

MOTORISTS REPORT ROADS IN FAIR SHAPE

Several Drivers Made Trips Here Over Week-end—Inspector Gray of P. P. Here from Edmundston.

Despite the fact that the highways of the province are reported not in very good condition, several venture-some motorists have taken it into their heads to prove the veracity of this assertion, and the success they have had, would rather point to the contrary.

Only yesterday a Provincial Police car made the trip from Edmundston to this city, and the roads were found to be in fairly good shape. Another automobile early bird, A. T. Cliff, of Presque Isle, drove here yesterday from his home and reported that he found the highways in fairly good condition. He experienced little difficulty in making the trip. He is registered at the Queen Hotel with his wife.

The Provincial Police car was driven by Inspector C. K. Gray of the local detachment, and he was accompanied by Constable Stewart of the Perth detachment. The two reported the roads in good condition, save for a strip of road this side of Meductic, called the Shogomoc woods. The highway was bad there, but they traversed it carefully, and were able to drive out without undue distress.

Several other motorists have made trips in southern parts of the province, and though the ground is still rather muddy and frost spotted, they have been able to make average time for the spring roads. The last of the present month is expected to see the roads in good condition all over the province.

CITY AFFAIRS

Visiting City

Allan "Happy" Hayward, who has been for the past several months in Ottawa, has returned to this city and is meeting many old friends.

Resting Comfortably

The condition of Miss Alice M. Davenport, who on Saturday underwent a serious operation at the Victoria Public Hospital is somewhat improved today. She spent a fairly comfortable night at the hospital.

Home For Holidays

Miss Kathleen Vaughan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Vaughan, George Street here has arrived home from Kingsclear, where she has been teaching school, and will spend the next several days with her parents.

Heard On The Air

The veteran Sir George Foster, was heard on the air last evening on a coast to coast hookup in a brief talk on the work of the League of Nations. He was in good form and after speaking of what had been accomplished by the League, urged people to join the League of Nations' Society.

To Attend Conference

Hon. C. D. Richards left on Saturday evening for Ottawa to attend the inter-provincial conference which opens tomorrow. Premier Baxter and Hon. D. A. Stewart will also attend. Further implementation of the Duncan report will be among the matters urged upon the Federal government. Premier Baxter has been hard at work for some weeks, preparing the case for New Brunswick.

Spring Salmon Fishing

The lower stretch of the Northwest Miramichi is reported to be free from ice, it having run out last week. Spring salmon fishing, a sport popular with a great many people, is expected to start this week. W. Harry Allen, the veteran guide of Penniac, who was in the city on Saturday, says he has a number of American parties booked, but he does not think the business will be up to that of last year. Jack Russel who owns an elaborate fishing lodge at Porter Cove, has a large number of parties booked for this month.

RIVER AT ITS LOWEST FRESHET LEVEL IN YEARS

Is Four Feet Below Average Height—Jam at Oromocto Now Out—Early Opening of River.

The river St. John, a veritable whirlpool of ice during the last few days, is clearing up rapidly, and all the remnants of ice are floating swiftly towards the mouth of the river. The outgoing of the ice this spring was one of the calmest in years. The river level which had risen to hardly the average freshet height, is now diminishing.

There are still quantities of ice which was delayed at several of the islands above the city, and which is just now breaking up, but generally, the bulk of the winter blanket has made its last long run. Hardly any damage resulted this spring.

A jam occurred at a short distance below Oromocto yesterday but has now broken up, and ice is running freely. The steamer S. S. Majestic, one of the first boats to make the river trip after the breakup, is (Continued on page five.)

FRUIT GROWERS WILL MEET HERE ON THURSDAY

Twenty - sixth Annual Convention to Convene in the Legislative Bldg.—A Good Program Has Been Arranged.

The twenty sixth annual meeting of the New Brunswick Fruit Growers' Association, Incorporated, will be held in the committee chamber of the Legislative Building of the Provincial Parliament Buildings on Thursday, April 9th. W. W. Hubbard, president of the Association, will be in chair and a number of experts in different phases of fruit production, both from the Dominion Experimental Station at Fredericton, and from several stations in Nova Scotia, as well as the Provincial and Federal Departments of Agriculture, will address the meeting on the various branches of the work in which they have specialized.

Discussions

Following the president's address the morning session will be given over to lectures and discussions. L. C. Young, Station Horticulturist, will

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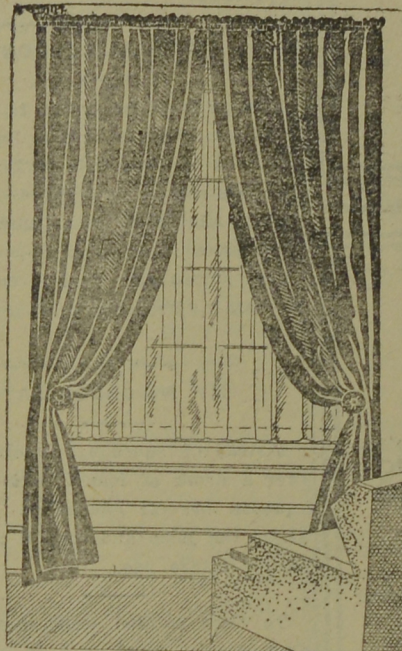
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