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CITY PLANNING PAYMENTS

This city will, before many years have elapsed, put into effect certain street extensions and widenings and the opening of new thoroughfares, under the plan ratified by the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board.

When ready to do so those at the head of affairs might well consider the question of paying the bills for city planning and adopt a method which will be fair to all concerned.

Were this not to be done the municipality as a whole would probably be called upon to bear the major proportion of the expense involved.

In 1912, Nelson Lewis, Chief Engineer of the New York Board of Estimates, read a paper on this subject at Boston, in which he advocated a new plan, the kernel of which is that the sections of a city immediately benefitting should in some instances bear the whole and in every instance a goodly part of the cost.

City planning undertakings are not self-sustaining. They consist for the most part of the correction of defects, due to a lack of planning. The property affected presumably bore the whole cost when they were originally made. He claims that the widening and rearrangements of streets in built up sections, will, however, improve conditions and increase values, and a considerable share of the expense should therefore be placed on the property benefited.

In new or unoccupied districts, which is to be improved, the properties affected will not have been assessed for improvements and consequently the construction of new streets can properly be assessed upon adjoining property according to benefit, such cost representing the entire cost, in the case of local streets and a portion of the cost in case of thoroughfares of general benefit.

Mr. Lewis urges growing communities to avoid the custom of issuing general debentures, over long periods, to meet such expenses. Frequently the bonds thus issued are spread over a longer period of time than the life of the improvement. A city which pays for its betterments from earnings, or assessments, is on a sound basis.

Commending the interest which is being awakened as to the value of city planning, he holds that a desire for something which involves no direct cost upon those benefited is not an intelligent interest. The public is learning that the improvement of their cities pays. This is a hopeful sign. Real progress will be made when the residents of an area be improved want them badly enough to pay for them.

He gave an interesting illustration in connection with the building of the first Rapid Transit Subway in New York. The cost of this subway, passing through a certain district was \$13,000,000. As a result of its construction property values increased within seven years, \$80,500,000. Had the section of the city benefited been called upon to bear its share of the subway, its owners would have netted a neat profit of \$67,500,000. As it was the city issued bonds to meet its cost. The illustration was given to impress the point that local areas derive the principal benefit from improvements.

Dealing with streets, he would have local areas bear the whole cost where they do not exceed 60 feet in width. In case of wider streets, he recommends that they bear the whole cost up to 60 feet and 25 per cent. of the additional width. Inasmuch as property fronting a wide street is more valuable, it would, in his opinion, be unfair to adopt a plan which would result in making the cost of a seventy or eighty foot street less to the abutting owner than would have been the cost of a street sixty feet wide.

Under his method the abutting properties would pay the following per centages:

On a 60 foot street, 100 per cent.	
" 70 "	" 89.3 "
" 80 "	" 81.25 "
" 95 "	" 75 "
" 100 "	" 70 "
" 120 "	" 62.5 "

In the case of street widening involving the destruction of buildings, it is suggested that the same general principles be adopted as in the case of new streets, but that they be applied to land values only.

If the street were less than sixty feet wide, the proportion of the expense for additional land, in order to make it sixty feet, would be assessed upon the half block on each side; while for all excess over 60 feet the same rule, suggested in the foregoing table could be applied.

For instance, if a street, fifty feet wide were to be widened to 80 feet, involving the acquisition of 30 feet of additional land, the benefited properties on each side, would pay for ten feet of the land and 25 per cent. of the other 5 feet.

Where the expense involved in removing buildings, in whole or part, were not excessive and the benefits purely local, the area benefited would be expected to bear it. When the improvement was of general benefit, as in the case of a main thoroughfare, the city, he contends, should bear the expense in connection with the removal or alteration of buildings.

The problem of determining whether or not there is a general benefit, and the proportion of the cost representing such benefit, will present difficulties. It will call for an impartial body, which, providing it is just, will win public favor.

Mr. Lewis' suggestions are of a practical character. Were they to find favor here, the city occupies the advantageous position that it can adopt them before any large city planning work is undertaken. Otherwise and for instance, a street widening work might be undertaken, proclaimed to be of city-wide advantage and the community ask to shoulder the bulk of the cost, whereas the benefits were principally local ones.

Later, when another like improvement was undertaken, it would be deemed necessary to follow the course taken in the first instance, and the ratepayers in general called upon to bear an unduly heavy proportion of the cost of improvements where local areas were the chief beneficiaries.

The idea is to make streets benefited bear their full proportion of the expense of improvements.

CANADA'S WEALTH ESTIMATED AT SEVENTEEN BILLION

Canada's national wealth is estimated at \$17,000,000,000, by Mr. R. H. Coats, Dominion Statistician. It is necessarily an estimate based on more or less indefinite information at some points, but Mr. Coats' explanation gives the impression that he has thought it out carefully, and that this is likely to be as near right as any estimate can be. The national income of Canada he places at about \$2,500,000,000.

