

# Council Changes Jail Menu As We Suggested

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Weather: Fair and cool today and  
most of Thursday; then snow or rain

### R. C. M. P. DO PROMPT WORK IN LAKE CASE

#### A. W. Bannister Arrested Charged With Murder

##### Mitten and Other Strong Clues Found — Police Think Drinking Bout Followed by Fight.

Prompt work on the part of Inspector John Bird and members of his staff of the Moncton detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has resulted in the arrest on charge of murder of Arthur William Bannister, aged 22 of Berry's Mills, five miles from Moncton. The arrest is in connection with the death of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lake and their two children at their little home at Pacific Junction, thirteen miles from Moncton. Bannister was brought before Magistrate W. F. Lane at Moncton this morning.

In reconstructing the alleged crime, which claimed the lives of the couple, their 20-month-old son, John, and their six-month-old baby girl, whose body has not yet been found, police expressed the view that it had resulted from a drinking bout.

The were of the opinion, it was stated by Inspector John Bird, in charge of the Moncton R. C. M. P. detachment, that there had been drinking and a consequent argument between Bannister and Lake at the Lake home late Sunday night. Lake was said to have been hit over the head, with a maple stick 20 inches long and an oil lamp was upset, the shack catching fire. Mrs. Lake was also probably struck while in the home, police stated, although her body, with skull fractured, was discovered about 800 yards from the ruins of the home.

The baby no trace of whom has been found, was in the house at the time, police believe. The quarrel started over Mrs. Lake, in the opinion of police.

A man's plain knitted mitten provided the clue which led to the arrest of Bannister, it was revealed. It was picked up by R. C. M. P. Sergeant B. G. Peters, Newcastle, and Constable Kent and Fenwick, of the Moncton detachment, while following footprints in the snow, leading from the spot where the bodies of the woman and the boy were found to the woods and

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#### PROV. TREASURERS WILL MEET IN OTTAWA MONDAY

Taxation and its limits will be discussed next week in Ottawa with the new finance minister Hon. C. A. Dunning. It is understood Hon. C. T. Richard, provincial secretary of New Brunswick, will attend the conference.

The meeting will be an echo of the December Dominion-Provincial Conference and will be the first of several. Dates have not yet been fixed for conferences on mining, amendment of the British North America Act, uniform company legislation, trans-Canada highway construction and agricultural laws.

When the December conference broke up, committees were established to continue work on several present-day problems. The most important was the finance committee which will deal with debts, relief payments, taxation fields and probably a central committee to pass on future loans both federal and provincial.

#### "NORTH TARZAN," TRANSIENT, CHARGED WITH VAGRANCY

SUDBURY, Jan. 8.—The so-called "Tarzan of the North" was held on a charge of vagrancy here yesterday. Police say he will be arraigned in court today, when they will ask a remand and a medical examination for the reportedly wild man who frightened women in the Town of Skead, twenty

#### FARMERS AND DAIRYMEN'S CONVENTION

Will Meet in Saint John  
On January  
14th

The formal opening of the convention will be the evening of January 14, when a dinner will be tendered visiting delegates by the Common Council and the Board of Trade in the Admiral Beatty Hotel. Those other than delegates, will be able to obtain tickets in advance, at the hotel.

At the function, welcoming addresses will be given by Mayor Brittain and J. D. McKenna, president of the Board of Trade, responded to by J. Q. Hall of Fairville and Frank Dolan of Reynolds. T. A. Best of Stanley, president of the Farmer's and Dairymen's Association, will deliver his annual report, and there will also be addresses by Hon. A. C. Taylor, minister of Agriculture; Walter C. Allison, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Saint John Board of Trade, and H. Barton, federal deputy minister of agriculture. Mr. Best will be the chairman.

#### BIG DOGS WIN LICENSE BATTLE AT YORKTON

YORKTON, Saskatchewan, Jan. 8.—Yorkton's City Fathers are leading dogs' lives these days. In fact, dogs have even invaded the august Aldermen's sanctum, the Council Chamber. It all started with a proposal to increase the license fees on big dogs—Aislauns, great Danes and sundry oversized canines—from \$2 to \$35 for males and \$50 for females.

A by-law enacting the increase has been given two readings in the chamber, but the Aldermen have run into considerable difficulty in putting it through the last stage, the third reading.

The other night irate big-dog owners invaded the chamber in force, and for more than an hour assailed in no uncertain manner the Aldermen for attempting to increase license fees.

