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AMALGAMATION OF RAILWAYS IS DISCUSSED

Globe is Averse to Giving up National System Until Given Further Trial

A Senate committee has reported in favor of an administrative merger of the Canadian National and the Canadian Pacific Railways, says the Toronto Globe. It suggests that the two systems be placed under the management of a board of fifteen directors, five to be named by the Canadian Pacific and five by the Federal Government, these ten to choose five other capable men. The C.P.R. would be guaranteed a stock dividend, and the capitalization of the C.N.R. would be revised. Any surplus after meeting the C.P.R. dividend would be paid to the government. If and when the amount so paid to the government constituted a dividend on the new C.N.R. capitalization equal to that of the C.P.R., any further surplus would be divided between the two systems in the ratio of their valuations.

Look Askance
The Canadian people will instinctively look askance at any project emanating from the Senate because of the bias of the majority of that body against public ownership. Before reaching conclusions they would like to know what Sir Henry Thornton told the Senate committee. They have confidence in his judgment, and are certain that he has the interests of the National system at heart. He has publicly favored the widest and closest co-operation of the two railways, and has admitted that their amalgamation would produce even greater economies. He has not, however, indicated the form which, in his opinion, such a union should take. The Senate scheme is a modification of that outlined by the late Lord Shaughnessy in 1920, though the Grand Trunk had not then been acquired by the government, and he recommended that it remain in the hands of its private owners. Like the Senate committee, he recommended that as a condition of union between the C.P.R. and the National System the C.P.R. shareholders be guaranteed in perpetuity a fixed annual dividend, to be supplemented by a further payment when the whole property was yielding a specified return. The land and other extraneous assets of the C.P.R., apart from the railway itself, would be segregated, and administered by a separate board, and the existing C.P.R. management would be retained to operate the railway for the Canadian people.

Different Scheme
The Senate scheme, unlike Lord Shaughnessy's does not contemplate the transfer of the National system to the C.P.R., but it would be virtually the end of the experiment in nationalization. The new administration would be a hybrid, a mixture of public and private ownership and operation probably never tried before. There would be no objection to the change if it were economically sound, and if some way were found to protect the public against the abuses of monopoly, but unless Sir Henry Thornton is convinced that there is no future for the National Railways as a separate entity—and he has said nothing publicly that would lead the country to think he was discouraged—public opinion will view the Senate's proposals as entirely pre-

mature. In 1923 the improvement in the finances of the National was almost revolutionary. This year there is the promise of a crop equalling that of two years ago, and it will be surprising if there is not a corresponding improvement in railway earnings. The reorganized C.N.R., now in the highest state of efficiency, with an executive staff and army of operatives filled with the spirit of emulation and service, should have a longer trial under the more favorable conditions on which the country is entering.

ARK IS TO BE PULLED DOWN

Condemned As Unsafe and Sold To A. S. Lewis for Removal.

An old landmark is soon to disappear. The Ark, as the building at the corner of Third Avenue and McBride street has recently been called, will shortly be torn down. Of recent years this building has been the target of the tourist camera, and the cause of considerable comment by strangers in the city because of its resting on stilts, and being so noticeably braced, and possibly there are not a very great number in the city today who can recall when this building was on old Centre street and was occupied by the Bank of Commerce. It also at one time served as the city hall, before it was removed to its present location, where it was first used as an office for the well-known firm of Ritchie and Agnew, land surveyors.

As a boarding house some of the bank boys and younger generation in the city at that time made their headquarters in the building. It was during this period that it was called "The Ark," and Harrison Rogers, a former architect of the city, who designed the Baptist church, painted the name in full view on the glass in the entrance door. Of recent years it has not been inhabited, and latterly was condemned as being unsafe.

A. S. Lewis has bought the building and is engaged at the present time in removing the windows, doors and other parts of the structure.

The S. S. Prince Rupert with over 200 passengers on board, arrived in port about ten this morning. Most of the passengers are making the round trip to Alaska.

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SONS OF CANADA BEAT GYROS 7 TO 5

Game at Acropolis Grounds Took Place of Regular League Fixture.

The Sons of Canada and the Gyros played a practise game of baseball last night on the Acropolis Hill, and the Sons were leading with the score 7-5 at the end of six innings. The Saw Mill, who were scheduled to play the Gyros, were unable to field a team, and the Sons of Canada hastily gathered their team together in order that the fans who would go to Acropolis Hill would not be disappointed.

