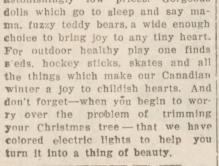
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## Year Coldest THIS SEASON

Today, the shortest day of the present season. Since June 21 the days have been getting shorter and the nights longer, but today the tables are reversed, and beginning tomorrow, the days will commence to become longer and the nights shorter. The winter solstice for 1937 will begin in the Maritimes and Newfoundland at 2:22 tomorrow morning. The sun rose at 7:59 this morning as the shortest day of the year began. and will set this afternoon at 4:45. The coldest temperature so far this season was registered at the Fredericton Pumping Station last night when the mercury dropped to 8 degrees be ow zero. Seven below was registered at the local Dominion Experimental Station, the difference of one degree being caused by the higher elevation of the farm. The point nearest to sea-level always registers the lowest temperature. The mercury climbed slowly during the forenoon, standing at 7 degrees above zero at 12:30.

The water level in the St. John River rose several inches during the past few days, but is now falling slowly, reported Chief Engineer John J. Malloy of the pumping station. It is now four feet six inches above summer low.

Approximately 16 inches of snow have fallen so far this season, it was stated from the Experimental Parm.