Alderman Charles Peaker, who had first brought up the by-law, came in for particular condemnation. When he was about to sit in his seat, he was confronted by a huge canine, who eyed him malevolently and only gave up his comfortable position in the armchair with great reluctance. It was not known who put the dog in the chair.

Alderman Peaker finally withdrew the amendment which called for the increase, and the by-law committee was instructed to amend and renew of vicious dogs in some other way.

#### ESTATE PROBATED

The estate of the late Elijah Spencer, who died in Stanley some time ago, was probated yesterday by J. Bacon Dickson, judge of probate. Two sons, John H. Spencer and Stewart K. Spencer were appointed administrators with estate annexed. The entire estate of \$2,000 goes to the sons.

#### Mayor W. G. Clark M.P.

With last night's meeting of the City Council His Worship Mayor W. G. Clark completed ten years of faithful service as Mayor of Fredericton. He had previously been an alderman, and retires with honor to himself and to all connected with him.

Mr. Clark came to Fredericton from the farm. He was honest and a hard worker, coming to his office in the morning before his clerks were around and working far into the night. He is of temperate habits, nor did he squander his money. He has made considerable money, and he has made it by his good business ability. Even since Mayor Clark has become possessed of wealth both he and his good wife have continued to live the simple life without any high hatching. Their home has been an ideal one and an example to many.

The same dignity and the same financial ability that distinguished Mayor Clark in his home life and in his private business affairs he brought with him into the City Hall. During his term as alderman and for the past ten years as Mayor of Fredericton, Mayor Clark has guided the city's financial affairs through the most trying period of its history. Citizens have felt safe with him at their head. He has served as Mayor longer than any other man in Fredericton's history of Mayors since 1848. He has served creditably and he deserves the thanks of all citizens irrespective of class or party affiliations. The citizens in a manner showed their appreciation of Mayor Clark's services last fall when they decided to elect him to go to Ottawa for the next five years.

Mayor Clark employs in the various branches of his business nearly three hundred persons, most of whom have families to support. He knows the needs of the working man and while he has never laid a man off during the depression he has given up drawing his own salary and has lost money besides.

The Daily Mail in common with hundreds of citizens irrespective of politics will wish W. G. Clark, M.P. and his excellent wife every measure of success. We want more men like Mayor Clark in our public life.

When parties are selecting men as candidates for Ottawa, or for Fredericton, an effort should be made to select the best man. The best man is not necessarily the most brilliant man. The best man for any party to select is the man whom people can trust, the man who has no axe to grind either for himself or for his relations. The day has come in Canada when it is necessary to have such men, if we are to pull out of the hole.

The man you can trust is the man who is simple, direct and sincere. When he undertakes a responsible task he is fully and deeply conscious of his responsibility. He is intent upon fairness and justice to all, even to those who oppose him. To him, the insincerity of the demagogue is as dishonest as the trickery of the con man or the embezzler. To him, honor is dearer than power, and a clear conscience more precious than wealth or fame.

#### CANADIAN WOMEN BETTER EDUCATED THAN MOST MEN

OTTAWA, Jan. 8.—Recent educational surveys tend to show that Canadian women are better educated than Canadian men, and pay more attention to the education of their children than do the males.

On the average, according to returns collected by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, girls spend half a year longer in schools than do boys. This condition has prevailed since the beginning of the present century.

Tracing statistics back to an even earlier period it was found that the percentage of illiteracy among Canadian-born women has been continuously lower than among Canadian-born men. This condition is the reverse of that prevailing among people who have come to Canada from other countries. Among immigrants the percentage of illiteracy for the women is higher than for the men.

Woman's interest in the education of her children was determined by a survey of the families of widows and deserted wives compared with families left in the care of the father only. Up to the age of 15 at least, it was found the widows' children had a better average school attendance than the motherless children, and, despite the known difficulties of a woman rearing a family alone, had as good and perhaps a little better record than children who had both parents living.

#### FRENCH NIGHT CLASSES

Permission has been granted to change the schedule for the French class at the night school for the convenience of the pupils. Mondays, 7 to 8:30 p.m. for Advanced; 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. for Beginners. Thursdays, 7 to 8:15 for Beginners; 8:15 to 9:30 for Intermediate. The pupils of Intermediate Class may attend the Advanced or the Beginners' Class on Mondays.

