. It was in making this promise that Sir Henry took advantage of the opportunity to make apparent the attitude of the Canadian National Railways towards the Maritimes.

"I have suggested before," said Sir Henry, "and I repeat it again that it is my opinion that if the Maritime Provinces would get together and form a small committee of business men to confer with me on problems which affect us, it would be to our immediate mutual advantage. Would it be a good thing if we could sit down with some of your representative citizens and see if we can get something done instead of just talking about it?"

Defines Position.

"I do not believe that the Maritime Provinces have reached a condition where no further progress can be expected. That is all rot and nonsense. There is no legitimate reason why we can't see why the future of the Maritime Provinces should not be as big as that of any other part of Canada.

"This is my pledge to the people of the Maritime Provinces: I will do anything or follow up any suggestion any of you can make. But let us sit down in an orderly fashion in tranquility, without prejudice and without thinking of the past, and do what we can to improve conditions that will work for the betterment of the Maritime Provinces.

"So far as the Canadian National Railways are concerned I am sure you will appreciate that my first duty is to put that railway on a paying basis, or at least to endeavor to relieve the taxpayers of Canada of as much as possible of the financial burden the railways place upon them. To do that we must do two things, increase our business and decrease our expenses. In doing that we desire at the same time to assist as far as is humanly possible every part of Canada in its legitimate development and this desire is as sincere in respect to the Maritime Provinces as it is to any other portion of the Dominion."

Results From Radio.

Sir Henry also dealt for a few minutes with the establishment of a new radio station of the company at Moncton. "There may be," he said, "those who cannot see the connection between radio and a railway system. When I tell you that already C. N. R. A has been heard in Bourneouth, England, and in all of the states on the Atlantic seaboard of the United States as well as in other states much further west, and that from our first broadcasting we received more than 200 letters from the United States, all of which were answered with a letter which also contained information calculated to attract attention to these provinces, you may agree with me that radio is not a toy, not a fad, not a plaything, but of distinct commercial use. It was thought in the early days of its history that the telephone was a fad. I venture to believe that the history of radio will be that of the telephone."

In concluding his address, Sir Henry spoke upon the rising conditions in business generally and referred to the new first class passenger steamship service to be inaugurated by the Canadian National Railways in co-operation with the White Star Line, which will place this winter and the approval of the construction of a large grain elevator at Halifax as two instances of things likely to add business conditions in the Maritimes.

SHOWER FOR BRIDE.

Members of the staff of Manchester Robertson Allison, Limited, met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Keen, Manawagonish road, on Monday night and tendered a surprise shower to Miss Grace Donkin, who is to be married at this morning. When the bride-to-be entered the residence the hall, which had been dimly lighted, was suddenly brightly illuminated and a beautifully decorated basket full of gifts was displayed. Red and white streamers from the basket to all corners of the room added attractiveness to the decoration scheme. The evening was pleasantly spent with games and music and refreshments were served.

Maritimes' Case Is Stated To President of the C. N. R.



SIR HENRY W. THORNTON

SIR HENRY:---

The Maritime Provinces wish to be recognized by the rest of Canada as a part of Canada.

We have assumed our share of the public liabilities which made possible the construction of our two great railway systems, the Canadian Pacific and the Canadian National.

We feel that, if as a partner with the rest of Canada, we have to assume our full share of losses and liabilities, as well as our share of the original cost of the Canadian National Railways, we should be counted in as full participants in the assets and benefits accruing from the operation of such a property.

Today we are bearing our percentage of whatever loss in operation the Canadian National Railway may incur, amounting in some years to our total federal income tax.

Portland, Maine, cannot be taxed for Canadian National Railway deficits, but St. John and Halifax can and are.

Whether such deficits originate in Canada, in Portland or in connection with the administration of the other United States branches of the Canadian National Railways, it is St. John, Halifax and the rest of Canada which pay.

It is unthinkable that the Maritime Provinces should be taxed to build up a foreign port; yet that is what is being done.

Not being a manufacturing section, we are, through our tariff, being called upon to assist in the upbuilding of the rest of Canada, particularly Ontario and Quebec, a duty which we have been uncomplainingly performing since 1867.

The Maritime Provinces have also cheerfully paid their quota of the cost of the construction and operation of the free canal system of Canada.

Without going into details of the Confederation Pact, we wish the principles of that pact realized by the people of Canada, and the greatest of our public servants.

