

SEVERAL MATTERS DISCUSSED AT WEDNESDAY'S SITTING OF THE YORK COUNTY COUNCIL

No business of great importance, was transacted by the York Municipal Council at its sitting on Wednesday afternoon. Commissioners for the Municipal Home were named and ex-Coun. Thomas Wetmore, of North Lake, and ex-Warden Whipple, of McAdam, were called upon and delivered short addresses.

The Council re-assembled, with the Warden in the chair and all the councillors present except Coun. Everett.

The following were named commissioners of the Municipal Home:

Prince William—Coun. Graham.
St. Marys—Coun. Barry.
Queensbury—Coun. Nason.
Dumfries—Coun. Manuel.
Stanley—Coun. Hinchey.
North Lake—Coun. Buckingham.
New Maryland—Coun. Kirk.
Canterbury—Coun. McMullin.
Douglas—Coun. Seymour.
McAdam—Coun. Gaynor.

Coun. Kirk told about a resident of his parish, Samuel A. Nason, who was an inmate of the Municipal Home having deeded his property to the parish. He moved that the councillors be given leave to sell the property. Carried.

Coun. Hinchey presented a bid from the Maritime Home for Girls for \$125. for the care of a girl from his parish. He said that the bill had been certified by the councillors for Manners-Sutton, but he thought it should not be paid.

Hon. Mr. Richards said that he had

expressed the opinion in July last, that the municipality was not responsible for the cost of transferring a girl to the Home at Truro. The bill before the Council was for maintenance and he held that the Council was responsible for that. He thought the girl should be returned to the York County Municipal Home. The accounts for maintenance, he thought, would have to be paid.

Coun. Hinchey did not think the bill could be collected.

Hon. Mr. Richards said that the magistrate had erred in sending the girl to the Home, but technically he was correct.

Veterans Heard

Ex-Coun. Thomas Wetmore, North Lake, was invited to address the Council and responded with a happy speech. He hoped that all would have a happy and prosperous New Year. He then entered upon a discussion of the economic depression and complained of the American discount on the Canadian dollar and also of the high tariff on New Brunswick farm products, such as 14 cents a pound on butter and 12 cents on eggs. It was hard to do business under such a handicap.

Ex-Warden W. H. Whipple, now of Saint John, also delivered a short address in his usual happy vein. He congratulated the Warden on his election and wished him every success. He was surprised to hear his old Tory

friend complaining of the high tariff. This, he said, was the first opportunity to congratulate Hon. Mr. Richards on the honor he had achieved for himself and also for the County of York. As one who had resided in the county all his life and had done much good work, he well deserved the honor. It was his sincere wish that the new premier would be able to guide the province back to prosperity.

Coun. Fisher announced that the assessment committee would meet immediately after the close of the Council meeting.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock Friday morning.

HEINRICH AND HITLER TO CONFER

Berlin, Germany, Jan. 7.—Adolph Hitler and Chancellor Heinrich Brüning, bitter rivals in German politics will meet this week to discuss the internal political situation.

The meeting was arranged by Minister of Defence Wilhelm Groener, who will also be present.

The discussion will center particularly on the presidential elections to be held in the spring.

PORTRAIT OF A NOVELIST

Your characters all drink champagne

Or rare charfreuse in mood exalted,

While you, poor chap, frequent drug stores

And meekly order chocolate malted.

—APHASIA in New York Sun.

ARAB DESERT INHABITED, WATER IS FOUND THERE -- THE NATIVES ARE FIERCE WARRIORS

Washington, Jan. 8.—Bertram Thomas, the "Lindbergh of the Arabian Desert," hero of the outstanding single-handed geographic exploration feat of the past year, has come to the United States to address the National Geographic members in Washington.

Thomas grew a beard, donned Arab clothes, and passed from tribe to tribe by a dwindling camel caravan, to cross one of the major unexplored areas of the earth when he made his way from Dhufar in southern Arabia, to the Katar Peninsula, across the arid, trackless Roba-el-Khali desert.

