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BELLEVILLE RAILWAYMEN AFFECTED BY INCREASE

Same Wage Schedule as Went Into Effect in United States Will Apply Here—Increase Goes Back to May 7th

Several hundred railwaymen in the Grand Trunk in Belleville will be affected by the following announcement from Ottawa last night:

The schedule of wage increases granted to United States railwaymen will be applied to the Grand Trunk System throughout Canada within the next two weeks, according to intimations from high officials of the company to representatives of the men's brotherhoods following the announcement of the award of the United States Labor Board in Chicago last week. In pursuance of the company's policy since the announcement of the McAdoo award three years ago, the increases will be put in effect on the Canadian lines of the Grand Trunk so that wages will be uniform with those on the United States lines of the system. The increase on the Canadian lines will likely to be ante-dated to May 1, in accord with the United States award.

Mr. W. G. Dewar, general chairman of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers for the Grand Trunk system, and John Maloney, general chairman of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen for the same system returned to Ottawa from Chicago last night, where they represented the men of their brotherhoods employed by the G. T. R. at the general meeting of train service organizations.

Mr. Dewar stated that while the engineers accepted the increases as awarded by the Board, they were greatly disappointd that it did not come closer to meeting their demands as presented to the Board.

Asked if he thought that the same increases would be applied in Canada, Mr. Dewar said that he spoke only for the men on the Grand Trunk, but he was confident that the Grand Trunk would carry out the usual procedure of applying any increases on United States railroads to their lines in Canada. He gave as the reason for this that the Grand Trunk has extensive lines in the States and to pay better wages there over those paid in Canada would be a pregnant source of dissatisfaction. He added that the government control of the road had not been completed as yet so that G. T. R. would still work as an independent road in dealing with the question of wages.

Mr. Maloney said that the question of wage increases had been submitted by the men to the company several days before the United States award was announced. The suggested scale was the same as that of the railwaymen in the States to the Labor Board.

Regarding the application of the United States award to Grand Trunk lines in Canada Mr. Maloney said:

"From intimations received by the men's representatives at Chicago I fully expect that the Grand Trunk will apply the new rates in Canada."

Mr. Maloney added that the Grand Trunk had been very prompt in applying other increases granted across the border, so that he thought the Labor Board's award would be made effective in Canada as soon as the complete draft had been received by G. T. R. officials. This he said, would probably be in about two weeks' time.

The other Canadian representatives at Chicago were Mr. Thomas Tedd, Hamilton, general chairman of the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors for G. T. R. system, and Mr. W. J. Dowell, of Brockville, representing the members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen on the G. T. R.

The increases granted in the United States ran from 80 cents to $1.62 a day. The request from the men was based on the rising cost of living.

WEED HARVESTER COMPANY HAS COMMENCED OPERATIONS

Another of Belleville's New Industries Under Way—a Machine of Wonderful Efficiency that Should Prove a Winner With Farmers.

After many vexatious delays because of disappointment in the delivery of the special machinery to be used in the plant, the Weed Harvester Company has at last got under way.

The company was organised last December, with Mr. E. Mastin, a well known citizen of Belleville, as president, Mr. J. H. E. Vrooman as manager and Mr. Burton Asselstine as secretary.

The design of the organisation was to manufacture and put on the market a recent invention known as the "weed harvester."

The weed harvester is an implement intended to carry out what its name indicates. Its purpose is to harvest or exterminate weeds.

One of the most troublesome and persistent of all weed pests in Ontario is quack grass, or couch or twitch grass as it is known in different localities. Its long knotted roots and tenacity of life make it one of the most formidable enemies against which agriculturists have to contend. The loss occasioned by the presence of quack grass in the cultivated fields of Ontario amounts to many millions of dollars annually. Any successful means therefore for the conquest of quack, it can readily be seen, is a matter of vast importance as an aid to production. Up to the present there has been no method of quack eradication that was not cumbersome, expensive and impractical, as well as inconclusive in results.

The weed harvester makes a specialty of quack. It pulls it out of the soil, shakes it clean of earth particles and leaves it in rows where a few hours' exposure to the sunlight will utterly destroy its vitality.

