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THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 24,

Settling a British Railway Dispute

There are interesting correspondences between the Toronto Street Railway situation and the latest effort by the British railwaymen to increase their wages. There are also some differences that are worth observing by citizens and men alike.

Over there the railway men were working under awards of previous arbitrators which, at stated intervals, answered to the increased costs of living. Compared with Toronto conductors and motormen, the railway workers in Britain were pretty poorly paid before the war. Porters received as low as twenty shillings, and engine drivers got as little as forty-two shillings a week.

As a result of war conditions the twenty-shilling porter rose to sixty-five shillings, and the forty-two shilling man went up to ninety-one and a half shillings. The latest demand was for a straight twenty shilling rise all round—not quite as big as the Toronto demand for a jump from fifty-five to eighty-five.

There was in existence a tribunal called the Central Board, which first adjudicated upon the demand. This board consisted of five members appointed by the railway companies and five by the railway unions. It failed to agree. But there wasn't a strike, because in Britain more than one string has been provided for the labor consultation bow. There is a National Wages Board, whose composition commands respect. For railway purposes this board has an independent chairman appointed by the government, and has sections representing the users of railways equally with the companies and the unions. The four members representing the public are nominated by the Trade Union Congress, the Co-Operative Union, the Associated Chambers of Commerce and the Federation of British Industries. It therefore has a very close contact with the public opinion, which, in the end, always settles great industrial conflicts.

This court of appeal, which has no counterpart with us, when the award of a board of conciliation has failed by a vote of twelve to one has given the railwaymen increases of from two to seven shillings per week, in addition to the two shillings a week all round that went into effect in April in accordance with the provision for automatic ups and downs with the changes in living costs. The four railwaymen on the board signed the new award.

The Farmer, Not the Gambler, Should Make the Money in Wheat.

Parliament will be supported by public opinion in giving power to the government to revive and continue the Canadian Wheat Board for another year. It means a fair price for the farmer and a black eye for the men who gamble in wheat on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange. The purchasers of our wheat exported to Europe will be largely national governments or government agencies, and this is one reason why the handling and selling of our wheat must be nationalized at least until normal conditions return. Two complaints were made against the administration of the Canadian Wheat Board last year. One was that the hand payment of \$2.15 per bushel to the farmer was insufficient. But he is coming out so well on his participation certificates that this complaint is no longer heard. Another complaint was that the board exported raw wheat instead of flour. But the European purchasers probably had something to say about this, and ocean freight rates have long discriminated against flour in favor of wheat.

The real objection to government action comes from the speculators, and possibly to some extent the millers. The speculators argue that wheat will go to a higher price and that the

farmer will make more money in an open market, but it is significant that the millers, who also favor an open market, must rely upon getting their wheat at a lower price.

The explanation is not far to seek. We need only recall how things were handled when there was no government control before the war. There was a frenzied rush of grain to the head of navigation, followed by congestion and grain embargoes, and the farmer who had not gotten his wheat out before the boats tied up for the winter had to take whatever he could get for it. Wheat on the grain exchange made a spectacular rise when the speculators were buying futures, but by the time the farmer got to town with some real wheat the price slumped away to nothing. Few farmers, we think, can be found in the west who do not prefer the fixed price to the wild gyrations of the ticker on the grain exchange.

The United Farmers, Limited, and the Farmers' political party have come in for unmeasured abuse as being responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board. More than once Mr. Stevens, M.P. for Vancouver, who would ordinarily not be greatly interested in the wheat crop, has scarified with denunciation, the United Grain Growers, Limited, and Hon. T. A. Crea, who happens to be at the same time president of that company and leader of the Farmers' party. The head and front of their offending seems to have been their support of the Canadian Wheat Board, which was arranged for depriving the farmer of his just dues. The Vancouver World, which cannot have much of a wheat-growing constituency, has been no less bitter against the wheat board, and The Winnipeg Telegram has hydrophobia on the subject. That these two papers are supposed to be owned by a firm of grain dealers may not be without significance. Papers owned by the farmers, like The Grain Growers' Guide, stand by the wheat board. A feeble lamentation against the action of the government comes from The Toronto Globe, which says that the wheat board sells the wheat at the world price instead of adapting it to the purposes of the Canadian consumers. But long before there was a wheat board the price of Canadian wheat was fixed at Liverpool, and on that very account the Canadian consumer paid for his wheat from ten to twenty cents less a bushel than the United States consumer, who found the local price considerably higher than the export level.

