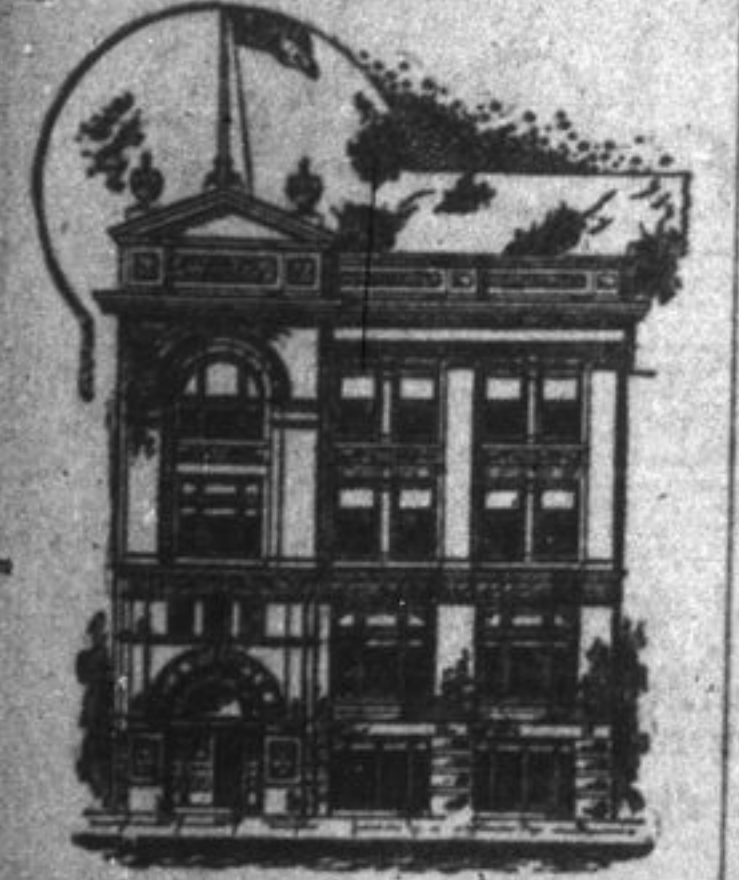


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THE C.N.R. PROPOSALS.

The proposals of the Canadian National Railways, as presented to the Council of the Board of Trade on Friday morning should receive the careful consideration of every citizen. They involve changes that are vital to this city, changes that will be permanent for many years once they are made.

The proposals embrace two things. The taking off of the suburban train service from the inner to the outer station, and the accommodation at the main line station at the extreme northerly end of the city. We know that the citizens of Kingston have every sympathy with the Canadian National Railways in its efforts to cut down expenses and eliminate non-paying services. We realize, too, that with the gradual increase in automobiles in the city, the need for the suburban train has diminished. At the same time it is a great convenience to many people, particularly where heavy baggage is concerned. If, as Mr. Fairbairn stated, the suburban train is costing the Canadian National Railways \$28,000 a year, we believe the citizens of Kingston would be willing to allow the company to cancel it. But if they do, they are certainly entitled to very generous treatment from the railway.

This brings us to the question of the proposed changes at the main line station. The alterations proposed by the railway company were by no means satisfactory to the Board of Trade Council, nor do we think they will meet with approval from citizens generally. What Kingston wants and what it deserves is a fine new station "in keeping" as Mayor Angrove very properly stated, "with the dignity of this historic city."

Kingston should not be asked to accept, in lieu of giving up the suburban train privileges, anything less than a modern, new station. Citizens know that the present station building and the general surroundings at the station are far from being an advertisement for this city. They realize, too, that if they accept remodelled old buildings now, they will get nothing better for a quarter of a century. For this reason, we are inclined to think, many of them will agree with Mr. J. M. Campbell, the Chairman of the Railway Committee of the Board of Trade, that if circumstances will not permit a new station at present, it might be better to leave the whole matter in abeyance for a few years until conditions improve.

TO AVERT THE MENACE.

At the recent gathering of Eastern Ontario men in Belleville a discussion took place about the small order business and its disturbing influence in destroying local merchandising. Suggestions for legislation to stop the business was suggested. In our opinion the menace is one for local attention and attack. The storemen in all places have something the outside dealers cannot give and that is real service. This feature should be emphasized for fifty-two weeks every year. Educate the people to buy locally; the merchants have the right goods at the right prices.

