

Visit of Premier Renews Hope for Inland Waterway

Canadian Official Hears the Views of Western Legis- lators on St. Lawrence- Great Lakes Project.

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Washington, July 16.—(Special Telegram)—The personal visit which Premier MacKenzie King of Canada made to Washington last week has increased the possibility of the St. Lawrence-Great Lakes waterway project. Premier King gave little prominence to this question in his public utterances, as well as to the precedent established by him of having Canada deal directly with the government at Washington, rather than through the British embassy. He put the renewal of the Rush-Bagot treaty governing the relative armaments to be maintained on the Great Lakes, to the fore.

But underneath this was the real interest which he credited to having in the St. Lawrence project. The fact that he undertook to deal directly with Washington speaks for itself concerning the Canadian attitude on having a resident Canadian minister located in the American capital.

Western men interested in the St. Lawrence project discussed the matter with the premier. Senator Kellogg of Minnesota gave him a dinner to which western senators and representatives were invited. Over the dinner table and while the cigars were being smoked the St. Lawrence project was informally discussed.

What the premier may have said has not been reported, but it is understood that he made it plain his refusal to take up the negotiations of a treaty which would make the project feasible did not indicate opposition to the project itself. It is the premier's belief, as understood here, that the time is not quite ripe, and that it would be better for public opinion to digest the problem more completely before running into opposition that already exists here and in Canada in some quarters.

The western senators made it plain to Premier King that they regard the St. Lawrence project as of great importance to the middle western states. The belief which western men entertain concerning the future of the Mississippi valley was unfolded to him. He was told of the hope which western men have that the valley will become the great population center of the United States and that it feels it must become self-contained, and that it is foolish to pay freight on raw materials eastward and on the manufactured product westward, when raw material might be turned into the finished product in the west itself.

The accomplishment of this hope depends, he was told, upon having cheap water transportation and it was claimed that failure to use the chain of lakes which reach out into the center of the continent is an economic crime.

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Bloomfield, Neb., July 17.—(Special).—The oats harvest is in full swing here. The straw is very short but many fields are well headed out. The second cutting of alfalfa is making and is said to be a trifle better than the first crop. Corn is making a nice growth. Roads in this section are in fine shape.

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Hints for Care of Receiving Sets

Remarkable Results by Careful Experiment With Vacuum Tube Receivers.

The popularity of the radio receiving set has caused a great many people to become interested in this fascinating pastime, with great varying results. Some of these people have been more or less familiar with electricity and handy with tools, but the big majority of them do not even care to learn the elementary principles of the game.

The layman seems to think that all that is necessary is to connect the set up, and it will gladly do the work. A little experimenting along well thought-out lines may enable the beginner to greatly improve the strength of the received signals. If the experimenting is done haphazardly, though, it may result in the complete ruin of the set.

Watch Aerial.

If a complete set is purchased the best thing that the layman can do is to leave the set itself strictly alone. In a case of this kind the best procedure to follow is to try to improve the aerial or the ground. Keep both of these leads as direct and as short as possible, and be sure that all the joints are soldered. The aerial is far more than a wire strung up on the roof, as any radio man will tell you. The multi wire aerial is, of course, a waste of time and money, as the single wire aerial cannot be beaten for receiving.

Vacuum Tubes.

In general there are only a few makes of vacuum tubes on the market at the present time, but there is a vast difference in their working abilities. Tubes used for receiving may be generally divided into two classes, those used for detector and those used for amplifiers. The latter tubes are known as "hard" tubes and are exhausted to a very high degree, while the former, or detector bulb, usually has some small amount of gas left in it. Experience has taught the radio engineers that the tubes will work best this way.

If the beginner has purchased a set containing a two-step amplifier, he may find that the set may be greatly improved by shifting the amplifier tubes about. It may be found by experimenting that the tubes used in the first step will work much better in the second step. This is caused by the slight difference in the making of the tubes. This will not always work, but it very frequently happens that changing the tubes about in this way will make a big difference in the strength of the received signal.

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SPARKS

A meeting of the members of the Inter-City Radio club is scheduled for 8 o'clock next Wednesday night in the auditorium of the Radio Supply company, Seventeenth and Howard streets.

In wireless, electric energy is flashed into space in waves. The distance from one wave crest to another is called "the wave-length" and is usually expressed in meters. In these days, when radio is the hobby of millions, the wave-length may be anything from 200 to 20,000 meters. In other words, the ether of space is shaken into terrific billows compared with which the mightiest upheavals of the ocean are mere ripples.

Backwoods Couple Travel With Old Prairie Schooner

Vermillion, S. D., July 17.—(Special).—"Tell with the automobiles; this is the only way to travel, anyhow," was the assertion of a woman, who was one of the occupants of the most unique traveling outfit which has been seen in Vermillion this summer.

The outfit consisted of a crude "prairie schooner" to which two scrawny ponies were attached, the being driven by a man and his wife who evidently were just returning to civilization after having been housed in the backwoods or having indulged in a Rip Van Winkle vacation. As they stopped at a water fountain in the business district a curious crowd gathered. As the outfit moved on the woman stuck her head out from behind the flapping sides of the wagon and uttered the words quoted.

