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THE GREAT LAKES-TO-OCEAN PROJECT.

On June 27th this paper called attention to the fact that the St. Lawrence river waterway project, the advancement of which will so largely influence work upon and demand for the completion of the Lakes to the Gulf project of Illinois, was receiving some consideration from the Canadian parliament and quoted the Canadian prime minister as stating that, "Canada regards the United States as a friendly neighbor, doubly linked together by common ideals and economic interests, and is anxious to do its part in all future projects of co-operation." An Illinois commission investigating conditions of first hand reports that "from Niagara to Toronto, a sentiment that the delay of the Canadian government on the St. Lawrence seaway is only temporary and that early next year will see the start of international negotiations has been uncovered."

Two impediments—Niagara Falls and the Rapids of the St. Lawrence—at present keep the great lakes from transformation into an "inland Mediterranean" giving the heart of the continent direct access to seaboard for its agricultural and manufactured products. To overcome the former obstruction Canada is now engaged in her new Welland canal at a cost of \$75,000,000, deepening it from a depth of fourteen feet to thirty feet. Already over \$25,000,000 have been expended on the work. The Welland canal, it is pointed out, is an integral part of the lakes to the sea undertaking. Finished alone without the removal of the St. Lawrence barrier, it would be about as useful as half a hair cut. Engineers point out that it will take three years to complete the improvement of the canal.

How closely the northern lake district (the outlet for the great northwest) is keeping track of this project can be gathered from the following letter received by this paper from Charles P. Craig, of Duluth, Minn., vice-president and executive director of the Great Lakes St. Lawrence Tidewater Association:

July 6, 1922.

To the Editor of the Free Trader-Journal, Ottawa, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I have read with agreeable concurrence your observations upon Canada and the St. Lawrence, in your issue of June 27th. It is a well considered statement of certain facts.

You will be glad to learn that the prime minister's statement which you quoted, is likely to be the dominating thought of the ministry as soon as they get together after their brief period of relaxation, following the adjournment of parliament.

Consideration of the lakes-to-ocean route is a settled policy in Canada. Co-operation with the United States is a habit that has been growing for fifty years. The ministry is favorably inclined and I believe that Canada is moving along the lines that your editorial suggests.

To one sentence in your editorial, I must dissent. "There are grave doubts as to the ultimate end of the proposition." This project is dictated by economic necessity. If every man in the United States and every man in Canada decided today that this would not do, it would reappear as a necessary measure tomorrow or the day after. If every one now urging this plan should today definitely abandon it, it would come to the fore within the next few years as an absolute necessity. Nothing can prevent the accomplishment of this project. If the United States turned its back upon it, Canada would within the next twenty years tackle it singlehanded. If Canada refused to have anything to do with it, the United States would within the next twenty years insist upon such concessions from Canada that we might carry through the whole undertaking.

Looking back now through the sixties, we can see that the building of the Pacific railroads was inevitable. That had to be done. It might have been an accident that one or another route was the first chosen, or that completion was accomplished at any particular moment, but with hindsight knowledge, we know that there was no doubt whatever that the Pacific roads were to be built at about that time. This improvement which will give oceangoing commerce access to the Great Lakes, which will give Illinois and these other states their place upon the seaboard, this improvement is not a matter about which there can be any ultimate doubts.

There is no question "whether." The only question is "when." The only question is whether it can be done in time to avoid the transportation catastrophe which will surely befall within the next few years unless new agencies can be created in time.

Very truly yours,

CHAS. P. CRAIG,

Executive Director.

KANSAS WHEAT FIELDS WAITING FOR HARVESTERS.

Reports from Kansas are to the effect that there are thousands of acres of wheat in that state ready for the harvest, but that available harvest hands are scarce and the crop is liable to be lost, at least in part, because of that scarcity. At the same time at Kansas City there were five thousand harvest hands waiting opportunities to go to work in the fields, but they lacked money to pay necessary railroad fares to the farms and the farmers could not or would not advance it to them. Until about the first of this month the railroads had permitted harvesters to ride free on freight trains, but at that time the privilege was withdrawn to the detriment of both farmer and harvester. No one can reasonably be blamed for the unfortunate condition. The railroads can not be expected to carry several thousand passengers, even on freight trains, without compensation; farm laborers, as a rule, are not in the habit of saving money for emergencies of this character, and as to the farmers themselves, especially wheat growers, the last year was none too good for them, so that their ready cash was not available, even with the danger of losing their wheat staring them in the face.

