

News Briefs

INFANT BABY PASSES

The sympathy of this community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. John G. K. Murray on the loss of their infant baby, Reta Irene. Surviving are Della, Dawn, Jack, William and Geraldine.

PREMIER TO BUCTOUCHE

Premier A. A. Dymally left this afternoon for his home at Buctouche to spend the week-end. It is expected that a meeting of the government will take place next week. The premier had no announcements to make prior to leaving for his home.

LOST HIS FINGER

Kenneth Owen, employee of the mechanical staff of The Daily Mail suffered a very painful injury yesterday, when he jammed his finger in the folder. He was taken to Victoria Hospital and treatment rendered him. It was necessary to amputate the first joint of the middle finger of his hand. Today his condition was regarded as fairly comfortable. He will be able to leave the hospital on Monday.

LATE HENRY FISHER

The funeral of the late Henry Fisher took place yesterday afternoon with prayers at "The Chapel" at 2:30 p.m., and service at the Church of England, New Maryland, at 3:15, conducted by the Venerable Archdeacon A. F. Bate. The pall bearers were George O'Leary, Arthur Hamilton, Henry MacMurtre and John Fletcher. Many friends were in attendance and interment was made in the cemetery adjoining the church.

SHAW RE-ELECTED

At a meeting of the legislative body of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen held in the Barker House yesterday afternoon, S. H. Shaw, Saint John, was re-elected chairman. The vice-president elected was A. F. French, also of Saint John, and Fred Cook, Moncton, will be secretary for the next four years. Routine matters concerning resolutions to be submitted to the government were dealt with. The board will meet in this city again in 1940.

AT THE PHOENIX MART

An unusually large market was held this morning at the Phoenix Square. New vegetables sold for good prices in the early morning but competition became keener around noon with the result that prices dropped. The stands and display booths were well stocked with cucumbers making their first general appearance. Many of the stands were tastefully decorated with bouquets of fresh sweet peas. Green apples were featured by some. The season is about over for raspberries and blueberries were much in evidence. Top prices are as follows: Potatoes per peck 30c; beans per peck, 30c; eggs per doz., 30c; butter per lb., 22c; tomatoes, \$1.25 per basket; cucumbers 4 for 25c; blueberries 10c per box; peas, 15c per quart; carrots, 5c per bunch; beets 5c per bunch; live pigs \$1.25 apiece; raspberries 10c; green apples 35c; eating apples 50c per peck; chicken 28c per lb.; fowl 20c per lb.; celery 10c per head.

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Saint John Hotel Men Claim Unfair Methods Used

President Miller Replies

F'ton Formerly Excluded to Advantage of South Shore Route

Speaking today in regard to the article appearing in Saint John and St. Stephen papers, regarding our new tourist agents in Maine diverting tourist travel from St. John points by unfair methods, S. S. Miller, president of the Board of Trade, said to The Daily Mail:

"The Fredericton Tourist Committee, Fredericton Board of Trade, has a representative at Newport and one at Ellsworth, Maine, distributing Tourist Edition Fredericton Bulletin and other New Brunswick literature.

"Our object is to give American tourists information and have U. S. tourists 'See New Brunswick First,' and we cannot see that the New Brunswick Hotel Association has any cause to take exception to this action on our part.

"So far as we know, our representatives are not using false arguments, or stating that the roads from St. Stephen to Saint John or from Saint John to Sussex are impassable. The roads referred to are much like our better 'through' roads in New Brunswick, partly hard surfaced, partly good gravel surface, and partly under construction.

"Our object is to direct tourists through Fredericton and we assure you that at our new Tourist Bureau, located in Fredericton, Wilnot Park, opposite the Victoria Public Hospital, on the Woodstock Road, tourists are given full information about all routes.

"On the map in our bulletin on page 2 we show the roads from Fredericton to Saint John and St. Stephen in the same broad lines as roads from Fredericton in other directions.

"Until 1935, when the Fredericton Board of Trade undertook our campaign, 'See New Brunswick First,' much of the U. S. traffic was being diverted from St. Stephen to Saint John thence to Nova Scotia. We are not trying to injure Nova Scotia

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OLD AGE PENSION BOARD TO PROTECT HOME INMATES

Will Base Pensions On Requirements of Old Inmates in Homes

Will Inspect Homes

Suggest Sitting in With Home Authorities to Adjust Pensions

Yesterday the Municipal Home committee of the city council discussed the problem of those inmates of the Municipal Home who are receiving Old Age pensions, and who wished to stay at the home. The committee felt that it would be better if the inmates moved out of the home to private places where their checks would be their own. The committee was of the opinion that the amounts of the pensions, which run about \$15, would not cover the pensioners' "keep" at the home at the present time. The inmates require medicine, clothing and board. In this connection the committee decided wisely that any of the pensioners staying at the home who are able to do so, would be required to do a small amount of suitable work. Other wise the condition would be demoralizing to themselves. It is understood that seven pensioners are now in the home.