#### ELECTION OFFICERS ARE NAMED

Monday's civic election is already providing street corner gossip and preparations are going ahead for the event. The presiding officers at the downtown poll have been named as follows: F. P. Lister, W. S. Farrell and W. J. Poole. For the uptown poll the presiding officers are Peter Farrell, Sterling Brannen and Abner B. Belyea. The polling clerks will be Douglas Bailey, Fred Thompson, Frank Estabrooks, Dewar Smallwood, Eden Dever, and Louis Farrell, while the constables are Arlington Blizzard, Allen Ward, Harvey True, L. G. Allen, Donald Langille, and Royden Allen. This list was approved by the city council last night. It is planned to furnish meals to the polling clerks, constables and officers at their posts on Monday.

#### TWO PILLARS OF FIRE

RHEIN, Sask., Jan. 8.—They've been noticed frequently for years, two mysterious flames each about six feet in height and half as much in diameter, and now Rhein residents are attempting to have something done to explain the phenomenon.

Professors of the University of Saskatchewan, in Saskatoon, have been asked to investigate and to explain the jack-o'-lanterns that most frequently appear between 11 p.m. and midnight south of here.

Witnesses describe the flames as being always two reddish-yellow flares and always close together, blazing for but a few seconds at a time, a short distance above the ground. No traces are left in the snow where the flames are seen.

#### Doaktown Area Receives Power

FREDERICTON, Jan. 8.—At a meeting of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission here last night Hon. W. S. Anderson, the chairman, stated that the power had been turned on at Doaktown Monday night. Thus, he pointed out, the 47-mile extension of the commission system from Newcastle to Doaktown which had been commenced about the middle of November was completed in short order.

At the present time about 290 customers were receiving electricity all along the line. There are, he said, approximately 600 potential customers along this extension.

#### FREDERICTON MAN PASSES IN BOSTON

Word was received here yesterday of the sudden death at Boston, Mass., of Chester Herman MacDonald, formerly of this city, but who has been living in Boston for the past ten years. Gordon D. MacDonald of this city, a brother, left last night for Boston. Deceased was 37 years of age and the son of the late Hubbard MacDonald and Mrs. Jennie MacDonald of this city. Deceased served overseas with the First Contingent of the Medical Corps under Sergeant Major Hedley Forbes. He was invalided early in the war and was one of the first Fredericton boys to be returned from wounds. He re-enlisted and saw service in the Medical Corps in the West Indies, being attached to the Royal Garrison Artillery until demobilization. Deceased was very well known here, being a highly popular young man. His death while still a young man will be widely regretted. Besides his mother, the late Chester MacDonald is survived by one brother, Gordon "Hub" MacDonald, of this city. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

#### J. RAY BURPEE, PROMINENT DEVON CONTRACTOR, DIES

J. Ray Burpee, one of the best known residents of Devon, passed away at noon today after a six weeks' illness and his death will be heard with sincere regret by a large circle of friends.

Ray Burpee was a son of the late D. C. Burpee, for years a well known contractor in this locality. After attending the local schools and the University of New Brunswick, Mr. Burpee entered the contracting business, which he carried on with success for several years. He had lately been engaged in business at Minto. The late Mr. Burpee is survived by his mother, who resided with him at Devon; by his wife, who was formerly Miss Beulah Henderson; by two sons, David and Raymond Burpee. He also leaves two brothers, Lockwood of Toronto, and Bruce of Golden, British Columbia; and three sisters, Mrs. T. W. Windham, of Vancouver, B. C.; Mrs. Vivian Pond of Upper Manger, and Miss Bessie Burpee, of Boston. The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

#### MARRIAGE MARKET BOOMING IN WEST

WINNIPEG, Jan. 8.—Wedding bells rang out returning prosperity here in 1935, when more couples took the matrimonial plunge than in any year since 1930. There were 2,596 marriages, only 64 below the 1930 record.

#### Councillor Doherty Supports Daily Mail Stand Re The Jail

#### MONEY LENDING TO ALLIES IN WAR DISCUSSED

Memorandum William  
Jennings Bryan Opposing  
Money Lending

WASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 8.—Seeking to determine for purposes connected with pending neutrality legislation—whether the vast loans extended to the Allies by American bankers exerted a controlling influence in shoving the United States into the conflict later, the senate munitions committee summoned J. P. Morgan, his partner Thos. W. Lamont, and F. A. Vanderlip president in 1914 of the National City Bank of New York.

