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A CRUCIAL YEAR FOR C. N. R.

Sir Henry Thornton evidently thinks that this will be the crucial year for the Canadian National Railways. Speaking recently at London, Ont., to a conference of employees he said:

"We have a task this year exceedingly difficult. This is our test year, and it is my most anxious year. We have developed an organization, but the officers are new in their positions. We are like a baseball team about to play its first game. The shortstop is not quite sure if he should back up second base. The second baseman is not quite sure if first base will not maff the ball. It will be some time before we can get that perfect team play we are striving for. But if at the end of the first year we make a reasonable financial showing, I assure you that the battle will be won."

Sir Henry is under no delusion as to what the world thinks the result of the experiment will be, for he plainly said: "The world expects the Canadian National Railway experiment to fail. It does not believe that we can make it succeed. I believe that we can."

Apparently he thinks that the success or failure of the experiment depends on the employees, for he says: "I believe that if the army of workers line up behind us, we shall achieve the greatest success the annals of transportation ever recorded. Fidelity, loyalty and the desire to serve faithfully spell the difference between success and failure. We can do nothing unless we have the goodwill, loyalty and the desire to perform efficient service."

It is highly essential that every man does all he can to save money. If each individual were to save only a nickel a day, it would make a big sum."

The Moncton Transcript says: There is manifestly a great deal in what Sir Henry Thornton says, and he may rest assured that as far as the employees on the Intercolonial portion of the system are concerned, they will do their duty, as they always have done. They served the public well under the old management, and they will do so under the new. But after making due allowance for the importance of loyalty on the part of the employees as a factor in success, it would seem to be stating it too strongly to say that the success of the Canadian National experiment depends on them. All the loyalty they can show will not entirely overcome some of the handicaps imposed by superfluous mileage.

Sir Henry, doubtless, has good reason for saying that the present year will be a crucial one for the National system. As the net results on its operations are published from month to month, it is impossible for the public to judge of what is being done. It is known, however, that the gross earnings for the first four months were over \$7,000,000 in excess of those for the same period last year. As through consolidation considerable economies undoubtedly have been effected, the net showing should be much better. But as the Canadian mileage depends greatly on the Western crop for earnings, it is impossible even to venture an opinion on the probable results for the year. There is, however, every reason to think that the employees will do their part. But they can't make traffic—and that is what the system most needs.

NOTE OF WARNING

Those who are being attracted to the American cities by the lure of boom-time wages would do well to ponder what The New York Herald says:

"Living costs, which the public expected to fall to a reasonable, normal figure, have risen in the last year. Housing is almost as much of a puzzle as it was at the end of the war. Whenever the people start to build homes they find that materials and labor jump overnight."

Many may soon find that the "green pastures" are not so inviting at close hand.

Mr. Fielding, as The London Advertiser says, "faced a very delicate situation in framing a tariff. Under normal conditions, or with the rail-

ways and marine making less inroads on the surplus of the country, he might have moved to eliminate more taxation, but knowing exactly what amount has to be raised, he had to leave the necessary machinery of taxation in operation to provide it."

Boston Globe—"The great fallacy of the melting pot," says Pres. Cullen of Colgate University, "has been that we thought if we could only get people here and surround them with the proper environment they would become intellectual, cultured, and moral according to our standard." Have we always set them the best example that we could?

A scientist expects to catch motion pictures of atoms in flight, but he would be rash who hoped to photograph the flight of dollars from the pockets of Mr. Average Citizen.

This long-distance dishwashing contest is one that they probably will have to drag more of them into than they do out of.

What finer coincidence than that Mother's Day falls so near the anniversary of Home Sweet Home?

Here is hoping the weather hasn't decided to fight it out on that line if it takes all summer.

A writer discovers that city people live longer than farmers do. Another boost for skimmed milk.

The Prince of Wales snaps his finger at June.

In Europe Mars keeps rocking the boat.

First aid to canoeists is an even keel.

The airplane makes San Francisco and New York sister cities.

Russia is ruled with a rod of iron, also known as a rifle barrel.

It's a rare day when any two stories agree on Russia.

Imagine a man some years ago who could hardly wait for dandelions.

Fishing and a novice at it is an entangling alliance.

June weddings mean May show-ers.

Come into the garden, Maude. And fetch the spade.

In the language of baseball, our climate has everything.

Echo answers, Buy Your Coal Now.

As for China, don't tour, Detour.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Experience is what you get while you are looking for something else.

A man is usually judged by the company he keeps, but it isn't fair to judge a woman that way. Her company is frequently forced upon her.

No Clarice, it is not permissible to apply to the Doctors created at the U. N. B. encaenia, for "pers".

No woman ever looked her best in a bridal veil. The only excuse for it is its possible future use in keeping the flies off the baby.

Individual theft is a capital crime in Soviet Russia. If there is to be any stealing in that country the government stands ready to do it.

