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## RADIO LEAGUE OF MARITIMES IN CONVENTION

Delegates Praise Work of Amateurs in Two-Way Communication

JOS. FASSET GETS MAYOR MURPHY CUP

Acting Mayor Frink Offers Cup To One Best Boosting Maritimes

THE high place that the Maritime Provinces and Canada have won in the world of radio communication, was the keynote of the annual convention of the Maritime Branch of the Radio League of America in the Admiral Beatty hotel here Saturday evening.

Because of the proximity of amateur transmitting stations to the Atlantic seaboard this section of North America is credited with the most outstanding achievements in two-way communication with Europe. The winner of the cup donated by former Mayor John Murphy, of Halifax, Joseph Fasset, of Dartmouth, N. S., has "worked" the principal countries of the old world and hung up a record said

to be unequalled by any other member of the relay league on this continent. It was further disclosed that vital assistance has been given by Maritime radio keymen to Arctic explorers and in a general way to others using this method of long distance communication in emergencies.

The convention was attended by the leading amateur transmitters of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland. Technical experts from American centres were present and addressed the gathering in addition to Canadian radio workers of note. Acting Mayor Frink, of Saint John, offered another silver cup to succeed that of former Mayor Murphy, of Halifax, to the member of the league doing most to present the Maritime Provinces prominently before the world per the air.

PROCEEDINGS BROADCAST.

A transmitting set in the banquet hall broadcast the proceedings for scores of miles around about. The meeting was technically, socially and educationally a decided success. At each place around the festive board bits of radio literature were distributed explanatory of the purpose and progress of the American Radio League, which according to one historical sketch is termed a great fraternity of radio experimenters, students, hobby-riders, sportsmen and plain lovers-of-the-other-fellow who have formed themselves into a society round about the world, to which they bring their loyalty and skill in transmitting message one to the other. The league is purely amateur though approximating the professional radio club in efficiency and ingenuity and because of this they accept the sobriquet which dubs them "ham" as a compliment. In the world of telegraphers a "ham" is a clumsy-fisted operator, a learner usually. It came out in the speech making that nowhere in the world is reception and transmission better or more prolific than in the Maritime Provinces of Canada. Indeed this section of the map is famous in radio circles for that reason.

DR. FRINK OFFERS CUP.  
Acting Mayor J. H. Frink welcomed

the radio "brass-pounders"—code transmitters—in his characteristic good-fellowship style and before closing offered to donate a silver cup for the best all-round two-way communication achievement as soon as the cup given by ex-Mayor John Murphy had been won three consecutive times. The present winner is Joseph Fasset, a prominent member of the Radio League whose station is located in Dartmouth, N. S. Major Borrett received the cup for the absent winner.

Mr. Fasset was awarded the "Murphy radio cup" for his record-breaking work. This cup was donated by ex-Mayor Murphy to be awarded to the owner of the amateur radio station who had done the most during the year to put the name of the Maritime before the world, and a glance at the map of the world will show the Dartmouth man has done excellent publicly work for the Maritimes by his two way work which has always brought the name of Halifax to the front. Among the countries that his station is now known in are the following: Argentina, Bermuda, Brazil, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Great Britain, Greenland, Finland, Holland, Italy, Iraq, New Zealand, South Africa and Australia. Also all over the United States and Canada. These achievements won Fasset the cup.

HOW IT WAS DONE.  
A record such as the above can only be obtained, it was said last night, by hours of painstaking work both in the building of a transmitter and a receiver, and by careful adjustment and efficient operating. Most of Fasset's record was established on high frequencies (or low waves in other words), and often Mr. Fasset operated on as low a wave as 18 metres, on which wave he operated right across the continent of America in broad daylight. By using such a low wavelength—which is out of the range altogether of the broadcast receiving sets—local amateurs can operate without any ordinary radio set. It is claimed, knowing that they are on and in addition to the wonderful daylight distances obtainable, they cause no interference to the broadcast programs.

ASSISTED EXPLORERS.  
Mr. Fasset's station in Dartmouth played a leading part in the sending

and receiving of news from the K-Millan expedition while they were at Etah, North Greenland, and on many occasions gave Commander McMillan's radio operators messages of greetings and other personal messages to the crew which could not be delivered to the expedition in any other way than by amateur radio. This service alone justifies the existence of such amateur stations.

Frank P. Vaughan, M. C. S. M. A. I. E. M. E. I. C. of Saint John, addressed the dinner party, confining himself chiefly to personal experiences in wireless telegraphy and telephony since 1902. He had watched the development of this science and had participated in it with the keenest interest and as pertaining to the American Radio League he expressed his great appreciation of the work it had done and was doing. The pioneer work done in the Maritimes by these longers was of the most important character and he urged the closest co-operation of all concerned as an organization gets out of such a worthy work only what it puts into it.

Major Borrett, divisional manager, sketched briefly and interestingly the accomplishments of the members of the Maritime branch in reaching out to distant places, nearly all of them having "worked" European stations.

