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Men's Names on Pay Lists Who Did Not Work on Bridge Jobs

Eleven More Witnesses Heard in Payroll Padding Investigation at Campbellton — Hearings Adjourned to Later Date.

(Special to The Daily Mail)
CAMPBELLTON, Oct. 5—According to the evidence given by witnesses in the payroll padding investigation which started here Thursday, and continued yesterday, some men whose names appeared on the payrolls had not even worked on the jobs in question, the amount of lumber used for bridges was less than that stated, some men worked with single horses when the payrolls showed them as working with teams, and time orders cashed for the men by the storekeeper at Val d'Amour were for smaller amounts than the men's checks which they did not receive but which went to the storekeeper. Eleven witnesses were examined yesterday making the total 21 since the enquiry commenced Thursday. P. J. Hughes, K.C., Fredericton, who is in charge of the investigation, adjourned the hearings to a date to be set later.

Witnesses

Witnesses examined were Frank Levesque, Alex. Barthe, Paul Yvesque, William Barthe, Ernest Johnson, Thomas Thibault, Louis Perron, Ernest Clevette, John Martin and Odillon Dube all of Val d'Amour, and Stewart McAllister, Jacquet River.

Frank Levesque was the first witness. His evidence dealt with a bridge built on his property at Val d'Amour and also with the uncompleted bridge at Pierre Charest's. He testified that the amount of lumber actually used on these bridges was considerably less than the amount shown on the payroll.

Alex and William Barthe, who were called regarding the Teed bridge, did not contribute much to the enquiry. They could not remember any more than three or four who had been working on the William Teed bridge. According to the payroll, 15 men were employed on this structure.

Ernest Clevette was another witness who had worked on the William Teed bridge. He could not remember the names of the men who had been working with him.

John Martin, a witness called today, was another farmer who had a bridge built on his property. He testified that John Clevette had not worked on this bridge. The payroll showed that Clevette had worked on the structure five days with a horse. Clevette was timekeeper on all of these bridges and he was timekeeper for the road supervisor as well.

Thomas Thibault's evidence was to the effect that the lumber used in the construction of his bridge was greatly less than the amount shown on the payroll as having been used.

Paul Levesque testified that he had not worked on Louis Perron's bridge. His name appeared on the payroll as having worked one day with a horse.

Another witness, Ernest Johnston, also testified that he had not done any work although his name was down for two days' work. He said he had supplied some cedar.

Louis Perron, who also had a bridge built on his farm, swore that the payroll showed more lumber to have been used than actually went into construction of the bridge.

The evidence of Odillon Dube, another witness, showed that he had done manual labor only on the Martin bridge. He was shown on the payroll as having worked with a horse.

The final witness was Stewart McAllister. The payroll showed that McAllister had sold drift bolts to Supervisor Murchie. The witness swore he had not sold any bolts to the supervisor. He said he had sold him a quantity of spikes, but he did not know where they were used.

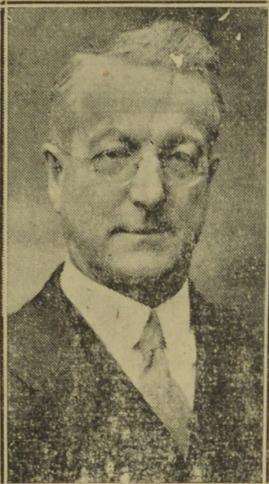
Benoit Michaud, Campbellton, is representing the department of public works at the enquiry.

SMOKER TONIGHT

A Men's smoker will be held tonight in the Conservative club rooms under the auspices of the Young Canada Conservative Clubs. The speakers tonight will include C. L. Dougherty and Leo F. Cain.

Vote Clark for lower tariffs.

THE CANDIDATE



HIS WORSHIP MAYOR W. G. CLARK, the Liberal Candidate, Who is Gaining Ground Daily and Who Will be Elected on Oct. 14

DR. G. A. INCH DIED EARLY THIS MORNING

An old resident of Fredericton and one who has been interested in educational affairs of the province, passed away early today, when Dr. George A. Inch died at his home on Church Street at the advanced age of 87 years.

The late Mr. Inch who lived in Fredericton for over fifty years was born in Jerusalem, Queens County. He taught in the York Street School and later High School and in the Provincial Normal School. Many students have passed his hands and he was known and respected by teachers and others all over New Brunswick who will remember this kindly gentleman in years that are gone.

