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## THE G.T.R. AND HYDRO

On this page is an editorial from the Montreal Gazette dealing with the Grand Trunk and Hydro. It is republished. In considering the nationalization of the Grand Trunk system, it should be borne in mind that its Grand Trunk Pacific section is a sink hole. It has never paid and will not within a decade or two offer a prospect of paying its way. No chain is stronger than its weakest link.

It became necessary to loan the G.T.R. \$7,500,000 last year to meet its interest payments. The G.T.R. proper has only barely succeeded in meeting the interest on its preferred stock. Its common shares go begging in the money market. Two courses are open to the country. The one to have parliament annually vote large sums to keeping in operation. The other to take it over.

It is the fact that taxpayers are sick and tired of giving handouts to non-paying railways, and of increasing rates to a point where unsuccessful systems make ends meet.

The G.T.R. stands in need of physical betterment. Its rolling stock is inadequate and general equipment poor. Of itself it probably could not float bonds for these purposes and were the country to guarantee its loans, Canadian taxpayers would likely have to pay the interest.

It is difficult to perceive how it can struggle through, unless bolstered with national cash. The logical course is to acquire it and merge it with the Canadian National Railways. Help it must have. Were it certain that this aid would be recompensed, sentiment might lead to its extension. But there is no certainty.

Canada aided the C.N.R., with a lavish hand but had finally to take it over. Because it is chiefly a western road, having few branches in the east and particularly in Ontario, which is the Dominion's workshop, there will for a long period be losses of operation to bear. The day when it could be made a profitable undertaking would be hastened were the G.T.R. acquired, since it practically grinds the province.

Adam Beck quotes experts who declare that were C.N.R. and G.T.R. consolidated, more than \$300,000,000 would be saved to the country.

The Montreal Gazette, loses sight of his when it says that public-ownership advocates desire also to bedevil the G.T.R. It has one of the devil's horns through it now, and without large measures of public assistance can not recover from the wound it has suffered.

Had the G.T.R. been able to purchase the C.N.R., with its excellent readers in the West, and eliminated duplications, it might have worried through. The truth is that railway promoters overbuilt and in presently non-productive sections. Amalgamation of those systems, which are running behind, seems the only way out.

Eventually the G.T.R. will throw up the sponge. The day will be hastened should parliament decline to grant further aid. False sentiment, based on the fact that it was a pioneer railway company, is the chief hindrance to its acknowledging defeat. For the present, sentiment bars the way to nationalization. Montreal and Ottawa are anti-public-ownership centers. Like Canute they expect to sweep back the tide with their brooms.

When it is stated that \$300,000,000 could be saved to the country were the G.T.R. united with the Canadian National Railway, the electrification of the amalgamated lines is probably taken into account. The Hydro Commission can furnish the power. It has been demonstrated by tests that the electric motor will haul freight and passenger trains more expeditiously and more cheaply.

## CANALIZATION OF THE ST. LAWRENCE

Our American cousins are, like ducks to water, taking to the canalization of the St. Lawrence river. All the States bordering on the Great Lakes are to convene and discuss the project. The Michigan legislature has introduced a resolution asking Congress to arrange with the Dominion of Canada for its canalization in order that ocean-going vessels may have access to the Great Lakes.

Detroit has already donated a souwester hat. Its council has voted \$2500 with which to make a survey of its water front, as a preliminary step in setting up the port of Detroit. That council has already considered one site for building docks and warehouses.

The Republic's aid in developing this great waterway will indeed be welcome. They will no doubt be ready to contribute towards its cost and, what is presently important, put "pep" into a campaign to secure it.

Perceiving what the border states are doing to promote the St. Lawrence waterway, ought not our provinces, and more particularly Ontario, being pressure to bear upon the Federal authorities, to the end that the project may be carried to completion? They stand to be greater gainers than the American States. This undertaking, which five years ago seemed as big as Mt. Everest, is not so formidable to-day.

## SOCIETY AND REPATRIATION

The plans are well and truly made. It remains for the people of Canada to carry on. Those who have accepted this challenge so splendidly through the past years of war must not allow their hands to weaken in this day of tremendous opportunity. In a few words the repatriation plan is one to coordinate the work of every organization and society, business, religious, fraternal, and social, for the one task of rebuilding and reestablishing the homes and business life of Canada to the best possible achievement.

Immigration, Land Settlement, Pensions Board, Civil Reestablishment and Medical Service Branches, with the Department of Labor, are all working to bring back the soldiers and their families as speedily as possible and to provide after-care and placement. While this is going on it remains for the other departments to arouse public interest and effort to meet and encourage the returned men in his new life. Cooperation of all towns, cities and rural districts to the work of repatriation is linked up through the

Municipal Department, which encourages the formation of Reception Committees to meet returned men; the participation of the Municipal Department in helping them to find employment, linking up cases of need with the Department of Soldiers' Civil Reestablishment, and the undertaking of all possible public works that may create new avenues of employment.

The Voluntary Organizations Branch of the Repatriation Committee, under Captain J. Thackeray, is actively concerned in the work of coordinating all fraternal and social organizations with the work of the churches and every other voluntary organization touching the life of the people towards the same end.

