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INVITES HIS EMPLOYEES TO WORK ON THE FARM

First Meeting of "Help the Farmer" Campaign is Held By Local Wholesale House.

Mr. J. D. Allan, chairman of the Toronto Board of Trade's production campaign, addressed 160 male employees of Gordon, Mackay & Company last night, explaining to them in detail the plan to help farmers in the vicinity of Toronto this summer. He referred to the loss of three members of his family who had paid the supreme sacrifice, and asked the men to back up the boys in the trenches by aiding empire production. Willingness, rather than experience, was needed, he said. The plan includes a systematic supply of help to the farmer from May to September.

Mr. J. W. Woods, president of the company, stated that the firm would give every "farm volunteer" employee three weeks' holidays with full pay, instead of two, as is customary. In addition, the board of trade plans that the "volunteer" will receive \$1.10 a day while on the farm. He promised to do his three weeks on a farm. The need is great, and the plan will help reduce the cost of living in Toronto. He told the men "if Canada does not produce up to capacity the empire will suffer. A ship can make 8 trips between Britain and Canada, 10 between Britain and Australia. Tonnage is scarce and should be used on the shortest route—and that means that Canada must produce."

Applause followed both addresses, and in conclusion the men were asked to think it over and make their decisions. E. F. Trimble is the campaign secretary, and plans to open a town-town registration office within a few days.

Harper, customs broker, 30 West Wellington st., corner Bay st.

LARGER APPROPRIATION

Street Cleaning Department Estimates Total \$1,027,125.

Commissioner Wilson of the street cleaning department asks \$1,027,125 to operate his department in 1917 as compared with total expenditure of \$910,810 last year. The general increase in wages and salaries is responsible for almost the whole of the increase. Almost every item shows an increase over last year, commencing with scavenging work, which will cost \$360,000. For street cleaning the commissioner requires \$47,600, culverts \$13,500 and asphalt \$285,000. Oil and watering the streets will cost Toronto nearly \$45,000.

WILL WRITE WAR HISTORY.

Prof. G. Wrong of the University of Toronto will write a history of the war for the Royal Colonial Institute. Six volumes will be issued by the institute, and Sir Charles Lucas will be the editor. Besides Prof. Wrong, other contributors have been secured in New Zealand, Australia and the West Indies.

USE PRISON LABOR.

By employment of prison labor on construction at Guelph Reformatory, \$102,000 was saved to the province, according to W. W. Dunlop, inspector of provincial institutions, before the public accounts committee yesterday. The men were paid 62c a day, while engineers estimated the value of their labor at \$1.20.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Toronto, March 22.—(6 p.m.)—Except for some light local snow or rain in northern Ontario, the weather today has been fair, bright and mild, and for the most part quite mild.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 2, 23; Prince Rupert, 30, 36; Victoria, 34, 44; Vancouver, 38, 50; Calgary, 18, 36; Edmonton, 14, 36; Banff, 10, 30; Saskatoon, 2, 23; Prince Albert, 2, 24; Moose Jaw, 18, 32; Medicine Hat, 24, 36; Regina, 11, 22; Winnipeg, 28, 34; Pelly, 14, 40; London, 23, 30; Toronto, 24, 44; Ottawa, 8, 34; Montreal, 14, 32; Quebec, 10, 30; St. John, 12, 30; Halifax, 16, 30.

Probabilities.—Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fresh winds mostly south and southwest; generally fair and quite mild today; some local showers by night.

Lake Superior—Some local rain or snow, but partly fair; not much change in temperature.

Manitoba—Fair and comparatively mild.

Saskatchewan and Alberta—Generally fair and mild.

THE BAROMETER.

Time.	Ther.	Bar.	Wind.
8 a.m.	22	29.81	1 N.
11 a.m.	23	29.82	1 N.
2 p.m.	24	29.83	1 N.
5 p.m.	24	29.84	1 N.
8 p.m.	24	29.85	1 N.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

March 22.	At	From
Esperanza	New York	Bordeaux

STREET CAR DELAYS

Thursday, March 22, 1917.

Carlton and Parliament cars eastbound delayed 45 minutes at Don Bridge at 10:10 a.m., by wagon broken down on track.

