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PREDICT THAT PRICE CUTTING MOVEMENT IN THE MIDDLE WEST WILL BE OF SHORT DURATION

THE CAMPAIGN IS DENOUNCED

Price Cuts Have So Far been Confined to Wearing Apparel But Movement May Spread to Other Lines—Dentists in Omaha Reduce Prices—Boston Retail Stores Advertising Many Reductions.

Chicago, May 20.—With the wave of price cutting in wearing apparel continued today throughout the country, merchants in several cities denounced the campaign as a futile step toward reducing high prices and predicted that the movement would be short-lived and result in higher prices later.

Banks were reported to have notified importers and dealers in luxuries, articles of apparel and manufacturers of so-called non-essentials that money accommodations could be expected now.

The price cuts largely were confined to wearing apparel, but a spread of the movement to other lines was indicated by the action of Omaha dentists in reducing the price of dental work.

In St. Paul, where marked price reductions were announced, the largest wholesale millinery concern in the north west, said it would open its doors to retail trade and dispose of a \$1,300,000 stock at prices fifty per cent below those now prevailing. One large men's furnishings establishment which operates stores in several cities announced a general reduction of fifteen per cent.

Price reductions ranging from fifteen to fifty per cent were advertised by a number of Boston retail stores. While most reductions were in clothing, one department store announced a reduction of twenty-five per cent in cottons, blankets, linens and similar materials. Some women's stores marked prices down to one-half per cent.

FIRST TRAIN ON EXHIBITION

New York, May 20.—The first train run in the State of New York has been put on exhibition in the east gallery of the main concourse of the Grand Central Terminal. It consists of the "De Witt Clinton," the most famous engine in America, its tender and three of the stage coach cars that carried passengers eighty-nine years ago.

The "De Witt Clinton" was built at the West Point foundry and made its first trial trip from Albany to Schenectady August 3, 1831, covering the seventeen miles in one hour and forty-five minutes.

The "De Witt Clinton" without its tender weighs 9,420 pounds, the tender weighs 6,340 pounds and each of the three coaches weighs 3,420 pounds. The "De Witt Clinton" is 12 feet 10 inches long and its height, to the top of the steam dome, is 8 feet 5 inches. The tender is 19 feet 11 inches long. The coaches are 14 feet long.

OATS GOING UP IN PRICE

Toronto, May 20.—Trading in cash grains on the local market was quiet yesterday, and varying tendencies were evidenced by different grains.

In the open markets May Manitoba oats closed at \$1.18 1/2 up 1/4 of a cent from Saturday, July was off 1/4 at the close and October was unchanged. Flax displayed weakness, and prices for both the months of May and July were lower, while barley also was easier.

In the cash market prices generally were higher in western oats the gain varying from 1/4 of a cent for No. 2 C. W.'s to 3/4 cents on some of the lower grades.

Death at Upper Mauderville

The death occurred this morning at his home at Upper Mauderville of Marvin H. Smith, at the age of seventy-eight years. Mr. Smith is survived by one brother, Walter M. Smith of Upper Mauderville and two sisters, Mrs. Hannah Jones of San Diego, California, and Mrs. Annie Perley of Washburn, Wisconsin. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, Rev. J. Arnsworth conducting the service at the late home. Interment will be made at the Raymond Burying Ground at Upper Mauderville.

A. W. McMackin of St. John is in the city.

AWAITING ARRIVAL OF OFFICIALS

A. W. Campbell, Gordon Grant and B. M. Hill on Motor Inspection of Highways.

Hon. P. J. Veniot, Minister of Public Works for New Brunswick, is here today on official business. He stated at noon that he was awaiting the arrival of A. W. Campbell, Commissioner of the Federal Highways Aid Board and Gordon Grant, engineer of the Commission, prior to making any announcement concerning the award of contracts for construction of highways.

Messrs. Campbell and Grant in company with B. M. Hill Chief Railway Engineer of New Brunswick, have been on a motor-tour of the province inspecting the highway work done previously and the roads in general. They are expected to arrive here from Woodstock this afternoon.

They have visited St. John, King's County, St. Stephen and Woodstock and from Fredericton will go to the North Shore and Moncton.

STRIKERS TO RESUME WORK

(Special to Mail.)

