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THE WEATHER

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SIR LOMER GOVIN TENDERED BANQUET BY QUEBEC LIBERALS; HON. MACKENZIE KING A SPEAKER

LIBERALS OF QUEBEC UPHOLD CONSTITUTION

Sir Lomer Says He is Content to Serve the Liberals as a Private in the Ranks — The Liberal Chieftain Says the Electorate Should be Con-sulted.

Montreal, Dec. 16.—Quebec Liberalism tendered homage to one of its most distinguished exemplars tonight in the banquet given at the Windsor Hotel to Sir Lomer Gouin, for fifteen years Premier of Quebec. Notable addresses were delivered by Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, leader of the federal parliamentary opposition, Hon. A. L. Taschereau premier of Quebec, and by the guest of the evening.

In the course of his speech, Mr. King remarked that in the championship of free institutions of government in Canada, and citizenship in the British Empire is a guarantee thereof, Canada had had no more powerful advocates than the two distinguished French-Canadian prime ministers and Liberal leaders whose names necessarily come into close association, the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Lomer Gouin. Each had displayed never-failing vision, resource, courage and persistency in that advocacy.

Continuing, Mr. King said: "Because of her unwillingness to yield too readily to practices and procedure not easily to be defended on constitutional grounds, Quebec has sometimes been thought of as ultra-conservative. A more accurate interpretation would disclose, in the resistance of fundamental change, where due authority by way of popular control has been lacking, a regard for constitutional government which is the very essence of liberalism. In every real way Quebec's regard for constitutional procedure has made the oldest of the provinces a steady influence throughout our history. To no small degree, by her regard for tradition, she has helped to keep political movements within constitutional lines. At no moment in the history of the Dominion is this being more clearly recognized than at the present time. The province, which three years ago was being referred to by its destructors as a hotbed of sedition, is now being praised as a bulwark against bolshevism.

"This regard for constitutional procedure and what has been learned of the secret of free government, through its evolution, has found expression in relation to the province of Quebec in two particulars, each of which has had more than national significance. The first is the strong sentiment which has found increasing support throughout all parts of the Dominion against any and every tendency to a reversion to the old order of centralization in inter-imperial and international affairs. It is Canada as a nation, not Canada as a province of empire, that Liberal leaders were the first to put forward and have steadily maintained as the goal of our national aspirations.

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Golf Club Meeting

A meeting of the members of the Fredericton Golf Club was held last night. The finances of the club were discussed but as there were only a few members present nothing definite was decided. There will be another meeting later on.

Improving Steadily

Mrs. Edward Gregory who recently was operated upon at Victoria Public Hospital for appendicitis is steadily improving.

SON OF WAGNER TRYING TO REVIVE THE BEIRUTH OPERATIC FESTIVAL

(By Viggo Toepter, staff correspondent of the Daily Mail; by Cross-BERLIN, Dec. 16.—Siegfried Wagner, son of the famous German composer, is preparing an appeal to America for financial support for renewing the famous Beiruth operatic festival, which the war stopped. He is finding the chief difficulty of the revival in raising funds to meet the payroll of the chorus, orchestra and stage hands. The leading artists of the operatic stage have agreed to sing at reduced salaries. "It may be years before we are able to resume the famous seasons," said Wagner, "unless America comes to our support."

DEVON SCHOOLS CLOSED TODAY; THE EXERCISES

Various Departments Had Elaborate Programs for the Closing—Students With High Standing.

The Devon school today was the scene of many enjoyable exercises. From Grade I up all seemed to vie with each other in having better exercises than the other. Among the best of the number were those in Miss Grannan's and Miss Sweeney's rooms. There were no certificates given as this is done in the Devon school at June only.

Miss Sweeney's Room. In Miss Sweeney's room Grade III and IV had their closing exercises together. The programme was as follows:

O Canada.
Exercise—Trimming the Christmas Tree, Grade III.

Recitation—Timely Point, Robert Titus.

Recitation—Chris Cringle, Robert Chalmers.

Chorus—First Noel.

Recitation—A letter from Santa, Josephine Beatty.

Recitation—Christmas Tree, Ralph McPherson.

Chorus—Merry Merry Christmas Bells.

Recitation—Clear Clock, Ellen Fradsham.

Recitation—Santa Claus and a Mouse, Thelma Beatty.

Star Drill—Pupils of Grade IV.

Recitation—Christ King, Ralph Brennan.