The Federal War Service Commission of the Christian church is one of the voluntary organizations thus linked up, which places the work of the Repatriation Committee directly in touch with churches of every denomination throughout Canada. Membership is secured by the appointment from the various denominations of three official representatives. The circle of churches is completed by the promised cooperation on behalf of the Catholic Church of Archbishop McNeill. Bishop Roper of Ottawa is chairman of this commission of churches and Dr. W. T. Gunn of Toronto is secretary.

Outside of the churches there are over seven hundred other organizations to be interested, including Y.M.C.A., Knights of Columbus, fraternal societies, Salvation Army, Khaki Club organizations, etc., etc., all of which are being drawn into the work of repatriation through the medium of their central governing bodies.

Fraternal societies are kept in touch through the grand lodges. The work of reaching women's organizations is handled by Mrs. Chas. Robson who is a member of the Advisory Committee of the voluntary organizations branch.

## EXTRACTS OF EXCHANGE

### GRAND TRUNK AND HYDRO

Montreal Gazette: "The demand for the acquisition by the Government of the Grand Trunk Railway has been most insistent in that corner of Canada whose municipal and industrial future has been pledged to the success of the Hydro system. Back of this demand has been the purpose, or the desire, to link up the service of the Grand Trunk with that of the Hydro. Why? For the good of the Grand Trunk? Promoters of the scheme would answer that question in the affirmative. "The G.T.R.," said Sir Adam Beck, in an address to the City Council of Hamilton on Monday, "should be taken over, and a combination of the C.N.R. and G.T.R. with out feeders would save, according to experts, over \$300,000,000 to this country. Do you know the deficit the country will have to find for the present railways operated by the old management of the Mackenzie interests? Over \$50,000,000 for this year."

There you have it. The Ontario Hydro-Electric is to come to the rescue of the Canadian National Railways. Sir Adam had previously found serious fault with the Government for having taken over the unprofitable railways and leaving the Grand Trunk, that had said that public men could bedevil anything, that they had bedeviled the railway situation by taking over the non-paying roads, and, with irresistible logic, he had repeated his demand that the Grand Trunk should be also subjected to these bedeviling influences."

The Gazette ridicules the idea of saving by combining the G.T.R. and the Hydro, and asks whether the deficits of the Canadian National Railways are to be made up by the Hydro or the Grand Trunk?

The Wise Fool  
"It is the unexpected that always happens," observed the Sage.  
"Well," commented the Fool, "if this is true why don't we learn to expect it?"

## WAIT A MINUTE

### DUTCH SUFFRAGE JUBILEE

Amsterdam, Feb. 4.—To-morrow is to be a gala day for the woman suffragists of Holland, the occasion being a celebration in honor of the recently acquired voting privileges of the sex and also the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the first Dutch suffrage association. The principal celebration will be held in this city under the auspices of the Dutch Women's Suffrage Association. A feature will be a public meeting at which greetings will be read from the suffrage organizations of the United States, Canada, England, Norway and other countries.

### TO-DAY'S ANNIVERSARIES

- 1856—Fort Nicholas at Sebastopol blown up by the allies with 100,000 pounds of powder.
- 1870—The telegraph lines in Great Britain were taken over by the Government.
- 1882—Sir William Palliser, who invented a powerful projectile for piercing armored ships, died. Born in Dublin, June 18, 1830.
- 1894—Morton S. Wilkinson, former United States senator from Minnesota, died in St. Paul. Born at Skaneateles, N.Y., Jan. 22, 1819.
- 1901—Body of Queen Victoria transferred from the Albert Memorial Chapel, Windsor, to the mausoleum at Frogmore.
- 1911—The Persian Minister of Finance was assassinated at Teheran.
- 1915—Three assassins connected with murder of Archduke Francis Ferdinand were executed.
- 1916—Russians repelled enemy attempt to cross the Dvina River.
- 1917—President Wilson asked all neutral governments to take common action with United States in severing relations with the Central Empires.

### ONE YEAR AGO TO-DAY IN THE WAR

Bolo Pasha placed on trial in Paris for treason. American position in France announced as northwest of Toul.  
Canadian Fuel Controller ordered factories to suspend for three days.

### TO-DAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Frederick Ebert, German Socialist leader who has played a prominent part in recent events in Berlin, born at Heidelberg, 48 years ago to-day.  
George Brandes, Denmark's foremost man of letters, born in Copenhagen, 77 years ago to-day.  
F. Wayland Ayer of Camden, N.J., president of the Northern Baptist Convention, born at Lee, Mass., 71 years ago to-day.  
Dr. William F. McDowell, bishop of the M. E. Church, and an aggressive foe of the liquor traffic, born at Millersburg, O., 61 years ago to-day.  
Rear Admiral William L. Rodgers, U.S.N., born in the District of Columbia, 59 years ago to-day.  
John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers of America, born at Braidwood, Ill., 49 years ago to-day.  
Edward P. Geers, dean of American harness reins men, born at Lebanon, Tenn., 68 years ago to-day.

