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### STATE OWNERSHIP VS. STATE CONTROL

The state of Wisconsin has given the world an example of the benefits to be derived from wise, intelligent and firm state control. It has established a state utility commission which has revolutionized conditions. It has carried the work just about as far as it can be carried. It is wisely administered. The commission is quite free from political control of any kind. It has shown that wise and able state control is much better for the corporations and for the public than state ownership unwisely administered.

But there is a limit to state control. It can go so far but cannot complete the work. Frederick C. Howe, in a very interesting book on "Wisconsin, an Experiment in Democracy," which may be found in the Calgary public library, refers in a very interesting manner to the work that Wisconsin has done, and concludes with a couple of paragraphs on what Wisconsin without state ownership cannot do with state control. His conclusion is as follows:

European governments show what can be done with railways when they are in the hands of the state. When Switzerland took over the railways a few years ago it immediately improved the condition of the employees; it reduced freight rates and arranged the passenger rates to promote travel. In Belgium the state uses the railway system to distribute the working population far out of the cities into the surrounding villages. In Germany the railways are the most influential agency in upbuilding the empire. There is no conflict with the government or with the cities; no struggle over water-fronts or for monopoly. There is no attempt to strangle a community or an industry. Rather the reverse is true. Export-trade is encouraged by adjusting rates to industry. Fuel rates are arranged to the same end. With the idea of profits subordinate to service, improvements, safety devices, and efficiency are promoted in countless ways. Under ownership of street railways, the gas, water, and electric lighting, undertakings, the steam railroads, express and other services take their places as the vital organs of the social body; they are operated for the well-being of the community, for the proper distribution of population, and for the reduction of the cost of living; for the encouragement of all industry. Rather the making easy the proper development of the state.

However perfect regulation may be such ideas as these are impossible as long as private ownership animated by the desire for profits, remains. We can regulate only a limited field; can correct only positive abuses. It is not within the power of any commission to utilize the property of a corporation to carry forward a social program without regard to its effect on the property which it controls.

#### UP-TO-DATE SYSTEMS

One of the first benefits which Calgary has derived from the engagement of a competent waterworks engineer is the introduction at the city hall of a cost system, the adoption of which will make it possible for the city to sell its local improvement bonds before the work is undertaken. Hitherto the engineering department has been unable to estimate accurately the cost of local improvements before the work was commenced, and the city has been unable to sell the bonds until this work was completed. The necessity of raising several millions of dollars each year to carry on these operations without selling bonds has complicated the financial problem, and has cost the city many thousands of dollars.

When Waterworks Engineer Fawkes arrived in Calgary in February, one of the first changes he made in the method of administration of the waterworks department was in the system of checking up the various work. He originated a cost system chart of extreme simplicity, by which the average cost per foot of each piece of work can be ascertained at a glance, as well as the number of men employed on the job, the number of hours per week which each one worked. The engineer goes over his charts every week, checks up the various items, compares the cost of similar pieces of work under different foremen, and issues written criticism. It has been found that there is considerable variation in the cost of work under the direction of different foremen, and already the head of the department has been able to effect considerable saving. Mr. Fawkes explains that as soon as he has had his system in operation a year, he will be able to estimate with fair accuracy the cost of projected improvements. The idea is so simple that the only

wonder is that it was never adopted before. The cost sheets have met with the approval of the new city engineer, and will be adopted in this department also, so that practically all the municipal operations will be so systematized that it may be possible by another year to adopt a more up-to-date system of financing, and so relieve the annual stringency and establish the city's credit on a more secure and economical basis.

### Letters to the Editor

Editor, Albertan: In your issue of Friday morning, writing with reference to plans for the proposed industrial building, you cast serious reflections upon the ability of local architects, and your strictures should not pass unchallenged.

In the light of past experiences with the city council of Calgary, but few of the reputable architects care to compete on municipal work, as we have found that in some cases the winner was determined before the competition was begun, and that in the last three years the judges of the merits of the plans were as incompetent as schoolboys. Getting back to the industrial building, I am told that different men received different instructions as to requirements, but whether this is true or not I do not know, but your own statement, as to the wide variations in plans, lend a color of truth to the claim above stated. In any case, the plans submitted were not all submitted by architects or near architects. One was by a firm of contractors who dub themselves engineers and contractors, and upon whom you confer the title architect. Another concern submitted plans, but I cannot find the name on the roster of architects, neither can I, by inquiry, find who or what they are. The nearest information I got was a remark, "Oh, they crib other plans and sell blue prints by the square yard."

