

HAND OF FRIENDSHIP EXTENDED TO GREAT BRITAIN BY ITALY IN BID FOR PEACE

Economy Note was Sounded by City Fathers Last Night

Programme for Sidewalks, Curbs and Gutters to
Go Ahead Carefully

Queen Street To Be Widened

Ald. Dr. Ross Advises That Parts of the City
Need More Adequate Lighting

At its regular May Council meeting in the council chamber of the city hall last night, with Deputy Mayor Warren J. Maxwell, presiding in the absence from the city of His Worship Mayor G. Willard Kitchen, the city council stressed economy in several departments and once again affirmed its faith in the project of widening of Queen Street, voting for it once again, although there was dissent from Ald. Ivan McKnight, Ald. Doohan and Deputy Mayor Maxwell.

The council also discussed the Roads and Streets committee's programme of sidewalks, curb and gutters which has been planned for the summer months, and the entire programme was deferred to the June meeting for further discussion, after some argument on the cost which would be entailed and there was mention made that the council should proceed carefully and within its budget for the year.

The economy note was stressed still further when Ald. Dr. Ross, chairman of the Street Light committee brought up the matter of more adequate street lighting and asked the council's opinion as to the necessity of securing two new transformers. The chairman pointed out that there are at least "eight dark spots" in the city inadequately lighted.

Ald. Doohan took exception to such a move and urged that the city should live within its budget and not overspend, which would be necessary if the transformers were bought.

"But this is an eventuality," protested Ald. Raymond Crowdon. He said that the residents of English Settlement and on Graham Avenue were in a pitiable plight for lighting. Ald. Doohan warned him that tax collections were lower and "we must be careful. The people today," he said, "cannot pay any more taxes."

The junior alderman was chided by Deputy Mayor Maxwell when the former declared that several years ago the council had received a petition from residents on Graham Avenue and had thrown it in the wastepaper basket. The request had been for better lighting. "I'm sure," said Ald. Maxwell, "that those aldermen who were on the board several years ago would resent such a statement as no request was thrown in the wastepaper basket." "Well, I'm sure it was never read," came back Ald. Crowdon.

The council finally decided that

NEED FOR STUDY POLITICAL HISTORY OF CANADA

Minister of Education
Will Co-operate With
Dr. A. S. McFarlane

Hon. A. P. Paterson, Minister of Federal Affairs and Education addressed the Saint John Teachers' Association at its third annual banquet in the Admiral Beatty Hotel ballroom last evening in Saint John. He outlined in confidence what he hopes may be the programme of the department of education but stated he could make no public announcement until the cabinet had considered the matter.

He stressed the need for education in the matter of the political history of Canada and assured the gathering there, would be the fullest co-operation between himself and the chief superintendent of education, Dr. A. S. McFarlane and no changes would be made without the most careful inquiry and consideration.

Dr. McFarlane, as the other special speaker at the banquet, said he knew that under the enthusiastic and capable leadership of Mr. Paterson the department of education would prosper.

Dr. McFarlane enumerated the steps taken in the last year to advance the cause of education in this province and offered a suggestion as to how the problem of two examinations at graduation, the school examination might be overcome. He advocated having grade 11 students write examinations at Christmas and in the first week in May, instead of at Easter, their graduation being passed on the results of those examinations and then write the matriculation examinations in the third week in June. He pointed out that there are twenty-six scholarships in New Brunswick whose award is based on matriculation results and that matriculation standing is demanded for entrance to universities, normal schools and nursing training schools. There were, therefore, peculiar difficulties to be faced in any attempt to set up accredited High Schools and have their examinations accepted for matriculation standing in this province.

Police Commission

A movement is on foot amongst several of the aldermen to do away with the Police Commission of the City of Fredericton. This statement was made by one of the city aldermen to The Daily Mail this morning. Whilst nothing can be accomplished until after Legislation has been secured next year, still the movement is one in the right direction, and one that will receive the hearty endorsement of the citizens generally. Fredericton does not need a police commission any more than the dog needs two tails and in some cases at the present time the Police Commission tries to do business which should be the function of the City Council. This is somewhat similar to the tail wagging the dog. If there is any useful function performed by the Police Commission which could not be done by the elected representatives of the people, of the the council, nobody has ever discovered it.

The Fredericton Police Commission was instituted some years ago in the old Prohibition days, when on effort was being made to put the lid on tight. Some of the powers that be, as well as temperance workers, apparently had their doubts about the sincerity of the aldermen in regard to enforcing temperance legislation, so they got a Police Commission, composed mostly of people who put the lid on tight and then sat on it. Now that we have the Liquor Control Board to control the liquor, we do not need any temperance people, or any other kind of people, on the Police Commission. The Police Commission is fearful and wonderful. According to one of the Aldermen, it is not responsible to the Attorney General's department to the City Council, to the citizens or even to His Majesty the King. It is a law unto itself. Whether it has the power to hail people in the court and put them in stocks has not just been defined, but one thing sure the Police Commission takes upon itself too many of the duties that should be handled by the council and when the council requests something done in many cases the request is ignored by the Police Commission.

