

C. P. R. ENGINEER HERE TO DISCUSS DRAINAGE

SPECIAL COMMITTEE
CONSULTING WITH HIM

C. N. R. Engineer Expected Tomorrow—Union Station and Other Topics Also to be Talked Over.

C—P—R—ENGINEER

The special committee of the City Council appointed to consider the matter of surface drainage particularly in the Old Racecourse district along the lines of railway, is conferring this afternoon with C. C. Kirby of St. John, of the engineering staff for the C. P. R. Mr. Kirby arrived here today and got in touch with City Engineer McDowell.

The ground will be inspected and the situation thoroughly explained to Mr. Kirby particularly its relation to the so called Back Drain which has been partially obstructed by the railway. The obstruction caused backing of water during the spring thaw, and the flooding of the C. P. R. tracks and yards.

C. N. R. Engineer Coming.
Chief Engineer Brown of the C. N. R. at Moncton is expected here tomorrow to discuss the same problem. It was intended to have him here today. Drainage of surface water also is interfered with to some extent by the C. N. R. tracks.

Other matters which will be discussed will be the general railway situation in relation to Fredericton, the suggested Union station for C. N. R. and C. P. R., the proposed new bridge and other matters. It is believed that a Union station is merely a matter of time and that as war expenditures decrease and the country approaches normal conditions, a determined effort on the part of Fredericton citizens will produce the required result.

Returns from Saranac.
Chatham Gazette: Mr. George McDade's many friends are welcoming him back to Chatham looking the picture of health after a winter spent in Saranac, N. Y.

An Independent Candidate.
St. John Times: Michael Kelly announced this morning that at the next provincial elections he will be an independent candidate, standing for a bone-dry province, honesty, economy and retrenchment.

A Corrupt Practice.
The city council of Halifax has decided to ask for an amendment to the city charter of 1907 to make it "a corrupt practice" for any candidate for mayor or alderman to canvass for votes at city elections. The candidates may, however, express his views and state his policy in speeches or in the press.

On Labor Commission.
Hon. J. W. deB. Larriss, Attorney-General and Minister of Labor of British Columbia, has been appointed by the federal government a member of the commission under the Inquiry Act, on the unification of labor laws. He is a son of L. P. Farris, ex-M. P. of White's Cove, and was in Fredericton about a year ago.

Will Connect with Boston Train.
Until the change of time on the C. P. R. goes into effect May 2nd, the train leaving Fredericton in the morning will connect with the train leaving St. John for Boston. At night the train due at 9.55 will make connection with the eastbound train from Boston but will be delayed in order to make the connection.

Issuing Bonds to Purchasers.
The Victory Bonds of the 1919 issue are being issued to their purchasers by the branch banks this week. The first coupon on the bonds is payable on Saturday next May 1st. Coupons on the bonds of former issues also are payable that day so that there will be a considerable flow of money on Saturday although it is a short banking day.

Employment Office Closed.
The local office of the Dominion Employment Service, which has been conducted for the past two years by A. E. Ashford with William Richards as assistant closed on Saturday. The Provincial Government declined to enter into a fifty-fifty arrangement to continue the six offices in the province on the ground that the cost was excessive and expense too great.

Poorly Lighted Street.
On account of poor lighting in Queen street just west of Carleton, a collision with serious results occurred last night. The horse and buggy of ex-warden A. B. Neill of Devon were standing there. A Ford containing two men smashed directly into the rear of the vehicle knocking it on the sidewalk and breaking the shafts. The horse was not injured and did not start. The driver of the car explained that he did not see the vehicle.

Boston Train Service.
Effective April 26th, the day service between St. John and Boston, and vice versa, will be restored. Until General Change of Time May 2nd, the morning train leaving St. John at 7.40 local time will run through to Vanceboro and connect with Maine Central and Boston and Maine Railways for Boston. Coming from Boston connections will be made at Vanceboro and the Express will reach St. John at 10.45 p. m., instead of 10.00 p. m. the time of arrival of McAdam Express under winter schedule. 2 ins.

ANDOVER FIRST JUNIOR WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

MISS HAZEL McCAIN
ORGANIZED ONE THERE

Perth Organized the Second—Grand Falls Women's Institute Has Been Re-organized.

Miss Hazel MacCain returned last evening from a trip of inspection and organization in the north of the province. During her absence she organized in Andover the first Junior Women's Institute for the Province. It is worthy of note that Andover was the town which fostered the first Senior Women's Institute in New Brunswick. This branch was organized on Wednesday night and the officers are as follows:

President—Miss Vera Henderson.
Vice Pres.—Miss Rena Armstrong.
Secretary-Treas.—Miss Josephine Bedell.