Speaking to The Daily Mail today regarding this condition J. G. Robichaud, member of the Old Age Pensions Commission, stated that the pension of \$15 awarded to those inmates was based upon the assumption that they would still remain at the home. Mr. Robichaud stated that if they were obliged to leave the home and board elsewhere their pension checks would be readjusted, as it would not be possible for them to provide board, medicine and clothing for themselves on the \$15 awarded. It is probable that in these cases the maximum of \$20 would be given. Mr. Robichaud suggested that it would be a good idea for the municipal home committee not only of Fredericton but of other municipalities to have one of the directors of the Old Age Pension board sit in with them at a joint meeting and have these affairs adjusted, as it was the intention of the board to have all their pensioners receive equitable treatment.

During the past week Mr. Robichaud has visited some of the municipal homes at Saint John and other places. In some of these places the municipalities are taking these checks of the inmates, and after boarding them and supplying the other necessities, are allowing them

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Inquest Into Death Bear Island Woman Takes Place Tonight

(By W. T. Whitehead)

In referring to the death of Mrs. Cromwell Trafton at Bear Island a few days ago, who died shortly after swallowing a bottle of strychnine, the Mounted Police who have been investigating the case were very anxious to find out where the strychnine came from. The strychnine has been in the Trafton house ten years, and at the time it was purchased it was legal under the game act to have such a drug for the purpose of exterminating fur bearing animals. In recent years, however, the law regarding the purchase of strychnine has been more stringent.

The inquest into Mrs. Trafton's death will be held at Bear Island tonight. It is not thought at the present time that there is any evidence of foul play in the matter. The woman first told her husband that she had taken a dose of salts, and as the two drugs resemble each other very much it is possible that she may have made a mistake in the drug.

CONDITION SERIOUS

Friends here will learn with regret of the serious condition of Reid MacMillan, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. MacMillan of this city, who had both hands amputated at the Saint John hospital yesterday as the result of an accident while he was employed on the construction project there. Today Mr. MacMillan was reported as considerably weakened and suffering from much loss of blood. His parents are at his bedside.

six or seven dollars per month for their own private incidental expenses.

Where old age pensioners continue to remain inmates of the municipal homes and other charitable institutions, it is the intention of the Old Age Pensions board to visit these institutions from time to time and to see that the conditions around these homes are clean and that the inmates are properly cared for. Otherwise the municipal institutions will not receive the pensions checks. But the inmates who are not properly cared for will be removed from these institutions and their pension checks will be increased according to their requirements with the understanding that they will not be increased above the amount of the maximum pension which is \$20.

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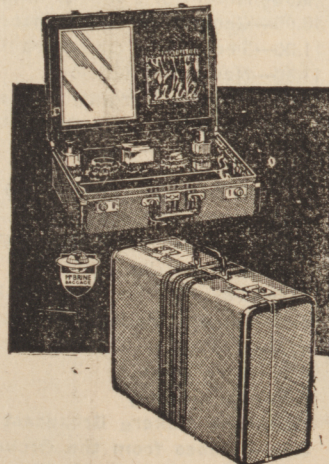
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MAN on the STREET

(By W. T. Whitehead)

Two Beavers

There were two beavers in the basement of the Departmental Building. At first it seems a strange place to take a beaver, but on closer inspection perhaps there is method in having them there.

The beaver is emblematic of industry. Now if someone should direct a fat, slothful secretary, "Go to the beaver, thou sluggard," the secretary would only have to waddle down a flight or two of stairs and there see the toilers of the forest enjoying enforced idleness.

But the beavers, perhaps, are not enjoying the holiday. Maybe they would rather go out and fell a few trees before breakfast than just lie around and wait to have it served on a tray. They probably aren't used to hotel service.

Former Life

Possibly, also, they are a married couple and left children at home and are wondering if they are eating properly and going to bed when they should and whether the lodge is being kept clean and in repair.

Or, they may have been a boy and girl beaver who romped and played between periods of labor, raced on the surface of the water and then, at some real or imaginary danger, a resounding slap of tail on water and they would dive down—down and then through the door of a lodge and up again and out upon a dry mud bank, to lie in silence in the cool, pleasant darkness.

The Future

But whatever their former condition of life there seems to be no doubt what the future holds for them: Captivity and a sheltered, soft existence. They may be allowed to build a lodge now and then but mostly it will be a case of trying to escape the boredom of a protected life. In time, the dangers of the wildwood will be forgotten and offspring which come to them in captivity will know nothing of the wild free life of the waterways.

Poor Castor Canadensis, caught in the toils of civilization. How many generations will it take you to become domesticated, a lazy selfish beast, as good-for-nothing as the house-cat, no longer worthy to be Canada's emblem.

Probably these were the thoughts in the minds of the humane officials and authorities when they allowed the beavers their liberty a few days ago, after their temporary confinement. They did not enjoy the company of the "official set."

CONTINUES TO IMPROVE

Continued improvement is shown in the condition of Howard Young, local hotel proprietor, who underwent an operation at the Victoria Hospital this week. He spent a fairly comfortable night.

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