J. M. Clayton, of the radio magazine QST, Hartford, Conn., discussed in technical terms many of the problems, departures and achievements of overseas transmitting and receiving. He is a radio technician. James E. Palmer, of Fredericton, also spoke, as did Loyal Reid, of Newfoundland, who told of his chatting with Spain, Germany, Poland and other faraway places from his outfit at St. John's on the ocean's edge. H. S. Thompson, of the Marconi Company staff, gave some outstanding incidents of radio usefulness and complimented the league upon its work.

INITIATION.

Then came an amusing episode, the initiation of a group of members who had "worked" Europe into the dignified fraternity of "Rotas" Royal Order of Trans-Atlantic Brass-Pounders. Blindfolded, the key-tilters were put through a series of hilarious stunts. Later the whole party were asked to complete in sending code messages by tapping the key with the nose, untangling radio wires, reading and send-

ing signals backwards and various other tricks of the game. Valuable prizes, mostly radio equipment parts, were given. It was a merry touch to the proceedings and in Mr. Atkinson's capable hands went off unobtrusively.

OTHER ITEMS.

It was announced that Warner Brothers, picture producing concern, was sending out a radio equipped van across the continent from Hollywood which would be the objective of many signalers as cash awards amounting to \$1,000 were to be given for the best communications. The signal of this traveling outfit is 6-KY and the Hollywood base 6-XDR. District Manager Borrett requested the members of the Maritime branch to keep up an exchange of news per the air route and asked that an especial watch be kept for intelligence of the North Pole expeditions. He thanked P. D. Thorne for his broadcasting of the Pole expeditions. Messrs. Lacey and Atkinson for their local labors in making the meeting such a success. The party disbanded with a terrific broadcast of Auld Lang Syne. During the evening songs were sent forth from the hotel by the league outfit.

Sunday afternoon some technical and business matters pertaining to the Maritime Division of the A. R. R. L. were deliberated upon in the hotel and today the visiting delegates will disperse to their several homes.

THOSE PRESENT.

Those present included Divisional Manager Major William C. Borrett, (Signal 1-D-D), Dartmouth, N. S.; Assistant Divisional Manager Thomas Lacey, (1-BI) Saint John, N. B.; Assistant Divisional Manager Walter Hyndman, (1-BZ), Charlottetown, P. E. I.; Divisional News Manager Elliott Campbell, (1-DV) Halifax, N. S.; Dist. Supl. Loyal Reid, (8-AR), St. John's, Nfld.; President Department Marine and Fisheries; Frank P. Vaughan, M. C. S. M. A. I. E. M. E. I. C.; Dr. A. E. Macaulay, Roland McAvity, Frank D. Thorne, A. Lee Atkinson, Dr. J. M. Cruickshank (G-MC), George F. Greger, A. E. Megarity, J. E. Clarkson, George B. Ingraham, Acting Mayor Frink, all of Saint John; James E. Palmer and G. McCormack, Fredericton; Alex. A. MacDonald, Halifax, and J. L. Fenderson (1-AT), Jacquet River,

N. B. J. M. Clayton, assistant editor of QST, a leading radio publication, was present from Hartford, Conn., and addressed the meeting. A. Lee Atkinson, of Saint John, was local chairman and chief of the committee of arrangements, whilst Major Borrett, as head of the league branch, conducted the general proceedings.

CHANGES C. N. R. SUBURBAN SERVICE, MAY 3.

Commencing Monday, May 3, changes in suburban service, daily except Sunday, between Saint John, Hampton and Sussex, will be made as follows:

HAMPTON-SAINT JOHN

Train No. 131 will leave Hampton at 5.55 a. m. instead of 6.40 a. m., arriving Saint John at 6.40 a. m. instead of 7.40 a. m.

Train No. 122 will leave Saint John at 11.20 a. m. instead of 12.20 p. m., arriving Hampton 12.15 p. m. instead of 1.20 p. m. On Saturdays this train will leave Saint John one hour later, or at 12.20 p. m.

Train No. 133 will leave Hampton at 12.20 p. m. instead of 1.40 p. m., arriving Saint John at 1.30 p. m. instead of 2.45 p. m.

In addition, two new trains have been provided, viz.: Train No. 134, which will leave Saint John at 5.15 p. m., arriving Hampton at 6.15 p. m., and train No. 135 which will leave Hampton at 6.55 p. m. arriving Saint John at 7.55 p. m.

SAINT JOHN-SUSSEX

Train No. 23 will leave Sussex at 3.45 a. m. instead of 4.40 a. m., arriving

Saint John at 7.45 a. m. instead of 8.45 a. m.

Train No. 24 will leave Saint John at 4.15 p. m. instead of 5.15 p. m., arriving Sussex at 6.15 p. m. instead of 7.15 p. m.

an electric grill from her associates on the staff.

Jenkins-McLeod.