Like many other important and useful inventions the weed harvester is simplicity itself. Imagine a wire mattress, made out of links 5 inches square and the links formed from square steel bars, half an inch in diameter and a series of smaller links at one end and you have the weed harvester. It is to be pulled along over the surface of plowed soil after the fashion of a light steel harrow. In fact it serves the purpose of a finishing harrow after seeding, in a most satisfactory manner.

The company acquired for a factory building, the old Pinnacle Street school, just below the market. This, with a few minor alterations, has been transformed into a convenient and well lighted place of manufacture. There is no steam, gasoline or smoke around the premises. Electricity supplies the motive power for the ponderous machines as well as the concentrated heat required to weld the steel bars that form the links.

One machine cuts the cold steel bars. Another forms them into links at the rate of 3000 a day, a third does the welding. Electrician R. J. Gacey, of London, is in charge.

A system of overhead trackage has been installed for carrying the partially completed implements from one section to another.

The paint-room at the west end of the building is not yet altogether in shape. The dipping vats have yet to be installed.

A wooden building at the rear has been utilised as a drying-room for the timber for the double-trees of which there is a large quantity on hand, 10,000 feet of select white ash and an amount of oak having been purchased for that purpose.

The company began active operations last Thursday and it is hoped by the end of this week to have some of the completed machines ready for shipment and arrangements for selling have already been made.

It is anticipated that the growth of the business will be such that an addition to the building will be required by next year.

The invention has been patented in both Canada and the United States. Belleville is to be the home of the parent company but branches are likely to be established at Winnipeg and in various parts of the American union.

Belleville is therefore to be congratulated upon being chosen as the home of a new industry which seems likely top rove an important contributor to our future commercial expansion.

Archbishop Mannix Determined to Go

ATLANTIC CITY, July 27—Despite the announcement by Lloyd George that Mannix would not be permitted to land on the British Islands, Archbishop Mannix, of Australia, declared here last night that he would sail for Queenstown on July 31. "Nothing but physical force will prevent me from going," he said.

Strong remonstrations from Australia on the utterances of Archbishop Mannix in the United States, have been received by the Vatican The protest states that the prelate's assertions do not represent the feeling prevalent in Australia.

Turks Requested to Vacate Cyprus

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 27—The Entente yesterday asked the Turks to vacate Cyprus which is to be used by the inter-allied commission for controlling the straits' zone. British and Greek troops are energetically sweeping both shores of the peninsula opposite Constantinople.

City of Adana on Verge of Starvation

LONDON, July 27—Adana in Asia Minor, with a population of seventy thousand Christians and ten thousand Moslems, is entirely cut off from the outside world by Turkish Nationalists and is on the verge of starvation, according to an official despatch from Cyprus. The dispatch says the city has food for only a few days and appeals for allied military assistance. In the House today, Bonar Law pointed out that the city was in the French zone and the French were alive to the situation. There was a limit to the possibility of British intervention, it is said.

Conservatives all But Exterminated

HALIFAX, July 27—Winning 30 seats in a house of forty-three, the Liberal government under Premier Murray was returned to power with a clear majority of seventeen over Farmers, Labor and Conservatives in the election held yesterday. The Farmers elected seven candidates, Labor five and Conservatives one. The last house was composed of thirty-two Liberals and eleven Conservatives.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY TO PAY INCREASES

Vancouver, July 28—Hon. Dr. Reid, Minister of Railways, announces that the National Lines will pay the United States award to their employees.

BIRTH

JONES—On July 24th, 1920, to the Rev and Mrs. W. W. Jones, Shannonville, a son. Both well.

HENLEY—On July 25th, 1920, to Mr. and Mrs. John Henley, a son.

Liberals Triumph in Nova Scotia Elections

HALIFAX, N. S., July 27—As a result of the general provincial election held in Nova Scotia today the Liberal government which has been continuously in power for the past thirty-eight years, and headed by George H. Murray since 1896, was returned with a majority of seventeen in a house of forty-three members, substantially the same as it received as a result of the election in June, 1916.

The campaign leading up to the elections was unusually quiet. No great public question was involved in the contest, but owing to the entry of the Farmers and Labor parties, together with the introduction of the women's vote, the result was generally regarded as uncertain up until the returns began to come in tonight.

