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## FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOARD OF TRADE

### Observed Last Night at the Margaret Bethel Tea Rooms. Excellent Addresses Delivered by Mr. James Paton and Mr. H. E. Tanner of the Halifax Fisheries Experimental Station.

The Charlottetown Board of Trade observed the fortieth anniversary of the Board last night in the Margaret Bethel Tea Rooms. An enjoyable supper was served by the proprietors. The President, Mr. R. L. Cotton, presided. About fifty members and guests were in attendance. The speakers for the evening were Mr. E. Tanne, of the Maritime Fisheries Experimental Station at Halifax who gave a most interesting and instructive address on the possibilities of improvement of Prince Edward Island Fisheries; and Mr. James Paton, one of the charter members of the Board who read a splendid historical review of the Charlottetown Board of Trade.

Before the serving of an appetizing supper, Mr. James Lightner, Chairman of the Membership Committee read the names of the following new members—forty-seven in number: J. A. Bentley, Donald McKinnon, Colin Love, Murdoch Ross, E. F. Acorn, Byron Brown, S. Paol, Jr., Arthur MacDougall, C. R. Smallwood, G. R. Keefe, L. H. Davidson, Everett Ferguson, J. F. Murnaghan, Dr. I. E. Croken, I. Y. Reddin, Dr. F. W. Tidmarsh, Wm. Pearson, J. Callaghan, H. M. Stewart, Guthrie Ballingall, A. R. McInnis, G. P. Strong, N. D. McLean, T. G. MacLaren, Wm. Beare, W. A. Gaudet, H. Forsythe, Dr. W. B. Carson, J. F. Brass, H. W. Henry, A. E. Tombs, T. E. MacNutt, S. F. Galant, Percy Pope, J. F. McGulgan, M. R. McGulgan, E. S. Blanchard, M. P. Titus, D. B. Stewart, Henry MacFarlane, Ray McDonald, Ralph Jenkins, W. G. Hogz, J. Augustus McDonald, A. A. Hennessey, Dr. F. C. Dougan, Mr. J. E. Harris.

After the delightful repast Mr. Paton delivered his address as follows: Mr. James Paton, on the call of the President, gave a brief address on the history of the Board of Trade since its inception in April 1887. He prefaced his address by remarking that there were at least two classes in every community. First, the men who make no sacrifice of time or talents for the benefit of their fellow citizens, and do nothing to help the upbuilding of their town or province. The other class, of whom happily, Charlottetown has always had a fair share, are the men who contribute their brains and time and untiring efforts for the uplifting of their home-land.

Forty years ago a number of men of this stamp, seeing the necessity of forming a Board of Trade in this city, requested the Mayor, the Hon. T. Heath Haviland, to call a meeting for this purpose. The meeting took place in the Council Chambers on April 22nd 1887. The Mayor acted as chairman, and the principal speakers were: Hon. L. H. Davies, Hon. David Laird, Hon. Gordon T. Newbery, Hon. George Peake, Lewis Carver, Donald Farquharson, R. B. Norton, George H. Beer and others, while B. D. Higgs acted as secretary. At that meeting a committee of seven were appointed to take the necessary steps

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## DEATH TOLL FROM FLOODS REACHES 300

### More Land and Towns Inundated—Property Loss Estimated at Half Billion.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 26.—Swiftly and irresistibly, flood waters of the Mississippi River and its tributaries rolled across ground yesterday in three states: Arkansas, Mississippi, and Louisiana, inundating additional towns and thousands of acres of farm lands. Driving the homeless before it, the floods claimed new victims here and there swallowing up a Mississippi National Guard rescue worker near Greenville, and Arkansas plunger near Pine Bluff and the captain of a government craft assisting in levee strengthening on the Arkansas River near Gould. With the known death list past the hundred mark, estimates of the total fatalities ranged from 300 to 500. Rescue workers on the Mississippi delta fear that many lost their lives yesterday as the flood waters crept across that region. In the absence of any official estimate, varying calculations of damage covered areas were made by business men here, these ranged all the way from one hundred million dollars to half a billion dollars.