Paris, May 20.—Decision by the miners' union in the departments of Nord and Pas de Calais, to resume work today has been ratified at a meeting of miners' delegates, and information of this action has been telegraphed to all mining centres in France.

Railway workers in the south of France and employees of transportation companies at Marseilles have also decided upon an immediate resumption of work.

FATAL RIOT AT LIMERICK

(Special to Mail.)

Dublin, May 20.—One man was killed and two women were wounded in rioting last night in the streets of Limerick, where police and soldiers are on duty. No details of the disorder have yet been received.

Death of Aged Lady.

The death occurred at an early hour this morning at her late home in North Devon of Mrs. Catherine Thompson Watson, widow of the late Robert Watson. Mrs. Watson, who was seventy-five years of age, was a native of Scotland, and is survived by four sons, Rev. Dr. Robert Watson, of New York; David, in the Canadian West; Peter S., of Devon, and Harry A., of Fredericton, and four daughters, Mrs. George A. Jamor, and Mrs. William Kessen, of Devon; Mrs. Archibald H. Barker, of Korea, and Miss Mary Watson, matron of the Yarmouth Hospital, who is at present at home in Devon. Both Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Barker are at present laboring in the Korean Presbyterian mission field. The funeral will take place from the late home of the deceased in Devon at 2 p. m. Friday, Rev. J. S. Sutherland conducting the service. Interment will be made at the Rural Cemetery.

Left For Woods.

Murray Cain, Daniel Jamor, and Ernest Gunter of this city left this morning for Chatham, from where they will be sent to the woods, having accepted positions with the Snowball Lumber Company.

I. O. D. E. Dance.

The Anakawakade Chapter of the I. O. D. E. held a dance last evening in the Old Galety Dance Hall. Tennant's orchestra supplied excellent music, and dainty refreshments were served by the members of the Chapter. There was a large attendance.

Victoria Day.

On May 24th train No. 241 on the Valley Railway will leave St. John at 8:00 a. m. one hour later than regular schedule. No. 242 for St. John will leave Fredericton at 7:00 p. m. (Atlantic Time). These trains will run as regular passenger trains on the holiday.

Orono, May 20.—Roumanians who are coming into this district are looking about for good farms. Dremetric Warwick and family who lately came to the district had with them a countryman recently, who, it is stated upon failing to find a farm in this locality, bought 100 acres near Waterford, for which he paid including some stock and implements, \$14,000.

WATER POWER OF PROVINCE WILL BE DEVELOPED; CHEAP POWER WILL BE PROVIDED

Premier Foster and Members of the Government Visit Power

Site on the Lepreau River—Plans are Being Checked Up by Mr. Holgate, of Montreal—The Shogomoc to Provide Light and Power for the St. John Valley District.

St. John, May 20.—Premier Foster, several members of his government, and others accompanied C. O. Foss on an inspection trip yesterday to the government power site on the Lepreau river. Mr. Foss is the engineer who is preparing the preliminary plans for hydro-electric development in New Brunswick. The party left St. John in two automobiles and returned late in the afternoon. Those who made the trip beside the Premier and Mr. Foss were Hon. Messrs. Veniot, Byrne, Murray, Tweeddale, Robinson, Smith, Fred Magee, M. P. P., Frank Sweeney, M. P. P., and W. H. McQuade. After leaving the motors the party went to the head of the big falls on the Lepreau. Mr. Foss had with him tentative plans of the general layout of the location, dam, canal, pipe line and power house, which were explained in detail to the visitors. These plans are now being checked up by Mr. Holgate, of Montreal, consulting hydro-electric engineer, and considered to be one of the best authorities in hydro electric matters in America. It will be Mr. Holgate who will deal directly with the question of the turbines and generators to be installed in the government power plant.

From data secured, Mr. Foss said last night that the natural fall of the Lepreau river from the head to the foot of the big falls is 55 feet. A dam across the head of the falls will raise the water forty-five feet, making a total drop of 100 feet. The New Brunswick Water Powers Commission has now run-off records covering a period of nearly four years, which show that the run-off of the river in 1919, the lowest in years, averaged a little more than 300 cubic second feet, of which the engineer is confident he can regulate and control a continuous flow of 250 cubic second feet by the providing of ample storage.

In York County.

