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## ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD OF TRADE HELD LAST NIGHT

### President Gives Splendid Report Of The Year's Activities.—Membership Now Largest On Record.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trade was held last night in their rooms in the Market Building. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been approved, the President, Mr. R. L. Cotton, presented a masterly report on the work of the organization during the past year.

Following on this, Mr. S. A. MacDonald moved the adoption of the report. This was seconded by Mr. Nelson Rattenbury and supported by Mr. R. E. Mutch.

All these speakers paid worthy tributes to the great energy and ability shown by the president in the discharge of his duties during his term of office.

The Secretary, Mr. Wallace Higgins, then made his report. At the beginning of the past year, he said, there had been 146 members. During the year 49 new members had been enrolled. The members had resigned and one had passed away, leaving the organization with 194 members—a net gain for the year of 38.

The financial position too, was exceedingly satisfactory. The total receipts for the year had been \$960.42 and the total expenditures \$778.56, leaving a balance of \$181.86. To this must be added the balance of \$79.23 from last year, making a balance on hand of \$261.09.

Mr. H. V. Buntin moved and Mr. A. A. Pomeroy seconded the adoption of this report, which was duly carried.

It was then moved by Mr. Pomeroy, and seconded by Mr. J. O. Hyndman and carried that a bonus of \$50.00 be paid to Mr. Higgins for his efficient and capable services as Secretary.

The following officers were then elected for the year 1928:

President—S. A. MacLeod.  
Vice-President—H. F. McPhee.  
Secy.—Treasurer—W. L. Higgins (re-elected).

Council—R. L. Cotton, J. P. Crockett, F. W. Clarkin, G. J. Tweedy, A. A. Pomeroy, S. A. MacDonald, G. DeBlais, P. W. Turner.

On motion of Mr. Pomeroy, seconded by Mr. Rattenbury, it was resolved that the meeting suggest to the council that they arrange for the publication of the president's address in pamphlet form.

Active members of the Associated Boards of Trade were then elected as follows:

Ex-Officio: S. A. MacLeod, H. F. McPhee, W. L. Higgins, R. L. Cotton, S. A. MacDonald, G. E. Full, Elected: J. O. Hyndman, R. E. Mutch, Jas. Paton, E. T. Higgins, J. J. Leightizer, J. P. Crockett, A. A. Pomeroy and P. W. Clarkin.

The following twelve arbitrators

Announcements,  
Coming Events,  
Meetings, Etc

\*Supper repeated, Seven Mile Bay Hall, Thursday, Jan. 12th. 1813

\*Robn Hood Flour is guaranteed to please you better.

\*Loading live hogs at Hunter River Tuesday, January 17th, till noon. Signed, Everett Wedlock, Hunter River.

1763-1-10-31

\*Important meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of Protestant Orphanage in the Cudal Home Friday at 3.30.

1808-1-12-21

\*Albany Village School Saturday, January 14. Bean Supper beginning at 5.30 p. m. If stormy, Monday evening. Come everybody.

1802-1-12-21

\*Annual Meeting of Ujg and Grandview Shipping Club on Thursday, Jan. 18th, 7.30. All members requested to be present. W. D. Ross, Secretary.

1807-1-12-16-18

\*The Bedford Shipping Club loading live hogs Wednesday Jan. 18th.

1784-1-11-21

\*The annual meeting of the Belfast Farmers' Institute will be held in Eldon Hall on Saturday, January 14th. E. T. Gillis, Secy.

1799-1-12-21

\*Montague Saturday. "Volga Boatman," most colossal drama ever made, at Yeo's Theatre. 1789-1-12-21

\*Rheumatism, diseases of blood, Stomach and Internal Organs cured. References given. Phone 897. J. Dr. Cliff, 113 Prince St., Charlottetown, P. E. Island, Canada. 12-3 mos.

\*Kelly's Cross hall, Friday night 13th. Auction forty-five, lunch and big Dance. Doors open at 7 o'clock. 1781-1-11-21

## United States Needs First Class Navy

(Canadian Press)  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Stressing his own belief that the United States needs a first class navy, Curtis Wilbur, Secretary of the Navy, placed before the House Naval Committee both personal reasons and those of the Navy General Board for asking Congress to authorize a \$725,000,000 new warship construction programme.

