

Ottawa People

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 ey; representing the city council; W. J. Glen and J. L. Neville from the Board of Trade; J. L. McKean of the department of Public Works; Rev. Mr. Thomas of Sackville, Major E. C. Armstrong, relief officer, and A. G. McLaughlin, secretary to Hon. Mr. Rogers; members of the reportorial staff of the Saint John and Fredericton newspapers.

On being called upon for a speech, Hon. Mr. Rogers expressed appreciation of the kindness extended to him by Mr. Clark in arranging to have him meet with representative citizens of Fredericton and of this part of New Brunswick. He stated that he was here to learn at first hand how the unemployment situation stood, with the idea that something could be done to relieve it. He was glad to know that the situation in the provinces down by the sea was comparatively well off compared with some of them. He felt that the maritime provinces was facing their problems with courage and in the same way. Other parts of Canada have their problems also and western Canada was amongst those hardest hit today. The relief problem in Saskatchewan and Alberta were big ones to deal with and have been for the past five years. In order to meet these problems we would have to summon all the facilities at our command.

He said that none of us were satisfied to continue any longer than was necessary on relief. But we have to recognize our obligations to those who require aid. At the same time we should recognize the moral value of work. It was well to provide public works but we should not use public works to subsidize idleness. This was bad both morally and economically. He looked forward to the co-operation of the government of New Brunswick and he appreciated the advice given to him by Hon. Mr. Pirie, minister of lands and mines, and by A. W. Barbour, deputy minister of public works. He believed that New Brunswick would meet its problems as it had in the past and would arrive at a happy solution at an early date as possible.

Arthur B. Purvis stated that he was impressed with two things since coming to the maritime provinces. One was the high character and integrity of the people and the other was the physical beauty of the country, which we see upon all sides.

He said that the unemployment situation was not as bad here as it was in other parts of the Dominion. While he was not in the position at the present time to discuss details, he might say that if it was possible for his department to help the situation down here in the maritimes that they intended to do so. He believed in decentralization of the problem to a maximum extent. He believed that the maritimes, which seems to be more prosperous than other parts of Canada, had a special obligation to help lead the way back to prosperity and to break the chain of unemployment. If the maritimes can do this and if we can help them, he said, we will perform a deep service to Canada.

Mayor Kitchen in extending a welcome to the visitors spoke of the favorable conditions of Fredericton in regard to relief problems and congratulated Ald. Mundle and Major F. C. Armstrong, city relief officer, on the good work they were doing.

W. G. Clark, M.P., also discussed the labor problems and measures that were taken to provide relief. He referred to the fact that during the coming fall many people who were now employed would be out of work, but he expected that projects would be undertaken to provide work for those who needed it. It is hoped to have Dominion work started here in the near future.

Hon. F. W. Pirie, minister of lands and mines, also discussed the relief problem and the difficulties of our new settlers in New Brunswick, who were trying to make good at the present time. He referred to the fact that New Brunswick was trying to get away from the relief problem and stated that he was encouraged at present conditions and felt sure that we would be able to see our way out.

A hearty vote of thanks was given to Mayor Clark for the bountiful repast which he provided and both Mr. Clark and his guests escorted the visiting officials to the boat landing where they took the aeroplane.

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Adult Education

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 Commission to visit Sweden and to prepare a report of their observations. The movement has gone over big in Sweden and there is much similarity as regards climate, floral, and natural resources between Sweden and New Brunswick.

A study of the Co-operation movement will have to be studied intelligently. Speaking of co-operation purchasing one of the features of the movement, one man said in part:

The Adult Education League

"Perhaps at this point I should say a word about the part that the Adult Education League will play in the study programme. This League, you will remember, is a voluntary association of people in this Province who see the seriousness of the present situation and who want to do something to help improve it. No one is paid a cent for the work he does with the Adult Education League. The League has undertaken the job of providing study clubs with course outlines, study material and occasional lecturers. We will have these courses ready for the study clubs this fall. We are not quite ready to announce the details of the programme yet. But if your group wants to study something different from what we outline, just write to the League secretary and we will do our best to meet your particular requirements. But above all use the League. Use the libraries. If your require information, ask for it. The facilities are at hand. The success of the programme rests with you.

"There is no doubt in my mind that the people have the power—intellectual, economic and spiritual—to build a superior civilization. We must start with the study club and build, one thing at a time—perhaps a credit union, perhaps something else. It is going to be a slow, painful job. But it is possible, quite possible.

"And we want to remember that this is not a programme of penny-pinching, or money-grabbing, we have had altogether too much of that. It has a definite moral basis—that of social justice, economic democracy, and Christian charity. But we cannot remain contented with the mere expression of noble sentiments. We must, first of all, keep our feet on the ground. Our work lies in the daily performance of painful tasks of working, studying and saving together. In this way only is there hope of security and contentment."

