

Cross-Canada Happenings As Told By Wire

News From Halifax to Vancouver Boiled Down and tersely Told

George Sutherland of Ingersoll, Ont., was re-elected president of the Canadian Ticket Agents' Association at the annual convention at Winnipeg.

The News-Argus, of Stirling, Ont., has been sold by Allan Donnell, a former Ottawa man, to A. E. Doherty, of Petrolia, who takes possession on the first of November.

The sum of \$100,000 has been donated to Laval University by Hon. George Elie Amyot, M.L.C., director of La Banque Canadienne Nationale, for the endowment of a chair of chemistry in the University. The chair will bear the name of its donor.

Miss Josephine Leclair, a nurse at the Home of the Good Shepherd, Winnipeg, who placed Donald Simpson, two and a half years old, in a scalding bath, inflicting severe burns, was exonerated by a coroner's jury. The baby, the verdict declared, had been in indifferent health, and died from the shock.

John Stanton, Alex. Shupeniuk, and George Labodiuk, who effected their escape from the provincial jail at Winnipeg, on October 6, were committed to trial on charges of jail-breaking. All three pleaded "not guilty," when arraigned last Monday on a charge of escaping from legal custody. Stanton and Shupeniuk, both of whom are facing murder charges, elected trial by a jury, and Labodiuk, a summary hearing.

The Lunenburg, N.S., grand banks fishing fleet, of 70 vessels, has completed its season's work with a catch of 245,373 quintals (27,822,000 lbs.), an average catch of 3,505 quintals per vessel, the largest catch per vessel on record, according to figures just made public. The schooner W. E. Knock, was high liner with a total of 5,000 quintals. The Mary Pauline came second with 4,900 quintals. The schooner Bluenose, holder of the international schooner racing championship, had a catch of 4,200 quintals.

Major-General Sir Willoughby G. Gwatkin, formerly of the Canadian Militia, who died in London, England, early this year, left an estate of nearly \$100,000 to his brother, Rev. Canon Walter Henry Trelawny Ashton-Gwatkins, of Canterbury, England, according to the will filed for probate at Ottawa recently.

His Honor Narcisse Perodeau, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, who has been ill at his home in the Drummond Apartments, Montreal, since Wednesday, according to his physician, Friday was showing improvement.

The body of Christopher Layman, aged 58, who disappeared from his home at Renfrew Wednesday, was found in the Bonnechere River. A rope was tied about the waist attached to which was a limb of a tree. Coroner J. J. McCana returned a verdict of suicide.

An application for the appointment of a commissioner to investigate an alleged bread combine in the city of Montreal is now before the Department of Labor, it was stated Friday. Preliminary inquiries are being made as provided by the Combine Act, before further action is taken.

The wrecking tug Lord Stratheona, has left Quebec to go to the assistance of the freighter Ellerdale, which touched bottom recently while passing through the Strait of Belle Isle. She is at present at St. Anthony, Newfoundland, where the Lord Stratheona will meet her, and it is believed, tow her to Quebec for repairs.

Clifford G. Murphy, former accountant at the Nova Scotia Government Sanatorium at Kentville, N.S., has been committed for trial on a charge of theft arising out of alleged shortages discovered in his department by the auditors at present engaged by the Provincial Government. He was released on bail fixed at \$6,000.

Though the Quebec Liquor Commission report for the year 1924-25 has not yet been given out publicly, Premier Taschereau said the figures would show another move of the population of the Province towards wines in preference to hard liquor. As far as can be ascertained, the report of the Commission will show

sales amounted to slightly over \$21,000,000 with profits of over \$4,000,000.

A terrific explosion which partially demolished the home of William Hopkins in the little village of Newcastle, Alta., is being investigated by the authorities on the theory that the destruction was wrought by vandals. The detonation broke many windows in neighboring houses. William Hopkins with his brother, Thomas, were asleep in the house at the time but were not injured.

A terrific gale in Cordova, Alaska, wrecked the school building six feet, wrecked the baseball stand and blew down scaffolding on a new high school building. Falling trees tore down electric and telegraph poles.

The Canadian fisheries patrol cruiser, Armeliers, which went on the rocks off the west coast of Vancouver Island some months ago, was raised Saturday. The vessel, it is stated, is but slightly damaged. It

will be taken to Esquimalt for survey and repairs.

The date of the next session of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec is expected to be set at a meeting of the Cabinet to be held on November 4. Two dates are already mentioned, December 16 and January 11.

The Privy Council has now set the hearing of the Canada-Quebec and Newfoundland Labrador case, involving the boundary of Canada and Labrador, for the end of March, 1926, and the interested parties have been notified accordingly.

The seismograph at Dalhousie University registered a slight earth tremor at 7.05 o'clock Monday morning. The disturbance lasted four minutes and was, according to the estimate of Dr. J. L. Johnstone, of the Physics Department, probably within 500 miles of Halifax.

