

McDairmid on Tax Sales as Means of Forcing Collections

Speaking of enforced tax sales as a means of recovering delinquent taxes, Solicitor McDairmid says:

"Tax sales were tried in some municipalities. The only result was the transfer of large blocks of land from private ownership to the community ownership—the only logical result of the system and a most unfair result under our present act, as municipally owned property at once goes off the tax roll and automatically increases the taxation on the remaining owners."

"All sorts of desperate financial expedients have been tried. Under various disguises, large sums of money raised for other purposes have been transferred to current revenue from one municipality's transfer of moneys borrowed on debentures for specific purposes to current revenue, to the latest, the undersigned has seen the transfer of sinking funds in another municipality to current account through the medium or disguise of purchasing city lots at their last tax sale, in the very teeth of the statute. The most popular disguise being simply not to invest the sinking funds at all on the plea that it is represented by arrears of taxation, which is only another method of placing the amount of a trust fund into current revenue and spending it, which in the case of a private individual would be classed as embezzlement."

"Matters are going from bad to worse with accelerated speed. In this last session the Legislature has taken over the direct management of one municipality, and has passed most extraordinary legislation on behalf of another. Recognizing that Victoria cannot meet its obligations on a basis of the value of the lands in her territory, the Legislature has fixed an arbitrary value of \$45,000,000 on her property, and authorized a wholesale readjustment of all local improvement taxation. The undersigned submits that the whole system has broken down, and no amount of tinkering within the present scheme of the act can meet the situation."

Speaking to the Attorney-General in his report, Solicitor McDairmid says plainly what he thinks, and it may be because of this plain speech that he was fired by the Attorney-General. He says:

"The undersigned is aware that the above is not new talk. Steadily, year by year, before the municipal committee of the House the undersigned has represented to committee the goal to which the municipalities were heading, and has suggested remedies to them and to your predecessor as Finance Minister, and before that to the Hon. Mr. Bowser. Steadily, also, your very able inspector of municipalities has, to my knowledge, both orally and by official memorandum pressed upon his chief the seriousness of the situation. The executive of the province has been approached on several occasions by deputations from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities. There was a deputation this spring, who were afforded an opportunity of meeting the Cabinet on this question, and the undersigned remembers that the Premier then seemed of opinion, first, that because his government did not create the situation, but the municipalities did, the situation was not for his government to cope with, but for the municipalities, and, second, that the situation could be met by a lightening of the belt and the taking off of the coat and going to work. The undersigned ventures most humbly and respectfully to consider this a most superficial view of the situation."

"True, this government did not create the situation; but the legislation in force, brought into being by former governments did, and truly this government has striven to palliate the situation as it has been presented from time to time, although they have not attempted hitherto the only effective relief possible. But because during all this period of inflation and depression, until you came to occupy the seat of Finance Minister, this province and the municipalities have had no financial leadership,

and all our efforts have been ignored by the governments, and because of the desperate character of the situation and because no relief can occur but by fresh legislation, the undersigned begs most earnestly that you will take up this matter, investigate the real cause and give such relief as, after that investigation, yourself and your government shall deem wise.

"The real underlying cause in the opinion of the undersigned lies in the fact that no man-power in British Columbia has taken the trouble to do any independent financial thinking in municipal affairs. We have picked up bodily statutes of other provinces and states, incorporated them in our acts without realizing that we are a totally different province from any other community on earth, and our municipal affairs are different. Municipal relations with the province are different, and statutes which work well in other provinces are productive of great harm to our municipal matters. We import financial and other experts from the eastern states and provinces, men of reputation in their own lines; they give us remedies; we adopt them and wonder why they turn out badly. Forgetting that the different conditions of this province, not known or thoroughly realized by these experts, create a different situation, which destroys the usefulness of the remedy devised."

"There is no other province, state or country on the face of the civilized globe where over 95 per cent of the total population is found within the borders of organized municipalities, nor over 80 per cent within the borders of strictly city municipalities. This makes a big difference in the financial situation. Another factor of difference is that, broadly speaking, the financial affairs of our province are not in our own hands. The banks, which give us all our floating capital, into which we put our own idle moneys, are managed by persons 3,000 miles away, and not by persons at home interested in our projects by ties of friendship or even acquaintance. As the ownership of land forms no asset to us in banking circles, for under Sec. 88 of the Bank act no bank can make a loan based on land security, our land is not held in any quantity by our mercantile class. There is no sentiment such as exists in some countries over the ownership of land. It is to a large extent simply a commodity to be bought and sold, as one buys stocks or shares or general merchandise; and if taxation upon the same is placed at a figure higher than a fair percentage of the income the people simply let it go, as they would let go anything else likely to be held at a loss."

Lacrosse at 6 P. M. Sept. 1

Because of the smoky condition of the atmosphere, the lacrosse game between Vancouver and Armstrong advertised for 6:30 p. m. Monday, Sept. 1, will have to be called at 6 p. m. Have an early supper and come. A dance will follow the game in the Drill Hall, at 9 o'clock.

On Thursday a game will be played between Vancouver and the all-stars of the Okanagan. This game will be played in Vernon at 5 p. m.

A third game, to be played in Armstrong, will be announced later.

"Hand of Vengeance"

In response to the request of a large number of its patrons the Enderby Theatre will show "The Hand of Vengeance," an amazing serial in 10 two-reel episodes. The first episode will be shown on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1st, and weekly on Monday nights. With the serial there will be shown each week a feature and a comedy. Don't fail to see the first episode.

