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Brakeman Killed At Thornloe In Switching Cars

Enquiry Into Death of Roger Croghan Brings Verdict of Accidental Death

Evidence given at an inquest held in the waiting room at the Thornloe station on Tuesday afternoon threw little light on the cause of a fatality in the T. & N. O. railway yards there at noon last Thursday, and of which Roger Croghan, 53 years of age, a brakeman living in North Bay, was the victim. Coroner Dr. G. R. Crann, of Elk Lake, presided, and the jury, after a short absence, returned a verdict of "accidental death", with no blame attached to anyone.

Croghan was a brakeman on a southbound freight train which had stopped at Thornloe to make a "drop" of a car in the town siding there. The evidence disclosed that the operation was not carried out successfully at the first attempt, inasmuch as the car, following closely behind the engine, could not be diverted to the siding at the switch, and continued on the main line, where there is a slight down grade. The brakeman was attempting to set the brakes on the car when he fell from near the top of the side ladder under two wheels of the front trucks.

He lived only four or five minutes, J. A. Johnston, engineer of the train, and in whose arms he died, said. According to Dr. R. P. Smith, Englehart, the victim's right leg was practically severed, his left leg was crushed to a jelly and his left arm was broken. Dr. Smith told Crown Attorney F. L. Smiley, K.C., he concluded Croghan had been stunned when he fell from the car, which ran over him. His pipe was in his right pants pocket and the stem was not broken, nor had his watch stopped, Dr. Smith said.

Arthur Croghan, a son of the deceased, produced his father's shoes, and pointed to marks on their soles as indicating his father had slipped, while red marks on them, he thought, suggested paint from the car. He did not know what might have caused his father to slip, he told Mr. Smiley. According to the son, Croghan had been railroading since about 1900, and had been braking for 14 or 15 years. He was in good health, witness said. The train was No. 94, with engine 142, and James Gillespie, who did not testify, was conductor.

After the accident, the car was (Continued on Page 4)

CITIZENS OF DISTRICT SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS AT QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY

The names of three citizens of this district appear in the latest list of successful students of Queen's University. Dominic Giachino, Cobalt and Roy Clement Sharp, New Liskeard, have graduated from that institution of learning, while John Kostuik, Cobalt, has won one of the Kenneth B. Carruthers scholarships in mining and metallurgy. Mr. Sharp has graduated with the degree of B.A., with honors in economics and philosophy, while Mr. Giachino has taken his Master of Science degree in mining and metallurgical engineering.

Mr. Sharp is a grandson of the late Professor John Sharp, himself once of Queen's, and Mr. Giachino is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Giachino of Cobalt, and is a former student of Haileybury High School. John Kostuik is the first student of the Cobalt High School to carry off one of these scholarships. He is a well known athlete, having been a member of former Cobalt Junior N.O.H.A. teams, a softball player in that town and a rugby player with Queen's first team. He is with the O'Brien interests for the summer and will return to the university in the fall. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Kostuik.

Prospecting Aeroplanes Arrive for Season's Work

Robert Cockeram and G. R. Burge of the Prospectors Airways Company, arrived in Haileybury by the air route from Toronto on Tuesday. Mr. Cockeram was accompanied in his own moth plane, the "Miss Ruth" by Mrs. Cockeram and they made the trip up in three and one-half hours without a stop. They had good weather all the way. In the other machine, the "Prospector," Mr. Burge had for passengers Ted. Atkinson and Chas. Forster. They arrived a few minutes after Mr. and Mrs. Cockeram had landed, but had made quicker flying time in the larger plane. Both machines will be used during the summer in the company's prospecting operations throughout the North. Mr. Burge went out again the same afternoon and Mr. Cockeram went yesterday morning.

The spring flood on Lake Temiskaming has passed its high point and a gradual lowering of the water is noticed. The drop is averaging about two inches every 24 hours.

