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THE LATE C. E. NEILL

The death at the Royal Victoria Hospital at an early hour this morning of Charles Ernest Neill, vice-President and general manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, removes from the activities of life Fredericton's most illustrious son, and an outstanding figure in Canadian financial circles. While it was known to relatives and friends that he was suffering from an incurable disease and that the cruel hand of death was upon him, the news of his passing came as a distinct shock to the general public and has plunged the whole Dominion in mourning.

It is thirty-five years since the late Mr. Neill left Fredericton to enter upon a brilliant career, which has shed such lustre upon his native city, but he kept in close touch with the city of his birth, and was personally known and esteemed by many of its citizens. While he achieved high honors in the banking world he bore them with becoming modesty and his demeanor toward the old friends of his boyhood days underwent no change. Whether they met him in Fredericton or in Montreal or elsewhere he was to them the same Charlie Neill, always cordial, thoughtful and sympathetic. No small measure of the credit for his success in the world was due to a remarkable personality and wonderful capacity for making friends among all classes of people.

The old adage that death loves a shining mark was well exemplified in the case of Charles E. Neill. The early training and the knowledge of banking which he received under the late A. S. Murray in the old Merchants Bank of this city he never forgot and he always had a kindly word for his old instructor.

The genius possessed by Mr. Neill for banking and finance was recognized by men in high places and in his particular line of work there were few superior minds on this continent. It is pretty generally known that he was tendered the high post of finance minister of Canada on two different occasions, but political life was not to his taste and he declined the proffered honor.

In the death of Mr. Neill the University of New Brunswick loses one of its staunchest friends and benefactors. Although not a college graduate he appreciated the value of a college training and was ever friendly and sympathetic towards the old institution on the hill. A few years ago it bestowed upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws an honor which he deeply appreciated.

The passing of Mr. Neill more particularly at a time like this, when the country is suffering from an unexampled business depression, is a distinct loss to the Dominion of Canada, and nowhere will his death be more sincerely mourned than in his native province of New Brunswick.

The Liberal gathering held in this city yesterday for organization purposes was fairly representative, but it cannot very well that some of those who were active in the proceedings are of a type calculated to make either a country or a party great.

"Minister is Slain" in Chicago and "Crowd Beats Minister" in New York. Why pick on the clergy when there are so many laymen daily dipping the spoon of the restaurant sugar-bowl into their coffee?

The Dallas News is curious to know what a radio crooner is before becoming a radio crooner. We have been given to understand they wash windows in Maine drug stores and go to Yale.

An unidentified girl was found on a Los Angeles street unconscious from hunger and cold. Yet here only recently they were saying the movie blizzards are made of corn-flakes.

The tall stories coming out of Texas recall the tallest, but most plausible, of all; That in this largest of the state they tell such big stories that it takes three men to believe them.

Fewer reflections, we believe were cast this fall on the sports announcing of Mr. McNamee. Some may recall when Graham used to rush downtown after the game to see how it came out.

Maybe temperance is returning to fashion. The impression is there is less of this telephoning around the next day to find out who else left the party in the wrong overcoat.

It wasn't that Lindbergh turned up his nose at a dime. The Colonel claims he just never got John D's invitation to church.

Who remembers when day coaches were so jammed a passenger got train-sick at time from having to ride with his back to the engine?

Now that it has been discovered that man has two skeletons it will be necessary to construct a lot of additional closets.

An organization of grown-ups at Battle Creek solemnly declares its disbelief in Santa Claus. Yes, Virginia, there are such people.

Men put off things they ought to do, and women put off things they ought to wear.

As a safety precaution, a railroad in central Kansas will reduce its service to one train.

It takes more than ability to make a seven no trump bid at bridge to make a successful contractor.

That hen that rode into Omaha on the roof of an automobile was probably laying for a speeder.

Tom Mix has pulled his greatest stunt without the aid of his horse, his six-shooter or his director.

Some people walk to get up an appetite, and others to advertise the fact that they want to be fed.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

The hockey fans got an awful jolt on Monday evening.

There are no germs in the milk of human kindness.

It is easy in this fertile land of ours to grow a surplus of carrots.

Before money lost its voice people found fault with the noise it made.

"Rafael Sabatini says William Tell is a myth." But the apple? Surely that was real.

Every day has its problems, the first one being that of getting out of bed in the morning.

They say the lonely man like a dog. By the same token the dog likes a man. Two hurts that beat as one.