We ask no charity or special privileges as against any other part of Canada, but we do demand a realization that we are partners in the Canadian National Railways, and we emphasize the fact that as between Portland and Halifax and St. John, there can be no question as to which ports should receive recognition.

If the Maritimes are to stay in Confederation, we must be classed as a part of Confederation, when benefits are being considered as well as when taxes are being levied.

SEARCH FOR BODY OF KING HAROLD

Ruins of English Church Will be Scanned as It is Demolished.

London, Nov. 26.—The headless body of Harold the First—"Harold Harefoot"—King of England from 1035 to 1040, is to be sought for during the demolition of St. Olave's church, Southwark. Other relics, too, of the same and later periods, are expected to be found, and the most careful scrutiny is to be made.

"There is a tradition," said the Rev.

T. P. Stevens of Southwark Cathedral, "that Harold the First was buried in St. Olave's."

"The first church on the site of St. Olave's was built in 1030 A. D., on or near an old Danish burial ground. And the story of Harold's burial there—based on an old record—is most interesting."

"Harold died at Oxford, and was buried in Westminster Abbey. But later the body was disinterred by order of Hardeknute, beheaded, and flung contemptuously into the Thames."

"The headless body was swept down the river, and discovered by a fisherman near the spot where St. Olave's now stands, and given decent but secret burial."

COMMITTEE MEETS.

A meeting of the teachers' committee of the Board of School Trustees was held last night with Dr. L. M. Curran, chairman, presiding. Matters of routine were dealt with.

TERRORISTS TAKE HAND IN GERMAN ELECTION FIGHT

Hardest Elements in Red Party Organize Big Shock Troop Groups

By CARL D. GROAT. (United Press Staff Correspondent.) Berlin, Nov. 25.—Terror is to play a role in the German elections, Dec. 7, if the Communists have their way.

They have just completed organization of a big shock troop group known as the "Roter Frontkämpferbund," composed of the hardest elements in the red party. Most of the members of this organization have served in the trenches and many of them were formerly incorporated in the so-called "Hundertschaften" or "Companies of one hundred" dissolved a year ago by government orders. A sub-division of the "R. F. B." as the organization is known for short, is the "Der Rote Jungsturm" or "Red Youth Storm."

The terror activity of this new organization will be directly chiefly against the new republican organization "Reichsbanner schwarz-rot-gold," but some attention will also be paid to the fascist storm troops of Hitler and Ludendorff.

Organization of the red group is in line with open instruction of Sinowjew and others in Moscow for organization of workers' troops to be used against "the enslavement of the German proletariat through the slave chains of the Dawes regime."

Police on Watch.

The police and Reichswehr are keeping a specially sharp eye on the red organizations, fearing that they will attempt labor uprisings in Saxony, Berlin and other industrial centres. The police everywhere are under special alarm measures which require reinforced watchfulness until the campaign is over. This is also true of the Reichswehr, which in many garrisons is constructing "Spanish riders," as barbed wire entanglements have come to be known. All garrisons are now at full strength, all detached groups having been recalled to home stations. Leaders of the police and army do not exactly anticipate any push, as a result of the election campaign, but are known to have shaped their plans for every eventuality. Their programme hence includes preparations for a possible outbreak directly after the elections on the part of some disappointed groups. Since the nationalists and fascists are the most likely to suffer reverses, it is assumed that this calculation is directed against the chance of a fascist or pan-German push.

The fascists at the moment, however, are suffering from internal dissension. They have always been more or less discordant amongst themselves, but the breach now appears to be broader than ever. Big industrialists are hesitating to throw any more money into the fascist cause and this is taking some of the fight out of the fight of the fascists. At the same time the Communist effort appears to be completely empty. Moscow, hitherto credited with pouring golden floods into the reds' treasuries in Germany, is apparently not so lavish as heretofore. Moscow, however, keeps a hand on the red movement here and gives it such direction as it has.

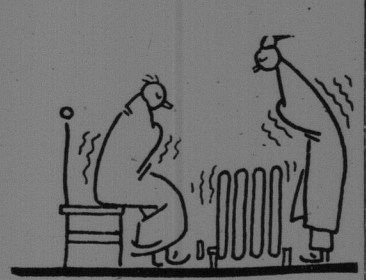
The reds, except for their new terror organization, are badly adrift. Their leaders are hunted and hounded by the police, who started immediately after dissolution of the Reichstag to make a clean-up of the leading red deputies, including the stormy Ruth Fischer.

