

THORNTON DECLARES C. N. R. CANNOT CONTROL GRAIN SHIPMENTS

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SEES PRESSURE ON SHIPPERS ONLY MOVE

"Entire Matter Affected by Shipping and Market Conditions," He Asserts

PLACING the onus squarely on the shoulders of grain pools and owners of grain, Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railways, last night issued a statement in which he declared that neither the C. N. R. nor he as president can control the port of shipment for export grain.

Sir Henry even doubts whether the Parliament of Canada can exercise effective control and sees "persuasion" as the only pressure that can be brought to bear on shippers to use Canadian ports for export. This pressure, he says, is being fully employed by the C. N. R., but the "entire matter is affected by economic shipping and market conditions of considerable complexity."

Sir Henry's statement, which is of paramount importance in the present country-wide agitation to obtain use of the Transcontinental Railway for grain traffic to Canadian ports, is in response to a query as to "whether the putting into use of the Transcontinental Railway is in accordance with the conditions under which it was built, rests with you as president of the road or with the Parliament of Canada."

STATEMENT IN FULL
Sir Henry's statement in full is as follows:
"Notwithstanding statements made to the contrary, neither the Canadian National Railways nor myself as its president can control the port of shipment for export grain. The control lies entirely with the grain pools and the owners of the grain."

"There is every reason why the Canadian National Railways should desire Canadian ports to be used to the fullest extent, but persuasion is the only pressure we can bring to bear, and this is being fully employed. I do not think even the Parliament of Canada can exercise effective control in opposition to this inclination of owners of grain."

"The subject is engaging the earnest efforts of ourselves and other interests, and will not be assisted by precipitous statements made without a full knowledge of the facts. The entire matter is affected by economic shipping and market conditions of considerable complexity, and a satisfactory conclusion will only be gained by a recognition of the sincerity of purpose by all sides coupled with harmonious effort."

HOSPITAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS MADE ON MONDAY

Dr. W. W. White Says Too Many Doctors Are Named

Staff appointments to the General Public Hospital were made at the adjourned annual meeting of the Board of Commissioners yesterday afternoon. Practically all of the staff members were reappointed. Dr. J. M. Pennington was transferred from the G. U. department of the outdoor service to the medical branch in that service. Dr. W. W. White re-elected his position, and there were too many staff appointments.

Dr. White said there was now one doctor for about every four patients and he was reminded of Mark Twain's remark that it was a nice little town, almost every one was a colonel there.

ON CO-OPERATION

The matter of co-operation with the Saint John Infirmary with reference to the radiologist's services had been placed in the hands of a special committee which met with the representatives of the Infirmary. This report was to have been presented yesterday but owing to the late hour was referred to an adjourned meeting next Monday.

PERSONNEL OF STAFF

The proposed opening of the new department of physiotherapy was also under discussion.
Mr. E. Agar, president, was in the chair. Officers present were Commissioners Mrs. J. V. McLellan, Dr. W. W. White, W. E. Barry, Dr. J. S. Bentley and Dr. S. H. Macdonald; juniors, Dr. W. F. Roberts and Dr. H. H. Gale, superintendent.

The consulting staff consists of Dr. Murray MacLaren and Dr. W. W. White, Dr. S. S. Skinner and Dr. F. L. Kenney.
Staff appointments were made as follows:

Surgeons, seniors, Dr. G. A. B. Addy, Dr. L. M. Curran, Dr. C. M. Kelly, Dr. J. H. Allingham; juniors, Dr. A. E. Macrae, Dr. D. C. Malcolm, Dr. V. D. Davidson and Dr. C. Emerson.

Physicians, seniors, Dr. W. E. Rowley, Dr. J. A. Barry, Dr. J. S. Bentley and Dr. S. H. Macdonald; juniors, Dr. A. E. Logie, Dr. C. M. Pratt, Dr. E. W. Lunnay and Dr. E. Stanley Bridges.

Leaders Are Outspoken In Demand For Grain Traffic Over Transcontinental Rly.

DESIROUS of obtaining representative views and suggestions regarding the use of the National Transcontinental Railway for grain traffic, The Telegraph-Journal sent the following wire to the Premiers of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, the Mayors of Halifax, Moncton, Fredericton and Amherst, and the editors of the Moncton Times and Moncton Transcript:

"Could you please wire us your opinion on what action the Maritime time should take in order to get grain freight through use of the Transcontinental Railway. Or do you think we are not entitled to it?"
So far replies have been received from all excepting Premier Rhodes, who is out of town, Premier Stewart and the editor of the Moncton Transcript. Mayor Pitts of Saint John, was not interviewed on the subject owing to his being confined to his home through illness. He is known, however, to be entirely in favor of using the Transcontinental.