Where Solomon Got Gold

In this desolate region, vast as the combined areas of France and Germany, Thomas found a great salt lake, located numerous water holes, studied fierce desert tribesmen, heard the "singing sands" which Marco Polo noted in the Gobi, and came upon traces of ancient caravan trails that predated the era when Solomon derived gold and frankincense from the Biblical Ophir.

While the Americans were being discovered and studied, while the Poles were being attained and the Polar regions explored, almost a third of the Arabian Peninsula, lying virtually in the heart of the oldest known civilizations, has remained unseen by white man.

About 300,000 square miles of territory were absolutely blank on all maps. Yet the borderlands and surrounding seas of this giant ellipse

Steamers ply the Red Sea, the Indian ocean and the Persian gulf; airplanes from Egypt to India fly across Arabia to the north; mighty pilgrim caravans and railroad trains come down to Moslem holy cities of Hejaz; and desert armies have warred for Arabian control to the north.

The area which Thomas explored is flanked by the greatest Arabian state, the kingdom of Hejaz and Nejd; Yemen, Hadramut, crescent shaped Oman, and offshore, to the northeast, near where Thomas emerged, is Bahrain island, famous pearl fishing centre.

Lived Days on Camel's Milk

Living as the tribesmen lived, but making no effort to conceal his race or religion, Thomas disappeared from any outer world contact in December, 1930, with a caravan of camels and 30 nomads that he had never seen before. He observed the fierce warring tribesmen across the coastal mountains of Dhufar, made cranial measurements with his callipers, mapped, collected fossil and living specimens of the sparse desert life and vegetation. Pack animals were loaded with dates, flour, butter and rice. But farther along the explorers lived for days on camel's milk alone.

The camel is not only the desert carrier. In Arabia, he explained, but camel milk is food and drink for the nomad. "The human becomes the parasite of the camel; the camel also is his filter, since often the scant water is too saline to drink." Areas were found below sea level; it was in one of these that the new salt lake was added to the map.

No tents were carried. A flight across the deserts required light loads just as did Admiral Byrd's flight to the South Pole—light loads for the race to the next water hole. Often the explorer, after braving the scorching desert sun day by day, had to sleep under heavy blankets at night, and then shiver in temperatures near the freezing point.

Grueling stages of the journey requiring 9 to 10 days in the saddle, reduced camels to a pitiable condition and tested the endurance of the explorer and his escort. He passed from tribe to tribe, each time negotiating for protection. The desert tribes shed blood without batting an eyelid, their delicious fanaticism is extreme, they plunder and kill mercilessly during a raid, but once their friendship was gained Thomas found them fine comrades.

Belief that the great desert interior was unwatered and uninhabited, Thomas pronounced unfounded. The water is there, though often brackish, and nomads, who only occasionally approach the fringes of the surrounding civilizations live there.

Sand "Washing" Not Orthodox

As an example of the intense religious fanaticism, Thomas remarked the reason for the fierce hatred of the fierce Wahabis, to the north, of the desert tribesmen, The Moslem code calls for washing the body before prayer. The desert dwellers resort to sand for this ablution; the Puritan Wahabis to the north insist that such a practice is unorthodox. Hence a long-standing "holy war" of the desert.

Thomas was able to make his amazing camel journey because of his knowledge of native customs, language and living habits acquired over a period of 13 years' experience in Arabia, and two previous expeditions made to the edges of the great waste for reconnaissance. He won the confidence of the tribal leaders and for a time was prime minister of a native sultan in Oman.

Everything has been suggested a cure for depression except an operation.

Dr. Einstein is out with his 1932 model theory. The old one has no trade-in value.

Lima Beane thinks the oculists would be overworked if we could see ourselves as others see us.

Civilization will last forty thousand years longer, says a college professor. Without any more wars to have it?

Communist girls in Russia are growing restless for pretty clothes. They are tired of looking drab for the five-year plan.

CHARGED WITH STEALING FOXES NEAR HARTLAND

Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 6.—William Jordan was sent up for trial this afternoon by Magistrate Augherston in the police court here on a charge of stealing foxes from the ranch of Harold Jordan, near Hartland. He is also charged with being in possession of stolen foxes knowing them to be stolen.