Recitation—Little George Melind, Robert Rush.

Chorus—Christmas Comes.

The three highest in class work were: Grace Gullison, 92; Charles Danby, 90; Eva Grant, 87.

Miss Grannan's Room.

Miss Grannan's room had the following programme which was very ably carried out.

Welcome Piece—Three boys.

Song—School.

Christmas Tree—Nine Children.

Recitation—David Boone.

Song—Twelve Children.

Recitation—Gerald Foster.

Recitation—Vera Palmer.

Dialogue—Six boys.

Dialogue—Phyllis Quartermain and Ralph McLean.

Recitation—John MacEvoy.

God Save The King.

Those making above 90 in the term's work are:

Betty Perley, 96 1-3; Elizabeth Niles, 96 1-3; Buelah Morgan, 96; Edith Young, 93 1-3; Anne Brewer, 95; Helen Donohue, 94; Isabella Kearman, 93; Gladys Stennicks, 93; Vera Palmer, 93; Katherine Irvine, 93; Monica Donohue, 92; Martha Tyler, 92; Clarence Hazlett, 91; Hilton Taylor, 91; Harry Pogd, 90; Ethel Manzer, 90; Grace McPherson, 90; Eileen Bowlen, 90; Lenald Wade, 90; Percy Wilson, 90; Amos Wister, 90.

RUMOR RE HOSPITAL

Trouble with George A. Fuller Company—Said that the Work Will Continue.

A rumor is current that the George A. Fuller Company which has the contract for the erection of the Fraser Memorial Hospital connected with Victoria Public Hospital in this city will suspend work on that building. The Daily Mail was informed today from the company's local office that the work will be continued. It was admitted however, that there was dissatisfaction on the part of the company and that money was being lost. The nature of the trouble was not disclosed but there appears to be foundation for the report that matters are not proceeding smoothly.

G. R. Wilson of Halifax is a guest at the Queen.
J. H. Lane of London, Eng., is in the city.

CHRISTMAS CLOSING IN SCHOOLS OF THIS CITY AND NEIGHBORING PLACES

Pupils and Teachers Had Most Creditable Exercises—Presentation of Oddfellows' Emblem Ring to Charles A. Sampson, Retiring Secretary of the School Board, at Smythe Street School—Appropriate Decorations in the Various Schools.

Although weather conditions were not of the best, the public closing exercises of the schools of Fredericton and the neighboring towns attracted the usual large attendance of spectators this morning. As is customary, the exercises had a strong flavor of the Christmas season, and Santa Claus and the festive season were referred to repeatedly in the exercises which were carried out. In those schools which have assembly halls, united exercises took place. The same was done in some other schools.

The fact that this was the last public closing at which Chas. A. Sampson officiated as Secretary of the School Board, lent added interest to the proceedings. Mr. Sampson has distributed the certificates to the honor pupils since 1877, when he first took office. Two generations have received them at his hands and it is with the utmost regret that Fredericton sees a faithful public official complete his work.

At the Smythe Street School a very pleasing feature of the exercises was the presentation of an Oddfellows' ring to Mr. Sampson as a token of the respect felt by the members of the staff and the pupils. Mr. Sampson is a Past Grand Master of the Maritime Provinces and also has been a delegate to the Sovereign Grand Lodge. He spoke in most feeling manner in reply to Principal C. B. Burden, who made the presentation, expressing his appreciation of the kindness shown.

The presentation of certificates was the chief feature of the closing. Members of the School Board performed the pleasing duty at the various schools.

In many of the schools particular attention was devoted to suitable decorations. In many cases these included not only drawings on the blackboards, but also evergreen and other trimmings of the rooms.

At the Model School, J. J. Weddall represented the School Board and presented the certificates. J. W. Spurden did the honors at the Charlotte Street School. Mrs. Philip Cox made the presentation at the Regent Street School. The Secretary, Charles A. Sampson, presented certificates at both York Street and Smythe Street schools, and, as mentioned before, was himself remembered at the latter school.

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REFUSAL TO BUY HAS BEEN CARRIED TOO FAR, SAYS WILLIAMS

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Refusal of the public to buy has been carried to the point of false economy, declared Roger H. Williams, vice-president of the National Bank of Commerce, in addressing the Converters' Association here. Normal buying must be resumed to prevent a possible combination of high prices with low wages and unemployment, he declared, adding a warning against too drastic wage cuts.