Co-operative Purchasing

"Finally we come to the rather difficult field of purchasing. This would probably be the last subject for the study clubs to undertake. It is very difficult and presupposes a great deal of study club work before it can safely be undertaken.

"Our whole programme is designed to help the community as a whole. And it is now recognized that any system which unjustly discriminates against a class of individuals works to the disadvantage of the whole community. Certain harmful features of the present system should and can be eliminated—for instance the system whereby farmers and fishermen receive credit from a merchant and must deliver all their goods to him, when he wants them, and at his price. Such a system has just about ruined Newfoundland. It has no place here. The same may be said of other things."

The people here grumble and want things the way they were twenty-five years ago, whilst the other people are advancing.

Famous Diamond

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 stone was enclosed in an ordinary cardboard box, carefully wrapped and sent to England through the ordinary registered postal mails.

It was cut eventually into sixteen different stones which are now part of England's Royal Regalia of Crown Jewels.

Samuel Napier, the man who picked the diamond up at the mines, had an interesting career in this province. As the result of being the man who got hold of the big diamond weighing nearly two pounds, Mr. Napier came back to New Brunswick and settled in West Bathurst where he opened a store immediately along side of the Bathurst bridge. Having cleaned up a lot of money in connection with the find, he spent it lavishly. Along in the seventies he was elected a Member for Gloucester in the Legislature and came to Fredericton. During his residence here Sam Napier spent money like a millionaire, entertaining different members of the House to dinners nearly every night. Champagne flowed freely as a result of his generous hospitality. But he soon reached the end of his pile and a few years later he was seen passing through Fredericton with a pensive on his shoulder while going to the lumber drive. He later returned to Bathurst and lived in very humble circumstances and it is understood that he died there some years ago.

SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

Their Excellencies the Governor General and the Lady Tweedsmuir while in Victoria, have been guests of the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia and Mrs. E. W. Hamber at Government House. Lady Tweedsmuir honored the Women's Canadian Club of Victoria by attending a meeting in the Empress Hotel last Monday, when she gave an address on "Modern Poetry."

Mr. and Mrs. Donald B. Winslow of Regina, Miss Grace Winslow of Woodstock, Mrs. Ruggles-Smith, of New York, are spending a week at "The Elms," the residence of Mrs. Harry A. Kitchen, on the Golf Links Road. Mr. Winslow who was formerly Secretary of Public Works for the Province, went to Regina about twenty-five years ago. His many friends will gladly welcome both himself and the other members of the family, back to their old home in this city.

Mrs. C. C. Camp was hostess at a delightful two-table Bridge on Saturday evening for Mrs. Cecil Mersereau of Perth, who is visiting her aunt, Mrs. H. H. Gunter. The prize was won by Mrs. Gunter, a guest prize being presented to Mrs. Mersereau.

Robin C. Bayley, who has been spending a vacation in the United States, resumed his position yesterday as Organist of St. Andrew's church.

Fisheries Minister Returns to N. B.

Hon. J. E. Michaud, minister of fisheries, has returned to Edmundston. Mr. Michaud is back from a six-weeks' tour of the Pacific Coast, where he investigated fisheries conditions. Mr. Michaud was accompanied by Mrs. Michaud and their daughters, Annette, Alice and Gabrielle. He is now staying with his family at his summer residence at Baker Lake.

Mrs. Rene Dolron has returned from a week's visit at her old home in St. Anthony's, Kent Co. She was accompanied home by her three small daughters, Therese, Gilberte and Aline and small son Guy, who have been visiting their grandparents.

Miss Marion Patterson of Montreal, is spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. William Patterson, Charlotte street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. I. Cruickshank returned home Saturday from Charlottetown, P.E.I., where they have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. W. Niles and Mr. Niles.

Mrs. Hazel Hughes of Boston, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dunn.

Percy White, Marysville, left recently for St. Andrews and Grand Manan, where he will spend his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Jewett of Cincinnati, Ohio, returned home recently after spending some time here, the guests of Mr. Jewett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jewett, Charlotte street.

Aged and Respected Resident Lost in W. A. Hay's Death

An old and respected citizen and one who during his lifetime took a prominent part in affairs of the county of York, passed away this morning at his home, 434 Charlotte street, after an illness of several months. Mr. Hay for a large number of years conducted a general store and mill at Millville, York county, and during that time represented the parish of Southampton in the municipal council. He moved to Fredericton about fifteen years ago, and has since been associated in business with his son, Ex-Ald. Wendall K. Hay, conducting the firm of W. A. Hay & Son.

The late Mr. Hay was a man of more than ordinary intelligence, who if he had devoted his attention to literary pursuits would have no doubt made a success. It may not be generally known that he has composed at times some very fine poetry and many other articles. He was a man of honesty and integrity and one who held the respect of all persons in the community wherever he happened to reside.

