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THE DIRECTORS MET IN TORONTO

Dr. A. P. Barnhill Returned from Canadian National Railway System Meeting—Directors Will Visit Provinces Again Next Spring.

Dr. A. P. Barnhill, M. C., one of the directors of the Canadian National Railway system, has just returned from a meeting of the directors in Toronto where organization was completed. The recent trip to the Maritime Provinces was discussed and it was decided to pay another visit to this part of the country in the early spring. All the directors were present at the meeting with the exception of Mr. Jones, who is in England with Premier Borden, and Messrs. Hamilton and Wood, who also were unable to be present.

The directors of the road are: D. B. Hanna, Toronto; A. J. Mitchell, Toronto; R. B. Wood, Toronto; Robert Hobson, Hamilton; R. T. Riley, Winnipeg; Mayor G. A. Bell, C. M. G., Ottawa; P. P. Jones, Montreal; Sir Horatius Laporte, Montreal; A. P. Barnhill, M. C., St. John; Col. Thomas Cantley, New Glasgow; G. M. Hamilton, McTaggart, Sask.

The organization of the officers and chief executive, which was completed at this meeting, is as follows:

D. B. Hanna, president.
A. J. Mitchell, vice-president, finance and accounting.
M. MacLeod, vice-president, operation, construction and maintenance.
C. A. Hayes, vice-president, traffic.
J. J. Hungerford, assistant vice-president, operation and motive power.
A. A. Lamb, senior counsel.
Gerard Steel, counsel.
R. P. Ormsby, secretary.
R. C. Vaughan, assistant to president.

A. J. Hill, assistant to president.
L. W. Mitchell, treasurer.
F. B. Brady, general manager eastern lines, with jurisdiction over lines east of Port Arthur on C. N. Railway and east of O'Brien on C. G. Railway.
A. E. Warren, general manager, western lines, with jurisdiction over lines west of Port Arthur on C. N. Railway, and west of O'Brien on Canadian Government Railway.

J. B. Cameron, assistant general manager, western lines.
W. A. Kingsland, assistant general manager, eastern lines.
E. Langham, general purchasing agent.
Louis Lavoie, general purchasing agent.

AIRPLANE VOYAGE OF SIX THOUSAND MILES

Machine With Six Members of Royal Air Force Leaves England for Delhi.

London, Dec. 14.—A giant Handley-Page airplane, carrying six members of the royal air force, started from London last night and headed across the channel for France, on a flight to Karachi, India, and thence to Delhi. The craft ran into a bank of thick fog, however, and was compelled to make a landing on the French coast. The journey will be continued. The distance to Delhi is something more than 6,700 miles.

Major Archibald MacLaren and Captain Hoffer, famous as a long distance bombing pilot, are the pilots of the machine.

SIBERIA LOOKING FOR AID FROM THE ALLIES

Farmers Holding Food Supplies Will Not Sell Unless They Can Buy Clothing in Return.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—That populations of Siberian towns are practically destitute of all kinds of necessary goods and are looking to the Allies for help, is the effect of a report received by the government from L. D. Wilgoss, Canadian trade commissioner at Vladivostok. The shortage of foodstuffs is practically due to the fact that the farmers will not sell to the towns people until they can receive goods in return. "The shortage of goods," says the report, "may be said to have brought about the practical paralysis of the economic life of the country."

MOUNTED POLICE TO BE INCREASED

Force Will be Raised to Twelve Hundred Men and Will Cover Wider Territories.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—Sanction was given today to an order in council in connection with the Northwest Mounted Police to authorize its strength to 1,200 men. In addition to its present duties in the territories, the force is further assigned to duty in Alberta, Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Manitoba and that portion of Ontario embraced in military district No. 10. The force is also to be the only federal police force operating in each territory.

PRISONERS ANXIOUSLY AWAITING RELEASE

General Allenby Enters Aleppo—Presented With Keys of City and Welcomed by Crowds Amid Great Enthusiasm.

London, Dec. 16.—Great Major General Allenby telegraphs the Daily Mail from Hottah, Germany, where the Australians, South Africans and Canadians war prisoners are interned, advising that all British captives are fairly well, but are anxiously awaiting repatriation. Postal communication has ceased, the greatest major states.

DEMAREE'S BALL WORK IS THROUGH

Cartoonist-twirler, Thirty-five Years Old, Has Been Released by McGraw—Went to Giants in 1912.

Al Demaree has been released by the Giants—was let out, in fact, before the abbreviated baseball season drew to a close, but through an oversight the news was not made public at the time.

It is probable that the baseball career of the smiling cartoonist has come to a close, for the release is an unconditional one, and it is the impression that Al is not keen about retreating back into the fray. Demaree is now 35 years old and has been playing ball so long that he says he feels considerably older. He first went to the Giants in 1912 from the Mobile club of the southern association, and remained with the New York club until the winter of 1914-15 when he was traded to Philadelphia, figuring in the deal which took John Robert to the Giants. After two seasons spent in the Philadelphia club, Demaree was traded to Chicago for Jimmy Lavender.

At a critical stage of the 1917 pennant fight John McGraw found himself without a dependable right-handed, dependable right-handed and left-handed too, for that matter, were rather scarce throughout the league at that time, but McGraw discovered upon opening negotiations with the Chicago club that Demaree might be obtained in exchange for Pete Kilduff. Demaree pitched a few good games in the closing days of the season, and inasmuch as the deal served the purpose for which it was intended, it was a successful emergency measure.

The cartoonist always has been characterized as a lucky fellow, for it seemed that no matter where he cast his lot he was certain to land a winning club. The Giants won the pennant in 1912, the year Al joined them, and repeated in 1913. He reported to the Phillies in the spring of 1915 and Pat Moran's club copped the pennant in 1917 in time to horn into another world's series.