## A PIMPLY FACE OR POOR COMPLEXION QUICKLY RESTORED

Thousands of young men and women would be handsome and attractive were it not for unsightly pimples, blackheads, and rough uneven skin. Custom seems to recommend lotions and salves, but unfortunately their effect is but temporary. These disfiguring blemishes do not originate in the skin—their birth in every case goes further back to the blood, which must be cleansed of humors before the pimples depart for good.

A physician who has made a careful study of such cases, says that the quickest cure comes from a blood-building medicine like Ferrozone. The minute Ferrozone strikes the blood its good work begins. Poisons and foul matter are expelled. Every trace of humor is driven out, and the whole life current is supplied with nutriment and health giving qualities. You can always tell a Ferrozone complexion when you see it—the cheeks are clear and rosy, no signs of sallowness—the eyes are bright and sparkling—because rich red blood is circulating through the whole system carrying health, energy and strength with it. Not only will all skin eruptions disappear but an increase in vital strength and an all-round improvement will be apparent. No rebuilding tonic could be more efficient. Get Ferrozone to-day—Good for young and old men, weak and sick ones, too, 50c per box or six boxes for \$2.50, at all dealers, or direct by mail from The Catarhzone Co., Kingston Ont.

## A Child's Tongue Shows if Liver or Bowels Are Active

If Coss, Feverish, Sick, Bilious, Give Fruit Laxative at Once.

Every mother realizes, after giving her children "California Syrup of Figs," that this is their ideal laxative because they love its pleasant taste and it thoroughly cleanses the tender little stomach, liver and bowels without gripping.

When cross, irritable, feverish or breathless, stomach sour, look at the tongue, Mother! If coated, give a teaspoonful of this harmless "fruit-lore," and in a few hours all the foul, constipated waste, sour bile, undigested food passes out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. When its little system is full of cold, throat sore, has stomach-ache, diarrhoea, indigestion, colic—remember, a good "inside cleansing" should always be the first treatment given.

Millions of mothers keep "California Syrup of Figs" handy; they know a teaspoonful today saves a sick child to-morrow. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," and for directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here, so don't be fooled. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company."

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## Guelph Would Forbid Possession of Guns

COUNCIL ASKED TO MAKE PROVISION OF GUNS ILLEGAL  
Guelph Feb. 3.—In the belief that if it were made more difficult for foreigners to obtain firearms there would be fewer murders. Chief of Police Randall is requesting the City Council to indorse a petition asking the Government to make it a criminal offense for foreigners to have firearms in their possession, in addition to making it criminal to sell firearms to them. The Council will take action in favor of the movement.

Chief Randall has in mind particularly the recent murder of the 23 year-old Italian, Fortunado Taddeo, who was found by his parents in a pool of blood outside his own home a few weeks ago.

The slayer of Taddeo used a single barreled shotgun at such short range that he inflicted scores of small wounds on his victim. When Taddeo's body was lifted there was a 22-caliber automatic revolver lying near his right hand. It contained two cartridges neither of which had been discharged.

Another difficulty which the chief will endeavor to overcome is the matter of searching the houses of foreigners for weapons. He will ask that power be granted the police to enter any foreigner's house where there is reason to believe firearms are kept or concealed. Guelph has had four murders in recent years within a few hundred yards of the scene of the Taddeo crime, and in most of them the work of the police would have been facilitated if the crimes themselves had not actually been prevented by legislation such as is not proposed.

## Burlington Elected a New Government

MUST HAVE RADIAL SERVICE FOR THE PRESENT  
Hamilton Feb. 3.—Ex-Mayor M. C. Smith to-day was elected mayor of Burlington over former Mayor Coleman by a majority of 43.  
As a result of the election Mayor-elect Smith announced that the radial railway service between Hamilton and Oakville would be resumed on Wednesday morning. After the election a public meeting was held at which the new Council announced its policy. While the result of the election means a temporary agreement with the radial, those elected made it clear that they were not to be labeled "Cataract" or "Radial".

Must Have Railway.  
The mayor-elect said he was one of

## Shell Shocked Nerves

Shattered nerves are the source of greatest suffering to many a returned soldier. The doctor can give something to relieve physical pain, but when the nervous system breaks down and you are sleepless, nervous and mentally worried, real cure only comes when the exhausted nerve cells are nourished back to health and vigor by such restorative, rebuilding treatment as Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

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the chief supporters of the hydro power project but that the town must have a railway service at once, and the arrangement with the radial would not prejudice the chances of the hydro radial by-law.  
The town has been in a turmoil since the radial cut off the service last fall, A Council that was in favor of allowing the radial to advance its rates was elected at the last municipal elections headed by Mayor Peart.  
When Reeve Clever who is an enthusiastic hydro radial supporter and who is opposed to any alteration in the radial by-law which prevents the company from increasing its rates, invited Sir Adam Beck to address the Council Mayor Peart and the other members all resigned.

# All Furs are Going at Sacrifice This Month

This is your great opportunity. for Furs are Soaring.



Furs next year will be, indeed, a luxury. The conditions of the fur market, right now, and the prices of raw furs (which are from 20 per cent. to 60 per cent. higher) make that a certainty.

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