

## OBSERVER DISCUSSES VARIOUS MATTERS OF LOCAL INTEREST

### Coronation Celebration --- Children on Streets --- Sitting on Your Heels --- Making a Garden

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(Note: The Daily Mail while interested in "Observer's" articles, does not necessarily agree with what that writer publishes. Sometimes the views expressed are entirely at variance with our own opinions.)

It takes all kinds to make a world. Here I compose what I fondly thought was a thoughtful statement on the ballyhoo and commercialism of the Coronation observance, and in the very next issue of The Daily Mail after the one carrying my article writes Mr. Enthusiastic Citizen of South Devon. This gentleman wants more parades and better parades. Well, we can't both be right.

Tonight's papers also carry the announced decision of the local merchants to keep their stores open on the 12th. Now, if commercialism was not the biggest factor in the whole matter, would this decision have been taken? I ask you.

The question of children running the streets at night has again arisen. A good deal has been written from time to time on this matter, and I have contributed my small bit. It has been pretty well proven that such a state of affairs leads to the police court or serious trouble of some kind. A curfew law is indicated but it must be enforced. The police staff we have at present is not large enough to do it, but it is quite generally recognized that it isn't large enough for any other purpose either, except to patrol Queen Street. If the Police Commission want to justify their retention, they might well augment our present police force.

Further, the matter of daylight time has a bearing on the matter of the children. Under daylight saving time many small children who would otherwise be in bed are out on the streets for an extra hour. The problem of what to do with the young children these long evenings has turned many a well-meaning mother into a bitter opponent of daylight saving time. And who can blame them?

Legislation authorizing daylight saving time would certainly not be in the interests of this community as

a whole, especially as it is not an industrial one, containing a large number of workers.

A record crowd attended the recent Community Concert. In fact, if the Association continues to be as successful selling tickets of membership as they have in the past, they are soon going to be faced with the problem of seating accommodation. It would defeat the purpose in view to admit more members than there is room for. It is, of course, a fine tribute to Fredericton's appreciation of fine music, that the membership is so large. One must admit, though, that it is a great inconvenience to have to arrive at any function a half hour before it is due to start to be sure of getting a good seat. It is regrettable that we have no larger auditorium, as then more concerts could be given in the course of the season, due to the increased membership that would then be possible. However any inconvenience would be cheerfully suffered to enable one to hear such a splendid concert as that of the other evening.

Clean-up time has arrived, both outdoors and in. Housewives are busy scrubbing and polishing, and generally making the house an impossible place to live in, for a time at least. Fortunately indeed, the poor male who can find a place to sit down, and doesn't have to eat his meals off the mantelpiece, that is if there is a meal to eat.

Out of doors the men folks are industriously raking and scraping and lighting bonfires, and then calling the fire department to put them out. What with the cost of having a load hauled to the dump, almost everyone is forced to burn whatever will burn. A number of people have regretfully arrived at the conclusion that tin cans simply will not burn.

Speaking of yard cleaning leads me on to the perennial subject of gardens. The majority of our industrious citizens will soon be busy hoeing and weeding and squatting on their heels as long as the daylight lasts to see if the first tender shoots are appearing above the sod. I have always thought that must be the

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tical and economical consequences of the situation. It is certain that for some decades to come, the new voters will come in disproportionate numbers from the less-privileged elements—the southern tenant farmers and unskilled labor.

Even from the lands of the dictators on the other side of the Atlantic, where the big bosses demand bigger and bigger families for their armies, that faithful old bird, the stork, is lagging behind in fetching in the "bambino" and "die kinder."

The grand council of Italy's Fascisti has just approved a seven-point program to increase Italy's population. Promotions for fathers, marriage loans, State doweries, big family bonuses, are used to tempt a little more activity on the part of the stork.

Like all western nations since the war, Italy faces a declining birth rate. In 1922, 30.2 per cent. babies were born to every thousand. In 1935, the rate had dropped to 23.1. One Italian paper has figured out this means the loss to the Duce of 15 army battalions.

In Germany the birth rate has steadily declined, from 23 in 1922 to 18.9 in 1935. Even Japan is worried over a ten per cent. drop since 1922. Only in Russia is the birth rate increasing.

Democratic countries aren't as worried as dictatorships over the slowing down of the stork's activities. Dictatorships have to take into consideration, by the size of their armies, whether they are to stand or fall.

Some of pleasure for these amateur gardeners; seeing the first fruits of their industry appear. Certainly it cannot be because of the quantity or quality of what they raise. All that work could not be repaid by a few grubby radishes, some scrawny lettuce and some anaemic corn. And certainly it cannot be on grounds of economy, as one can buy garden stuff cheaper than it costs to raise it.

