

Canadian Provinces

Saskatchewan

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF TRAMPING LAKE, No. 380,

held on Feb. 1 at Scott, Sask., in the Council Chamber. Members present: Reeve Carson, Councillors Brown, Hennings, Sander, Spiers, and Harrigan.

Spiers—That minutes of last meeting be adopted as read—Carried.

Mr. Heisler, representative of Municipal Lumber Yard at Revenue was given a hearing regarding his hospital bill which was not paid by the Municipality.

Brown—That it be recommended that sections 1, 12, 13-37-22 W. of 3rd be included in the Queen's School District No. 2334, and that Reeve and Secretary sign and forward necessary forms in this connection to the Department of Education. Carried.

Hennings—That request of Elderton School District No. 2269 to have section 5 and 15-38-21 and section 32-37-21 West of 3rd included in their School District be not recommended. Carried.

Brown—That the request of Queenston School District No. 2068 to include sections 6, 7, 18, 19, 30 and 31-39-22 West of 3rd be laid over for one month as requested by a delegation of ratepayers made through the Reeve. Carried.

Hennings—That Secretary report condition of Art. Hickson on section 14-37-22 West of 3rd to the Provincial Police at Wilkie and to the Health Officer as being in want and ask them to look after him immediately. Carried.

The Reeve verbally instructed Dr. Jardine, Health Officer, to take the necessary steps in connection with the Hickson case.

Brown—That the annual membership fee for 1919 of \$15.00 be forwarded to the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities. Carried.

Hennings—That delegates to the Convention be appointed at the next meeting. Carried.

Brown—That Secretary write Mr. J. N. Bayne to find out exactly the standing of the Loan Companies towards their borrowers in advancing money for seed grain purposes, and providing report is satisfactory, that the Secretary order two carloads of No. 2 seed oats from the Seed Grain Purchasing Commissioner, Mr. A. E. Wilson, to ship one car to Tako and other to Tramping Lake. Carried.

Spiers—That Mr. E. McCarty's offer to handle seed grain at One Cent per bushel be accepted. Carried.

The appointment of Weed Inspectors was laid over.

Harrigan—That the Secretary write the Hail Commissioner and recommend that the Hail Tax for 1918 on Messrs. Harris and Taylor's Quarter and on Mrs. Grace McLean's quarter be cancelled as per their letters of Jan. 18. Carried.

Harrigan—That the Council guarantee full compensation for land taken for road-way on the North of Section 34-37-22 and North of 18-39-20, and North of 13 and 14-39-21 and on 27, 28, 29, 32, 33 and 34-39-21 also East of 17 and 20-37-22 all West of 3rd, and advise Highways Department of this motion. Carried.

Brown—That the road on the North of 18-37-20 and on the North of 13 and 14-39-21 and on Sections 27, 28, 29, 32, 33-39-21 be purchased at the price of \$35.00 per acre and the road East of 17 and 20-37-22 all West of 3rd at the price of \$25.00 per acre, and that checks be issued for same on acreage being adjusted to the parties entitled to payment for the same. Carried.

Harrigan—That Tax Certificate of 1916 Tax Sale for the N. E. of 2-39-22 West of 3rd in favor of J. W. Matthews for \$11.25 together with three 10 per cent. penalties for three years and \$5.00 expenses applying for title be allowed and check issued for same.

Spiers—That the request of the Village of Unity that a resolution regarding District Court and appointment of Process Issuer receive the sanction of this Council, and the Secretary forward one copy to each of the Honorable, the Attorney General, Mr. Ruben Marten M.L.A., for this district and District Court Judge of this district. Carried.

The following bills were presented: Philip Kroft \$4.00, A. Hanna-ford \$4.00, Adam Glatt \$42.00, Scott Hospital \$228.00, Express \$1.65, C. F. Street \$125.00, Town of Scott Rent for 1919 \$99.00, Scott Rural Telephone \$1,892.55, Wolf Bounty to F. Fennell \$1.00, Michael Sander \$1.00, F. W. Anderson \$1.00, H. Phillipott \$3.00, B. A. Lampman \$1.00, E. S. Neil \$6.00.

Brown—That accounts be paid as read. Carried.

Sander—That the Meeting adjourn. Carried.