Dr. Inch is survived by his widow and numerous nephews and nieces.

The funeral will take place on Monday afternoon with service at the home on 278 Church Street at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. J. W. Bartlett and interment will be made at the Rural Cemetery.

ALBERTA TO FORCE PAYMENT ON LOANS

CALGARY, Oct. 5—Liens taken to cover advances to Alberta farmers for feed grain and fodder during 1934-35 are to be used to enforce collection, it was announced in the Alberta Gazette. Seizures are to be effected in cases where they are considered necessary.

LIBERAL SMOKER

The Liberal men will hold a smoker in the liberal committee rooms on Tuesday night next where they will listen to the mammoth nationwide broadcast of addresses by eight liberal premiers in Canada. The premiers will greet their leaders, Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, who will be speaking at a mass meeting in Toronto in the Maple Leaf Gardens. The leader will reply. The Liberal women of this city will also hold a meeting for the same purpose in the Castle Hall. Following their meeting light refreshments will be served.

DIED THIS MORNING

The death occurred this morning at Barker's Point of Florence Dickson, wife of the late Frank A. Dickson, after a lingering illness. The late Mrs. Dickson is survived by five sons and two daughters: Rev. J. H. E. Rickard, New York; Wesley Rickard, Barker's Point; Frank Rickard, Moncton; George Rickard, Hartland; Harold Rickard, Quincy, Mass.; Mrs. Susan E. Hizzar, New York; and Mrs. Florence Mitton, of Albert, Albert County, also several grandchildren. The funeral service will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Kennedy at the Funeral Home of J. A. McAdam tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment to be at Methodist Cemetery, Marysville.

False Hot Air

There seems to be an idea on the part of Conservative speakers in this county that if they can drag the Dysart Government and provincial matters into this campaign, that they will make some cheap gains by so doing. This is a wrong idea because the trimming which the Conservatives received in June last will be repeated on October 14. It should be a warning.

Tory speakers have tried to make it appear that Premier Dysart and his government have failed to carry out the pledges regarding Old Age Pensions and also in regard to free school books, which were made by the Liberals previous to the last election.

THIS CANVASS IS ABSOLUTELY FALSE AND NO PERSON KNOWS THIS BETTER THAN THOSE WHO ARE MAKING THIS CANVASS.

Hon. W. F. Jones, K.C., a well known Woodstock lawyer is in charge of the establishment and administration of a system of Old Age Pensions in New Brunswick. He was appointed some time ago by the Dysart Government and is working on a pension scheme which will appeal to the people of New Brunswick. Yes! New Brunswick will have Old Age Pensions. The office already has been established and statements to the contrary are untrue.

FREE SCHOOL BOOKS will be given to the people as soon as the necessary machinery can be put in operation. This will be at the session to be held within the next four months.

It may be remembered that the free school books were abolished by the Baxter-Tilley Government. As the granting of free school books requires legislative consent, Premier Dysart will have to wait until the next session of the Legislature before introducing the proper legislation giving him the authority to proceed with the purchase and distribution of these books. Had the old government which was defeated in June last not repealed the Act in regard to school books Hon. Mr. Dysart and his Government would have had no delay in providing the books.

The Baxter-Tilley Government abolished the free school books and by doing so that made it necessary for the Dysart Government to restore them. This cannot be done until the House of Assembly meets in the winter. But in the meantime the Dysart Government is not idle. They are working on a new and much superior system of free school books which will be introduced within the next couple of months or as soon as the Act giving them the authority to do so—which was abolished by the Baxter-Tilley Government—is restored. That is the best that any government can do.

People who expected to wake up the day after the election and find free school books and pension envelopes sitting on their doorsteps, along side of the milk bottle, are unreasonable. No government can turn on the tap and produce these things in a moment, especially a government that has been chased to death in the last three months by job hunters.

The wild statement made by one of the barn stumpers of the Conservatives, that the Dysart Government spent more money on road machines since it came into power in June last than did the Tilley Government in the past year is nailed as a falsehood by the Deputy Minister of Public Works. It is stated officially that while the Tilley Government spent over \$200,000 on road machinery purchases during the election period, that not one dollar has been spent on road machinery since the Dysart Government came into power.