The Kansas condition may be an exception to the general rule, but it gives rise to speculative thoughts as to what the outcome may be. There is need for every bushel of grain that can be produced. There is likewise need that every man who is able to work shall have work to do. The times are not so prosperous that any considerable number of people can live in unproductive idleness for any length of time without seriously impairing the prosperity of all. The farmer's need is that his crops shall be harvested and marketed, that he may derive the benefit of his labor and investments; the mine owner needs

EVERETT TRUE



MY YOUNG FRIEND, WHAT KIND OF A HORN DO YOU CALL THAT YOU'RE PRACTICING ON ALL THE TIME?  
THAT'S A CORNET.

WELL, I CALL IT THE HORN OF PLENTY— A GREAT PLENTY!!!

Today's Markets

WHEAT AND CORN BOTH DOWN IN TODAY'S TRADE

Chicago, July 8.—Wheat started downward during the early dealings today, the German political and financial situation being the dominating influence. Crop news from the northwest was favorable. There was rather general selling on the decline, but later fair support of the September delivery by houses that usually act for a local interest and some buying by houses with seaboard connections tended to check the decline. The opening, which ranged from 94 to 13 1/2 lower, with July \$1.12 1/2 to \$1.13 1/4 and September \$1.13 to \$1.12 1/4, was followed by further declines and then by a slight upturn.

Removal of commission house pressure caused the market to react after short covering had brought about somewhat of a rally, and at the finish wheat showed a net loss of 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 c, with July \$1.12 to \$1.12 1/2 and September \$1.10 1/2 to \$1.10 1/4.

Corn acted heavy, with scattered liquidation in evidence, and the close was weak, 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 c net lower, with September 61 1/2 to 61 3/4 c.

Potatoes. Chicago, July 8.—Potatoes—Barrel stock strong; trade holding off; receipts, 14 cars; total United States shipments, 875 cars; eastern, about Virginia, state barrels, Irish, exhibitors, operators asking \$5.25 for loading brand; no sales reported; sacked stock demand good; market firm; Kansas sacked early Ohio, No. 1, mostly, \$2.50 cwt.

Poultry. New York, July 8.—Live poultry quiet, prices unchanged. Dressed poultry weak; western chicken 40c.

Livestock. Chicago, July 8.—Hogs, receipts 5,000; hold over 7,455; opening fairly active to shippers and yard traders strong to 5 cents higher than Friday's average; \$11.30 paid and bid on choice lights; few good 150 to 200 pound averages \$10.70 to \$11.00; \$10.75 bid on good 250 pound averages; quality fair, average price yesterday \$10.10.

Cattle, receipts 500. Sheep, receipts 5,000.

Liberty Bonds. New York, July 8.—Liberty bonds closed 3 1/2's, \$100.24; first 4's, \$100.23; second 4's, \$100.10; first 4 1/2's, \$100.30; second 4 1/2's, \$100.10; third 4 1/2's, \$100.18; fourth 4 1/2's, \$100.26; 4 1/2's, \$100.52.

Dwindling Race. The population of the islands of the Marquesa group is dwindling very perceptibly. Thirty years ago the total was 80,000, whereas today it is but 2,500. By some it is claimed that the race commenced to decline as soon as the missionaries taught the natives to wear clothes. Tuberculosis, which had been unknown before at once commenced its ravages.

Peculiar Reckoning. When Harry de Windt visited the Siberian Ostiaks he found that they calculated quite long distances in terms of bottles, an almost identical custom at the other end of Asia. If a journey was five bottles long an explorer found they meant that it would take as long as it would to boil five bottles of cold water in succession.

FOR SALE—New Velie touring car, run about 1,000 miles; in first class condition; with extra tire; will sell cheap if taken at once. Apply to BERT LEAMY, New Colonial.

WANTED—Dinky operator at once. Tel. Ottawa 11464, or Utica 1103. HIGBY CANYON SAND COMPANY.

to produce the coal that lies underneath the surface; the laborer, whether farm-hand or miner, needs the employment at reasonable wages that would result from the production of the crops and coal, while the public as a whole has need of those products for the sustenance of life. There is no question but that the harvest hands will reach their fields of labor and that the crops will be saved, but at some cost in the loss of time. Nor is there any considerable doubt but that the miners' strike will be finally settled in some manner; but here again there will be losses which will be severely felt. All such losses, great or small, whether borne by the producer or laborer, are misfortunes which the public can ill afford in these days of strenuous existence and for which the public will ultimately pay.