DEAD BODY OF A MISSING MAN FOUND

Corpl. Kelly, provincial police officer at the Kipling detachment, has notified headquarters office that he had found the body of A. O. Anderson, who has been missing since September 24, 1918. The body was discovered in a bluff near the Pipe-stone creek, some distance from Kipling.

At the time of his disappearance the provincial police organized search parties and for days hunted through the bluffs in an effort to locate the missing man. Although as many as 150 men were working at one time, nothing was discovered. The body has now been found, but no details concerning the discovery are available.

Anderson, at the time of his disappearance, was under a delusion that his neighbors were conspiring to kill him, and that the police were coming to get him. When he ran away, on the evening of September 24, his wife stated he was in a deranged state of mind. He had for two weeks previous to his disappearance talked of ending his life and it is presumed that, in a fit of insanity, he committed suicide. He left a wife and five small children.

FARMERS NORTH OF PERDUE WANT ROAD

Two hundred farmers of Arilee, Balmae, Stonyroad, Louvain, Wilson Lake and Lizard Lake have formed a rural development association. They are opposed to the intention of the G.T.P. to open a branch line from Saskatoon to North Battleford, and are pressing the claims of the district lying farther south of the proposed line of construction.

MYSTERY AT STEEP CREEK IS OBSCURE

The coroner and jury enquiring into the death of Adolphe Lajoie at Prince Albert, viewed the remains of the deceased, which had been exhumed on order from the attorney general's department. No indications of bullet holes could be found on them, and the coroner and jury will visit the scene of the tragedy.

Carmel and St. Germain will be placed next in the witness box to give their version of the story. Dr. Gervais has already confessed to the shooting of Lajoie and in his statements in evidence implicated Carmel by stating that he believed he also had shot Lajoie.

Carmel and St. Germain will be closely examined when they step into the witness box as the provincial police inspector, R. R. Tait, is anxious to get every detail in connection with the activities of the trio Gervais, Carmel and St. Germain in the Steep Creek district.

SILLS CONFESSES TO FRAMEUP TO COVER ROBBERY

A. G. Silks, arrested some time ago and charged with robbing himself, in that he had taken the funds of Pleasant Valley Municipality while acting in the capacity of secretary-treasurer, confessed in open court at Rosetown, and took all the blame for the shortage in the cash.

About October 20 Silks reported to the provincial police that two men had come to him while he was working late in his office and asked him if some payment could be made. Silks had decided to accommodate them and turned to go to the safe. As he knelt down after opening the safe to get some cash out the two men had jumped on his back, punched him, tied him up and took all the cash available, then disappeared. The police went to the rescue as quickly as possible, but no clue could be discovered

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which would give them something to work on.

For some time the police worked on the usual theory of hold-up men. Then it occurred to Detective Sergeant Sparkman, who was detailed on the case, that Silks might tell another story, and he did. He was arrested and finally broke down in court.

STAR ATTRACTIONS AT PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION

Sousa's world-famous band, the Johnny J. Jones midway shows, automobile races, a fine program of platform attractions, and airplane flights by returned Canadian bird-men, will be on the menu at the Regina exhibition, and other fairs in the west this summer. The annual meeting of the Western Canada Fairs association closed in Saskatoon with the selection of this unusual list of attractions.

SETTLERS DEMAND RAILWAY EXTENSION

SHERRARD, SASK. — The settlers in the district north of the Saskatchewan river that will be served by the proposed Dunblane extension of the C.N.R., are petitioning that at least 40 miles be built on this line during the coming season. This line was promised to the district as far back as 1909, the bonds being guaranteed by the Saskatchewan government but owing to various reasons construction has been delayed from time to time, until last season, when 14 miles were graded. The road will serve a district which is perhaps in need of a road worse than any other in the grain growing sections of the province. It is estimated that 200,000 acres of grain will be seeded in this district in the spring.

Hon. Dr. E. T. Myles, of Rosetown, is taking the matter up at Ottawa, and the Hon. A. P. McNab, M.P.P. for Kindersley, is urging that the work be proceeded with as requested by the settlers.

CASE AGAINST LAHR DISMISSED

LEADER, SASK.—The case against Vernon Lahr, charged with breaking into the office of the Federal Grain Co., and the use of checks obtained therefrom on subsequent dates, came up before Judge Smith at Swift Current on Tuesday before last.

