

Telegraph, Telephone and Cable Matters.

A. E. Holmes has been appointed chief operator, Great North Western Telegraph Co., Winnipeg, vice A. D. Campbell, deceased.

J. O. Pilon, heretofore assistant to local manager, Grand Trunk Pacific Ry. Telegraphs, Edmonton, Alta., has been appointed local manager, there, vice R. M. Macmillan promoted.

Mrs. R. N. Young, wife of the Superintendent of Telegraphs, British Columbia District, C.P.R., sustained a broken leg, through being knocked down by an automobile in Vancouver, at the end of October.

The Association of Railway Telegraph Superintendents held a special meeting at Chicago, Ill., Nov. 22, to discuss various topics in which the members are interested. This meeting took the place of the usual annual convention which it was deemed desirable to postpone indefinitely.

The Great North Western Telegraph Co. has reopened its office at Restigouche, Que., and has closed its offices at Pointe au Pic and Valcartier Camp, Que.; Bath, Camp Borden, Camp Leaside, Paisley and Petawawa Camp, Ont., and Grand Beach, Man. The name of the office at Brockville Jct., Ont., has been changed to Forfar.

A. Mackenzie, Agent, C.P.R. Telegraphs, Guelph, Ont., who retired after 28 years with the company there, on account of ill health, commenced telegraph service in 1872 with the Montreal Telegraph Co. as a messenger, later becoming an operator with the same company and transferring to the C.P.R. Telegraphs in 1889. All his service has been in Guelph.

The Great North Western Telegraph Co. is reported to be employing girls as messengers at Calgary, Alta. It is stated that no girl is employed unless over school age, and their work is confined to the centre of the city, and to the day time. Only a few have been employed so far as an experiment, as it is said that latterly boy messengers have been very inattentive.

Some difference of opinion seems to have arisen as to the payment of war taxes on collect telegrams passing between Canada and the U. S. An enquiry directed to the local agent of the C. P. R. Telegraphs, Montreal, by a press representative brought the statement that when the tax was instituted in the U.S., the company communicated with Washington on the subject, and was informed that the tax on a collect message sent from the U. S. was collected from the sender before the message was dispatched. A representative of the Great North Western Telegraph Co. however stated that the U. S. war tax was being collected from recipients of collect messages and a monthly return made to the U.S. Government and that this course was being adopted on Canadian collect messages sent to the U.S. The Canadian tax is 1c and the U.S. tax is 5c.

R. M. Macmillan, heretofore local manager, Grand Trunk Pacific Ry. Telegraphs, Edmonton, Alta., has been appointed acting Division Superintendent, G.T.P.R. Telegraphs, Winnipeg, and acting Superintendent of Time Service, G.T.P.R. vice F. T. Caldwell, who has been granted extended leave of absence on his appointment as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army Signal Corps. He entered the Western Union Telegraph Co.'s service in 1904 as

a messenger, at Sydney, N.S., and after learning operating, he worked his way to the position of local manager in the east, and went west in 1911, entering C.P.R. Telegraphs service at Winnipeg. He transferred to the G.T.P.R. Telegraphs service in 1912, as night operator at Winnipeg, and was appointed local manager at Regina, Sask., when an office was established there. Later he occupied a similar position at Calgary, Alta., and from 1914, at Edmonton, Alta.

Among the Express Companies.

Express companies applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission on Nov. 15 for an increase of 10% in rates. The Adams, American, Southern, and Wells-Fargo companies, making the application in behalf of themselves and other express companies, set forth that they had suffered a net loss of \$39,848 as the result of increases in operating expenses and taxes during the first six months of this year.

The various express companies operating in Canada have announced that with a view to improving the working conditions of their employes, and to co-operate in the general movement to conserve the country's resources with respect to time and men, it has been decided to discontinue all pick-up and delivery of express shipments on Sundays, and not to contract to make calls or start deliveries after 5 p.m. on week days.

