

"OBSERVER" SAYS NOVA SCOTIANS ARE GO-GETTERS AND ARE AFTER BRIDGE

New Brunswick Is Not Behind Fredericton and We Are Fighting a Lone Battle—Not Even Citizens Are Interested.

I have been much interested in following developments with regard to the proposed new bridge at Fredericton. I use the word "proposed" advisedly, for I think it extremely doubtful if it were ever actually built. The front page editorial in The Daily Mail of yesterday seemed to have the matter summed up pretty well, but it occurred to me that there were a few reflections on the subject that might be pertinent.

I agree with The Mail implicitly in its stand that if the people of Fredericton want this bridge they will have to get out and work for it. That, in fact, is the subject of my thesis. But what may not be so fully appreciated in certain quarters are some of the difficulties to be overcome. In the first place, the opposing interests to this project may be said to be practically the whole province of Nova Scotia. It is not simply the city of Halifax which constitutes the opposition. Halifax is the chief city and port of the neighboring province, and whatever benefits Halifax will indirectly benefit the province at large. What have we to set up against this formidable opposition? We haven't got the whole province of New Brunswick behind the project by a long shot. We should have to take out the North Shore and the city of Moncton, to whose interest it is to have transportation continue as before. We have different centres of the province set against each other, just as would be the case in Nova Scotia if there were any other line of transportation there which should have its terminus anywhere except Halifax. That is why it is not sufficient to say that Saint John and Fredericton pulling together should be able to exert as much influence as Halifax.

In the second place, if the bridge is built here it means expense, no matter whether the kind of bridge that is wanted is built, or only one of the type that existed before. In fact the government might easily conclude that no bridge of any kind was actually needed here as the local traffic could continue to be handled as it is at present. The cards are stacked against us. Now, the purpose of these remarks is not to discourage further efforts to secure the bridge, as might be thought by a first reading of what I have pointed out; far from it. My purpose is to point out the difficulties in the way only that those difficulties may stimulate the authorities to greater efforts.

There are arguments to be presented on our side, which undoubtedly have been presented but need to be emphasized even more. The route via Fredericton and Saint John is the most direct. This is the fact of paramount importance to shippers because of the saving in mileage and freight rates, and would tend to transfer haulage from C.P.R. to C.N.R. in a number of cases. It should be stressed that Saint John is a 100 per cent winter port, which Halifax is not. We must not hesitate to play up the advantages that Saint John possesses since that will indirectly benefit us. Also common action should be taken with the Saint John authorities and certain things pointed out to them. Although Saint John has been fairly active in the matter, still they know that if the bridge is not built they will at least have as much traffic as they had before. The benefit of the additional traffic must be brought home to them.

It must be known by those who have had experience in such matters that projects like the present one are not always brought to fruition by use of the cut and dried official channels. It is all right to take it up through our local representative at Ottawa, and let him do all he can. It is equally all right to send deputations to Ottawa. But it isn't enough to let it rest there. There must be, and this is true though perhaps unfortunate, continuous lobbying. If the matter is

investigated I'll lay any odds that Nova Scotians interests will be found to be doing a powerful bit of lobbying. Cabinet ministers and railway officials will have to be tracked down and cornered and talked to until the idea of a bridge at Fredericton is sold to them. That takes time, and it takes patience, and it takes perseverance. One has to be a "go-getter" to do that.

It is an undoubted fact that we in the maritimes are unaccustomed to self-advertising. There are times when this is a virtue, but there are times again when it is both necessary and proper to "blow our own horn." This is one of them. The ability of a community to advertise itself is closely akin to the ability to get what it wants, and in many cases the latter depends on the former. The development of the maritime provinces followed a different path from that of the other provinces as everybody knows. The maritimes depended upon ship-building before Confederation and for some time after it. The inland provinces were forced to depend upon something else, and Ontario, for example, went in for manufacturing. Manufactures were neglected down here until it was too late. When the wooden ships disappeared, the maritimes lost their chief means of prosperity. They then found that the other provinces had outstripped them in commercial development. There is no doubt that manufacturing centres develop an ability to seize the golden moment. They are constantly on the lookout for whatever will increase the prosperity of the community, and they develop a technique for getting it. We, down here, have never learned how to do this. We have, if anything been rather contemptuous of the go-getting methods of other places. There is a tendency to call this way of doing things, American. I dislike the more blatant type of Americanism with which we are all familiar, but there are times when we ought to wake up. The present instance should show us that there are some sections of the maritimes which have evidently learned how to go after what they want. What about us?

