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William H. Morris, Editor and Proprietor

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1919

Harlem

Mr. Joseph O'Grady is enjoying a new Ford.

Lieut. Russell and his sister paid this hamlet a business visit on Saturday.

People here were shocked by the killing of prohibition in the Senate. This action of the Senate may mean the suicide of that body.

Mr. Charles Sodaberg and his bride from overseas, were the weekend guests of Mr. Thos. Chant.

Mr. Charles Pattemore and family, of Smiths Falls, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. H. E. Eyre is spending a few days with Smiths Falls friends.

A very much needed improvement has been made in the roads around the cheese factory.

Ayrshire Field Day

The Annual Field Day Meet of the Brockville District Ayrshire Breeders Association will be held on the grounds of Mr. Henderson, Lake Elvada, on Thursday, July 3rd. Demonstrations will be held. General talks given by Professor J. W. Bell, Kemptville Agricultural School, and W. F. Stephens, Huntingdon, Que. All farmers are welcome. Come and bring your basket.



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To All Employees:

In view of the action of the Federated Trades Schedule Committee ordering a cessation of work by shopmen on the Canadian Railways on Wednesday next, the 18th, it is proper that those identified with railway service should be informed of the circumstances which led up to the present situation.

The Federation of Railway Shopmen in Canada claim to constitute Division No. 4 of the Railway Employees' Dept., American Federation of Labor, Divisions 1, 2 and 3 including the same trades in the United States. It is understood that the membership of the Canadian Division represents about ten per cent of the whole, ninety per cent of the membership being in the United States. The American Division applied to the United States Railroad Administration in the latter part of 1918 for certain concessions in respect to rates and working conditions and negotiations have been proceeding since the first of the year, without so far as known, any threat of a cessation of work being made, although a final agreement has not yet been reached.

The Canadian Division presented substantially similar demands about April 1st, and negotiations with the Canadian Railway War Board commenced about the 1st of May. During the ensuing negotiations certain points were tentatively agreed upon, including the establishment of a straight eight-hour day and the Saturday half-holiday for the back shopmen. As a result of request for a definite statement on the part of the railways, the War Board on June 9th delivered a letter to the Federated Trades Schedule Committee in which reference was made to the concession of the straight eight-hour day, together with Saturday half-holiday for back-shop men, and other points tentatively agreed upon and suggested that consideration of rates should be deferred until decision was reached in United States, subject to the understanding that rates finally agreed upon would be applicable from May 1st. The Federated Trades Schedule Committee immediately replied rejecting this suggestion, demanding immediate consideration of rates, and threatening cessation of work unless this was done.

In connection with this correspondence, the Board stated its willingness to refer the questions in dispute to either the Canadian Railway Board of Adjustment No. 1, or to a Board of Conciliation under the Lemieux Act, but the committee has declined to accept either of these offers. It is therefore apparent the Committee, for reasons best known to themselves, do not desire to continue negotiations, and has positively closed all efforts towards a peaceful settlement.

In view of the fact that extraordinary large increases were granted to Canadian railway shopmen in 1918, involving the payment of many millions of dollars, the rates established being generally similar to those in the United States, it is obvious that Canadian Railways cannot consistently consider enormous additional increases until the conditions under which competing lines in the United States will operate are known. Your attention is drawn to the fact that practically all other classes of labor on Canadian Railways have accepted the rates established in United States.

The fact that the Railway Companies have offered two different methods of arbitrating the questions in dispute, namely by a Board of Conciliation under the Lemieux Act and the Canadian Railway Board of Adjustment No. 1 (this Board consisting of six labor representatives and six railway representatives) and that both have been refused by the Committee, the Committee also declining to await the decision in the United States notwithstanding the fact that 90 per cent of their members are interested in this award which has been under consideration for some time, seems to establish the Committee's position as being one of refusing to adopt peaceable means of settlement.

The drastic action contemplated must necessarily injure the interests of all concerned and bring about inconvenience and possible suffering to large numbers of innocent people who have no fears whatever of controlling the situation. The Canadian Railways, generally, have recognized the principle of collective bargaining for many years, being practically pioneers in this respect, and have no quarrel with Trades Unions, recognizing the right of employees to organize if they so desire. The Canadian Railways have already recognized the 8-hour day for various classes of labor, and at an early date in the present negotiations agreed to extend it to the shopmen. Therefore these two important features do not enter into the case. It would appear in this instance that the action of the Federated Trades Schedule Committee was uncalled for and not in the best interests of their organization or the country at large.

The action of the Committee is most regrettable inasmuch as it must result in great loss of wages to workers generally and cause grave inconvenience to the public. In the interests of all concerned, including practically all classes of railway employees, it is sincerely hoped that better counsel may prevail.

D. M. Hanna, President.

ROD AND GUN FOR JUNE.

The first instalment of "The Bear of Silver Dale," by George Gilbert, the well-known outdoor writer, appears in Rod and Gun for June. This is a thrilling story of adventure along the trap line. Anyone interested in the Timagami Forest Reserve would do well to read the splendid article entitled "A Seven Day Canoe Trip," which tells of the doings of eight red blooded young men in the north country. Robert Page Lincoln, the author of Fishing Notes Department, is the writer of an interesting and instructive article on summer camping. In addition to several other stories and articles the regular departments are included in this splendid number of Canada's premier sportsman's magazine which is now on sale. Rod and Gun is published by W. J. Taylor, Limited, of Woodstock, Ont.

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Epworth League 8.00 p.m.
Wednesday: Mid-Week Prayer Service at 7.30 p.m.

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