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Phone Committee Ask Ontario Cabinet For Referendum on Provincial System

Extortion and Discrimination of Bell Company To Be Referred To Railway Commission Who Will Be Asked To Grant Relief - Sub-Committee Named To Prepare Case for the People Against Monopoly.

The first fruits of The World's campaign for justice for telephone users in Toronto and suburbs were placed yesterday afternoon, when the special committee appointed by the city council to investigate the question of the phone rates met at the city hall.

The committee, which consisted of Controllers Ward and Harrison and Aldermen Chisholm, Church, Maguire, McGhie, Vaughan, R. H. Graham, O'Neil and Bredin, were all present.

Fight For Cheaper Phones.

Ald. Church occupied the chair, reviewed the history of the question. In 1895, he said, when Sir William Mullock was postmaster-general, a select committee of parliament was appointed to look into the question. The recommendations of this committee, however, had never been adopted. Certain legislation, it was true, had been introduced giving the railway commission power to regulate telephone rates, but this had not as yet been productive of results.

He instanced Alberta and Manitoba, where, thru governmental control, the rates had been cut in half, and went on to speak of the exorbitant charges exacted from citizens of West Toronto, Deer Park, East Toronto and other suburbs.

He hadn't much hope of anything being done by the commission, and thought it high time that the whole matter should be brought to the attention of the provincial government. The people of Toronto, he said, had been suffering from monopoly for a long time.

Must Have Fair Play.

Ald. Vaughan was of the opinion that it was up to the committee to see that the people got fair play. He declared emphatically that there should be a rate cut all over the city. There was no more reason, he said, why a man should have to pay more for his phone because he was a considerable distance away from the central station than in case of a city or water users.

Ald. Chisholm mentioned the district beyond Danforth-road, where, he said, there was a rate of 30c. There was no agreement for a rate cut in that district, but three months ago he had signed an agreement for a rate cut of 25c. He said that it had not been installed as yet, although there were other phones within 100 yards of his store.

William Foster, who has a lumber yard at Dovercourt-road, on the north side of the C.P.R. tracks, complained that he had paid \$80 for the last year, although on the other side of the tracks only \$50 was charged.

Over One Hundred Complaints.

The chairman announced that he had received over 100 complaints from citizens, which were held in confidence. Controller Ward said that the local merchant at West Toronto paid a rate of 32c. He was probably satisfied with this for his local business. He would like to hear what these men thought of the proposal to make a rate of 50c over the city.

Ald. Maguire gave it as his opinion that since there was no agreement at present in force between the city and the phone company, the only thing left to be done was to appoint a sub-committee to collect evidence and to go before the railway commission with the evidence.

Ald. Bredin spoke of the extortionate charges for and the inconveniences of two party lines, which he declared were beginning to be quite common in the outlying districts.

The sub-committee to collect evidence was appointed, and the resolutions outlined above were passed and the committee concluded its labors. It is now up to the sub-committee.

NELD. FINANCES SHOW DEFICIT \$150,000 Behind Last Year—Extensive Program Laid Down.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., June 1.—The colony ran behind \$150,000 in its finances during the fiscal year, according to a statement to be submitted to the legislature. The report shows a deficit of \$150,000, for which a loan bill will have to be passed at this session.

In his farewell address to the legislature to-day, Sir William MacGregor, the governor, who will leave here shortly, expressed his regret at quitting Newfoundland, and predicted a great future for the colony.

Favor Referendum on Govt. Telephones.

The following resolutions were adopted by the special committee of the city council on telephones:

That the City of Toronto renew its application to the Ontario Government for a referendum on the question of taking over by the government of the telephone service throughout the province and that the cities and towns of Ontario be requested to co-operate in having a vote of the people taken on January 1, 1910.

That application be made to the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canada for an order to define the terms for telephones in the City of Toronto, both for business and for residence purposes.

That it be recommended to the city council that the city solicitor be authorized to secure the services of such expert assistance as he may deem necessary in the preparation of a case for the railway board.

That a sub-committee, consisting of Controllers Harrison and Ward, Aldermen Maguire, Church and McGhie, be appointed to investigate the complaints filed against the Bell Telephone Co., and to assist the city solicitor in securing evidence to be placed before the Board of Railway Commissioners.

IS MONTROSE WRIGHT IN CHURCH TROUBLE? THREE MORE DROWNINGS TWO ARE FROM CANOES

Special Meeting of Brantford District Will Be Held to Consider Whether He is to Be 'Passed.'

STANLEY OSTROM, of Alexandra, a Surveyor, is Drowned in the Wilds.

BRANTFORD, June 1.—(Special).—The stationing committee of the Hamilton Conference continued its session here to-day, with no prospect of a first draft before to-morrow.