What is the fascination? It can't be exercise, as much more beneficial exercise could be obtained by taking a brisk walk. Well, it remains something of a mystery. Perhaps some enthusiastic gardener will enlighten me. As may be gathered, I am not a gardener.

OBSERVER.

## SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

### K. of C. Banquet

The members of Council 1942 Knights of Columbus in the city assembled in St. Dunstan's Hall last evening to celebrate the 18th anniversary of the founding of the Council. A Banquet, prepared and served by the ladies of the C.W.L. was partaken of. A number of toasts were proposed and responded to, addresses given by several of the members and all present had a very enjoyable evening. About midnight adjournment was made after singing the National Anthem.

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### Breakfast Party in Honor of Rev. and Mrs. John Copp

A number of U.N.B. students, members of the S.C.M., met at their apartment at Grape Cottage this morning and tendered them a breakfast party prior to their departure from the city. Covers were laid for twenty and presentations were made to both Rev. and Mrs. Copp. A beautiful travelling satchel was presented to Mrs. Copp and a twin sweater set to Mr. Copp. The gifts were accompanied with the best wishes of the members of the students of the Students Christian Movement which was conducted in the city under the direction of the presenters.

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### Wedding of Interest to Fredericton

The marriage of Miss Almida Green daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hillman Green of St. Stephen to Donald Mason of this city is taking place tomorrow at St. Stephen. Mr. Mason has been a resident of this city for the past few years. Rev. Mr. Morris pastor of the Methodist church at St. Stephen will officiate.

### First Lighthouse Girl Guides Again Winners Bessborough Shield

The judges appointed to make the decision of the winner of the Lady Bessborough shield met last evening at the home of the convener, Miss Molly Barry. The judges included besides Miss Barry, Prof. B. W. Fleiger, of the U.N.B., Major F. A. Good of the Provincial Normal staff and James McCaillum of the staff of the Fredericton High School. The exhibit this year was made up of native twigs and the best example of this work was decided to be the first Doaktown Company of Girl Guides.

It is of interest to note that this company has during the past few years done excellent work having also won the shield last year. The shield is open for competition to all the girl guides of the province and was donated by Lady Bessborough prior to her departure from Canada for excellence in nature work or handicraft. The work that was exhibited in previous years by the Guides were hooked rugs and quilts. The winning company from Doaktown of which the leader is Miss Annie Murray came in for much favorable comment their offering being faultless, beautifully mounted as well as original and clever.

Other companies receiving special mention were the Fredericton I.O.D.E. Company and the Newcastle C.W.L. Guides.

Special meeting of the Board of Trade will be held on Thursday evening April 29th at 7.30 in the Council Chamber.

### Plans Rapidly

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said. The presentation of medals to the school children in Fredericton will take place in the schools on the day preceding the celebration.

Three bands will take part in the parade. John Malcom, chairman of the parade committee, announced at the meeting. The bands will include the Knights of Pythias Band, the York Regiment Band and the Pipe Band of St. Andrew's Society. It is expected that St. Andrew's Society will have a float in the parade and will march in the procession in a body.

### Parade Committee

The report of the parade committee submitted by Major C. A. Williams, stated that the local militia will take part in the procession. The committee has not yet definitely decided on the route to be followed, but it is likely that an announcement in that connection will be made in a few days.

Oscar Harris, chairman of the floats committee, reported that present indications are that there will be about 30 floats and decorated cars in the procession. This number will likely increase within the next week, it was stated. Among the larger floats to be included in the parade will be those entered by six schools; Knights of Pythias; Catholic Women's League; Seolay Israel Synagogue; Rebekah Lodge; J. Clark & Son; Creighton & Smith, Limited; M. Ryan & Son, Limited, Canadian Cottons, Limited. There is a possibility that the Odd Fellows as well as several other local groups may have floats in the procession. The float being prepared by the colored people of the city, entitled "Uncle Tom's Cabin" commemorating a century of freedom under the British flag, is expected to be one of the most impressive floats in the parade. The Canadian Legion is also expected to enter a float.

The announcement was made at the meeting that the Devon Fire Department as well as the local firefighters will take part in the parade.

The tentative list of prizes to be awarded in connection with the celebration total \$244. Prizes will be awarded to citizens whose homes are the most colorfully decorated. Prizes will also be given to stores for original decorations. Subscriptions are being received by the committee from various organizations as well as private citizens. Among the donations received include: Rotary Club, \$25; Cedars of Lebanon Association, \$25; Gyro Club, \$15.

