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THORNTON UNDER FIRE

Correspondent of Financial Paper Gives Reasons Why Head of C.N.R. Cannot Remain

Salary Is Huge

Loose System is Charged in Connection With Various Departments of National System

The Ottawa correspondent of the Financial Post in a special article on the subject suggests that the resignation or retirement of Sir Henry Thornton is only a matter of time. He says that Sir Henry has been placed in an impossible position. The Royal Commission will soon report and the report may affect Sir Henry's position, but even if it does not he believes there will be a change in the head of the C. N. R. system.

According to the correspondent, the most damaging revelations concern the salary paid to Sir Henry, and the expense accounts of National railway officials. Everyone understood that Sir Henry was under a contract, to expire about 1934, allowing him a salary of $75,000 per year. This contract negotiated when Hon. C. A. Dunning was minister of railways was an improvement, from Sir Henry's point of view, over the former contract. It gave him more money. But it now appears that Sir Henry drew from the National railway or subsidiaries the following income in 1930:

Salary	$ 75,000
Special allowance	15,000
Income from Grand Trunk Western	5,000
Income from the Central Vermont	5,000
Income from the Ontario car ferry	5,000
Directors' fees	250
Personal expenses	24,152
Calculation on cost of house	20,000
Grand total	$149,402

So far there has been no satisfactory explanation of this extraordinary set up of figures. At the time when Sir Henry's contract was renewed the general understanding was that the contract salary covered everything except the president's travelling expenses, etc.

Some Other Salaries

In contrast with the highest salaries paid by the crown in other walks of life, it may be pointed out that the Governor-General of Canada draws $48,666; the Prime Minister, $21,000; the Minister of Railways, $16,000; the Chief Justice of Canada, $15,000; Lieutenant-Governors, $10,000; and provincial chief justices, $10,000. A comparison of this kind, perhaps, is scarcely fair, since there is no assurance of permanency in the presidency of the National Railways and there is this assurance in several of the positions mentioned. A truer comparison would lie with the presidents of other railways, but here, also, it will be found that Sir Henry's receipts from the National were quite out of line.

The item for the residence in Montreal is little short of amazing. The facts in this regard were stated to the committee by Dr. Peter McGibbon, of Muskoka, and have not yet been verified by direct evidence from Sir Henry. There has, however, been no denial so that their acuracy can scarcely be doubted.

In August, 1930, about the time the federal government changed, the directors of the National Railways, through a junior officer, purchased a house in Montreal for the president, at a cost of approximately $185,000. The house was paid for by borrowing money at a relatively high rate of interest, and it was presented to Sir Henry.

Other facts produced by the committee are equally astonishing. In 1930, for example the expenses of officials totalled the enormous sum of $1,952,189.64. This was split up:

Meals	$ 834,186.24
Hotels and lodgings	395,209.19
Sleeping cars	133,130.88
Railway fares	10,724.88
Telegrams	12,585.48
Other expenses	566,166.60
Total	$1,952,189.64

As proof of the grossness of the extravagance in that year, it was announced to the committee that the new board of directors already had cut the sum by $336,000. Equally surprising, it was announced that the new directorate had put in a system which certainly prevails in all well managed institutions whereby expenses are paid by the officials in the first place, and expense acounts, supported by vouchers, are then turned in to the company.

Then there is the matter of club dues. In 1930, the National railways spent $100,000 on club dues for officials. No detail as to the sort of clubs or the amount of initiation fees, etc., is available except that $70,000 went for club shares and the balance for dues.

That such a state of affairs could exist in a company owned and operated by the state at a very large annual loss is deemed to convict the president and the former directorate of gross incapacity.

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BOOTH WON IN SOCCER

The Junior Football game between Borden and Booth last evening was productive of a match full of thrills with many good football features and the usual wholehearted play that the boys always serve up. Booth were just about value for their win, the score being four to two in their favor.

Winning the toss was a big advantage for Booth which had the wind, the hill and the sun to help them. Annesley's fine save from a high drop of Gomez's was the first feature and soon the goalie had to save again from Colussi who nearly got through from Nelson's centre. Campbell and McGuire combined nicely to lead a Borden attack but Ritchie cleared. Currie kicked well at the other end and then Veitch gave McGuire a fine long pass that was returned to Campbell and the Borden forward line combined in a fine movement that ended with Lindsay shooting just wide. Hong was very effective in defense and then Shrubsall made a dangerous sally and forced an unproductive corner. Borden made good progress with fine long passes that kept the Booth defence busy and Munro was lucky to save at the post. Veitch was good and then Booth was just foiled in the goal mouth before the halftime whistle blew, no goals having been scored.