With J. P. Morgan seated placidly before it, the committee filled an important gap in Great War history yesterday with a disclosure that Woodrow Wilson himself removed obstacles to the first of many United States loans to the Allied Powers.

Cablegrams gleaned from the Morgan files revealed, moreover, that scarcely three days after France entered the war, that country made round-about overtures to the Morgan house for a loan or commercial credit.

"Bryan Disapproved." "When the government turned itself loose, we turned ourselves loose," Morgan chuckled, after committee members had elicited statements that for all practical purposes the effect of loan and credits was the same.

The shift in Wilson's policy, altering attitudes previously expressed by Bryan, was disclosed in an heretofore unknown memorandum prepared after a talk with the president by Robert Lansing, then counsel to the state department, on Oct. 23, 1914.

Important too, in the evidence was a memorandum from Bryan to the president, dated Aug. 10, 1914, scarcely a fortnight after the European war began.

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#### SALE TOBIQUE VALLEY RAILWAY FEBRUARY 21

A supreme court notice in today's Royal Gazette gives notice of the sale of the Tobique Valley Railway Company assets.

The notice reads as follows: "All property, real and personal, assets, rights, privileges, interest in C. P. R. lease, etc. of the Tobique Valley Railway Company will be sold at the court house at Andover, N. B., on Friday, February 21 at two o'clock pursuant to a Decretal Order of the Supreme Court, Chancery Division, dated November 26th, 1935.

A TOUCH OF EARLY SPRING  
Bebbington's Gardens the pathway to sunshine and flowers. Wedding bouquets. A specialty.

#### FILM WITHOUT CAMERA TO BOOST THE PARCEL POST

LONDON, England, Jan. 8.—An Australian artist, Len Lye, has produced a film without a camera which is creating great interest in London.

It is in color and a version has been prepared by the Post-office to advertise the parcel post. While a tune is played on the sound-track, patterns in color dance across the screen in time with the music.

All the colors originally were applied by hand to the film, a task which took many weeks. Following

#### He Said That Jail Was Filthy and Lousy — Council Makes Some Changes in Disgraceful Menu.

Although several members of the York County Council in a heated debate at this morning's session severely censured The Daily Mail for its original action in revealing the conditions at the County Jail, the council, in the same session, passed a motion to improve the menu at the jail by adding to it a mug of tea per day for each prisoner. The discussion about county jail conditions, opened by Councillor William Stannix, MoAdam, occupied most of the morning's session. "The jail is lousy and filthy," declared Councillor John Doherty, Kingsclear, in speaking of the conditions he witnessed there when he visited it recently. He was the only member of the council to present a frank and honest account of the conditions in the jail.

Although most of the councillors gave vague descriptions of satisfactory conditions in the jail when they had visited it, Councillor Doherty, was emphatic in his intermittent interruptions of "The jail is lousy!"

"They called the councillors a mean bunch, and I for my part think The Daily Mail was entirely out of place in publicizing the matter," declared Councillor Hiram Manuel in speaking of The Daily Mail's statements on the jail conditions. He declared he would bring a copy of the paper to the session this afternoon and continue the argument. Rev. J. S. Gregg, retired clergyman addressed the council on social reform after which they adjourned to this afternoon.

#### Committee Appointed

Warden Howard Cameron appointed the assessment committee as follows: Councillors Morrison, Swan, Briggs, Young, Dunphy, Robertson, Fisher, Nason, Doherty, Manuel, Gaylor, Wright, Malone, Gould, Dobie and Saunders.

Major Charles E. Godden of the Salvation Army addressed the council briefly regarding the donation of a grant for the Salvation Army. He pointed out that during the past year

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#### COURT HOLDS YOUTH LIABLE FOR DEBT

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Jan. 8.—Youth can still have its fling in Canada, but not at the expense of adults in business deals, according to a decision handed down in a Prince Edward Island County Court by Judge C. Gavan Duffy.

The judgment which shook the centuries-old precedent making the law the protector of "infants", won favorable comment in legal circles across Canada, as law journal editors quipped, "Who says the common law does not live!"

the idea of Scriabine, who wrote his last score to be accompanied by moving colors played on a so-called colored organ. Lye conceived the idea of a film to prove color accompaniment. This released him from technical difficulties in using colored lights.

When Lye showed the finished film to the head of the Post-office Film Unit, he was so impressed that he decided to adopt the idea.

The Post office plans to make other films on the same lines to advertise its services.