Fredericton is far too small for any such fandangies as the Police Commission. It is as arbitrary as the School Board and something worse, and it controls the police force, and the Chief of which is just as arbitrary. The Aldermen who are working on the abolishing of the Police Commission are working on the right track. There is no reason why the whole police, traffic and similar matters should not be under the control of the elected city council and administration of justice and other committees instead of the Police Commission.

PROGRESS ON NEW SUNBURY FORESTRY BLDGS.

Progress is being made on the construction of four new buildings at the Acadia Forest Experimental station on the site of the Sunbury county relief camps, it was stated today by J. C. Veness, who is in charge of the work there. These are permanent buildings and apart from ordinary relief camps.

It is planned to commence planting trees within the next few weeks and the programme calls for the planting of 60,000 white pines, 40,000 red pines and 40,000 of other species. This work also comes under the head of permanent reforestation activity.

The relief camps in Sunbury county are gradually being closed and the men at the camps are expected to be absorbed into railway maintenance work before many weeks. Already twenty or more have left the camps for the railways, both the C.P.R. and the C.N.R.

It was learned today that forty men left Colters camp and Bull Pasture a week ago for work on the C.P.R. at Devon and at Millville. The Carlow camp has been closed and others are expected to close shortly. A large contingent of relief camp workers are expected to go out May 11.

DRAW-SPAN OPEN

Traffic was held up this morning on the Devon-Fredericton highway bridge while the draw-span was opened to permit one of the tugboats operating on the river to pass the bridge. Due to the high water the tugboat could not pass under the bridge.

DID THE CARLETON CO. AUTHORITIES WANT WITNESSES?

A number of witnesses were yesterday subpoenaed to appear on behalf of the defence in the case against Walter McLaughlin being tried today at Woodstock. It is said that these witnesses are ready to swear that they met McLaughlin in Fredericton at different hours on Easter Sunday afternoon and evening. This was the time in which he was charged in breaking in the Farmers' Store at Woodstock. McLaughlin is endeavoring to prove an alibi through the testimony of these witnesses.

Several of the witnesses were of school age and were people who are not earning any money, they found it difficult to arrange transportation from here to Woodstock to attend the trial. One of the witnesses stated that he has been informed by the Sheriff of York county who has served a summons that he would get in trouble if he did not arrange to go to Woodstock. It would seem to be only reasonable that in cases such as this where the authorities expect witnesses to go from one place to another to give evidence that the same authorities should be ready to put up the cost of transportation and other expenses. No witness should be expected to walk from here to Woodstock with no transportation provided for them. This seems to be a stupid arrangement on somebody's part.

LONDON, May 6—The Earl of Willingdon landed at Tilbury today from India, where he relinquished the office of Viceroy April 18, completing 23 years of almost uninterrupted service to the Crown.

TRADE RECOVERY SLOW BUT SURE SAYS C.P.R. HEAD

Mining, Lumbering,
Newsprint, Petroleum
Account for Improve-
ment.

(Special to The Daily Mail)
MONTREAL, May 6—At the annual meeting of the C.P.R. held here today Sir Edward Beatty, G.B.E., K.C., LL.D., chairman and President in presenting his annual report paid tribute to the late King George V. and referred to the pride which all Canadians felt in the accession of King Edward VIII whose connection with this Dominion in peace and war has been particularly close.

Results of the company's operations for the year 1935, he said, had been progressive, though disappointingly slow. The latter quarter of the year had seen some general recovery which had continued during the first four months of the current year. General trade recovery was recorded in a 3.3 per cent gain in gross earnings. Working expenses increased by 6.1 per cent and net earnings declined by \$1,936,499. Increased working expenses were largely attributed to extra work undertaken in the locomotive and car shops owing to the company's participation in the government's programme to provide increased employment and to partial restoration of pay cuts.

Increased gross earnings were traceable to improvement in mining, lumbering newsprint and petroleum production, and to greater activity in manufacturing. Declines were recorded in movement of livestock and agricultural products. Receipts from the movement of agricultural products were less than in any year since 1914, and less than one half of the peak figure of 1928. For the third year in succession Canada produced a wheat crop of less than average proportions.

A break in the severe droughts was indicated and latest reports from western Canada showed favorable soil conditions and with a continuation of present active export demands it was reasonable to hope the total grain movement would be substantially greater than for some years. (Continued on Page Four)

Entry of Italian Troops Brings Relief to Thousands

The War is Ended, Peace Has Come, Says Il
Duce

Foreigners Rescued by Invaders

Ethiopia is Italian, Announced With Emotion
in Rome

BURT'S CORNER WANTS EXTENSION OF HYDRO POWER

A delegation from Burt's Corner, York county made an appearance before the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission which was in session at Saint John yesterday afternoon and applied for an extension of hydro facilities from the Mouth of Keswick to Zealand Station through the Keswick Valley. The distance is approximately eight miles. The Commission took the matter under consideration. The delegation was composed of Arthur Pugh, Cyril Brewer, Howard Hagerman and Carl Vincent.

Applications for extension of transmission services were received from Saint John, Kings, Westmorland, Gloucester, and York Counties and other matters of routine nature considered.

