

Hard-Top Roads' Program Details Are Announced

More Than 400 Miles of Highway To Be Treated in Next Two Years.

Fredericton, N.B.—The call for tenders will go out immediately for the hard-surfacing of four hundred and twenty miles of Provincial highways during 1936-37, it was announced by Premier Dysart from his office in this city. "Our program is a large one," the Premier said, "embracing more than three hundred and thirty miles of permanent paving and nearly ninety miles of carpet coating, and is so diversified that it will reach every county of the Province. The major undertaking, however," he added, "will naturally follow the Trans-Canada highway route because of Federal participation."

"In order to reduce the cost it has been decided to embark upon a two-year program. Tenders will be invited for stretches of from twenty-five to thirty miles instead of the eight to twelve miles laid out in the contracts let in 1934.

"Some slight changes in the specifications have been decided upon that will make the pavement more plastic and will consequently be less subject to cracking and have the quality of being largely self-healing. These adaptations are the result of intensive study on the part of the engineering staff and represent the findings of practical engineering authorities as being best suited to our severe climatic conditions.

"The permanent pavement will be applied to the more generally used main trunk highways, while the stretches of carpet coat will be applied to lesser used trunk highways.

"The engineering staff, under the direction of C. B. Croasdale, chief highway engineer, has been making an exhaustive study of the cost of maintaining gravel roads with the result that it is made eminently clear that permanent surfacing is desirable not only for the purpose of reducing cost of upkeep but to enable us to capitalize on the advantages accruing from dust-free roads, not the least of which is to reduce motoring hazards.

"As a relief measure it is confidently hoped that the Federal Government will share in the program outlined, not only on the Trans-Canada Highway project but also on other main trunk highways, and thus afford another means of enabling the Provinces to abolish direct relief.

"After a few years of intensive endeavor, we shall have our main arteries of traffic covered. While it is impossible to avoid substantial increases in the capital debt, the maintenance cost will be reduced to a minimum, eliminating expensive grading equipment and the purchase of similar new machinery, except for the irreducible minimum demanded for keeping the remaining gravel roads up to a standard."

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IT IS time that the people of Saint John started to show a spirit of true co-operation. Problems confronting the city can only be solved by the united action of the people. Those who see no good in any move should change their tactics and show their interest in progressive moves when they are presented, offering constructive criticism, combined with constructive action.

The citizens are being called upon to express their sentiment concerning a new form of government, which has been drawn up by citizens who have the interests of the city at heart. On June 22, the people will have the privilege of giving their approval to this new form.

Do we or do we not want a change? Will the proposed change pave the way to improve our civic administration? These are some of the questions the people must consider and this only can be done by studying the proposals, which are brought forward with the one purpose of improvement. The new suggestions should be studied with an open mind, free of personalities or selfish interests. We, as good citizens, should consider them with the desire to build up the city and make it a better place in which to live. By united action the citizens can make Saint John a real city and in the case of voting they should consider well all the factors contained in the proposals and vote according to the dictates of their conscience for what is best for the general good.

This proposed change offers opportunity for citizens to show a united front and get together in a spirit of friendly co-operation, which will be directed toward the betterment of the city. Let us pull together for a bigger, better and more progressive Saint John.

R. Parker Hamm Is Made A Freeman Of Saint John City

Certificate Was Presented By Mayor Brittain on Behalf of the City.

R. Parker Hamm, who was one of the founders of No. 2 Salvage Corps and Fire Police and has given nearly 40 years of gratuitous service to the citizens, was presented the freedom of the city at a meeting of the Common Council of Saint John last week.

Mayor Brittain and members of the council spoke of the fine work of Mr. Hamm and pointed out that he had been a worthy citizen in whom the citizens should be proud. Thomas Armour, captain of No. 2 Salvage Corps, thanked the council for bestowing the honor on Mr. Hamm and he said it was also an honor for the corps.

Mr. Hamm expressed his thanks for the honor and said that he would always be interested in the welfare of the people of Saint John and would continue to show his interest whenever possible.

Better Markings For Streets Will Aid City's Visitors

Some Confusion at Market Square and Douglas Avenue.

Lack of traffic direction on the streets of Saint John is a handicap to visitors. When entering the city from the west a stranger sees nothing to indicate that it is Saint John. A welcome sign would overcome this condition. Along Douglas Avenue, Main, Mill and Dock Streets there is nothing to direct the stranger to the centre of the city.