Town Council Still Wrestling With Problem of Water Line

Long Discussion on Tuesday Night Ends in Deadlock Between Town and Contractors; Leakage of 100,000 Gallons Engineer Says; Special Meeting Tonight

The Haileybury town council is still wrestling with the problem of the new water line from Constance Lake, and at the regular meeting on Tuesday night a long discussion with the engineer who had charge of the work, Jas. B. Redfern, and a representative of the McNamara Construction Company, who put in the line, ended in an apparent deadlock, with the company holding that their part of the work had been done properly and the council of the opinion that the responsibility should rest on the company. Mr. Redfern had made an inspection of the line that day and told the council that tests made showed that there was a leakage from the line of at least 100,000 gallons daily, and perhaps a great deal more that could not be detected by the meter installed on the line near the lake. At 12.30 the meeting was adjourned, with all parties holding to their expressed beliefs, and another session has been called for 7.30 this evening.

C. V. Caswell, who represented the contractors in the discussion and who had superintended the work of laying the line claimed that there had been no defects found in the work. He could not account for the trouble encountered, unless there was some fault in the quality of the pipe. He had laid miles of the same make of pipe, he said, and had never experienced anything like the difficulty met with in the present instance. Mr. Redfern said that in four miles of water line laid at Kirkland Lake there was practically no leakage, and the work was done by the same company and under his supervision. In this the members of the council were skeptical and stated that they had been told by members of the Teek township council that the water line there was not giving satisfaction, and that they had refused to accept it.

It was stated that where the line runs up the hill to the lake, through rocky ground, there had been no covering but rocks and that in places it was laid only three or four feet in depth. Mr. Caswell did not deny this, but held that the line was to have been covered with earth, "heaped up until it formed a covering of the depth required by the terms of the contract." The contract was produced and various clauses read, among them one which provided for maintenance by the contractors of the line for twelve months from the date of acceptance of the finished job. This date was fixed as in November, 1932, when after a report from R. Y. Campbell that the line had held for some 10 days. Mr. Red-

fern had recommended payment of the contract price, less 10 per cent. holdback.

Asked point blank if his company was prepared to make the line good, Mr. Caswell said that they were perfectly willing to make good any defective workmanship "for one year or two years, regardless of the contract or any ties," but claimed that so far there had been nothing uncovered that showed they had failed to do the work properly. He was told that the line had never been properly tested when completed, that rocks weighing anywhere up to two tons had been found resting on the pipes and that in several places it had been found that the line was not down to the depth of six feet as required by the contract. He maintained that every inch of the line had been covered by hand with soil and that the pipe had been carefully laid, and was inclined to put the blame for the leakage on some defect in the pipe.

According to Mr. Redfern, the level of Constance Lake has risen some three and one-half feet since April 5th, in spite of the great leakage, and his statement was that the big problem is to overcome this defect. He is staying over for a few days to make a further inspection of the line and will be present for the meeting tonight, when Mr. Caswell will also be on hand.

Mr. Thompson of the Dearborn Chemical Company of Chicago, was also present at the meeting and discussed with the council the trouble which has been experienced at the hospital with corrosion of the brass pipes in their heating system, which it had been claimed was due to the spring water used for a period last winter. He stated that this was easily overcome, that the trouble arose through not looking after the system properly and that the hardest water found here was not at all bad from this standpoint. His company would make further analysis of both pipes and water, he said, and could readily furnish means for overcoming the corrosion.

The council also discussed the question of meters, some members claiming that these were causing trouble and that several had been lost through freezing.

The whole matter is still under consideration and investigation by the council, five members of which were not on that body when the project was commenced. The waterworks committee composed of Councillors Poppleton, Morrison and Graham, is taking the lead in the matter, but all members are taking an active interest.

DAYLIGHT SAVING IS PRESENTING PROBLEM TO MUNICIPALITIES

Daylight saving time continues to present a problem to the municipalities of the district, and four of the five town or township councils which met this week gave some time to the subject, with only one of them reaching a definite decision. Coleman township is on record as favoring the adoption of summer time for the three months commencing June 1st, if the other municipalities are prepared to follow suit.

New Liskeard and Cobalt both have by-laws before their respective councils, Haileybury did nothing definite, but is prepared to co-operate with the others, while Bucke has not considered the matter at all. At New Liskeard council meeting, first reading was given a by-law providing for daylight saving time from June 1st to August 31st, with the vote to be taken on May 22nd, while Cobalt is to discuss the question again on Monday next.

