

Appeal To Mr. Abbott

(To be sung to tune of Gallagher and Sheen)

By Government Worker's wife Mrs. C.

Oh Mr. Abbott, oh Mr. Abbott
Can you say we have no reason to complain
With taxation at the source, for the Governmental bourse,
Why our paychecks—they are never twice the same.

Oh Mrs. C., oh Mrs. C.
About what does all the griping seem to be?
We have only just begun, and we're giving it 'the gun'
Positively Mr. Abbott? Absolutely Mrs. C.

Oh Mr. Abbott, oh Mr. Abbott!
I got married back in nineteen thirty-eight
To a Civil Service guy, who really caught my eye
And his income then was just about first rate!

Oh Mrs. C., oh Mrs. C.
We've always had our eye on 'Mr. C.'
We depend on guys like him; it's their salaries we can "trim"
Positively Mr. Abbott? Absolutely Mrs. C.

Oh Mr. Abbott, oh Mr. Abbott,
When I married I had dreams about a home,
With a garden and a fence, to be run at small expense,
And from it I would never care to roam.

Oh Mrs. C., oh Mrs. C.
We appreciate your dreams to live 'rent' free.
But we need them for defense, all the dollars and the cents,
Positively Mr. Abbott? Absolutely Mrs. C.

Oh Mr. Abbott, oh Mr. Abbott,
I have yet to own a new washing machine,
I just rub and rub and rub, in my bathroom—in the tub,
And my clothes don't always come out very clean.

Oh Mrs. C., oh Mrs. C.
Don't you worry how your clothes come out, for we
Can put you through the "wring-er"
Which is really a 'humdinger'
Positively Mr. Abbott? Absolutely Mrs. C.

East-West Rail Rates Challenged In Courts

OTTAWA, May 27. — (CP) — The Supreme Court of Canada is being asked to disallow subsidized freight-rate reductions which went into effect May 1 on rail traffic between Eastern and Western Canada.

Canada Steamships Lines, whose lake and river fleet competes with the railways for the East-West business, has challenged a Board of Transport Commissioners rate-reducing order based on a \$7,000,000-a-year subsidy voted by parliament last year.

The steamship company has asked the court to set aside the order on the ground it did not comply with legislation. A hearing on the question of granting the company leave to appeal to the high court has been set down for May 28 by Mr. Justice John Cartwright.

Western provincial governments, whose provinces stand to benefit most through the treasury-helped rate cuts, will fight the motion. They may be joined by the government of the Atlantic provinces, but this will not be settled until later.

The disputed reductions, ordered by the board April 16, amount to about five per cent on some \$150,000,000 worth of traffic a year moving between Canada's two main regions.

The board ordered the cuts for most types of goods, but with a number of exceptions including the low-rate export grain traffic; the already-subsidized coal movement from the West to Ontario, and "competitive" rates — those depressed to meet competition.

The subsidy is pegged to the cost of maintaining the two trans-continental railways' trackage across the thinly-settled Northern Ontario rail "bridge" between East and West, with an annual maximum of \$7,000,000. In determining the amount of the first year's subsidy, the Transport Board held these costs are more than \$7,000,000.

Canada Steamship Lines said its own revenues would also be hit. It estimated its loss on one type of traffic alone — fifth class — would be cut by \$200,000 a year through dropping its charges to meet those of the competing railways.

SPRING VALLEY W. I.

—The May meeting of the Spring Valley Women's Institute was held at the home of the president, Mrs. Harold Champion. Seventeen members and two visitors were present and the meeting opened by singing "Old McDonald Had A Farm".

Members were informed the Emerald play would come to the hall on May 6th. The sick committee reported three calls and new committees were appointed as follows: Sick, Mrs. Hiram Harrington and Mrs. Keith Harrington, and school, Mrs. Harold Champion.

Several "thank you" messages were received, and other correspondence was read and discussed. A bill was presented for games in the school and Mrs. Wallace Adams, Darnley, then gave a very interesting talk on the short course she attended in Charlottetown.

A vote of thanks was given Mrs. Adams for her instructive report. Refreshments were served by the hostess and the meeting closed by singing "Clementine".

WOOD ISLANDS WEST W. I.

The May meeting of the Wood Islands West Women's Institute was held on May 6th at the home of Mrs. D. M. MacMillan. The president, Mrs. D. D. Emery presided and present were thirteen members and one visitor.

The meeting opened by singing the Institute "ode" followed by the "creed" in unison. Minutes of the previous meeting and the treasurer's report were read and approved followed by the roll call. The sick committee reported six calls and treats taken. Thanks were expressed for same.

The school committee reported that supplies needed for the school were sent, and the purchase of a new dictionary was left for a later date.

Correspondence was read and discussed and the secretary reported that Pipe Major Burke's Lads and Lassies Pipe Band would present their Scotch concert in Wood Islands hall, Mrs. Frank Cook entertained and the prize was won by

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PROBE YOUR SKULL FOR A SOFT SPOT, MAJOR! THE DAY AFTER THE ROBBERY, DO YOU FORGET THE MISSUS GOADED YOU INTO BORROWING BAXTER'S LAWN-ROLLER AND ROLLING THE YARD NICE AND HARD AND FLAT?

SOFT SPOT THERE, SOMEWHERE

OUT OUR WAY Rv J. R. Williams

BACK, BACK! I SAID I'D MAKE TH' BISCUITS BUT YOU WON'T LIKE 'EM BURN'T!

WELL, I GOT TO HAVE TH' STEAKS DONE TOO, YOU KNOW-- SO IF YOU GET HOT GREASE ON YOU, DON'T

MY SPLUR IS STICKIN! DON'T KEEP ME AWAY FROM 'EM!

COFFEE! YOU WANT COFFEE! WELL, GET OUT OF TH' WAY!

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