Evidence was completed at earlier hearings and the proceedings today consisted only of the formality of committing the accused for trial at the January sitting of the Carleton County Court next week; G. W. Montgomery appeared for the Crown and J. Frank Frauley for the defence.

It is alleged that Jordan entered the ranch on the night of Dec. 21, caught three foxes with wire snares and strangled them to death. Later, it is alleged, he brought the pelts to Woodstock and sold them.

In Moravia they have dug up a Venus 30,000 years old, which gives her the edge on a lot of public entertainers.

It isn't a war in Manchuria. It's an imbroglio, a distinction without a difference to the killed and wounded.

It seems funny that every time in

recent years that a candidate for civic honors is forced to run an election, he develops cold feet and retires.

GOOD PROGRAM TO BE ON THE AIR FRIDAY

Following are the best features of Friday night's radio program given in Atlantic standard time:

CFNB FREDERICTON

8.30—News, Music.
12.30—Music, Stock Market.
6.45—Buckley Program.
7.00—Stock Market Report.
11.00—C. P. R. Program.

WEAF NEW YORK

7.30—Mountaineers.
7.45—Swift Program.
8.00—Crime—C. F. Coe.
8.30—Prince Albert Quarter Hour.
8.45—Rise of Goldbergs.
9.00—Chies Service Concert.
10.00—Cluquot Club.
10.30—Dance Program.
10.45—Educational Talk.
11.00—Jackson Day Dinner.

WKLO THEATER OF THE AIR

1.30—Lupus Orchestra.

WJZ NEW YORK

7.45—Lowell Thomas.
8.00—Amos 'n' Andy.
8.15—Boscul Moments.
8.30—Phil Cook.
8.45—Huso Program. Bob Ripley.
9.00—Nestle's Program.
9.30—Smith Brothers.
9.40—Sisters of Skillet.
10.00—Friendship Town.
10.30—Armour Program.
11.00—Paint men.
11.30—Clara, Lu, and Lia.
11.45—Waves of Melody.
12.00—Slumber Music.

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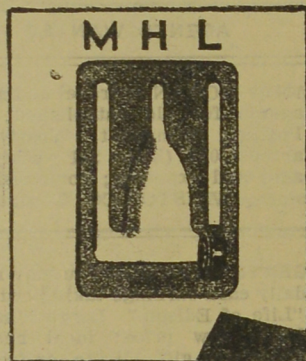
7.30—Troubadors.
7.45—Stegginb Boys.
7.30—Mitchell Brothers.
9.00—Jessiea Dragnette.
8.45—Golden Trail.
10.00—Eskimo Service Concert.
10.30—Travellers Hour.
11.30—Theatre of the Air.
12.00—News; Weather.

CNRA MONCTON

2.00—Ocean Limited Hour.
6.30—Dinner Hour of Music.

