

GREAT AND GROWING DEMAND FOR HEAVY DRAFT HORSES

Manitoba Horse Breeders' In Annual Convention This Morning

FEW DRAFT HORSES

In Canada Suitable For Export—Form a Clydesdale Club

With a large attendance of breeders and horsemen, the Manitoba Horse Breeders' Association met Tuesday morning in the Council Chamber. Many well known breeders from different points in the province were present and an interesting morning resulted, when addresses and discussions of timely interest were heard. Mr. Freeman Rice, president of the Association was in the chair. The election of officers for the coming term and two splendid addresses by H. S. Arkell, Dominion Live Stock Commissioner and Andrew Graham of Roland featured the morning's session.

Mr. John Crawford of Brandon is the new President of the Horse Breeders' Association, being unanimously elected when Mr. John Scharf of Hartney withdrew his name from the nomination list. Mr. Harry Galbraith also of this city was elected vice-president. The voting for directors of the Association saw nine names proposed but the election resulted in Wm. McKirdy of Napinka, John Orr of Elkhorn, W. I. Elder of Brandon and Wm. Scharf of Hartney being the four directors for the coming season.

Export Market for Horses

"The Export Market for Horses" was the subject of an interesting address from H. S. Arkell, Live Stock Commissioner of Ottawa. He stated that the horse industry had not kept pace with the cattle industry during the past five years due to the general adoption of motor service. In speaking of the relation of the horse industry to the motor business, he really believes that the motor has found its place as regards farm and city use. There is still a great demand for the proper kind of a horse, and the motor transports are really only taking the places of the middle and light horses.

Mr. Arkell said that the actual users of high class horses state that there is no use selling a horse that does not come up to the highest standard. The preference had been shown by large users, for the Clydesdale horse. The heavy draft horse is really the only horse that can live against the inroads made by motor transportation. In speaking of the European demand for horses, Mr. Arkell said that French dealers had already made trips to the United States to purchase horses but that the high rate of exchange militated against a large purchase being made. The question of government credits and the adjustment of exchange rates demand attention.

"It is a proper time," said Mr. Arkell, "for all interested in stock breeding to take note of all the horses that will check up to the kinds needed." We must bear in mind always the need for export. The demand in the United States today is for heavy draft, and we must prepare for the export of heavy draft for at the present time there are very few heavy draft horses in Canada suitable for export purposes. We must relate the whole breeding of the future according to the market demand and if we do this we will assist greatly in making for the success of the horse industry," concluded the speaker.

The Heavy Draft Horses

Mr. Andrew Graham of Roland gave an address on "What can we do to increase and improve the quality of our Draft Hires." He stated that it is necessary to produce a larger proportion of the type that will command a ready market at remunerative prices. The fear that motors will replace horses is not well founded. It is a fact that despite the growth of the motor business there are still many horses needed. The careful selection of sires is necessary to increase the size of the heavy draft horse. Mr. Graham said that a child when asked where the perfect horses come from, would reply "Scotland." The speaker said that he was dealing with Clydesdales as he could speak with more familiarity about that class of a horse. It is a fact today that a stallion with the right reputation and kind cannot be bought.

Mr. Graham made reference to the remarks made by Archie McNeillage, Secretary of the Old Country Clydesdale Association in which McNeillage told of the determination of the home breeders to retain the best horses. Mr. Graham said that Canada was Scotland's best customer in purchasing horses and that some assistance

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MAY COMPLETE PEACE TREATY ON SATURDAY

Paris, Jan. 6.—There is every indication now in Supreme Council circles that the peace protocol will be signed by Germany and ratifications of the Treaty of Versailles exchanged on the coming Saturday, January 10th, the date tentatively set by the Council yesterday.

SUDDEN DEATH OF BARON CUNLIFFE, GOVERNOR OF THE BANK OF ENGLAND

London, Jan. 6.—Baron Cunliffe of Hedley, Governor of the Bank of England, died suddenly last night.

NO ESTIMATE YET OF LOSS OF LIFE IN EARTHQUAKE

Which Left Only Two Houses Standing in Village of Coutzlan, Mexico

RECOVERY OF BODIES

Recorded from Many Points in the State of Vera Cruz

Mexico City, Jan. 6.—Only two houses are left standing in the village of Coutzlan, State of Vera Cruz, where no estimate has yet been placed on the number of dead and injured resulting from Saturday night's earthquake, according to reports received here.