One new feature which has developed in connection with the conference is the case of Clair Montrose Wright, the young divinity student who figured conspicuously in the Kinrade case. He is a probationer of the Hamilton Conference, being connected with Brantford District, which he left one year ago to attend Victoria College at Toronto. Under the rules, probationers must be passed by their districts from year to year.

It develops that Mr. Wright was not passed in the customary way at the annual district meeting but has been delinquent. It is understood his case was left over, possibly on account of his absence from the meeting. A special meeting of Brantford District has been called for to-morrow, when he will attend.

HOTELMAN GOES TO JAIL

Four Months Sentence For Selling Liquor at Kilmount.

LINDSAY, June 1.—(Special).—Jas. Simpson, proprietor of one of the hotels at Kilmount, a local option village, was this afternoon sentenced by Magistrate Moore to four months in the county jail, at hard labor for selling intoxicating liquors.

BRUSH WITH SHOPLIFTER

Caught in Eaton's, Made Desperate Effort to Escape.

William Wilcox of Port Credit was the central figure in a small riot in Eaton's yesterday afternoon, when he was carried off to the police station charged with shoplifting. A house detective described Wilcox acting suspiciously and seized him. The man from the seaport town proved too much for him, however, and broke away, only to run into the arms of a floor walker, who was hurrying to the rescue. There was a sharp struggle, in which Wilcox was overpowered and held till Detective Murray arrived. Just as the latter was getting out of the store with his man, Wilcox made another break, but was caught and carried off to No. 1. He is charged with trying to steal a massage machine, a brush and a wrench.

CANADIANS IN LONDON.

LONDON, June 1.—(C.A.P.).—Canadian officers competing at the horse show arrived in London and are busy making preparations for practicing in the riding schools. They express confidence that they will hold their own.

G. C. Douglas, mining engineer, charged with larceny in Canada, was arraigned in Bow-street in consequence of the non-arrival of the Canadian officer with depositions. In accordance with a cable the officer was expected yesterday, but he did not appear. Douglas protested, as he has already been in custody for seven weeks.



"THERE SHE GOES"—The launch of the St. Wauble of the Northern Navigation Co. at Collingwood yesterday.

A BLIGHTED GARDEN



BORDEN LIBEL CHARGE WILL GO BEFORE JURY

Publication by Nova Scotia Editor of "Eye-Opener" Article Leads to Criminal Proceedings.

MRS. ALLISON TO TESTIFY

KENTVILLE, N. S., June 1.—(Special).—The grand jury this afternoon brought in a "true bill" in the indictment of Walter Carruthers, ex-postmaster of Kentville, for criminal libel in the charge preferred by Sir Frederick W. Borden.

COMPROMISE IN PETERSON

Two of the "Outs" Admitted to the Directorate.

MONTREAL, June 1.—(Special).—Peterson Lake Mining Co.'s troubles are over, and where open warfare reigned last evening, all is now harmonious.

No vote was taken to-day, for wise counsels had prevailed during the night, and to-day the management agreed to allow the outs to have representation on the board. Mr. Forst and Mr. Scott of Listowel being now directors of the company, with J. A. Jacobs, retired. D. M. Steindler remains president and A. F. MacLaren as vice-president, the board being headed by Dr. Buel of Rochester.

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ARRESTED THE MOTORMAN WHOSE CAR KILLED BOY.

HALIFAX, N.S., June 1.—(Special).—A five-year-old lad, named Anderson, was run over and killed by an electric car in the north end of the city to-night. The motorman was arrested.

FISHER GOVERNMENT OUT.

MELBOURNE, June 1.—(C. A. P.).—The governor-general has refused to dissolve the commonwealth parliament, and the Fisher government has resigned. Ex-Premier Deakin is forming a new ministry.

Quebec Will Put a String on Pulpwood

In Future it Must Be Manufactured in the Province Before Exportation to the U.S.

MONTREAL, June 1.—(Special).—Sir Lomer Gouin, speaking at a banquet given in his honor to-night by the Reform Club, and attended by 400 representative Liberals, announced that in future the crown land policy of the provincial government would be changed so that all pulpwood being sent to the United States must be manufactured within the confines of the province.

KAISER DISAPPOINTED NOT SEEING ZEPPELIN

Had Made Hhurried Preparations to Entertain Aeronaut at the Royal Palace.

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, June 1.—Emperor William has sent a telegram to Count Zeppelin in which he says he regrets the count was not successful in reaching Berlin on the flight that began Saturday night and expresses the keen disappointment of himself and thousands of the citizens of the capital.

WANTED LICENSES CUT

And Windsor Council Decides Not to Make Any Reduction.

WINDSOR, June 1.—Ald. Arnold's motion that the question of cutting ten liquor licenses in the City of Windsor be submitted to the popular vote met with a storm of disapproval and finally was quashed.

