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City Council Declines to Hear Hon. Mr. Rollo, Minister Labor, With Reference to the Firemen

While Wishing to Show No Discourtesy to Him, Pointed Out Council is Quite Able to Transact Its Own Business and Had No Part in Bringing Him to City.

Moved by Ald. Riffer, Ald. Dakers seconded.

That this Council without desiring to be discourteous to the Hon. Mr. Rollo is of opinion that all matters relating to the city fire department are within the sole control of the Council to deal with as may be necessary and it is unnecessary in connection with the settlement of the present matters relating to the department and the employees thereof to call other authorities or bodies to advise the Council, or in any way to take part in the settlement of any questions, arising as the Council feels that it can deal with the same satisfactorily to the electors of the city and in their best interests and no purpose will be served by any sessions with outside authorities, and also it may be pointed out to the Hon. Mr. Rollo so he may thoroughly understand the attitude of the Council the inconvenience caused to him in visiting St. Catharines is through no fault of the Council as no suggestions or requests of his presence in the city comes from this Council.

The above resolution was passed by the City Council last night, Aldermen Avery and Murphy voting against it, the Mayor did not vote.

Hon. Mr. Rollo, Minister of Labor, and Frank Greenlaw, M.P.P., were both present on invitation of Ald. Riffer, Chairman of the Fire and Light Committee. Ald. Avery explained that he had consulted Mayor Lovell and Ald. Murphy before extending the invitation to Hon. Mr. Rollo. It was an embarrassing situation for Mr. Rollo felt his position keenly. After the meeting he told the reporters he had not come to address the Council as he knew that would be unparliamentary, but he thought he might do something to straighten out matters in conference with a committee. He supposed when Ald. Avery asked him to come over that was the wish of the City Council. He said the last thing he would think of doing was to interfere in any local affairs.

All the members of the Council were present and when Mayor Lovell called the meeting to order Ald. Graves, chairman of the Finance Committee read the following report: "Your Finance Committee has had under consideration the question of limitations imposed on the borrowing powers of the City in view of the necessary capital expenditures which will have to be met in the near future and having regard to the fact that a special limitation upon capital borrowings was imposed on the City in 1905 under conditions which exist at that time and no longer exist, and that other municipalities are not subject to such limitations under the Municipal Act, and also having due

STILL NO SIGN OF THAT MONEY

Still there is no sign of the cheque in payment of the election workers on October 20th, and some of the men and women who have been looking for it have about decided to put it in their wills, as they feel sure they will never live to enjoy the fruits of it. This is for work performed just four months ago.

Youth is Fined \$10 for Reckless Auto Driving

Kenneth Cameron was before the Magistrate this morning on two charges of violation of traffic regulations. The officer on duty at the corner of James and St. Paul streets, said that on Saturday night young Cameron drove around the silent policeman at a reckless rate, his car cutting two feet onto the sidewalk.

The previous evening the youth was caught speeding on King street. He admitted twenty miles an hour and Magistrate Campbell remarked that in the state and streets are in now with ice and snow that is a reckless speed.

A fine of ten dollars was imposed which was paid. E. H. Lancaster appeared for Cameron.

Army in Canada Heads Are Conferring About the Work Here.

Com. W. J. Richards, head of the Salvation Army in Eastern Canada, and Col. John McMillen, chief secretary, are conferring with Commissioner Higgins, chief of staff and second in command of the Salvation Army for the world, arrived in Boston from London recently. Commissioner Higgins is accompanied by Commissioner Lamb, International Secretary.

Commissioner Higgins came to America to discuss matters pertaining to Salvation Army affairs in Canada and the United States with Commander Eva Booth, head of the Salvation Army in the United States, and with the Canadian officials. He was for many years chief secretary of the United States and recently succeeded Commissioner Howard as chief of staff and second in command.

Many matters having an important bearing upon the future policy of the Salvation Army, and its reconstruction work are to be taken up at this meeting, and it is expected on his return Commissioner Richards will have something to say in regards to the questions affecting the policies to be followed in Canada.

To Solve Exchange

PARIS, Feb. 17.—Necessary elements for bringing about a solution of problems regarding international exchange have been found in the working of the League of Nations, according to a statement made in London to a correspondent of the Petit Parisien by Frederic Francois-Marsel, the French minister of finance.

R. M. Jacks, a life-long resident of Deseronto, died suddenly at his home.

St. Patricks defeated Quebec in a National Hockey League game last night by 4 to 3.