CHANGES IN DAIRY PRODUCTS COMMISSION

Premier Announces New Appointments Also

Changes in the personnel of the New Brunswick Dairy Products Commission were announced late yesterday by Hon. A. A. Dystart, following a meeting of the cabinet. The resignation of K. W. Milner, Moncton, as a member of the commission was accepted, and Beverly Mitton, Coverdale, was appointed to fill the vacancy. A. D. Freeze, Sussex, was dismissed as a member of the commission and W. Heber Huggard, Norton, was appointed to succeed him.

In addition to other appointments, the premier announced that Robert B. Irving, a member of the actuarial staff of the New Brunswick Workmen's Compensation Board, has been appointed acting commissioner, replacing A. J. Doucet, resigned. Mr. Doucet is now a Reconstruction party candidate in Kent County. The premier stated that Mr. Irving had been appointed acting commissioner "pending an appointment and a possible reorganization of the board."

A. E. O'Leary, Fredericton, an auditor for the New Brunswick Liquor Control Board, was superannuated from the staff of that board, it was announced.

Other appointments announced were as follows: Vincent J. McEvoy, Newcastle, judge of probate for Northumberland county.

John M. Keefe, Grand Falls, registrar of probate for Victoria county, succeeding Jas. W. Howlett, resigned.

Dr. George W. Burton, coroner for Westmorland county.

SAINT JOHN MAN APPOINTED TO NEW POSITION

James H. Conlon is Now On Duty as Provincial Counsellor

James H. Conlon, St. John, former well known newspaper man, has been appointed to the office of Provincial Counsellor in connection with the New Brunswick Bureau of Information and Tourist Travel. Mr. Conlon went on duty today. He returned to St. John this evening and will remove with his family to this city next week.

The new Counsellor will work in conjunction with D. W. Griffiths, director of the Bureau, in the promotion of tourist travel in the province. His appointment to this office creates somewhat of a surprise, as it is understood that while changes were to be made, another man had been favorably considered for the position. Mr. Conlon is a brother-in-law of W. M. Ryan, K.C., the Liberal candidate for the federal house in the county of St. John.

MEDICAL EXECUTIVE MEETS

The executive of the New Brunswick Medical Society held a meeting in the Queen Hotel last night at which all members of the executive were present. Only routine business was carried on at the meeting, it was announced. Those present included Dr. H. E. Brisson, Moncton; Dr. Sormany, Edmundston; Dr. Kirkland, Dr. R. M. Pendreigh, Dr. J. R. Nugent, Dr. J. M. Barry and Dr. A. E. Macauley, Saint John; and Dr. A. F. VanWart and Dr. A. L. Gerow, Fredericton.

Thos. G. Macdougall, commissioner for Westmorland county for taking affidavits to be read in supreme court. The superannuation of Havelock Kelly, Stanley, as a forest ranger, who has served since 1919, was also announced, to become effective Oct. 31.

Ethiopians Still Holding Aduwa; Desperate Fight

PENSIONS



HON. W. P. JONES, K.C. of Woodstock, Who Has Already Started to Work on Old Age Pensions for the Provincial Government.

FRASER'S MILLS TO FINISH CUT ON TUESDAY

The Fraser Company's Mill below this city will probably finish their 1935 cut by Tuesday of next week, it was announced today by W. J. Glen, manager of the mill. Mr. Glen said that stock had not yet been taken but he thought that this year's cut would amount to about 6,000,000 feet, which compare favorably with last year's cut. About 130 men have been employed at the mill all summer in the sawing of long lumber shingles and laths.

This year's market for lumber was so poor, Mr. Glen stated, that it is doubtful that they will operate the planing mill after the cut is finished. In former years the planing mill employed anywhere from fifteen to twenty men during the winter, but this year due to the lack of demand for finished lumber it is not probable that the planing mill will be operated to any great extent.

The manager stated that very little lumber has been shipped to foreign markets and he sees no prospect for markets this winter. Of the entire ten per cent of their cut which has been marketed to date, six per cent of it has been sold on the local market, Mr. Glen reported. He added that the mill has not yet received any encouragement the market that would indicate a better cut for next year.