For Labor Day a special program is arranged, showing in addition to the serial, Pauline Frederick in "Out of the Shadow," one of her latest and greatest photo plays; also a special comedy. Music by Enderby Orchestra. Holiday special, 50c and 15c.

Enderby News & Views

Miss Marie Murdoch was recently married at Lacomb, Alta.

Mrs. Dr. Keith and children are returning from Mabel Lake this week.

Mrs. Marley and sons are returning home from the lake on Friday.

Mrs. E. B. Dill and daughter are concluding their stay at Mabel Lake this week.

Died—At East Molesey, Eng., on Aug. 2nd, W. D. George, of Rivermead Ranch, Grindrod.

Jas. Murphy was called to his home in Ironwood, Mich., by the serious illness of his mother.

See "Ultus," the "man from the dead," in "The Hand of Vengeance," Enderby Theatre, Monday, Sept. 1st.

Mrs. Walker and children will return from Mabel Lake this week, where they enjoyed the past two months.

Jas. McMahon & Son sold another Gray Dorr the past week. Mrs. Weir, of Grindrod, being the fortunate purchaser.

Rev. W. Stott of Armstrong, will conduct evening service in the Presbyterian Church, Enderby, on Sunday, Aug. 31st.

Lieut. Wm. Ahier returned from Overseas recently, and on Saturday visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Strickland.

The regular services will be held next Sunday at St. George's Church, Holy Communion, 8 a. m., Matins and Litany, 11 a. m.; Evensong, 7.30 p. m.

Miss Kelly returned from the fruit orchards in the vicinity of Kelowna, where she spent the picking season. She resumes employment in the office of the Okanagan Saw Mills.

All bush fires in the vicinity Enderby, Grindrod and Mara are in a much less dangerous condition than they were a week ago, though all are still being guarded day and night.

Mr. Geo. Calder passed out of the Valley on Friday last, going to Victoria. He was accompanied by his bride. They are on their honeymoon trip, after which they will return to Vernon to reside.

Miss Gyle, niece of Mrs. H. McKee, is visiting her aunt this week. Miss Gyle is from California, and it is the intention of Mr. and Mrs. McKee to make the trip to the Golden State this fall by auto, to be absent a month or two.

There is the possibility of Enderbyites having the pleasure of dancing to real jazz music as played by the "Elmer's Original Jazz band, Harrison Keate, general agent, will be in Enderby in a few days and will endeavor to arrange a dance under the auspices of some local society.

The Armstrong Drill Hall and drill halls in other towns are put to practical use, and are made to serve the people. The Enderby Drill Hall stands vacant, and is of no practical use to anybody. Will somebody tell us why the Enderby Drill Hall can not be made use of the same as other drill halls are used?

Mr. B. Rosoman returned from the coast this week, where he went to find a suitable farm for himself with the milder coast climate. He expects to locate near Vancouver, in close touch with the market by train line and the C.P.R., and where the farms are nothing bigger than 40 acres, and the farmers roll in wealth, made exclusively from milk cows. They are the milk barons who supply Vancouver.

The ladies of St. George's W. A. presented Mrs. Warwick and Mrs. Hatcher with valuable articles of remembrance at their last meeting, a week ago, in recognition of the faithful services of these ladies as members of the society. It is to be regretted that circumstances force the removal of Mrs. Warwick and Mrs. Hatcher from Enderby to the coast. In their long residence here they have won the high esteem of all, and their departure will mean a distinct loss to the community.

TOUR OKANAGAN

Mayor Gray, of New Westminster, and Mr. C. A. Welsh, President of Big Coast Fair, Pleased With Their Visit.

The Provincial Exhibition to be held at New Westminster, Sept. 29th to Oct. 4th, inclusive, promises to eclipse anything of the kind ever held at the coast. Some \$50,000 in new buildings already are being completed to accommodate the increased exhibits, particularly in live stock.

Every district in the Province that has anything to exhibit, is entering with enthusiasm, and the quality of the exhibits certainly will be the best British Columbia has seen.

This is the good word brought to the Okanagan this week by Mayor Gray of New Westminster and President Welsh of the Royal City fair association. On Monday these gentlemen arrived at Penticton. Here they were assured of a district exhibit worthy of that favored locality. At Summerland and Kelowna they met many individual growers and shippers who are preparing to exhibit.

At Vernon another large exhibit was promised. Here they were taken in hand by Manager Dobie, of the Okanagan Telephone Company, who assisted them in covering Armstrong, Enderby and Salmon Arm Tuesday afternoon.

At Armstrong another district exhibit is being planned; also one at Salmon Arm. Local poultry and live stock exhibitors were also interviewed, and the promise was given by many to have their best exhibition stock at the fair.

In the matter of attractions, President Welsh said the program embraced the greatest airplane flying and fancy stunts yet pulled off at the coast. The lacrosse and baseball games, athletic exhibitions, tight rope walking and slack-wire performances, etc., all are preparing on a large scale to make the Exhibition well worth seeing. A fare and a third has been secured from all interior points, and a one-way freight rate on all exhibits.

ARMSTRONG COUNCIL

Notice Given to All and Sundry that No Account will be Paid Unless Requisition is Shown.