Dundas and College cars northbound delayed 15 minutes at Teraulay and Albert at 3:27 p.m., by wagon broken down on track.

Bathurst cars delayed 8 minutes at 8:21 p.m., at C.P.R. crossing, by train.

Bathurst cars delayed 6 minutes at 8:42 p.m., at G.T.R. crossing, by train.

MARRIAGES.

ARMSTRONG—BROOKER—On Wednesday, March 21st, at All Saints Church, Ottawa, by the Rev. Archdeacon Mackay, Evelyn, youngest daughter of Arthur H. Armstrong of Toronto, to Carl E. Armstrong of Haliburton.

DEATHS.

EAMES—On March 21st, 1917, killed in a motor car accident, William Eames, aged 19, dearly beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Eames, 811 Dovercourt road, city.

FRANKLAND—On Thursday, March 22, 1917, at his late residence, 560 Danforth avenue, Toronto, Mary Ann Frankland, wife of Henry Frankland, aged 74 years.

Funeral from above address on Saturday, March 24, at 2 p.m., in St. George's Church, Toronto.

LEE—At the Wellfleet Hospital on Thursday, March 22nd, 1917, Arthur Lee, aged 42 years, of the late Walter Lee, in his 47th year.

Funeral from the residence of his wife, Mrs. Lee, 5 MacLennan avenue, Saturday, at 2:30. (Motor funeral.)

MACDONALD—On Thursday, March 22, at his home, 231 East Gervard street, Bridget McManis, widow of the late James McDonald.

Funeral Saturday, March 24, at 3:30 a.m., to St. Paul's Church, Toronto.

WORRALL—In this city on Wednesday, March 21, 1917, Walter J. Worral, husband of Helen Worral, aged 60 years.

Funeral Saturday, 2 p.m., from A. W. Miles funeral chapel, 526 College street. Interment at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Marine Engineers Announce New Wage Schedule Accepted

At the regular monthly meeting of the Marine Engineers' Association of Canada, in the E.O.E. Hall last evening, it was stated that the new wage schedule, which has been prepared, has now been accepted by the union. It was also stated that the association had appointed a business agent to look after the interests of the association during the summer. There were many other matters discussed, including Bro. D. Leslie, chairman of the great lakes executive council, and representatives from Collingwood, Owen Sound, Kingston and the Midland Councils. The chair was taken by A. Maclean, and following the business the party, about fifty strong, sat down to supper, when the various members concerning the work of the association.

MCDONALD IS RELEASED.

On the grounds that the case had been disposed of by Magistrate Doulson, W. J. Curry, K.C., obtained the release of William McDonald, his client, who was arraigned in the general sessions before Judge's Court on a charge of forgery. After hearing some evidence, Magistrate Doulson, it was said, ordered the complainant, Fannie Ely, to prosecute in a higher court. The grand jury returned a true bill against McDonald.

REPLY IS PROMPT TO BECK CHARGES

Sir William Mackenzie Writes Premier, Dealing With Sir Adam's Speech.

CLAIMS UNFAIRNESS

Says Member Seeks to Injure Him and His Affairs.

Sir William Mackenzie has sent the following letter to Sir William Hearst, premier of Ontario, in reply to the charges recently made in the legislature by Sir Adam Beck.

Sir: I have been subjected to an outrageous attack by Sir Adam Beck on the floor of the legislative assembly, and I am entitled to reply. Surely a member of the assembly is not entitled to use his position for attacks of this nature, and I am entitled to defend myself. I am not concerned with the legislature and the cloakings of its personal vindictiveness with its prestige. The circumstances are most unusual, otherwise I would not send you this open letter, which I also propose to give to the press.

Sir Adam has referred to having been threatened with a libel suit. He did not tell the assembly, however, the circumstances which, when related, are, it seems to me, not at all to his credit.

The words of Sir Adam to which we took formal exception were published in The Globe and were spoken at a public meeting in Hamilton.

By Sir Adam Beck and to Sir Adam Beck a notice that these words of the speech, "The Canadian Northern has issued bonds double the cost of the construction of the road," constituted a libel.

