

## News Briefs

### QN INSPECTION TRIP

R. W. Thornton, Inspector of Customs and Excise, and F. L. Ross, Assistant Inspector, are in Fredericton making their annual inspection of the Customs Office.

### RESTING COMFORTABLY

Amedee Daigle, Chipman miner, who is a patient in the Victoria Public Hospital as result of injuries in a mine accident, was reported today as resting comfortably.

### TO RETURN SATURDAY

Hon. A. A. Dysart, premier and minister of lands and mines, who is on a business trip to Montreal is expected to return to the city on Saturday. He is visiting the metropolis in connection with departmental work.

### CONDITION IMPROVED

The condition of Mrs. T. D. Titus, who is a patient in Victoria Public Hospital following an operation which she underwent several weeks ago, was reported this morning as being improved.

### GOVERNMENT MEETING

It was unofficially learned that members of the provincial cabinet will hold a meeting here next week. Premier Dysart, who is at present in Montreal, is expected to return to the city on Saturday.

### RETURNS TO SAINT JOHN

R. J. Harrington, president of the New Brunswick Council of Labor, who occupied the position as assistant clerk of the legislature during the recent sitting of the House, has returned to Saint John.

### CONTRACTORS HERE

Representatives of Upper Canadian construction companies are in the city in connection with the proposed highway projects to be carried out by the provincial government. The majority of the contractors are representing Toronto firms. Tenders for the work will close on April 10.

### ATTENDING CONFERENCE

Mrs. W. C. Kierstead, Fredericton, is in Saint John attending the quarterly meeting of the executive of the United Baptist Women's Missionary Union of the Maritime Provinces which opened there last night. While in Saint John she will be the guest of Mrs. W. D. Thompson, Carmarthen Street.

### SCRAP BOOKS ON DISPLAY

The various scrap books of the chapters of the I.O.D.E. are on display at the annual meeting of the I.O.D.E. Special mention is being made of the prize scrap book which was arranged by the Victor Hatheway Chapter of this city. The other scrap books on exhibition are the Picardy Chapter, the Restigouche Chapter of Campbellton, the Lord Beaverbrook Chapter of Newcastle, and the Royal of Sussex. The Saint John Chapters exhibition scrap books are The Seven Seas, the Duke of Rothesay and the Royal Arms.

### EXHIBITS AT NORMAL SCHOOL

The Fredericton Arts Society have on display at the Provincial Normal School an attractive array of drawings, paintings, water colors and crayons. These exhibits are the work of pupils of the city schools and are sponsored by the Fredericton Art Club. Prizes are being offered for each grade, the aim of the club and of the exhibit is to encourage effort in art in the schools from grade one to the Normal School classes.

## Many Mourn Death of James E. McFadgen

Many friends in the city and district will regret to learn of the passing of James E. McFadgen which occurred last evening in Victoria Public Hospital. His death followed a brief illness and came as a shock to his family and friends. He was well known here and enjoyed the esteem and respect of a wide circle of friends. The deceased, who was 68 years of age, had resided here for several years. Possessed of sterling qualities of heart and mind he was highly respected by a host of friends.

Surviving are one son, Eldon, and three daughters, Miss Irene McFadgen of this city; Mrs. T. Black, of Devon, and Miss Clara McFadgen, of Toronto. One sister, Mrs. Margaret E. Barker, Oromocto, is also left to mourn.

The funeral will be held tomorrow with service in the United Church at Oromocto at 2 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Sulstan will conduct the service. Interment will be made at Burton.

C. A. Gleason, Granville, Maine, is visiting in the city.

W. E. Lumb, of Montreal, is registered at the Queen Hotel today.

## ARMAMENT RACE CREATES DEMAND FOR SCRAP-IRON

Tenders to Be Called For Iron on City Property

### High Prices

Considerable Quantity of Metal Brought to Fredericton

The armament race in Europe has created a substantial rise in the price of scrap iron and there is a heavy demand for this commodity. Throughout Canada representatives of various European interests are buying up large quantities of scrap iron and the demand is said to be increasing. There has been a considerable quantity of the metal purchased in Fredericton, according to reports. Several buyers have visited here during the last couple of weeks and it is reported that the prices paid were substantially high.

At Tuesday's meeting of the city council was carried authorizing the city clerk to call for tenders for the purchase of a quantity of scrap iron which is on city property adjoining the pumping station. The "scrap" includes old boilers, pieces of old machinery, etc. It is estimated that there are about 20 tons in the lot and a substantial sum of money should be realized from the sale.

The demand for the iron has given rise to reports that an old abandoned iron mine in the vicinity of Woodstock would be reopened. These reports could not be confirmed this morning, but it is understood that interested parties have commenced negotiations in that connection.

### Large Producer

The Woodstock mine was at one time one of the largest producers of iron in Canada. It has been out of operation for nearly half a century, and the equipment has long since fallen into disuse. It is unlikely that any of the machinery could be used, thus necessitating the purchase of new equipment. The cost of reopening the mine would involve considerable money, but it is believed that the heavy demand for iron would warrant such expenditure.

