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## SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

### The "Recessional"

Kipling's celebration of his seventh birthday has brought references to his "Recessional" which, according to a dispatch, "gave him more trouble than anything else he ever wrote." The story in connection with it is that it was written upon the request of a deputation, that Kipling thought little of it and threw it in the wastebasket, but that his wife rescued it and persuaded him to publish it. Late news of the sudden illness of the noted writer adds another note of pathos to the above recorded incident in the life of the poet.

Miss Gertrude Davidson entertained the Monday Night Bridge Club last evening.

Mrs. G. E. Ross left this morning for Truro, N.S., to attend a meeting of the executive of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

The Men's Club of St. Andrew's church held their regular monthly meeting at the church hall last evening. A most interesting and instructive address was given by Mr. K. C. Bishop on Ethiopia as a country, and also about the war between Italy and that country. Refreshments were served and a most enjoyable evening came to a close.

Miss Hazen Allen, M.A., of the department of Lands and Mines, is leaving next month on a holiday trip to San Diego, where she will visit relatives.

R. P. Gorham expects to leave this week for Ottawa where he will spend the winter.

Miss Helen Parker has returned from Worcester, Mass., where she has been spending the past two weeks the guest of her sister Mrs. Byron Hagerman and Mr. Hagerman.

Mrs. A. L. Gerow is entertaining informally at the tea-hour this afternoon.

Mrs. Bryce M. Love was hostess to the sewing circle to which she belongs last evening at her home.

**Pythian Sisters' Meeting**  
The Pythian Sisters held their regular meeting last evening and officers were installed for the coming year. Mrs. J. H. Maxwell acted as installing officer assisted by Mrs. Gordon Todd as Grand Senior and Miss Hazel Richards as Grand Manager.

The following officers were installed: Mrs. Harold Pickard, P.C.; Miss Thelma Lawson, M.E.C.; Mrs. Walter Howell, Senior; Mrs. Frank Vanstone, Junior; Mrs. Mowatt Pickard, manager; Mrs. Wm. Johnson, M.R.C.; Mrs. Wesley Myles, M.F.; Mrs. Harry Richards, Protector; Ernest Beatty, Guard.

Mrs. Harold Pickard retiring officer was presented with a Past Chief Jewel, the presentation being made by Mrs. Charles Hashey. Miss Grace Walker of Marysville who has acted as pianist during the past year was made the recipient of a gift of china presented by Mrs. Jane Keith. The reports showed 1935 to have been a prosperous year.

The ladies of St. Dunstan's church are sponsoring a card party to be held this evening in aid of the activities of the young people.

Mrs. E. W. Jarvis is in Saint John where yesterday she was a guest at the wedding of her nephew Donald E. J. Bostwick and Miss Alma Kathleen Parsons.

Richards Gunter, son of Alderman Ralph Gunter, M.P.P., and Mrs. Gunter, is in St. Louis, Mo., where he is taking a course in aviation.

## One Decree is Ordered in N. B. Divorce Court

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dent. Goodwin & Goodwin file petition.

Helen Eliza Stevens vs. Curtis Oliver Steeves, (Sadie Milton, named). Miles B. Innes files petition.

Lillian Florence Bevans vs. Arthur Bevans, (Gertrude Cahill, named). J. Starr Tait files petition.

Ethel Iantha Green vs. Major Ralph Green, (Hazel McNeill, named). Hanson, Dougherty & West file petition.

**Remanet**  
Dorothy Agnes Armstrong vs. Wilbur Frederick Armstrong. MacRae, Sinclair and MacRae file petition.

**AT BATTLE CREEK**  
J. D. Palmer, one of Fredericton's most prominent citizens, has left for Battle Creek, Michigan, where he will undergo treatment for the next month.

**GUEST SPEAKER**  
A meeting will be held in the Canadian Legion quarters on Wednesday evening, January 15 at eight o'clock, and the guest speaker will be Archdeacon Scott, former senior chaplain of the Canadian Forces.