Training Men For Promotion.

A big business concern is always on the lookout for bright young men who can be trained for promotion. They say to a young man entering their employment:

"We are looking for a man who will be worth ten thousand or twenty thousand dollars a year to us later on. If you have the brains for the kind of a job we will give you the necessary training and experience."

Such a concern marks men for promotion. They are encouraged to aspire, and when a department head or some other valuable official dies there is usually a man employed by the same firm qualified to succeed him.

If the principle of promotion is to be seriously endorsed by our city government some such policy of training for promotion should obtain in the municipal civil service. The city council has practically declared that there is no man in the treasurer's office who can be promoted to be finance commissioner in succession to Mr. Bradshaw. That may or may not be the case, and as to that we express no opinion. But it does seem that there should be in every department some man in the line of promotion who could act as head of the department in an emergency and who would be qualified to become the permanent head of the department later on. Either the city council underestimates the ability of the officials who served under Mr. Bradshaw or something is wrong with the system that obtains at the city hall.

Appointment Conciliation Board in C.P.R. Telegraphers' Dispute

Ottawa, June 23.—(By Canadian Press).—The minister of labor has appointed a board of conciliation to investigate the dispute between the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. and the commercial telegraphers. F. H. Philpott, K.C., of Toronto, will represent the company, and J. T. Gunn, also of Toronto, the employees.

"I HEAR YOU CALLING ME"



SHORTAGE OF COAL FELT IN MONTREAL

May Seriously Affect Industries — U.S. Authorities Promise Relief.

Montreal, June 23.—Information reached this city tonight that the inter-state commerce commission of the United States has issued an order to all railways to give preference to the movement of bituminous coal on and after tomorrow, June 24. There is therefore a fair prospect that the threatened serious situation to local industries, due to the coal shortage by the order of the commission in the eastern states by way of relief should be felt shortly. The coal fields of Nova Scotia are not affected by the situation here appreciably. The Nova Scotia coal is being sold for bunker coal and there is also a scarcity of bottoms to bring the coal from Nova Scotia up the river to Montreal.

DENIAL OF KNOWLEDGE OF RUSSIAN CONTRACTS

Montreal, June 23.—R. W. Gould, secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association here, stated this morning that he had been given authority to say that the association had absolutely no knowledge of any of the members having accepted contracts not entered into negotiations with any representative of the soviet government of Russia for the export or delivery of Canadian manufactured products of any kind to the soviet government of Russia.

FOUND OVERSEAS PAY OF SOLDIERS CORRECT

Ottawa, June 23.—(By Canadian Press).—"There has not been the slightest suggestion that one dollar has been wasted and I think it is a great pity that the country should be brought to the heavy expense of such investigations," said H. B. Morphy, member for North Perth, and chairman of the public accounts committee, when consideration of the item of \$11,000,000 overseas pay and accounts was considered by that body today. A. R. McMaster (Brome) and J. H. Sinclair (Antigonish) took strong exception to the chairman's remarks. The latter remarked, "I think the expense is justified when \$121,000,000 is involved." Other members suggested that anyway the investigation had been made and that there was absolutely nothing wrong with the amounts in question.

MUSKOKA WEEK-END SLEEPING CAR SERVICE VIA CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS.

Commencing Friday, June 25th, Muskoka week-end sleeping car service will be inaugurated via Canadian National Railways between Toronto and Lake Joseph Station. On this date, car will leave on train No. 1 at 9:15 p.m., Standard Time, and on July 2nd and each Friday thereafter will leave on new train No. 11 at 9:30 p.m. Standard Time. Car will be set off at Lake Joseph Station (Upper Level). The sleeping cars will also be in service southbound, and will be placed for occupancy on Lake Joseph Station (Upper Level) at 9:00 p.m. Standard Time, Sundays only, commencing June 27th. They will be attached to new train No. 12 and will arrive Toronto Union Station at 5:50 Monday mornings.

This service proved very popular last year, and the demand for space renders desirable early application for berth accommodation, both going and returning, which may be secured at City Passenger Offices, 52 King Street East, Toronto.

TO OFFER McADOO'S NAME.

Kansas City, Mo., June 23.—In a telegram sent from Pueblo, Colo., to the train bearing Missouri delegates to the Democratic national convention, Burrill A. Jenkins, Kansas City clergyman and publisher, announced that he had definitely decided to place the name of W. McAdoo before the Democratic national convention for the presidential nomination.

