

Railways and 5-Day Week

MONTREAL—The general public will notice few changes in railway services when the five-day, 40-hour week for Canadian railways comes into effect June 1, according to J. A. Brass, secretary of the Railway Association of Canada. For the most part, the 40-hour week will mean no Saturday morning work for office staffs but operation of trains will not be curtailed.

For instance, in the Canadian National Railway's Central station and the Canadian Pacific Railway's Windsor station in Montreal, the ticket offices and other concourse services, familiar to travellers, will remain normal.

However, ticket offices outside major stations will close on Saturdays with the advent of the shorter work week. Freight yards will be in full operation as usual and carload services, including switching of team tracks, private sidings, and gantry cranes, will be continued. To facilitate the performance of these

services, skeleton staffs maintained on Saturdays at larger stations will be reduced to one man station requirements. b. protected on the day. Actually, the only service which will be affected is the pick up and delivery of mail. In larger cities the mail will be discontinued on the five-day week. In other areas where Saturday is the day of the week, this will be suspended on Monday.

The express companies operate a modified service at rate centres on Saturdays. There will be some non-perishable traffic service provided in smaller offices.

A major points in the country where communication offices are maintained for telegraph communication function to meet the needs of the public, industry generally, and the military. The telegraph office will be closed on Saturday except for emergency messages.

Blackwood on Bridge

By Easley Blackwood

To lead trumps or not to lead trumps, that is the question. Inexperienced players go wrong on this more than on any other department of declarer's play of the hand.

On about 75 per cent of your hands the proper procedure is to pick up the enemy's trumps as soon as you get the lead. This prevents your opponents from getting in their small trumps on your good cards in the side suits.

But on about one-fourth of your hands it is necessary to defer leading trumps for one reason or another. I have shown you a number of situations where that practice is desirable.

his contract because of his foresight in getting rid of a sure loser before relinquishing the lead.

Of course, you take some chance when you postpone leading trumps. An opponent might ruff in unexpectedly. But in this case Mr. Dale was playing with the odds. He could safely run three rounds of diamonds if the opposing eight cards in that suit were divided 4-4 or 5-3.

The chances of finding one or the other of these distributions totalled well over 50 per cent. On the other hand there was exactly a 50 per cent chance of finding the king of spades right.

None vulnerable

Mr. Dale dealer

Miss Thrush

S-K 7 5 3

H-8 2

D-10 5 3

C-K Q J 5

Mr. Dale

S-A 4

H-Q J 10 7 4

D-K Q 6

C-A 4 3

The bidding:

Dale Keen Brash Masters

1 H Pass 1 S Pass

2 H Pass 3 H Pass

4 H All pass

Today's hand illustrates another reason for postponing trump leads. You will note that Mr. Dale cannot pull trumps without surrendering the lead, because one of the opponents has the ace of the trump suit, hearts.

Mrs. Keen opened the king of clubs, and Mr. Dale won with the ace. Now if he had led trumps at once the opponents would have won and quickly cashed two club tricks. The success of the contract would then depend entirely on the spade finesse.

HAS BETTER PLAN

Mr. Dale had a better plan than that. Beginning at trick two he led three rounds of diamonds and on the third round got rid of one of dummy's clubs. Then he led trumps and Mr. Masters took the ace of hearts and led the 10 of clubs which held the trick.

He shifted to the nine of spades, and Mr. Dale ducked and lost the trick to the king. But that was all. The old boy made

Baron recruited and trained the famed Lovat Scouts for service in the South African war. The Scouts also fought with great distinction in two subsequent wars and a unit of the regiment in the Second World War went through a special course of training in British Columbia.

Lord Lovat, just back from a trip to New Zealand and Australia, told the Canadian Press he was anxious to extend a special invitation to the large numbers of Frasers that have settled in Canada. He believes the Festival of Britain will attract many to the United Kingdom and hopes they will make June 23 at Beaufort Castle a "must."

Although detailed plans for the celebration have not yet been completed, Lord Lovat intends the event to be something the Frasers will not readily forget. A sports program will feature tugs-of-war, tossing the caber and other field events, with highland and piping competitions as well as a fun-fair for the children.

For those interested in the sights, tours of the estate's famed pedigree stud farms, gardens and the castle itself, will be arranged. After some speech-making there will be a grand finale with the men of the clan marching past their wives and families.

"This in itself," Lord Lovat said, "will be quite an event and will certainly be making history, as I do not think it has been done by private individuals since the clan marched to Culoden in 1745."

The close of the official program, however, will not mark the end of the day's festivities. At night bonfires will be lit, appropriate refreshments will be served, with dancing to the tunes of highland pipers and fiddlers.

If the ministry of food can be persuaded to relax prevailing restrictions a whole ox will be roasted and neighboring clans invited to join in an old-time barbecue.

"No doubt the party will go on long after that," Lord Lovat remarked.

Deceased leaves his wife and son Roy, who came to Prince Rupert three months ago. There are also sons and daughters still in China.

Funeral will be held Sunday from Greenville Chapel.

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from Viscount Alexander. Libertine is owned by Jack Smallman of London, Ont.; Bear Field is from the Jim Fair stable of Gainsville, Ont. Britannia, another Taylor entry, led over most of the 1 1/2-mile route, but faded in the stretch as Major Factor rolled to victory in 1:53, one second slower than the record. (CP Photo)

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Terrace Woman Passes Away
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Survivor is her husband, John Glennie, a psychiatric nurse at the Home for the Aged, Terrace.
Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

Frasers Have Date at Home
Lord Lovat Plans Scottish Reunion for Fraser Clan
By EDWIN S. JOHNSON
Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON—Canadians who trace their ancestry to Scotland's famed Fraser Clan have a date this summer with their hereditary chief among their folk.
It is an open invitation from Lord Lovat, present leader of the clan, to the thousands of Frasers at home and abroad for a get-together with their kinsmen at his family estate, one of the largest in the highlands.
The rally will be held June 23 on the historic fields of Downie, surrounding picturesque Beaufort Castle at Bely in Invernesshire.
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