

RURAL MAIL MEN DEMAND INCREASES

Are Asking Government for Sixty Dollars Per Mile Per Year.

The rural mail route contractors are asking for better compensation for carrying the mail.

One of them, Garfield Macdonald, says the case of the farmers as follows:

"We think that the time is long overdue when the government at Ottawa should consider the very unsatisfactory conditions under which we have to work."

It is no secret that for the last four years the rural contractors have suffered great hardships and privations due to the contract system under which they are working. They cannot tell how many acres ahead that the increase in cost will amount to, but they feel that all contracts are canceled, we think, a very fair one.

In support of our contention for improved conditions, we should point out that the average contract price is not paying the rural mail contractors more than two dollars per day, and in many cases less, out of which has to be kept one, and often more, for the cost of fuel, vehicles, buggies and cutters necessary to maintain an efficient service.

"We think that there is no class in the public service that endures greater hardships than the rural mail contractors. They have to perform their duties in all kinds of weather, and the experience of the past winter and roadway conditions have been such that in many instances the contractors had to make their own roads through drifts."

"We think the requests which they are making before the government and parliament at Ottawa are fair and reasonable in every way."

These requests are as follows:

"No. 1.—That all rural mail contracts be canceled, and that the contractors be engaged on a straight yearly salary basis of sixty dollars per mile per year, the same to date from Jan. 1, 1917, until the present time, and to continue at that rate in the future."

"No. 2.—That the rural mail contractors be given all statutory holidays, with full salary."

"No. 3.—That they be given or receive payment at the end of every month, instead of quarterly, the way they now receive it."

CAR DRIVER ARRESTED FOR INJURING A BOY

Detectives Silverthorne and Todd made a brilliant arrest yesterday morning when they located Fred Lusk, 220 Lisgar street, after a two-day search. Lusk is charged with criminal negligence.

He is alleged to have run over 12-year-old Alex Stewart, 607 Crawford street, at the corner of Dovercourt and College, with his motor car, causing internal injuries, but failing to stop his car or help the injured boy. By-standers noticed the number of the car, which led to the arrest of Lusk, and the majority of those who witnessed the accident "contradict this statement."

ORILLIA OLD BOYS

The Orillia Old Boys will hold a reunion banquet at the Central M. C. on the evening of April 7, 1920, at 7 o'clock. All old boys from Orillia are invited to attend.

A number of prominent citizens will come from Orillia to attend the banquet, and will give addresses, as it is intended to reorganize the association and arrange for an excursion to Orillia during the coming summer.

DEATH OF WAR WORKER.

A very prominent war worker passed away yesterday in the person of Mrs. C. A. Simmons, 182 Dowling avenue. Mrs. Simmons was prominent in the work of the Army and Navy, and was connected with practically every organization to aid the soldier or the veteran and assisted with every tag day for soldiers.

From the time the war began till the Army and Navy veterans' tag day of last week, her death came as a great shock to her friends and relatives, as she was in good health a week ago. Her husband, one daughter, Isabel, and her eighty-six-year-old mother, all at the above address, survive.

SPRING IMPURITIES MEAN WEAK BLOOD

A Tonic Medicine is a Necessity at This Season.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are an all-year-round tonic, blood builder and nerve strengthener. But they are especially valuable in the spring, when the system is clogged with impurities as a result of the indoor life of the winter months. There is no other season when the blood is so much in need of adding and enriching.

In the spring of the year, when the blood most seriously needs attention. Among those who have proved the value of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are Mr. Archie D. Carmichael, Toronto, N.S., who says: "For a number of years I was bothered with pimples which would break out on my face and body. The trouble was always worse in the spring, and although I tried different treatments, it was without success. In the spring of two years ago, the trouble was worse than usual, and although I was taking medicine it did not help me until I finally decided to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. After this treatment the pimples disappeared, and there has been absolutely no return of the trouble."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills can be obtained from any dealer in medicine or by mail at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont.

PLAYS, PICTURES AND MUSIC

"Night-Night."

"Night-Night," the hilarious farce-comedy which will be presented by the original company of the Royal Alexandra Theatre, commencing Monday night, is without question the best of its kind in the city. It is a new and original comedy, and the story is a box-office magnet has never been seen before.

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"Ben-Hur" Next Week.

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"Then, a friend advised me to try 'Fruit-a-tives'. Now I am free of indigestion and headaches, the constipation is cured, and I have gained considerable weight, and my general health is fine."

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CONFERENCE BILL CAUSES PROTEST

British Government is Criticized for Its Alleged Reckless Extravagance.