Here are the opinions expressed:

Premier Baxter

"We are not only entitled to all the grain trade but to all the trade the National Transcontinental can bring to the Maritime Provinces. When the management of the Canadian National Railways is prepared to reduce its traffic on the line to Portland to just enough to hold the charter of that road, the Maritimes will come into their own. It would not be any remedy to sell the Portland line to another railroad company as the present one is controlled by the Dominion as the old Grand Trunk. The real remedy would be a right to get business and the road would become a feeder into the hands of the C. N. R. management and it can be applied at any time. It is simply for the management to make it all Canadian by carrying out its many bargains to route its traffic through Canadian ports."

Mayor Biden, Amherst

"In my view the Maritime Provinces have every right to press for grain transportation through Maritime ports. We have borne our proportionate cost of the Transcontinental Railway, but as yet Nova Scotia has not received a single advantage from the construction of the line."
"We must keep our rights before the Canadian public and determine if it is in the interest of the Federal Government and the railway to do their part to implement the promises made when our railway lines were projected, and to achieve a proper fulfillment of the spirit of Confederation."
—H. D. BIDEN, Mayor.

Mayor Phillips, Fredericton

"So long as the Atlantic divisions of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railroads are not working to peak capacity, so long as any experienced or potential railroad labor is unemployed in the Maritimes, so long as the splendid winter ports which have been developed at full capacity, so long will it be a grievous crime to have Canadian grain routed by Canadian railroads through foreign ports."
"That the major part of the 1925 crop moved to date has passed through American ports, is a national scandal and disgrace."
"The people of the Maritimes and all patriotic Canadians should unite in using every political, social and business influence which they possess to see that the conditions or men responsible for this disgraceful state of affairs should be removed."
R. L. PHILLIPS, Mayor.

Mayor Kenny, Halifax

"I think Maritime ports are entitled to transportation of grain over the C. N. R., if necessary over their Transcontinental line at such rates as will enable them to compete on at least even terms with American ports. I cannot suggest any better method of securing this than by agitation and action in the press and parliament. Believe the object can be best attained by united efforts in parliament of our federal representatives in Senate and House of Commons."
J. B. KENNY, Mayor.

Mayor Edgett, Moncton

"No doubt has ever existed in my mind that the Maritime winter ports were fully entitled to a large proportion of the Canadian grain traffic through the use of the Transcontinental Railway. This must surely have been the purpose of the government of the day when the road was constructed through the wheat belt, with transit facilities for the grain from the grain fields to the Atlantic ports, consequently are in better position for this trade. But the grain traffic is not the only consideration. There should be a scientific freight traffic for the production of East and West trade both ways. The British preference should apply entirely to imports through Canadian ports bringing ships to carry exports. The Maritime people and the press have done their part. They must be backed by parliamentary representatives of both parties, relying upon central provinces for fair consideration."
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Editor, The Moncton Times

"I think the matter was well stated in the Saint John Board of Trade resolution. The government should see that a thorough test is made of the Canadian National route. Grand Trunk Pacific and the Transcontinental grades are better than the Canadian Pacific all the way from the grain fields to the Atlantic ports, consequently are in better position for this trade. But the grain traffic is not the only consideration. There should be a scientific freight traffic for the production of East and West trade both ways. The British preference should apply entirely to imports through Canadian ports bringing ships to carry exports. The Maritime people and the press have done their part. They must be backed by parliamentary representatives of both parties, relying upon central provinces for fair consideration."
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Specialists for eye, ear, nose and throat, Dr. L. DeV. Chipman, Dr. Philip Nage.
Pathologist, Dr. H. L. Abramson.

OUT-PATIENTS' DEPARTMENT

Physicians, Dr. F. W. Stevenson, Dr. R. M. Pendrigh.
Surgeons, Dr. J. R. Nugent, Dr. O. B. Evans.
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, Dr. L. DeV. Chipman, Dr. Philip Nage.
G. V., Dr. A. S. Chesley.
Orthopedic, Dr. G. G. Corbet.
Gynaecologist, Dr. G. B. Peat.
Dental surgeons, Dr. F. C. Bonnell and Dr. W. P. Broderick.