This police search has succeeded so far in keeping the Communist campaign on the stump and confined solely to word of mouth campaigning in the factories and in the columns of the Communist paper "Rote Fahne."

The Communists are destined to considerable losses to the Socialists in the elections. However, they still muster a surprisingly large number of voters, despite the fact that the movement itself has lost "punch" since as long ago as 1921.

SHOW SEA SHELLS.

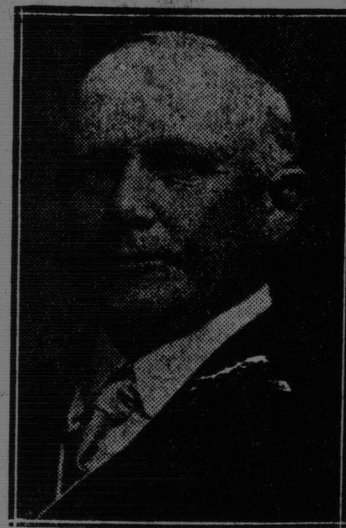
The display of sea shells, chiefly of the "pearly" variety is attracting much attention to the window of the Natural History Museum on Union street. The museum has a very fine collection of shells and some of the most beautiful specimens are on display in the window.



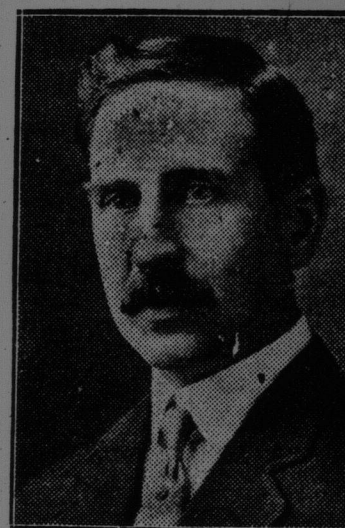
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READ THE WANT ADS

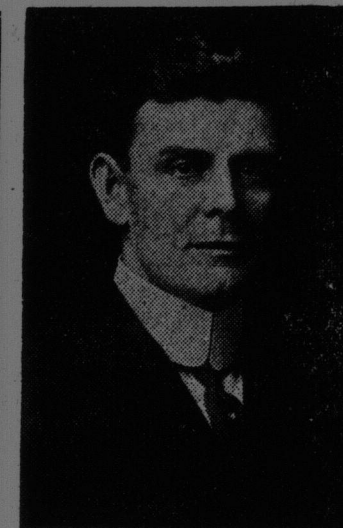
C. N. R. Chiefs In St. John Today



MATTHEW LODGE



ROBERT H. MACKAY



W. U. APPLETON

Above are the pictures of three members of Sir Henry W. Thornton's party to whom the City of St. John today extends a cordial welcome. Matthew Lodge, for many years a prominent business man in the Maritime Provinces, at present residing in Moncton, is New Brunswick's representative on the board of directors of the Canadian National Railways. Robert H. MacKay, of New Glasgow, N. S., was appointed recently to the directorate of the C. N. R. He is a member of the firm of MacKay & Fraser, Ltd., manufacturers of marine gasoline engines. He was a member of the Nova Scotia Legislature in 1909 and was first administrator for Nova Scotia in 1917-1918. W. U. Appleton is the general manager of the Atlantic Region of the C. N. R., with headquarters at Moncton. He succeeded to this position on the death of the late L. S. Brown.

AWARD CONTINUES EXISTING WAGES

Board of Conciliation in Canadian Press Case Gives Decision

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Toronto, Nov. 25.—The board of conciliation appointed by the Minister of Labor to inquire into the dispute between the Canadian Press and its telegraphers, consisting of Judge Colin G. Snider, chairman, J. G. O'Donoghue, K. C., for the employees, and E. Norman Smith, for the company, made its award today after a number of sittings. The award continues the existing wage for the smaller points.

The findings of the board are unanimous except that Mr. O'Donoghue, representing the employees dissents in a minority report from the reduction in wage for the smaller points. The dispute originated last July when the men made a demand for a considerable wage increase and the company in turn asked for a wage reduction based on the fall in the cost of living since the existing agreement was made in 1920. The company offered to arbitrate the dispute and submit it to a board of conciliation and made application accordingly to the Department of Labor. The employees refused such a board and on Sept. 11 went out on strike but after ten days returned to work, accepting the offer of the Minister of Labor of a board of conciliation which has now completed its task.