It was decided at the last meeting of the Armstrong City Council, in response to a suggestion of Auditor Crehan, that "no goods shall be purchased and no repair work done without a requisition from either the City Office or the chairmen of the various departments, and all merchants be notified that no payment will be made of any account unless a requisition can be produced for either supplies purchased or repair work done."

The Council granted permission to the Salvation Army to hold a tag day on September 25.

On motion of Aldermen Thomson and Gregory the action of the Mayor was rescinded by the Council, and the fire permit issued to Mr. J. Laur by the fire warden remain in force.

A communication from Mr. F. Timberlake, complained of the condition of a septic tank on his property. The clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Timberlake that the Council cannot assume any responsibility in the matter and that he be requested to abate the nuisance.

Ald. Parks gave notice that he had from the 25th inst. suspended the use of lawn taps or the using of water for irrigation between the hours of 6 p. m. and 7 a. m. on week days and all day on Sundays, on account of the shortage of water.

Ald. Parks reported the carrying on of some rowdy, intoxicated men who showed no regard for women, children and sick persons. The complaint was referred to the chief constable.

Ald. Thomson reported that he had received complaints from Mr. Austin with regard to a cess-pool being dug within a few feet of his residence. The clerk was instructed to write the Provincial Board of Health.

Enderby's Tax Sale will be held on September 30th. Tax Sale expenses will be added to all delinquent taxes unless paid on or before September 15th.

Enderby District News Gathered by Correspondents

GRINDROD NOTES

Miss Bunn has been engaged to teach the ensuing term here.

Miss Blanche Monk visited friends at Enderby the past week.

Miss Thelma Parkhurst of Armstrong visited friends here a few days this week.

Miss Eva Hardwick and Miss Helen Abbott were visitors here from Armstrong a few days.

Mr. E. Clarke and friend, of New Brunswick, are visiting friends here for a short period.

Mr. A. R. Price and family left this week for Kelowna where Mr. Price will finish the season picking fruit.

Married—At Salmon Arm, on Aug. 12, Miss M. S. Mangleman, formerly of Grindrod, to Mr. Charles Vilke, of Salmon Arm.

Mr. and Mrs. Parkhurst arrived here from the States this week and spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. H. Tomkinson, before going to their home in Armstrong.

Mr. B. Rosoman, who spent the past week in the vicinity of Vancouver, returned to his home here a few days ago. Mr. Rosoman expects to locate near Chilliwack instead of Alberta.

A quiet wedding took place at Harrop last week, when Miss C. Sutton, formerly school teacher here was married to Mr. David Jones of Enderby. Mr. and Mrs. Jones will reside at the home near Enderby.

Bush fires are still burning fiercely at Grindrod. The fire on Grand View Bench came over the hill, nearly getting onto the flat. Several settlers are still in great danger, as the fire is not yet under control. All the available men have been called out and are now doing all they can to prevent it spreading more.

News has been received from England that Sergt. G. D. McEwen is now able to get about on crutches, and that he was married a short time ago. Sergt. McEwen expects to be able to be in Grindrod before snow flies. He will have to undergo eight months treatment in a hospital at Montreal after visiting here.

The sad news was received from England this week that Mr. W. D. George had passed away. Mr. George was formerly a resident of Grindrod. He sailed for England in May to visit his daughter. He is survived by his widow and two daughters, Mrs. Gordon-Allan, (England) and Mrs. T. S. Morton of Grindrod. The sympathy of the community goes out to the bereaved family in their great loss.

MABEL LAKE NEWS

Things We Want to Know

What the homestead inspector thought of some of the "improvements" that he was shown and whether a certain homesteader really couldn't find where he had done his slashing?

What implements the government provides for fighting fire, and whether it isn't a very false economy having nothing ready?

How many hours a man can work at fire fighting without a break?

How the fire fighters like the food at one of their camps?

How many hours a man does work?

How many hours a man gets paid for when he has worked?

How the ladies who have just come from city life to a certain ranch like the life, and what they think of being surrounded by forest fires?

How many people attended the Hupel school meeting?

Who started the rumor that one of the bridges on the Mabel Lake road is going to be repaired at once?

How often the road boss travels over the upper end of the road. Fi-Fi.

Mrs. C. Paradis wishes to announce the reopening of her dressmaking parlors.

MARA NEWS NOTES

Matt Hassen, of Armstrong, motored to Mara on Sunday.

Mr. Ferguson has sold his farm to Mr. Lumsted, a returned soldier.

J. Winslow, of Salmon River, was looking up old friends in Mara last week.

Miss A. Smith came up from Sicamous Tuesday, returning by the evening train.

Miss Ella Zettergreen arrived here from the coast the past week, on a vacation.

J. Cadden was a visitor to Revelstoke last week on Railway Brotherhood business.

Mr. and Mrs. Groves, of Armstrong were noticed amongst the Mara Lake visitors last week.

J. C. Dever, assistant district engineer, was looking over the roads here with the local foreman last Friday.

Messrs. Lambert & Wells have their baler in readiness for the season's baling, starting at Rupert Davy's place.

Mrs. Treat and child, of Revelstoke have been visiting Mrs. J. Bell for a few days, leaving for home by Saturday's train.

Geo. Little and wife are fishing and boating up Lynne Narrows, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Handcock, of Grindrod.

The Misses Massey of Calgary, who have been visiting their cousin, L. B. Massey, for several weeks, returned to their home last week.

