

CITY COUNCIL TO DEAL WITH ASSESSMENT

SCHOOL APPROPRIATION THE HEAVIEST ITEM

Report on City Engineer Expected Tonight—Effort to be Made to Increase Valuation.

The City Council will meet in special session tonight to fix the assessment for the coming year. There is little possibility of the total being below that of last year when it was \$150,000. Although the Patriotic Fund Assessment of \$18,000 has been cut off this year other items will make up that amount.

Heavy School Assessment
The assessment for school purposes will be the heaviest item of the assessment. The school board is asking for an appropriation of \$53,025 and the City Council must meet the request by providing the money. Of that amount \$40,000 is for salaries and other school expenditures and the balance for interest on indebtedness. Last year the school appropriation was about \$40,000.

Increased Valuation
The City Council has intimated that there should be an increase in valuation for purposes of assessment in order that the rate be kept as low as possible. The belief is that there is sufficient property underassessed to keep the rate down if proper valuation be placed upon it.

City Engineer
The special committee appointed to investigate the qualifications of the fourteen applicants for the position of City Engineer is to report tonight. The action to be taken is not known but it is believed that the man to be recommended will be of extensive experience in municipal engineering.

Little Daughter
Mr. Fred H. Ketch, is rejoicing over the arrival of a baby girl at his home on George Street on Tuesday.

On Visit Here
Alex. M. Rowan, R. E. Provincial Prior was in the city last evening with W. White on an inspection visit to the Preceptory here.

Four Discharges Given
Only four discharges were given today at the District Depot Discharge Section. The soldiers discharged are leaving for their homes this afternoon and evening.

Bowling Notes
The Palace Alley bowling team defeated the Curling Bowlers last evening by a margin of 149 pins. T. Upton and J. W. Astles in the monthly roll off scored 229, the former getting 134 and the latter 95.

Remanded Until Monday
The two youths who were arrested early in the week for attempting to break into the drug store of Alonzo Staples came before the Police Magistrate this morning and were remanded until Monday, 31st.

Entertained at Bridge
Mrs. A. M. Gibson entertained twelve tables at bridge yesterday afternoon. Mrs. D. C. Davidson won first prize, and Mrs. Harry G. Chestnut won second prize. The booby prize was awarded to Mrs. W. T. Chestnut.

Marriage Announced
The wedding of Miss Doris Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Walker of this city and Mr. William Bruce Hicks, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hicks of Sackville, will take place on April 30th at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church.

Talked on Victorian Order
Miss Gibbs gave a delightfully interesting address at the Council Chamber of the City Hall yesterday afternoon to a large and appreciative audience. Her subject was the Victorian Order of Nursing and much valuable information was gained. Dr. Keirstead introduced Miss Gibbs and referred to the Social Service work that has been done towards the introduction of establishing a nurse of the order in Fredericton.

Death on Woodstock Road
The death occurred on Thursday morning on Woodstock Road of William Craig, following an illness of heart disease. The deceased was sixty-five years of age and is survived by a widow, four sons, Ralph, William, Luke and Joseph and by three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Jones of Sherbrooke, Quebec, Mrs. Fred Davis, Rhode Island, and Mrs. Alfred Craig of this city. The funeral will take place from the late home on Saturday, service being conducted by Rev. A. D. McLeod. Interment will be made at the Rural Cemetery.

FREDERICTON SOLDIERS NOW AT HALIFAX

SOME HAVE LENGTHY PERIODS OF SERVICE

Gunner J. E. Gough Had Two Brothers Killed in Action—Was in Riots at Kimmel Park.

A large number of returned oldiers arrived on the steamers Cedric and Minnekada at Halifax and are expected to arrive in the city this evening. Among them are Gnr. J. E. Gough, Gnr. C. R. VanWart, Gnr. J. F. Harvey, Sgt. E. Brewer, Pte. F. H. Jones and Pte. H. Lynch of Fredericton, Pte. J. McManus and J. Forbes of South Devon and W. B. Lawrence of North Devon.

