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The New Inter-Municipal Association Will Bring the Advantages of the Niagara District Before the World

REPRESENTATIVE MEN MEET AT WELLAND AND FORM INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION OF THE CANAL ZONE WHICH MEANS BUSINESS

W. M. German, Welland, Heads the Organization, With the Mayors of St. Catharines, Welland and Niagara Falls as Vice Presidents, and E. C. Graves Treasurer; Question of Power Supply Comes to the Fore.

At a representative gathering of representatives o fvarious municipal-ies of the Niagara District, in Well-land City Hall yesterday afternoon, the Industrial Association of the Canal Power Zone came into being. The object, briefly, is to bring before the world the desirability of the Nia-gara District as a location for fac-tories.

Those at the meeting were:

Thorold: Jos. Battle, Mayor E. P. Leno, A. B. Begg, A. J. Brady, J.E. Spenter, and Reeve George T. Merrithings.

St. Catharines: Mayor E.J. Love and Ald. E. C. Graves, P. B. Yates, and J. A. Forster.

Thorold Township: Thos. Coulter and Charles Ross and Robt. A. Abbey.

Fort tEric: Reeve Douglas, Wm. E. Hunt and W. K. Lighthead.

Port Colborne: Mayor A.D. Cross and D. McGillivray.

Humberstone Village: Reeve R. Fernhardt and L. A. Stoner.

Niagara Falls: Mayor H. P. Stephens, F. H. Leslie, C. N. Clenning, Ald. W. P. Dixon and H. H. Beam.

Merritton: Mayor T. F. Hastings, Albert Stewart, C. R. Kline, J. H. G. Bailey and Wm. Thompson.

Welland: W. M. German, L. Blake Duff, Ald. J. C. Diffin, Mayor Sutherland.

Bridgeburg: Reeve C. W. Vahey, and John James.

Port Colborne: Mayor A. D. Ross, Geo. Snyder and John Young.

Bridgeway: Reeve Rayden.

Humberstone Township: Reeve Fernhardt.

William M. German of Welland occupied the chair, and in calling the meeting to order outlined the history of the movement, pointing out that it was of great importance that the splendid possibilities of the Niagara District should be shown to the world. With energetic, united and harmonious work by the various municipalities the project can be made a great success. It will bring people here from outside who never were aware before and show them just what the Niagara district can offer.

Ald. W. P. Dixon of Niagara Falls drew attention to the desirability of factories locating in the Niagara District even from the mere standpoint of economy of power. He had noticed a report that in transmission of power from Niagara Falls to Toronto it loses eight per cent. in transit.

L. B. Duff of Welland spoke of the good effect of advertising the Welland Canal, the power facilities; likewise the historical aspect of this Niagara District.

Mr. Duff said he had drafted a series of resolutions on his own initiative, which he would like the meeting to consider.

These resolutions had been printed on slips and were handed to every man present.

The resolutions were slightly amended in some cases and then passed, as follows:

Moved by Joseph Battle, Thorold, seconded by Mayor H. P. Stephens, Niagara Falls: That the representatives of the municipal Councils of St. Catharines, Niagara Falls, Welland, Thorold, Merritton, Port Colborne, Bridgeburg, Port Dalhousie, Ft. Erie, Humberstone Village, Chippawa, Crowland, Thorold Township, Grantham Township, Louth, Stamford, Bertie, and the representatves of the following Trade Boards: The Niagara Falls Chamber of Commerce, the St. Catharines, Merritton, Thorold, Welland, Thorold Township, Port Colborne, Ridgeway, Fort Erie and Stamford Boards of Trade, convened at the City Hall, Welland, on Friday, 23rd January, 1920, hereby declare their approval of the proposal to hold at a suitable date in the present year and Industrial Conference as a publicity medium for the municipalities above named.

And that an organization be formed to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

Moved by Mayor Stephens, Niagara Falls, seconded by A. B. Begg, Thorold: That the association be named "The Industrial Association of the Canal Power Zone."