London, March 26.—Charges that the government had indulged in reckless extravagance at the expense of the people, were made in connection with its bill of 503,388 pounds for the expenses of the British delegation, when the bill was presented in the house of commons yesterday, Sir Alfred Mond, the first commissioner of works, was sharply questioned as to whether his bill for hotels in Paris covered the cost of champagne and dancing.

He replied that his department was not responsible for the payment of bills for food, clothing for typists, dances or other expenses.

One member of the house indignantly declared that it would have been better for the British delegation to have gone to bed in the night and to have been woken up by the sound of a siren, instead of indulging in such relaxation, but if they had to have it, they ought to pay for it out of their own pockets.

Captain Wilson accused the government of having maintained "huge staffs in Paris hotels." The government representative admitted that the bill for five hotels and three other premises, while the Americans had only one hotel, but, he declared, the Americans spent more money. The House indulged in roars of laughter when Sir Alfred Mond said, "the government did the thing well."

The total staff of the British delegation numbered 524.

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For the man who can trust his clothes to fit him up with serviceable and well-tailored garments, the Easter suit problem is very much simplified.

With Mr. H. Costa, Detective, working in our line, the ordinary man is trying to make his suit last longer, and he likes to feel when he hands over his money for clothes that he is not being deceived. That is one reason why established and well-known clothiers, such as the firm of Hickey's, Limited, 97 Yonge street, have many visitors these days.

BROKE INTO SCHOOL

Breaking in a collar wound, thieves entered St. Basil's School, St. Vincent street, Tuesday night, and stole a sum of money. The money was stolen from a desk, and the thieves, who were caught, are believed to have left by the same way as they entered the building.

CONVALESCING FROM INFLUENZA.

The bracing atmosphere found in Algonquin Park is just what is needed for those convalescing from influenza or those who are in need of a rest and recuperation. The Highland Inn offers comfortable accommodation at reasonable rates. Apply to any Grand Trunk agents for descriptive booklet, or write Mr. N. T. Clarke, manager, Highland Inn, Algonquin Park Station, Ontario.

FOUND DEAD ON COUCH

Arthur C. McDermott, aged 37 years, was found dead at 8:30 last night at 24 Trinity square.

NEW TRAFFIC RULES SUIT MOTOR LEAGUE

Much More Generous to the Motorists Than Prevail in the States.

The Ontario Motor League see nothing alarming in the new traffic regulations, and the indications are that the rules will come into force on the 15th of the month without a murmur, the murmurs from those who fail to study them carefully may be heard in the police court later.

"Without doubt, Toronto has the most liberal and convenient motor traffic regulations of any city on the American continent," declared one prominent official of the league in Detroit. "No motor cars are allowed to park in the downtown section, and the traffic rules are very strict. In Buffalo, where Main street is three times as wide as Toronto, no auto is allowed to stop, except to let an occupant alight. Yet in Toronto, with its narrow, congested streets, parking is permitted right in the downtown section, in a position where it is the most convenient for motorists."

No Trouble, Say Police.

"Of course, the new regulations do not go into effect until the 15th of the month," stated a police inspector at headquarters. "But even so, if any kick was forthcoming, we would have heard of it by now. As far as we have been able to ascertain, the average Toronto motorist favors the new rules, and is ready to give us his support. Of course, you will always find a few kickers who are never satisfied at any rules which are enforced, but we are meeting them all the time, and plan accordingly."

Lath Mill in Woodstock, N.B., Is Totally Destroyed by Fire

Woodstock, N. B., April 2.—McDermott's lath mill, only recently erected and most modernly equipped, was totally destroyed by fire early this morning. Owing to the heavy demand for lath, the plant had been working at full capacity day and night. The plan of clearing away the ruins was begun today and the mill will be rebuilt immediately.

TURKO MINERS ASK CONFERENCE.

Sydney, N. S., April 2.—Coal operators in Nova Scotia have been requested to meet with representatives of the United Mine Workers at Turco, on April 3, for the purpose of further discussing the wage schedules now in existence in the various collieries.

POLICE FOUND WHISKEY

Mike Witwiche, 74 Bathurst street, was arrested last night by Plainclothesmen O'Driscoll and Kenny, charged with selling whiskey. Witwiche was caught with a bottle, and on searching the house the police found two one-gallon cans of alcohol and a quart bottle full.

MAY TAKE UP CASE OF STRIKE LEADERS

Mass Meetings Planned in Interest of Men Convicted at Winnipeg.

Notable effects are anticipated from the ruling of the jury in the case of the Winnipeg strike leaders who are convicted on several counts of sedition and disturbance of the peace. It has been ascertained that mass meetings are about to be held throughout the Dominion under the auspices of trades councils to protest against the conviction of the men and also to urge the minister of justice to release the prisoners during the appeal of their case before the privy council.