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Seizing Private

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plane sped back towards Ceuta, Morocco. The submarine dashed for Estepona.

Hundreds of residents watched bombardment of the C-3 and saw it vanish. Projectiles exploded close by the eight-year-old vessel. In apparent distress it disappeared suddenly from the surface of the water. Tonight it had not been reported. However, if not seriously crippled, it had a diving range of 45 fathoms and could remain submerged for a number of hours.

Merciless Purge

MADRID, July 30—The republic last night ordered a merciless purge of enemies within its government and Leftists guardedly admitted the rebels outside the capital might be able to wage a lengthened siege.

Army officers, officials, and even women of prominence suspected of Fascist activity were among those arrested. Three hundred rebels were held in a prison ship at Barcelona.

Work of seizing educational institutions of Catholic churches was hastened.

There were the usual conflicting claims of victory in battles both on northern and southern fronts.

The government still held the territory east from Madrid to the sea-coast. Rebels retained Seville, Cordoba and Malaga to the south, and Valladolid, Secovia and Waragoza on the north. San Sebastian and Santander were in loyalist hands.

But on all these fronts fighting impended.

Reaches Seville

LISBON, Portugal, July 30—Radio reports from Seville, intercepted here, said the rebel commander-in-chief, General Francisco Franco, had reached that insurgent city.

Henceforth the general staff of the anti-government forces will be established at Seville, the broadcast said.

Precisely, in an interview from Tangier, Morocco, the insurgent commander was reported as saying:

"If all goes well, I shall establish my first headquarters at Seville."

"We are not short of money, but the danger lies in what help the Spanish government may receive from Moscow and the Popular Front government in France."

"On that depends how long the government forces can hold out."

Speaking of the uprising, General Franco said, "This is not merely a

SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

Their Excellencies to West Aug. 6

Their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Tweedsmuir will leave Quebec Aug. 6 on their scheduled first official tour of the West through to Vancouver, returning to Ottawa about Oct. 1. His Excellency will participate in a big jubilee function at Vancouver on August 26. At the time of His Excellency's indisposition a short time ago, it was thought he might have to postpone his Western trip, but he is feeling quite well again and the tour will be carried out as planned. The complete itinerary with the personnel of the vice-regal party will be announced early next week.

Mrs. H. G. Harvey Smith and her little daughter Rosemary, have left Winnipeg for Saint John, where they will be guests of Mrs. Smith's parents Dr. and Mrs. W. W. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Carten, Montreal, who have been visiting Mr. Carten's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Carten, left this morning on their return home. They were accompanied by Miss Lena Carten who will visit relatives in Montreal and Ottawa. The party made the trip through Maine and other points in the United States.

Mrs. Hagerman, Miss Margaret Scott, Miss Rita Underhill, Mrs. A. W. G. Good, Mrs. Ray Forbes, Mrs. B. R. Ross and Miss Helen Morrison are the hostesses at the tea at the Golf Club this afternoon.

The marriage of Miss Georgie Mae Pringle, daughter of Major and Mrs. James Pringle to Harold Perley True son of Mrs. True and the late Howard P. True of Oromocto, has been arranged to take place on August 7th at the home of the bride's parents. Rev. Dr. G. E. Ross will officiate.

The Devon Women's Institute held an enjoyable and successful supper yesterday on the grounds of Mrs. Allan Sewell, Devon. The members of the Institute served. The tables were decorated with summer flowers and a large crowd was present from Fredericton, Devon and vicinity.

Mrs. Alice Murray, wife of the late Rev. A. A. Murray of California, who has been visiting Dr. and Mrs. S. F. A. Wainwright left on Tuesday for Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Johnson of Ottawa, who have been visiting Dr. and Mrs. S. F. A. Wainwright left yesterday for Point du Chene, Shediac.

Miss Muriel Wainwright left on Tuesday for Montreal from where she will sail on the Duchess of York for England. Miss Wainwright will visit relatives in London, Canterbury and Wickham and expects to return early in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lamb arrived last evening from Ottawa to spend a few weeks with Mrs. Lamb's aunt, and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Chestnut. Mrs. Lamb, nee Miss Marguerite Gillis, has many friends in the city, she having attended school here prior to her residence in Ottawa. Mr. Lamb, noted athlete, will take part in Maritime sports during his stay in the province.