The new appointees to the Mara school staff are Miss Emily M. Swann, senior division, and Miss A. Marjorie Muttie, junior division.

This week will see all the hay crop baled. Besides the baler of Messrs. Lambert & Wells, there is the Olson tractor press at work here.

The heavy winds lately have worked up the bush fires on the hills, and we have been kept on the anxious seat for the past ten days—especially those of us who suffered the Mara fire some years ago.

Quite a number of visitors to Mara have been admiring some of the fine crops of grain, etc., in this vicinity, with the result that there are several sales pending, with returned soldiers the principals. There are still some more openings.

Frank Riches sold his farm to Mrs. Campbell, of Larkin, but she will not take up residence until spring. Frank is to look after it until then. Not wishing to leave the district, Mr. Riches has bought Mr. Grieves house and lot on the bank of the river near the bridge, west side.

GRANDVIEW BENCH NOTES

W. Bailey returned from Okanagan Centre on Thursday.

Born—On Sunday, Aug. 24th, to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Tomkinson, a son.

The fires in this vicinity are still raging in all directions, and are doing an enormous amount of damage to timber and fencing, but to date only one building has been burned—the stable of Frank Russell, with about three tons of hay. Others have had a very close call.

Meeting of Returned Men

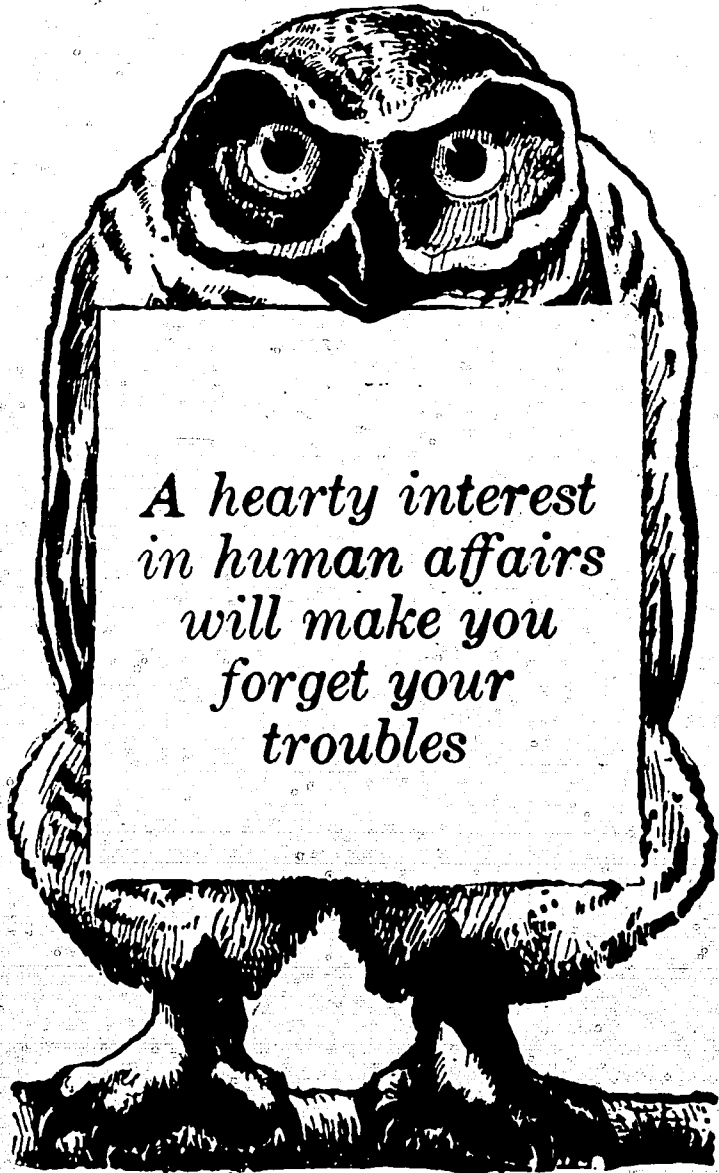
A meeting of returned men will be held on Friday next, Aug. 29th, at 8 p. m., in the City Hall, Enderby, with the view of starting a branch of the G. W. V. A. It is hoped that as many returned men as possible will attend this meeting.

E. C. J. L. Henniker, Lt.-Col.

"When a Woman Sins" and special Fox Comedy, Enderby Theatre, Saturday, Aug. 30, 35c and 15c.

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CONDITIONS IMPROVING

Conditions in the Okanagan were never better than now. Business is improving in all lines; crops are good and prices high. If difficulty has been experienced by some in readjusting from war conditions to peace, these difficulties soon will be overcome. Homeseekers are coming into the Okanagan in numbers greater than ever before, and they are buying homes right and left. Returned men are also locating here in large numbers; many already have bought, and others are looking about for suitable locations. From the Prairies many farmers have come. They are locating more generally in and about Enderby and Armstrong, where the land is better adapted for dairying and truck farming. Several places have changed hands within the past month in this vicinity and other sales are now pending.

There can be no question as to the safety of buying farming land in this vicinity of the great Okanagan. A crop failure was never experienced here. When other districts have suffered severely in drought years, we in the Okanagan have had good crops, and there has been no scarcity of produce in any line.