Commissioner Thomas Vien, of the Board of Railway Commissioners, has been appointed Deputy Chief Commissioner of the Board. This was the position held by Hon. W. B. Nantel, whose term expired about a year ago. Judge H. A. McKeown is Chief Commissioner and Dr. S. J. McLean Assistant Chief Commissioner of the Board.

Carlton County Council, at its meeting Saturday, left in abeyance

consideration and decision of the report of Judge Colin O'Brien presented on Friday in connection with the judicial investigation into amounts spent on county road work in the township of Osgoode. The report will be considered at the next regular meeting of the Council in December.

At a price not yet been divulged, but expected to be slightly over \$1,000,000, the Aluminum Company of America is understood to have purchased the Roberval Saguenay Railway, formerly operated by the Chicoutimi Pulp, now the Quebec Pulp and Paper mills. This railway runs from Ha Ha Junction to Port Alfred, with a branch line to Chicoutimi.

Hon. Narcisse Perodeau, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, will sail from Quebec on October 30 on a six weeks' trip abroad. He will visit London, Paris and Cannes, and at the latter place, will meet his grand-daughter, Miss Yvette McKenna, who is studying there. It is expected that Chief Justice Sir Francis Lemieux will, during the present week, be appointed Administrator of the Province of Quebec during the absence of Hon. Mr. Perodeau.

Working under instruction of engineers of the firm of Foley and

Company, which has obtained the contract for the construction of the new Rouyn Mines railway, which is to bring the north-western gold fields of Quebec in direct contact with the transcontinental at O'Brien, several hundred men have started to clear the timber so as to allow construction to be started without delay. It is expected that the actual laying of the rails will be started within a week, most likely concurrently from O'Brien going south, and from the township of Rouyn going north.

YES; WE HAVE 'EM

Blessings on thee, little dame, Bare-back girl, knees the same, With thy turned-down silken hose, And thy short, transparent clothes, With thy bobbed hair's jaunty grace And the make-up on thy face; With thy red lips reddened more Smeared with lipstick from the store From my heart, I give thee joy— Glad that I was born a boy!

One on the Cockney.

An Irishman, who was working with a farmer in England, was proceeding towards his employer's residence to get his mid-day meal when he was met by a cockney who had been on holidays at the farm, and

who thought he would take a rise out of the representative of Erin. "Tell me, Paddy, did you meet a wagon along the way laden with monkeys?" "No," answered Pat. "Indeed, I didn't; did you fall off?"

Moderns could afford many things the ancients couldn't, but a large family isn't one of them.

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MAKING OUR RAILWAYS PAY

The sure way—the only way—that our perplexing railway problem can ever be solved.

Temporarily our Canadian National Railway system is in a hole. To deny the fact would be rank untruthfulness, to belittle its importance would be sheer folly.

But this huge public ownership enterprise CAN and MUST be pulled out of the hole, and it's up to the men and women voters of Canada to do it!

A Loaf Big Enough for Two

If our foresight had been as good as our hindsight, we would never have built the excessive railway plant we have today. But what is done cannot be undone. There is no use crying over spilt milk. The problem now is to chart for ourselves the course that will most quickly and most surely place the Canadian National Railways on a paying basis.

Thus far the main effort of its management has been to get more business—freight and passenger—for the C.N.R. by taking it away from the C.P.R. By that method, the cost of securing business is greatly increased for both systems, with no real advantage to either. They are merely fighting over the division of a loaf, which isn't large enough to provide sustenance for both.

The only way our railway problem will ever be solved is for the voters of Canada to see to it that our railways are given a bigger loaf to divide—a loaf of freight and passenger traffic that will be large enough for both systems to thrive on.

We Have the Acorn, We Must Grow the Oak

How to increase freight traffic—that is the kernel of our problem! The average Canadian freight train earns \$5.00 per mile travelled; the average passenger train earns only \$2.00. So it's upon the freight end of the business that we must concentrate.

Of course, some kinds of freight are more profitable than others. There is very little margin of profit in carrying grain, first because the rates applicable to it are lower

per ton per mile than the rates on any other commodity, and second because the grain movement is a peakload traffic, calling for an enormous investment in cars that are idle the greater part of the year.

But there is a substantial margin of profit in hauling general merchandise. What can we do to ensure our railways getting more of it?

Higher Tariff the Cure

Increase our population—start a big immigration movement—and the rest will follow as a matter of course! Easier said than done? Not at all! All we have to do to start the tide of immigration flowing through our ports is to hold out to the prospective immigrant the assurance of a steady job at good wages, or the chance to engage profitably in farming or some other form of production or service.

A higher tariff, that will be a real Protective Tariff, will give him a guarantee covering every point. And nothing else under Providence will!