The Board of Railway Commissioners has extended the express collection and delivery limits for Hamilton, Ont., to include the area in the east end within a continuous line following the west side of Lottridge Inlet, Burlington, Ottawa, Barton, Frederick, Cannon and Ottawa Sts., Roxborough and Kensington Aves., Main St., and Cage Ave.; also Burlington St., from Ottawa St. to and including the Dominion Sheet Metal Co.'s premises. The matter was down for hearing on the application of the City of Hamilton, but the city and the companies, through the Express Traffic Association, had come to an agreement before the hearing, so that it only remained for the board to make an order amending the original order, as arranged between the parties.

The Dominion Ex. Co. was sued recently by Gold Seal Ltd., Calgary, Alta., for refusal to accept shipments of intoxicating liquors for export from Alberta to Saskatchewan and elsewhere, and for refusal to receive shipments in British Columbia, when consigned to plaintiffs' warehouse in Calgary. The express company contended that it is prohibited from doing so under the provisions of the Alberta Liquor Act, and the plaintiffs claimed that the act is ultra vires of the province as being an interference with trade and commerce, which is a matter within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada. Judgment was given for the plaintiffs, it being stated that the act did not prevent a bona fide business being conducted in the matter of storage within the province for the legitimate supply to points within and without the province.

The Anglo-American Shipping Co., Ltd. the incorporation of which was announced in our last issue, has been formed to carry on the business of building and dealing in steam and other vessels, to act as shipping agents, insurance agents, etc. The officers are: S. Bick, President; G. H. Meehan, Vice President and Managing Director; J. I. Bennett, Treasurer. The office is at 11 St. Sacrament St., Montreal.

Trade and Supply Notes.

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Northern Electric Co.—A. Dwight Smith, formerly Manager of the Company's branch at Ottawa, has been appointed Sales Manager, Montreal district.

General Railway Signal Co.—The G.T.R. is installing the A.P.B. automatic block signalling system on its line between Shelburne, N.H. and Bethel, Me. The work is being done by the company's own forces.

Metal Hose and Tubing Co., New York, which is represented in Canada by Lyman Tube and Supply Co., has issued a loose leaf illustrated catalogue of its new hose, "Triplex," thoroughly explaining its construction.

Theodore Malm, who for the past six years has been electrical and mechanical engineer for various Mackenzie-Mann interests, including Toronto Ry., Toronto Power Co., Toronto Electric Light Co., Toronto & York Radial Ry., Toronto Suburban Ry., London Electric Co., Suburban Construction Co., Canadian Northern Ry., etc., has established two companies, viz., Railway & Power Engineering Corporation, Ltd., and Theo. Malm & Co., with offices at 202 C. P. R. Building, Toronto. Railway & Power Engineering Corporation will deal in railway, light and power equipment, and Theo. Malm & Co. will undertake surveys, plans and estimates for development of electric power, prepare plans, estimates and specifications and supervise work of electric, street and interurban railways and mining electrifications, also complete systems for generation, transmission and distribution of electrical energy for commercial purposes and industrial plants.

The Standard Underground Cable Co. of Canada, Ltd., Hamilton, Ont., has placed on the market a new style of outdoor (type d. o. a.) cable terminal which is known as the protected disconnection style. All the copper parts are covered by a porcelain hood, which permits the disconnection of the aerial extension wire even while the circuit is alive. The company states that all its outdoor (type d.o.a.) cable terminals are readily disconnected from the aerial conductor, either by means of a set screw, cap nut or turnbuckle stem. The stem of the new terminal is a modification of the regular cap nut stem and it is claimed that it has some additional advantages where frequent disconnection of the aerial circuit from the terminal is necessary. The new terminal, as well as the complete line of outdoor cable terminals, is fully described in the company's bulletin 700-2.

Refrigerator Heater and Ventilator Car Co., St. Paul, Minn., has received approvals of its Moore heater from the United States Bureau of Explosives and from the Underwriters' Laboratories. The report from the Bureau of Explosives' Chemical Laboratory says:

"A Moore heater car was examined at Newark, N.J., on Sept. 5. The heating system consists essentially of a small iron stove carried in a special compartment underneath the car. The stove is of cast