Eleven bodies have been recovered from the river at San Francisco De La Pena, Vera Cruz, in addition to 24 at Racondia. Twelve soldiers were among those buried under the ruins of the church of Cozoma-Tepec shaken down by earthquake disturbance. Reports from Jalapa, Vera Cruz, say that the damage at Coatepec and Teocelo, to the Southwest of Jalapa, is exceedingly serious, although there are no estimates of the dead and injured.

TORONTO TO TAKE OVER THE STREET RAILWAY

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 6.—As a result of the vote by the ratepayers on New Year's Day it is expected that the City Council will take immediate steps towards taking over the Toronto Street Railway when the franchise expires in September of next year.

DR. S. G. BLAND HAS NO INTENTION OF RESIGNING HIS PRESENT PASTORATE

Toronto, Ont., Jan. 6.—Dr. Salem Bland, Pastor of Broadway Methodist Tabernacle who has had serious disagreements with the members of the Quarterly Official Board, announces he does not intend to resign.

LANDSLIDE AT JUNEAU, ALASKA

One Unidentified Man Killed, Several Missing, Eleven In Hospital

Juneau, Alaska, Jan. 5.—One man unidentified is dead, 11 injured persons are in a local hospital and several are reported missing as the result of a landslide which started below the entrance to the tunnel of the Alaska-Juneau Mining Company on Friday, crashed down into Front street, sweeping away six dwelling houses and a number of small cabins. Parties are searching the debris for bodies of missing persons who may have been buried under the wreckage.

Guests of a boarding house in the path of the slide leaped from the window as the mass of rocks and dirt loosened by melting snows and the warm rains of the last two days swept down upon it. The house and several cabins were carried 600 feet finally being crushed by the weight of the debris. Property loss was estimated at \$75,000.

C. J. APPEL GOING TO BRANTFORD TO MANAGE ALLAN THEATRE THERE

Brandon friends of Mr. C. J. Appel will regret to learn that he will leave next week for Brantford, Ont., where he will be manager of the Allan Theatre in that city which is being completely remodelled at present. When finished it will have a seating capacity of 2,000 and it is expected will be ready for the opening night, January 20th. Mr. G. Matthews, who has been with the Allan Theatres for many years and is at present projectionist, will succeed Mr. Appel in Brandon.

CHICAGO REDS STILL AT LIBERTY TAKE TO COVER

Not Being Anxious to Join the 224 Who Are Being Held for Deportation

THE RECENT RAIDS

Net Result May be Large Number of Passengers on Soviet Ark

Chicago, Jan. 6.—The first of the 224 persons held for deportation as a result of the recent State and Federal raids, were taken today before Immigration inspectors for hearings. The cases against these men have been described by the Department of Justice agents as "Iron Clad" and within a week the officers said they believed the large percentage would be selected as the Chicago contingent on the next "Soviet Ark." The Reds generally have taken to cover since the wholesale arrests started and the number brought in daily has decreased. Several dangerous radical aliens still are sought on warrants.

REGULATION OF ALL AIRCRAFT IN CANADA

All Machines to be Registered and Aviators Must be Licensed

WITHOUT CERTIFICATE

Granted by Canada Air Board No Person May Fly in the Dominion

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 6.—Regulations to which all persons operating aircraft in Canada, whether for private or commercial purposes, will in future be required to conform, has been approved by the Governor-in-Council and will shortly be distributed. They provide for registration, by the Canada Air Board of all aircraft and the issuance of certificates to pilots, without which certificate no persons can fly in Canada.

An interesting feature of the regulations is that all registered aircraft are subject to the call of the state in time of war and that all persons holding commercial pilots certificates become, during a war period, members of the Canadian Air Force.

WOMAN MAKES FLIGHT FROM FRANCE TO MOROCCO 1,150 MILES, IN 2 DAYS

Rabat, Morocco, Jan. 6.—A French aviatrix has arrived here from Paris by air, having made the flight in two days. This is the first case of a woman flying from France to Morocco. The distance covered was about 1,150 miles.

BUBONIC PLAGUE IN THE UKRAINE

Bucharest, Jan. 5.—The Bubonic plague is epidemic in the Ukraine, according to reports received here. The Roumanian frontier has been tightly closed.

OTTAWA BAKERS INCREASE THE PRICE OF BREAD

Ottawa, Jan. 5.—Bakers have increased the price of bread two cents a loaf. The reason they give is the recent order of the Canada Wheat board, increasing the price of wheat at Fort William from \$2.30 to \$2.80 a bushel. The new prices are thirteen cents for wrapped bread.