The election summary follows:

Liberals, 30; Conservatives, 1; Labor, ; Farmers, 7—total 43 seats.

The election of June 20, 1916, resulted in 32 Liberals and 11 Conservatives being elected.

The Liberals gained one seat each in Halifax, King's, Lunenburg, Richmond and Queen's, and lost three seats in Cape Breton, two in Cumberland, one in Antigonish, and one in Yarmouth, making their net loss two seats. Included in the seats was that of Hon. E. H. Armstrong, commissioner of public works and mines, who was the only member of the government to go down to defeat, although at a late hour Hon. R. McGregor's seat in Pictou was still placed in the uncertain list.

A Lone Survivor.

The Conservatives, with a membership of eleven in the late house, under the leadership of W. L. Hall, defeated in Queen's county, returned a single representative, Dr. J. A. MacDonald, in Richmond. They lost seats in Antigonish, one each in Queen's, Halifax, King's, Lunenburg, and Richmond; three to the Farmers, two in Colchester, and one in Hants; and two to Labor, one in Cape Breton and one in Cumberland, a total of ten seats.

The Farmers took seven of the 15 seats, for which they contended, and Labor took five out of 13 candidates. Neither of the two women candidates one on the Conservative ticket in Cumberland and one on the Labor ticket in Pictou made a serious showing.

York National Team Was Overwhelmed

G. T. R. Champions Defeat Visitors by 17 to 4.

York Nationals of Toronto, met an overwhelming defeat yesterday afternoon at Twelve O'Clock Point at the G. T. R. picnic at the hands of the Ontario Champions, the G. T. R's. The first part was well balanced but the latter half was a runaway for the Trunks with a final score of 17 to 4. The Sullivan-Goyer battery worked the early part of the match, Frank Goyer catching for five innings when Mills replaced him. Sullivan held on for the seventh, and Freddy Goyer took the mound in the eighth. There was no scoring until the fourth innings when each team scored four runs. The visiting team did not score afterwards. The Belleville batmen gave a fine hitting exhibition. The sixth gave the Trunks two runs, the seventh six runs, the eighth one run and the ninth four. Mr. Ernie Hagerman of Woodstock, handled the match.

The line up:

Belleville G. T. R.—Meagher 3rd; H. Mills, 1st b; V. Weir, s s; W. Mills, 2nd base and catcher; Frank Goyer, catcher and second base; Symons, left field; Fred Goyer, centre field and pitcher; Fegg and Ross, right field; Sullivan pitcher and centre field.

York Nationals—Walsh, 3rd b; Cameron, centre field; Garbutt, left field; Terry, 1st base; Skidmore, 2nd base, Bowman, right field; McFarquhar, s s; Herd, c; Christie, p.

GREEKS CAPTURE NATIONALIST LEADER

Constantinople, July 28— The Nationalist leaders and staff have been captured by Greek forces. King Alexander was given a great demonstration on entering Adrianople. The city was slightly damaged by shell fire.

THIRD REUNION AND CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION BROUGHT TO A CLOSE

Old Boys Praise Hospitality of the Old Town—Night Scenes on the Streets—Homecoming Success Greater Than Anticipated.

Belleville's third Old Boys' Reunion and Centennial Celebration passed into history as dawn broke this morning. High-spirited old boys and homefolk held the streets until the stars had disappeared. A few hours later the decorations began to come down and the big event passed into history.

Many of the old timers have left but many remain. All express the opinion that Belleville's hospitality grows with the years, that the third reunion was one of the best, joyous times in their lives. Whether the townsfolk are getting used to them or whether the workers broke down the barriers, the 1920 Reunion was absolutely spontaneous. The community spirit seems to be giving ground here.

How did the visitors spend their holidays? The renewal of old acquaintances was the great attraction. But when the handshake of old friends was not taking the attention of the old boys the committee provided a program. But the program soon took form from the spirit of the celebrants.

At the entrance to Victoria Park on Monday and Tuesday evenings there were thrilling displays of fireworks of all kinds. These aerial demonstrations were witnessed by thousands.