Men without any knowledge of building are made judges of plans and specifications, instead of the award being made by competent experts, whose services would cost but little. Is it any wonder, then, that but a small percentage of the better class of local men compete? I think not.

Compare the work of local men with that of outsiders, and the comparison cannot but be favorable to the local men. Compare the First Baptist church by a local man, with Knox church by an American architect, or with that monstrosity Grace church by another eastern architect.

Compare the Molson's bank by a local firm with the Dominion Bank by a Winnipeg man, and again the comparison is favorable to the local talent.

Reflect again, Mr. Editor, remembering that but very few local men compete, and admit, like the good fellow you usually are, that you were not only a wee bit unkind, but also unjust.—Yours very truly,  
JAMES A. MACDONALD

#### FLIGHT IN 1913

Every month brings its toll of air fatalities—another comes from France—but this time it is a tragedy that will live in the memory of those who saw it. In 1913, more than 1000 men have sacrificed their lives trying to conquer the air. In 1913 one man was killed. In 1914, four; in 1915, thirty-two; in 1916, ninety-nine; in 1917, one hundred and thirty-two. This makes a total of 288 in the four years. No great cause was ever won, but the men who died were brave and their deaths are a warning to the world.

A contemporary somewhat satirical reminder of Mr. Pankhurst is found. We extend to Mr. Pankhurst our hearty congratulations.

## Calgary's Educational Development Is Exploited By Boston Newspaper

Calgary's educational development is being exploited in a recent issue of the Christian Science Monitor, a daily paper of pretensions, which was established by the late Mrs. Eddy in Boston some years ago and which is probably one of the most unique daily publications in the United States. The story is as follows:

Marked advancement has been recorded in intellectual development in Calgary just as it has shown in material growth with leaps and bounds characteristic of the wide opportunities afforded in this expansive country. That Calgary has had a rapid material development it takes but a glance at the distinct elements common to every community to determine. These are the figures of growth: In population, from 4,427 in 1901 to 28,435 in 1911 and 61,340 in 1912; in building, permits during the last three years are represented by the values \$5,857,584, \$12,977,828 and \$20,394,207; in bank clearings \$18,077,021, \$218,651,921 and \$276,482,302.

A very rapid expansion of the public school system has taken place during the last eight years. Just previous to this period one new school was built above every second year; then it became one a year, two a year, four a year, while at present five or six are being built. There are now more than 15 buildings being erected at a cost of nearly \$1,000,000. These will provide for 2500 pupils, calling for the appointment of 67 more teachers within a short time. The schools that the new projected will provide about 50 more commodious and better equipped than 2000 additional pupils.

**School Sites Preempted.** The policy of the public school board under the direction of Dr. A. M. Scott, superintendent, is to purchase in advance sites for the outlying districts, each consisting of a whole city block, while the prices are low. These sites usually cost from \$500 to \$10,000, though in one case the price was only \$200, while in another it was as high as \$24,000. One site which was bought for \$3500, proving to be not the most desirable, was afterwards sold for \$10,000. Not less than 15 sites have now been secured upon which no buildings have yet been erected.

With two exceptions all the permanent buildings are of stone. The sparsely settled sections two-room cottages are frequently built at a cost of \$1000 to \$1500. The cost of the stone buildings varies from \$10,000 per room, the largest thus far being an 18-room building. The total value of the property owned by the school board is \$3,500,000, not including the contents of the buildings. The following figures show the rapid advance in the enrollment of pupils during the last seven years: 1911, 2827, 2980, 3545, 4421, 5800, 7385. The number of teachers employed, has shown the same proportionate increase as follows: 33, 45, 58, 67, 80, 118, 143. The salaries are the highest paid in Canada. For women the minimum is \$750 and the maximum \$1100, with an increase of \$50 each year. Men assistants receive from \$1200 to \$1800, and principals from \$1500 to \$2200, and the salaries of the high school assistants are from \$1800 to \$2400, while the principal's minimum is \$2500 and the maximum \$3000. Though the board has adopted a remarkably liberal policy towards all aspects of the work, the school taxes last year were only 2.53 mills, levied on a 25 cent valuation of improved property.

**High School Is Outgrown.** The high school, erected in 1908 at a cost of \$180,000 has 15 teachers and 235 pupils. It is already over-crowded, and a new \$400,000 building is contemplated in another section of the city. There is likewise a good professional normal school building in Calgary costing \$200,000, which also houses a normal school with eight teachers and 250 pupils. The normal school proper has a staff of nine with 108 student-teachers preparing for their professional work. This building, too, was taken to its limit, and a new \$1,000,000 building is being planned for the opening of another normal school at Camrose with a staff of five and attendance of 30 teachers has afforded some relief here.