Mr. R. L. Cotton then vacated the chair handing it over to the newly elected president, accepting it with a fitting speech, in which he alluded to:

(1) The completion of the standardization of the railway.

(2) The new Car-Ferry.

(3) Getting the railway wharf in fit condition for shipping next season as objectives towards which the Board must direct its efforts.

The Secretary then read a communication from T. E. MacNutt, president of the local branch of the Canadian Legion, in which he brought to the notice of the board the necessity of pushing the use of Empire made goods. He gave lead pencils as a particular instance of the way in which the market was monopolized by American and other foreign goods.

Some discussion then ensued, which was taken part in by Messrs. Nelson Rattenbury, R. E. Mutch and T. E. MacNutt. In the course of this the difficulty of securing a market for Island products particularly potatoes, in the British market was touched on.

Finally, on motion of Mr. S. A. MacDonald seconded by J. O. Hyndman, who spoke strongly in favor of developing trade within the Empire, the matter was referred to the incoming council to look into.

Mr. S. A. MacDonald next brought up a communication from Mr. C. Clark who was anxious that the board should make representations in the proper quarters in regard to the small size of the Charlottetown Experimental Farm\* having an area of only 166 acres. The average of other farms is as follows:

Dominion Experimental Farms Acreage

Charlottetown, P. E. I. 168

Nappan, N. S. 465

Kentville, N. S. 453

Fredericton, N. B. 525

Total, Maritime Prov. 1611

Ste. Anne, Que. 251

Cap Rouge, Que. 346

Lanville, Que. 600

Fernham, Que. 95

La Ferme, Que. 1200

Total, Quebec. 2492

Ottawa, Ont. 467

Kapuskasing, Ont. 1270

Harrow, Ont. 1983

Total, Ontario 1935

Morden, Man. 302

Brandon, Man. 652

Total, Manitoba 954

Indian Head, Sask. 1320

Rosthern, Sask. 650

Scott, Sask. 520

Swift Current, Sask. 800

Total, Saskatchewan 3290

Lacombe, Alta. 396

Lethbridge, Alta. 400

Total, Alberta 796

Invermere and Windermere B. C. 367

Summerland, B. C. 545

Agassiz, B. C. 1400

Sidney, B. C. 130

Total, British Columbia 2442

Mr. MacDonald presented a resolution to that effect, which was seconded by Mr. Rattenbury. Mr. R. H. Jenkins, M. P., said that the Federal representatives had already taken the matter up with the Minister of Agriculture.

Mr. Pomeroy suggested that an auxiliary council composed of twelve of the younger workers of the board should be formed to work in with the senior council, so as to become familiar with the duties which they would some day be called on to undertake. This was heartily concurred in by Mr. Cotton who explained the successful working of the young men's section of the Winnipeg Board of Trade.

On motion, a committee was appointed to take this matter up. Mr. Cotton, Mr. Pomeroy and Mr. McPhee were appointed as members of this committee to report at the next quarterly meeting.

Mr. Keith Rogers next brought up the question of the establishment of public comfort station in the city. He suggested that one be provided in the Market house, and conspicuously labelled as such.

The discussion which ensued was taken part in by Messrs. Hyndman, MacNutt, Paton and Higgins, the latter suggesting that a concession

## Canada Spends Million A Week On Intoxicants

(Canadian Press)  
TORONTO, Jan. 11.—A special despatch from Ottawa to the Globe says: "Canada is spending a million dollars a week on alcoholic beverages. The domestic production of whiskey, gin, beer, and other strong drinks amounts to \$40,000,000 per annum. We have imported during the last twelve months another \$40,000,000 worth and exported to the United States and other countries \$26,000,000 worth. This leaves \$54,000,000 worth of liquor to quench the Canadian thirst, not counting the home brew and the moonshine, which are such strong competitors of Government shops.

"Canadian imports of alcoholic beverages increased at a rate exceeding a million a month in 1927, as compared with 1926. In the month of November alone, we brought into the country \$5,478,268 worth of brandy, gin, whiskey, and wines. In the last twelve months our imports exceeded \$40,000,000, as against less than \$28,000,000 during the preceding year. Every month of 1927 showed larger purchases of liquor from abroad, mostly from the United Kingdom."

Enormous Quantities  
of Liquor Imported  
Into Canada Last  
Year.