GRANDRIDGE

MISS WINIFRED YOCUM  
Correspondent

Entertains at Dinner. Mrs. M. C. Hodgson of Sylvan avenue was hostess on Friday at a dinner party given in honor of Mrs. Margaret Johnson of Dwight, who was en route home from Nebraska, where she had been called early in June by the death of her father. The following relatives were members of the dinner party: Mrs. Ella Bartolin and sister, Miss Ella Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. Paul and daughter, Mrs. O. D. Coaster, Mrs. N. R. Langley and daughter, Miss Angel, and Mrs. George Wollenhaupt and daughter, Miss Catherine.

Visits Brother. Miss Eva Sutton and Misses Hazel Wellingford and Mildred Rutan went to Dayton on Thursday to visit the former's brother, Curtis, who is agent at the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad office there, having accepted the position about two weeks ago. The girls report Curtis as enjoying his work.

Charles Woodward and son of Horicon, Wis., have joined his daughter, Miss Susanne, at the home of his father, William Woodward, on Sylvan avenue, for a few days' visit.

Misses Annette and Lucy Minot were members of the picnic party held on the Joseph Bute lawn the Fourth.

Leave for Vacation Trip. Miss Lucene Hibbs left yesterday for a vacation visit with relatives in Galesburg and Chicago.

Fred Peck was a recent business caller in Stoughton. Among those who enjoyed the celebration at Peru on the Fourth were the Arthur Hoese family, Miss Lura Elsworth and Lawrence White.

Miss Lois Wollenhaupt has returned from a visit with Chicago relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Dimmick were Ottawa callers this week.

B. U. Helster of Lowell was a caller Thursday at the home of his sister, Miss Grace Helster of Sylvan avenue.

Misses Bessie and Margaret Antman have returned to their home in Joliet after a few days' visit at the home of their grandfather, B. M. Antman, on West Main street.

Miss Hazel Wellingford is home after a vacation visit at the home of her uncle, Charles Wellingford of Macon, and with friends at Keithsburg.

Little Miss Eva Traver, who has been suffering from an infected foot, is reported as much improved.

J. E. Bute was at Peru on the Fourth.

Miss Mildred Lock has returned to her home, west of town after a few days' visit with Miss Esther Kates of East Liberty street.

Miss Virginia Woodward and friend, Nora Jordan, of Ottawa, are visiting the former's aunt, Mrs. C. R. Palmer, and other relatives.

Mrs. William Schweigert of Bishop, Ill., and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Morris Berge, of Minnesota, are guests of the former's sister, Mrs. J. J. Lehr of South Bloomington street. They will go to Ransom for a visit before returning to their homes.

Mrs. Bloomer of Keithsburg arrived this week for a visit with her sister, Mrs. W. E. Smith, and family on West Main street.

Edward Graham Farm Sold. The Edward Graham farm, located northeast of Grand Ridge, was sold at public auction at Ottawa on Wednesday. The farm consists of 150 acres, and the consideration was \$45,000.

CHURCHES. St. Andrew's Episcopal, Farm Ridge. Church school at 1:45 p. m. Evening prayer and sermon at 2:45 o'clock. Morning service at 11 a. m., fourth Sunday of the month. Woman's Guild every two weeks on Thursday. Rev. N. B. Quinn, pastor.

Presbyterian. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning service at 11 o'clock. Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m. Evening service at 8 o'clock. Westminster Guild first and third Sundays of the month. Rev. J. A. Circle, pastor.

Methodist. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching service at 11 a. m. Epworth League at 7:15 p. m. Evening service at 8 o'clock. Rev. J. C. Craine, pastor.

UTICA

Confirmation services will be held at the Swedish Lutheran church Sunday morning at nine o'clock when seven children will be confirmed. Rev. Jonsson of Grenville, will have charge of the services. The following are to be confirmed: Esther Swanson, Evelyn Johnson, Louisa Ornsteadt, Sarah John, Josephine Eastman, John Eastman, and Paul Larson.