Interesting features of Calgary's public school system are to be noted in the following three directions: (1) Special departments of work each having its own supervisor. Among these are art, manual training, music and training. Complete art and music courses in advanced wood work and

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**A Day Off for Police**  
London, Eng., April 28.—After an agitation extending over seven years, a scheme has come into operation which gives every member of the Metropolitan Police Force one day's rest in seven. For some time past the police have had a day-and-a-half holiday in a fortnight in addition to their annual holiday. This extra half-day will mean the employment of at least 1,000 more men, bringing the number of the Metropolitan Police Force up to about 30,000. It is estimated that the additional cost will amount to about \$750,000 per year.

Nurses are so scarce in New York that the mayor has given instructions to advertise for them in the Canadian papers. It may be necessary to place an export duty on one of Canada's most valued productions.

### Manual Arts Taught

Calgary was a pioneer in technical education in western Canada, the first beginning having been made about 12 years ago. Six years ago work in manual arts was introduced in all the grades, and in 1912 a three-room school was introduced for all girls in grades seven and eight. Each of the newer schools has three rooms for manual training, well provided with tools, benches and other apparatus. The evening classes in technical education proper, though organized only 18 months ago by T. B. Kidder, director of technical education, have an enrolment of 1,000 students of both sexes. The courses already include building construction, sheet metal drafting, machine drawing, electro-mechanics, heating and ventilation, drafting for plumbers, interior decoration, engine practice, applied mechanics, advanced mathematics, as well as commercial subjects. A series of fortnightly Saturday evening public lectures is also being given, and the question of an adequate technical high school building is now being mooted.

While there have been no universities nearer than Winnipeg (100 miles distant) until the last four or five years, a number of preparatory colleges have sprung up, some of these being already included in building construction courses. Among these are Western Canada, Mount Royal, Bishop Brinkman, and St. Hildegarde's colleges, all of which have immediately found a large constituency flocking to their doors.

### University Is Started

And now Calgary is attempting her crowning educational project, the establishment of a university on private foundation. The movement thus far has been attended with great success. Under the leadership of Dr. T. A. Storer, while the city was called the founder, subscriptions of more than \$500,000 have been secured, as well as various industrial and time promises to be the basis of a splendid endowment. The endowment is now potentially in excess of that which many of the older Canadian universities are yet able to boast.

In order to anticipate the distant future according to a well-ordered plan, the site of 150 acres given by W. J. Tregillus on a lofty eminence overlooking the city and in plain sight of the Rockies 100 miles to the west, has been landscaped and a tentative location for the various buildings that may eventually be required has been determined. Dr. E. E. Braithwaite, a doctor of philosophy, of Harvard University, as dean, has taken the leading part in the organization of the educational site and in addition to some instructors, three professors have been appointed—Dr. Macdougall, Eastman and Ward—all of whom have had several years of graduate work in leading European and American universities, as well as a few years' successful teaching. Lectures were begun last fall and a surprising number of students have presented themselves. A feature of the program is the placing of all major lectures as possible between the hours of 4.30 and 6.30 in the afternoon. A considerable number of teachers and others have enrolled in these especially in English literature, history, mathematics, French, economics, mathematics and the English Bible—some of them intending in this way to proceed gradually to the arts degree.

It is aimed to keep the standard fully equal to that of any of the eastern universities. The enrolment in the arts department has reached 115. This with a law department of 35, makes a total enrolment for the year of 150 which it is believed far surpasses the first year record of any other Canadian university.

## VANCOUVER MAN TO TAKE OVER ARLINGTON HOTEL

The Arlington Hotel will be taken over by Alfred Goldstein, of Vancouver, August 1, on a lease and option to purchase. The deal was consummated yesterday by Mr. Goldstein and H. E. Lambert. The lease, which runs for a long period, calls for the construction at once on the three lots south of the hotel of a \$400,000 addition to the hotel, and an option on the whole property, including the furniture of the hotel, for \$125,000. It is understood that the lease will make application for a license with the completion of the addition.