Evidence which was conflicting as to the presence of Lahr in Leader on the dates immediately following September 4, being supported by the accused's own testimony, that of a traveller for Gordon, Ironsides & Fares, and the hotel register of the Alexandra hotel, the judge dismissed the case.

Some Resemblance. — A party of young people were amusing themselves by guessing the answers to conundrums. One of them asked, "Why is a pancake like the sun?" "Because it rises in der yeast and sets behind der vest," was the answer given by a brilliant young Swede.

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Eastern Provinces

GOVERNMENT ACTIVE ON ALIEN QUESTION

OTTAWA, Feb. 6. — With respect to the question of aliens in Canada, which is attracting considerable attention and causing some unrest in certain industrial centres, the following information has been officially obtained:

1.—There are at present in various internment camps throughout the Dominion about two thousand two hundred interned prisoners, of whom 1,700 are German, the remainder being of Austrian and other enemy nationalities. Of the 1,700 Germans, 800 were transferred from the West Indies, and are held at the request of His Majesty's government. The government has been advised by Great Britain that repatriation is now possible of a number not exceeding one hundred adult enemy aliens from the Dominion. An order-in-council has been passed providing for the deportation of all enemy interned prisoners who may be regarded as dangerous, hostile or undesirable, and this order is now being carried out subject, of course, to the limitations necessarily imposed by the shortage of shipping and restrictions by enemy countries upon repatriation. Inquiry is also being made of His Majesty's government for the purpose of obtaining directions as to what disposition they wish to be made of the eight hundred Germans who were transferred from the West Indies.

Thousands Anxious to Leave.

2.—There is a large number of aliens employed industrially in Canada, principally in the larger centres. Of these, many thousands are anxious to return to European countries and are willing to pay their passage if permitted to go. Lack of shipping facilities and passports alone prevent a general exodus of these aliens. The government has taken up with the Canadian ministers abroad the question of transportation for this purpose and also as to whether pending the official ending of the war, enemy and friendly aliens can be admitted to their respective countries.

3.—Communication has been made to Sir Robert Borden as to the advisability or necessity of providing for a stipulation in the terms of peace which would permit deportation of enemy aliens after the declaration of peace, and any necessary immigration laws against admission of aliens of enemy nationality into Canada. It may prove impracticable for the reasons mentioned in the above paragraph to complete the repatriation of those now interned, before the conclusion of peace, and there may be European prohibition of immigration after the war.

The whole question relating to aliens has been receiving the most careful attention on the part of the government. It is manifestly a most difficult one to deal with in the present unsettled state of international affairs, with the peace conference still engaged in its deliberations and the shortage of shipping and prohibition against entry into European belligerent countries.

FINED THOUSAND UNDER LIQUOR ACT

TORONTO. — James Patterson, who attempted to smuggle 2,112 bottles of whiskey into the city, concealed in bundles of laths, was fined \$1,000 in the police court, the maximum fine for a breach of the Ontario Temperance act.

The liquor seized was estimated to be worth \$5,000.

WANT ALIENS REMOVED

LONDON, Ont. — The London Trades and Labor council at its last meeting by an unanimous vote went on record as "in favor of a demand for an eight-hour day, without reduction of wages," as "willing to support any action that may be taken by the Great War Veterans' association to have all aliens removed from the local factories, municipal and government works."

SMALLPOX IN QUEBEC

QUEBEC. — Smallpox is epidemic in a large number of towns and villages in Quebec province. A circular letter emanating from the provincial health bureau at Montreal is being sent to all councilors throughout the province asking the councils to enact a bylaw forcing everybody to be vaccinated.

SENTENCED TO FOUR YEARS

TORONTO. — Four years in the penitentiary was the sentence Judge Winchester imposed on Capt. Charles P. Fisher, who stole \$18,437 of the government's money while serving as paymaster of the Army Medical Corps. The total amount taken was over \$25,000, but \$6,684 has been paid back.

HOW MILITARY ABSENTEES ARE DEALT WITH IN QUEBEC.