It was moved by L. B. Duff, seconded by J.A. Forster: That membership in the Association be restricted to the municipalities in Lincoln and Welland, as may hereafter join the Association.

Moved by L. B. Duff, Welland, seconded by H. H. Beam, Niagara Falls: That eash municipal council and each commercial organization be entitled to a representativei of two members in the Association, apart from any who may be elected officers of the Association.

Moved by P. B. Yates, St. Catharines, seconded by Mayor Lovelace, St. Catharines: That the following officers and committees be appointed:

President.

First Vice-President.

Second Vice-President.

Secretary.

Treasurer.

Names committee of one from each commercial organization.

Finance Committee: Ton consist of the head of each municipality, Mayor or Reeve, as the case may be.

Publicity committee of five members.

Programme committee of five members.

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POWER SUIT SETTLED OUT OF COURT.

OTTAWA, Jan. 24.—The million dollar power action of the Toronto Power company against theDominion government has been settled out of court it was announced yestrday. The claim was reduced from $1,200,000 to $800,000, and of this amount the Ontario Power company is to pay $510,000, and the Dominion government the balance. The other suit, that of the Niagara Park Commissioiers for water used for the development of the power in question, is to be argued in the exchequer court on Friday morning, January 30.

Trio Ordered to Pay For Injuries

Men Now in Jail Must Settle For Beating Cooper.

WELLAND, Jan. 24.—In the civil action of Francis Cooper against W. and H. Inness resulting from an alleged attack on Cooper by the Inness brothers and Edward Hannley of Pt. Colborne, which case has been in court several times, judgment has just been awarded to Cooper of damages to the extent of $2,500, which the three men must pay.

The trio have been serving a short term in jail following the hearing of the charge of assault and battery preferred against them bp Cooper. The suit for damages followed.

Cooper. it is alleged, was engeged in defending his chicken coop against the attack of the three men last June and he was so badly beaten that he was helpless for months.

The judgment holds that "any one of the three can be made to pay his share," or in other words, that the Crown will seize, if payment is not forthcoming, property of any one to settle the bill.

Proposes Gratuity Of $200 to $2000

G. W. V. A. Organizer Urges This Independently of What Has Been Paid.

BRIDGEBURG, Jan. 24.—At a well-attended weeting of the Great War Veterans in the new Stratton-Mann Hall here, along with a sprinkling of citizens, Organizer McLean of the Great War Veterans of Ontario, addressed the local Bridgeburg-Fort Erie branch on the necessity of an additional war gratuity for the returned men.

He recommended a gratuity, independent and irrespective of that which has already been paid, of from $200 minimum to $2,000 maximum. The local organization endorsed his attitude in this connection. None of the local veterans ha sreceived less than $210 o rmore than $500 so far.

The veterans are also arranging to send delegates to the coming convention of the organization in Montreal, when the war gratuity question wil be further aired and the Government's attention again brought to the wishes of the various branches in this respect.

PRESENT NEW MOON'S POSTURE SEEMS TO DISPROVE SOME WEATHER PROPHET THEORIES

Things seem to be all twisted around. Have you noticed the new moon? It sits squarely on its base. Weather sharkks say that kind is a dry moon and it means a dry spell of weather during the month following.

The presentt new moon came into being last Wednesday Since then more snow has fallen than perhaps all the previous time of the winter.

Snow and rain are the same thing and can both be described as falling moisture, so apparently that old saying about the dry moon is all poppycock—in other words the belief has benn knocked into a cocked hat.

Of course some of the weather sharks will continue to argue. Well weather sharks are some arguers. You know some of them will painstakingly inform you that when the moon rests on its base it is actually a wet moon—it is full of water. If tipped up it wouldn't hold water, beause a bowl situated that way wouldn't. Undoubteddly the dry moon is he one so tipped that all the water has run out if it,, they cry triumphantly and not without a bit of logic too.