## MANNERS OR MORALS

Mr. William Jennings Bryan, secretary of state for the United States, has many little idiosyncrasies which are admirable when applied to Brother Bryan, but hardly courteous when flung at the heads of the foreign diplomats in Washington. At the first dinner to which the secretary of state invited the representatives of the foreign nations no wine was served. Obviously, Brother Bryan does not approve of wine. But because he has fads is that any reason that the guests of the United States should be obliged to bow before them? It is not William Jennings Bryan but the secretary of state who entertains. The entertainment is probably paid for by

the people of the United States. If the secretary does not approve of alcohol at dinner in any shape or form he need not drink it. That is his affair. Mr. Bryan may prefer his neck shaved, or mustard with chicken, or to eat with his knife, but he could hardly expect that every man who dined with him should do the same. He is the host, and it would be more in keeping with the duties of the host to follow his guests' examples as to put them at their ease in case they were guilty of some breach of etiquette in his presence. Manners as well as morals are necessary among ordinary people, especially over a dinner table. The former have only one standard, the latter many.—Vancouver Daily Province.

## HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY

### The Hudson's Bay Is Unique

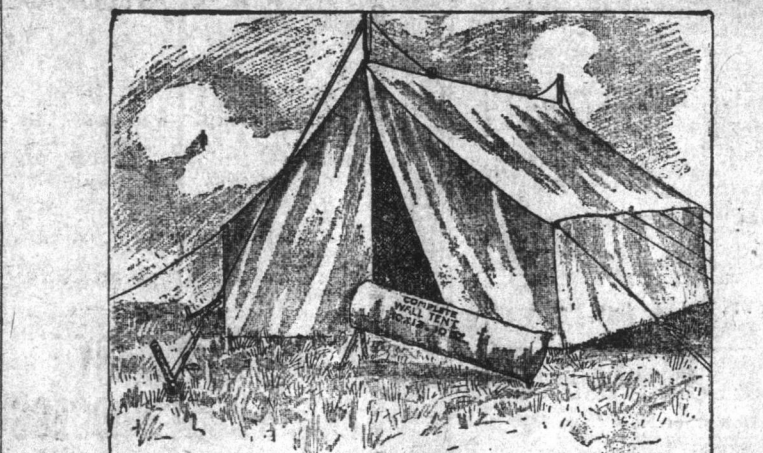
THE motif underlying this business! It is to sell goods at the lowest price consistent with safety. All the power and wonderful resources of our organization is applied to that purpose. It is our first thought. Has always been. Always will be. Whatever else we may afford, there is, to our notion, one thing we can't afford, and that is to permit any one to undersell or equal our values. Men who know every in and out, every turn and twist of both the American and European markets, are ever alert to sustain Hudson's Bay leadership in that respect.

Broadly speaking, ladies are instinctively thrifter shoppers than men. Ask the ladies of this city where their money can be made to go furthest. The answer will invariably be at "The Bay." Ladies know from actual experience in everyday shopping, that every dollar spent inside this store will bring them more actual satisfaction than if spent elsewhere. And as the saying goes—"There's a reason."

### An Attractive Price-Trio from the Whitewear Store

THERE are few, if any ladies, in and about Calgary who haven't either personally experienced the advantages of buying here, or heard of it through some friend. However, the news has spread, until today there are very few who don't visit this popular section of "The Bay," and to their own self interest. Here are three exceptionally good buying chances announced for tomorrow's shoppers. Make note of them.

**LADIES' APRONS**—This is a special lot of Ladies' Overall Aprons, made of fine quality Percale and Gaietes, in navy and assorted stripes; neatly trimmed with contrasting shades. Well made and exceptional value, at ..... **75c**  
**LONG KIMONOS**—Delicately made of Cotton Crepe and Fancy Muslin, in navy, red, blue and rose; very prettily trimmed with Persian, and in all sizes. They represent excellent value at ..... **\$1.50**  
**SHORT KIMONOS**—These come in very pretty Japanese designs in Crepe Kimonos, with silk facing, and in all the popular colors, and all sizes. Regular \$1.50 values. Tuesday ..... **\$1.25**



### Ready for the Campers now, with Tents and Other Supplies

ALREADY we've outfitted a number of parties who have planned to "camp out" during the summer months and who are showing foresight in making their preparations early. Of course, it seems only natural that those in quest of such things should lean on this store to fill their wants best. It has been a "specialty" of Hudson's Bay Stores for the past century to fit out such parties.

Whether you have planned a stay at Banff, a motor tour, a fishing trip or to locate a camp for the season's outing, this store is best prepared now to fill your every need.