A Lower Tariff is Poison

A Tariff policy that allows the Canadian market to be supplied more and more by outside workers, automatically operates to reduce the freight traffic available for our railways. When for instance, due to insufficient tariff protection, the Libbey-Owens glass factory in Hamilton was forced to surrender the Canadian field to its sister plant in Belgium, Canadian railways lost the hauling of 2,000 carloads of raw material per year!

If Canadian cotton and woollen mills only had the making of the textiles that

we import every year, our railways would have the hauling of another 50,000 carloads per year of raw material freight.

Picture to yourself the scores of other things that under a low tariff policy we import, when under a higher tariff policy we would be making them in our own workshops, and you can hardly fail to realize that the sane—the sure—solution of our railway problem is all ready-made for us, and awaits only our order via the polls to put it into operation. The necessary traffic is there. All we have to do is reach out and get it!

Increasing Imports Mean Bigger Railway Deficits

Every time that low duties take away a portion of the domestic market from a Canadian industry and give it to a foreign industry, our railways suffer in four ways.

1. They lose the hauling of the raw material that such industry would have used.
2. On the finished product, instead of the full local rate, they get only their proportion of the through import rate—a much lower net.
3. When it results in the Western Canadian market being supplied from a U.S. factory, they lose the long East and West haul, and get only the short haul from the international boundary.
4. They lose the hauling of all the merchandise that would have been consumed by the workers who, due to the resultant unemployment, emigrate to the United States.

Lower duties throw people out of work. They just as surely throw railways out of work. We can never save our railways by giving them less work. We must use our brains and our courage to secure them more work—better paid work! Higher tariffs will do it.

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GREATER SERMON EVER PREACHED FROM THE SCREEN

The Ten Commandments, Appearing in The Veterans' Star Theatre October 23, 29 and 31, Endorsed by Leading Churches and Clergymen Everywhere Shown.

Clergymen of all denominations are urging their congregations to see "The Ten Commandments."

The Reverend Dr. Chester C. Marshall wrote of it in "The Educational Screen" as follows:

"When it was reported many months ago that a commercial company was filming 'The Ten Commandments,' many of us felt that this was apt to be something of a travesty on one of the sublimest and most epochal events of history."

"When the picture was first produced in a New York theatre at top-notch prices, I attended with a group of clergymen as guests of the management, expecting to see a great spectacle, and also prepared to see violence done to the real spirit of the Decalogue and of the method by which the law was given to man. Frankly, I may say, we were a critical group."

"Two hours and a half later, we emerged from the theatre on to the Great White Way to be suddenly jarred back into the world of realities. The evening rush hour was on, the floods of humanity were surging by in two mighty currents, and there at the entrance, stood a woman selling copies of 'The Atheist.'"

"No, let us rather say we came from the world of realities as spread before us on the screen, out into a world of unrealities. God has rarely been more real to us than he was for the space of one afternoon."

"If one message above another is needed by our pleasure-loving, law-breaking age, this picture brings just that message."

"Thanks to a motion picture company, a director, a scenario writer, actors and all others who are bringing this message to millions of people. Every American owes it to himself to see the world's greatest and best motion picture."

"There is one question we can not avoid asking. Why, when such sublime and holy things can be presented in such an entertaining and fascinating manner, must we have such filth, slosh, trash and stupidity unfolded before our eyes as we have in the average film?"

Further comments on Cecil B. De Mille's greatest screen production include statements from the following churches:

Baptist.—"The Ten Commandments as presented in the picture, is the leader of all the photos on the screen today; and I regard it indispensable to the propagation of Christian ethics and moral courage. All of the young men should see its production at this particular time when four of our youths have recently been sentenced to the death chair."—The Rev. C. D. Patterson, Cosmopolitan Baptist church.

Anglican.—"Truly marvellous and should be productive of great good!"—The Rev. Nathan A. Sangle, of St. Stephen's church.

Methodist.—"The picture 'The Ten Commandments' is absolutely beyond criticism. It carries one of the most splendid messages I have ever seen put in a picture. It will do limitless good. It has combined in a marvellous way the declarations of the Old Testament with modern life, so that people must be convinced that they will reap what they sow. I have never seen anything so impressive as the way 'The Ten Commandments' appear on the screen."—The Rev. Christian F. Reiser, Chelsea M. E. church.

Presbyterian.—"I wish that every member of my church and Sunday school could see 'The Ten Commandments.' You are preaching a most wonderful sermon in their presentation."—The Rev. Edward L. Goodwin, Cumberland Street Church Brooklyn.

Not Likely
Two pearl necklaces valued at \$700,000 and other jewelry stolen from Mrs. James P. Donohue daughter of the late Frank W. Woolworth, who, with her two sisters, inherited his \$50,000,000 estate while she was in her suite in the Plaza hotel. It is unlikely that the goods were bought in the Woolworth stores.—Buffalo Express.

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