FIGHT FOR IRRIGATION.

Lethbridge, Alta., June 23.—Following the refusal of Premier Stewart to approach the Dominion government for aid in financing irrigation extensions in southern Alberta, farmers from all parts of southern Alberta, are fully aroused to the necessity of forcing some action which will bring results and a mass meeting is called for Friday afternoon at Lethbridge.

FARM WOMEN OF WEST URGE WIDER FRANCHISE

Wetaskiwin, Alta., June 23.—A motion that the women of Canada generally be given the franchise was passed unanimously at the convention of the Strathcona United Farmers of Alberta and the United Farm Women's Association of Alberta, now in session here. A copy of the resolution will be forwarded to the federal government at Ottawa, together with a request for immediate action.

DECREASE DURING WEEK OF GRAIN IN STORAGE

Ottawa, June 23.—(By Canadian Press).—According to returns received at the Dominion bureau of statistics for the week ending June 11, 1920, the quantity of grain in storage at the different public elevators throughout Canada, has decreased by 1,487,565 bushels, as compared with the previous week; wheat, oats, barley and rye show decreases of 379,945, 117,698, 208,423, and 23,656 bushels respectively. Flax shows an increase of 42,347 bushels. Stocks in store on June 11, 1920, were: wheat, 19,050,212 bushels; oats, 4,271,977 bushels; barley, 2,717,092 bushels; rye, 236,665 bushels.

DISARMAMENT NOTE HANDED TO GERMANS

Paris, June 23.—The note to Germany regarding disarmament, prepared by the council of ambassadors and approved by the allied plenipotentiaries at the Boulogne conference, was handed to the German plenipotentiary here this morning.

The communication probably will be followed by another note going further into details and telling Germany exactly what she must do to avoid further military occupation of German territory.

Waterloo Children to Compete in Building Bird Houses

Waterloo, June 23.—(Special).—The park board has started a unique contest here by offering prizes to local school children for the best bird houses built for housing birds at the Waterloo Park. The board announced the arrival of a German gun, which will be placed near the old relic of the Crimean war.

CLAIM FOUR CANNON.

Brantford, Ont., June 23.—(Special).—One German gun, a war trophy, has arrived in Brantford, but city authorities will put in a claim for four more. The Mad Fourth Battalion captured a gun and earmarked it for this city and an effort will be made to have this, the one which was just used in the one and three other allotted to Brantford.

TAX PRISON-MADE TILE.

Kingston, Ont., June 23.—(Special).—Even tile made by prisoners in the county jail is taxable, according to the new government tax. Today J. W. Bradshaw, county clerk, was busy figuring out the tax on all the bills of tile which have been shipped. The tax is one per cent.

RAISE TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Waterloo, June 23.—(Special).—The Waterloo public school board announced thru their chairman today, increases of \$150 to \$300 in the salaries of all public school teachers.

NOMINATE ARCHBISHOP ROY.

Quebec, June 23.—Cardinal Beaudry has brought back the news of the nomination of His Grace Archbishop Roy, auxiliary bishop of Quebec, to the future succession to the archbishopric of Quebec.

WORLD'S DAILY BRAIN TEST

By Sam Loyd.
5 MINUTES TO ANSWER THIS.
No. 228.



This butcher boy's cargo suggests the names of two wild animals. Can you guess them?

ANSWER TO NO. 227.
Deer, Troy, Witham, Esk, Perth, Baden and Aden.
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JUDITH OF BLUE LAKE RANCH

By JACKSON GREGORY.

JUDITH PUTS IT STRAIGHT.

"Old man" Carson—so-called thru lack of courtesy and because of the sprinkling of gray thru his black hair—gave it time. None of us felt sure of his own conception of "real tobacco" and chuckled so that the second match was required before he was ready to say his say.

"You just listen to me, you boys!" he said. "I worked with the Down River outfit a year before Trevors sent me word he had a job open here at better pay. That's only seventy-five miles, and news does percolate, give it time. None of you fellows ever saw old Luke Sanford?"

"I'd been working here close to two weeks when he got killed," Bud said as Carson's twinkling eyes went from face to face. "I got my job straight from him, not Trevors."