Directors—Miss Isabel Wooten, Miss Mary MacKinnon, Miss Anita Darch, Miss Henrietta Everett.
Auditors—Miss Sloat, Miss Mildred Everett.

Also at Perth
On the following evening the second Junior Women's Institute was organized in the town of Perth, just across the river. The officers of this branch are:

Pres.—Miss Margaret Lane.
Vice Pres.—Miss Isabel Olmstead.
Secretary Treas.—Miss Pauline Lewis.

Directors—Miss Pansy Smith, Miss Hazel Grant, Miss Genevieve Armstrong, Miss Lillian Larlee.

Auditors—Miss Alma Smith, Miss Cassie Bishop.

These are the only Junior Women's Institutes in New Brunswick but it is expected that before long other towns and cities will fall in line with the movement.

At Grand Falls
Miss MacCain also inspected the Household Science Classes at Perth and found them well up in their work. She then proceeded to Grand Falls and reorganized the Women's Institute at that place.
The new officers are:
Pres.—Mrs. C. J. McCluskey.
Vice Pres.—Mrs. C. C. White.
Secretary—Mrs. J. L. White.
Treasurer—Mrs. William Pirie.
The Grand Falls branch is again in good working order and will carry on as usual.

Greeting Old Friends.
E. J. Cronin of St. John is registered at the Barker House today. He was here with C. Company, 104th. Battalion, C. E. F., as a lieutenant and is well known here. He recently had conferred upon him the Distinguished Flying Cross for service with the Air Service in Russia and elsewhere, having entered the R. A. F. after reaching England. Old friends are giving him a hearty welcome.

PLEA OF GUILTY ON SPEEDY TRIAL APPLICATION

ADAMS AND GUIMOND
BEFORE JUDGE WILSON

Their Counsel, P. J. Hughes, Made Plea for Leniency on Account of Long War Service.

The two North Shore men, Eugene Guimond and Herbert Adams whose preliminary hearing was concluded Saturday and who were committed for trial at the next meeting of the King's Bench Division on May 4th., yesterday afternoon applied for speedy trial before Judge Wilson of the County Court. Their case came up this morning at 11 o'clock and they were represented by P. J. Hughes. The prisoners were charged with uttering forged cheques knowing it to be forged. Both pleaded guilty. The cheque was for \$250 drawn on a resident of Matapedia Que., and was cashed at the Bank of Nova Scotia here.

Plea by Counsel.
Mr. Hughes addressed the Court. He pointed out the fact of the extreme youth of the prisoners and touched on their past good character. Both these young men come of respected families of Campbellton and in the past their character has been most exemplary.

Guimond is the sole support of an aged mother in Campbellton and one of the defendants is suffering with a disease contracted in France, which his short confinement has already aggravated. Both boys are returned soldiers, having each had over four years' service. Guimond enlisted on August 6th., 1914, and received his discharge in April 1919, with thirty-nine months' service in France to his credit.

Adams enlisted on May 22nd, 1915, and was discharged on June 29th., 1919, and had thirty-five months in France.

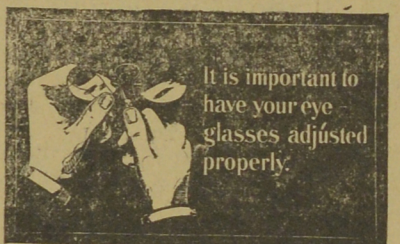
Mr. Hughes also read a certificate from Mayor Murray, of Campbellton where Adams lived before moving to Matapedia, Que., stating that he had known him ever since his return from overseas, and that his character was of the best.

In concluding Mr. Hughes asked that His Honor consider these matters and asked for a suspended sentence.

On the conclusion of the address to the Court His Honor Judge Wilson said that, while he recognized and appreciated the services of the prisoners to their country, he did not feel that he was in a position to deliver judgment without first looking up the evidence and depositions taken at the preliminary hearing, and adjourned until 3 o'clock to consider the matter.

Higher Molasses.
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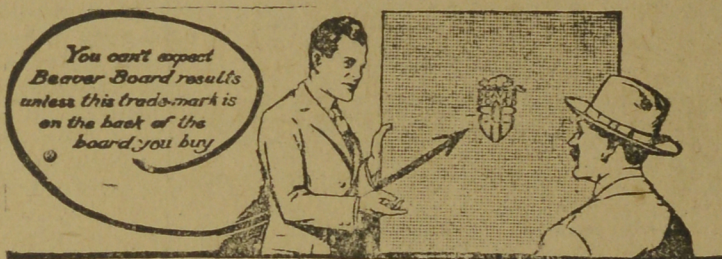
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