But it is not only on the Lepreau that the government is to carry on its work of developing the hydro-electric power. At the Shogomoc, in York county, surveys have been made for storage and there it will be possible to control 130 cubic second feet. A dam will be built about one-half mile above the Valley Railway, a canal will be cut about one-half mile long, and there will be three-quarters of a mile of wood-slave pipe, finally dropping the water into the St. John river, a total drop of 280 feet. This is to supply power for the St. John River Valley from Fredericton probably as far north as Bath and very likely connecting with the Gould electric system.

NEW BRUNSWICK TELEPHONE CO.'S ANNUAL MEETING HELD TODAY

Report Submitted by the Directors on Last Year's Operations

—Eight Per Cent. Dividend is Maintained— President

White on the Sick List.

The New Brunswick Telephone Company is holding its annual meeting in Fredericton today. The executive was in session this morning at the office, Carleton Street, and at 2.30 the directors met with the annual meeting of the shareholders following at four o'clock.

President S. H. White of Sussex is absent on account of illness and a directors' report is presented instead of the customary president's report. The report makes reference to increase in installation of instruments also in long distance calls and earnings. The heavy storm damage of the past winter is mentioned with the increasing cost of labor and material. To maintain the usual dividend the amount set aside for depreciation was reduced from 8 per cent to 2-4-5 per cent. The surplus was about half what it was in 1919 when it totalled some \$14,000.

Directors' Report

The annual report of the Directors is as follows:

To the Shareholders of The New Brunswick Telephone Co., Ltd. In submitting the financial statement for the year ending March 31st 1920, your Directors can again call attention to the material growth of the Company, and the still greater growth in operating cost. The net gain for the year in telephones installed was 2,482—238 more than any preceding year. We have added to our System 270 miles of long distance circuit and 190 miles of Farmer line circuit.

The company has purchased suitable land and buildings for the establishment of permanent exchanges in St. Andrews, Dorchester and Gagetown.

The number of long distance calls for the year was 735,330, an increase of 91,201 over last year.

Turning to the financial side you will find a corresponding growth. The earnings for the year increased \$91,791.40 but our expenses increased

FARMERS OF NEW YORK STATE ARE MAKING A STRENUOUS FIGHT AGAINST DAYLIGHT SAVING PLAN

CURTAIN RAISER BENEFIT FOR THE HOSPITAL

Arrangements Announced—A Successful Meet With Large Attendance Confidently Expected.

Ex-Ald. Hugh O'Neill who has been making the arrangements on behalf of the Fredericton Park Association for the Midsummer Harness Meet here June 29 and 30 and July 1, which will be the curtain-raiser of the Maritime & Maine Short Ship Circuit, announces that an agreement has been made that the meet will be run as a benefit for Victoria Public Hospital. This will mean that the entire net proceeds will be devoted to the hospital.

A conference has been held between the Association and the committee which is representing the various bodies interested in Hospital extension. Those representing the track-association in this matter are President W. E. Farrell; Treasurer, H. G. Kitchen; Secretary, Hugh O'Neill and G. N. C. Hawkins. Those representing the Hospital Committee are President P. J. Hughes, ex-Dayor R. B. Hanson, Robert FitzRandolph, Dr. W. C. Crockett, D.P.P., Dr. Holden.

Efforts are to be made to organize the most successful curtain raiser meet ever held here and the prospects are that success will attend the effort. The fact that it will be a benefit meet should greatly increase the attendance.

MANY SEE A HEALER WORK

New York, May 20.—More than 800 persons who went yesterday to St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, Newark, to see James Moore Hickson heal physical afflictions by laying his hands upon the sufferers, were warned by the "healer" that they must not look for instantaneous cure or spectacular miracle.

"Healing by Spiritual means," he explained, "is a gradual process." The contribution basin was thrice filled during the morning session. The donations included a Liberty Bond and a gold ring.

AMERICANS FOR THE WEST

Calgary, Alberta, May 20.—That millions of dollars of American capital are to be invested in Alberta is the statement made here by R. M. Harper, partner in the firm of Cochrane, Harper & Co. a banking firm whose headquarters are at Boston. Mr. Harper is visiting Alberta along with St. John Morgan, president of the Lamson-Hubbard Company, which his firm controls, and James H. Bryan, vice-president and general manager of the concern. They plan an extension of their banking business in Alberta.