APPOINTMENT DEFERRED

For the new department of Physiotherapy about to be opened Dr. Roberts said extra equipment needed at once would cost about \$10,000. This department cannot be opened before about two months, as the installation of the equipment will require that time. The appointment of a chief of staff for that department was laid on the table for the time being. Dr. Roberts was mentioned in connection with the appointment.

All present officials were reappointed members of the training school board were named as follows: Dr. W. F. Roberts, Mrs. J. V. McLellan, J. King Kelley, K. C., Hon. Dr. W. W. White, Dr. S. S. Skinner and Dr. F. L. Kenney.

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Burgess-Sigclair

At St. David's manse yesterday afternoon Rev. Hugh Miller officiated at the wedding of Jean Sinclair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sinclair, of Whitney, Northumberland county, and Mr. R. Kaye Burgess, of Nerepis, Moncton county. After a short honeymoon to Montreal and Upper Canada claim what was left.

BLOODLESS DUEL

Critic and Actress' Son EmERGE Safely Without Being Reconciled

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The latest Parisian "affair of honor," in which Francois Richpin, grandson of Jean Richpin, the Academician, and Pierre Brison, dramatic critic of the "Temps," were the principals, ended on the field of combat without the shedding of blood and without the duelists becoming reconciled.

Brison fired two shots in the air, while Richpin stood solidly as a target to defend his mother's historic honor. Richpin himself did not fire. The duel followed an attack made on Brison in the lobby of the Odéon Theatre, where Richpin took exception to a criticism of the performance of his mother, Mme. Cora Laparcerie, in the principal role of a new piece written by her husband, Jacques Richpin.

Canada Ships More Grain Via U. S. Ports

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Canadian grain shipped last week from United States ports amounted to 5,737,000 bushels against 5,421,000 the previous week, while total North American exports of wheat four were 174,000 barrels against 233,000.

SCORES AT FUNERAL OF COL. H. E. OTWAY
TORONTO, Dec. 21.—Hundreds of mourners attended the funeral this afternoon of Col. Henry Edward Otway, who was one of the foremost officers of the Salvation Army in Canada. Commander Sowdon conducted the services at the Army Temple here.

SUIT WITHDRAWN

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Trial of Andrew McCorkindale's \$80,926 suit against Luis Firpo, pugilist, came to a

sudden end yesterday at the first session, when McCorkindale, Firpo's manager, admitted on the stand that Firpo did not owe him anything. McCorkindale had alleged in suit that \$80,926 was his share of \$203,625 won by Firpo during his ring engagements here. The complainant admitted that the charges were made under the name of Alexander Scott. He told the court he did not want his parents in Belfast, Ireland, to know he was promoting prize fights.

FRESH COAL PEACE EFFORT IS FIASCO

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 21.—Mayor John Durkin, chairman of the committee of executives, endeavoring to arrange a conference between the anthracite operators and the miners' union officials here tomorrow temporarily abandoned hope of such a meeting tonight. The mayor in a telegram to John L. Lewis, president of the miners' union said: "Your wire agreeing to attend a conference tomorrow is received. The operators have declined to meet under the provisions outlined in the call for the conference. It would be useless, therefore, to make the trip."

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Dies Suddenly Near Door of Home

MONCTON, Dec. 21.—Succumbing evidently to weakness of the heart, John Snow, of Lewisville, died suddenly while carrying home a Christmas tree today. Mr. Snow had suffered several times from heart attacks and had not been working for two years. Besides his wife, formerly Miss Etha Titus, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. W. A. D. Stevens, of Lewisville, and Mrs. Ivan McKnight, of Fredericton.

Fighting Stags Die With Antlers Locked

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Their antlers interlocked so tightly that they cannot even now be separated, two dead stags were found in the woods in the Bear Mountain reservation. In the battle which had caused their deaths one of the stags received a broken neck. The other starved to death. James Johnson, a hunter, and John Tamsen, general manager of the Palisades Interstate Park, discovered the stags, the heads of which, still interlocked, will be mounted.

APPEAL IN LARKIN CASE TO BE TALKED

Toronto Contends He Does Not Pay Any Income Tax in London

Canadian Press Despatch.
TORONTO, Dec. 21.—Mayor Foster stated this afternoon that the Board of Control will consider an appeal against the judgment of Judge Denton, exempting Hon. Peter Larkin, Canadian High Commissioner in London, from paying income tax on his income from his mercantile interests. Judge Denton held that as Hon. Mr. Larkin was a resident of England he could not be compelled to pay income tax in Toronto, but the assessment department contends that his residence overseas is only temporary and claims that he does not pay income tax in London, Eng.

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