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## Secession Talk Reflects Seriousness of Conditions

Ottawa News Letter Outlines Situation Should Provinces Withdraw From Confederation; Only in Union Lies Strength to Overcome All Difficulties

While the Bennett ministry is laboring over the program for the approaching session of Parliament and keeping its own counsel as to intentions, the country at large is being entertained with another outcropping of secession talk and threats.

There are still rumblings of discontent in the Maritimes, notably in New Brunswick, but the anvil chorus against Confederation is now chiefly heard in sections of Saskatchewan and Alberta. The talk, of course, is serious only inasmuch as it reflects the seriousness of economic conditions in an important agricultural area. Even in this aspect inflated oratory has run to exaggeration, though things are far from well in many sections.

As far as secession becoming a fact is concerned, it most certainly cannot occur in this generation, nor with calm consideration would any but a few malcontents desire it. Sponsoring for example, Saskatchewan desired to withdraw and was permitted to do so. The first thing that would happen would be that tariffs now operative in Canada against other Empire units would be effective against the industries of Saskatchewan and that are—if the clamorings now heard were translated into action—would be a free trade territory. Her industries which are yearly becoming of more importance would not even enjoy the Provincial market. The net result would be that it wouldn't take 12 months for every industry with a more than purely local output to pull up stakes and re-establish somewhere else.

What of the farming population, for the alleged benefit of whom secession is urged? Its great source of revenue is from wheat and with its own urban market destroyed and the Canadian market closed to it for dairy and meat products, wheat would of necessity become an even larger factor in income. That wheat would have to find sale in the very markets now open to it; would have to face competition from Russia, India, the Argentine just as it does now. Deprived of the bargaining power in reciprocal preferences of all Canada, would it be able to market more successfully, say in Britain as a seceded state than it is at present? It is ridiculous to suggest such a thing.

Any thoughtful person knows there are conditions which must be met and remedied by paternal government action but every thoughtful person knows that no remedy for current ills lies through the path of secession. Those who talk of secession do the cause of the farmer harm. And it takes more than talk of secession to bring it about. It would be as sensible for every

tax payer who was dissatisfied with his municipal government to declare himself out of his municipality and out of Canada. Then we would have—if he had his way—about ten million separate states in place of a Dominion and every one could make his or her own laws to suit himself or herself. The result would be no laws, no society, no democracy—and very soon, "no thing."

The truth of the matter is that only in union lies strength and the only way we can surmount our difficulties is to appreciate those of our fellow-Canadians and put the common shoulder to the wheel with goodwill and determination, not selfishly, but in the common interest of all Canada.

You can't progress by disintegration!

### Associated Boards of Trade Meet at Liskeard, Feb. 16th

The annual meeting of the Northern Ontario Associated Boards of Trade has been called for February 16th next when delegates from the various local Boards will gather at New Liskeard. Up to the present no outline of the program has been sent out from the headquarters at Englehart, but according to a statement a week or two ago by the president, Mr. C. W. Wright, the question of the route of the trans-Canada Highway will be up for discussion. Other business will include the election of officers for the year.

### Pleas for Snobbery



Professor R. E. Rogers of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has attracted wide attention and criticism by his plea for "snobbery." According to the professor, a snob is a person who elevates himself from a lesser position in life to a higher one because he realizes that the higher things are best

## Youths Start on Unique Journey With Long Skis

North Cobalt Trio Had Good Weather to Commence Novel Attempt

Armed with a letter of introduction and recommendation from Reeve Burt Normandy, of Bucke Township, the three North Cobalt youths, who are journeying to Toronto on one long set of skis started out on their trip early Monday morning. When they left, they expected to be in North Bay some time Wednesday afternoon, and to reach Toronto in the course of next week, probably ten days after leaving home.

The three travellers are Kenneth Kearney, W. A. Stoughton and James McAulay. They left their homes shortly after seven o'clock in the morning, and about 7.45 were jogging steadily southward on Lang Street. As they passed through Cobalt, the lads were making good progress, swinging along with a steady stride and facing the trip ahead with every confidence in their ability to make the grade.

At that time, the trio were travelling light, but farther down the Latchford road they picked up their packsacks for the journey south, these having been carried for some miles on the first stage by McAulay's father, who drove his automobile ahead with the baggage. With them, the youths had the Reeve's letter, in which they were commended to the attention of those they happened to encounter and in which also it was stated that any assistance required and given would be appreciated.

News of their impending departure was sent out over the Cobalt radio station, CKMC, on Sunday afternoon, and many of the citizens were well aware of the hour of their leaving. A number of the early birds were up and saw the youths go through the town, cheering them along their way south with encouraging words and good wishes for the success of the trip. At the time of their departure, weather conditions were excellent, the air being quite mild, and although a snowstorm threatened soon after they left, the sky soon cleared and conditions, although dull, remained fair for the first day.