King Will Receive  
Canadian Farmers

(Special to the Guardian)  
MONTREAL, Jan. 11.—That His Majesty the King will receive the Canadian Farmers Party on tour was the effect of a cable received today at headquarters of the C. N. Railways. This group of farmers from all Provinces is now on the High Seas. It was organized through the Department of Colonization and Agriculture of the National system with the co-operation of the White Star Line for the purpose of making a survey of Agricultural marketing systems in Great Britain and Denmark. H. R. H. the Prince of Wales had previously announced his intention of receiving the Canadians who will also have the benefit of meeting technical advisors of the ministry of Agriculture. His Majesty will receive the Canadian Farmers Party at Buckingham Palace at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday, February 4.

Senate Majority  
Reduced to Six

(Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 11.—Time has decimated the Conservative numbers in the Senate until the powerful majority in the upper house in 1921 has been reduced to six. Both parties are approaching equality in numbers. With the filling of three vacancies on Tuesday the party standing is now Conservatives 51, Liberals 43, Progressive 1, and vacant 1. The vacant seat is from the province of Quebec.

In the Senate as in the Commons, there is always an absolute list so the actual members of majorities or minorities cannot be assumed to be inflexible.

Cosgrave Leaves  
For United States

(Special to the Guardian)  
BELFAST, Jan. 11.—Mr. James Cosgrave whom sympathetic friends and press call President Cosgrave left Dublin last night on his way to the United States, accompanied by a retinue including D. O'Hegarty, secretary to the executive council; J. Walsh, secretary to the Minister of External Affairs and D. Fitzgerald, Minister of Defence and some others of lesser importance. The party is due in New York on the eighteenth instant, and there Professor Smiddy, Irish Minister, will join them.

Xmas Concert

The following program was rendered last night in St. Peter's Schoolroom:

Piano Solo—Helen Hyndman

Recitation—Xmas Dream—Constance Hyndman

Pantomime—Boy Scouts, Manger Scene—Soloist, Bessie Meek

Recitation—Xmas Is Coming—Patricia Worth

Recitation—Letter to Santa—Brian Filler

Solo—Welcome, New-born Year—Helen Hyndman

Recitation—Winter Time—Murriel Peake

Chorus and Drill—"Secrets"—Soloist—Helen Hyndman

Recitation—Just Fore Xmas—Billie Tidmarsh

Dialogue—Sarah Shama, Helen Sherren, Alice Crockett

Recitation—I'm Six—Helen Tidmarsh

Chorus and Drill—"Pine Tree"—Soloist—Sarah Shama

Recitation—Welcome, New Year—Dorothy Farrow

Dialogue—Maurice Brady, Douglas Sheppard, Brian Filler and Errol McKinnon

Recitation—Pennies—Helen Hyndman

Reddie—A German on the Telephone—Capitain D'Arcy

Recitation—Prince of Peace—Margaret Farrow

Recitation—Beehive—Katherine Acorn

Prize Match—Dick Filler and Arthur Althaus

Recitation—Xmas Abides—K. Shama

Good Night Chorus and Drill—Soloist—Helen Hyndman

After the program the children were presented with prizes, confectionery, etc.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 10.—Two large motor cars rearing through the darkness, with occasional revolver shots flashing out, disturbed the evening quiet of Market Street, last night, resulted in the leading car crashing through a signboard and the arrest of Clarence Davis, alleged driver of the wrecked car. The pursuing car was manned by Mounted Police, who later made the arrest but would give no information concerning the cause of the uproar. Davis will be arraigned in local police court. It was believed that none of the bullets caused any damage.

## Mrs. Snyder Granted Stay Of Execution

(Canadian Press)  
NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—The Daily News will say tomorrow that a stay of execution of the death sentence of Mrs. Ruth Snyder, scheduled to die tomorrow night with Judd Gray for the murder of her husband, was granted tonight by Supreme Court Justice Levy. Warden Lawes was ordered to appear before the Justice on January 12, to show cause why execution should not be stayed pending trial of an insurance suit.

Spanish Trawlers  
Attacked by Pirates

(Canadian Press)  
GIBRALTAR, Jan. 11.—Piracy almost within the shadow of the great fortress occurred yesterday when the Spanish trawler San Antonio was attacked by fifty Spanish fishing boats. The pirates numbered about 300 and were armed with pistols, knives and clubs. They boarded the trawler loaded the vessel and cut the nets. Another trawler was treated in a similar manner. Their boats were run aground at Alumar where the Spanish coastguard was driven off. Later the trawlers were refloated and taken to Gibraltar.