Mrs. Frank P. Morris of New York city, who with her two sons Frank and Paul and daughter Betty has been visiting her uncle, Monsignor F. L. Carney at St. Dunstan's Rectory, left for her home yesterday.

Miss Kay Gibson is entertaining at bridge this afternoon at the Golf Club in honor of Mrs. F. G. O. Pearson of Gerard's Cross, Buckinghamshire, England, who is spending the summer with her mother, Mrs. W. J. Osborne, and in honor of other out of town guests. Bridge will be played at five tables.

national question. It is international. Surely Great Britain, Germany, and Italy must be in sympathy with our aims.

"The Riffs also are anxious to help us. They have made representations asking that they be allowed to form regiments of their own under my officers to fight the Communists. The Foreign Legion, both Spanish and native, is most faithful to me."

Claim Victories

LISBON, Portugal, July 30—Radio broadcasts from Spanish rebel stations claimed tonight that the important cities of Huelva and Ayamonte have fallen into Fascist hands and claimed all of Galicia had been wrested from the government forces.

(Galicia, a district in northwestern Spain, comprises the provinces of Corunna, Lugo, Orense and Pontevedra.)

Despatches from the Portuguese frontier said the population at Ayamonte welcomed the Fascist troops tearing down red flags on factories and homes, while the church bells rang.

Miss Betty Strang of Brooklyn, N. Y., is the guest of relatives in the city.

Leo Lynch of Montreal is spending a few days in the city with his mother Mrs. T. Lynch.

Miss Dolly Carten, R.N., and Miss Anna Cain, R.N., arrived yesterday from New York to spend the holidays with relatives in the city.

Miss Jennie Blacklock, of Saint John, was a visitor to the city yesterday, being one of a party which came by Motorship D. J. Purdy. The party were overnight guests in the city, returning to Saint John by boat this morning.

Miss Frances McNally, Dean of Household Science at Acadia University was recently guest of honor at a dinner given by Miss Marjorie Bell at the Thornhill Golf and Country Club in Toronto.

S. A. Young, manager of the Maritime Electric Co. Ltd., is leaving on Saturday on a motoring trip to Nova Scotia. He will attend the Deep Sea Rodeo Tournament which is taking place next week at Halifax, and will be accompanied by Mrs. Young and Miss Rita Carten.

Hon. Alastair Buchan, son of Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, and Lady Tweedsmuir, was a visitor recently in Moncton and Kent county. At Cocagne he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Gundry and of Dr. and Mrs. J. Clarence Webster, Shediac, whom he accompanied to Ft. Beauséjour to inspect the new museum. He returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gundry to spend the night and left for Ottawa the following day.—Moncton Transcript.

Mrs. Bryce M. Love of Fredericton and her two children Nancy and Stewart, are visiting Mrs. Love's sister, Mrs. C. Curtis Higgins for a few days.—Montreal Star.

Jackasses Parade—and Gyros Go "Hill Billy"

"Give me my boots and saddle" was the theme song of the local Gyros today at eleven o'clock, when they formed up for the Jackass Parade at the fire station. Seven donkeys arrived in this city for the Donkey Base ball game between the Gyros and the Firemen and provided the means of transportation for the local showmen.

Heading the parade was R. C. Corley, owner and manager of the outfit who was resplendent in ten gallon hat, colored shirt, breeches and jangling spurs. He was assisted by J. F. Walker, also with the troupe.

The "steeds" were handled by Les Mavor, Em. Edgcombe (champ buckler), Frank Osborne, Doug. Timmins, Ernie Dobbelssteyn, Jimmie Badcock, Jim Mavor, Bernie Ross and Karl (Tom Mix) Walker. All wore 9½-gallon straw hats which perched as precariously on the heads of the "daring young men" as they in turn perched on the back of the donkeys.

The entire procession moved off in good order until the jackasses (not the riders) became dubious as to the course to take, all of which provided much mirth for the spectators who lost no time in lining the streets to witness the exhibition.