Comparisons of Canada's total national riches with that of other countries is interesting. Mr. Coats gives that of Australia as \$8,000,000,000; for the United States (in 1912), \$187,000,000,000. Sir Leo Chiozza Money estimated that of Great Britain at \$70,000,000,000 in 1908, while the national wealth of France in the same year was placed at \$55,000,000,000 and of Germany between \$70,000,000,000 and \$75,000,000,000.

The principal items in the estimated wealth of Canada are as follows:

Agriculture	\$5,209,117,000
Fishing—total capital invested	47,143,125
Mines—capital invested, metalliferous	168,000,000
Non-metalliferous	215,000,000
Manufacturers—plant and working capital	2,700,000,000
Railways	2,000,000,000
Street railways	160,000,000
Canals	125,000,000
Shipping	35,000,000
Telegraphs	10,000,000
Telephones	95,000,000
Real estate and buildings in cities and towns based on assessments of 140 localities	3,500,000,000
Clothing, furniture and personal effects	800,000,000
Coin and bullion	208,500,000
Imported merchandise in store	250,000,000
Current production	3,336,028,000

BY THE WAY

The market for Canadian bonds is, in the United States, very brisk. Our well to do neighbors have a particular liking for Victory bond issues.

Trade credits, totalling \$50,000,000, have been arranged in Canada for the benefit of France and Belgium. This sum will be expended for raw materials and manufactured goods. It is confidently expected that both of these countries will, later on, arrange to get foodstuff credits in the Dominion.

Senator Pringle of the Canadian Senate, has raised the point that the Dominion prohibition measure, when it interferes with trade between the two provinces, conflicts with the British North America Act. He claims to be certain of his ground.

A white blackbird has come to view. It is remarkable in these days of advancing costs and prices. An announcement is made that the prices of automobile tires are to be reduced. Pity they could not be, like frankfurters, cooked and eaten.

Otto H. Kahn, of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., New York, in a communication to Secretary of Labor Wm. B. Wilson, Washington, expresses the firm belief that prices will not be materially lowered for a number of years, if at all, and that for all practical purposes at least the war has brought a new level of prices, the existence of which must be recognized.

WAIT A MINUTE

JEWS OBSERVE PENTECOST

Wherever there is a family of Jews, preparations are in progress for the celebration of Shavuoth, the Jewish Pentecost, or Fast of Weeks, which begins at sundown this evening. The name of the holiday is derived from the fact that it is celebrated fifty days after the Passover. The festival lasts for seven days in the reform synagogues and for eight in the orthodox.

That the feast was originally of an agricultural nature is clearly indicated by all of the biblical injunctions as to how it should be observed. It was a festival of thanksgiving for the first harvests of the year that the fields had yielded beginning with the barley harvest at Passover and extending to the wheat harvest at the beginning of Summer. The ceremonial offerings prescribed symbolic of the garnered gifts of the soil.

A new significance was given to this feast in post-biblical times, when it began to be observed as the anniversary of the birth of Judaism with the promulgation of the divine law at Sinai. On this "day of giving of the law" as it was called by the rabbis, the reading of the Ten Commandments constituted part of the Scriptural reading in the synagogues. The non-agricultural life that the Jews were forced to lead for centuries brought the emphasis to bear upon this historical significance of the feast.

With the introduction of the rite of confirmation by the reform synagogue the Pentecost, because of its traditional association with the ancient revelation, was selected for charging the Jewish boys and girls, through an impressive public ceremony, with the meaning of the Jewish faith and with the duty of leading a high religious and moral life. In the reform synagogue this rite has become important replacing the former ceremony of Barmitzva.

The relation of the festival to the garnered grains, however was not forgotten, for at this season, it was customary to decorate the home and synagogues with plants and flowers.

TODAY'S ANNIVERSARIES

- 1769—Astronomers took observations of the transit of Venus over the sun's disc.
- 1808—Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America, born in Christian County Ky. Died in New Orleans, Dec. 6 1889.
- 1844—Garret A. Hobart, twenty-fourth Vice President of the United States, born at Long Branch N.J., Nov. 21 1839.
- 1876—Game of lacrosse first introduced into England by twelve members of the Montreal Club.
- 1889—New harbor at Calais, France, opened by President Carnot.
- 1896—Gen. Primo-Rivera, Captain-General of Madrid was assassinated.
- 1915—Turks surrendered Amara, on the Tigris, to the British.
- 1916—Canadians regained positions near Ypres after desperate fighting.
- 1917—British made gains south of Souchez River on Arras front.

ONE YEAR AGO TODAY IN THE WAR

Allies checked free drive between the Ourcq and the Marne.