FALL OF MONEY

Instead of watching the high cost of living, the people of Britain are today watching with bated breath the fall of the pound sterling. And here is the rub. It isn't that the cost of living has gone up. The real trouble is that the value of money has come down. The dollar or the pound sterling will not buy more than one-half as much as it did before the war. And the value of money continues to fall. Money is the cheapest thing in the world today. It is the only commodity that has not held its own in the trying time through which the world is passing. Twenty-five cents some years ago would purchase more than one dollar will buy today.

We can measure the decline in the value of the dollar as we measure the rise in the cost of living. It is interesting, therefore, to read in the Canada Labor Gazette that the average cost of a list of 29 staple foods in 60 cities at the middle of July was \$13.77, as compared with \$13.72 in June, \$13.00 in July, 1918, and \$7.42 in July, 1914.

LAW AND LAW-BREAKERS

We are all entangled in the meshes of the law, and while law promotes and conserves our liberties in some directions, it curtails them in others. In the past, and it is so today, there have been severe penalties imposed for questioning the justice of the laws—laws were supposed to be sacred things. And any man who expressed a doubt as to the righteousness of certain laws was assumed to be the enemy of the state and was speedily dealt with. And yet we all know that if some men had not questioned the justice of the law and defied the law, there would be today no such thing as freedom. The saviors of the world have all been law-breakers. From this it must not be assumed that all law-breakers are saviors. However, progress springs from doubt, and until men are dissatisfied with the present order there is nothing better for them in the future. It is in this fact, and the general turmoil that is going on the world over, that we can hope for better laws and better conditions in the future.

Most people are unhappy because they wear themselves out hunting for happiness.

CANADIAN CITIZENSHIP

This is a big subject. We admit at the start that we perhaps do not know any more about it than you, dear reader. So all we intend doing is to direct your attention to the subject. A few days ago five thousand men and women of Winnipeg met for the purpose of bringing about a permanent organization of "the Canadian Citizen's League." The purpose is to give permanence to the Citizen's Committee which played such an important part in the recent Winnipeg strike, and to place the organization on its feet as a Dominion-wide Committee for the purpose of service in time of need whenever and wherever called upon.

With due regard for the good intentions of the promoters of the organization, and with some knowledge of the good work accomplished by the Committee in the trying times of the industrial strike, there is much to be said in favor of such an organization as is proposed. And, yet, on the other hand, it is not a proposition that will appeal to all. There is something about it that sets one part of the community against the other; something of the Pharisee in its claims and purposes.

The objects of the proposed league are good, however, for they are "the inculcation of the best Canadian ideals; the cultivation of respect for Canadian law; the proper maintenance of constitutional government and the combating of all forms of propaganda tending to subvert our established Canadian institutions."

While these objects are good, it does seem a bit ludicrous that in these days, after all these years of established government in Canada, a body of intelligent men and women should really feel that a national association for the inculcation of these ideals is a necessity. The great trouble seems to be that a very large body of Canadian citizens have fallen into the error of believing that all law and government is a somewhat sacred thing, quite above reproach and criticism. This has been the opinion of the censors employed by the various governments during the war days, but this opinion is rapidly changing. These people are led away by this thought; they believe that any word of criticism of the law or the established order of things is an act of disloyalty, and that the culprit giving expression to his mind should be banished forthwith.

Under autocratic rule in law judges are delegated to act for the King. With us in Canada the courts and the governments act for the people. Judges and government ministers also be wrong. It is ludicrous for any person or number of persons to set up the cry that the courts or the government must not be criticised by the people. It is, moreover, a dangerous and foolish notion. Our courts and the government must be watched, criticised, regulated and restrained by public opinion. Free criticism is the one safeguard against an arrogant, slipshod and dishonest bench or a vacillating crooked government. For its own good a court and a government should welcome criticism, not repress it. We in Canada abide by the decisions of our courts; we stand in defense of the government in power; but the man who thinks he has been wronged by a court or by the government should have the privilege of saying so.

AMALGAMATION APPROVED

A meeting of the provincial directors of the United Farmers of British Columbia was held at Kamloops on the 23rd, with the following members present: Messrs. Geo. Clark, Sidney, J. L. Pridham, Kelowna; W. E. Chapple, Armstrong; Walter Shipley, Canoe; C. W. Greer, Kamloops; J. R. Brown, Vernon, and W. E. Smith, Revelstoke. President Copeland recounted the steps leading up to the conference at Vancouver of representatives of the Farmers' Institute Advisory Board and the United Farmers respecting the amalgamation of the two organizations. Favorable discussion followed and amalgamation of the two bodies was cordially approved. The resignation of W. E. McTaggart as secretary-treasurer was reported by President Copeland. Mr. J. R. Brown of Vernon was elected to succeed him.

It was the opinion of all members of the provisional directorate of the association that such an amalgamation of the organizations named would prove most beneficial to the best interests of the farming community. This, too, is the opinion of all farmers who have given the subject any thought. They see in the multiplying of organizations covering the same field great loss of effort and weakened cohesion.

SETTLERS FLOCKING TO CANADA

Since the beginning of the year, 15,434 settlers have entered Western Canada, bringing with them, according to official records, money and personal property valued at \$8,572,893. Of this number Manitoba secured 2061, Western Ontario 429, Saskatchewan 5026, Alberta 6154 and British Columbia 592. Almost all of the immigrants are farmers with their families. Many of them are taking homesteads, while some are buying improved farms.

The majority of these settlers were from the United States, while many came from England and other friendly European countries.