So there you are gentle reader! Take your choice. Decide yourself, which is the dry moon and which the wet. There is much to be said on both sides, we admit and speaking of the dry moon being the tipped one, there is that old saying of the IIndians that if the new moon was resting horizontally enough to hang his powder horn on the lower corner, he could go hunting with a satisfied heart, knowing it was not going to rain to any considerable extent in the next while. So tally one for the dry moon sitting on its base, though the present spell of weather seems to be indubitable proof to the direct opposite.

The rest of us outsiders who profess we don't believe in any of those things like signs or wonders, can find solace and comfort in the conviction that probably the way the moon happens to be sitting has nothing to do with it at all.

10th Battalion of St. Catharines and 44th of Welland Are Included in New Orders

Announcement is made of the initial phase of the reorganization of the Canadian militia, with the order issued for the formation of the field and heavy artillery.

In this organization appears the 10th Battery of St. Catharines, and the 49th Battery of Welland.

Overseas officers will command these units.

The 10th is the old 7th Battery, which rushed to the front the first of the war and the 49th is apparently Major Ted Lancaster's St. Catharines Battery.

In all there will be fifty batteries, and these will train at annual camps.

Bank of Commerce Acts For Italy

Delegated By Treasury to Receive Subscriptions to the Loan

The Italian Government is issuing a new 5 per cent. War Loan similar in all respects to the Fifth Italian Loan, in denominations of 100, 200, 500, 1,000, 2,000, 4,000 10,000 and 20,000 lire. The issue price is 87½ lire for every 100 lire of face value. Interest coupons payable 1st January and 1st July. The subscription list in Canada will close on the 10th March next.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has been officially delegated by the Italian Treasury to receive subscriptions to the loan in Canada. The St. Catharines manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce will be pleased to receive enquiries from Italian residents and others who may be interested in this investment.

FAMILIES OF RED DEPORTEES.. MAY BE SENT AFTER THEM

Washington, Jan. 23.— Wives and children of radical aliens sent to Russia on the army transport Buford may be passengers on the first ship to leave the United States for Soviet Russia since the lifting of the blockade of that country.

Application for the sailing of "a women's ship," carrying medicine and milk for the children of Russia, has been made to the State Department by the America nWomen's Emergency Committee.

FEMALE HELP WANTED

SHORTHAND MADE EASY AT home by the "Wonder Manual" of McEwan's Easy Shorthand, $1. For book or particulars write McEwan Shorthand Corporation, Edison Building, Chicago, United States. Teachers wanted.

Farmers' Group With Some Others To Rule Canada?

'Rod" Mackenzie, Canadian Council of Agriculture, Looks Into Political Future —Much Warm Talk at Calgary Meeting.

CALGARY, Jan. 24.—The leading feature of yesterday afternoon's session of the United Farmers of Alberta convention was a heated discussion o fmotions dealing with political action, which resulted in decision for a closed-door policy on the part of the farmers so far as actual political effort is concerned; but a wide-open door for co-operation with labor or the Great War Veterans along education or industrial lines. President T. W. Wood was elected, five to one.

The delegates tabled a resolution to allow non-agricultural folks to join the political fold of the organization and in the meantime vigorously carried a motion which urges full inter-change of literature and speakers among the farmers, Labor men and Veterans.

On top of this it was announced that the political section would meet tonight "to discuss doing away with the political executive."

The convention is by no means unanimous on any political subjece. Delegate Keough, president of the Leduc Constituency Farmers' political organization ,was howled down when he accused the convention president, H. W. Wood, of untruthfulness. Mr. Keough declared that Mr. Wood had said group organization was selfish, but selfish people got on best. Similar passages were freely exchanged, the chairman at

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ELECTRIC RAILWAY KEEPS UP ITS SERVICE IN SPITE OF THE HEAVY SNOWFALL AND DRIFTS

Passengers Got Home Late From Work and it Took a Long Time to Make Any Distance—Snowploughs Buzzed All Night Long.