PRISONER KILLS 3, THEN FIRES JAIL

Discovery of Murder Instrument Outside Window Leads to Detection.

Berlin, Nov. 25.—A fire broke out a little while ago at the court house at Halbau, a little Silesian town of 2,000 inhabitants.

At 2 a.m. a watchman saw tongues of fire starting from several places in a high-pitched room. Firemen, unable to get a reply to their knocking, broke into the building and found the mutilated bodies of the gaoler, his wife, and their daughter, aged 18, the latter buried beneath a heap of potatoes.

Terrified cries from a room in the top of the building came from the only prisoner at the place, a man of 25. He was saved, but the fire was not extinguished until the upper story of the building was destroyed.

Who was the incendiary and murderer? At last the truth was discovered. The conduct of the town's only prisoner had been so good that he was to be liberated. He wanted money, and the simplest way of getting it was to murder the gaoler and his wife, and to steal their money and valuables.

To cover his crime he had set the roof on fire, locked himself in his room, and then threw away the key. The axe which he had murdered his victims he took into the room, so as to cut his way out if necessary. When the rescuers did come he threw the axe out of the window, and the discovery of it beneath the window gave the clue that solved the mystery.

MINISTER ILL.

Rev. G. A. Lawson, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church in Moncton, is seriously ill at his home in Somerville, Mass., according to word received in Moncton.

CONCERT IS GIVEN FOR ACADIA FUND

The "Gleaners' Class" of German street Baptist Sunday school gave a delightful concert last evening before a capacity audience. The young ladies were ably assisted by Mrs. C. Mersereau and Miss N. Hatfield, in addition to those mentioned on the programme, which was as follows:

Costume duet, Miss E. Conrad, Miss B. Tyner; reading, Miss Marjorie Johnson of Mt. Allison; vocal solo, Dr. P. L. Bonnell; song, members of the class; reading, Miss Alice Vanwart of Acadia; violin solo, Mr. Taylor, with Miss Fox as accompanist; character sketch, Misses Conrad and Tyner; reading, Miss M. Johnson; vocal solo, Mrs. F. Butcher; solo and pantomime, members of class; accompanist, Miss E. Bisset.

The proceeds are to be given to the Acadia fund.

LORD BYNG PAYS OFFICIAL VISIT

Places Wreath on Soldiers' Cross in Napanee, Ontario

Napanee, Ont., Nov. 25.—Lord Byng, Governor-General of Canada, and Lady Byng paid an official visit to this town today and were given a warm welcome by the citizens.

A deputation met the vice-regal party at the train and escorted them to the armories where a large crowd had gathered with "B" company of the Frontenac Regiment and a band in attendance.

In reply to a formal address of welcome, Lord Byng made a pleasing speech. Lady Byng was presented with flowers. After making a tour around the town Lord Byng placed a floral cross at the foot of the soldiers' monument.

PUTS BAN ON ALL OFFICE PARTIES

U. S. Senate Building to be Put Under Watch Day and Night.

Washington, Nov. 26.—(United News)—A crusade against night life in the offices of Senators and Congressmen has been started, after girl jumped out of a Senator's office window at 2 a.m. when officers rapped on the door.

Senator Curtis of Kansas, chairman of the rules committee, which has charge of the Senate offices, declared the night parties must stop.

Find Several Cases.

This case is only one of several episodes which have come to light. A young man formerly said to have been employed in the office of Senator Le Roy of Wisconsin took a girl there after a dance a few nights ago. When the night watchman rapped on the door in a few minutes, the girl jumped out of the window and broke her leg. The facts became known when police questioned her at the hospital.

Some time ago a Congressman from an Eastern State nearly precipitated a scandal when he, according to the accounts of officers around the House office building, chased his stenographer down the corridor late one night after he had been drinking.

SETTLES DISPUTE.

Police Sergeant Dykeman was called to the Aberdeen public school, Erin street, yesterday morning at 10.45 o'clock to settle a dispute between two pupils.

KORETZ, TAKEN IN HALIFAX, OWNS N. Y. BOOKSTORE

Alleged Swindler to Tune of \$2,000,000 Seen in a New Role.