British airplanes bombed railway stations at St. Quentin, Douai and Luxemburg.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

- Raymond B. Fosdick, selected as one of the permanent American officials in the League of Nations born at Buffalo N.Y., 36 years ago today.
- Dr. James Brown Scott one of the technical advisers to the United States delegation at the Peace Conference, born in Bruce County Ontario, 53 years ago today.
- Rt. Rev. Charles M. Beekwith, Episcopal bishop of Alabama born in Prince George County Va., 68 years ago today.
- Laurence J. Henderson, professor in biological chemistry at Harvard University, born at Lynn, Mass., 41 years ago today.
- Sam Bernard one of the best known comedians of the American stage, born at Birmingham, Ala., 36 years ago today.

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JUGO-SLAVS OPPOSE DALMATIAN DECISION

PARIS, June 1.—The council of four of the peace conference did not meet to-day, but the representatives of the great powers continued their examination of the German counter-terms of the peace conditions. The answer of the allies and associated powers will probably be delivered at the end of the present week.

On the program for to-morrow is the presentation of the peace terms to the Austrian delegation at St. Germain. Only the political, territorial and military clauses of the treaty will be communicated to the Austrians, the financial clauses being withheld for later presentation. Regarding the Adriatic problem, La Liberté says that its solution is being delayed by the opposition of the allies and associated powers reached regarding Fiume, but to the terms of the Dalmatian settlement. To-day's session was held in the foreign office and was largely attended. It developed a spilted discussion. Premier Briand, of Roumania; M. Traubitz, of Serbia; Premier Venizelos, of Greece, and the Czech-Slovak delegation pre-

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sented reservations on the financial and reparations terms. Austria, M. Clemenceau replied, chiefly on the criticisms regarding lack of time, pointing out that more time had been granted than was originally asked.

Smaller Powers Regarded.
President Wilson also made a conciliatory speech, saying that the allies had borne the chief responsibility, and had fully considered the interests of the smaller powers.

The rights of the minorities on questions of race, language and religion were objected to by the small powers, which maintained that this was an infringement of their sovereignty. M. Clemenceau assured them that they would be considered by the council of four before the treaty was presented and an agreement thereupon was reached to proceed with the presentation of the treaty on Monday, except the finance and reparations sections, and, perhaps, the revised.

Delegates From United Clubs Decide to Make Nominations for Political Field
CHATHAM, June 1.—Delegates from the United Farmers Clubs of the district met in Harrison Hall here to-day for the purpose of again considering the advisability of nominating a farmer candidate to enter the political field.

A lengthy debate ensued many of the delegates urging a nomination at that meeting. The matter was brought to a head by passing a resolution that the meeting be considered a preliminary nomination meeting and that the names of five suggested nominees be referred back

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Ladies' fine Black Lisle Hose, out size, sizes 8 1/2 to 9 1/2, worth 50c, for 35c

Ladies' fine Silk Boot Hose, white only, seamless make, sizes 8 1/2 to 10, worth regular 75c, for 59c

UNDERWEAR

Ladies' summer Vests, with short sleeves, and no sleeves, ribbon and hemstitched edge, sizes 36 and 38, worth 50c, for 39c

Ladies' summer Vests, short sleeves and no sleeves, fine rib, lisle quality, sizes 36 and 38, worth 60c and 65c, for 45c

Ladies' summer Vests, fine lisle, without sleeves only, sizes 36 to 48, special at 40c

Ladies' combination summer Underwear, short sleeves and no sleeves, 3 styles, lace trimmed, sizes 38 to 42, worth \$1.25, for \$1.00

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50c WHITE VOILE 59c

Special for Wednesday morning. Fine white summer Voile for cool dresses and waists, good wearing quality, soft finish, 40 in. wide. Regular 50c. Sale price 35c

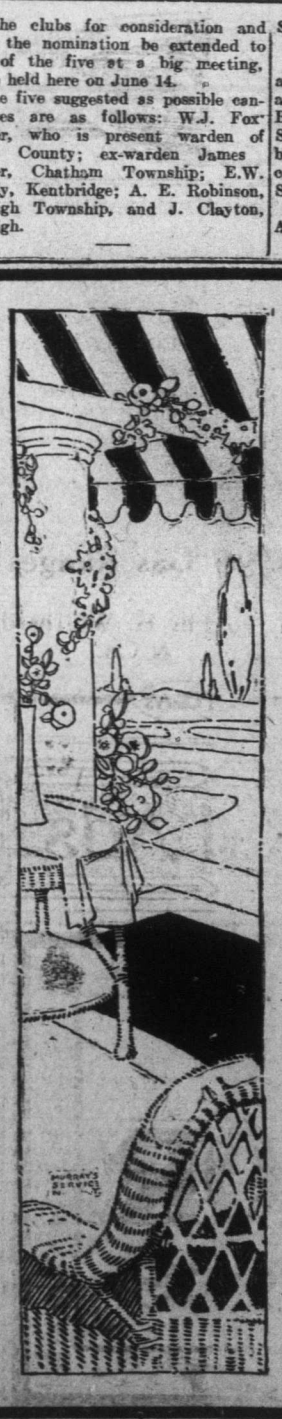
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