During the past winter considerable quantities of scrap iron were shipped from Saint John. Many of the shipments were billed for German ports, while large quantities were also shipped to naval yards in Japan. The "iron" boom was created as result of the arms race in Europe, and most of the material is being used for the manufacture of heavy guns and the constructions of battle ships.

## "IMPERIALISM" THEME ADDRESS DEAN MOORHEAD

I.O.D.E. Delegates Hear Speaker at Banquet Last Evening

The relationship between England and Canada formed the theme of a stirring address on "Imperialism" which was delivered last evening by Very Rev. Dean W. H. Moorhead, rector of Christchurch Cathedral. The speaker, who was a guest at a banquet given in the recreational hall of the Brunswick Street Baptist Church by the Fredericton chapters of the I.O.D.E., in connection with the 37th annual meeting of the provincial chapter, urged for peace among nations but not peace "at any price." He referred to the Empire and its constant adherence to the standards of freedom, pointing out that it stands for justice and fair play—for peace, for the creation of a peaceful world.

His address continued as follows: I should like to express my thanks for the privilege of addressing this fine and representative gathering to-night. The I. O. D. E. has long ago won its spurs, and we cannot forget the magnificent work of your Order not only during the war, but also since the Armistice. You stand for patriotism in the finest sense of the word.

I have been asked to speak to you along patriotic lines. At the outset I should like to say that I am an Imperialist. I believe that the several units of our Empire are bound together for better or worse, and if one member suffer all the members suffer with it. Therefore, what concerns England concerns Canada, and what concerns Canada concerns the Mother Land.

Everyone knows something about the Empire to which we are proud to belong. In school days we were shown a map of the world, and told that all that was colored red comprised the (Continued on Page Five)

## FREDERICTON WITHOUT GOVERNING COUNCIL FOR FIRST TIME SINCE 1859—MAYOR KITCHEN REMAINS SILENT

Action of Aldermen and Proposal of Chief Magistrate Contrary to Advice of City Solicitor -- Election Date Previously Set at April 26th

FREDERICTON'S "constitutional crisis" remains at a deadlock—the city is without a council for the first time since its incorporation in 1859. The latest development took place yesterday morning when the seven retiring aldermen passed a motion calling for an election on April 26th. His Worship Mayor G. Willard Kitchen, who announced his intention of setting an election date today, would not make any statement today at noon. He intimated that he would make an announcement at 2 o'clock but he was unable to be located at that time. Newspaper men were unable to contact the chief magistrate by 2:30 o'clock.

As the situation stands now, the date for the election has been set. However, the legality of the aldermen's procedure is questionable as is also the proposed action of the mayor. City Clerk F. I. Haviland, when questioned today if he were making necessary arrangements regarding the proposed election, stated he was "sitting tight" until an announcement was forthcoming from the mayor.

The situation, an unprecedented one in the constitutional history of the British Empire, is attracting attention throughout Canada. What developments will take place is conjectural, although many citizens contend that both the action of the aldermen and the proposal of Mayor Kitchen to call an election are both illegal. However, since there are no statutory regulations to handle the situation it is believed that any reasonable procedure taken by the council will be upheld by the courts.

Three aldermen and Mayor G. Willard Kitchen remained in office. Their number is too small to constitute a quorum of the council. Consequently they cannot declare the vacancies and call an election to fill them as required by law.

Contrary to the advice of P. J. Hughes, K.C., city solicitor, Mayor Kitchen Tuesday night announced his intention of calling the election as mayor. Mr. Hughes held that the mayor was legally incompetent to do so. Mayor Kitchen disagreed.

Also acting against the advice of the city solicitor, the seven aldermen, at an adjourned meeting of the council on Wednesday, accepted their own resignations, declared the vacancies and ordered an election held on April 26 with nomination day April 19.

This action, in opposition to the mayor's announced intention of calling an election day after the seats had been vacated, added another knot to the civic administration tangle.

It was suggested that Mayor Kitchen might choose a date coinciding with that "fixed" yesterday by the aldermen for an election. This would obviate one additional dispute.

## LOCAL WOMAN AGAIN ELECTED PRESIDENT I.O.D.E.

Mrs. A. T. McMurray Heads Prov. Chapter--Other Officers

At the provincial convention of the I.O.D.E. held this morning the following were elected officers for the ensuing term:

President, Mrs. A. T. McMurray, Fredericton.

First Vice-President—Mrs. J. H. Ramsay, Fredericton.

Second Vice-President, Mrs. K. I. Campbell, Saint John.

Secretary, Mrs. Havelock Coy, Fredericton.

Assistant Secretary, Mrs. Cedric Cooper, Fredericton.

Treasurer, Mrs. Harold Limerick, Fredericton.

Echoes Treasurer, Miss A. Mahoney, Moncton.

Educational Treasurer, Miss Alice Lockhart, Saint John.

Standard Bearer, Mrs. Lane Bishop.

Third Member of the War Memorial Committee, Mrs. K. I. Campbell.

Mental Hygiene, Miss A. Mahoney.

Empire Study, Mrs. F. L. West.

Honorary President, Miss Margaret MacLaren, Saint John.