ON FISHING TRIP

H. C. Stoddard and Geo. F. Booth of Worcester, Mass., arrived here today and left immediately for the Cain's river on a fishing trip under the guidance of Charles Wade of Penikese. Yesterday Dr. Miller, the well known Massachusetts physician and his nephew arrived here, and also left on a fishing trip to the Cain's river.

LONDON, May 6—That Italy has renounced "any further colonial ambitions" in extending the hand of friendship to Great Britain is cause for hope of firmly reestablishing peace and the League of Nations.

Il Duce said he believed the League of Nations "can and must go on," but "it has become a matter of common agreement that the League needs reorganizing."

"Believe me, this victory in East Africa puts Italy into the group of satisfied powers," Il Duce was quoted as saying.

"In colonial questions, we Italians henceforth shall belong no more to the dissatisfied proletariat. We shall become sound conservatives instead," he added with a smile.

The dictator denied he ever had planned to harm British interests anywhere.

"Now that you have won the war, how will you make peace?" asked Price. Il Duce answered.

"We shall not shut the door against the economic enterprise of friendly nations. As for our financial resources the world would be as surprised to know the truth about our real financial strength as it was surprised to know the truth about our military strength."

Speaking of Italy's position in the situation created by Germany's remilitarization of the Rhineland, he stated Italy is ready to help in bringing about a frank and definite understanding. (Continued on Page Four)

Italy Ready for Definite Under- standing Among Great Powers

APPEAL ARTHUR BANNISTER'S CASE SUPREME COURT

MONCTON, N. B., May 6—An announcement was made here yesterday that H. Murray Lambert, counsel for Arthur Bannister, sentenced to hang on June 20th, for the murder of Philip Lake, as was his brother, Daniel Bannister, would make application on May 12 before the rota judge in chambers in the Supreme Court building in Ottawa for leave to appeal to the supreme court of Canada from the conviction and from the judgment of the appeal court of New Brunswick which dismissed an appeal.

The application will be based upon four grounds, of which the Attorney-General has been advised. They follow:

1—That the said judgment conflicts with the judgments of the supreme court of Saskatchewan on a question of law in the case of Rex vs. Ratz, 21 C. C. C.

2—Also, on the ground that the judgment of the appeal court of New Brunswick (Continued on Page Four)

No More Ambitions of Colonization Says Il Duce

In a voice trembling with emotion last night Mussolini announced in Rome that Ethiopia was now Italian and that peace had come.

The Italian tri-color was raised over the ruins of the Ethiopian capital last night, climaxing Italy's eight-month war of conquest in defiance of the League of Nations.

Marshall Pietro Badoglio's motorized columns entered the gates of the city at four p.m., after an unresisted advance in 3,000 army trucks along Ethiopia's "Imperial Highway" from Dessaye, 250 miles to the north.

The entry of the triumphant Roman legions ended a three-day reign of terror that started Saturday when Emperor Haile Selassie abandoned his resistance to the Italians and fled the country to seek a refuge on British soil.

The Emperor's flight was followed by the invasion of the capital by several thousand deserted from his tribal armies who sacked, pillaged and put the city to the torch, while several thousand foreigners barricaded themselves. (Continued on Page Four)

DR. ROBERTSON CHEERED ALONG THE WAY HOME

(Special to The Daily Mail)
MONCTON, N. B., May 6—Dr. Robertson was loudly cheered as he passed through here yesterday en route to his home in Toronto after having almost completely recovered from his ten-day imprisonment in the Moose River Mine, N. S.

After first seeing a few friends, including W. U. Appleton, Dr. C. R. Baxter, John Lockwood and Robert Algie, Dr. Robertson came to the steps of the car and the crowd broke into a cheer, which was gracefully acknowledged by Dr. Robertson, who remarked simply, "It is nice to see all you folks; sorry to have caused you all so much trouble." Dr. Robertson was very cheerful and looked well, although his hands were still peeled and his voice was quite husky.

About one thousand people were at the depot to greet him.

High school orchestra will give a concert on the evenings of May 20 and 21. Reserve one of these dates.

CANADIAN IMMIGRATION DROPS 8.5 PER CENT IN LAST FISCAL YEAR

OTTAWA, Ontario, May 6 — Canadian immigration in the fiscal year ended March 31 totalled 11,103, a decrease of 8.5 per cent compared with 12,136 the previous fiscal year, according to a statement issued yesterday by the Immigration Department.

Immigration from the United States showed the largest decrease at 5,121 a decline of 14.1 per cent against 5,960 the preceding year. At the same time immigration from the British

Isles was down 6.8 per cent at 2,049 compared with 2,198. Of those from the United Kingdom 1,236 were English, 249 Irish, 434 Scottish and 20 Welsh.

Immigration of other leading races with previous year in brackets:—Dutch 111 (44); German 209 (301); Croatian 157 (155); Czech 106 (77); Hebrew 655 (335); Italian 241 (325); Yugoslav 106 (120); Magyar 314 (362); Polish 362 (404); Ruthenian, 418 (586); Slovak 432 (595).