Sir Douglas Fox's report upon the proposed tunnel under the straits of Northumberland, which reportedly established the practicability of building such a tunnel. At a subsequent meeting the council passed a resolution recommending the construction of the tunnel at the earliest possible date but the tunnel was never proceeded with, notwithstanding the fact that it had the promise of support from Sir Wilfred Laurier.

At the meeting in April 1894, Mr. Nelson Rattenbury was admitted as a member along with six others, including Premier Fred Peare. One of the first fruits of the cooperation of the Board of Trade was the intimation received from Mr. T. C. James, superintendent of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company, that as the result of the Board's representations the telegraph office would open at eight a. m. and continued open all day, including meal hours.

In 1896 the question of a better telephone service was raised, and a committee appointed to go into the matter, when success attended their efforts at a later date. In October 1896 Mr. Paton proposed that a bridge should be erected across the Hillsborough River, and a committee of three was appointed, including Messrs. Farquharson and McLean, to go into the matter, the result was, after a long continued effort, the present Hillsborough bridge was erected. In February 1897 matters affecting the coal industry in Nova Scotia, and preferential trade with Great Britain were discussed, while the inadequacy of the winter steamer service was brought up and a committee appointed to insist upon a second winter steamer, which was ultimately accepted.

In October 1898 a resolution was adopted requesting the Department of Agriculture to send an expert report upon methods of potatoe raising, including the best means of preventing or remedying rust and the potato bug. In subsequent years routine business largely was gone through, particular attention being given to the improvement of steamer facilities, and telegraphic arrangements. Railway rates and fares were frequently discussed and the injustice suffered by Prince Edward Island in this respect brought to the attention of the authorities, and ultimately, in part, remedied.

In 1913 the Board of Trade passed the resolution urging the Government to repeal the then Auto Act forbidding running of autos, which was ultimately done. The subsequent meetings in succeeding years dealt largely with transportation matters and railway freights, and in 1919 a resolution was passed urging the appointment of a Prince Edward Island representative on the Board of Management of the C. N. R., a request which was subsequently acceded to by the appointment of Mr. Rattenbury.

Trade with the West Indies was taken up in 1920, and the present Potato and other business with that part of the Empire was largely the outcome of that discussion. In 1923 it was reported that the Associated Boards of Trade had waited upon the Provincial Government with regard to having a freight traffic expert appointed representing the Maritime Provinces, and subsequently the Stewart government agreed to pay its share of Europe.

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## Commander and Pilot Killed in Crash

(Canadian Press) NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 26.—Commander Noel Davis, who was preparing for a New York-Paris trans-Atlantic flight and Lieutenant Wooster his alternative pilot, were killed today when their giant aeroplane, the American Legion, crashed near Messick, Va. Reports received at Langley Field said that the machine, apparently developed engine trouble, became unmanageable and fell several hundred feet to the ground. It was carrying a load of more than 13,000 pounds. Telephone messages said the machine was badly smashed. Neither airman had time to jump.

## SURVIVING MEMBERS

### Only Four Members of the Original Incorporators Now Connected With the Board of Trade.

Only four members of the original incorporators of the Board of Trade are now connected with that body. These are Mr. James Paton, Mr. W. H. Aitken, Mr. John McLeod and Mr. G. H. Taylor. Mr. James Paton is one of Charlottetown's leading citizens. For a number of years he carried on a dry-goods business in this city. On account of his long connection with the Board of Trade and his continued active interest therein, he was chosen to deliver an historical sketch of the Board at the fortieth anniversary observance last evening. Mr. Paton has always taken an active interest in public affairs of not only the city but also the Province. Mr. W. H. Aitken once President of the Board of Trade, was a member of the firm of the W. H. Aitken & Co., wholesale oil firm, was president of the Board of Trade in 1901. This position he filled in a commendable and satisfactory manner. Mr. Aitken played a prominent part in the business life of the city of Charlottetown and during his active life in the Board of Trade figured in many improvements to the Province.

Mr. John McLeod is Charlottetown's pioneer merchant tailor. Formerly of Colville, P. E. I., he came to town and after serving six years with Beer and Sons, set up business for himself. During his quarter of a century as merchant tailor, he had under him as apprentices the majority of the tailors of the city. Mr. McLeod has the proud distinction of having five of his family served in the Great War. He was present at the anniversary banquet last evening.

