

News Briefs

DANCE AT CASTLE HALL

A dance will be held at Castle Hall Thursday evening. George Olts' orchestra will be in attendance.

IMPROVED IN HEALTH

Miss Ada Campbell, who has been ill for a few days, is now on the way to recovery.

RETURNED HOME YESTERDAY

Edward Quinn, Jr., of the Royal Stores, Ltd., staff, who spent the week-end in Saint John, returned to his home yesterday.

WEEKLY MEETING

The regular weekly meeting of the St. Dunstan's Young People's Society will be held this evening in the St. Dunstan's Hall.

CONDITION IMPROVED

Lloyd Lewis who was operated upon recently for appendicitis, spent a very comfortable night. His condition is improved.

PROGRESS IS FAVORABLE

The condition of Earl Anderson of Keswick, who underwent a serious operation for appendicitis, is progressing very favorably.

VISITS ST. STEPHEN

Major J. S. Scott, secretary-treasurer of Municipality of York, left this morning for St. Stephen, on business. He will return late this evening.

LEFT FOR SAINT JOHN

J. K. King, deputy minister of agriculture for New Brunswick, left for Saint John yesterday on business routine.

TOP PRICES PAID

Top-notch prices will be paid for any freshly killed and frozen rabbits which may be sent to Poultry and Farm Distributors, Halifax, N. S. See advertisement.

IS IN SAINT JOHN

C. R. Barry, L.L.B., local barrister, is in Saint John participating in the annual Provincial Bouspiel there. Mr. Barry is Judge of Probate for York county. He will return to this city after the tournament.

BURIED TOMORROW

The funeral service of Murray Edward Scott, who passed away at his daughter's home yesterday, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 p.m., from his late home at Douglas. Rev. Mr. Young will officiate. Interment will be made at Mouth Keswick.

RETURNS FROM BOSTON

Dave Griffiths, director of the N. B. Information Bureau, has returned from Boston, where he was making plans concerning the Boston Sports Show. Many of the N. B. exhibits are already there while several prominent N. B. guides are attending.

ENJOYING OPEN-AIR RINK

Many skating enthusiasts from this city, Marysville and Devon are enjoying themselves at the open-air rink at South Devon. The ice surface has been very good throughout the winter, and the warm moonlight nights of late have made skating conditions ideal.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. William Poulton who met with an accident on Sunday afternoon and who has been in Victoria Public Hospital since that time, has recovered sufficiently to return to the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. C. Barker. Mrs. Poulton's many friends will be pleased to know that the accident was not as serious as anticipated.

DEATH OF FREDERICTON WOMAN

The death occurred yesterday afternoon at her home, of Sarah Sproul, age 70 years, wife of Charles Sproul. She is survived by her husband, Charles and one son, Frank. The cortege will leave the home at 8:45 a.m., and High Mass will be conducted to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock at St. Dunstan's church. Interment will be made at the Hermitage.

DEBATING TEAMS

The debating team representing the University of Mount Allison, is scheduled to oppose the U. N. B. debaters on a subject of major importance, "Resolved, that under present conditions, dictatorship is preferable to the parliamentary system." The debate is scheduled for Feb. 19, and will be broadcast over a coast-to-coast hook-up of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. U. N. B. debaters will argue the negative side. Their team is composed of Jack H. Thurott, Fredericton, and Jack Murgu, England.

ANNUAL MEETING OF CHRISTCHURCH CATHEDRAL HELD

Archbishop Celebrates Thirtieth Anniversary Last Evening

Large Audience

Very Rev. Dean Moore-head Presides for First Time

The annual meeting of the congregation of Christchurch Cathedral was held last evening. Dean Moorhead presided and opened the meeting with a short period of prayer. A. K. Nevers acted as secretary for the meeting. The financial statement prepared and read by R. FitzRandolph, showed a total amount raised of \$9,777.13, for Cathedral purposes alone \$8,142.34 was raised, while \$1,634.79 was raised for work outside the Cathedral.

The following sidesmen were appointed by Archbishop Richardson: J. J. Fraser Winslow, J. A. Reid, A. A. Shute, R. FitzRandolph, W. W. Boyce, A. O. I. Cruikshank, J. R. MacKenzie, W. W. Fenety, K. L. Golding, Philippe Robinson, A. F. Betts, and G. H. Prince. The congregation elected as sidesmen, Dr. W. Warwick, J. E. Howie, M. Horncastle, Fred Johnson, J. H. Turner, H. L. Merrithew, R. S. FitzRandolph, E. H. Clarkson, Frank Shute, Jack Fenety, E. Morris and R. K. Nevers. Delegates for the diocesan synod were elected as follows: Dr. Warwick, Philippe Robinson, G. E. Howie, G. H. Prince; substitutes: E. H. Clarkson, A. A. Shute, A. O. I. Cruikshank and R. P. Gorham. Reports were read from the Church Boy's League, the Cathedral Aid, the Auxiliary Sunday School, Men's Club and the Choir. Robert Paisley gave a brief report on the progress made by the boy's choir. Dean Moorhead spoke touchingly on the work of the choir and thanked Professor W. J. Smith for the fine spirit of co-operation he has injected into the members. A motion was passed congratulating Archbishop Richardson on his 30th anniversary to the ministry. The meeting came to a close with the singing of the National Anthem.