GERMANS EXPORT HORSES AND CATTLE TO NEUTRAL LANDS

In Contravention of the Terms Of the Peace Treaty

Paris, Jan. 5.—Germany is exporting horses and cattle extensively to neutral countries, in contravention of the terms of the Peace Treaty, it is reported in dispatches from Brussels. On November 10th the Allies had their attention called to an offer made by Germany to Sweden of a sale of stallions, and more recently it was ascertained that the Germans had been selling a considerable quantity of livestock to neutral countries. The matter is being investigated by the Reparation Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEES OF 1920 CITY COUNCIL

The standing committees of the City Council for the year were appointed as follows:

- Finance and Assessment: Aldermen Coleman, Curran, Shewan, McDermid and Hales.
- Waterworks: Aldermen Shewan, Grantham, Curran, McDermid and Bourke.
- Board of Works: Aldermen McKenzie, Coleman, Curran, Carey and Hall.
- Street Railway: Aldermen Carey, Coleman, Curran, Shewan and Hales.
- Police and Licenses: Aldermen McDermid, Grantham, Hall, McKenzie and Bourke.
- Health and Relief: Aldermen Coleman, Hall, Shewan, McDermid and Hales.
- Fire and Light: Aldermen Grantham, Hall, McKenzie, Carey and Bourke.
- Cemetery: Aldermen Hales, Bourke, Grantham, McKenzie and Carey.

The representative to the Fair Board will be Alderman Hall while Alderman Coleman was appointed representative on the Hospital Board.

RAILWAY CRISIS IN ENGLAND IS CAUSE OF ALARM

There Appears To Be Little Likelihood of Government's Offer Being Accepted

LABOR IS HEADSTRONG

Victory in Spain Valley Election Makes Labor Unwilling To Compromise

London, Jan. 6.—Government officials and Labor leaders are apprehensive over the apparent impending railway crisis in England. Union delegates confer tomorrow and it seems certain that the Government's offer in settlement of the wage dispute with the men in the lower grades of service will be rejected. H. M. Thomas, Secretary of the Railway Union, favors accepting the offer but realizes that Labor is unwilling to compromise at present especially since the Spain Valley election disclosed the unexpected strength of the Laborite ticket.

The chief ground of objection to the scheme is that, instead of taking the highest pay in the respective grades, to which to add the war bonus of 38 shillings and thereby arrive at a minimum wage, the government has taken the average pre-war pay of over fifteen of the largest railway companies. This the men characterize as standardization downward instead of upward, and resented because in the previous settlement with the locomotive men and other higher grades the bonus was added to the highest pay. There are other objections. Some are opposed to the sliding scale; others demand that the new scale be retroactive to August. A considerable section of the moderates favors accepting the compromise, but Wednesday's conference, which will decide the matter, is not looked forward to hopefully.

ACCOMMODATION SECURED FOR 600 VISITORS IN CITY

Brandon people have heartily supported the efforts of Mr. J. D. Kennedy who is in charge of the Accommodation Bureau, 120 Ninth street, phone 3815, in his efforts to secure rooms for visitors in the city this week. Up to date accommodation is available for 600 people and if the visitors will apply to the bureau every effort will be made to see that they are comfortably taken care of. For the convenience of strangers in Brandon tonight the Bureau will be open from seven to half-past nine o'clock.

GERMAN WARSHIPS SUNK IN SCAPA FLOW SOON TO BE BLOWN UP

London, Jan. 6.—The German warships sunk by their officers in Scapa Flow will be blown up shortly, it was said here today. The decision to dispose of the vessels in this way followed the completion of investigations by the special commission representing all of the Allies.

GEORGE H. JOHNSON FORMER MEMBER OF 79TH BATTALION

Returned From Overseas Last Spring—Shot Himself On Monday In Winnipeg

IN CRITICAL CONDITION

Now In Winnipeg Hospital With Bullet Hole Through Left Lung

George Herbert Johnson, son of Mrs. Thomas Johnson, Carman, Manitoba, who is in a critical state in the Winnipeg General Hospital as the result of an attempt to kill himself, will be remembered by many returned members of the Seventy-ninth Battalion in this city. Johnson came to Brandon from Carman in 1915 and joined the colors with the Seventy-ninth Battalion under Colonel Clingan. In April, 1916, he went overseas with the unit and saw much service in France. It is understood he returned to Canada last Spring and commenced work in the Royal Bank at Sperling last October. Johnson is twenty-two years of age and is in a semi-conscious condition at the hospital with a bullet hole through his left lung.