The wind had dropped considerably at the start of the second half. McGuire made a fine run but Eby cleared. Currie miskicked to let Colussi through for Booth's first. Ritchie miskicked at the other end and Shrubsall equalized cleverly in less than a minute. Colussi was nearly through again but lost control and Borden was away to the the other end for Lindsay to give his team the lead. Play was fast and strenuous with Booth doing the greater part of the pressing but finding the Borden defence sound.

Gomez had a hard drive blocked and Nelson shot over. Shrubsall was fast and clever but Ritchie managed to stop him. Colussi hit the bar with a fine drive and then Gomez worked his way through to give Booth the equalizer. The pace was telling on the lighter Borden team and, after Annesley had cleared finely from a corner, Colussi gave Booth the lead. Anensley was shaken up in clearing and Hong got a nasty crack but he was soon back in the game. Just before fulltime Nelson luckily added a fourth for Booth.

Borden—Annesley; Currie, Hong; Naylor, Veitch, Houston; Lindsay, O'Neill, Shrubsall, Campbell, McGuire.

Booth—Munro; Eby, Ritchie; DeMarco, Gomez, Fulton; Nelson, MacDonald, Colussi, Hale, McMeekin.

Referee, J. Johnston.

Linesmen, A. Ivarson, T. Bussanich.

Washington State Defeats Oregon In Diamond Play

CORVALLIS, Ore., May 5:—Washington State College defeated Oregon State College by a score of 6 to 3 here yesterday in the first of a two-game conference baseball series.

Baseball Scores

Pacific Coast League
Portland 6, Seattle 5.

FOOTBALL
ACROPOLIS HILL — At 6:45
TONIGHT

News of The Sport World

CARDINALS ADVANCING

World Champions Win From Cincinnati Reds to Take Fourth Place in National League

ST. LOUIS, May 5:—The world champion St. Louis Cardinals, who were in the cellar about a week ago, continued their forward march yesterday and won again from the Cincinnati Reds by the shut-out route to advance into fourth place in the National League above the Reds and close on the heels of the third place Phillies.

The Phillies used three pitchers in a vain effort to stay the attack of the league leading Boston Braves who won by a shut-out. Rhem allowed the Phils only four scattered hits. The game was called in the eighth to allow the teams to catch a train.

The idle Brooklyn Dodgers squeezed into sixth place when the Pittsburg Pirates were defeated by the Chicago Cubs.

The Philadelphia Athletics, although idle, advanced to fifth place in the American League ahead of the St. Louis Browns who lost to the Cleveland Indians. The Detroit Tigers retained second place by winning a close victory from the Chicago White Sox.

Big League Scores

National League
Cincinnati 0, St. Louis 7.
Chicago 4, Pittsburg 1.
Boston 3, Philadelphia 0 (called in eighth).

American League
St. Louis 3, Cleveland 8.
Detroit 8, Chicago 7.

Baseball Standings

American League

	W.	L.	Pct.
Washington	14	4	.778
Detroit	12	5	.706
Cleveland	14	7	.667
New York	10	6	.625
Philadelphia	6	10	.375
St. Louis	7	12	.367
Chicago	5	14	.253
Boston	3	13	.188

National League

	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	12	4	.750
Chicago	12	5	.706
Philadelphia	9	9	.500
St. Louis	9	10	.474
Cincinnati	9	11	.450
Brooklyn	6	9	.400
Pittsburg	7	11	.389
New York	5	10	.333

John Williams, Atlin liquor vendor, was a passenger aboard the Princess Norah going through for a trip to Vancouver and elsewhere in the south.

FALCONS WINNERS

Cubs Defeated in High School Softball League Yesterday

In a keenly contested softball game, the Falcons yesterday defeated the Cubs by a margin of 4-0. This was the first game of the second half in the High School League. The winning of this half will earn the right to oppose the winners of the first half for the championship.

The Falcons were out for a win, collecting one run in the first inning and the rest in the third, while the Cubs were unable to master the fine pitching of Ronnie Allen, practically every hit being a pop fly. The fielding of both teams could have been improved on but the Falcons made up for their erorrs by knocking the pill all over the lot. The third inning was the big one of the game, featured by a circuit clout by Walter Cross. Moxley blew up completely and, with bases full, he walked Stegavig, forcing a run. Christison also came in to complete the scoring.

The batteries for the Cubs were Moxley and Church; for the Falcons, Allen and Christison.

The teams were:

Cubs—Faw, Church, Morrison, Moxley (captain), Obata, Fulton, Ross, Hanson, Davies, Stinech, Williscroft.

Falcons — Allen, Welle, Cross (captain), Dungate, Christison, Murray, Hale, Stegavig, Ritchie, Fisher, McCaffery.

Umpire, Bill Tobey.
Base umpire, Bob Tobey.
Scorekeeper, Kishimoto.
Reporter, Pat Palmer.

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