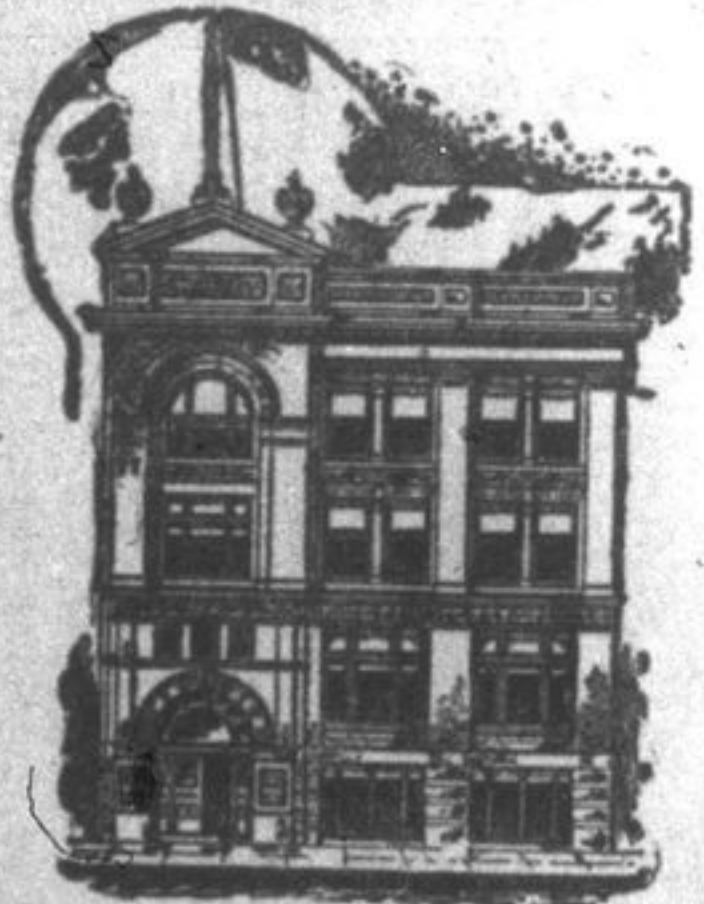


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Chicago has a woman mayoral candidate in the person of Mrs. L. Z. Meder. Her male opponents are likely to insist that she should spell it Meddler.

It is suggested that the British policy is to remain calm and allow the Sinn Feiners to talk themselves out of existence. Maybe this is what will happen!

The sun is climbing northward again and daily is gaining in power in this climate. It is breaking the chains of winter, even if they were very light this year.

Thorold has raised the transient trader's fee from \$50 to \$500 a year. Based on a population, this tax is very light when compared with the \$200 a year imposed in Kingston.

Get the jails ready, and see that they are roomy and plentiful. We'll all be conscientious objectors when the reformers have secured the adoption of the proposed anti-tobacco law.

The employer who to-day neglects doing everything possible to give employment to the returned men is not doing his duty by himself, his country or the man who fought to keep it free.

The Toledo Blade is of opinion that had the Allies lost the war by Nov. 11th, Germany with one foot on the world's Adam's apple would now be negotiating peace like a footpad. True as gospel!

The poultry shows give very useful suggestions on how to save money, affirms the Oswego, N.Y. Times. But to draw the crowds it takes the automobile shows which demonstrate how to spend it.

A New York judge ruled that wives may pick their husbands' pockets as they have been doing since men wore pants. That night the judge's wife took all his change, and when he objected showed him the paper in which his decision was published. Justice, blind as usual.

The Hearst government is being roundly criticized in North Ontario, where a bye-election campaign is in progress. The extravagance of the administration and the inactivity of the attorney-general's department, in particular, come in for much censure. The outfit at Toronto is doomed.

According to the Montreal Herald, if all those who enjoyed and benefited through daylight saving would lift up their voices there would be a great paean of praise of daylight saving from one end of the dominion to the other, with a few isolated silent spots here and there.

The trades and labor men ask that New Year's Day be fixed for the municipal elections in Kingston, as is the case in Toronto and other places. They desire to take part in the elections, but many who do so lose a day's pay. No doubt the citizens generally would prefer the polling to be fixed for the first day of the year.

Two weeks after the armistice was signed the dominion govern-

ment began the work of repatriation, and the first organizations to be called into consultation were representatives of labor, the Canadian Manufacturers' Association and the joint committee of technical organizations. This is a pretty strong defence against the statement that the government had been very dilatory in taking up the work.