Lima Beane says the fellow who tries to drown his troubles in alcohol comes to with a surplus of pickled despair.

Only one out of 750 girls of an eastern college admits she intends to marry after graduation. It seems remarkable that 749 have not been asked.

We talk much about frozen assets, which is quite natural under existing conditions. But we must not forget, none of us, that when winter comes the city may have many little half-frozen liabilities.

SILVER IN DEMAND

New York, Dec. 15—The world's production of silver this year promises to exceed 250,000,000 ounces and of this the United States will supply about 55,000,000 ounces. Silver is being used more extensively at present in the industries and the arts than ever before.

Laziness in the mother of uncongenial work.

C. E. NEILL, NATIVE OF THIS CITY, DIES IN MONTREAL

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land, who had been manager of the Maritime Bank branch, was placed in charge of the Merchants' Bank Agency. Soon afterwards Charles Neill, then in his teens, was engaged as junior clerk. One of his associates was the late Francis J. Sherman, of this city, who after some years of service, during which the institution had changed its name to the Royal Bank of Canada, became assistant general manager. At the same time Mr. Neill was also appointed an assistant general manager, sharing the duties with Mr. Sherman.

Transferred To B. C.

In 1896, Mr. Neill was transferred to Vancouver, B. C., where he was appointed manager of an important branch of the bank. Later he became Superintendent of the British Columbia branches. A few years later, he was transferred to Montreal, where he became chief inspector, which position he filled until 1907, when he became joint assistant general manager with Mr. Sherman. In 1916 he was appointed general manager, and two years ago was elected vice president and appointed managing director, which offices he held up to the time of his death. For years he had been one of the prominent figures in the Canadian Bankers' Association, and was a past president.

Outstanding Figure

The late Mr. Neill had long been recognized as an outstanding figure in the Canadian Banking world. Under his leadership the business of the Royal Bank made remarkable growth, with ramifications in all parts of the world. A number of smaller banks were absorbed the capital was increased and the assets reached stupendous figures. Today it occupies second place in Canada only to the Bank of Montreal. The Royal Bank owns a bank in Paris, carried on as a separate institution and the Montreal Trust Company is one of its subsidiaries.

Many Activities

The late Mr. Neill was a director in many large Canadian corporations, including the Montreal Light, Heat and Power Company, the Shawinigan Power Company, the Montreal Trust Company and a number of others. His clubs included the Mount Royal, the Mount Bruno Golf Club, the Montreal Curling Club, the St. James Club, the York Club of Toronto, the Royal Montreal Golf Club.

On Bisley Team

During his residence in this city as a young man, Mr. Neill took a great interest in rifle shooting and was one of the crack shots of the province. He went to Ottawa in 1925, and won a place on the Bisley team in the D. R. A. matches. He went overseas with the Canadian team the following year and distinguished himself in a number of competitions with the crack shots of the world. Upon his return home he was transferred to the west and did not follow up rifle shooting.

In 1901 Mr. Neill was united in marriage to Miss Mary Louise Crerar, daughter of the late John Crerar, K.C., of Hamilton, Ont. She died several years ago without issue and the remains were interred in Forest Hill Cemetery here.

Surviving Relatives

The deceased is survived by one sister, Mrs. B. C. Foster, of this city; one half-sister, the wife of R. B. Hanson, K.C., M.P., of this city, and three half-brothers, John Neill and J. Stewart Neill of Jas. S. Neill & Sons, Ltd., of this city, and Ralph Neill of Montreal. Ex-Warden Albert B. Neill, of South Devon, is an uncle. Mrs. Foster went to Montreal on Monday to be with her brother in his last illness and John Neill followed by last evening's train.

The body will leave Montreal at noon tomorrow and on reaching McAdam will be transferred to a special train for this city, arriving on Friday morning. The funeral will take place from the residence of John Neill, Church Street at two o'clock Friday afternoon with interment at Forest Hill.