According to the story told by Joseph Gabriel, an employee of the Consumers' Association, who was an eye-witness of the shooting, Johnson walked into the recreation room of the Red Triangle Hut at 8.45 Monday, took two or three staggering steps, pulled a revolver from his overcoat pocket and pointed the muzzle toward his left breast.

Several Eye-Witnesses
Mr. Gabriel and several companions were playing pool at the time, and several other men were seated about the room, reading or writing. Gabriel shouted a warning that the man was going to shoot himself. No person in the room was within ten feet of Johnson, and before anyone could reach him he had pulled the trigger and collapsed upon the floor. The police were immediately summoned and took Johnson to the General Hospital.

Gabriel stated that Johnson had been in conversation with a man named that he had "missed himself" but would have tried again. According to Gabriel, Johnson stated that he came to Winnipeg from Carman Monday morning and that he was employed in a bank. He intimated that he had attempted suicide because of money trouble. The statement given out by the police was to the effect that Johnson was employed as a junior clerk in the Royal Bank at Sperling, Man.

Used Heavy Revolver
The weapon with which Johnson did the shooting is a .38 calibre five-chamber Iver-Johnson revolver. It was taken from him before he could do any further damage and was taken down to the office of the hut, where, on examination, it was found that four of the chambers were still fully loaded. The bullet entered the left breast about three inches above and to the right of the heart. Johnson claimed that the revolver belonged to the bank.

Ernest R. Thorburn, manager of the Royal Bank at Sperling, stated that Johnson was employed by the bank as ledger keeper, and had been in the employ of the bank since last October.

Has Good Record

He has always been a most satisfactory employee, Mr. Thorburn said, and he could think of no reason why Johnson should attempt to take his own life, as his accounts were in good order. Johnson, he said, was a very quiet and unassuming young man and had never, to his knowledge, been subject to fits of melancholy or despondency. No money is missing from the bank, he said, and no revolver was taken away.

LUDENDORFF WAILS OF RUIN

Paris, Jan. 6.—"Disaster threatens Europe as a result of the policy adopted by the Allied Nations," in the opinion of General Ludendorff, former Commander-in-Chief of the German Armies, in an interview published in The Mail. He refused to talk on the international situation in Germany created by the Versailles Treaty.

"After the shameful treatment which Germany endured from the Entente, I must refuse to publish anything in the Entente press. If in our final ruin, which is coming, Entente nations are dragged along with us, they will have none to blame except themselves. Sooner or later a terrible catastrophe will strike Europe and it will be because of the short-sighted policy of the Entente."

NEW MAYOR AND ALDERMEN TAKE THEIR SEATS

The Mayor and Council for the city of Brandon for the year 1920 held their first session of the year in the City Hall this morning. His Worship Mayor Dinsdale and ten Aldermen were sworn in and standing committees for the year appointed. Following the election of the committees, some matters of interest were dealt with by the Council, the most important being that Dr. Bolton is given full authority to deal with any outbreak of smallpox, even to order compulsory vaccination.

RAILWAY UNION BUYS FACTORIES TO LOWER COSTS

Maintenance of Way Employees and Railway Shop Laborers Union Make a Move

LOWER LIVING COSTS

Initial Investment in Factories Said to be a Million Dollars

Detroit, Jan. 6.—As a move to lower the cost of living among its members, the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees and Railway Shop Laborers, the third largest of the railroad brotherhoods today announced the purchase of four clothing factories, from which goods will be sold at price reductions ranging from 25 to 60 per cent. Negotiations are under way, it was said, for the purchase of two other mills. The transactions announced represent an initial investment of approximately \$1,000,000.

OTTAWA NOT TO GO IN FOR REFORM OF TAXATION

Ottawa, Jan. 6.—Property tax reform in Ottawa is not to be inaugurated by a vote of 4,795 to 1,597, those entitled to vote on this question defeated the proposal to exempt buildings, improvements, business assessments and incomes from taxes and with the exception of water and school rates and to gradually transfer the burden of taxation to land values.

20,000 ALIEN ENEMIES OF U. S. IN NEW YORK STATE

Openly Organized to Overthrow Government by Force and Violence

New York, Jan. 6.—More than 20,000 alien enemies in the Communist Party of New York State alone, are openly organized for the overthrow of the Government by force and violence, under the direction of Bolshevik leaders in Russia, Senator Clayton Lusk, chairman of the Joint Legislative Committee, investigating seditious activities declared today.

