

## NO MOVEMENT OF LABOR TOWARD FARMS SETS IN

### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS MAY BE MADE SOON

**If That Fails, Dominion Registration May be Called Upon—Is Efficient Labor Non-Existent?**

Very little movement of labor from the towns and cities toward the country districts for the purpose of harvesting the crops has been reported in this province. The bureaus which were established for the purpose of placing the farmer in touch with labor in towns and cities have received very few applications from farmers for labor and fewer applications from men willing to go into the fields. At the Fredericton bureau there have been two or three applications for harvest hands and no applications from those willing to take the positions. Conditions at bureaus in St. John and other places are similar.

#### May Call for Volunteers

Mr. W. R. Reek, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, by whose department the labor bureaus were established, stated today that a call for volunteer laborers would have to be made in an effort to meet the situation. Failing that the Dominion authorities will be appealed to provide men under the registration scheme which was put into effect some time ago.

In some quarters it is claimed that the labor situation must be met by extra effort by the experienced men now on the farms and that labor which would be efficient on the farms is not to be obtained.

#### New Rates on Aug. 12th.

The new freight rates on Canadian railways, which have been authorized by an order in council, will become effective on August 12th.

#### To Wed Next Week

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoyt, of Millville, announces the engagement of their daughter, Myrtle M. Hoyt, to Mr. Edward F. Burden, of Pokok. The wedding will take place Wednesday, August 14th.

#### Officers Installed

Mr. Wardlaw Kilburn district deputy Grand Master of the I. O. O. F., accompanied by Messrs. Tilley Burrill, Thomas Niles and others, visited Covered Bridge last night and installed the officers of the lodge at that place. They made the trip by motor returning home after midnight.

#### Mid-Week Market

The Market this morning was fairly large for a mid-weeker but there was little change in prices. New potatoes sold at 70 cents a peck or \$7 a barrel, green beans brought 50 cents a peck, lamb \$1.50 to \$2.50 a quarter, eggs 60 cents a dozen, butter 38 cents a pound, raspberries 20 cents a box, veal 15 and 18 cents.

#### Going Overseas

Sergt. J. M. Matheson, who was at one time stationed here with the R. C. R., arrived from British Columbia a few days ago on a visit to his mother-in-law, Mrs. James Ryan. This is his first visit here in fourteen years. He has been on garrison duty on the Pacific Coast and is now on his way overseas.

#### Tonight's Band Concert

Tonight's concert by the Fredericton Brass Band will be at West End bandstand beginning at 8.30. The program announced is, O Canada, March, Character; Overture, Bohemian Girl; Waltz, Mortellen; March, Washington Grays; Descriptive, Twittering Birds; Reverie, The Perfect Melody; Waltz, Septembre; March, City of Ballarat; God Save the King. G. H. Offen Bandmaster.

#### Farm Help Scarce

Mr. A. B. Wilmut who is in charge of the farm labor bureau is in this district has received a number of applications for help and so far there is none offering. Copies of registration cards will soon be available and possibly some of those who when registering, offered to work on farms may be given an opportunity to make good. In the meantime it is not unlikely that farm labor may be brought here from outside places.

#### Motoring to North Shore

A motoring party from the United States arrived here yesterday afternoon and registered at the Barker House. This morning the party left for Bathurst some of its members being interested in the iron mines in that section of the province. In the party were Mrs. C. Z. Rabinovits of Worcester, Miss Ruth Geher of Springfield, D. Hurling and W. Weinstein of New York City and M. A. Green, little and W. J. Weinstein of Thetford Mines, Que.

#### Lightning Killed Hawk

At Golden Grove, St. John County, during a recent electrical storm, John F. Willis was standing in his door watching the storm when he saw a large fish hawk circling over the nearby mill dam. Mr. Willis stepped inside the doorway and got his shot-gun and while in the act of taking aim at the hawk the lightning did the trick for him. It struck the bird, which dropped dead at his feet, having been killed instantly. Mr. Willis is a noted wing shot, but he gives the lightning the credit for bringing the hawk to the ground. The hawk has a spread of sixty-six inches.