He was born at Northampton, in Carleton County, but resided in this city for the past fifteen years, being a respected and very popular citizen. Surviving is one son, Wendall K. Hay of this city; two daughters, Mrs. C. P. Glass and Mrs. Ross Kerr, both of this city; one brother, James H. Hay of Woodstock; and two sisters, Mrs. A. N. Hay of Woodstock, and Mrs. Leslie Wilson of Plymouth, Carleton county; also six grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Niles and three children have moved back to Fredericton after spending the last two months in Charlottetown, P.E.I. Mr. Niles has been transferred from Charlottetown back to Fredericton.

Mrs. E. R. Blackmer left this morning for Edmundston where she will visit her sister Mrs. G. C. Atkinson.

District Convention

The Wyola District Convention of the Women's Institute met recently at Nerepis. The president, Mrs. Charles Bliss, of Oromocto, was in the chair. Eight branches of the Institute were represented, as follows: Nerepis, Welsford, Hoyt, Fredericton Junction, Oromocto, Tarcey, Clarendon and Rusagons. Reports of the year's activities were given. Miss Alma Weldon was president and gave an account of the Convention of the Country Women of the World which recently met in Virginia. The outstanding number on the programme was an address given by Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts Minister of Health and Labor, who took for his subject, Cancer, its discovery in early stages and the Mentally Deficient. The meeting was closed with delicious refreshments.

District Convention at Otis

The annual convention of the Loyalist District will be held at Otis on Thursday. A large number of delegates and members are expected. Miss Louise Stevenson, B.A., of Sheffield, will preside. The programme will include a talk on Birds by Mrs. Susan Squires of this city. Mrs. H. W. Woods, formerly of this city, now of Welsford, will also give an address accompanied with pictures on the International Peace Garden which is situated on the Boundary line, between Manitoba and Minnesota. The provincial president of the Institute, Mrs. A. D. McCain will be present as well as Miss Alma Weldon and other members of the Advisory Board.

Arthur Partridge of New York, son of the late Dean Partridge, was in the city on Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Cameron, who have been away on an extended trip to Ontario and other points, are expected home tomorrow.

Mrs. H. W. Woods and Dick Sloat of Welsford, were in the city on Saturday and were guests of Mrs. Frank Shortill. The party motored to Millville on Saturday and returned in the evening.

Lady Tweedsmuir Honors W. I.

Her Excellency the Lady Tweedsmuir, now on tour with His Excellency the Governor General in Western Canada, has graciously consented to be present at a session of the provincial conference of Women's Institutes of the Province of British Columbia, to be held in Vancouver this week. Lady Tweedsmuir will attend the meeting on Friday afternoon, August 28, and will give an address. Her Excellency was president of the Elsiefield Institute, near Oxford, for fifteen years, and is much interested in work of the Institutes in Canada.



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FREDERICTON JCT., Aug. 24—The Sunbury County L. O. L. held a largely attended meeting in Patterson Settlement Hall on the 22nd, the County Master presiding. Tracy Station, Geary and Fredericton Jct., and Patterson Lodges were represented. The proposed drive in behalf of the Protestant Orphanage was heartily endorsed, and matters of current and permanent interest were discussed. Substantial increase in membership were reported from the district. Next meeting of the County Lodge will be held with Lodge No. 114, Geare on Sept. 12.

Fredericton Man

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ficer on night duty regarding the matter. The Custom House Officer informed him that if he left the radio and the spare tire mounted in their proper positions in the car that they would be subject to duty. The citizen then stated that would be all right because he would have them dismounted and bring them across the bridge loose in the car when they would be entitled to entry free under the regulation. The Custom House Officer then told him if he did that that he would be liable to be arrested and fined for evading the Customs. In other words the returning citizen seemed to be getting it going or coming. According to the instructions he received from the Customs House Officer at St. Stephen he would have to pay duty on the goods if he left them mounted and he would be fined if he didn't leave them mounted. Notwithstanding the fact that it was on goods that was supposed to come in free. There may be a more bone-headed arrangement somewhere but we have yet to hear of it. The citizen mentioned had his spare tire in place, like any other man would, because he did not know when it might have to be used. He also had the radio mounted in his car for his own convenience and comfort when traveling on the road, as any man would be foolish to have a radio under the seat in the car when he could have it somewhere where he could hear it.

It is also stated by this gentleman, who is one of Fredericton's most reliable citizens, that he was subject to unreasonable delay and discourtesy on the part of the official mentioned and that he and his wife and his small children were delayed at the border so long that they reached home long after midnight when they should have got here at a much earlier hour. Whether this is the fault of the Department or of some official who should know better, the results are the same and the travelling public should not have to put up with any discourtesy or inconvenience of those that are paid for public service.

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