It is a matter of great gratification that the suggested sympathetic strike in Kingston seems to have been passed. It was a happy thought to have the facts thoroughly investigated and the result has justified the work of the committee to whom Mayor Newman referred it. We are sure the workmen are as pleased over the outcome as are the great mass of citizens. Labor difficulties can generally be adjusted by calmness and clear thinking.

A YOUTHFUL PRESIDENT. Forty-one years ago E. W. Beatty, now president of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, the greatest transportation system in the world, was born in the town of Thorold, then a small village, on the banks of the Welland canal. A few days since he visited the scene of his boyhood, and was tendered a hearty reception by the leading men of the town and surrounding district. Yet he found time to call upon all his old-time playmates and to renew acquaintance with the friends of his early days. Few men of his years have attained such responsibility. It was not by chance that he won the distinction and place that are his to-day. What has been the secret of his success? What forces spurred him onward and upward? He has given one more personal proof of the poet's faith that "The heights by great men reached and kept

Were not attained by sudden flight, But they, while their companions slept, Were toiling upward in the night."

There you have the secret of Beatty's success, as of every other man's success—work, and still more work. Or, as another writer has aptly phrased it, genius is only another name for hard work. That it was hard work, imposed at first by stern necessity, is acknowledged by the president himself. In a recent address, delivered to the boys of the evening educational classes at the Montreal Y.M.C.A., he told of his early school experience. At first he did not believe in work, and so at the end of a year took home the worst report ever written about any boy. He was sent to another school, where the tutor encouraged the boys when he was not abusing them. To quote the president's own words:

"This man told me I might amount to something, which was news to me—I had never heard it before; in any event he gave me an inspiration to study, so I worked, and the more I worked the more I realized how valuable it was, which fact I continued to appreciate as I grew older.

"I never saw a boy or a man who got anywhere if he did not work. There are three or four simple things that tend to a man's success. The first is good health. It is impossible for a boy or man to work against that handicap. The next thing is honesty. No man in this, or any other country, who was not honest, attained success. The third essential is education; without education it is impossible to climb to any important position. The fourth essential is work. Nothing was ever accomplished without work, and if any man tells you differently, it is not the truth."

These are words that the boy or young man of to-day might well ponder over, for they contain great and everlasting truths. And truth alone can make a man free. Mr. Beatty has also defined for us the attributes of a man. He says: "The things we admire most in other men are the qualities we should develop in ourselves. The first is honesty, the second courage, and the third, modesty. Without courage one cannot go very far in this world. If a man is content to step aside for others, he is bound to lose. Without modesty no one can secure the respect of his fellow-beings. Every man's hand is against the man who shows he believes himself better than others. Modesty is a quality I suppose I should apologize for mentioning, for it has become very unpopular and is now almost obsolete; nevertheless, it is one of the finest qualities a boy or man could have."

Those who have the pleasure of a close acquaintance with the new president of the C.P.R. declare that he combines in his own person all the fine qualities he has enumerated for the guidance of boys. It is easy, therefore, to understand how, at the early age of forty-one, he became the head and directing genius of a corporation which the London Financier once declared to be "one of the wonders of the world."

GOOD ROADS FOR EASTERN ONTARIO.

The Convention of the Eastern Ontario Good Roads Association, held in Ottawa, on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, was the biggest event in the interest of good roads ever held in Canada. The association, formed in July, 1918, has in a short space of time built up a splendid organization, under the leadership of William Findlay, a former Ottawa newspaper man, with good roads as his hobby and aim in life. The Whig sent a special representative to Ottawa to attend the convention, which action met with much favorable comment from the leaders in that movement, William Findlay, A. M. Rankin, M.P.P. for Frontenac; A. E. Donovan, M.P.P. for Brockville; and C. D. Casselman, M.P. for Dundas, all remarked on the enterprise and progressiveness of the Whig in doing so, at the same time expressing their gratitude for the part the Whig has taken in educating the people of Eastern Ontario to the necessity of an extended system of better highways.

The most important event of the convention was the speech of Hon. Dr. J. D. Reid, Minister of Railways and Canals. In speaking of the policy of the government regarding the building of highways, he made the important statement that the federal government were shortly to introduce a bill providing a large sum of money for the building of roads. This money, which will run into many millions (no mention was made as to the sum involved), is to be spread over a period of five years, and is to be sufficient for all possible needs for that period. It is to be spent directly by the provincial governments, under the supervision of the dominion department of railways and canals. While many people would have liked to see the formation of a new dominion department of highways, this pronouncement is highly satisfactory, and will have a great bearing upon the future development of Canada.