Dean Moorhead's report to the congregation was as follows:

It is my privilege to preside for the first time at the Annual Meeting of the congregation of Christchurch Cathedral. In June last, His Grace, the Archbishop installed me as your Dean. From the beginning you have given me your wholehearted co-operation, and my wife and I appreciate very deeply the hearty welcome you have given us.

During the year our Cathedral has suffered serious loss through death. In the province of God, 14 of our congregation have been called to a Higher Life. Each in his or her own way rendered splendid service to the Cathedral, and we thank God for the example they have left us.

The financial statement that will be presented to you tonight will give us good cause to thank God. Large repair bills faced us in 1936 in that the Deanery needed very considerable renovation before I took up residence, but we have been able to pay all our bills, including repair bills, and to show a small balance.

I should indeed be lacking in appreciation if I did not say a word about our efficient and loyal choir. I, with you, fully realize the necessity of having the musical portions of our services efficiently and reverently rendered. Our boys section is receiving intensive training. The young ladies are interested and are giving a good account of themselves.

Our Sunday school meets regularly every Sunday afternoon and the work is carried on by a well qualified staff of teachers and workers.

During the year the Cathedral Aid helped very materially in the finances of the Cathedral, and just a week ago this organization voted \$500 to the Cathedral. The Aid has always been a tower of strength to us, and we appreciate very much its fine work.

The W. A., in all its branches, is in a healthy condition. A work for boys of the Church, carried on by the Church Boys League, under the auspices of the W. A., is providing (Continued on Page Five)

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GOV'T TO MEET HERE TOMORROW, SEVERAL CHANGES

Understood Legislative Programme Will Be Considered

New Officials

How Members Arrived Here in Olden Days--Former Sessions

The Provincial Government will meet here tomorrow and will probably outline its programme for the coming session of the Legislature, while no announcement has yet been made, it is probable that the House will meet on either Thursday, February 18th or on the following Thursday, February 25th. For many years dating back to Confederation and before, there has been an unwritten rule that the Legislature open on a Thursday. This rule dates back to the old days when the members had to get here by stage coach and it took sometimes three days to reach Fredericton from Grand Falls. Last week Hon. F. W. Pirie, Minister of Lands and Mines, came here by airplane from Grand Falls in half an hour. There is a story of the long ago which tells of a member of the Charlotte county who used to take three or four days to arrive at the Legislature from St. Stephen. He came on snowshoes and carried enough codfish on his back to last him almost through the session. The member in question roomed at a small house on King Street, within a block of the Parliament buildings. In those days the members received three dollars per day indemnity. That was a big sum in those days and as some of the members had not much to do in the winter, the sessions usually lasted about three months. There were no night sessions as many of the members spent much of their time playing cards and getting away with liquid refreshments.

The session this year promises to be a short one, and may continue less than six weeks. An endeavor is generally made to have the House prorogued before Easter, which comes this year before the last of March. It is understood that Premier Dymally intends to be present at the Coronation, and the tendency is to facilitate matters so as to enable him to attend.

Whilst the legislative programme has not yet been announced it is understood that some important legislation may be brought down. This will include an important amendment to the Judicature Act. Included in these will be amendments affecting the Magistrates' Courts. It may be considered necessary to consolidate these inferior and to provide for a better system than exists at present. Amendments to the Acts affecting the Department of Education and also an overhauling of the Acts relating to Municipal machinery which is now top heavy, may be considered.

John M. Keefe, of Grand Falls, who last year acted as Clerk of the Legislature following the death of the late George Bidlake, has expressed a wish to retire from that office and E. Allison McKay of this city who was clerk assistant last year will be clerk. His position as Clerk assistant will be filled before the House opens. It is understood that C. R. Barry, barrister of this city, is in line for the position. No other changes in connection with the staff of the Legislature are reported.

BRUNSWICK ST. B.Y.P.U.

The Brunswick Street B.Y.P.U. met last evening with Hilda Haining, the leader of the Stewardship Commission in charge of the meeting. Rev. Dr. Marshall was the guest speaker and his topic for the evening was "The Application of Stewardship to Everyday Life." Miss Haining ended the programme reading a poem. This part of the programme closed with the Mizpah Benediction. Games and contests were played under the direction of Marion Estabrooks. The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

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CONTROL METHODS SUGGESTED FOR SPRING FRESHET

Speaking today regarding the spring freshet of March last, a gentleman who is familiar with conditions of the Saint John river made a suggestion which it might be worth while to consider. It was that a bombing plane be secured by loan from the authorities at Ottawa or perhaps from Sheldiac where it is understood there is one at the present time, and use this if necessary to break up the ice on the lower regions of the river, and thus prevent a recurrence of the conditions which took place last year. It is said that these airplanes fly over the river and drop bombs where it is considered necessary and thus relieve the situation. The total cost for such an operation would not be more than four or five thousand dollars while the loss incurred by the freshet amounts to many times that much. Another suggestion which was put forth last spring was that the ice breakers such as used on the St. Lawrence might also be put into operation here.