Mr. G. H. Taylor, the fourth member, his carried on a successful jewelry business for the past forty-five years on Grafton Street. Formerly of England, he came to this province and located in Summerside for a short while until he came to Charlottetown and bought his present business from Mr. J. S. McKay. Although not taking an active part in public affairs, Mr. Taylor has a keen interest in current questions of the day.

## Kerensky Gets Stormy Reception In Chicago

CHICAGO, April 26.—A Russian Czarist sympathizer administered a resounding slap to the cheek of Alexander Kerensky one-time Premier of the Russian provisional government, last night when Kerensky was attending a banquet. Kerensky fell back at the blow and a dozen of his friends dashed at the assailant who was aided by a companion. There was a general fight among the tables and chinaware, which terminated when Kerensky's attacker and his companion were overpowering and rushed out of the hall.

## Competing For Canadian Market

LONDON, April 26.—The Swansea Coal exchange is preparing to fight American competition for the Canadian market of which the American dollar a ton reduction is the first fruit.

BOSTON, April 26.—Cyrus H. McCormick, 67 year old chairman of the Board of the International Harvester Company, was secretly married to Miss Alice M. Holt, who served as his private secretary for several years, on Friday last. The bride is said to be about 45 years of age. They sailed yesterday on the steamship Celtic for a honeymoon trip to Europe.

## BITTER FIGHT ON TRADES UNION BILL

### Conservative Campaign to Counteract Propaganda of Labor Party.

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, April 26.—The Conservative campaign to explain the government's famous trade unions bill is now in full swing. Sir Robert Horne, speaking last night at Glasgow, declared the country was confronted with a monster propaganda movement designed to stir up the laboring classes against the bill and that its propagation was not less assiduous expounding the truth to the electorate—that the government, through this much discussed measure, was making no attack on the legitimate functioning of the trade unions. Sir Laming Worthington Evans, Secretary of State for War, also spoke very strongly in support of the bill at Colchester, asserting that Great Britain must be protected against another general strike. Sir Arthur Steel Maitland, Minister of Labor, speaking at Birmingham, said that the bill was being misrepresented as a great attack on the trade unions and that it was nothing of the kind. The Conservative control office has circulated 2,000,000 leaflets explaining the government's intention as regards the trade unions and 700,000 copies of a penny pamphlet intimated "The Trade Disputes Bill popularly Explained" have been sold. Labor's assertion that the bill does not deal with organized lockouts, is answered by Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, who says that the government will deal with illegal lockouts in the same way as claims that the new ray will rob fog and every automobile a fog penetrating dark lamp, is held by J. L. Baird, inventor of Television, who has discovered a dark ray, which he says will pierce thick fog or smoke. Baird demonstrated his invention which he calls "Noctovision" at his laboratory Saturday and will fit a coast wise steamer with apparatus in June for further tests. After witnessing tests Saturday, Admiral Mark Kerr said that he thought the invention the biggest thing discovered for sea and air travel for a very long time. The Admiral, with others, saw Baird transmit a doll's features through the artificial fog produced by chemicals so thick that his assistants were choked in it. The dark ray described by its inventor as a sort of invisible searchlight which has sixteen times the penetration power of ordinary light through fog or smoke. Baird, who is understood to have discovered it as an outgrowth of his experiments with television, claims that the new ray will rob fog of its terrors and will make smoke screens in war time useless. One of the strange features of the ray is that it makes a sound when it encounters a solid object or even a ray of light. Each object produces a different sound, enabling determination of its nature. For instance, Baird said that he found that the ray, when thrown on Nelson's monument in Trafalgar Square produced a different note than when thrown on the dome of a nearby theatre.

## French Course For Ontario Teachers

(Special to The Guardian) MONTREAL, April 26.—Premier Ferguson announced yesterday that the Ontario Department of Education will hold a summer course in oral French in the city of Quebec from July 18th to Aug. 12th. This four weeks course will be opened to the teachers of French in continuation schools, high schools and collegiate institutes of Ontario. No fee will be charged. Through the courtesy and cooperation of the educational authorities of Quebec, arrangements have been made that Lady teachers may have board and lodging in the Sillery Academy, which is beautifully situated on the St. Lawrence, near Spencerwood, the Lieutenant-Governor's residence. Accommodation for the male teachers will be provided in Laval University. Rates will be very reasonable. It is proposed to have Professor Jeanneuret of the University of Toronto act as principal of the training class. He will be assisted by certain teachers and lecturers whom the Ontario Dept. has been able to secure from educational institutions in Quebec City. Premier Ferguson, expressed the hope yesterday that this greater opportunity for practice in conversational French while living in the French environment might prove of great advantage to the teachers of Ontario and the public under them.