## CANADIANA

JANUARY

With glittering eye and a grip of steel,  
And breath as chill as the Arctic seas,  
He locks the lanc with a frozen seal,  
And bottles up life with conscious ease.

He calls, the North, and the North  
winds blow,  
Through long black nights with a  
howl and a moan,

He shakes the skies and scatters  
the snow  
Till lean wolves gnaw at a meatless  
bone.

He grips a town, and the houses  
snap;

He paints the panes with a crazy art;  
He loves to play with a water tap  
And leave it hard as his brittle heart.

Yet he hath charms—when his mood  
is right—  
When noontide basks in a golden  
glow;

Or when sleigh bells ring on a  
moonlit night,  
What marvelous sheen on his robes  
of snow!

The Hon. Murray MacLaren,  
Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick,  
and Mrs. MacLaren expect to  
go to Ottawa for the Opening of Parliament  
and the State Drawing Room.

Mrs. Hill, wife of Brigadier General  
F. W. Hill, entertained at the tea-hour  
yesterday afternoon at her home. The  
guest of honor was Sir Alfred Zimmern  
who was guest speaker at the luncheon  
held yesterday under the auspices of the  
Fredericton Branch of the Canadian  
Institute of International Affairs. Other  
present included the members of the executive.

Mrs. W. D. Herridge was hostess at  
luncheon on Friday in honor of Lady  
Perley and the Hon. Iva Fallis of  
Peterborough.

The January meeting of the Minnie  
Smith Missionary Society of Wilnot  
church was held at the home of Miss  
Helen Young, Queen street, on Monday  
evening. Following the opening  
hymn, Mrs. Bartlett installed the officers  
for the ensuing year. The president,  
Miss Helen Young; first vice-president,  
Miss Pearl Ross; second vice-president,  
Mrs. Austin Squires; recording secretary,  
Miss Helen Pond; corresponding secretary,  
Miss Margaret Clark; Treasurer, Miss Mac-  
Lagan; Christian Stewardship Secretary,  
Miss Helen Chappelle; Mite Box Secretary,  
Miss Hazel Crandall; Strangers' Secretary,  
Miss Ethel Boyd; in charge of Missionary Monthly,  
Miss Gertrude Barker; assistant Miss  
Thelma Crewdson. A finance committee  
was appointed, following which the  
devotional period was conducted by the  
President and various members. The theme  
for this period was "The Spirit of Racial  
Brotherhood." Mrs. Segge closed the  
service with a reading "A Prayer for the  
New Year." The business of the Society  
was next taken up. Home and Foreign  
Missions were discussed and the meeting  
closed with a benediction. Mrs. Bartlett  
announced during the course of the  
meeting, about the Presbyterian, to be  
held here soon.

The meeting ended with a pleasant  
and most enjoyable social time. The  
hostesses for the evening were Miss  
Young, Mrs. Murdoch, Miss Pond and  
the Misses Crewdson.

Mrs. R. D. Hanson is visiting relatives  
in Sussex.

Mrs. J. D. Palmer is entertaining the  
Hospital Aid Bridge tomorrow.

Miss Edith MacRae is leaving this  
evening for Toronto where she will  
continue her studies at Toronto University.

### WRITE EXAMS TODAY

Two Brunswick youths are today writing the matriculation examinations of the University of London. They are Ernest Whitebone, Saint John, principal of Woodlawn School, Silver Falls district, and Douglas Kerr, Stanley, principal of the Superior School, Coles Island. The examinations, which are being written in the Education Office, are supervised by Dr. A. S. McFarlane, Chief Superintendent of New Brunswick. Neither of the students will attend the university in person, but they intend to continue their studies through the University's extension courses.

### ATTEND MEETING

A meeting of the executive of the N. B. Herd Improvement Council will be held in Saint John tomorrow at N. Flewelling. Others who will attend are A. D. Freeze, Penobscot; Earl E. Lister, Harvey Station, vice president; W. H. Huggard, Norton; Lloyd Sloat, Mout of Keswick; and Isaac Melanson, St. Paul, Kent Co.