That there is a smoldering fire is indicated in reports given out from time to time that a Dominion-wide strike is possible in May or June, the object of this strike being to force the release of the men and also to force the government to interpret the real meaning of the term sedition. Toronto Trades Council has gone on record as favoring mass meetings to deal with the case of the convicted strike leaders.

HOLD ALLIANCE WITH ANGLO-SAXONS

Tardieu Says That Future Salvation of France Depends Upon It.

Brussels, April 2.—The salvation of France lies in maintaining the alliance with the Anglo-Saxon peoples—Great Britain and the United States, Andre Tardieu, former French commissioner to the United States, declared in a lecture here today on "France and Her Allies." Mr. Tardieu added that France and Belgium had common interests which rendered a union between the two countries vitally necessary.

After dealing with the crisis confronting France and her allies, as a result of the extraordinary drain upon their resources caused by a war of six years, Mr. Tardieu pointed out that France had retrieved much of her losses by hard work. He gave figures to show that Germany, having resumed work, had been able to pay, and thus liquidated the debt, of the indemnities demanded.

"All our efforts must tend toward execution of the peace treaty," Mr. Tardieu continued. "Let us not forget that peace will be made when we make it, and the bonds between the allies must be strengthened continually. It must not be supposed that the understanding will be automatically maintained. Our utmost endeavor must be exerted to assure the stability of this union."

HELD FOR NON-SUPPORT

Ernest A. May is being held at Windsor for the Toronto police on a charge of non-support. May was detained by Detective Taylor last night for bringing him back for trial.

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Pastor in Church "Down South" Hears Tributes by Pillars of Edifice.

Nashville, Tenn., April 2.—He attended his own funeral. All his intimate friends were there and poured out eulogies on his living memory. He sat back and enjoyed it all. Such were the funeral services for the Rev. Isham Davis, colored pastor of Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church at Brentwood, Tenn., yesterday afternoon. "Some who attended and the little church was packed—said he desired his funeral be a memorial service. He wanted what they had to say of his life, most of his 53 years having been passed as a preacher.

"Twenty years ago he was a slave, and he declared to his congregation not long ago."

"I want my funeral before I die, and wish to enjoy all the good things with my friends."

Announcements: Funeral Service. In the stillness that followed this remark he announced his funeral service for last Sunday. The word passed around. Sunday afternoon they came. The object of the funeral was to honor the length of his life, and the service was under way. In regular fashion, hymns were sung, and then, one by one, pillars of the church arose and paid tribute to their faithful pastor.

As they talked, the Rev. Mr. Davis occupied a prominent position in the vision of the men and also to urge the minister of justice to release the prisoners during the appeal of their case before the privy council.

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GODERICH HARBOR. FREE OF ALL ICE.

Winter Fleet of Grain Carriers in Readiness to Sail on April 15.

Goderich, Ont., April 2.—Goderich harbor, which has been practically clear of ice for ten days, is entirely clear of ice, with none to be seen in the lake in any direction. The winter fleet of grain carriers permits on the 15th instant. The Agawa goes to Alpena to load stone for the Soo on the opening. The Glenora, and probably Glenora, will go to Lake Erie for coal cargoes. The Hagarty, which has carried storage grain all winter, will unload early next week.

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I am a woman. What I have suffered is a far better guide than any man's experience could be. I am a woman. What I have suffered is a far better guide than any man's experience could be.

Are you unhappy, upset for your duties? Write and tell me how you feel and I will send you a copy of my book, "The Way to Health and Happiness." It will tell you how to meet your individual needs, together with references to women in Canada who have recovered from their troubles and regained health; or you can secure this FREE treatment for yourself, without cost or obligation.

If you suffer from pain in the head or back, obstinate constipation or piles, pain in the sides or chest, nervousness, depression, and all the ailments that come from a disordered system, I have you to read to you my complete ten days' treatment, which is free and posted to you by mail. (These ailments can be easily and surely overcome at home, without cost or obligation, by the use of my complete ten days' treatment.)

When you have been benefited, I shall only ask you to use the good word along to some other sufferer. My home treatment is for all, young or old.

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CHOIR OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH. Choir of Markham and Birch streets, going to render on Sunday, at 11 a.m., Haydn's first mass, assisted by orchestra. The Rev. Father Hand, the eloquent orator of the "Fountain of Life" is going to preach at 11 o'clock and 7:15 services.

GOING TO THE DEATH OF MRS. C. Simmons. Address by Albert E. Smythe, for Theosophical Society Sunday, 7:15 p.m., Niagara Foresters' Auditorium, 23 Niagara street. Mrs. E.