## Seeding Operations Halted in West

(Special to The Guardian) WINNIPEG, Man., April 26.—Except in a few isolated instances no acreage has yet been sown in Western Canada this spring according to the first crop report of the Canadian National Railways issued today. Where seeding has been started it was interfered with by the recent heavy snowstorms and cold weather and the opinion is general that no more work can be undertaken for at least a full week or ten days. In Manitoba central and southern Saskatchewan, it is reported that plowing was interfered with by bad weather conditions last fall. In Manitoba some seeding has been attempted in the Pleasant Point, Miami and Hartney subdivisions and a little discing was undertaken in the Wakopa subdivision before cold weather intervened.

## Remove Ban on Ontario Milk

(Canadian Press) WASHINGTON, April 26.—The embargo placed by the United States on milk shipped from the eastern Ontario milk district has been lifted. The embargo was imposed five weeks ago because of a typhoid epidemic in Montreal. The embargo area at that time was set as within a radius of two hundred miles from the city of Montreal. Diminution of the source of infection induced the authorities to remove the ban from that part of Ontario affected yesterday. No change is made insofar as the province of Quebec is concerned for the present.

## Many Ostriches Are Being Slaughtered in Cape Colony

(Special to The Guardian) CAPE TOWN, South Africa, April 26.—When women took to small untrimmed hats the world over she sounded the death knell of the ostrich. Between 400 and 500 ostriches are being slaughtered daily in Cape Colony because of the slump in the ostrich feather market and the plumage from the slaughtered birds is going in prosaic feather dusters. In the Cudshorn district where there were once 250,000 ostriches the number has been reduced to less than 50,000. Drought has intensified the problems of the ostrich farmers, there having been little rain since December.

## SAYS RAY WILL PIERCE THICK FOG OR SMOKE

Admiral Kerr Says Invention is Biggest Thing Discovered for Sea and Air Travel in Long Time

LONDON, April 26.—Belief that the day may be not far distant when every vessel will carry an "invisible searchlight" to pierce fogs and every automobile a fog penetrating dark lamp, is held by J. L. Baird, inventor of Television, who has discovered a dark ray, which he says will pierce thick fog or smoke. Baird demonstrated his invention which he calls "Noctovision" at his laboratory Saturday and will fit a coast wise steamer with apparatus in June for further tests. After witnessing tests Saturday, Admiral Mark Kerr said that he thought the invention the biggest thing discovered for sea and air travel for a very long time. The Admiral, with others, saw Baird transmit a doll's features through the artificial fog produced by chemicals so thick that his assistants were choked in it. The dark ray described by its inventor as a sort of invisible searchlight which has sixteen times the penetration power of ordinary light through fog or smoke. Baird, who is understood to have discovered it as an outgrowth of his experiments with television, claims that the new ray will rob fog of its terrors and will make smoke screens in war time useless. One of the strange features of the ray is that it makes a sound when it encounters a solid object or even a ray of light. Each object produces a different sound, enabling determination of its nature. For instance, Baird said that he found that the ray, when thrown on Nelson's monument in Trafalgar Square produced a different note than when thrown on the dome of a nearby theatre.

## Appointed Manager of Pictou Lodge

(Special to The Guardian) MONTREAL, April 26.—The appointment is announced by A. S. McLeagan, Supt. of Canadian National Railways hotels, of A. E. Ellis to be manager of Pictou Lodge the Canadian National summer hotel at Pictou, N. S. for the season of 1927. Mr. Ellis who is a Nova Scotian by birth and whose home is in Truro, has had twenty years of hotel experience, chiefly at resort hotels in Canada and the United States. Mr. Ellis was for two terms of two and three years respectively manager of the Grand Hotel, Yarmouth, N. S., and also managed hotels at Port Macleod, N. S., Suffield, Alberta and Banff, Alberta, and has been assistant manager of the Royal Muskoka Hotel, Ontario 1926, Holy Inn, Pinehurst N. C. and Ell Court Hotel, Greenwich, Conn.