### NO CHANGE TODAY

Very little change was noticed today in the condition of Joseph A. Cain, who is quite seriously ill at his home this week. There was a slight improvement yesterday.

## Minister of Finance, Provincial Treasurers To Be on the Council

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will guarantee the new loan. Even these provinces however must in such case accept the loan council's supervision of all future borrowings. The Dominion in addition to being protected by the collateral security of the subsidies or such other collateral as may be put up, will be empowered to act in the event of default on the part of any province. The Dominion government expressed its sympathy with the difficulties of the provinces in devising forms of taxation, some of which in the past have been held unconstitutional as the gasoline tax in British Columbia and amusement taxes, fuel, oil, sales and other taxes in some of the other provinces. The Dominion will initiate amendments to the B. N. A. Act to clarify this situation.

The Dominion also expressed its willingness to collect the income taxes of the provinces, when empowered to do so by the passage of a provincial statute and the setting up of the necessary machinery.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 14—The Dominion Government will undertake the collection of nation-wide taxes and allot proportion by provinces to the provinces in which they were collected should the views of the federal and provincial treasury authorities be accepted by the Dominion Cabinet. The new national loan council will be set up. The Bank of Canada will become the fiscal agent for the provinces as it is at present for the Dominion.

All day yesterday the Dominion's governmental financial experts wrestled with the twin problems of debt and taxes under the chairmanship of Hon. Charles Dunning, Minister of Finance. Graham Towers, governor of the Bank of Canada attended all sessions.

The conference was held behind closed doors in the senate railway committee room but shortly before six o'clock press men were called in by Dr. Clark, deputy minister of finance, to hear the result of the day's deliberations.

It was a false alarm. The Minister of Finance sprang his famous smile on the newspaper men, and broke the news that the statement would not be ready until noon today; that several aspects of the problems had not yet been dealt with.

The room was crowded with financial experts. They had been discussing the general financial situation in the Dominion, the debts, the interest burdens and their immediate needs in the way of interest payments. They threshed out the question of raising revenue to meet the demands of debt refunding, interest payments and the current expenditures of government.

These were perennial problems but the conference went further and made definite progress in the matter of making the taxpayers dollar go the limit. They canvassed the possibility of getting the dollar out of the taxpayers pocket and into the Federal and Provincial treasuries where the least wastage enroute. This brought up the issue of direct and indirect taxes. A species of financial rheumatism with the provinces, an aching pain. The Dominion under the B. N. A. Act can impose direct and indirect taxes but the provinces may only impose taxes. They felt the invasion of the Dominion into the field of direct taxation was spreading too far and a halt should be called. Some of the provinces hinted very strongly that a halt was insufficient, that the Dominion should retreat.

This phase was particularly emphasized in the discussion on the income tax, which to give it full title is the income war tax act. Mr. Dunning smilingly, but firmly intimated that there was no possible probable shadow of an indication that the Dominion would give up its income tax. At the finance minister's left hand sat Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice and with him his deputy minister Stuart Edwards and some of the law officers of the Crown. They were there for the discussions on the limitation of the fields of taxation; to elucidate the B. N. A. Act and point out where provincial fields of taxation ceased and where the Federal field extended.

Ranged down the long tables were the provincial treasurers and their deputies and assistants. Hansard men were on hand and a verbatim report was taken of the proceedings so that all the governmental delegates would have later a complete record of the discussion and the various proposals that were placed before the conference.

Today the committee will crystallize the consensus of views and make recommendations, which were modified and all parties arrived at a better understanding. At morning session Sloan appeared for British Columbia. Alberta was not represented, its delegates being occupied with financial conference.

OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 14—The Dominion government will not give up its taxation of mining properties in Canada but is willing to give consideration to the plea of provinces that they should share in taxes derived from mines within their respective areas. The Federal government will not increase mining taxes at present time, but plan to give every encouragement to mining, and tax only for revenue purposes. The government of Ontario which has imposed its present

taxes unchanged for last 28 years will not increase these taxes this year. These are highlights of conference of mining committee of the Dominion-Provincial conference which resumed its sessions today, meeting in the offices of Hon. T. A. Crerar, Dominion Minister of Interior and Federal Minister of Mines.