It was possibly due to the fact that it was not a league fixture that there was so much loose playing, as it was understood that there was nothing at stake. On the other hand, it was a good practise game, which might have been of some service to the two teams, with a little more efficient coaching. Roy and Ball-four were the battery for the Sons, and Foley and Astoria for the Gyros, and there was little to choose between them. Errors were quite frequent on both sides, although with the exception of the one inning Foley held the Sons well, and in this inning he was not supported well by his team mates.

Sport Chat

It is evident that local sport enthusiasts have not as yet gotten over the interruption caused by the holidays. The football on Monday was of a very indifferent character, and last night the Sawmill found it impossible to field a team in their regular scheduled game with the Gyros. This does not make for encouragement of sport as the schedule has been drawn up and announced and people expecting games on certain dates make arrangements accordingly. This continual changing of game dates or failure to field a team will do much to cause interest in sport to fall off. And the changes are not announced far enough in advance.

Swimming and fancy diving is enjoying a big boom throughout the Dominion this year. Applications for sanctions to hold amateur meets are coming in to the Canadian Amateur Swimming Association from many clubs and it now looks as if there will not be enough standard distance events to satisfy all bodies.

The Ontario branch of the C.A.S.A. has been allotted the outdoor 50 yards, free style, for men, to be run off some time in August.

Usually only sanctions for outdoor meets are granted for the summer months but exception was made in the case of the Canadian Pacific Railway natorium, known as the Crystal Garden, at Victoria, B.C. This was the formal opening of this beautiful new swimming pool and sanction was given to stage a big Dominion indoor championship meet.

What is worthy of particular note is that ladies are starting to come out in large numbers each year. A present day swimming or diving meet is not now considered complete without events for ladies. At least one Canadian Olympic athlete, found the atmosphere of

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LOST—Yesterday, between Wilson's Barber Shop and Stork Apartments, pair of black rimmed glasses. Finder please return to Daily News Office.

GOLD WRIST WATCH—Military crest engraved on back. Finder please return to Daily News Office. Reward.

the Old Country and the Continent so congenial that he has gone on another visit. This is Phillip Granville of Hamilton, who is unquestionably a great heel-and-toe walker. Granville is a West Indian, having been born in Jamaica, and some question was raised last year as to his eligibility to represent Canada at Paris, but this was finally ruled as O. K., he having lived in Hamilton for the last nine years.

The sporting instinct stays with a person a long time after he gives up active participation in games and sports. That is what prompted some of the players who are to take part in the game tomorrow between the Gyros and Rotarians. They feel young even if they are not young and they may surprise some of the younger set in the big exhibition game at Acropolis Hill.

Prizes are to be given to boys who win at the races tomorrow afternoon at Acropolis Hill. If there are enough present three prizes in each class will be awarded.

PRINCE RUPERT TIDES
Wednesday, July 8.
High 2.33 a.m. 22.2 ft.
 15.32 p.m. 19.9 ft.
Low 9.13 a.m. 9.2 ft.
 21.28 p.m. 5.3 ft.
Thursday, July 9.
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AND TAKE NOTICE that after the expiration of one (1) month from the date of the first publication of this Notice The Canadian Fishing Company Limited will, under Section 7 of the said Act, apply to the Minister of Public Works at his office in the City of Ottawa for approval of the said site and plans and for leave to construct the said floats, wharf on piles and structures on pile foundations.
DATED at Vancouver, B.C., this 24th day of June, A.D. 1925.
THE CANADIAN FISHING COMPANY LIMITED

GOVERNMENT LIQUOR ACT.
Notice of Application for Beer Licence
Notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of July next the undersigned intends to apply to the Liquor Control Board for a licence in respect of premises being part of the building formerly known as Kiltas' Ice Cream Parlor, situate on Third Avenue, Prince Rupert, B.C., upon the lands described as Lot Number 15, Block Number 22, Section 1, Map Number 923, Prince Rupert Land Registration District in the Province of British Columbia, for the sale of beer by the glass, or by open bottle for consumption on the premises.
DATED this 27th day of June, 1925.
JOSEPH SIGMUND,
Applicant.