The marriage of Miss Mary McLeod, daughter of Murdoch McLeod, of St. Anne's, C. B., and Victory Samuel Jenkins, of Saint John, was solemnized on Saturday evening at the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. A. L. Teiford, 187 Waterloo street, at 8 o'clock. The bride was becomingly gowned in a navy blue suit with hat to match. She was attended by Miss Ethel Hazel Perry, Carl Meredith MacCollum was groomsmen. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins will make their home at 104 Winter street, Saint John, and have the best wishes of many friends.

POLICE CALLED.

Yesterday morning at 8.15 Detectives Kilpatrick and Garter were called to a residence in Rockland Road on a complaint that some person, who was acting in a suspicious manner, was loitering about the premises. On the arrival of the officers they made a search but could not find any person.

FLY-TOX

Kills

MOTHS

Dr. H. C. Dunlop presided at the organ and rendered appropriate music. After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. VanWart left on the early train for New York, where they will visit Miss Mariel Ellison, Reg. N., and Raymond Ellison, sister and brother of the bride.

Among the many beautiful gifts received were an electric bridge lamp from C. A. Munro, Canterbury street, by whom the bride was employed, and

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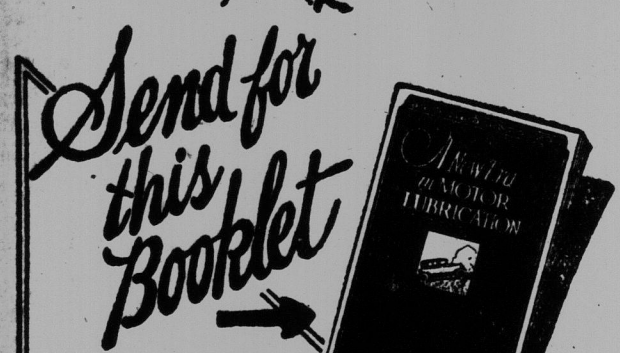
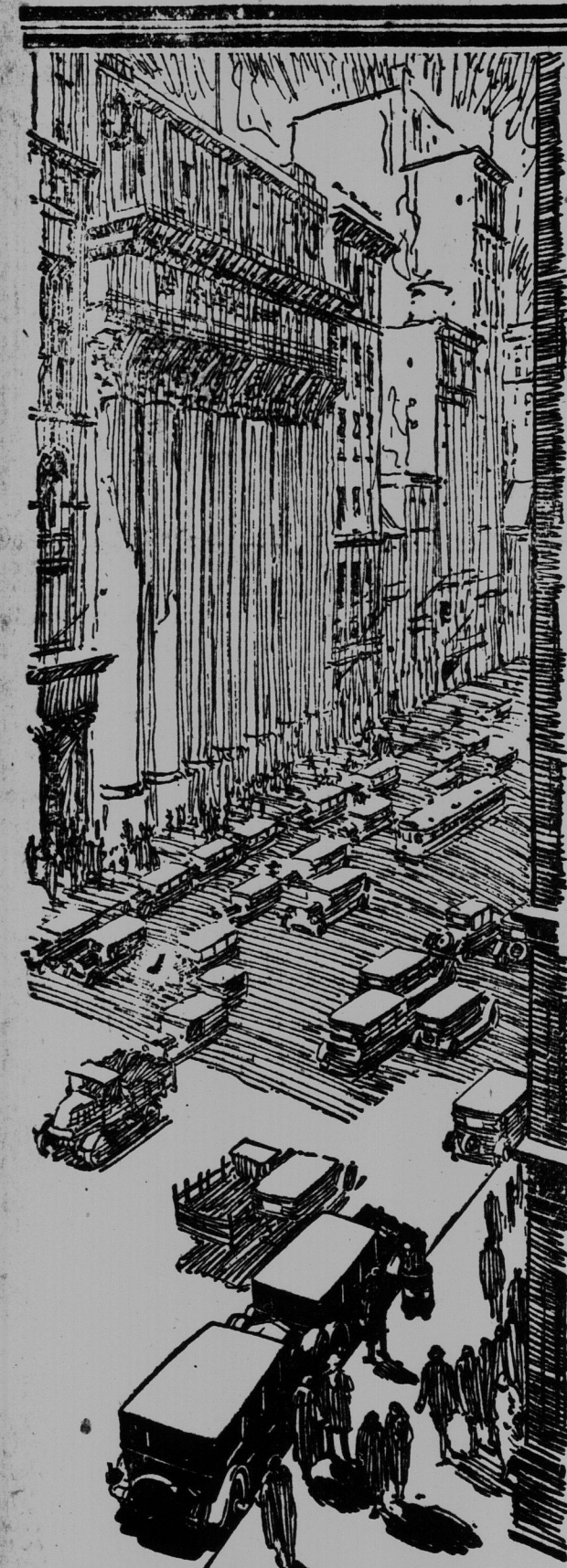
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