The conference continued its discussions from previous sessions at Dominion Provincial meeting. The mining taxation issue was paramount for Ontario wanted the Dominion to relinquish entirely its collection of mining taxes, in as much as these were direct taxes and provinces could only impose direct taxes, while the Dominion had both direct and indirect fields to work on.

Hon. Paul Leduc, represented Ontario and as Ontario loomed large in the picture it is understood that Leduc placed Ontario's views strongly before the conference. Sessions were held behind closed doors and no official statements were issued.

The Dominion tax as imposed originally by the Bennett government was a bullion tax but this had to be abandoned as unworkable and a tax of 13.2 per cent on profits was imposed together with a reduction in allowance for depletion from 50 per cent to 33.3 per cent.

The Ontario tax is 3 per cent on the first million dollars of profit less first \$10,000; with 5 per cent on one to five millions and 6 per cent on the balance. These taxes are the lowest in the Dominion except Manitoba. The western prairie provinces held the view that taxation should bear as lightly as possible on mining industry, its created wealth being urgently necessary at the same time. The taxation therefore should be directed against profits with due regard to needs for development. The principle should not be what industry can bear but what will encourage it. Crerar listened attentively to representations of Provincial delegates. He is understood to have shown strong sympathy with view that industry should be encouraged in every possible way and to have given some intimation that with this end in view it was not the Dominion government's intention to increase the present taxes but rather to examine the situation fully with respect to encouragement of production but with due regard to the needs of revenue.

The Prairie members wanted every assistance possible given to mining industry in their vast northern areas where the mining resources have been scratched only on the surface. They wanted aid to the industry in way of a royal photography, geological survey, and similar services which cannot be undertaken by individual prospectors, miners or mining companies but which are essential to greater development of mining resources.

The session closed late in the afternoon, discussion having been so brisk that subjects were threshed out and Federal ministers given full understanding as to the present views of the provinces. These views he will take under consideration, and relay to

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## Kingsclear Reserve Gets Silver Medal

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of the silver medal presented to Chief Polches. It seems that there was once an Indian Chief, Pierre Tomah, respected and held in so high repute by New Brunswick Maliseet Indians that he was commonly called "governor". On New Year's Day, 1841, Chief Tomah accompanied by a band of Maliseet Indians and their squaws called on Sir John Harvey, the lieutenant governor, paying him homage. His Excellency was so pleased that made the reception a public one, and honored Chief Tomah for his loyalty to the British crown during the Revolutionary War, by pinning on his breast the silver medal of Queen Victoria. On one side the medal bore the Royal Arms and on the other side a likeness of Queen Victoria.

the cabinet. Since discussions at the Dominion-Provincial conference, the provinces have had an opportunity to consider problems facing the Dominion and some of their demands will be carried to the Federal cabinet and back to the various governments.

The atmosphere in the conference room was affable and friendly and the delegates indicated their willingness to make concessions for the general good.

CANADIAN LEGION, B.E.S.L.

## NOTICE

A meeting will be held in the Club Quarters on WEDNESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 15th, at 8 o'clock. Guest Speaker Archdeacon Scott, former Senior Chaplain of the Canadian Forces.

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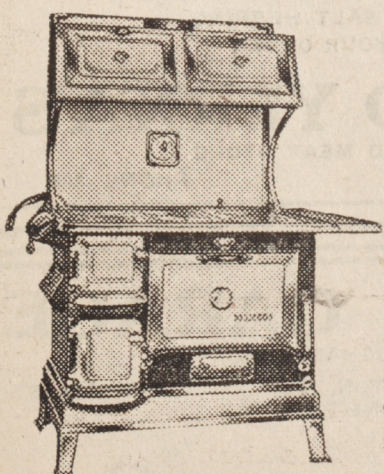
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