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GRAND FALLS PROJECT BEGUN

Formalities Today at Grand Falls Impressive

Thousands Present—First Blast Set Off by Premier Baxter—Addresses by President A. R. Graustein, Lieutenant-Governor Todd and Others—Special Trains Took Many to Scene—Weather of the Best.

(SPECIAL TO THE DAILY MAIL)

WOODSTOCK, Aug. 10—The special train carrying nearly one thousand people bound for Grand Falls to take part in the celebration which will mark the beginning of water power development at that point, arrived here at 9.30 o'clock. The Fredericton contingent numbering 150 ladies and gentlemen, travelled to Fredericton Junction by regular train, connecting with the special from Saint John, consisting of eleven cars, with about seven hundred people on board. The 3rd New Brunswick Artillery Band accompanied the Saint John contingent and played a program from the station platform at McAdam which was greatly enjoyed. President Graustein of the International Paper Company and other officials joined the party at McAdam and were cordially greeted by Premier Baxter and members of the N. B. Electrical Power Commission. The train is expected to reach Grand Falls about one o'clock. Ex-Premier Veniot who was down on the program for an address will not be able to attend, having been called to Ottawa on business. The delegation which boarded train at Fredericton Junction included Mayor and Mrs. W. G. Clark of Fredericton, Mayor and Mrs. A. B. Neill of Devon, Warden John Cowperthwaite of York County and Warden J. Fred Payne of Sunbury. Weather is fine and cool and prospects for a successful celebration are very bright.

(Special to The Daily Mail.)
Grand Falls, Aug. 10—This town which expects to experience a great boom as the result of the development of the falls in the Saint John River by The International Paper Company through arrangement with the Province of New Brunswick was crowded today by thousands who came to witness the impressive ceremonies attending the formal beginning of development work and to hear the addresses made on the occasion which is so important to the Province of New Brunswick.

Special trains arrived here over both C. P. R. and C. N. R. and hundreds of motorists from places in New Brunswick and Maine brought parties here also. The special train over the C. N. R. from Moncton brought hundreds of people but the largest number of people came by the special train from Saint John which brought invited guests from the southern parts of the Province. In addition to the people from this province there were President A. R. Graustein, President of the International Paper Company, Attorney General Raymond Fellows of the State of Maine official representative of the Governor of that State.

Hon. P. J. Veniot, former premier of New Brunswick who was expected to attend and deliver a speech was unable to come having been called to Ottawa.

Picnic Luncheon Served.
The vast gathering which collected to celebrate the occasion was

entertained at a picnic luncheon served in the open, shortly after the arrival of the trains early in the afternoon. The arrangements on the trains and here also were warmly praised by those attending the celebration.

Speeches Delivered.

After the picnic speeches were delivered. Those speaking were:—
Hon. W. F. Todd, Lieut.-Governor of New Brunswick.

Raymond Fellows, Attorney-General of State of Maine.

A. R. Graustein, president of the International Paper Company.

Hon. J. B. M. Baxter, Premier of New Brunswick.

Hon. Robert J. Manion, Postmaster-General of Canada.

Hon. G. B. Jones, Minister of Labor, of Canada.

D. J. Collins, Mayor of Grand Falls, will be chairman.

It is understood that Hon. F. R. Heartz, Lieut.-Governor of Prince Edward Island, will be present as the guest of Lieut.-Governor Todd.

To Touch Button.

At the close of the speechmaking Premier Baxter touched the button that set off the blast, the first blow in actual construction work, which will be done by the Dominion Construction Company. The contract for the development was signed by representatives of the latter company and the International Paper Company at New York last Saturday.

GOVERNMENT TO
MEET TOMORROW
AT SAINT JOHN.

The Provincial Government is to meet at Saint John on Wednesday the members who are at Grand Falls today proceeding there. The meeting is a special session and it is expected that the rate of stumpage for the ensuing year will be considered and rate probably announced. There also is a large amount of scheduled business which has accumulated and probably some time will be occupied before it is cleared away. The stumpage rate is usually announced by August 1st or thereabouts. The Grand Falls celebration and other business intervened this year.

Motoring to Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fraser are leaving Wednesday by auto for Montreal to meet Mr. Archibald Fraser and daughter who are returning from the Old Country.

ACCOUNTING FIRM TO REORGANIZE FEDERAL DEPT. OF CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

Ottawa, Aug. 9—Announcement of the taking of steps towards a complete reorganization of the Department of Customs and Excise was made here tonight.

Sir Henry Drayton, acting prime minister, in a statement, states that Clarkson, Gordon & Dilworth, chartered accountants, Toronto, employed in the recent parliamentary customs probe, have been engaged under order-in-council to make a careful study of the administration of the customs department as a whole, including all its various branches, and to make recommendations with a view to a complete reorganization of the department as contemplated by Parliament last session.

The whole work, however, is to be carried on in conjunction with a special advisory and consultative committee, who will act in conjunction with the accountants. This committee will be composed of Hon. W. J. Roche, chairman of the Civil Service Commission, Georges Gonthier, auditor general, or a representative in either case of the commission or auditor general, George W. Taylor, acting deputy minister of customs and excise, R. W. Breadner, commissioner of taxation, and E. S. Busby, chief inspector of the department of customs and excise.

Text of Statement.