Some of the aldermen held that the movement originated with a few of the downtown hotelmen, who wanted to secure a monopoly of the business. Two aldermen declared that one hotelman had approached them and solicited their vote for the cutting of the licenses.

EXPRESS RATES ARE UNDER SCRUTINY

Evidence Before Railway Board to Show That There Are Some Favored Classes of Shippers.

It was express companies' day with the railway commission yesterday, representatives of both the Dominion Express Company and Canadian Express Company appearing fortified with figures which demonstrated beyond the shadow of a doubt in the opinion of the aforesaid representatives that the shippers are a very favored class indeed.

F. H. Chrysler, K.C., and Amf Geofrion were there as counsel for the former company and E. Le Plour for the latter, while Geo. F. Shepley, K.C., did the interrogating for the commission.

Milinery Shipments.

The rates so far as they apply to millinery consignments were dealt with in the afternoon. W. W. Williamson, a Dominion Express official at Montreal, gave evidence to show that any revision should aim at higher rates. He said that owing to the careful packing, such shipments occupied far more space for the weight than did general merchandise. He cited a number of supposedly typical shipments between Toronto and Montreal, mostly pointing out one large shipment which he declared, netted the railway less than would two first-class passenger shipments of 111 pounds, occupied as much space as would 800 pounds of ordinary merchandise.

Replying to Mr. Shepley, he admitted that he recalled any instance where millinery shipments crowded out more remunerative kind.

J. Murray, secretary to the president of the Dominion Express, was examined closely by Mr. Shepley as to what expense the company was under for loss or damaged goods. He said that in 5 1-4 years, the company paid out \$69,024.05 in fire losses, which represented only 24 1-2 per cent of the total value of its property. The company paid \$5000 a year for insurance premiums, and during the time referred to had received from the insurance companies an average of \$4,734.07 a year to meet fire losses, or 24 1-2 per cent of \$24,000.

Mr. Shepley thought there was rather a surprising disparity between this amount and \$69,024.05 paid out to shippers, and asked whether the express company couldn't reduce the amount which would cover the whole fire loss. Mr. Murray replied that he didn't know of any company which issued such "blanket" policies. He accounted for the wide difference in the figures by the statement that insurance companies wouldn't render themselves liable for more than \$5000 a car.

Mr. Chrysler promised to submit in the morning as exhibits a statement of the earnings of the company for 1907 and 1908.

Returned Empty.

Mr. Williamson, recalled, sought to establish that shippers took advantage of exemption from cost or returned "empties" to load up the express cars with empty boxes, barrels, etc., which had been shipped when full. He submitted illuminating statistics, some of them being: Shipped to Bothwell 170 egg cases; returned empty 227; Bradford 142 ginger beer cases, back Bradford 142 ginger beer cases.

SON HURT, ASSAULTS MOTORMAN

London Father Crazed by Sight of Boy Crushed by Car.

LONDON, Ont., June 1.—(Special).—Vincent, the father of a half old son of M. Famulara of 761 Dundas-street, was perhaps fatally injured to-night while playing in front of his laundry, being run over by a street car.

The father, seeing his child lying on the tracks, bleeding, went to the rescue, and made a desperate attempt to attack the motorman, threatening to kill him. He first got a heavy club and tried to force his way into the vestibule of the car, but was restrained by the remainder of the family and a number of bystanders. He then made an effort to find a revolver, threatening to shoot the motorman, but he was forced into the laundry building, where he was held on the floor until a physician was brought.

The child had been playing in front of the laundry at about 7 o'clock. The first intimation the family had of the accident was when one of his sisters saw the car backing up, and went to the window to see her brother on the tracks. At Victoria Hospital his left leg was amputated at the thigh, and the other about two inches below the knee.

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CAR STARTED TOO SOON

Elizabeth Gallagher Had Head Cut and Back Injured While Boarding Car.

Elizabeth Gallagher of 239 Lapan-avenue had her head cut and her back injured while attempting to board a car at the corner of Grace and College-streets shortly before midnight yesterday night. She had one foot on the step when the car started, throwing her backward.

Dr. A. E. Morgan of 513 Lansdowne-avenue was passing and he attended her. She was taken home in the police ambulance.

Wednesday

Fresh Rolled Oats, per bush, 1.00
White Clover Honey, 1.00
Bacon, peameal, half of 5c.
Tomatoes, 6 tins 45c.
or Peas, 6 tins 45c.
In syrup, 2 tins 25c.
Sauce, per bottle 15c.
Lemons, large size, 2
Food, per package, 14c.
Rice, 4 lbs. 25c.
lbs. 15c.
3 tins, 3 tins 25c.
COFFEE 26c.
Coffee is composed of
blended coffees, which
delightfully aromatic
Wednesday, 200 lbs. in
ad pure or with chocolate