FARMERS DISCUSS POLITICAL PLANS

One Hundred and Fifty Delegates Present From the Prairie Provinces

Winnipeg, Jan. 6.—Preliminary proceedings and discussions occupied the session of the convention of the representatives of the United Farmers' Political Movement from the three provinces of Manitoba, Ontario and Saskatchewan, along with members of the Canadian Council of Agriculture this forenoon. One hundred and fifty delegates were present and they listened with interest to the description of the farmers' political movement in Ontario and Alberta. Manitoba and Saskatchewan representatives will arrive this afternoon.

J. J. Morrison and Col. J. S. Fraser both spoke at some length about Ontario and O. L. Macpherson reported for Alberta. Delegates from Brandon and Virdee are Mr. J. M. Allan and Mr. Gee.

EXPLOSION DESTROYS A FOUNDRY AT MONCTON, N.B.

Moncton, N.B., Jan. 6.—An explosion of oil in the Record foundry completely destroyed the building causing eighty thousand dollars, throwing 50 men out of employment.

PRACTICAL MEN DISCUSS MANY FARM PROBLEMS

At Initial Meeting of Livestock Associations Monday Night

VALUE OF POULTRY

And Poultry Products As Food Health With By Federal Expert, A. A. Brown

Delayed trains prevented two of the three experts from delivering addresses at the joint meeting of the livestock associations in the City Hall Monday night, but did not seem to unduly depress the hundred odd livestock men there assembled. They listened with undivided attention to the addresses of A. Brown, of the Poultry Branch, Ottawa, on the Poultry Industry, the imprudent, but authoritative address by W. C. McKilloan, Experimental Farm, Brandon, on Farm Ventilation, and then the stockmen took the floor themselves. Andrew Graham, Roland; J. R. Hulme, Souris; J. I. Moffatt and James Turner, Carleton Place, gave their views and experiences regarding silos and the value of corn as a fodder. John Crawford, as Chairman, and W. I. Smale, Secretary, contributed to what was certainly a profitable evening. The fact that across the half a day dance was in progress never once caused a ripple of diversion.

W. C. McKilloan protested that he had no prepared address, that he did not anticipate anything further than participation in the discussion, and then talked on barn ventilation in a manner that carried conviction of thorough acquaintance with this vexed problem.

The early stables in this country do not require ventilation systems. The old makeshift shacks were not built well enough to be tight and the foul air had no difficulty in escaping. In buildings of later years the idea of warmth dominated the builders and the result was darkness and retention of foul air. The underlying principles of the circulation of air were forgotten. Any good barn ventilation system should draw off the gases and provide a supply of fresh pure air. The Rutherford system, the one that is used by an American, the theory of which is that the foul gases, being heavier than air sink to the floor and should be drawn off from there. The Rutherford System, invented by Dr. Rutherford when Live Stock Commissioner, operated on the principle that the foul gases and the cattle's breath being warm, rise, and should be drawn off from the top. Both systems work, declared Mr. McKilloan, but the Dominion Experimental Farms prefer the Rutherford system and use it, getting good results therefrom. The fumes should be air tight and run as direct as possible to the peak of the barn without any sharp angles. Two-ply boards with an air space or paper between making a good shaft. The outlet on the roof is important. There should be no obstacles to prevent a free flow of air. In reply to a question, Mr. McKilloan said he did not know of any system which in the continued cold weather, which we sometimes have in this country would keep the frost off the walls. Freeman Rice said the best ventilated stable he ever saw was one in which the ventilation pipes were smaller near the roof than at the intake. Fresh air could be supplied by apertures placed conveniently where they did not expose any animal to draft. With the Rutherford system it is advisable to have dampers in the pipes so they may be partially closed in extremely cold weather.

The Poultry Industry

There are indications which point to Brandon becoming the Preston of Canada in the poultry industry, declared W. A. Brown, of the Poultry Branch, Ottawa. Preston is in the poultry industry what Clydesdale is for Clydesdales, Herefordshire for Hereford cattle, Lincolnshire for Shorthorns by co-operative effort, community hatcheries and the scientific handling of poultry. Preston flocks are noted the world over for early maturity, size and quantity of eggs and at a time of the year when they command the highest price.

Progress that has been made in Prince Edward Island in the early development of poultry indicated what could be done in Manitoba with its favorable Spring weather. Despite the cold, rain, fog and dampness, the P. E. I. poultrymen through centralized batching and room brooding have been able to mature poultry at a time when it is most profitable. What we want to do in Manitoba is to take advantage of our God given opportunities for the early development of poultry which provide a food high in disease resisting qualities. A study of new nutritional places eggs and milk among the best foods for the development of a

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