MODEL PRISONER

Halifax Has Story of a Necklace Gift in Restaurant.

New York, Nov. 26.—It was disclosed yesterday that Leo Koretz of Chicago, who awaits extradition in Halifax as a \$2,000,000 swindler, purchased, while a fugitive from justice, and still owns the Neighborhood Book Shop, Inc., on the exclusive end of Madison avenue. Temple Scott, a well-to-do publishers' reader, author and lecturer at New York City College, is supervisor of the shop.

Soon after Koretz fled from Chicago last February, Scott said, a cultured-looking man with a heavy, dark beard appeared at one of the Scott lectures, introduced himself as "Lou Keyte," a lover of books, and expressed a desire to purchase a bookstore in this city.

Scott thought he was talking to a man with a passing whim. But when he told "Keyte" the Neighborhood Store was for sale, \$10,000 was immediately forthcoming and the deal was closed, with "Keyte" sole owner, and, for a time, manager. There were several clerks. Scott was supervisor.

"About the time it appears the Chicago police were scenting Koretz's trail, he whom I know as Keyte announced his health was failing and he must return to his home at Halifax," Scott's story continued. "I remained in charge."

"During my vacation in New Hampshire I ran up to Halifax and visited Keyte. Everything was as he had described it. A beautiful estate, comfortable home, luxurious appointments, servants, money—and plenty of books. I found myself in the environment with which a cultured gentleman of means surrounds himself."

Keyte's health continued to keep him at Halifax, so Scott continued as supervisor of the book shop. Although Scott's health was failing, for some weeks, he joked about the situation yesterday.

"Maybe the joke's on me," he said. "We'll see. Possession is nine points of the law, they tell me, and it appears that I'm in possession—at least until the Chicago authorities get around to what they intend to do. So the Neighborhood Book Shop, Inc., Lou Keyte, president, is still doing business."

Some Sidelights.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 26.—Koretz, whose spectacular career in Nova Scotia as a gay millionaire, ended dramatically last summer, when he was arrested in his suite while preparing for a social evening in a local home, remains a model prisoner in the county jail.

The same personality that won millions and hosts of admirers has won over his cell-mates and he spends most of his time playing cards with fellow prisoners who vote him a good fellow.

Koretz said yesterday that women had been the trial of his life. They had simply overwhelmed him, he said. Friends he had made in New York after he became Lou Keyte showered him with letters and telegrams, he declared, begging for invitations to visit him at his home in Nova Scotia and many cases, when their requests were refused, he declared they sent telegrams stating the probable time of their arrival and came uninvited.

The managers of a local restaurant in which Koretz is reported to have presented a necklace over the dinner table to a young woman, said yesterday that, throughout the repast, Koretz was reading aloud from a book entitled "Hints on Making Love."

Assistant State Attorneys Sharbaro and McSwiggan, who came from Chicago to conduct the arrest, said that unless their plans were changed, they would leave on the Ocean Limited on Thursday morning, for Chicago.

Chicago, Nov. 25.—Three more indictments will be sought against Leo Koretz, it was announced today by State Attorney Robert E. Crowe. Koretz is now under only one indictment, the charge being that of operating a confidence game. By increasing the number he can be held under high bonds while awaiting trial, the prosecutor said.

BEACON LIGHT CLASS.

The Beacon Light Class of Pleasant Point Sunday school met at the home of Mrs. Richard Gould last evening when the president, W. E. Hamlin, in the chair and with a good attendance. A profitable evening was spent. Much regret was expressed at the loss of one of their members for the winter, Mrs. J. H. Ryder, who will spend the winter with her children in Maine. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. H. King.

MANY ATTEND.

One of the largest gatherings yet attended the revival services in Ludlow street Baptist church, West End, last evening when Rev. Arthur J. Vincent spoke on "The Last Call of God to Man." The address made a deep impression. Miss Vincent sang a solo very effectively at the close of her father's address. The spiritual life of the church is being greatly strengthened through these services which will conclude this week.

AT TABERNACLE CHURCH.

A mission was conducted in the Tabernacle Baptist church last evening by Rev. G. F. Bolster of Hartland, N. B. Many attended. The speaker said that the quest of salvation was a personal matter which had to be settled by each individual. A special appeal for those who wished to lead a better life was responded to in a very encouraging manner. Rev. A. L. Triford, pastor of the church, led the song service.