JAPAN WILL ENTER THE LUMBER FIELD

Vancouver, B. C., May 20.—Despatches received from the Orient bring the information that the Japanese are preparing to take advantage of their position in Siberia to cut seriously into the lumber traffic that has been established between the Pacific coast and the Orient. At present millions of feet of lumber are being shipped from British Columbia and the United States west coast mills. Almost every ship that carries freight to the other side of the Pacific has lumber to great or less extent.

It is reported that the Japanese have on hand large quantities of saw-mill and lumbering machinery which they will throw into the forests of Siberia as soon as that country is tranquil enough to allow industrial undertakings. With cheap labor and shorter freight routes they will cut so far beneath the prices of North American product that there will be no chance in the open market for lumber from the west coast.

Women's Institute.

Reports received this morning from the instructors in charge of the classes being held at Bathurst are very satisfactory. The classes which began May 11th will end on the 21st, have been well attended and good work is being done by those in charge.

PLAIN TALK HANDED TO GOVERNOR SMITH

Farmers Predict Famine Next

Winter Unless Law is Repealed—In Case of a Food Shortage, the Farmers Will Help Themselves and Give What is Left to the Cities—Governor Unconvinced.

Albany, May 20.—Representatives of the State farming interests told Gov. Smith at a public hearing on the bill to repeal the daylight saving law that if he did not sign the repealer there would be a food famine in New York next winter, with milk at 30 cents or more a quart and other food in proportion. At the same time representatives of all of the large cities of the State, headed by New York appeared before the Governor in opposition to the measure.

The farming interests declared that the farm employees insisted upon stopping work at the same hour as labor in nearby cities and that the food situation was made worse. Farm help, the farmers said, demand double pay for an extra hour's labor which the farmers declare they cannot afford.

"I don't accept that statement," the Governor said. "We are not here to enact legislation to satisfy the whims of any one class of men."

Herbert Myrick, editor of an agricultural paper, Farm and Home, told the Governor that a food panic would sweep the State.

When the Governor said that the argument of the farmers had not convinced him William Cooke of Onondaga declared that when the food famine came the farmers would help themselves from the food sack and give the cities what was left. J. A. Bonesteel told the Governor that 120 days are affected by the daylight saving law, and that all the farmers ask is the opportunity to work another hour on each of these days.

"That's all right," replied the Governor "but you haven't shown why the farmers can't work that hour now."

THIS WAS NOT A ROUND ROBIN

Toronto, May 20.—Bearing its message by the simple insinuation of its presence, a real live robin was placed on the clerk's table before the Legislature opened yesterday. Members came, saw and laughed. The memory of two other robins of the "round" variety, was still green.

Through its cage, which consisted of a large bottle with a paper top rather crudely but humanely perforated to provide air, the robin twittered feebly to the Government benches in a language which was interrupted by Thos. Marshall, Lincoln, to consist of the one word "Cheap or Crepe."

Hon. W. E. Raney, Attorney-General, with all the daring of a high school boy on Hallowe'en took "birdie cage and all" and deposited it on the Premier's desk. However, just as the Sergeant-at-Arms was about to leave for the Speaker's chamber to start the official parade there was a whispered conference, a few whispered instructions to him, and the robin was borne out of the chamber with much more dignity and ceremony than had been shown previously in the ejection of his long-distance relatives of the "round" family. The robin came from Kent.

KODAK CO. MADE MONEY

New York, May 20.—The Eastman Kodak Company in 1919 had net profits, after all charges and Federal taxes, of \$18,326,188, or \$91.78 a share on its outstanding common stock after deduction of preferred dividends, which contrasts with \$70.02 a share earned on it in 1918.

Net profits for the year, after deduction of Federal taxes, the amount of which the report fails to disclose, totalled \$18,326,188, against \$14,051,969 in 1918. Preferred dividends amounted to \$369,942 and common dividends to \$7,819,110, leaving a final surplus for the year of \$10,137,130.

The balance sheet at the close of the year showed total assets and liabilities of \$88,718,112, against \$76,648,002 in 1918.

Little Daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Foster are receiving congratulations on the arrival at their home on George street yesterday morning of a baby girl.