There will be another parade to-night before the game and the Gyros promise a bang up game. The Firemen, however, have some tricks up their sleeves, it is understood.

Provincial

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M.P. for Charlotte County, directors of the firm. The steamer 'Connors Bros.' was placed at the disposal of the party for conveyance to Campobello.

On Campobello, President and Mrs. Roosevelt had as luncheon guests Premier Dyrart and Mr. and Mrs. McNair, while others of the party were entertained by John F. Calder, Welch pool, district fisheries inspector. Later, all proceeded to Herring Cove, where President Roosevelt and his party were spending the afternoon. There the rest of the New Brunswick party and guests were presented to the president.

The visitors to Campobello expressed keen delight at the striking decorations made by the residents in honor of President Roosevelt's visit, and the dress uniforms of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, there on special duty, in command of Major E. C. P. Salt, added their bit of picturesque to the attractive scene.

The meeting of the provincial government, adjourned on Tuesday to premier and cabinet members to go to Campobello will be resumed in Saint John today.

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. Patrick Cain, who was suddenly taken ill this week, is resting fairly comfortably at her home on Aberdeen street this afternoon.

Bracken

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were gains from the Liberal-Progressives.

C. C. F. Leader

The Co-Operative Commonwealth Federation leader, S. J. Farmer, won one of the 10 Winnipeg seats as tired counters completed the 12th count of ballots in the big proportional representation constituency.

Another former Liberal-Progressive seat was lost to the government when F. Wawryko, Independent, captured Gimli.

Election excitement ran high in Manitoba tonight as the second day since the election passed with no clear indication of victory for any party.

Good progress was being made in Winnipeg where 10 members will be elected under the proportional representation system of voting after the tenth count, involving a laborious process of recounts and distribution, four members had been elected to-night, adding one to the Conservatives total and one for the Co-Operative Commonwealth group.

L. St. George Stubbs, former judge of the county court, was the lone candidate in Winnipeg elected on the first count, Monday. In heading the polls he set up an all-time record.

Distribution of the surplus vote cast for Mr. Stubbs, resulted in the election of James Litterick, Communist, who will be the first member of that party to hold a seat in a Canadian Legislature. Former mayor Ralph Webb, Conservative, also was elected on the distribution of the Stubbs surplus. Later today, Mayor John Queen, C.C.F., was declared elected on the tenth count.

Premier Bracken up to then had refused to admit the possibility he may be unable to carry on a government, contending when final results were known the ability of his government to carry on would be demonstrated.

"No Quitter"

"I am no quitter," Mr. Bracken said before leaving for The Pas, centre of the northern constituency of the same name for which he is sitting member. "I never give up in the middle of a good fight."

Election has been deferred to Aug. 21 in The Pas and in Rupert's Land, where Provincial Treasurer E. A. McPherson is a candidate. Mr. Bracken will discuss his campaign plans during a short visit to The Pas and will return here at the end of the week.

Elimination in Winnipeg of candidates which the lowest totals automatically came with each count after the third. C. G. Stewart, C.C.F., went out on the fourth count and was followed in order by Miss Beatrice Bridgen, C.C.F.; A. C. Benjamin, Social Credit; H. Straubar, Social Credit; Paul Bardal, Liberal-Progressive; William Ivens, C.C.F., and Ald. C. Rice-Jones, Liberal-Progressive.

MIDSUMMER

Soon will the high midsummer pomps come on,
Soon will the musk carnations break and swell,
Soon shall we have gold-dusted snapdragon.

Sweet William with its homely cottage-smell.
And stocks in fragrant blow;
Roses that down the alleys shine afar.
And open, jasmine-muffled lattices,
And groups under the green garden trees,
And the full moon, and the white evening star.

A JULY EVENING

The leaves and grasses droop, for they are dusty,
And thirsty are the flowers;
The heavy-scented air is warm and musty,
And swallows seek their bowers.

The peals of thunder tumblingly are tolling;
A chiselled marble cloud
Against the greenish gold afar is rolling,
Majestical and proud.

The distant torches screen a scene resplendent
As darkened curtains lift;
The balm-of-gileads breathe and we transcend,
Accept their spicy gift.

—Mary E. McCullough, Navan, Ont.

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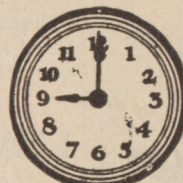
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