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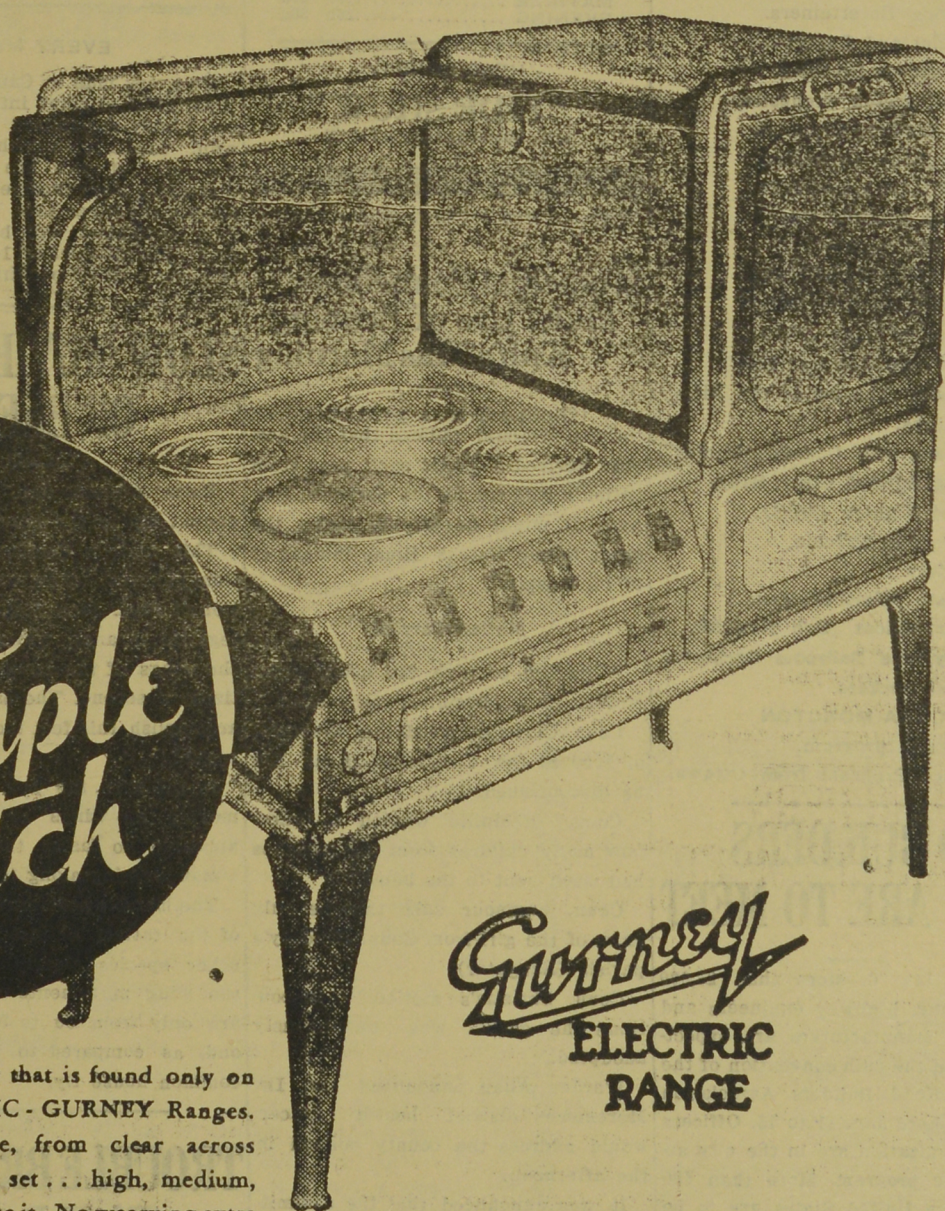
3.00—Valda Musiole.
8.15—Sparkling Harmonies.
8.30—Millen Motocists.
8.45—Clark's Entertainers.
9.00—L'Heure Provinciale.
10.30—Lynn Melodies.
10.45—Council of Education.
11.00—Canadian Pacific Hour of Music.
2.00—News Events.
W.L.W. Cincinnati
8.00—Amos 'n' Andy.
8.15—Famous Beauties.
8.16—Shooting Blues Away.
8.45—OM Reliable Singers.
9.30—Natural Bridge.
9.45—Skillet Sisters.
9.00—Military Band



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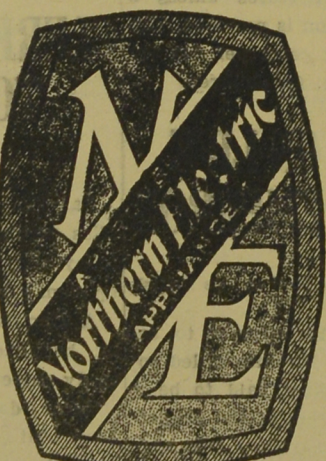
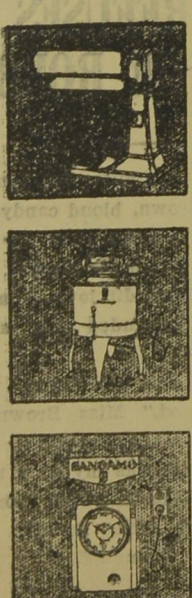
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