The route to be followed to Toronto is along the Ferguson Highway straight south, and except for the section between Temagami and North Bay, is through comparatively well settled country. The intention of the trio when they left home was to make Temagami the first day, stay there over night, while on Tuesday they hoped to complete about half of the distance separating the summer resort from North Bay. They expected to spend that night at one of the government road camps, and their hopes were that they would reach North Bay yesterday afternoon. They believed they would be met, some distance out of North Bay by members of the

## Made Fast Trip From Toronto To Haileybury

Plane With Three Men Travels From City in Two Hours, Forty-Five Minutes

Flying a Buhl air sedan, Pilot Howard Watt, of the National Air Transport Limited, Toronto, flew from that city to Haileybury in two hours and forty-five minutes yesterday, landing here on the lake in the early afternoon. With him on the trip were Kelly Edmison and Norman Stein, also of the company, and the party had intended to go on to Kirkland Lake, but the snow storm interfered with their trip and they stopped over to wait for better weather.

On the trip up from the city the party encountered what they termed both extremes of weather. When they started the day was bright and not a cloud was to be seen, but as they came north the weather changed and at North Bay snow was falling and the weather was becoming bad for flying. On their arrival over Haileybury, they decided to land and stop over night or until the weather cleared.

The National Air Transport has been operating between the Bannockburn mining area and outside points during the fall and early winter. About two weeks ago the plane that was in use was taken to the Sudbury district where it is stationed at the present. The party which stopped here did not know just how long their operations in the North would continue.

### Honorable W. A. Gordon on Tour of North This Week

Honorable W. A. Gordon, Minister of Immigration and Colonization and Minister of Mines, made a short tour of the North Country over the week-end, accompanied by Dr. Camsell, Deputy Minister of Mines.

On Saturday they visited Kirkland Lake, where Mr. Gordon was welcomed for the first time since his elevation to cabinet rank, and where he addressed a large gathering in the Oddfellows' Hall.

On Monday evening he presided as chairman at the annual Burns dinner here and on Tuesday went north to visit Timmins.

### Ski Club of that city.

The youths expected to leave North Bay this morning. They are financing the trip themselves, partly by the sale of photographs of themselves mounted on their unique set of skis, partly by social gatherings held before they left and, to some extent, through a deal they have made with a Toronto newspaper to relate the experiences exclusively to that journal. All three youths come of families well known in this district, and their fortunes on the journey south are being watched with interest in their home territory.

## Radio Reunites Brothers After Twenty-Nine Years

Leo Erenhaus Locates Kinsman in Chicago Through Hearing an Announcement of Opera Program; Brothers Had Not Met Since They Were Boys in Germany

Radio reunites P sa8 cches... How Leo Erenhaus, well known Haileybury mining man, located and later visited his brother, Dr. Otto Erhardt, in Chicago last week is told in a newspaper story from that city. It was 29 years ago that they had last seen each other, when Leo, as a youth of 15 left their German home after bidding good bye to Otto, then 12 years old, at the railway station and faring forth into the world to seek his fortune.

It was last fall that Mr. Erenhaus heard his brother's name over the radio, announced as director of the Chicago Civic Opera, and he later got in touch with him over the long distance telephone. However, it was not until last week that the brothers were able to arrange a meeting, and from the accounts in the Chicago Tribune, it was a great re-union. The difference in the names is explained by the fact that the family name was Erhardt-Erenhaus and that for convenience when travelling in other lands, each of them decided to

drop one half of the name, Leo, the older, taking the Erenhaus, and Otto choosing Erhardt.

During the long separation of the brothers, a sister, Mary, who is an English newspaper correspondent in Germany, came across the name of her brother, Leo, in a report of some Canadian mining activities and, through the aid of the R.C.H.P., got in touch with him. Following that he visited his home in Breslau, Germany, but Otto had left in the meantime and he never knew his whereabouts until the radio broadcast spoke of him as the opera director in Chicago.

From the accounts in the papers, the brothers had a great visit, recalling old times at their home and their adventures since leaving. Both have travelled extensively, the Haileybury man having been around the world several times and having engaged in a great variety of occupations before settling down here. He had been in Canada since 1905 he told the reporters. Otto had travelled practically all over Europe as a producer and director of operas, before coming to the United States. He stated that when the present season is over he will return to Europe, but later will come back, as he likes the western world.

A photo of the brothers, which appeared on the illustrated pages of the Chicago Herald-Examiner, shows them sitting close together and apparently going over some pictures which recall some of their boyhood experiences. While Otto is stouter than Leo, there is a distinct resemblance and the expression on both their faces tells the real satisfaction they are experiencing through their re-union.

In the big fire a couple of weeks ago at Timmins, the first store erected in that town was destroyed. It was built by Leo Mascioli from lumber that cost \$248 per thousand.

### Twelve-Year-Old Boy Flies Solo



Twelve-year-old Joseph Sheehan, of Suffern, standing beside the Bird biplane after his remarkable ten-minute flight over Roosevelt Field. The plane was unlicensed and behaved very well under the skilful manipulation of the young flier, now in the sixth grade at school, who received his first instructions last August.

### The Week's Weather

Week ending Jan. 28th, 1931	
	Max. Min.
Thursday	5 -26
Friday	9 -12
Saturday	-6 -30
Sunday	-20 -8
Monday	31 9
Tuesday	30 -4
Wednesday	13 -13
Total Precipitation	.20"

### Northern Ontario Forecast

Fair and rather cold. Friday, mostly cloudy and milder; local snow flurries.

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