The good roads and quick transportation should be drilled into the minds of the people in the constituency that each storekeeper serves. Advertise prices, talk quality to the customers, present the goods attractively, and show the customers

BIBLE THOUGHT
NOW FAITH IS THE
SUBSTANCE OF THINGS
HOPE FOR, the evidence of things
not seen.—Heb. 11:16.

how handily they can be served and how honorably dealt with. Preach the gospel of your own town or village; drive out the idea that the big cities with their big programmes are the best; let it be known that the service in the town they live in and are accustomed to do business in is good, and the home town is the place where they should deal. The money spent locally stays to help to make happy and prosperous the ruralists and the urbanites and increases the market for farm produce, for industrial expansion and for the general weal of the community. If the spirit of community co-operation can be made appealing to everybody then the sellers will be enabled to provide for the requirements of the buyers. If the dwellers in every community lived for each other and locally supported each other the mail order menace would fall. Buy at home and again buy at home should be the motto of all the people.

THE WORLD IN 2026—SPECULATIONS.

What is the world coming to? What will it be like 100 years from now? Will the time ever come when the world cannot produce enough food for its population? These and many other related questions are engaging the attention of the world's greatest scientists and students of population research. David Dietz, science writer for NEA Service, has obtained the views of the world's leading authorities on these problems.

Here is the picture they draw of what the world of our great-grandchildren, the world of 2026, will be like if the dreams of science fail to materialize—that is, if the world in 2026 must depend upon present-day methods of farming, mining, and manufacturing for its food, fuel and power.

In that case, the year 2026 will see the "Standing Room Only" sign become the flag of all nations. In 1900, the population of the world was less than 1,500 millions. In 1926, it was a little more than 1,700 millions. In 2026, it will be close to 5,200 millions.

That figure represents the maximum population which this earth of ours can support with present methods of agriculture and power production. Every available piece of land which can be cultivated will be under cultivation. Reindeer herds will be raised in the Arctic. Civilization will have pushed as far into the tropics as the hazards of tropical diseases and the discomforts of the climate permit.

Immigration will be prohibited by every nation of the world, since every nation will have the largest population which it can support. Living will be far harder than it is today. Competition will be keener, prices higher and luxuries fewer. Poor crops will mean more than high prices. They will mean actual starvation.

The whole world will resemble the China and India of today, where famines follow crop failures. For in 2026 no nation will have a crop surplus. International trade will consist merely of an exchange of country, for example, exporting sugar and importing wheat.

With living so precarious a matter, social unrest and international distrust will increase, making the possibilities of civil disturbances and war infinitely greater than at present.

The world's population will not grow any larger than 5,200 millions because any increase beyond that number will constitute an excess for which sufficient food and fuel cannot be provided.

As a result, the cruel operation of nature through famine, disease or war will mow down this excess of population in a short time.

That is one picture of the sort of world our great-grandchildren may have to face in 2026. It is based upon the failure of science.

But now let us picture the sort of world they may face if science is successful. The picture is a far different one. If science is successful, the population of the world may be 10,000 millions by 2026 and yet the world will not be crowded.

Mankind is tied to the earth today. He must wait for his food to grow from seeds planted in the earth. He must dig his fuel out of the earth. The figure of 5,200 millions is the maximum which can be supported from the earth. But science hopes to free mankind from the earth.

DAILY LESSONS IN ENGLISH

BY W. L. GORDON
WORDS OFTEN MISUSED: Don't speak of a "lovely gown," "lovely book," "lovely supper." It is a much abused adjective.
OFTEN MISPRONOUNCED: Arkansas. Pronounce Ar-kan-saw and accent first syllable.
OFTEN MISSPELLED: defendant; ant.
SYNONYMS: Intelligence, cleverness, brilliancy, sagacity, sense, alertness.
WORD STUDY: "Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. To-day's word: SUPPLICATE: to seek humbly and earnestly; beg; implore. "The prisoner gave one timid, supplicating glance."

A SUNDAY THOUGHT.

Life's Lesson.
I learn as the years roll onward
And I leave the past behind.
That much I had counted sorrow
But proves that God is kind;
That many a flower that I longed for
Had hidden a thorn of pain.
And many a rugged by-path
Led to fields of ripened grain.
The sweetest rest is at even
After a wearisome day.
When the heavy burden of labor
Has been borne from our hearts away.
And those who have never known sorrow
Cannot know the infinite peace
That falls on the troubled spirit
When it sees at last release.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Now childhood returns to the wild stage until the first week in September.