Utica Band at Church Sunday. Sunday A. M., 9:30. Morning services, the subject is "The Christian's Victory." Sunday A. M., 11:45, Sunday school and men's bill, a class. In the evening there will be the combined evening services and young people's service.

St. Mary's Church. Low mass, 7:30 a. m. High mass, 9:00 a. m. Mrs. Beck and daughter, Miss Janet Beck, of Chicago, are guests at the home of Mrs. Scott Kasper. Mrs. Beck returned to Chicago today and Miss Janet expects to remain for another week.

James Baldwin, of Chicago, is here visiting among Utica friends and relatives. He was a one time resident of Utica.

Mr. W. J. Maloney was a business caller in Ottawa yesterday.

Harold Swanson is now employed at the Geo. Reynolds' residence. Charles Dwornik left yesterday for

MARSEILLES NEWS

MARY MAC ARTHUR

Office over Star Theatre.  
Office, Black 176—Phones—House, Black 35

Buys New Car. Ned Jordan has purchased a swell new car, and the office force of the N. B. Co. expects that Ned will surely load up the whole outfit and take them on an excursion to christen the new car.

Mr. and Mrs. Quinto Morrello of Broadway left this morning for an extended visit at various points of interest in southern Illinois.

Irving Spencer, who has been visiting his brothers, Charles and Calvin, went to Mokenca today, where he will visit at the home of William Hagby, a brother of Mrs. Spencer, and a former resident of the north prairie.

\$25 From Goal. In regard to the proposed walk from Bluff street up onto the bluff between A. C. Allen's and A. C. Kohrt's property, those who are interested in having the walk constructed have raised \$25, and the city council has informally agreed to furnish the balance over \$1,000 of the fund to construct the walk. So it may be considered that the improvement is a certainty in the immediate future.

This will be a real boon to the people living on the bluff west of Fairview, and it is expected it will rouse a boom in real estate in that locality, as there are many fine sites for building reached by this walk. More especially as the walk opens on Woodruff street, which extends past the old Burd property, and takes in the house formerly owned by Augustus Adams, but now owned by James Holton. This will also give an outlet on Orange avenue.

Pays Fine. George French, who was picked up drunk on Young street Thursday night, was arraigned yesterday afternoon before Justice Nicholson and fined \$10 and costs, which he paid.

An alarm of fire yesterday proved to be part of the fire drill in the roofing plant.

An alarm of fire at 11:15 this forenoon is said to be slight blaze in the house occupied by Mrs. Cagoo on Howard street. It was only a few minutes until the out whistle sound ed.

Mrs. Adier Hostess. Mrs. Thomas Adier entertained the Bunco club yesterday afternoon at her home on Pine street. Over a dozen were present, who spent the afternoon very enjoyably over their favorite game.

Mrs. Charley Dunham won the first prize, a pair of black silk hose. Mrs. Gus Leiteritz was given a pretty handkerchief as consolation for her playing.

The hostess served ice cream and cake as a close to the afternoon's pleasure.

Mrs. Walter Magnusson of Chicago and mother, Mrs. Phoebe Smith, of the same city, are visiting relatives a few days.

3,024 Live in Marseilles. Supervisor Stator has just completed the census of the school district and it shows the following:

Total population 3,024  
Under 21 1,055  
Between 20 and 21 870  
Boys under 21 758  
Girls under 21 758  
Between 20 and 21—Boys 764  
Girls 754  
Population inside city limits 3,423  
Outside city limits 96  
To start to school for first time 65

Pooria, where he will attend the races. Wm. Rogers, of Spring Valley, is here on an extended stay at the home of his sister, Mrs. Henry Clark on Church street. He has accepted work at the Valley Chemical Co.

Mrs. Marsh, of La Salle, was a guest at the MacBratney home here yesterday.

Mrs. McCormack and daughter, Miss Charlotte, have gone to Custer Park, where they will spend a couple of weeks visiting at the home of Leah Clark there.

Mrs. Orra B. Esmond left yesterday for Forest, Ill., where she will spend a few days visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Pflanz, shipped their household goods yesterday to Pavenport, Iowa, where they will make their home.

How to Become a Genius. Dr. B. Ashford in his lectures on "The Subconscious Mind" will want to hear him on Sunday night, when he tells how folks can utilize the knowledge and resources of this phase of the mind for the attainment of whatever they desire.

THE OLD HOME TOWN.