Night Scenes

The street scenes at night are those that will linger longest in the memory of those who participated or were spectators. The community dance idea has caught on in Belleville through the efforts of Ald. Chas. Hanna. Monday night saw the biggest of crowds wedged in at the junction of Campbell and Front Streets. So dense was the mass of humanity that it was impossible to make way through. The bandstand had been erected in front of O. B. R. headquarters but was finally removed to Campbell street. This opened the way for pedestrian traffic and movement became a little more easy. Still the jamming was steady. But that was part of the pleasure. In spite of jostling the police kept cool heads and were good natured. Many danced in hastily-formed circles on Front and Campbell Sts. Age was no barrier to the joy that was unconfined and class distinctions were forgotten. Young and old danced together. Usually sedate men and women took the cue from children and danced "Ring around a posy." The G. W. V. A. band was generous in its music. To avoid the crowding a portion of the band took station on Front street about midway between Campbell and Bridge Streets and assembled a crowd here. This kept up until the midnight hour was passed. The crowd thinned out but those who stayed must have possessed the choicest spirits for the gaiety increased. A Highland band, which had been holding high festival with a crowd at different points of Front street, assembled the bravest of the brave and the parading began. The drumbeat or the skirl of the pipes was enough. Men who had hitherto not been known to dance Scottish or Irish national dances caught the Celtic fire and performed to the crowds amusement. Bonfires were started on Front Street at Bridge Street, Campbell street and Victoria Avenue corners. Around them the crowds danced and sang. The firemen were called out and extinguished the fires as the pavement was being injured. At Campbell street the band platform and a large pile of boxes were burned.

The mirth kept on until four o'clock when with the advent of the day, the weary enthusiasts found their way home.

Last night two orchestras and the pipe band kept things lively in the business section. Front Street from Bridge to Victoria Avenue and Campbell street were closed to motor traffic and the citizens and their guests had the pavement to themselves. The congestion was not so great as it was the night before, and more indulged in dancing. At midnight the dance was over, but the crowd lingered for many hours. Heavily laden motors with screeching horns sped up and down the street. Crowds followed the band up and down the main thoroughfare. Then someone would start to dance to the pipe music. A little crowd would gather about an orator now and then. He would voice the feelings of the people of the old town. Some who had a key to somebody's cellar joined in the midnight frolics and the band played gaily on. Processions galore, jigs, a talking dog, were some of the early morning features. There is nothing like the pipes to keep the spirits alive and that pipe band kept the amusement going until the tired citizens were ready to get up this morning. It was a jovial night and a whole hearted windup to the reunion.

Efforts to start fires were nipped in the bud by the police. Police Sergt. Naphin and his constables on duty preserved order and as much dignity as was becoming—the sergeant heartily entered into the joy of the occasion, although ruling the crowd with a firm hand. He was not afraid to walk with the boys and girls at the head of the procession and the crowd appreciated this showing of his good nature. Officers Truaisch, Thompson and Vanmeer also saw the funny side of things.

Lovers of water sports had programs to their liking at Victoria Park on Monday and Friday afternoons. The committee in charge of those were W. Rogers, Chief Bowen, J. Robertsen, J. Fitzgerald, F. Wills and Ald. Wensley—pulled of the following events:

Canoe Race—Doubles:

1st—Fraser Way and Miss Edna Coon.

2nd—Charles Bulpit and Mrs. White.

Dingy Race —Matched:

1—D. Wallbridge and Fred Lazier.

2—A. R. Wallbridge and Fred Sanford.

Motorboat Race:

1—Fred Coon.

2. Leo Demarsh.

Greasy Pole:

1—James Summers.

2—Lawrence Oliphant.

Greasy Pole:

1—Howard Palmer.

2—H. Oliphant.

Other events took place as follows:

Baby show with 17 entries, the judges being Miss Corbett, Mr. A. Weber and Mr. W. J. Price.

The prizes were awarded to:

1—Mrs. Norman Shadock.

2—Mrs. Jack Boyd.

3—Mrs. Vance.

Boys' Race:

1—M. Marakas.

2—J. Way.

3—W. Clapper.

Girls' Race, 10 year and under:

1—Ellen Truaisch.

2—A. G. Hughes.

3—Hazel Beaumont.