## VERNACULAR NEWSPAPERS PUBLISH THE BRITISH MINISTER'S PROPOSALS

### Official Kuomintang Manifesto Declares That British Occupation of Shanghai and Nanking Will Follow Rejection of the Powers' Demands in Connection With the Nanking Disorders.

(Canadian Press) SHANGHAI, April 26.—The vernacular newspapers published an official Kuomintang (Cantonese political party) manifesto to the world today stating that the British Minister at Peking proposed to prepare for the occupation of Shanghai and Nanking in the event that the Chinese government should reject the demands made by the powers growing out of the Nanking disorders of March 24th. number of other missionaries were trying to make their way to safety from the interior. The Rev. Morris Slichter of Toronto, Ont., and his 8 year old daughter were killed by bandits. Mrs. Slichter and their 5 year old son were taken prisoners with Miss Craig. Officially the Canadian government last Saturday said Mrs. Slichter was at Schlichtung, Yun-nan province wounded. No details were given and there was no mention of her young son.

## U. S. Vessel Fired On 2,000 Soldiers Drowned

SHANGHAI, April 26.—Two United States auxiliary vessel Penguin was fired on heavily yesterday in the Yangtze river with rifles, machine guns and field pieces. Several of the Penguin's men were injured, one of them badly. American Nurse Given Freedom SHANGHAI, April 26.—Miss Mary I. Craig, Philadelphia nurse, recently kidnapped by bandits in Yunnan province, has been released. United States Consul General Gauss was advised from Yunnan Fu, capital of Yunnan province to say that Miss Craig was free and well. Miss Craig, a medical missionary of the China inland mission was captured near Yunnan Fu more than a week ago while she and a

## Suggest His Majesty Should Phone Message

(Special to The Guardian) OTTAWA, Ont., April 26.—Trans-Atlantic telephone may be utilized in connection with the Confederation Jubilee if one of the suggestions under consideration of the naming committee can be carried out. It has been proposed that His Majesty the King should phone across a message inaugurating the celebration and that it be broadcast by radio throughout Canada. The possibility of this being done is to be inquired into.

## Canada's Tribute to Immortal Anzacs

AUCKLAND, N. Z., April 26.—Side by side with wreaths to the memory of men, 45 years old, of Ford City, killed her four young children by slashing their throats with a huge butcher knife and then attempted suicide early this morning. Police found the bodies, their throats cut from ear to ear on two beds. The house was spattered with blood and Mrs. Thomas was pacing the front veranda when constables arrived.

## Princess Declines to Attend Bull Fight

(Canadian Press) LONDON, April 26.—A special bull fight has been proposed in honor of the Prince of Wales, who is visiting Spain, says the Seville correspondent of the Daily Express but the Princess has decided not to attend. He saw a bull fight incident at San Sebastian last year, the correspondent adds, and resolved that he did not want to see another one.

## Mother Murders Her Four Children

(Canadian Press) WINDSOR, Ont., April 26.—Mrs. Humma Thomas, 45 years old, of Ford City, killed her four young children by slashing their throats with a huge butcher knife and then attempted suicide early this morning. Police found the bodies, their throats cut from ear to ear on two beds. The house was spattered with blood and Mrs. Thomas was pacing the front veranda when constables arrived.

## Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc.

\*\*Conservatives of York poll will meet in York hall on Friday night at 8 p. m. to appoint delegates to convention. 5101 424 21

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\*\*The final shipment of hogs from "Uggs Shipping Club" will take place on the 2nd or 3rd Tuesday of May. Book your hogs right now without delay.—W. D. Ross, Sec'y. 5133

\*\*Auction sale of household furniture, kitchen, dining room and 2 walnut bedroom suites, new corner upright piano, pictures, etc. at residence of Miss Alice Weeks, 71 Upper Prince Street on Saturday, April 28th at 1.30 p. m.—John McDonald, Auctioneer. 5139