At the convention, where every man was a good roads enthusiast, there was little said regarding the necessity for good roads. Every delegate was perfectly convinced that there must be a vigorous programme of road building, and the chief subjects of discussion were the routes of the various roads which are being planned for Eastern Ontario. Six main roads were under discussion, two of these being provincial highways, and four of them provincial county roads. All of these roads have already been designated or are being planned at present, and on some of the worst report ever written about any boy. He was sent to another school, where the tutor encouraged the boys when he was not abusing them. To quote the president's own words:

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county provincial road starts from Pembroke, runs through Renfrew and Arnprior to Ottawa. The interest in this road to Kingstonians lies in the fact that the road proposed by A. M. Rankin, running north from Kingston through Sharbot Lake and Godfrey, connects with it at Renfrew, after passing through the centre of Frontenac County. When all these roads are completed, Eastern Ontario will have a complete system of good roads supplying every county, and giving the district a transportation system second to none.

When it is considered that some twelve to fifteen years ago there was decided opposition to the expenditure of large sums of money on roads, the results of the convention are most significant. This change in affairs has been accomplished entirely by educating the rural population of the province to the needs and the benefits of good roads. At the convention a resolution was passed expressing great appreciation of the splendid educational work done by the newspapers in this connection. The whole credit for publicity of good roads propaganda was given to the press, to which it rightly belongs. Without the help of the daily and weekly newspapers of Eastern Ontario the Good Roads Association would have been powerless to secure the results announced at their convention. Thus once again, the power of the press as a means of securing progressive action in the dominion of Canada is brought to the fore. Without undue boasting, it can be said that the Whig has taken a leading part in the educational programme in connection with good roads, and its action in sending a representative to attend the convention at Ottawa was simply a part of the progressive programme which it has always followed. The Whig was the only newspaper outside of Ottawa which had a representative at the reportorial table, and that fact did not escape the notice of the distinguished guests and speakers present. In the future, as in the past, the Whig will endeavor to keep up to this standard of giving the heartiest support to all movements for the betterment of the community which it serves.

The detailed report of the convention will be published in a series of articles commencing on Monday and should be followed with great interest by all progressive citizens of the district.

Too Much To Expect. (Guelph Mercury) January was almost like April, but don't expect February to imitate April.

Just A Little Slump. (Guelph Herald) Ottawa is convinced there will be no sensational slump in prices. We could forgive that if an ordinary every-day slump can only be depended upon.

Tell Us, Henry. (Brockville Recorder-Times) Henry Ford is inspiring a newspaper and it says that its purpose is to enlighten the people on the big things of the day. All right. Just how can the ordinary business be made to declare as big dividends as the Ford industries are paying?

Partisanship. (Woodstock Sentinel-Review) The chief enemy of partisanship is the party spirit, which is constantly tending to bring partisanship into disrepute by according to the party the devotion that belongs to the state, and by treating party success as an end in itself, instead of a means to an end.

A Cure For Bolshevism. (Toronto Star) One of the best cures for Bolshevism is a keener interest in free institutions, in elections, in Parliament, in politics and in the science of government. It is in the interests of order that political institutions should be as free and representative as possible, and should be used to promote the interests of the people. The masses should regard these institutions as their own, not as something imposed upon them, and run by a governing class. They should feel confident that if they have grievances they can be redressed by political action.

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A Sorry Farce. Toronto Globe. Many deserters and shirkers under the Military Service Act are let off by Quebec courts with a fine of five dollars. In face of this sorry farce it seems a shocking thing that "conscientious objectors" should be in Kingston serving in some cases ten-year sentences. When a man compliments a woman she always admires his frankness.

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HAPPY AS A KING

"I am as happy as a king," I used to blithely say, when I was led to dance and sing, I felt so daddled gay. But when I look around and see the kings as they are now, I thus express my heartfelt glee: "I'm happy as a cow!" A lot of kings are at the dump, among their broken dreams, and there the briny tears they pump, in never ending streams. And those who still hold down their thrones are sorrow stricken wights; they fill the daylight hours with groans, and walk the floor at nights. They have no wish to laugh or play, these most forlorn of men; and when I'm feeling good I say, "I'm happy as a hen!" If I had forty kinds of gout, and knew dyspepsia's sting, I might rear up a bit, and shout, "I'm happy as a king!" If gifted surgeons, wearing bells, should amputate my wing, I might exclaim, between my yelps, "I'm happy as a king!" And if the headman chose my neck on which his ax to swing, perhaps I would remark, "By Heck, I'm happy as a king!" The world is bright and good and big, it's all that I could wish; I am as happy as a pig, as happy as a fish.

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