Road Conditions

Furnished by the Omaha Auto Club.
Lincoln highway, east: Detour between Crescent and Missouri Valley. Roads somewhat muddy, but traffic moving without chains. Cedar Rapids reports roads just fair east to De Witt, with detour between Loden to Calamus.
Lincoln highway, west: Roads muddy. Detour 11 miles west, one mile north, then west to Lincoln highway again. Reported raining at Schuyler and Central City.
O. L. D. highway: Leave Omaha West Dodge to 11 miles, south four miles to O. L. D. highway again. Detour east of Ashland about two miles. Roads muddy, but cars moving without chains.
Midland cut-off: Road fair.
Cornhusker highway: Road good. Road work at Ceresco.
S. Y. A.: Road good.
Omaha-Topoka highway: Road fair to state line. Light showers.
Omaha-Tulsa highway: Road muddy. Cars using chains to Plattsmouth. Fair south to Hiawatha.
George Washington highway: Road somewhat muddy, but cars moving without chains.
Black Hills trail: Road fair to good to Norfolk.
King of Trails, south: Roads muddy, but cars moving without chains.
King of Trails, north: Roads muddy. Cars using chains to Plattsmouth. Fair south to Hiawatha.
Custer Battlefield highway: Detour crescent to Missouri Valley. Good to Black Hills district. Black Hills district fair. Roads rough, but being dragged. New construction at Sturgis. Roads good to Sheridan. Inquire Sheridan for information north and west.
Riverbend road: Detour east of Council Bluffs. Roads muddy. Cars moving without chains.
Chicago-Omaha shortcut: Detour 2 1/2 miles east of Council Bluffs. Road work. Antis and Casey fair and muddy. Raining at Atlantic. Cars using chains. Iowa City reports roads dry and being dragged.
I. O. A. shortcut: Roads fair. Some rain.
Blue Grass road: Roads fair. Muddy in stretches.

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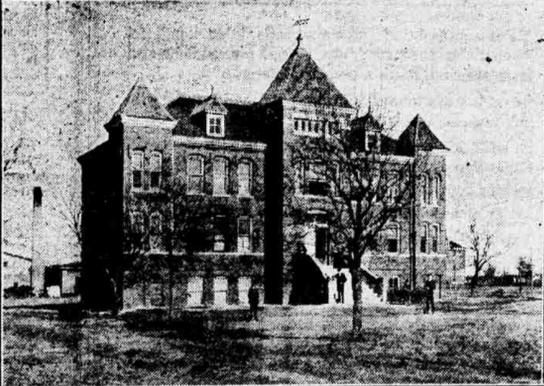
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Kansas Officers Making Campaign On "Wobblies"

Over 50 Members of I. W. W. Lodged in Jail in Sunflower State—Travel in Small Groups.

Topeka, Kan., July 17.—More than 50 alleged members of the I. W. W. are now in Kansas jails as a result of the drive against the organization inaugurated by state and local authorities when the present harvest season began. These men are being held in county jails at Hutchinson, Pratt, Independence and other central points of the great Kansas belt. Literature taken from many of these men indicates, according to officials, that the I. W. W. now is organizing under another name, "the Red Feathers."

A force of half a dozen deputies under State Fire Marshal L. T. Hussey is scouring the country in search of I. W. W. organizers and members. Reports from his men, the fire marshal says, indicate that many still are in the wheat country.

Robbed in Twin Brooks

Twin Brooks, S. D., July 17.—(Special).—No trace can be found of bandits who within a period of an hour or two entered two Twin Brooks stores and a garage. At the garage they secured a small amount of money. From the store they carried away a great deal of loot, including shoes and stockings. In one of the stores they practically wrecked the safe during an unsuccessful attempt to break it open. The bandits without doubt had an auto in which to carry away the loot and by the time the robbery were discovered may have been miles away.

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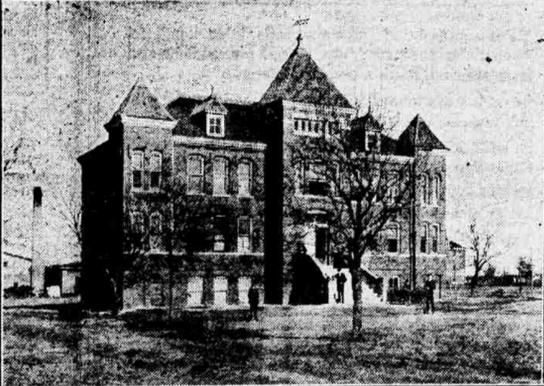
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Tornado Strikes Boone and Other Towns in Iowa

Buildings Blown Down in Colfax—Roads Blocked by Uprooted Trees— Wires Down.

Des Moines, July 17.—A storm of tornado proportions struck Boone and surrounding territory tonight, according to meager reports received here by the Associated Press.

It was reported that a cyclone hit the town of Ogden, 20 miles west of Boone. Telegraph and telephone wires are down in this section. Colfax was in the path of the storm. Boone's electric light plant is out of commission.

At Colfax, 20 miles east of Des Moines, some buildings were blown down and all windows in the business block were broken, according to reports received here.

Retired Farmers Relieve Labor Shortage at Friend

Friend, Neb., July 17.—(Special).—Laborers are so scarce in this part of the country that the retired farmers who reside in town and can be found most any day sitting in the parks talking politics are now driving teams hauling wheat from the threshing machines to the elevators for the farmers.

Big Corn Crop Anticipated In Vicinity of Beatrice

Beatrice, Neb., July 17.—(Special).—Many farmers are engaged in stacking their winter wheat and cutting their alfalfa. A few are threshing, while others are hauling their old corn to market in order to make room for the new crop which promises to be the heaviest in years.

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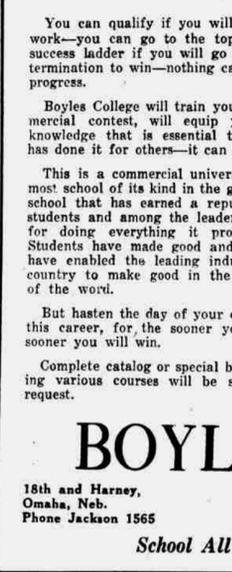
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