Gnr. J. E. Gough
Gnr. J. E. Gough went overseas with a draft of the 65th Battery, C. F. A. from Petawawa last July. He was at Kimmel Park at the time of the riot there and in letters to his parents he states that they had a pretty lively session for a time. He had two brothers killed during the war.

Gnr. R. C. VanWart
Gnr. VanWart is a son of Mr. W. H. VanWart of this city. He enlisted in the 4th Siege Battery and went overseas with that unit. He stayed with the battery for some time and just before the armistice was signed he was attached to Headquarters Staff of the 2nd Division. He was with the 2nd Division on their entry into German territory.

Pte. J. Forbes
Pte. Forbes enlisted with a Forestry Battalion going overseas in 1916. He went to France with the Battalion but was sent to a hospital in England because of an injury he received. On his recovery he was transferred to an infantry battalion and was on the point of leaving for France when the armistice was signed.

Sergt. Elton Brewer
Sergeant Brewer is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Brewer of this city. He enlisted with the 104th Battalion and gained the rank of sergeant before going overseas. He took a machine gun course in England and was drill instructor in England up to last April when he went to France.

Gnr. J. F. Harvey
Gnr. J. F. Harvey is a son of Mrs. Martha F. Harvey of this city. He enlisted in the fall of 1914 with the 23rd Battery. He was later transferred to a Trench Mortar Battery with which he served in France. He was wounded at Vimy but recovered and went back to duty again. He has seen over four years' service.

AMENDMENTS TO MUNICIPALITIES ACT SUGGESTED

PENSIONS FOR OFFICIALS ARE MUCH DESIRED

New Brunswick Municipal Officers' Association Formed in Connection With U. of M.

The Provincial Government this morning heard a delegation from the executive of the Union of New Brunswick Municipalities with regard to amendments proposed to the Municipalities Act. The delegation presented number of excellent suggestions among them being authorization of the creation of a pension scheme for the municipalities. At present the municipalities have no power to superannuate officials. Another suggestion is that officials be not removable except for cause and have the right of appeal to a county judge or some other authority.

Standard of Efficiency
The Executive of the Union of Municipalities was in session all day yesterday and also this morning. Various matters were discussed including amendments to the Municipalities Act. It was suggested that there be a standard of efficiency for municipal officials.

New Organization
A new organization was formed yesterday when town clerks, treasurers, and other civic and municipal officials met in connection with the union and united under the name of the New Brunswick Municipal Officers' Association for the purpose of advancing their mutual interests and those of the communities which they serve.

The officers elected were: President G. O. D. Otty, Hampton; vice-president John Fowle, Chatham; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. A. O. J. Glenn, York County with J. S. Magee, Moncton, and J. E. Vroom, St. Stephen, as additional members of the executive. Fourteen officials were present.

Passed Away at Moncton
Mrs. James L. Neville received a telegram yesterday morning from Moncton stating that her mother Mrs. P. D. Bourque, of that city, passed away on Thursday morning after several months illness of paralysis. The deceased was eighty-five years of age and is survived by her husband, two sons, and five daughters, Aime P. of the C. G. R. audit office, Felicien and Mrs. Charles Primrose, Lynn, Mass., Mrs. D. J. Leger, Winnipeg, Mrs. Harry A. Melanson, Bathurst, Mrs. James L. Neville, of this city and Mrs. Ambrose Leger of Moncton. Mrs. Neville left last evening for Moncton to attend the funeral.

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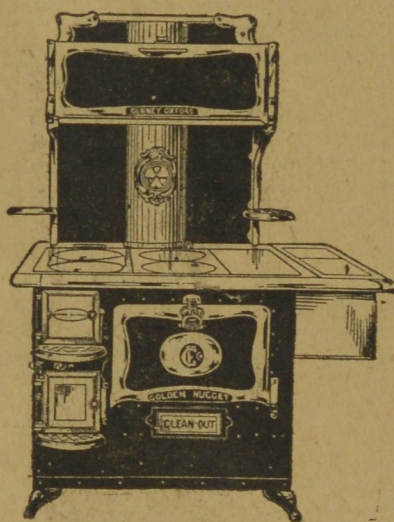
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