CEMETERY BOARD ASKS DONATIONS OF PLANTS BULBS AND SHRUBS

The Haileybury Cemetery Board would welcome donations of plants, bulbs or shrubs to be used in improving and beautifying Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The Board's resources for this work are limited and it is their belief that many citizens have a surplus of plants, etc., which they would be willing to give for this purpose. A telephone call or other message to the secretary of the Board, H. Clifford, or to the chairman, O. J. Thorpe, by anyone willing to assist in this way would be greatly appreciated.

MAY HEAD BOARD



D. C. Coleman, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, western lines, who was the choice of the University of Manitoba Board of Governors for chairman of the Board. He is acting as chairman pro tem.

Spring Problems Are Deal With By Town Council

Relief Question Still An Issue; Land Deal Pends; Lukewarm on Daylight Saving

The usual grist of spring problems, with the relief question still a live issue, featured the regular meeting of the Haileybury town council on Tuesday evening. The relief accounts totalled \$2,044 for the month of April and this did not include a bill from one local doctor for attending indigent patients, which was left over for further consideration before passing. There were still several families which had to be looked after, the head of one of which told the council that "his house was being torn down" and asked if he could be supplied with a tent or some shelter. It was stated that another family was living in a house which belonged to the town and was cutting up parts of the building and the fence for firewood. No action was taken, these matters being left for the public welfare committee, of which Councillor McArthur is the head.

An offer from the Misericordia Hospital to accept work by men and teams in payment of the town's accounts for indigent patients will be accepted. The rates are 20 cents per hour for a man and 40 cents for a man and team, and a number were to be put to work this morning. Some correspondence was read from the Ontario Relief Committee, stating that an arrangement for work on the highways for those on relief was being made and the council will investigate this plan.

The council gave a lukewarm reception to a petition for a measure of daylight saving, but agreed that if Cobalt and New Liskeard adopted the plan they would fall in line. The petition had been signed by a large majority of the business and professional people, but had not been circulated outside of the downtown section, J. T. Leishman, one (Continued on Page 4)

The Week's Weather

| Week ending Tues., May 9th | Max. | Min. |
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| Wednesday | 47 | 30 |
| Thursday | 54 | 27 |
| Friday | 52 | 27 |
| Saturday | 64 | 30 |
| Sunday | 49 | 32 |
| Monday | 46 | 22 |
| Tuesday | 57 | 28 |
| Precipitation | .05" | |
| Wind | 16 m.p.h. | |

Popularity Contest

FOUR FINE PRIZES

ONE VOTE FOR EVERY CENT OF PURCHASES

50c purchase means 50 votes

Boys: First Prize, Wagon; Second Prize, Baseball and Bat.
Girls: First Prize, Choice of Doll or Roller Skates; Second Prize, Second choice on above.

DOUBLE VOTES ON ALL PURCHASES OF PACKAGE CANDIES and RILEY'S ENGLISH TOFFEE

The prizes will be awarded to the boys and girls receiving the first and second largest number of votes.

Contest starts at once and closes on Saturday, June 17th.

Awards will be made at Noon on Monday, June 19th.

ASK YOUR FRIENDS TO VOTE FOR YOU

RULES:

1. All contestants must fill out nomination form. Nomination form counts for 200 votes and can be secured with first purchase.
2. Only official ballots must be used. None can be taken away from store.
3. No one shall solicit votes while in the store.
4. In case of a tie draw will be made.
5. Contest is open to boys and girls 14 years and under.

NECHTEL'S DRUG STORE
N AVENUE HAILEYBURY

AS THE PRESIDENT HEARD ITALY'S VIEWS



Surrounded by financial experts of Italy and the United States, President Roosevelt is shown in conference with Guido Jung (right), Italy's Finance Minister, during their discussions at the White House in preparation for the World Economic Conference. Pledging full support to President Roosevelt, Jung cited lower tariff barriers, stabilized international currency and political easement for Europe as necessary steps for economic recovery

Tea and Produce Table

Under the Auspices of St. Paul's Church Guild will be held on

Saturday, May 13th

from 3 to 6 p.m.

At the home of Mrs. Montgomery, Brewster St.

IN NEW QUARTERS

James H. Murray announces the removal of his **General Insurance Office** to larger quarters in the Bank of Nova Scotia Building.

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