At Market Square at the Dock Street entrance there is a sign on the roadway saying "One-Way Street, do not enter." This is confusing to the stranger in a car. He bears to the right and naturally drives into Water Street, where he finds Reed's Point his destination. Local people have become familiar with the routes through the city, but there are many confusing problems for visitors and strangers.

Fool Proof

THE expression 'fool proof' is often heard applied to pieces of machinery which are supposed to operate without much attention from human beings. Doubtless car manufacturers would apply the phrase to their products. But automobiles and other machines are only fool proof so long as fools do not operate them. The only way to make a car fool proof is to make it impossible for a fool to drive it.

No sane man would start out on a journey knowing there was a loose nut in some part of his car mechanism, which would endanger the lives of others, yet the laws of the land permit "loose nuts" to sit behind steering wheels and direct a powerful engine which have been responsible for the loss of many lives and the destruction of much property. Operation of automobiles must be made fool proof if we are to attain maximum safety on our streets and highways.

Political Parties Co-Operating On N. B. Provincial Rights

(Continued from Page 1) service to their community and their province than to study the economic situation as it is and as it should be, in order that their members may know the true situation and stand firm behind those who are battling unselfishly for the good of their own particular province and the Dominion as a whole.

Why are our Maritime youths not finding employment? Why are we not producing sufficient farm products to satisfy our own needs? Why are our fishermen destitute? Why is our economic vitality so low?

These are some of the questions every thinking man and woman in the Maritimes should try to answer. In the answer will be found an opportunity to do much to correct our unhappy condition.

Knowledge is power and to know the true conditions and through this knowledge realize how important it is for each of us to do his or her part should be the aim of every citizen. The Maritimes can shake off the indifference which now is swamping the people and develop a greatness, of which even our forefathers did not dream. Let us all get on the right road.



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There is a loyalty about the Scots that never wavers or falters with the years. They thrive and improve with each decade, until now, off the bench or on they are one of the most outstanding breeds in value and appeal among all dogs.

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MARITIME DEATHS

Death Notices—Minimum rate for one insertion, 25 words for 15 cents. Copy must be received not later than Wednesday.

HARDING—Franklin Harding, at Price Settlement, N.B.

SCOTT—Herbert Scott, at Newcastle, N.B.

HAMMOND—Wilfred M. Hammond, at Little River, N.S.

CLEVELAND—Edwarl Cleveland, Hopeville Hill, N.B.

MATHESON—Mrs. Herman Matheson at West Roachville, N.S.

MANDERVILLE—Mrs. James Manderville, at Newcastle, N.B.

WATERMAN—Mrs. L. E. Waterman, at Yarmouth North, N.S.

STEWART—Douglas Stewart, at Newcastle, N.B.

MASONIC CALENDAR

ALBION, No. 1—First Friday. Next meeting, June 5. N. J. Cabeldu, W.M.

NEW BRUNSWICK, No. 22—Second Thursday. Next meeting, May 14. A. C. W. Parlee, W.M.

HIBERNIA, No. 3—Second Tuesday. Next meeting, May 12. G. K. Kelly, W.M.

ST. JOHN'S, No. 2—First Tuesday. Meets June 9. C. H. Dearborn, W.M.

CARLETON UNION, No. 8—First Thursday. Next meeting, May 7. Dr. R. M. Pendrigh, W.M.

UNION LODGE OF PORTLAND, No. 10—Third Tuesday. Next meeting on May 19. Paul Walsh, W.M.

CARLETON ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER—Third Thursday. The next meeting, May 21. Ralph D. Munro, 1st P.Z.

SAINT JOHN COUNCIL R. AND S. M.—Third Monday. Next meeting on May 18. F. B. Brennan, T.I.M.

ST. JOHN DE MOLAY PRECEPTORY—Fourth Tuesday. Next meeting on May 26. C. T. Cromwell, P.P.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays

NEW BRUNSWICK, No. 1—Pythian Castle. Next meeting, May 20.

UNION, No. 2—Pythian Castle. Next meeting, May 13.

ST. JOHN, No. 30—Temple Building, North End. Next meeting, May 13.

CARLETON TOWER, No. 37—Prentice Boys' Hall. Next meeting, May 11.

ADILA, No. 157, D. O. K. K.—Meets second Thursday, in Pythian Castle, Victoria Co., Uniform Rank.—Meets in the Pythian Castle, third Thursday.

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