QUEBEC, Feb. 6. — Absentees under the military service act are flocking to the police court here to pay their light fine and be let off with their full rights as citizens of Canada. Yesterday at the afternoon session of court over hundred absentees brought in by their pastors appeared and were fined about five dollars each and let go.

WOULD CALL FREE TRADE AGITATION PRO-GERMANISM

TORONTO. — "A certain type of journalists are rocking - the boat and calling for free trade in Canada," said Lieut.-Col. J. A. Currie, M.P., speaking at a meeting of the Ward Six Conservative Association tonight.

"It's a funny thing," added Col. Currie, "but the people who have always talked pacifism and pro-Germanism are always talking free trade in Canada. If the war was not over, I should call this free trade agitation pro-Germanism."

LAWYER FEARS INJURY

TORONTO. — Believing from threats received that he may be in danger in appearing to defend Joseph Weber, reeve of Neustadt, who is held for sedition, Frank W. Callaghan, lawyer, has applied to the attorney-general for protection during his appearance at the trial in Owen Sound. Mr. Callaghan left for Neustadt to prepare his defence. A later report states that Weber has been committed for trial.

PUT KINDLING IN OVEN; THREE CHILDREN DEAD

HALIFAX. — Mrs. Charles Wood, of Musquodoboit Harbor, whose husband is overseas, left her house for a short time last Wednesday evening to go on an errand. When she returned she found the youngest of her children aged 14 months dead, and the other two, aged 4 and 7 years, dying.

Some damp kindling wood which she had placed in the oven of the kitchen stove had caught fire, and the smoke had made its way through a register into the bedroom upstairs in which the children were sleeping. The two elder children died two days ago.

MOTHER SUICIDED AFTER BIG TRAGEDY

SAULT STE MARIE. — The wife of Alderman Kitchen, of Hilton, St. Joseph's Island, who has been in ill-health for some time, administered fatal doses of strychnine to her daughter, aged 12, and two sons younger than the daughter, on Sunday afternoon and took a dose herself, afterwards jumping into a well. She was rescued from the well, and securing a bottle of carbolic acid which she had hidden away, drank the contents and ended her life.

FOR BEER LICENSES

QUEBEC. — In a motion which he will present in the legislative assembly shortly, Arthur Sauve, leader of the opposition, urges that the law passed at the last session enacting prohibition to take effect here on May 1, 1919, be amended so that the manufacture and sale of light wines and beer not containing more than 1.2 per cent. of its weight in alcohol, be permitted in the province of Quebec.

TORONTO CAPTAIN KILLED AT FIRE BY EXTINGUISHER

TORONTO. — Captain Moses Thompson, of Portland street fire station, one of the oldest men in the department, was, shortly before noon on Wednesday last, killed when a hand fire extinguisher which he was carrying on the roof of a building at 29 Brant street, exploded. The captain was blown up into the air and rolling off the roof, struck a fence post with his head and shoulders. He died on his way to the hospital.

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RECORD OPPOSITION

QUEBEC. — The Catholic committee of the Quebec council of public instruction, placed itself on record as opposed to compulsory education in the province of Quebec; but decided to investigate the statistics relative to school attendance and see, later, if there is need of passing a law of compulsory education.

United States

SAYS FARM IMPLEMENTS WILL NOT BE CHEAPER

NEW YORK. — The Associated Press issues the following: Papers which printed an item carried from Pittsburg, Feb. 5, relating to lower prices for farm implements, are requested to publish the following: "Farm implements and vehicles will not be cheaper in the immediate or early future."

"On the contrary," said Secretary E. W. McCullough, of the National Implement and Vehicle Association, today, "it is the opinion of the officers of our association that present price levels cannot be substantially reduced without serious or even disastrous losses to the manufacturers until the stocks of raw materials, which they bought and contracted for at war time prices are worked up and marketed."

"The report recently sent out from Pittsburg about cheaper farm implements was entirely mistaken. At a special meeting of plow and tillage implement makers, held there on Feb. 5, standardization of varieties was discussed as a means of economy, but nothing was said about present or future prices."

PROMISES EMPLOYMENT FOR ALL U.S. SOLDIERS

WASHINGTON. — Every soldier who put on the uniform of the United States, who fought, or trained to fight, will have a job if he wants one, Secretary of War Baker declared in delivering the opening address at the fourteenth annual convention of the National Rivers and Harbors congress.