"Business and the public must come to an understanding," he continued. "It is a time to place emphasis upon sanity in buying. Unless business is being done, unless there is a fair distribution of activity, there can be no prosperity to divide either between employer and employee, or business man and consumer."

N. Y. JEWELER MURDERED AND ROBBED

New York, Dec. 16.—Entering an office building at Fifth avenue near 45th street in which hundreds of persons were working, three masked robbers today shot and killed Edwin W. Andrews, head of a jewelry concern, held up two travelling salesmen who entered the office at that moment and escaped with their sample cases which contained valuable jewelry.

Today's robbery occurred on top of the sensational hold-up of four guests in the Hotel Astor last night.

Andrews was senior member of the diamond firm of Andrews & Weinstein and the salesmen were employed by him. They were ushered into the private office, where Andrews' body lay, before they were robbed, and instructed to remain there five minutes after the hold-up men had gone the salesmen gave the alarm.

To give the alarm, the salesmen, Vincent Provansano and Luke Mulligan had to free themselves for they had been bound and gagged by the robbers.

The jewel firm made a preliminary estimate of \$150,000 as the value of the loot taken by the robbers.

N. B. HONEY IN DEMAND AT AMHERST

New Brunswick bee keepers who exhibited honey at the Amherst Winter Fair made almost a clean sweep of the prize list. They captured 20 prizes out of 27 offered and their combined winnings totalled \$54, only \$6 going to the other provinces. The exhibit was in charge of Mr. L. T. Floyd, the efficient apiarist of the Department of Agriculture and was most attractively arranged, and came in for much well deserved praise from visitors. It consisted of honey in the comb and extracted honey of prime quality and also a large collection of beeswax. The extracted honey came principally from Victoria County, while York County farmers, including Gordon Stairs of Pinder and Edwin Parent of Southampton supplies most of the comb honey.

Mr. Floyd had no difficulty in disposing of the entire stock and he was able to book many orders for future delivery.

H. P. Timmerman of Montreal, Industrial Commissioner of the C. P. I. arrived here last night, leaving again this morning.

CONSIDERABLE INTEREST IS NOW BEING MANIFESTED IN THE PROPOSED NEW TRIPLE ALLIANCE

LOCAL POULTRY FANCIERS DID WELL AT FAIR

Won a Number of Prizes at Winter Fair at Amherst in the Face of Keen Competition.

The poultry show in connection with the Winter Fair was undoubtedly the most successful ever held in Eastern Canada. Upwards of seventeen hundred birds, both fancy and utility, were on exhibition, and combined to make one of the most interesting, if not the most interesting feature of the fair. The awards were placed by Messrs. Elford, Clark and Reid, poultry experts from Ontario, and their work gave every satisfaction.

Fredericton and Devon fanciers exhibited at Amherst this year for the first time, and made a very good showing considering the keen competition they had to face in every class. Mr. J. W. Stickles exhibited eleven Ancona birds and won eleven prizes. Mrs. Charles Forbes won first honors in Brown Leghorns, and Mrs. Geo. Danby showed up well in the utility classes. Mr. Stickles performed the duties of superintendent of the poultry department in a most efficient manner and his work came in for much praise.

Following is a list of the awards made to local exhibitors.

G. F. Lockhart, Fredericton—Utility Banded Rock cock, 1st; Silver Campine cockerel, 3rd.

George Baxter, Fredericton—Game Bantam cock, 1st; Black Cochin bantam cockerel, 2nd.

R. P. Allen, Fredericton—Partridge Wyandotte hens, 3rd and 4th in a class of 14; cockerels, 1st, 2nd and 3rd in a class of 9; pullets, 2nd, 3rd and 4th in a class of 9.

Mrs. Geo. Danby, North Devon—Utility White Wyandotte cock, 1st; hens, 3rd and 5th in a class of 30; 5th cockerel in large class.

Percy Morgan, North Devon—5th White Wyandotte cock in a class of 17; 2nd, 4th and 5th hen in a class of 30; 6th White Leghorn hen in a class of 30.

Mrs. Charles Forbes, South Devon—S. C. Brown Leghorns, 1st hen, 1st and 2nd cockerel; 1st pullet, 1st, 2nd and 3rd hen, 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th cockerel. S. C. Black Minorcas, 4th cockerel, 3rd and 5th pullets White Minorcas, 1st and 2nd hen.