FAMOUS TALKING MACHINE RECORD ARTISTS COMING

The opportunity to hear personally singers and artists whom one has heard for years only through the medium of "His Master's Voice" records is an experience of a rare kind. Unlike the artists of the opera or concert stage, their appearance before the public is a rarity, for although they have all experience as concert artists, or on the stage, they have become even more famous through their records. There are eight members who compose this concert party, and they will appear in person at the Grand Theatre Tuesday, March 2nd.

They are: Henry Burr, tenor, whose real name is Harry McGlaskey, and was born in Eastern Canada, is possibly one of the best known American tenors. While Burr's name is a household word in every home where there is a talking machine, few people, aside from his personal friends, know him when they see him. Henry Burr has devoted practically all his time to making talking machine records.

The humorous work on the evening's program will be carried by Billy Murray and Monroe Silver, both of whom have been before the public for years, and both of whom have won repeated success. Murray will sing some of the songs which made him famous, such as "You'd be Surprised," and "Wait Till You Get Them Up in the Air, Boys," and Silver, who is probably best known for his "Cocoon on the Telephone" stories, will tell several of his Jewish dialect stories and sing some original parodies.

John H. Meyers and Frank Croton, the baritones of the party, have made music a life study, and each sings solos in addition to taking part in the trio and quartet numbers. Rollo is rated by many American critics as one of the best American concert and oratorio baritones. He has sung with much success with the leading choral clubs and oratorio societies of the country, and has also appeared as special soloist with the Chicago, New York, Boston and Philadelphia Symphony orchestras and the New York Philharmonic orchestra.

A feature of the evening will be the banjo selections by Fred Van Eps, his mastery of difficult banjo technique being a revelation to all who hear him. Frank Banta, the youngest member of the party, has a hobby for "jazzing" at the piano, and he has received many flattering press notices, both as an accompanist and a soloist.

An interesting program is being arranged, and will be announced at a later date.

St. Catharines Policemen Are Given An Increase in Pay; No Policewoman Now

The St. Catharines Police Commissioners at a meeting yesterday afternoon decided to increase the salaries of the members of the city police force. Probationers who now receive \$2.75 a day will get \$3.25; third class men \$3.50 instead of \$3; second class men \$3.75 instead of \$3.25; first class men \$4 instead of \$3.50; sergeants \$4.25 instead of \$4, and the chief will receive \$2,000 instead of \$1,750.

There was a surplus of \$8,000 over from last year and it was decided to ask the City Council for \$14,500 more to get through the year with.

Judge Campbell, the chairman, called attention to the fact that the medical health officer had stated in his report that the cells at police headquarters were in an unsanitary condition. The commission obtained a report from the chief of police who stated that the cells were in a perfectly sanitary condition, and as up-to-date as could be found anywhere.

The commission considered the question of the appointment of a policewoman, but came to the conclusion that owing to the high tax rate in the city and the urgent need for more men on the force, it would not be advisable just now to make such an appointment.

Three Injured In Collision

G. T. R. Passenger Train Rams Coal Car at Ridgeway, But No One Killed.

RIDGEWAY, Feb. 17.—The Grand Trunk passenger train arriving at one o'clock yesterday collided with a coal car and freight train. The engine, mail coach and smoker were completely demolished.

Tobias Baer of Sherston was the only passenger in the smoker, and escaped uninjured.

John Stewart, a brakeman, sustained a broken leg; Adam Stevenson, a fireman, of Stratford, was badly scalded; John Coningham, of London, conductor, was badly burned. Dr. George R. Stewart, medical officer of health, and Dr. George B. Snider rendered medical assistance.

The wrecking crew of Hamilton came to clear the track. The cause of the collision is unknown.

During the blinding snowstorm of Sunday an engine, westbound, on the Grand Trunk tracks, collided with a freight train near the freight sheds. As a result three cars were burned, one containing furniture, another coal and one caboose.

It was late yesterday morning when through the hard labor of a gang of men the flames were extinguished. No one was injured. Orders from the Ridgeway agent were given to Bridgeburg before the train left, but owing to the severe storm the engi-

Dutch Diplomat

Believed to Be Arranging For Home For Former Kaiser

CALGARY, Feb. 16.—On his way to the Dutch East Indies, ostensibly to become a planter, but in reality, it is believed, to prepare a future home there for the ex-kaiser, Count Van Taak Krahen, of the Dutch diplomatic service, and a nephew of Count Bentinck, the kaiser's present host in Holland, passed through the city last evening on his way west. The only statement he would make was that he was buying a plantation, but in view of the fact that he was engaged in important missions by the Dutch government during the war, it is believed that he has been sent to buy the kaiser's future home, when Holland decides to exile the ex-ruler, on pressure from the Allies.