**THE HANDIEST TENT IMAGINABLE**—We call attention to this particular Tent without the ridge pole, and with upright poles; telescopic, enabling a large tent; poles and all fittings to be packed away in a bag only 20x12 inches. It's the handiest tent we know of today. Made from an extra good quality Army Drill, with any amount of wear to it, does away entirely with heavy poles. Tent complete, weight 30 pounds. Size 10x10. Price ..... **\$15.20**  
Size 10x20. Price ..... **\$20.00**

"Gold Medal" Camp Cots, Camp Tables, Camp Folding Beds and Mattresses, famous Hudson's Bay Point Blankets, the best for the camp, with greatest satisfaction for the camper and his guests, will be best bought now from this store.

SEE CENTRE STREET WINDOW.

### Silks and Nun's Veiling at Special Prices Tuesday

WEVE lowered certain lines for no other reason than to make a little more room to properly display some of the many new lines just received.

With such values to urge the advisability of prompt buying it is little wonder that we look to a very busy morning Tuesday.

**TAMALINE SILKS**—And a quantity of Swiss Stripes—about 100 yards in all, both splendid veiling silks; 18 and 20 inches wide and ideal for Veils or Full Dresses; in colors, mauve, tan, pink, grey with white stripes and white, helio, grey, green with black stripes. Regular 50c and 60c a yard. Tuesday ..... **35c**

**NUN'S VEILING**—An all-wool dress fabric; very popular for Waists and Children's Dresses. They come in mauve, anemist, sky, grey, tan and turquoise. All splendid shades; 42 inches wide, and regular 45c a yard. Tuesday ..... **25c**



### These Stylish Suits & Coats Offering Such Values Are Worthy Repeating

TO the lady unacquainted with Hudson's Bay methods and particularly to ladies unfamiliar with this particular instance of exceptional goodness and value, these stylish new suits and coats will be a revelation.

Of course every Ladies' Store has suits and coats at fairly popular prices. But particular ladies have been paying considerably more to get garments they are not ashamed of. It has been left to this store to change conditions. We did.

**AT \$10.00**—Exceptional value in Women's and Misses' Panama Coats; full length semi-fitted coats; round cut front; large fancy braided collar; sleeves finished with deep cuffs. Beautifully finished throughout. **\$12.00**—Women's and Misses' Stylish new Panama Coats; full length; back made in new shirred style; finished with wide belt and four buttons; front has broad revers and large round collar; sleeves are made with deep cuffs, trimmed with buttons. Shade of grey and tan. Sizes 34 to 44.  
**AT \$15.00**—Among this lot are the very best values we have ever seen. Dressy Panama Coats in a variety of styles, some cut full length loose fitting, with large Raglan sleeve; fancy cut deep cuffs trimmed with buttons. Others with new side fastening, finished with ornaments and buttons of self materials; large fancy collar piped with silk and inlaid collar of heavy lace. Very smart.  
**AT \$25.00**—Stylish, up-to-the-minute models in Men's Wear Serge Suits, strictly man-tailored; semi-fitted coats with straight cut; sleeves finished with cuff effect trimmed with neat buttons; lined with good quality silk; skirt made with panel front and back, finished with four side plaits. Exceptional value indeed.

### 17c Cotton Delaines 12c

WHEN we tell you that through buying a large quantity for several Hudson's Bay stores we received a special price from the factory and marked them accordingly, then, and only then will you realize that this is a bargain out of the ordinary run, even for this store. Morning shopping Tuesday to share in these:

**COTTON DELAINES**—In stripes, spot and new Persian designs; all fast washing colors and very suitable for House Dresses and Waists. All are 27 inches wide and the qualities sell regularly at 17c a yard. On Sale, Tuesday ..... **12 1/2c**

### Wilton and Axminster Rugs in a Sale

**\$35.00 to \$45.00 Values, \$25.00**  
Not old back numbers, nor shop-worn, either. Nothing of the kind. These are splendid rugs of standard quality and desirable patterns, but only seven in the lot offered Tuesday as a start to a busy week's selling. Here's luck for seven enterprising housekeepers.

Only Wilton and Axminster Rugs—All one size, 9x12 ft. 6 in.; and qualities that sell from in the ordinary course of events at from \$35.00 to \$45.00. Tuesday ..... **\$25.00**

### Wilton, Axminster and Velvet Rugs in a Record Sale Tuesday

HERE'S news of rare character that will bring a dozen housekeepers the best rug value this store has offered in twelve months and values that warrant morning choice if you would share. There are twelve rugs in this lot. Some are heavy Axminsters, some are extra fine Wiltons, some are softly colored velvet pile.

They come in two-tone greens and blues, others in rich Persian designs. Sizes run 9 by 7 ft. 6 in. 9 by 8 ft. 9 in.; 8 by 9 ft. Regular values run from \$29.00 to \$40.00. Tuesday ..... **\$15**