FOREST FIRES

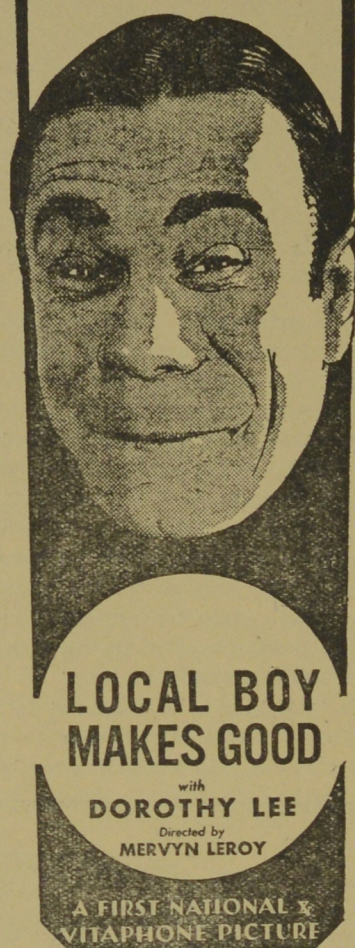
Landsing, Michigan, Dec. 15—The forest fire season in Michigan this year was the worst in years with 3586 fires recorded.

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WEAF, NEW YORK

7.30—The World Today.
7.45—Swift Program.
8.15—Campbell Orchestra.
8.40—Prince Albert Quarter Hour.
8.45—Rise of the Goldbergs.
9.00—Fleishmann Hour.
10.00—Dramatic Musicals.
10.30—Sherlock Holmes.
11.00—Lucky Strike Orchestra.
12.00—Dream Singer.
12.15—Jesse Crawford.

WJZ, NEW YORK

7.00—Raising Junior.
7.30—Breyer Leaf Boys.
7.45—Lowell Thomas.
8.00—Amos n' Andy.
8.15—Tasty East Jeeters.
8.30—Phil Cook.
8.45—How's Business.
9.00—Dixie Singers.
9.15—Rin Tin Tin Thriller.
9.30—The Pickard Family.
9.45—Skillet Sisters.
10.00—Blackstone Plantation.
10.30—Maxwell House Melodies.
11.00—A. & P. Gypies.
11.30—Clara, Lu and Lin.
11.45—Paris Night Life.
12.00—Slumber Music.

CIAC MONTREAL

7.45—Provincial Program.
8.00—Marraza Music Shop.
8.45—Clark's Entertainers.
9.00—Lambert's Comedians.
9.30—Amber Aliens.
10.30—Pianist and Soprano.
12.05—News Events.

CFNB FREDERICTON

8.30—Weather Forecast, News, Musical Programmes.
7.00—Stock Market Report, Weather Forecast.

CNRA MONCTON

2.10—Ocean Limited Hour.
11.00—Montreal Program.
6.15—Dinner Music.

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Plans, specifications, instructions for tendering, form of Contract and form of Tender may be obtained on and after December 11th, at the office of the Architect, Room 703, Canadian National Express Building, 355 McGill street, Montreal; the offices of the Chief Engineer, Moncton, N.B., and the office of the Building Engineer, Saint John, N.B., on depositing a certificate cheque made payable to the Treasurer, Canadian National Railways, for an amount of \$100.00, which amount will be refunded on deposit of tender, and return of plans, specifications, etc., in good condition.

Tenders must be accompanied by a certified cheque on a chartered bank of Canada, payable to the Treasurer, Canadian National Railways, for an amount equal to five per cent (5 per cent) of Tender price.

Tenders will not be considered unless submitted on forms supplied by the Railway, and in accordance with the conditions set forth in "Instructions for Tendering."

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

W. U. APPLETON,
General Manager,
Moncton, N.B.,
December 4th, 1931.

DIED

NEILL:—Entered into rest in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, on December 15th, Charles Ernest Neill, vice-president and general manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, aged fifty eight years.

Funeral from the residence of John Neill, Church Street this city on Friday afternoon at two o'clock with interment at Forest Hill Cemetery.

Bombay, Dec. 16—There are just 10,856,952 more women than men in India, according to new statistics, which make the total population 352,986,676. Hindus number 238,330,912; Moslems, 7,843,928; Sikhs, 4,306,442; and Christians, 5,961,794.

WLW CINCINNATI

8.00—Amos n' Andy.
8.15—Crosley Auto Stokers.
8.45—American Girl.
9.30—Hollingsworth Hall.
10.30—Maxwell Hour.
10.00—Great Composers.
10.30—Maxwell Hour.
10.45—Varsity Hour.
11.30—Auto Stokers.

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TURKEY HUNTING GOOD

Pinehurst, N. C., Dec. 15—Turkey hunting which every fall brings a large number of northern hunters to the Carolinas, promises to be good this season, according to reports from owners of tracts sheltering wild game. The unusually dry weather aid hunters.

SORE THROAT
CHEST COLDS
Gargle With
NERVILINE