J. W. Stickles, North Devon—Anconas, 1st cock, 1st hen, 2nd and 3rd pullets, 1st, 3rd and 4th cockerels. Utility Anconas, 1st and 2nd cockerel, 1st and 2nd pullet.

STOCK MARKET QUOTATIONS

| New York. | |
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| American Wool | 62½ |
| Anaconda | 36¼ |
| Atchison | 80 |
| Crucible | 81¾ |
| Mexican Pete | 162½ |
| Studebaker | 40 |
| United States Steel | 79½ |
| Sterling | 354¼ |
| N. Y. Funds | 17¼ |

| Montreal. | |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Dominion Iron & Steel | 42 |
| International Breweries | 46 |
| Ships Pfd. | 61 |
| Sugar | 20½ |
| Victory Bonds, 1937 | 97½ |
| " " 1933 | 95¼ |
| " " 1927 | 96¼ |
| " " 1923 | 97¼ |
| " " 1922 | 98 |
| " " 1934 | 93 |
| " " 1924 | 95 |

Hon. J. P. Byrne, Attorney General is a guest at the Queen.

JOHN McCORMACK, NOTED SINGER, HAS CANCELLED ENGLISH DATES

(By Henry W. Francis, staff correspondent of the Daily Mail, by Cross-Atlantic Newspaper Service.)

PARIS, Dec. 16.—John MacCormack, who is singing here, has issued his final defiance to England. Prominent Englishmen have been urging him to change his plans and sing in England, he told Cross-Atlantic Newspaper Service. His English dates were cancelled because of the hostile reception given him in Australia. "The English object to my American citizenship," he said. They say I became Americanized to escape the war. That's damned nonsense. I applied for my papers eleven years ago. I wouldn't sing a note in England now if they offered to make me king."

WILL BE COMPOSED OF BRITAIN, FRANCE, ITALY

French Statesman Said to Have Sounded the Premiers of the Other Few Nations on the Subject—The Need of Concerted Action is Beginning to be Felt.

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and Italy as suggested by France London, Dec. 16.—A new triple alliance, composed of England, France and Italy as suggested by France, in arousing considerable interest in diplomatic circles. During the recent conference in London, I understand, M. Leygasse sounded the Italian and British Premiers on the subject and found them friendly.

Since returning to Paris, he is understood to have obtained the consent of the French Government for a formal proposal on the subject. It is understood in diplomatic channels that the new alliance is the result of America's failure to ratify the treaty and enter the League of Nations with the consequent weakening of the league, so that former European allies feel the need of securing a concerted action for European peace expected in the League.

I am informed that Leygues in talks with Lloyd George and Lord Curzon, urged that such an alliance would be the best insurance for European peace and would give the world a sense of security, obtained in no other way. British ministers are friendly to the proposition but urged the danger of moving ahead of public opinion in Britain which has hardly realized the importance of the question.

LATE REV. W. R. ROBINSON.

Body Arrived From St. John This Morning—Interment at Rural Cemetery in This City.

The body of Rev. W. R. Robinson, late pastor of the Ludlow Street Baptist Church in West St. John, who died suddenly Wednesday night, arrived here this morning by C. P. R. Many friends of the deceased including the Baptist clergymen of this vicinity, were present at the C. P. R. station. There were numerous floral tributes. The clergymen who attended were Rev. W. C. Keirstead, Rev. W. D. Wilson, Rev. Z. L. Fash, Rev. H. Ferguson, Rev. G. C. Warren, and Rev. P. J. Trafton. The service was conducted by Rev. Dr. Keirstead, interment being made at the Rural Cemetery.

At St. John service was conducted by Rev. Dr. David Hutchinson of the Main Street Baptist Church Carleton Lodge, F. & A. M. attended in a body.

Hearing Was Postponed.

Hearing in the case against Alex. King of Southampton charged on the complaint of Canadian Realty Company with the theft of a carload of pulpwood, was postponed this morning until the 28th. John Moore of Springfield an important witness is ill with the mumps and could not attend. R. B. Hanson, K. C., appeared for the defence and P. J. Hughes for the complainant.

Dr. Melvin Returns

Dr. G. G. Melvin, Chief Health Officer has returned from Richibucto where he attended an organization meeting of the Kent County Sub-District Board of Health. Organization was completed, Mrs. B. E. Johnson of Richibucto was appointed secretary and estimates for the year were prepared.