## GOVERNMENT MEETING WILL BEGIN TONIGHT

### CROWN LAND ADVISORY BOARD IS IN SESSION

**Examiners Will Make Recommendations for Appointment of Forest Rangers—No Delegation.**

The Provincial Government will begin its August meeting here tonight. Hon. J. P. Byrne, Hon. P. J. Veniot and Hon. E. A. Smith arrived last night and Hon. Robert Murray arrived this morning. Other members of the executive will arrive here tonight.

It had been expected that the executive of the New Brunswick Lumbermen's Protective Association would meet here at the same time that the government was in session but Mr. R. W. McLellan secretary pro tem of the association stated this morning that it was not considered necessary to hold the meeting and that there would be no delegation to go before the provincial executive at this session.

#### Crown Land Advisory Board

The Advisory Board of the Crown Land Department is in session this afternoon. The report of the Board of Examiners which examined candidates for appointment as Forest Rangers will be presented to the Advisory Board with recommendations for appointment. Returned soldiers are to be given preference for appointment. Some forty appointments are to be made on probation.

#### Matter of Coal Prices

It also is expected that a delegation of the smaller coal miners of the Grand Lake coal fields will appear before the government to make representations against the price for Minto coal set by Fuel Controller McGrath.

#### Bull Moose in Devon

A large bull moose was seen today in Devon. The animal was very tame and showed no inclination to do damage. The farm of Mr. A. E. Hanson was particularly favored by the moose which roamed practically all over it.

#### On a Fishing Trip

E. Pepperill Wheeler of Buffalo, N. Y. is at the Queen today enroute to the Miramichi woods on a fishing trip. He will visit the headwaters of the Dungarvon and Little Southwest Miramichi in Company with Uncle Henry Braithwaite. Mr. Wheeler is the only son of Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Wheeler who are now serving overseas with the British army the former as a surgeon and the latter as a Red Cross nurse.

Miss May Robertson, of the Western Union Telegraph Co., Fredericton, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Barnes Moncton for a few days.

## LECTURER CLAIMS MISTAKE IN IDENTITY

### DR. PETER MacQUEEN NOT ANTI-BRITISH SPEAKER

**Letter from Him Read at Chautauqua Yesterday—Large Audiences Continue to Attend.**

At the Chautauqua yesterday a letter from Rev. Dr. Peter MacQueen the lecturer who spoke on Monday on the subject "The Great European War" was read. In this letter Dr. MacQueen replied to a letter published in a local paper in which it was intimated that he was the same as a Peter MacQueen who at the time of the South African War delivered lectures in the United States which were very anti-British in tone. In his letter Dr. MacQueen who delivered lectures throughout the Chautauqua course in the Maritime Provinces stated that the letter in question was hardly worth a reply. It had been called to his attention after he had left Fredericton. He stated however that at the time mentioned in that letter he was travelling in Russia. The Peter MacQueen referred to as far as he knew was now imprisoned as an enemy to his own country.

#### Large Audiences Attend

The audiences at the Chautauqua continue to be large taxing the seating capacity of the tent. At both afternoon and evening performances yesterday large audiences greatly enjoyed the program. At both performances the Revue Company composed of eight young women gave most pleasing musical numbers all the latest musical hits being produced. In the afternoon Fredericton heard a former citizen Rev. George M. Campbell, D. D. formerly pastor of the Methodist Church in this city. On the Chautauqua Rev. Dr. Campbell who appears in his uniform as a chaplain of the Canadian forces, is lecturing upon the war and its problems as they affect Canadians in their ordinary life.

At the evening performance the lecturer was Dr. P. Marion Simms who delivered his famous lecture "The Calf Path". His subject was the multiplication of denominational institutions at an unnecessary expense and without adequate return. He showed how in the United States Protestant bodies through failure to unite and cooperate were wasting much of their energy.

#### Long Auto Trip

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Palmer, Miss Mary Palmer and Mrs. R. P. Allen returned last evening from an auto trip to Woodstock, Houlton, Port Fairfield and Edmundston. They were gone four days and covered a distance of over four hundred miles.

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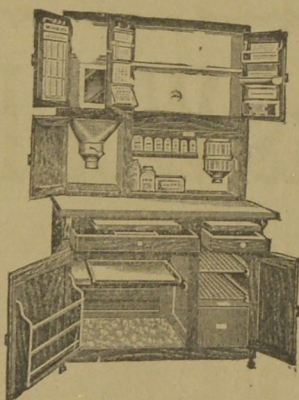
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