JOHN TANSY, BELIEVED TO HAVE RELATIVES HERE DIED SUDDENLY AT FALLS

Chief of Police Greene was notified today that John Tansy, aged sixty-five years, had died of heart disease in the Commercial Hotel at Niagara Falls, N.Y. He was apparently a blacksmith and was of short, stout build with dark complexion. It is believed there are relatives in St. Catharines.

Toronto and Montreal Exchanges were quiet but prices were steady to firm.

Ineer was unable to see the train ahead.

CITY COUNCIL AS A COMMITTEE WILL MEET THE FIREMEN IN THEIR HALL TO-NIGHT

Difference of Opinion As to Treatment of Hon. Mr. Rollo, But Consensus of Judgment is That it Was the Only Thing Possible Under the Circumstances.

UNFORTUNATE CIRCUMSTANCE.

The action of the majority of the City Council in carrying a resolution last night not to hear Hon. Walter Rollo, Minister of Labor in the Drury Cabinet, will be interpreted by some, who allow their prejudices to animate their speech, as a discourtesy toward a Minister of the Crown. The admission, however, of Hon. Mr. Rollo himself would dissipate this view.

He stated after the Council meeting was over that he had been placed in a wrong position and that he had not come over with the intention of going before the Council to address it. He was led to believe that he was simply coming to sit around a conference board in an informal way.

In writing what it did yesterday the Journal felt certain that the Minister of Labor must have been under a false impression. Crown representatives do not, as a rule, exceed the proprieties that belong to office, and we did not think that Hon. Mr. Rollo would do so. His explanation justifies this opinion. On the other hand the three Labor members of the fire and light committee may have felt that as a majority of that committee they were justified in asking the minister to come. Experience teaches, however, that the greatest tact and diplomacy should always be exercised in such matters.

THE WEATHER.

TORONTO, Feb. 17.—Pressure is quite low in Ontario and Quebec and highest in the North Pacific States. Light snow falls have occurred from Saskatchewan to the Maritime provinces. The weather has become very cold again over Lake Superior.

FORECASTS—Fresh to strong south to west winds, light snow falls, northerly winds and colder again to-night and on Wednesday.

IN MEMORY OF LAURIER

To-day is the first anniversary of the death of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. A sacred service was held at Ottawa. Archbishop Gauthier officiating in honor of his memory.

SIR ADAM DEFERS SAILING

LONDON, Ont., Feb. 17.—Sir Adam Beck, from whom a letter was received last week stating that he and Lady Beck would sail this week for Canada, today cabled that they have decided to postpone the trip for a fortnight. No reason was given for the change in plans.

Another big fur trading company has been incorporated in Montreal, with a capital of one million dollars.

ANOTHER BLOCKADE OF THE MAIN LINE OF THE N. S. & T. R.

The N. S. & T. R. main line is once more blocked between Thorold and Niagara Falls, the snow having drifted into the bag cuts. Workers were once more unable to get to their work on the Hydro canal except by going by Grand Trunk.

Report in Circulation That The Hydro Commission Will Take Over N. S. & T. at Once

There is a report in circulation in the city today that the Ontario Hydro Commission will take over the Niagara, St. Catharines & Toronto Railway immediately, in fact, that the transaction may take place this week.

There is no confirmation of this report, but the threatened strike of the railwaymen which it is stated is set for Friday next, may hasten action on the part of the Hydro Commission.

If the lines are taken over they will form part of the Hydro-Radial system. W. R. Robertson, superintendent of the Hydro radials and the Hydro officials, have been here recently, so that it is possible there is something in the report.

Certain it is that unless some action is taken the N. S. & T. R. lines will be tied up by a strike, as the men are determined not to accept the award of the conciliation. It is also stated that the National Railway Board which controls the road, is not satisfied either.

U. F. O. to Hold a Meeting Here on February 28th To Bring Out a Candidate

The United Farmers of Lincoln are bent on getting a candidate to contest this riding at the next Federal election is the purport of an advertisement which is appearing in The Journal announcing a convention in Griffin's Family Theatre here on the 28th of this month. The Journal was told by one of the organization that the U.F.O. are going to develop strength enough to stand alone, and gradually drift away from their alliance with Labor.

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