TWO FRENCH ARMY OFFICERS ARE HERE

Capt. E. Duthoit and Lieut. Flory Have Visited French Colleges—Both Wear Significant Decorations for Valor.

The old Loyalist City of St. John was honored last evening when two officers of the French army, Captain E. Duthoit and Lieutenant Flory, were its visitors. The two noble officers are recently from the land of the "Fleur de Lis," and each has seen much service in the great war.

Captain Duthoit was a professor in a Parisian college on an outbreak of the war and immediately offered his services to his country. The lieutenant bears the mark of service in the field as his right hand is powerless. Both officers visited the city on a former occasion then en route to the French colleges of New Brunswick, having visited the Acadie College at Saint John, the College of the Holy Heart, and Saint Joseph's University at College Bridge.

It is understood that the two visited all the Catholic institutions at Halifax also, including the Seminary of the Holy Heart, and the young Catholic ladies' college, Saint Vincent's, at Rockingham. Having completed their mission in the maritime provinces they are again en route to New York, where they will sail in the near future to "La Patrie Francaise," the land of their birth.

Both men wear significant decorations for valor each possessing the Croix de Guerre and in addition to this the captain wears a Pontifical medal given by papal authority.

DR. HUERTA PAYS PENALTY OF CRIMES

With Two El Paso Mexicans He Was Hanged at Agua Prieta for Murder of Collector of Customs.

Douglas, Ariz., Dec. 16.—Charged with complicity in the murder of Customs Collector Carlos Caturegli and two other Mexican customs officers two weeks ago, the body of Dr. Huerta, Jose Cruz and two El Paso Mexicans named Leyva and Silva were hanged in the Plaza at Agua Prieta opposite here at four o'clock this morning.

S. S. STANLEY TO GO ON MAGDALEN SERVICE

Halifax, Dec. 16.—At the urgent request of the Halifax Board of Trade, the government steamer Stanley will be placed immediately on freight service to the Magdalen Islands. Messages have been received by the Board from the islands during the past two or three days stating that the Magdaleners are completely out of flour and other essentials.



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PEACE DELEGATION NOT YET NAMED

French Government Says Nothing Will Be Done Until Understanding Reached With Allies.

Paris, Dec. 16.—Not even the number of delegates to the peace conference has as yet been fixed, says an official note issued today, denying various reports as to the make-up of the French delegation. The note reads: "Various newspapers have given composition of the French delegation to the peace conference. The information is mistaken. Even the number of delegates will not be fixed until an understanding is reached between the allied governments, the same as for the procedure."

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ENEMY INTERESTS TO BE ELIMINATED

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Washington, Dec. 16.—Allen property custodian Palmer announced tonight the completion of an arrangement whereby all enemy interests in the American Company Limited will be eliminated and the concern placed under the control for five years of five voting trustees. The arrangement includes sale at an early date, at public auction of 54,644 shares in the company belonging to enemy aliens and the transfer of British holdings in the company amounting to 16,736 shares to Americans within a year.

MILITARY NOTES.

Many of the officers of Military District No. 1 who reached the city on the steamer, and some who came via Halifax on the Olympic, have reported at the Discharge Depot in the city, prior to a furlough to their homes.

The remaining men on the West Side were busy engaged yesterday in cleaning up the different docks and quarters previously occupied by the Seventeenth Canadian Garrison Unit. The 206th Canadian Mounted Rifles are still in Vancouver, or were up to the seventh day of the present month. Some of the members of this unit now believe that they will be demobilized there, or absorbed into other units.

Paris, Dec. 16.—David Lloyd George, the British Prime Minister, and Arthur J. Balfour, the British foreign secretary, will arrive in Paris next Saturday, or Sunday.

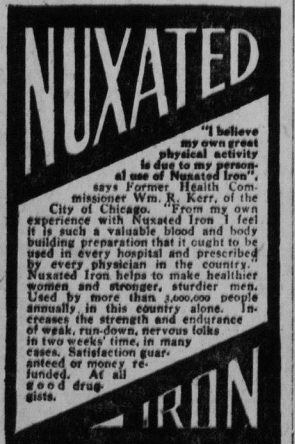
THE TOWN MAY PAY FOR UNLIGHTED STS.

Dartmouth is Sued by W. H. Fulton, K. C. as Result of Accident to a Client.

Halifax (Dec. 16).—The city fathers and the public of Halifax, as the Standard has already intimated, have been indulging in a chronic kick against some one because the streets are badly lighted, but they have escaped lawsuits on account of it. This immunity is not likely to last long, for Dartmouth on the opposite side of the harbor has set an example that may become contagious in Halifax. W. H. Fulton, K. C., has notified the town council of Dartmouth that action for \$5,000 damages will be commenced on behalf of Mrs. Frances De Witt who suffered a fracture of the foot some time ago as a result, it is alleged, of the bad condition of the sidewalk on one of the streets, and because of the poor lighting. The town will defend the suit.

GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB.

A meeting of the St. John Golf and Country Club was held at the Board of Trade Rooms last evening, the President, James G. Harrison, in the chair. The subject under discussion was the building of the Club House, and a committee was appointed to secure estimates and report at a later meeting.



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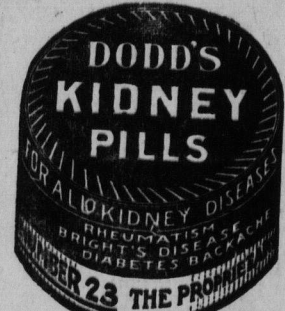
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