Carlyle is quoted as saying: "Today is not yesterday." Those old philosophers had a way of discovering and revealing the truth.

Well, it has been demonstrated so practically that anybody can understand that money to be of any account must have a real government behind it.

There is the modest man, and then there is the one who fears that if he were to hide his light beneath a bushel the world would be left in darkness.

Solomon was a versatile old fellow. He could turn from philosophy to Spring poetry and sing like hope, "For lo, the Winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on earth Pretty sweet, sweet as the weather bureau's "fair and warmer."

Mrs. J. B. Dickson underwent an operation in Victoria Hospital this week her condition is as well as can be expected.

LITTLE STORIES OF THE TOWN

Straw Hat Time.

A Queen street merchant says that it is all nonsense that men should wait until the first of June before donning straw hats. It has been warm enough for straw hats this week, yet the only straw hat he has seen worn, was yesterday by Mr. F. C. Johnston the American Consul.

The Ads. Show It.

It is possible by merely examining the advertisements in current magazines to tell what time of the year it is. For instance one popular magazine contains four candy ads., each one based on the idea that a box of that particular branch will win the heart of any fair damsel. And the illustrations show that it is spring and spooning time.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. F. T. Simms and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. H. McKee of Ottawa are visiting Mrs. McKee's mother, Mrs. W. T. Whitehead.

Mrs. J. Currie of St. John is a guest at Windsor Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fairweather of Sussex were here for Encaenia, guests at the Barker House.

Miss Grace Fleming of St. John is visiting Mrs. J. H. McMurray.

Dr. E. M. Wilson and his daughter Ellen left yesterday for Wolfville to attend the closing of Acadia University.

H. M. Stultz of St. John is a guest at the Queen.

W. E. Black of Montreal is at the Queen.

C. W. Burpee and wife of McAdam are in the city.

Hon. D. W. Mersereau, Minister of Agriculture, has returned to the city.

P. F. McQuarrie of St. John is a guest at the Barker House.

Deputy Minister Here.

J. H. Grisdale of Ottawa, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, arrived here this afternoon and registered at the Queen Hotel. E. S. Archibald also arrived this afternoon. They are attending a conference this afternoon at which the matters connected with the development of the seed potato industry in New Brunswick are being discussed.

LOST—A PAIR OF OLD FASHIONED SPECTACLES, Wednesday. If found please leave at Mail Office or telephone 501-11.

WANTED—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Man and wife with no children. Apply to W. care Daily Mail.

FRESH LOBSTERS

For Friday

Halibut Haddock
Gaspereau Salmon

Fillets

New Squash New Cabbage
Lettuce Cukes
Tomatoes Celery
Bermuda Onions

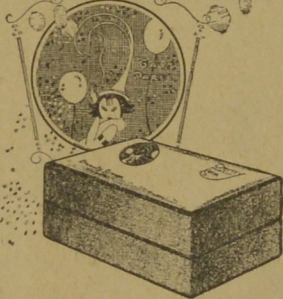
Cherries Oranges
Pines Bananas
Apples

Lindsay - Beattie

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STAPLE'S DRUG STORE
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A shipment of FERRY'S VEGETABLE and FLOWER SEEDS has just arrived. All our seeds are new and fresh. Also Onion Sets.

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94 York Street

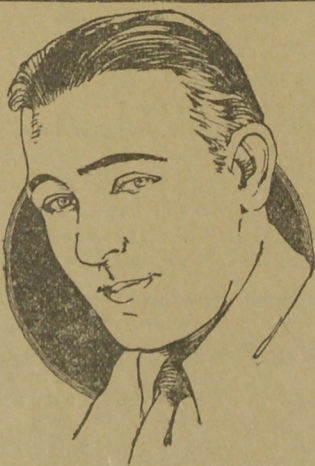
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Thursday - Friday - Saturday

AT THE CAPITOL

Matinee 3 p. m., 10c-20c

Evenings 7.15-8.45, 15c-25c



Wallace Reid

IN

CLARENCE

With May McAvoy and Agnes Ayres
Booth Tarrington's Great Comedy Hit

EXTRA

"GOLDEN BULLET"
2 Reel Western

Coming Monday

"KENTUCKY DERBY"

Wallace Reid in the Paramount Picture
CLARENCE
A William deMille Production

AT THE GAIETY NOW PLAYING

VIOLA DANA

In a Comedy Drama of Love

'THEY LIKE 'EM ROUGH'

Cave-man Tactics and High Society Fighting for Supremacy

LOOK WHOSE HERE!

BUSTER KEATON

the Sombre Faced Comedian, in

"THE LOVE NEST"

"GO GET 'EM HUTCH" Episode VIII

Shows at 2.30, 3.45, 7.15, 8.40

Regular Price

Mon. Milton Sills in "THE FORGOTTEN LAW"

JACKIE COOGAN IS COMING!