Those gay, fancy colors on the straws are to give the impression that it is a warm season.

Alberta is crowded with spellbinders just now. A month hence it will be real binders that will operate.

Dr. Coyne, St. Thomas, rightly says Canada's history is the most thrilling and romantic in the world. And it is just starting.

There are in Canada over 1,000,000 people who, on one pretext or another, draw their livelihood from the government, or more correctly from the taxpayers.

The Canadian Wheat Pool was described as the finest example of co-operative marketing in the world by Aaron Sapro, United States co-operative marketing expert.

The Peterboro' Examiner expects to soon hear that there will be no provincial bye-elections as the weather is too hot. The heat in the dis-franchised riding is rising.

With high school boys and college lads dashing about in \$35 second-hand fivevins these days, the Windsor Star says a real man with a big \$100 limousine is hardly safe on the highways.

It is said that American women alone spend six hundred million dollars a year on "toilet preparations." If that was a drink bill the churches and women's organizations would call loudly for the scandal to stop.

Watertown, N.Y., has a comparatively small proportion of apartment dwellers. Most of its residents live in single houses and the number of single houses continues to increase. It is a good state of affairs, especially when the occupant is owner as well.

Not that it follows, but announced under date of Sept. 26th, 1925, in the University of Michigan's president's report is "From Mr. Henry Ford, a Ford touring car for the Department of Anthropology;" and last week the U. of M. gave Mr. Ford an honorary degree.

The old mother-in-law joke has at last been recognized by the United States Government. The Department of the Interior has sent a bulletin to all the Indians of the country advising them when marrying to establish their homes away from the influence of any and all relatives.

QUEER QUIRKS OF NATURE

Some Squirrels Live Without Drinking.

By Arthur N. Pack.
The question has been raised as to whether squirrels include drinking in their category of activities. Vernon Bailey, who has studied their habits for many years says: "There are ground squirrels in arid regions which may live their whole lives without drinking water or ever knowing what it looks like, but their food is entirely different from that of our eastern tree squirrels and this supplies all the water they need."

Tree squirrels all require water and drink at frequent intervals, at least every day, and in warm weather several times a day. Without water they soon suffer from thirst and will unmistakably beg for it if their water dish becomes empty. In dry weather they are often

Eastern Ontario Chamber of Commerce

(Lindsay Post)
The meeting of representatives from Eastern Ontario municipalities at Belleville on Wednesday, which culminated in the formation of a Chamber of Commerce for this section of the province was a most important gathering. That the new organization will prove a valuable asset to this end of the province goes without saying. The results accomplished by a similar organization in Western Ontario for the municipalities represented therein have been most valuable, and the wonder is that the formation of such an organization in the east has been so long deferred.

News and Views.

Loss All Around.
London Express: A strike is like a war. It settles nothing and it bankrupts winners and losers alike.

Neglect Is Inexcusable.
Toronto Globe: Speaking of Premier Ferguson's failure to give representation to the seven vacant Ontario ridings, The Hamilton Herald, which gives support to the Conservative party, says: "The neglect is inexcusable, and indicates that the Premier is not so certain of the popularity of his Government as to welcome the test of by-elections."

Opportunity.
Walkerton Telescope: With the commencement season of school, college and university at its height, thousands of boys and girls throughout the country are confronted with

that solemn problem of choosing a life career. Happily many of them have solved it or think they have. Perhaps the majority are in this fortunate group, but many others are pondering deeply the vital question.

Farewell to the Flag.
Victoria Times: In any case Mr. Meighen's war-time election policy has deprived the Conservative party of two of its most popular devices. One is the waving of the flag, and the other is the singing of the National Anthem and "Rule Britannia" for vote-catching purposes. Obviously Mr. Meighen and his party can not do these things while advocating a general election in the face of a grave menace to the Empire like that of 1914. Yet a political campaign without them from the Tory platform will be devoid of one of its most interesting features. It will be like a performance of Hamlet with the melancholy Dane out of the cast.

He Knew.
A man met a friend who was to be married the following day. "Let me congratulate you, old man," he said. "Permit me to say that I feel sure you will always look back on this day as the happiest in your life."

"Thank you, old chap," said his friend, "but it's tomorrow that I'm to be married."
"Yes," answered the other. "I knew that."

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