Girls' Race over ten years:

1—Mary Black.

2—Mabel Mastin.

3—Mabel Luscombe.

Married Ladies' Race:

1—Mrs. Spooner.

2—Mrs. Johnston.

3—Mrs. Laird.

Boys' Race under 10 years:

1—Lennox.

2—Anderson.

3—Albert.

Visitors Swamped Home Team

The old time baseball match between the homers and the visitors staged at the fair grounds on Tuesday afternoon was a burlesque as it was intended to be. The score was uneven but that was meant. The visitors walloped the home team by the score of 19 to 7 when the battle ceased in the fifth innings with eighteen almost exhausted men seeking repose. Col. Lazier and Geo. Dulmage were on the umpiring staff and their decisions were amazing to both teams but the crowds of spectators laughed at the carnage. Col. D. Barrasar gave the base decisions Catcher John E. Parks became a casualty in the second innings when his right hand was split between the second and third fingers, but he played on, for several innings until relieved by Mr. A. R. Symons. Three stitches were the penalty for letting the ball strike the tip of his third finger. The visitors had only one advantage—Parker of the G.T.R. playing first to make up a quorum.

The line up:

Visitors:—Mark Dulmage, pitcher; Holland, second base; J. Ballantyne, third base; J. Gibson, short stop; Wonnocott, catcher; W. Oliphant, right field; J. E. Bulger, centre field; H. Hampton, left field; H. J. Parker, first base.

Home Team:—W. J. Thompson, pitcher; A. Jones, left field; A. R. Symons, first base and catcher; J. E. Parks, catcher and first base; R. Mackie, second base; R. H. Ketcheson, centre field; P. Harrison, short stop; George Moxam, third base; M. Lynch, right field.

The G. W. V. A. band in charge of Lt. Hinchey furnished music on Victoria Park for the afternoons and were roundly praised for their efficiency.

The Grand Trunk picnic to Twelve O'Clock Point provided a diversion for Tuesday.

The Belleville-Oshawa match on Monday afternoon attracted a big crowd. The story of the game is told elsewhere.

The registration at headquarters was about seven hundred and fifty. The visitors, it is estimated numbered from fifteen hundred to two thousand.

The Rochester delegation said Belleville never was more hospitable than it was at this reunion. Another liked the old town better than ever.

A Fine Pianist

Everybody who has ever had the pleasure of hearing Tom Micheltree will agree with the opinion of judges of music that he is the finest pianist that Canada has ever produced. His touch is marvelous. A year ago [illegible] touches the keys. Mr. Micheltree, who will be heard here during Chautauqua Week, August 10th to 16th, has played before enthusiastic audiences in all parts of the world and everywhere the opinion is the same. He has been called a wizard of the piano and it is certain that he produces music with apparent magic. He goes from the most difficult of classical compositions to the latest swinging popular melody and in both instances he fairly carries his hearers of his feet. He gives a sketch called the "Country Choir" that is a scream. His whole programme is one to delight every lover of music.

With Mr. Micheltree will appear Miss Gwendolyn Anthistle, the famous reader who has been heard in all the large centres and who will make her first appearance in Belleville during Chautauqua week. She has a splendid program and advance reports say that this combined offering is one of the big features of the week.

With such artists as the above, who are but two of about fifty that will appear here Chautauqua Week, it is little short of amazing that tickets for the entire week, including all the artists and all the shows, are to be had for $2.75 including war tax. It has truthfully been said that any one of the week's features would cost, in the larger cities, as much as the people of Belleville will be able to see the entire week's show for. Advance sales of season tickets indicate that many are going to take advantage of the bargain prices because the tickets can be used by any member of the family.

IN MEMORIAM

MERRIAM—In loving memory of our dear father, Charles H. Merriam, dearly beloved husband of Alice Merriam, who passed away July 27th, 1917.

Could we but see his face again
I think my heart would have less pain
But Thou, O God, has sent the cross
For Thee we'll bravely bear the loss.
Fondly remembered, wife and little ones. 28-1t

FURTHER DOINGS AT CORK

Cork, July 27—A soldier was killed, several police wounded and the courthouse here destroyed. Several hundred Sinn Feiners have successfully blocked the runnings of trins.