It is hardly probable that the serious flood conditions which took place here last year and resulted in thousands of dollars' damage will occur again this year. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, and it would be advisable to be prepared for any such emergency that may arise.

Provincial Egg Laying Contest

The 11th week of the 17th New Brunswick Egg Laying Contest, conducted at the Dominion Experimental Station, here, was concluded on Jan. 23, with a production of 473 eggs and 473.4 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by Karl W. Smith, Prince William, led in production for the week with 39 eggs and 42.8 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by Arthur L. Graham, Hoyt Station, were in second position with 41 eggs and 39.1 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by W. J. White, Moore's Mills, were in third position with 37 eggs and 37.8 pts.

The Single Comb White Leghorns owned by Arthur Pringle, Stanley, is the leading pen to date with 330 eggs and 350.7 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by W. J. White, Moore's Mills, are in second position with 303 eggs and 291.2 pts.

The Barred Rocks owned by Lloyd M. Wood, Harvey, are in third position with 318 eggs and 269.2 points.

Barred Rock Hen No. 8, owned by W. J. White, Moore's Mills, is the leading hen to date with a production of 66 eggs and 67.9 points.

Single Comb Leghorn Hen No. 7, owned by Arthur Pringle, Stanley, is in second position with 58 eggs and 64.6 points.

Barred Rock Hen No. 3 is in third position with 63 eggs and 53.7 pts.

Ralph J. Albrant Active as Instructor

Physical training classes are being carried on extensively in this city, where young girls and boys, senior boys and girls, business women and men, are participating in the various exercises, carried on at the Brunswick Street and the Fraser Memorial gyms. Ralph J. Albrant, Y. M. C. I. physical instructor, has done great work in organizing these classes and his untiring efforts along this line is rapidly bearing results. He is ably assisted by Mrs. John Copp, who supervises the ladies' classes. Many business women are finding these exercises very recreational as well as very healthful. Their husbands, too, find that the exercises afford a good night's training and are enjoying them immensely. The younger boys and girls find the classes a great training basis for the different games they participate in, such as hockey and basketball.

LEAVING FOR SANATORIUM

Mrs. James Pringle, who has been in ill health for the past four months, is leaving tonight for New England Sanatorium in Stoneham, Mass., where she will undergo treatment.

ROYAL GAZETTE TODAY SHOWS THE FIN. STATEMENT

Local Press Must Wait Until Tomorrow to Give Report

Favorable Conditions

Watch for information in Tomorrow's Issue of Local Papers

An extra edition of the Royal Gazette which is being issued this afternoon, will contain a statement showing the revenue and expenditures ending October 31. While this issue of the Royal Gazette is in the hands of various officials and of magistrates barristers and others at the present time, the daily press of Fredericton at the request of the Provincial Secretary-Treasurer has been requested not to publish the information until tomorrow. Although it is understood that the local papers have received copies of this financial statement they are carrying out their promise not to publish the statement until tomorrow. It is understood, however, that the statement shows as favorable a condition of affairs as possible under the prevailing economic conditions. The object of the Provincial authorities in requesting the Fredericton papers to withhold the information seems to be in line with the policy that has been adopted by different governments during recent years, in regard to the publication of various departmental information which breaks at Fredericton and is published through outside sources before it reaches the public through the Fredericton press.

Entomological Building Complete

The addition to the Dominion Entomological Laboratory in Fredericton has now been completed and occupied by the staff. It consists of a brick structure in front of the old building with two storeys and a basement. The entrance is of stone. All the building materials were obtained in New Brunswick.

The basement is now being fitted up for experimental work in connection with the testing of sprays and biological studies to elucidate the behaviour of injurious species in the field. There are five other rooms in the new part, including two laboratories and three offices. Fume cupboards, benches, tables and experimental equipment for controlling temperature and humidity are now being installed.

During the summer the greater part of the work of the Entomological Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture is carried out in the field or in the forest where natural conditions are studied and control operations tested. In order to get more exact results, it is necessary to combine with these investigations studies under controlled conditions in the laboratory or in the insectary, which is a separate small wooden building with sides of wire screening. The new construction has provided much improved facilities for this. Previously it has been necessary to use space kindly loaned by the University of New Brunswick.

The work of the laboratory is carried out under three divisions: forest insects, field crop and garden insects and insecticides. Investigations are under way in the three Maritime provinces and that part of Quebec south of the St. Lawrence river. Field stations are set up in this region during the summer wherever the need for them is greatest. The entomologists co-operate closely with the provincial departments, the Dominion Experimental Farms, pulp and paper companies and other agencies interested in the many problems connected with insect damage. There is also close co-operation with the science department of the University of New Brunswick.

RECOVERING FROM OPERATION

Miss Grace Morgan, who was operated on for appendicitis at Stoneham Mass., is now recovering.

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