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LOOKING FOR TROUBLE

Outlook for the Coming Winter Not Pleading—Unemployment of Thousands Certain

Officials of the Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment Department, who are in close touch with industrial conditions throughout British Columbia, regard the labor outlook on the Coast as anything but promising.

In conversation with the "Province" Mr. G. H. Dean, unit director in British Columbia of the S.C.R., pointed out that the situation here is greatly aggravated by the fact that many thousands of men returning from overseas have elected to take their discharge in this province instead of returning to their former homes. It is estimated that the total number of men to be taken care of will not be far short of 60,000. While a number of these men had situations open to them, and others have already been found employment, there will remain a large number for whom, under present conditions, employment is not available.

In Mr. Dean's opinion, the only solution of the problem lies in the initiation of an extensive program of public works, far in excess of anything yet proposed by the authorities. He regards the outlook as serious for the coming fall and winter, and is anxious that the situation and peculiar conditions existing in this province should be clearly understood at Ottawa.

Rumors are current that a decision has been made by the Dominion government to extend the period of gratuities on a modified scale, equalizing to a large extent the further amount to be paid. While this may relieve the situation somewhat for the time being it is not considered in official circles that it can be regarded as a solution of the problem. Many men in receipt of post-discharge gratuities have felt, not unnaturally, that they are entitled to a prolonged holiday. With further payments coming in they may be tempted to take a further holiday, but at the end of that period their position will be no better than it is at present as far as employment is concerned.

easier, probably than for some months past, the lot of the skilled mechanic and semi-professional man shows no improvement. There are opportunities for employment as laborers on railroad construction and other work of this kind, but this is not attractive to a skilled man who has his family in one of the cities, and there are a large number of men in this class at present without prospect of work.

CROP CONDITIONS POOR

Latest Winnipeg Report Indicates That Recent Rains Improved Growth in Some Parts

The latest Winnipeg "Free Press" crop report published indicates that in the sixteen days which have elapsed since the previous report conditions in the prairie provinces have changed materially for the better in some sections and for the worse in others. Wheat in the west is virtually two weeks ahead of an average harvest since 1905. As seeding was not exceptionally early it follows that the crop has not come to harvest under normal conditions in any of the provinces.

In Manitoba only a very few points report no rust, and the majority complain of rust damage running from 5 to 50 per cent., though heavy damage is reported from limited areas.

It is evident, however, the report states, that the bumper crop which was so fully indicated at the end of June has been reduced from five to ten bushels an acre, and some districts even more. This damage is by no means all attributable to rust, though that disease is responsible for the greatest toll, but the unusually hot days from July 17 to 26 had their serious effect. A heavy rain last week, fairly general, is thought to have partially filled the need for light rain for development of the late oats, barley and flax crops. The oats crop is light, though some districts report an average of from 45 to 60 bushels. Many districts are short of harvest help.

In Saskatchewan there appears to have been little improvement, if any, in wheat, but local rains have brightened the outlook for coarse grain and

feed. A number of points report that with a continuation of the present weather there will even be sufficient feed to carry them through the winter. Some points in the southwest say the wheat yield will be from three to eight bushels, but with the balancing up of the northeastern part of the province there is possibly an average yield of ten bushels. Reports indicate that oats will not average at the most, more than 20 bushels to the acre. Rust is reported in some districts in the north and east.

In Alberta the long drought in the south has been broken, the heaviest general rain in years having fallen. It came too late to help any crop except late oats and flax, but it will do untold good in producing feed for stock and place land in good condition for next year. Edmonton district reports a possible average of 40 bushels of wheat, but the average is not large; Erskine, 25; Lamont, 20, and Munson, 20. Outside of these points reports indicate yields of from two to fifteen bushels, with five to seven a common average. Coarse grain crops are light, some points reporting that they will be cut for feed only.

Breaking Up Setting Hens

The problem of breaking up the setter that is undesirable is at the front almost daily during hot weather.

The broody bird should not be permitted to remain on the nest more than one night. Such an offense should convict her beyond doubt. Taken thus in time the breaking up will be an easy task.

Put her in a cage with a slatted bottom, or in any strange place where the suggestion of the nest and the possibility of setting are completely out of her mind. Feed her as you would if you desired her to lay every day. Two or three days of such kind treatment should make her forget to cluck and send her back within the week in better laying condition than before she decided to raise a family. Be patient with her. Try to get her point of view.



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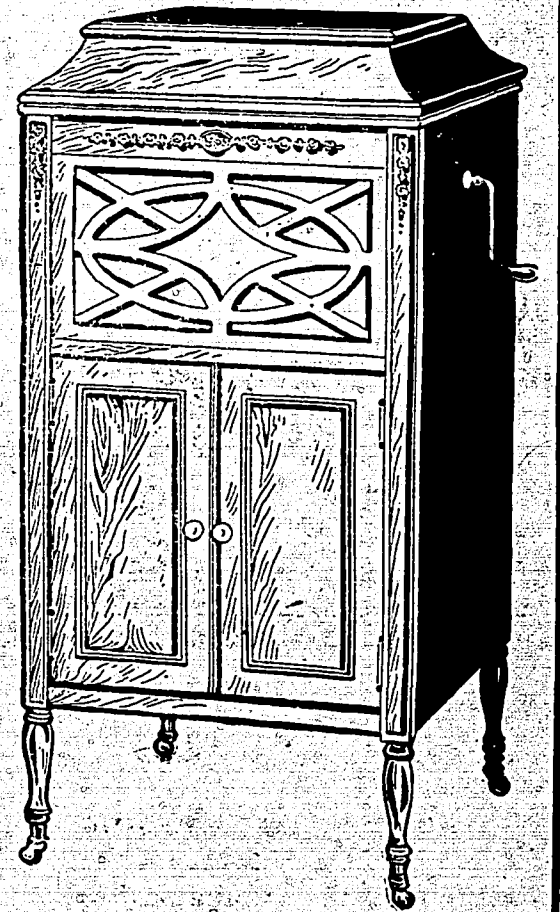
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Canadian Pacific Royal Train



The Prince of Wales, Lord Shrewsbury, and the C. P. R. has placed at the Prince's disposal.