Antigonish Defeated  
Sydney Team

(Canadian Press)  
ANTIGONISH, N. S., Jan. 11.—Antigonish defeated Sydney two to one here tonight in a regular fixture of the Antigonish-Pictou-Colechester-Cape Breton League.

Plane Flies Over  
Charlottetown

The aeroplane which left Moncton yesterday forenoon with mail for the Magdalen Islands passed over Charlottetown at 12.47 p. m. and was seen by a large number of citizens. The plane was about 2,000 feet above the city. She appeared to be of the seaplane type equipped with a float for landing.

This is the first time for mail to be carried to the Magdalen Islands by aeroplane and marks a new epoch in the Canadian Postal service.

The plane left Moncton at twelve o'clock noon sharp, reached the Magdalen Islands and left there again at 2.07 p. m. on return to Moncton. It is thought that she carried about 100 pounds of letter mail. It is the intention of the Post Office Department to carry on a weekly mail service between Moncton and the Magdalen Islands.

The aeroplane passed over Charlottetown on return to Moncton at 3.15 p. m., taking a more northerly course than she did on her outward trip from Moncton. She was reported over Bear River at five minutes to three.

(Canadian Press)  
GRINDSTONE, Magdalen Islands, Jan. 11.—Inhabitants of these isolated islands of the Gulf of St. Lawrence thronged the shore at Grindstone today when a wireless message stated that the first mail plane in inaugurating a regular winter service to the islands had left Moncton at noon. An hour and a half later, the hum of the aeroplane motor was heard and just one hour and thirty five minutes after the hop-off from Moncton, the plane flown by E. J. Cooper, made a graceful landing on the water and transferred 700 pounds of mail to a waiting boat, quickly taking on the outward bound mail that had been taken out by boat.

The plane took off again and after circling over the land to survey the landing field at Hospital Beach, prepared for the use of the plane when a water landing is not advisable, disappeared in the northwest on the return journey to the mainland. Cheers greeted the flier when he landed and when he took off on the return flight, promising to return tomorrow with the balance of accumulated mails, if the weather permitted.

Forced to Land

PORT ELGIN, N. B., Jan. 11.—The first trip of the aerial mail service between Moncton and the Magdalen Islands, was carried out successfully today but pilot E. J. Cooper, and his companion making

## Praises Work Of League Of Nations

(Canadian Press)  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The League of Nations has to its credit in the eight years of its existence more direct and positive peace making work than any political association before could ever boast of. Sir Esme Howard, British Ambassador, told the American Engineering Council last night.

After sketching the development of the British Empire which he termed an association of nations, he said that such an association must aim above all things at maintaining the peace of the world. For this reason he added not only Great Britain but the Dominion Governments in the Empire are actively interested in the operation of the League. There are still, however, certain commitments in regard to Europe which may be desirable from the point of view of European peace, but which the Empire as a whole feels it cannot undertake, the Ambassador continued. In this connection he mentioned the refusal of England in 1925 to adhere to the protocol for the Pacific settlement of disputes, generally known as the Geneva protocol of 1924.

Then came the Locarno treaty, which was hailed with practically unanimous satisfaction in Great Britain but not so at once, by her partners outside Europe who did not feel the necessity to guarantee France against Germany or vice versa for European peace. The Dominion Governments, said the Ambassador, while ultimately approving the Locarno treaty, did not consider themselves bound by it.

"There are thus here," he said, "the possible germs of disagreement or at least the admission that a common foreign policy may not always be maintained. This is therefore another very strong and urgent reason why peace should be the principal interest of the British Empire. If there is one country in the world with which both from inclination and from interest we desire peace it is these United States of America."

Supreme Court

In the Supreme Court this morning the cases of Leo Bradley vs. Frank Moan, and Leo Bradley vs. Hugh Moan were heard by the full bench.