This sudden "lay off" of 130 men is expected to effect the administration of relief in the city and steps are now being taken in the city relief for emergency. At present there is no direct relief in the city and, in the event that many of these men cannot find employment for the winter, a difficult problem will be placed before the city relief officer.

IMPROVED

Rev. Harry Burns, well known United Church minister, who is seriously ill at his home in Gagetown, is reported to be slightly improved this afternoon. Members of his family had been called to his bedside yesterday.

DIRECTOR HERE

D. Leo Dolan, director of the Dominion Tourist Bureau, Ottawa, arrived in the city today enroute to Boston. Mr. Dolan was director of the New Brunswick Bureau of Information and Tourist Travel before going to Ottawa, and spent the day renewing old acquaintances in the city. He will go to Saint John tonight where he will board a boat for Boston.

INFORMATION DISMISSED

In the case of Gerald Grant and Fred Duffy, who appeared before Police Magistrate Walter Limerick this morning on a charge of being in possession of goods reported to have been stolen, the information against Grant was dismissed and that against Duffy withdrawn.

Five Thousand Casualties—Ethiopia's Single Outlet Menaced by Invaders.

ADDIS ABABA, Oct. 5—In spite of repeated reports of the capture of Aduwa by the Italians the official word is still that the Ethiopians are holding ground and have brought down an Italian plane after having crossed the border into Eritrea.

Aduwa was the scene of bitter fighting between Italian and Ethiopian troops yesterday with conflicting reports as to the outcome of the engagement. An unofficial report reached Asmara, Eritrea, said Italians had captured Aduwa but reports elsewhere indicated the Ethiopians still were holding it. It has been bombed three times since the Italian invasion of Ethiopia. Italian reports indicated that it would likely fall today before the advancing legions of Mussolini despite the desperate resistance of Ethiopia's best-trained soldiers.

In order to repel the Italian threat to the important railway bridge at Awash, about 30 miles southwest of Mussa Ali, the governor of the area was said to be rushing up reinforcements, ordering 50,000 warriors to defend the railroad by all possible means. The warriors were reportedly headed by a Swiss officer and were equipped with modern Swiss anti-aircraft guns.

The Ethiopians were under command of General Woelde Gabriel, a subordinate of Ras Seyum, Selassie's army in Tigre Province south of the Eritrean border.

General Gabriel's troops, it was reported, faced the Blackshirt advance without resistance from the main portion of Ras Seyum's army, which was exhausted after its stubborn defence of Aduwa earlier in the day.

Italian planes laid down continuous barrages in the van of the invading army, the despatches said, Ethiopian military strategists were depending principally on their infantry, while Italy was counting heavily on its air strength.

HUNTING PARTY HERE

Harry Cram, Mark Hale, Dr. A. R. Goff, and Clarence Edwards of Keene, New York, arrived in the city yesterday coming 536 miles to hunt big game in the vicinity of Howard, Northumberland County. The party is being guided by Clarence Wade and George Allen and have brought a truck along to take their game home. The party was registered at the Queen Hotel and left this morning to the north of the Province to enter the woods.

RECEIVED SENTENCE

The four Saint John youths, who were brought here charged with bicycle theft from local school yards, subsequently pleaded guilty, received sentences ranging from two to four months in the York County jail when they appeared before Magistrate Walter Limerick here yesterday. Fred Ritchie and Thomas Sutherland received sentences of two months and Roland McGuire and Arthur Schenard received sentences of four months.

APPROPRIATE SERMON

At the Gibson Memorial United Church in South Devon the Rev. Wm. Burge is giving a series of sermons on Sunday evenings. His theme is "Epoch making days in the life of a great people." This theme readily adopts itself to the epoch making days through which we are now passing. Throughout the entire series he is modernizing his theme and making it applicable to the present time.

FUNERAL SUNDAY

The funeral of the late John Edward Giles will be held from the home of his brother C. Montague Giles, of Kingsclear, tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Prayers will be conducted at the home followed by service at St. Peter's Church at three o'clock. Rev. Mr. Buckland will be in charge of the service. Interment will be made in the adjoining churchyard.

HAMILTON, Ont., Oct. 5—Alex. Herasemenko was acquitted of both murder and manslaughter in connection with the death of Andrew Harpanick here June 6 after a backyard quarrel between the two men, and was freed unconditionally.