The text of the acting prime minister's statement is as follows:

"In order to give proper effect to the recommendations made by the special committee on smuggling for the reorganization of the department of customs, it has been found that very radical steps have to be taken which would apparently involve many changes and much careful study.

"An order-in-council has just been released under which Messrs. Clarkson, Gordon and Dilworth, the chartered accountants employed by the committee, are now engaged to make a careful study of the administration of the department as a whole, including all its various branches, and to make recommendations with a view to a complete reorganization as contemplated by parliament. The whole of the work, however, is to be carried on in conjunction with a special advisory and consultative committee, that will

RUMRUNNING SCHOONER BEAT OFF U.S. CUTTER

Squadron of Six Cutters
Prepares to Attack.

MACHINE GUNS WERE USED

Schooner Appeared Off
Anastasia Light on
Coast of Florida.

(Special to the DAILY MAIL by the British United Press)

Miami, Fla., Aug. 10—Six United States cutters in battle formation were reported preparing today for a fight on the Florida coast near Anastasia Light with an armed liquor schooner which last night beat off, with machine gun fire, a single coast guard cutter attempting to capture her.

Answering the cutters' call for aid three more cutters put out from here overnight while two others went from Key West, to join the attack. The single cutter, repulsed by the rumship, had wireless that she could keep the liquor craft in sight until aid should come.

A. A. Charlton of Toronto is a guest at the Windsor.

Portland, Maine, has Waterfront Swept by Disastrous Fire Today

Two U. S. Shipping Board Steamers Partially
Burned—Other Vessels Towed Out of Ranger
—Portland Yacht Club House Destroyed—
Broke Out in Office of New England Grain
Company.

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

PORTLAND, Me., Aug. 10—Fire swept a section of the water front here early today, destroying the Portland Yacht Club and damaging other buildings and two ships. Loss was estimated at \$300,000.

Starting in the New England Grain Company's office on Brown's Wharf, the fire was discovered by passers-by who sent a general alarm. Every piece of fire-fighting apparatus in the city was called out and firemen fought for more than five hours before the flames were under control.

Yacht Club Soon Burned

Winds swept the flames to the Portland Yacht Club a block away from Brown's Wharf and this building was completely destroyed.

Two Vessels Damaged.

Two United States Shipping Board vessels, the Bacarret and the Seneca which were in the harbor, are partly burned. Other vessels, including the schooner James C. Hamlet, were pulled out of danger by a fireboat.

H. H. RITCHIE DENIES REPORT OF LAND SALE

Saint John, Aug. 10—Reports of another extensive deal in New Brunswick timber lands, which emanated from Fredericton and in which the holdings of the Ritchie Lumber Company were said to have been purchased by the International Paper Company, or the Fraser interests, were discounted last night by the receipt of the following telegram by The Telegraph Journal from its Newcastle correspondent:

Newcastle, Aug. 9.

To The Telegraph-Journal:

"Major H. H. Ritchie, of the Ritchie Lumber Company, when asked by your correspondent concerning the proposed sale of their lumber lands to the International Paper Company, said that there was absolutely no foundation for any such rumor and the first he had heard of it was when he read it in the Gleaner this morning. Major Ritchie says that such a sale has never been negotiated by either party."

A Fredericton despatch says Archibald Fraser has been in Europe for some time and sailed for Canada last Saturday. Hanson & Dougherty, solicitors for Fraser Companies Limited, say they have no knowledge of the reports.

Hon. J. K. Fleming, Ex-M. P. is a guest at the Windsor.

FRENCH SPEAKING MOVING OUT OF NORTHERN MAINE

Bangor, Me., Aug. 9—According to Fred A. Gilbert, vice-president and manager of the spruce wood department of the Great Northern Paper Company, the labor situation in Northern Maine is growing serious, not only for his company, but for others employing help. This is due to the general exodus of the French-Canadians back to their home farms along the border, or to new farms and to jobs nearer home at the same or better pay.

Pulpwood contractors are unable to get more than half as many men as they want.

Road building operations are slowed down and help on the big farms is scarce. For the past two weeks incipient forest fires have drawn from the crews at work thus greatly slowing down the general production. Road construction contractors on the state highways in Northern Maine are suffering and the problem is growing serious.

Aroostook farmers are wondering how they will fare in potato digging time, and it is predicted that it will take good money to coax Canadians to the farms this fall. The high price of potatoes last fall is said to be a contributing factor which is drawing the Canadians back to the land.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Mackenzie of Pictou, N. S. are guests at the Barker House.

RADICALS AND LABOR UNION GROUPS FIGHT IN CANTON STREETS

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

HONG KONG, Aug. 10—Serious street fighting between armed bands of radicals and opposing labor union groups has been going on in Canton for more than a week, according to advices received here. Two hundred casualties are reported.

The radical groups, it is said, plan to present an ultimatum to the Government demanding that leaders of the Labor Union groups, be put to death and threatening a general strike if the Government does not comply with the ultimatum.

CATHOLIC BOYCOTT HAS DEPRESSED MEXICAN BUSINESS

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10—Retail business depression in Mexico has been accentuated by the Catholic boycott, though wholesale foodstuffs have increased, according to a report from Acting Commercial Attache Wythe, in Mexico City received by the Department of Commerce.

"The situation is quiet," Wythe reported, "depression in the retail business which extended for several months is accentuated by the economic boycott. Wholesale orders for foodstuffs, are better because merchants who have been waiting on account of the uncertainty are now buying."