In addition to the "Killarney" the train is to have a second private car, the "Cromarty", belonging to Commander J. K. L. Rose. The "Cromarty" is finished in satinwood and fitted with every comfort imaginable. The remainder of the train consists of the compartment car "Empire", the dining car "Canada", two sleeping cars the "Carnarvon" and the "Chester", and the car "Chinook", with two baggage cars at the head of the train.

The engine and several of the cars, notably the "Chinook", the compartment and baggage cars, have been completed for the occasion, but are specially interesting in that they are the first of a new series that have been adopted for the entire C. P. R. System, and are equipped with everything that is modern in railway carriage building. After this journey these cars will be drafted into the regular service.

During his visit to Canada the Prince of Wales will live on the train for about two months, making the "Killarney" his headquarters throughout the trip. The train is accordingly equipped with modern services and conveniences, thus enabling the Prince and his suite to enjoy as nearly as possible the comforts of a stationary dwelling. Nothing has been overlooked from the handle set at the royal bedside to regulate the temperature of the stateroom, which is a standard appliance in Canadian Pacific equipment, to the telephone that brings him in touch with all parts of the train.

In order to distinguish it from all other cars on the line, the "Killarney" will bear the coat of arms of the Prince of Wales, having beneath it the inscription "Ich dien". The car is entered by means of a small observation platform at the rear, small yet large enough to accommodate several arm chairs from which the royal party will view the wonders of the Rockies or the fascinating wheat fields of the prairies. The first compartment is also devoted to observation, a com-

fort little room fitted with a lounge, easy chairs, a table and electric fans. On rainy days or in cold weather the passing scenery may be viewed more pleasantly through the large windows on either side, than from the platform outside. A speed recorder adds interest to the constant enticement of the journey, while an air pressure gauge indicates the application of the brakes by the engineer.

Next to the observation compartment comes a section devoted to the Prince's secretary, after which one reaches the bedroom to be occupied by His Royal Highness in person. A rich simplicity characterizes this compartment, which is finished in white mahogany inlaid with a fine line of ebony outlining the panels. Built into the walls across the end is the bedstead, finished with little ornamentation in the white mahogany of the room. Over the bed may be pulled a roller curtain to protect the occupant from the dust and draughts of the ventilators in the ceiling. The door is a full length mirror and an oval glass is set above the dressing table. The fittings of the dressing table and toilet are arranged in harmony with the woodwork, and a large receptacle is screwed into the wall to hold a thermos bottle for hot or cold drinks during the night. Next to the royal bedroom is a second stateroom, with two berths similar to the first assigned to the secretary. Then in a niche in the wall is a shower bath of white tiles and porcelain.

The central portion of the car is devoted to the dining room which is tastefully decorated in royal blue. Beneath the little extension table is a heavy pile carpet of blue, with six chairs upholstered in tapestry to match. The curtains and even the drawers of the sideboard carry out the color scheme, for the silver table service reposes between divisions of blue tapestry velvet. Between the sideboard and the window is a secretary with pens and paper ready for many social notes that will be imposed upon the Prince and his secretary. Above it is a miniature bookcase, just large enough for a few delightful volumes specially furnished, and all by Canadian authors.

With steel walls finished in imitation mahogany, a kitchenette, pantry, icebox, service counter, charcoal heater and chef's bedroom, have been fitted into limited space beyond the dining room.

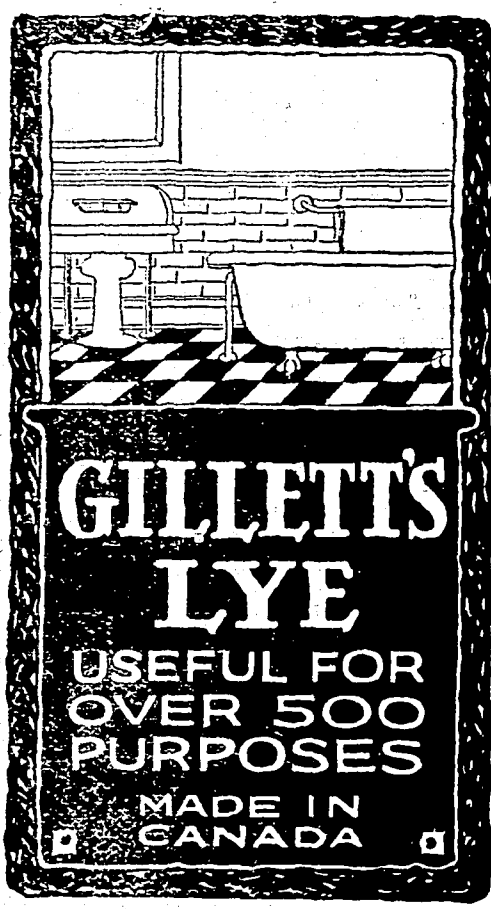
The compartment car "Empire" is reminiscent of an English coach, for the seats are partitioned off and joined only by the narrow corridor that runs down the length of the car. At each end is a commodious drawingroom with a sofa in addition to the upper and lower berths. The color scheme of the compartment car is grey and green, the grey of the marbled wall finish contrasting happily with the green of the heavy fringed plush upholstery. In each room is to be found an individual heating control.