"That's so," said Carson. "Well, Bud knows the sort Luke Sanford was. He was dead and buried when I came to the Blue Lake, but I'd saw him twice and I'd heard of him more times than I could count. I don't know if he was a good man or a bad one, but he wasn't a fool. And then—!" He whistled his meaning. "A fighter. All he ever got he fought for. All he ever held on to he fought for. He bucked western lumber for a dozen years, first and last. And, by cripes, he nailed their darned hides on his stable door, too!"

"Well, I heard tell about this same Luke Sanford ten years ago and more—about him and his little girl. From what folks said, I guess there never was a man wanted a boy-busy woman like Luke Sanford before Judith come. And I guess there never was a man put more stock in his own flesh and blood than Luke did in her as soon as he got used to her being a she. I don't know just exactly how old she was ten years ago, women folks being so damn tricky in the looks of their ages, but I'd say she was eight or nine or ten or eleven years old. Anyhow, Luke had took her in hand already."

"Taught her to ride, huh?" asked one of the men.

"You're shouting, Poker Face," nodded Carson with vehemence. "He sure did! Why, that girl's rid red horses since she was the size of a pair of boots. Luke took her everywhere he went, up in the mountains, over the Big Ridge, down valley-ways, into town when he went off on his yearly ride, either. You've rode his string, Bud? What are those for horses, huh?"

"I'm a little particular when it comes to a saddle-horse," Bud admitted. "But I never asked any better than old Sanford's string."

"You hear him!" said Carson. "Well, that Judy girl has rid horses like them for a dozen years. And her dad—any way, folks say so down on the river—showed her his way to ride and his way to shoot and his way to play slow thoughtfulness, that she's a real chip off'n the old block. It's my guess number two that she ain't just shooting off her face promiscuous when the deal Trevors has been crooked in. And, third bet, there's most likely going to be seven kinds of hell popping around this end of the woods for a spell."

"What are you doing about it, Carson?" asked the man whose unusually vacuous expression gave him his name.

"Me?" Carson sought a match, and his grimy fingers, starting at it thoughtfully. "Me stay an' let a she-girl boss might like this one; I don't want to say it's the trick of it, an' I ain't in the week. But here there's some things to set a man scratching his head: she's a winner, all right, an' I got the sand an' she's got the savvy. Take 'em together an' they make what woman's job to step in an' run an outfit like this one; a woman ain't naturally cut out for that sort of thing, an' more'n a man is to darn socks, an' drink tea with lemon in it. An' tipping it over so's you can look at it. But playing fair, I'm going to stick an' do my damndest to see Luke Sanford's girl put up her scraps, an'—"

"What did she want to fer Trevors for?" asked Benny, the cook.

Carson, looking at him contemptuously, spoke in contemptuous answer about the stem of his pipe. "Any man on the job can answer you that. The last month Trevors is either crazy or crooked. I said, did he get his devil's Lumber's itching to get his devil's legs wrapped aroun' Blue Lake lumber? They've busted more than one rancher up in the mountains. Trevors is in with 'em. Any man on the ranch that don't know that, don't want to know it!" He removed his pipe as if of meaning. "Roll that in your dough, Cookie, an' make biscuits out'n it."

"Go easy there, grandfather," growled Benny.

"That's something I ain't learned," was old Carson's ready answer, lightly given. "I've told you before, if you don't want your name printed plain, don't come around asking me to spell it."

Benny growled an answer but did not take up the quarrel. He knew that Carson well enough to know that there was no man more ready for a fight or abler to conduct his own part of it. Carson, smaller than Benny, was wiry, quick-footed, hard-eyed. There was something about him that caused a shiver to run down Benny's spine. "Que hay, Bud?" called a voice, and old Jose, his face shining with joy—Bud was certain that Judith had actually kissed the leathery cheek and wondered how she could do it—came down the knoll. "A senorita wants you!"

"Haw," gurgled Benny O'Neil facetiously. "It's your manly beauty, Bud. You ol' son-of-a-gun of a body-builder. Bud Lee swung about upon his heel to glare at Benny. But suddenly, seeing of a flash creeping up, jolly under his tan, he turned his back and strode away to the house. Benny "haw, haw!" followed him. Lee's face was flaming when he entered the office.

"What do you want with me?" he said shortly, angered at Benny, Judith Sanford and himself.

"Bow, wow!" retorted Judith, looking up from Trevors' table. "What do you art thou? Do you want me to think you are as fierce as you look?"

"You want for me?" he said coolly. Continued Tomorrow Morning.

THURSDAY MORNING JUNE 24 1920

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