Here is an extract from The Globe reply: "The staff reporter of The Globe, who was present at the meeting, assured me that he is prepared to go into the witness box and swear that the words were used by Sir Adam Beck. Sir Adam himself, when seen by The Globe, said: 'If you have set me down as saying that, I might have said it. I don't know.'"

The Globe's letter was dated Dec. 27. Bearing in mind that Sir Adam said to The Globe, please read what Sir Adam wrote to our general counsel, the Hon. Mr. Phippen, the next day, namely, December 28th, in receipt of yours of the 26th instant, in which you complain of an article which appeared in The Globe, containing what is alleged to be a statement made by me at a public meeting in Hamilton. I have not the paper before me, but I desire to say that I did not use the language as quoted in your letter as having been reported in The Globe respecting a meeting recently held in Hamilton.

I leave it for you and the public to determine on what basis I am speaking to The Globe. When he was writing the letter of denial avoiding suit, when the denial appeared in the legislative assembly and in the public press, I am sure that Sir Adam was not thinking of the public.

Attacked Honor of House.

Sir Adam, in seeking to injure me and the railway over which I preside, has made a direct attack upon the honor of your house when he said, as reported, "Every year in the private bills committee you see their manipulations and machinations in connection with various bills." The Toronto and York Radial Railway Company is even at this writing before your private bills committee and has for the past number of years been before your different committees, and I presume reference is made to this company, of which I am president. I am assured by the manager of the company, who has direct charge over legislation, and by the solicitors that there has been no lobbying in connection with these appointments before the committee. The manager goes so far as to say that "not one member of this legislature has been asked to support the bills, and except by counsel in formal legal address before the committee."

I say the company's legislative methods are clean, free from all "manipulations and machinations." If I am right, Sir Adam's words are despicable calumny, affixing to the honor of the assembly and the reputation of the company. Let there be a searching investigation into this matter, out of which the public may judge for themselves which of us speaks the truth; and let the men who speak the truth take the consequences.

Sir Adam's recent outburst appears, from press reports, to have been caused by some fancied attack upon the hydro radial plans by the Canadian Northern in Hamilton.

Let me briefly explain this situation. Immediately before Sir Adam, the Canadian Northern had purchased a right of way and ground for terminal yards in Hamilton. Since the war, the Canadian Northern has been able to continue with the work

for financial reasons. This winter, Sir Adam submitted to Hamilton a radial bylaw, which was rejected by the citizens. After the decisive rejection of the bylaw by Hamilton and several of the interested municipalities, the Canadian Northern asked the council of Hamilton to approve of its plans in the city, hoping to go on with the work this summer. Sir Adam objected to this approval, and apparently wants the right of way and terminal lands for the hydro radial, in spite of the citizens' rejection of the bylaw. Under these circumstances, it would not ordinarily be expected that the Canadian Northern would extend a willing hand to Sir Adam. But we did. On March 5, I wrote to the mayor of Hamilton, stating that "Not only is the Canadian Northern Railway Co. now willing, but it has on more than one occasion offered to co-operate in a friendly spirit with Sir Adam's enterprise."

No Animosity to Hydro.

There should be no contest between the Canadian Northern and the hydro radial. The one is a transcontinental railway, having approximately 10,000 miles of line in Canada and 500 of its miles of railway are in the prairie provinces of western Canada; the other is a local electric railway, planned and submitted to the council of Hamilton. Our western railways were naturally anxious to connect up with such an important industrial centre as Hamilton, and, further, to carry the railway thru Hamilton to connection with American coal-carrying roads at the Niagara frontier. My official will was out when Sir Adam's instructions have been issued to utter not one word against the hydro radial scheme. I have no country, but I am not expressing them at the present time, nor do I propose that Canadian Northern officials shall take part in the controversy. The citizens of the province must decide this issue for themselves.

Sir Adam has more than once reflected upon my business judgment, and with strange inconsistency persistently covets one of the things I have tried to build up.

Sir Adam, while not making any direct charge of wrongdoing on my part, has accused me of being a "public opinion" man. I am not a public opinion man. I am a man of business judgment, and I believe his statements. It will be remembered that Sir Adam, when he was in the legislature, was a member of the committee which investigated the company's affairs. He was a member of the committee which investigated the company's affairs, and he was a member of the committee which investigated the company's affairs.

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