The members of the Prince's im-

mediate suite will occupy the "Killarney" and dine with him in the exclusive dining room laid for six. Six more can be accommodated in the "Cromarty", but a special car will be provided for the remainder of the party. The main diner is a pleasant place where tables for four and tables for two are placed in the windows down each side of the car. The rich brown tones of the Cuban mahogany walls and ceilings combined with the green hangings and accentuated with inlaid lines of satinwood harmonize beautifully. The diner will accommodate thirty persons at a sitting.

The three remaining sleepers present only one feature of exceptional interest to the travelling public well acquainted with the details of the C. P. R. sleeping cars. Tucked away in a corner is a dispensary as shipshape as the doctor's office on a ship. A special chair has been arranged for the patient if such there be, and the showpiece of the little office is a patent light fixture with which the physician can examine the throat.

In one of the baggage cars the darkcloset and workroom of the official photographer have been arranged. There are shower baths and sleeping compartments in the baggage cars too, and cold storage cupboards where the chef keeps his supplies. An auxiliary generator is also installed here, to provide electric light throughout the train if it is stationary for any length of time.



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Keep a Cool Head

(Montreal Star)

Where are the advocates of the old gospel of retrenchment and reform? If ever there was a time in Canada when such teaching was needed it is now. When the war began the public debt was \$326,000,000. It is now nearly \$2,000,000,000. But a multitude of people in all classes seem to think that we can best meet the situation by huge new expenditures, restrictions upon industry and reduced production.

A year ago we all looked to the era of reconstruction with apprehension. We believed that it would be difficult to turn the industries from war production to peace production, and that we would do well if wages could be maintained and munition workers and returning soldiers re-established in civil life without a period of serious industrial depression. We recognized that without economy in private and public expenditures, and sympathetic co-operation between the workers and employers to increase production, the common burden would be intolerably heavy, and sooner or later a situation which dismays the countries of Europe would be created in Canada.

But, instead of economy, we have waste and extravagance. Instead of industrial unity and stability, we have unrest, disorders and tumult. Instead of co-operation to maintain wages and increase production we have conflict and paralysis in various branches of industry and demands upon employers and upon the public treasury which threatens general disaster if wiser councils do not prevail. In the press there is exploitation of grievances and indiscriminate denunciation of capital. In Parliament there are few speeches which reveal understanding of the true situation or apply the lessons of history to the conditions which we cannot escape. There is little said to inspire confidence and much to destroy confidence. There is free and justifiable denunciation of "profiteer-

ing," but no candid confession that profiteering is not general, that many commercial and public companies are content with reasonable profits, and that the restrictions which a few strong concerns could bear would drive a multitude of weaker companies into bankruptcy.

There are degrees of profiteering. Many companies with a small margin of profit have greatly increased their total income, but the chief explanation is the enormous demand which war conditions created. Of these profits a heavy percentage goes back into the public treasury. The abnormal demand of Europe has forced prices upward in Canada—but could we deny supplies to the stricken nations of the Old World or control world prices? There may be companies which hold food in storage to the disadvantage of consumers, and for these stricter regulation is necessary and legitimate. But we cannot afford to be stampeded by mere suspicion and denunciation. During the American Civil War prices of food rose tremendously, and Canada benefited. But in those days the packing house was in its infancy and the causes which we now think explain high prices did not exist.

No one suggests that the farmers of Canada have raised prices by any illegal manoeuvre or secret combination, or that they are blameworthy because they sell at war figures. But the conditions by which they have profited have benefited classes of labor and many manufacturers. The supreme object of governments which fixed wheat prices and prices of war supplies was not to benefit farmers or manufacturers, but to get production, feed the armies and secure necessary war materials. As Sir Thomas White said the other day, with 50,000,000 people withdrawn from productive pursuits there was bound to be a universal disturbance of conditions and prices, and Canada could not avoid the consequences any more than she could avoid participation in the war in Europe. But let us not be angry controversy and denial of primary causes prolong the evil consequences and tumble the whole industrial structure into ruin.

Will Handle Local Bonds.

It is stated on very good authority that the local government board in Saskatchewan will shortly inaugurate a department for the handling of municipal bonds. With the creation of this bond exchange all municipalities will be able to have their bonds handled by the board's own broker. Plans are now said to be under way to secure the necessary power from the legislature. The main idea underlying the proposal is to provide machinery for the rural municipalities, school districts and rural telephone companies which have small issues to place on the market, the object being to realize to the best advantage at a minimum. It was explained that the handling of the bonds by a central bureau would have the effect of bringing the rural securities almost to the level of city flotations, as it will enable consolidation, permitting purchasers to buy in blocks.

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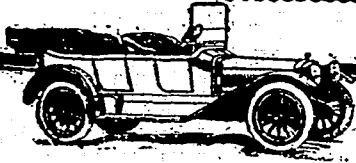
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