

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION BOARD TO MEET

INTERESTING PROGRAM FOR WED. SESSION

Amendments to Vocational Education Act to be Offered by Committee of Board of Trade.

The Vocational Education Board will meet tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock at the Educational Office and also in the afternoon and the following morning. Mr. Fred Magee, M. P. will act as chairman and the following members of the board will be present, Dr. W. S. Carter, Chief Superintendent of Education, Dr. H. V. B. Bridges, Principal of the Normal School, Mr. R. P. Steeves of Sussex, Mr. E. P. Bradt, Secretary of Agriculture, Rev. Father Fred Tessier of St. Joseph's and Mr. G. H. Maxwell of St. John.

Program of Meeting

The program of the meeting is as follows:—

Reports of the committees appointed at the last meeting.

Statement of progress in the various localities towards the establishing of Vocational Schools or classes.

Outlining of the work for the Woodstock Vocational School.

General plans for the next school year.

Consideration of schemes for the training of Vocational teachers.

Estimate for school year of 1919 and 1920.

Discussion on the attitude of the Province on Federal Aid for the Vocational Training, and how this may most quickly be secured.

Amendments to the Vocational Education Act.

Will Meet With Mr. Magee

The Technical Education Committee of the Fredericton Board of Trade will meet with Mr. Fred Magee, M. P. P., this evening to submit a list of proposed amendments for the Vocational Education Act.

Death at Fredericton Junction

The death occurred at Fredericton Junction last evening of Mrs. Mary Cox, after a lingering illness.

Lady Day

Today is the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin and a holy day in the Anglican churches.

With the Engineers

Lieut. A. A. Pickard has been transferred from 7th District Depot for duty with the M. D. No. 7 engineers.

A Poor Year

Queensbury men in the city yesterday say that while maple sugar makers have begun operations the flow of sap is light and they do not anticipate a very favorable season.

Still Alarm This Morning

The firemen were called out to answer a still alarm this morning sent in from the residence of Miss Covert on Charlotte Street. The fire was a chimney blaze which resulted from an over heated furnace pipe.

Fourteen Discharges Today

Fourteen discharges were put through by the District Depot Discharge Section this morning and the men are leaving for their homes in the various parts of the province this afternoon and evening.

Showing at Woodstock

The G. W. V. A. theatrical company under Lionel Barrie left for Woodstock yesterday to put on their play there last evening. The play will be similar to the one put on in this city but there will be several changes in the program.

Has the D. S. O.

Major C. Herbert McLean of St. John has been decorated by the King with the D. S. O. Major McLean went overseas with the C. M. R. and saw much active service. He is a brother of Major General H. H. McLean, M. P. and is well known in this city.

Weekly Roll-off

The weekly roll-off at the Palace Alleys took place last evening with twenty-three bowlers taking part. Sgt. Smith and Mark Minue tied for first place with a total of 286, but in the roll off Smith won out. Upton came next with a total of 285.

Late James Peacock

The body of the late James Peacock was conveyed to Stanley this morning interment being made at Williamsburg this afternoon at three o'clock. Rev. Mr. McPherson conducted the service. A short service was held at the late home of the deceased, Aberdeen Street, by Rev. J. S. Sutherland last evening at 8.30 o'clock.

PUBLIC ACCTS. COMMITTEE IN SESSION TODAY

FIRST MEETING OF YEAR; B. F. SMITH THE CRITIC

Mr. Pinder Put in a Word Now and Then—School Books Sold to Public Below Cost.

The Public Accounts Committee of the Provincial Legislature met this morning for the first time of the session and made a good start on the annual report of the Comptroller General. Mr. Fred Magee of Westmorland was re-elected chairman and J. M. Keefe secretary. W. A. Loudon, Comptroller General, was before the committee. B. F. Smith of Carleton was the financial critic on the part of the Opposition and put in a few objections paying particular attention to the Public Works items. James K. Pinder of York also put in a few kicks. George B. Jones of King's was present but made few criticisms.

The report was passed as far as the comparative statement of receipts.

King's County in Arrears

The Comptroller General informed the committee in regard to special warrants for expenditures that all municipalities but King's had paid seed grain bills. \$500.00 was due from King's County, the farmers not having paid the money. It was agreed that this did not excuse the municipality.

Mr. Smith's Objections

Mr. Smith (Carleton) objected to increased expenditures on contingencies, particularly in the Public Works Department. Mr. Legere (Westmorland) pointed out that the contingent expenses of private business was increased and the same would be true of the public business. Mr. Smith also complained bitterly on account of the special warrants for expenditures on Roads and Bridges. Mr. Magee pointed out to him that the appropriation had been reduced by \$100,000 and at the time was not expected to meet the expense.

Matter of Spelling

Mr. Smith wanted to know which was correct "sanatorium" or "sanitorium". It finally was decided that either was correct.

School Book Matters

On contingent account in connection with School Books the information was given by the Comptroller General that there had been a loss of \$4,358.35 on the year's school book transactions. This was due to the fact that the market prices of books had risen and the selling prices had been kept by the government at the old figure.

Even Mr. Smith said he could not

TO ASK CITY COUNCIL FOR AN ATHLETIC FIELD

QUEEN'S SQ. FAVORED AS SITE FOR GROUNDS

Survey Already Made of That Area—Field for Football and Baseball Desired—A Petition.

A representative meeting of young men and boys of the city was held last evening at Christchurch Parish Church, to discuss the matter of a civic athletic field for Fredericton. Three delegates were present representing the High School, Boy Scouts, Methodist Church, Anglican Churches, Baptist Churches, St. Dunstan's R. C. Church and St. Paul's Presbyterian Church. Mr. Leo. Cain, occupied the chair.

Want Queen's Square

The main business of the evening was the preparation of a petition to be presented to the City Council at the meeting in committee on Monday evening asking for the establishment of an athletic field. The location of the desired ground is Queen's Square. Mr. W. E. McMullen surveyed Queens Square on Saturday and prepared a plan showing where grading was necessary. The plan was submitted to the meeting which after some discussion decided that it was desirable that a portion of Queen's Square be laid off on which football and baseball could be played and sports in general carried on. There also was a discussion whether it would be advisable or not to allow other parties on it. It was decided that the firemen or the G. W. V. A. could be allowed to hold festivals on the ground but that the ground would be ruined if circuses and similar shows were allowed on it.

Further Action

Mr. W. R. Belyea and Mr. Fred Patterson who are greatly interested in the subject led the discussion. This morning Mr. W. R. Belyea was in consultation with Police Magistrate Walter Limerick who is strongly in favor of the proposed public playground, and a deputation waited on him this afternoon to discuss the matter in detail.

Miss Jean Hodge returned yesterday from a visit to London, Ont.

complain of that as the expenditure was directly for the good of the people.

The Comptroller General said the system of cash payments for school books was working out well.

The committee adjourned until 9.30 a. m. Wednesday.

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