These cases were appeals by Leo Bradley, customs enforcement officer, from decisions by D. Edgar Shaw, Magistrate, who had dismissed both of them by reason of lack of evidence, each of the respondents had been charged with the same offence, viz, unlawfully having in possession a still without having given notice thereof, as required by the excise act. As the two offences were of the same kind, and committed at the same time, the men having been found in close proximity to a still which was operating at the time, the two appeals were heard together. J. J. Johnston, K. C., appearing for the respondents and G. S. Inman, K. C., for the appellants.

Preliminary objection to the appeal was taken by Mr. Johnston on the ground, firstly, that appellant had not put in recognizance, and secondly that he had waived his right to appeal by complying with the judgment of the court, below, in that he had paid costs.

Judgment in the objections was reserved and the appeal was then heard.

Evidence as to fact was given by Leo Bradley and Frank Moan. Argument followed by Counsel, involving many points of law. Judgment was reserved. At 2.45 the Grand Jury entered the court room and delivered their report, which is as follows:

Report of Grand Jury

To the Hon. John A. Matheson, Chief Justice, and Associate Judges of the Supreme Court of Queen's County of Prince Edward Island.

We, the Grand Jury beg to submit the following report:

We visited the Hospital for the Insane, the Infirmary and Queen's County Jail. At each institution we found conditions clean and sanitary with food supply adequate and of good quality.

At the Hospital for the Insane we found some of the stairs in the building in need of some repairs and we strongly urge the immediate repairs to the existing fire escapes, and two new ones additional to those already there.

We also recommend that a building suitable for a store house for provisions be provided.

The Infirmary we find to be in splendid condition.

At Queen's County Jail we strongly recommend new locks be placed on the doors and a new grating on the windows on the south side of the building.

We also recommend that a fenced yard be provided at the rear of the jail where employment could be provided for the prisoners.

In Hospital January 10th, 1928: Men—148. Women—130. Red House—16. Total 294.

In Infirmary: Men—46. Women 36. Total—82.

M. W. REARDON, Foreman

For self and others, Charlottetown, January 11th, 1928.

At the close of the report His Lordship Chief Justice Matheson thanked the Grand Jury for the excellent manner in which they had performed the tasks allotted to them, and discharged them from further service.

## SHIP WITH MATE BRAM DISAPPEARS

(Canadian Press)  
PORTLAND, Maine, Jan. 11.—After three decades of waiting, the sea has claimed its own, in payment for what has been termed one of the most brutal murders in history, veteran mariners said today when they learned that the third day had passed with no word from Captain Thomas M. Bram and the schooner Alvena.

That Captain Bram, master of the four masted schooner which sent out a call of distress from Cape Hatteras on Sunday, is the same Thomas M. Bram, who was sentenced to hang, by a Boston court for the murder in 1896 of two men and a woman on the high seas, was the confident expectation of local seafaring men. And equally as confidently did these men shake their heads with doubt when the possibility of the Alvena reaching this port, her destination, with her cargo of lumber from Jacksonville, Fla., was suggested. They believed that the man who was convicted but who escaped the gallows through the intervention of Mary Roberts Rhinehart, novelist, and was paroled by President Taft and pardoned by President Wilson, has paid the toll of the sea.

The gruesome memories of the trial was recalled as follows:

Aboard the barkentine Herbert Fuller on a morning in 1896, came the opening chapter of the tragedy with the discovery of Captain Nash, master of the Fuller, his wife and the second mate. The murderer died had been committed with an axe, to add to the horror of the scene.

Charles Brown, the man at the wheel, was accused by Bram as the murderer and he was put in irons. Shortly, however, Bram was noted in the act of removing the missing axe from beneath a deck board. Brown was then released, and Bram placed in irons.

The vessel which was bound for South America with a cargo of lumber, was turned about for Halifax. The three bodies were placed in the boat and in that manner towed all the way to the new port of destination.

At Bram's first trial in Boston, in the same year as the murder, he was convicted and sentenced to hang. He was sentenced to life imprisonment at Atlanta.

Mary Roberts Rhinehart, who wrote a novel, weaving into it the story of the murder, then became interested in Bram and her efforts were accredited with the parole being granted by President Taft. Later, the man was pardoned by President Wilson.

No Interference With  
Death Penalty

(Canadian Press)  
OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—Earle Nelson, internationally known as the "dark stranger," will pay the death penalty at Winnipeg on Friday morning next for the murder of Mrs. Emily Patterson. The cabinet having reviewed his case has decided that there will be no interference. It was announced early this evening.

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