The present storm is the severest so far this winter, which has been characterized by rough weather.

Much snow has fallen and much has drifted and the railways have had considerable difficulty keeping their lines open.

In spite of the drifting snow the N. S. and T. R. lines have not been blocked for any length of time, the service on all lines, both main and local, being maintained though the cars have been running somewhat late.

The power has been holding out very well. The snow plows have been kept at it constantly ever since the storm began yesterday afternoon.

Fo ra short time last night the Welland division was blocked, but the cars managed to get through. It took a long time, however, for passengers to reach their journey's end and last night there were many workers home late for supper.

The snow fall is liable to continue the weather authorities say, and the Michigan Central last night sent out warning to its men that they could prepare for three feet of snow.

The storm put business at a standstill today as there were only a few rigs on the market. Last night's weather didn't interfere with theatre attendance much, though, several of them having the "standing room only" sign out in the early evening.

The Eight-Hour Day Would Be A Mistake Because of the Necessity of Production

That the enforcement of an eight-hour day for all industrial and farm workers at the present time, when one hundred millions of people in Europe are starving for want of food and clothing, would be a serious mistake, because of the decrease of production that would follow and that:

The more the hours are shortened the less there is produced ,and;

That there should be no class legislation and class organizations but that what is done by the state should be in the interests of the greatest number regardless of class;

These were the dominant notes in an address given last night before the Canadian Club of this city by Mr S. R. Parsons of Toronto.

At the recent industrial conference held in Washington, U.S., Mr. Parsons was chosen representative of the manufacturers and employers of Canada. It was a conference held as an outgrowth of provisions wade at the Peace Canference. Hon. N. W. Rowell and Senator Robertson represented the Dominion Government and Mr. P. M. Draper the industrial workers of Canada.

In addressing the club Mr. Parsons explained the PeaceTretaty as it affected industrial matters in the various matters in the various countries and also told of the sittings of the conference in the U.S. Capitol. He spoke her eas one who had made a close study of business conditions, as one who had been cautious during his life and had acquired what he had bb thrift and hard work, and also as one who had considerable experience with employment and industrial questions. He analysed the unrest that exists and the movement among organized labor for shorter hours, which was good so far as it was practicable, but which he held was not economically sound when carried far at the present time when the world was so badly in need of greater production.

The United States was not agreeing to parts of the Peace Treaty for reasons that seemed to him to be substantial because as a nation it wanted to reserve the right to handle its own domestic questions, of which tthe industrial problem was one.

He felt certain that the United States would sign the Treaty, but not till it made certain reservations to which apparently it was entitled.

Discussing the demands of Labor men for shorter hours Mr. Parsons said that their leaders were nat at all agreed as to the wisdom of the movement at this particular time in the history of the world, when there was so much want. Greater production was the only thing that would relieve the starving peoples and how could that increase be made if the hours of work were cut down. They should indeed be lengthened if anything, till conditions changed. He quoted Mr. Appleton, one of the foremost labor leaders as saying that "phrases and cotch words were taking the place of production."

Mr. Parsons also quoted the remark of Mr. Marshall, vice-president of the United States, who, in addressing the confereince, had said that, "We want an industrial democracy, but first of all we want industrious economy."

Mr. Parsons made several quotations of facts and figures during the evening to bear out his points.

At the conclusion a vote of thanks was moved by W. B. Burgoyne and seconded by W. C. Turnbull.

THE WEATHER

TORONTO, Ja. 24.—Light snow has fallen in many parts of Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, while in the Western Provinces the weather has been fair and very cold. A pronounced area of high pressure extends from the Mackenzie River across Canada to Newfoundland, and the outlook is for decidedly cold weather.

FORECASTS. Northerly winds; fair and very cold tonight and on Sunday.