SEVEN DIE IN FIRE AT SEATTLE ROOMING HOUSE

SEATTLE, Wash. — Several persons were burned to death in a fire which destroyed the Tokyo house, a lodging house in the lower end of Seattle. Over 12 were reported missing and 14 injured as a result of the fire.

Four unidentified dead were found in the ruins of the house after the fire had been extinguished. The police said they thought the total number of dead was seven.

Many of the roomers jumped from the windows before the fire ladders were in place. Police ambulances carried to the emergency hospital a number who were injured in jumping.

The dead, missing and injured were lodgers at the house and were asleep when the fire started. The flames, it is believed, cut the victims off from the exits. About 50 other lodgers escaped.

The Russell house, which adjoined the Tokyo house, was also destroyed by fire.

TWO DEAD IN FIRE

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Two men are dead and eight others injured in a local hospital as the result of a fire in the Palace hotel here early today. The dead were Frank Bracken, Logansport, Ind., and Elmer Teese, Red Key, Ind. They were suffocated.

CLAIMS "DRY" VOTE OF U.S. TO BE VOID

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — The Providence Journal prints a statement declaring that after consultation with some of the best known constitutional lawyers in the country it believed the action of Acting Secretary Polk in proclaiming the prohibition amendment effective and adopted was illegal.

The proclamation is entirely void the journal contends for the reason that when it was made thirty-six states had not ratified the amendment.

MINNESOTA ALIENS TO BE DEPORTED

MINNEAPOLIS. — Radical and undesirable aliens of Minnesota and the northwest are being rounded up preparatory to being deported, it became known here on Wednesday, and a number already are in custody of immigration officials, although where and how many was not disclosed.

WANT IRELAND IN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6. — The house foreign affairs committee today order favorably reported a resolution expressing the hope that the Peace Conference would "favorably consider the claims of Ireland to the right of self determination."

ALLIES WATCHING HINDENBURG

PARIS, Jan. 31. — Reports coming through Amsterdam, stating that Field Marshal von Hindenburg is raising four army corps for the protection of Germany's eastern frontier, have attracted considerable attention in military circles here. The allied military men are interested in particular, for the reason that if Field Marshal von Hindenburg were successful in collecting such a body of troops its existence would upset the present calculations of Germany's armed strength, on which the size of the allied army of occupation is to be based.

It is said that eight troop trains are passing through Frankfurt-on-the-Oder daily.

Germans Halls Red

Bolshevik force marching on Lithuania, on the Baltic coast of Courland, have been halted by German volunteer forces, which, though greatly outnumbered, forced the soviet army back across the Windau river by a bold counter offensive, according to a special dispatch to the Zeitung am Mittag. It is said the Bolsheviks suffered heavy losses.

In the course of their terrorization of Estonia, the Bolsheviks are reported to have killed 600 people in Dorpat and Wessenberg.

The German commissioner in Lithuania, who arrived here today, states that Kovno is not occupied by the Bolsheviks, who are still 25 miles east of that city. The line is being defended by German volunteers, and the Bolsheviks are said to be awaiting instructions from Moscow before resuming their advance. It is said the capture of Kovno would open the road to the German frontier.

LIEBKNECHT'S BURIAL

BERLIN, Jan. 27. — The bodies of Dr. Karl Liebknecht and thirty-three other members of the Spartacan group of Socialists who were killed during the recent disorders, were buried in the cemetery at Friedrichsfelden, near Berlin, last Saturday.

ARREST PORTUGUESE MONARCHIST LEADERS.

MADRID. — Ornelas and other Portuguese Monarchist leaders were reported to be under arrest at Monsanto. They were captured, according to a Lisbon despatch, after a battle in which the insurgents lost 50 killed and 130 wounded. The Portuguese war minister has ordered disarmament of all civilians. The republican government has been restored in Vizeu, which was one of the royalist strongholds.

WOULD BE FINLANDERS

PARIS, Feb. 6. — Premier Orlando, of Italy, today received a delegation from the Aland Islands, in the Gulf of Bothnia, who presented a claim for annexation with Finland on historic, linguistic, geographic and commercial grounds. The premier assured the delegation of Italy's support of their claim.