Hon. Vice President, Mrs. R. Fitz Randolph and Mrs. H. F. McLeod, Fredericton.

National Councillors, Mrs. W. W. White and Mrs. K. I. Campbell, Saint John, and Mrs. Heber Vroom, St. Stephen.

The following councillors were elected at yesterday's session: Mrs. W. C. Allison, Miss Alward, Mrs. J. B. M. Baxter, Mrs. J. F. Edgecombe, Mrs. MacCredie, Mrs. W. W. White, Mrs. C. McN. Steves, and Mrs. G. F. Furlong, all of Saint John. From Fredericton were elected: Mrs. J. B.

## W.C.T.U. Monthly Meeting Held

The regular monthly meeting of the W.C.T.U. was held at the home of Mrs. H. Hallett, Carleton street. The president Mrs. A. A. Watters was in the chair and a goodly number present. The devotions were led by Mrs. C. H. MacQuarrie with prayers by members. Roll call was followed by minutes of March meeting which were approved as read. Reports were given on visiting the sick, and on a Sunday afternoon service held at the county jail, conducted by Rev. P. J. Trafton. A food sale was held during March and the results very satisfactory. Mrs. Colpitts corresponding secretary, read several letters of interest, these were laid on the table for further consideration. We were very glad to have with us our provincial president Mrs. W. Steadman Smith of Marysville, who gave a very helpful talk on the work in general. Several short readings of special interest were enjoyed, after which some discussion followed. The meeting closed with the Aaronic benediction. May meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. S. Gregg, Grey street.

R. F. Daniel of Sydney, N. S., is registered at the Queen Hotel.

L. R. Hillgrove, of Ellsworth, Me., is among the guests at the Queen Hotel today.

W. M. Humphrey and R. T. McCully, of Moncton, are among the registered guests at the Queen Hotel.

Crocker, Mrs. Havelock Coy, Mrs. T. C. Barker, Miss Bertha Harvey, Mrs. Harold Limerick, Mrs. A. McF. Limerick, Mrs. John MacKenzie, Mrs. F. L. Miller, Mrs. A. T. McMurray, Mrs. J. H. Ramsay, Mrs. Emerson Skeene, Miss Harriet VanWart, Miss A. Mahoney, Moncton, Miss Mowatt of St. Andrews, Mrs. Yorston and Mrs. F. L. West of Sackville.

## FILES \$35,000 DAMAGE CLAIM AGAINST CITY

Complainant Claims Damages Result of Accident

### Injuries Fatal

Widow of Prof. S. Perry Plaintiff--Case to Be Heard Soon

W. J. West, barrister of this city acting as counsel for Mrs. Margaret Perry, widow of the late Prof. Stanley Perry has filed with the Registrar of Supreme Court, notice of action in a claim from \$35,000 damages against the City of Fredericton. The case will come up at the next session of the court.

It will be remembered that Professor Perry while driving down Brunswick Street in his car late last fall, collided with the fire truck driven by Driver Finnegan of the city fire department. The accident took place at the corner of Brunswick and Westmorland Streets. Prof. Perry was driving down Brunswick Street which is a through street whilst Driver Finnegan was proceeding out Westmorland Street to a fire in the rear end of the city. It is claimed that the fire department believe they have the right-of-way in going to fires, and it is also claimed that people proceeding up or down a through street have the right-of-way.

When the collision took place Prof. Perry's car was knocked over against a tree at the intersection of Brunswick and Westmorland Streets. He was taken to the hospital in an unconscious condition and died several hours later. Mrs. Perry is now residing with her father, Rev. J. M. Rice, of Bathurst.

Prof. Perry at the time of his death was a member of the faculty of the University of New Brunswick.

## ICE "BREAK-UP" EXPECTED SOON

Ice Dwindling Fast in Lower Stretches

All indications along the river point to a "break-up" within the next few days, according to veteran rivermen who have been observing ice conditions during the past week. In this district, the ice is becoming weaker and many "soft spots" are to be noticed. Up until last week the ice remained fairly solid but the mild weather during the last few days has gradually weakened the surface. It is expected that the "run" will commence within the next few days.

Reports from the lower stretches of the river state that the six miles of ice which was in the Long Reach (Continued on Page Five)

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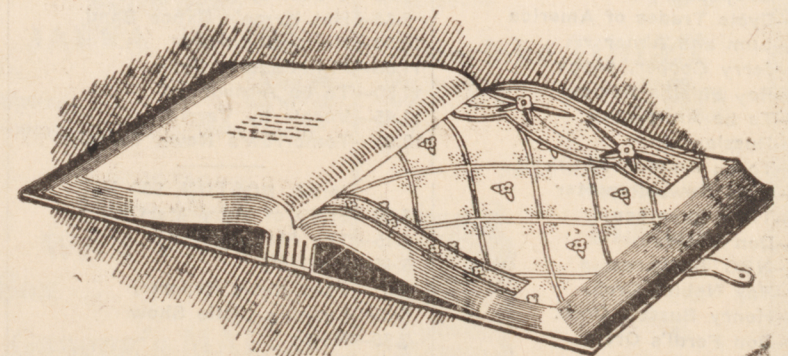
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