The provincial government will decorate the various provincial buildings in the city, while the federal buildings will be decorated by the federal authorities.

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rather for the achievements over many years. The medals will be presented May 26 in University of Toronto during the annual meeting of the society.

Dean Adams is a world figure in science and Mr. Fauteux is a distinguished author of historical works.

The Saint Dunstan's Girl Guides will hold a Rummage Sale on Saturday, May 1st at St. Dunstan's Hall.

## COMMUNITY "Y" CAMPAIGN AWAY TO GREAT START

Subscriptions Total  
\$1,153.25 --- \$3,000  
is Objective

The Community "Y" Campaign for funds got away to a good start yesterday with the teams reporting \$1,150. A good share of the objective is still left but Chairman Hedley Forbes was optimistic this morning that the objective would be reached if the citizens continued to give the generous response that they have shown thus far.

The canvassers met at a supper meeting which was served by the Ladies Auxiliary of the "Y" in the "Y" club rooms last night. C. Hedley Forbes was Chairman of the meeting. Stanley Brent gave a short talk. The committee had a radio set up and the men present listened to the radio address which W. J. West gave from CFNB at 6.30. There is a great deal of friendly rivalry between the teams as they compete with one another to get their quotas. Team number five of which Robert B. Forbes is captain was outstanding last night. They have secured 43 subscriptions and a total of \$247.

With appropriate ceremony and much laughter Mr. Forbes' team was presented with an old boot, which is alleged to have been worn by the first canvasser for funds for the "Y". It was presented as recognition to his team for having made the most number of calls and worn out the most leather. They also received a decorated money bag for turning in the most amount of money and the flag which goes to the team having reached the highest percentage of their quotas. Team number 7 captained by Colonel Randolph Crocker turned in \$471 but they are excluded from the competition because of the fact that they call on only special selected names. Frank L. Cooper made the largest number of individual calls of any one canvasser.

### Team Results

The total report of results by teams is as follows:

	Subscriptions	Amount
Reg. Murray	32	\$ 114.50
Horace Hanson	34	90.50
F. E. MacDiarmid	32	170.00
Robert Forbes	43	247.00
A. Estabrooks	18	60.25
Col. Crocker	59	471.00
		\$1,153.25

## YOUR

## Handwriting

As Told By

PROF. JAMES STRANGE



Do not be disappointed if Mr. Strange cannot answer you immediately, as many inquiries are coming in which must be answered in turn.

If you wish a character analysis from Handwriting be sure to send in \$1.00 for a 3 months' subscription to The Daily Mail if a resident of Fredericton or 75c if living in the rural districts, as our Free Reading offer applies only to new subscribers and requests for readings unaccompanied by a cash remittance will not be answered.

Dear Mr. Strange,

Would you kindly analyze my handwriting.

BEWILDERED.

There is no reason why you should feel at all bewildered or puzzled over your future destiny. Your handwriting reveals the type of character if allowed a reasonable chance, would accomplish worthwhile results in such capacity which you are best suited for.

Your natural inclinations are to render service to humanity where sympathy and thoughtfulness is required. As I gaze into the specimen of your handwriting I can readily see that you have not attained your objective in life. It would be well however, that you consider the lilies of the field, how they grow, all the birds of the air neither sow nor reap

yet they are able to enjoy the beauties of God's universe. They don't appear to worry or express any anxiety over tomorrow.

I suggest that you concentrate your interest upon the living philosophy of life. Remember, Bewildered, there is abundance of everything in this world for you and me, and if we want any of those things which are necessary for our needs, we like the birds have got to search in the fields beyond, where the grass grows green.

Dear Mr. Strange,

Kindly give me reading of my hand writing.

MIRAMICHI GUIDE.

Your handwriting submitted for analysis reveals the characteristics of the genial and jovial personality. There is no sign or condition suggestive of melancholy or gloom. You are the type of person that automatically assumes the role of promoter and leader. In the event of social functions you are recognized as the life of the party and also master of ceremonies. You are quite tall, with a large head and hands. You are endowed with a remarkable degree of imagination, and should you fail to accomplish your purpose in one way, you readily find ways and means to obtain your objective. I notice further from your handwriting your extreme respect for honesty and loyalty. In reference to faults you are inclined to serve every one that may have occasion to cross your path. You are quite a sport and place as little value on a dollar bill as the average man does on fresh air.

### Motor Carrier

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is paid for by a Board of School Trustees or the Province or both, or

(b) While engaged only in carrying mails, or

(c) While engaged only in carrying passengers to or from any train, ship, boat or aeroplane, for trips not exceeding 10 miles, one way; or

(d) While used exclusively on the construction of any funeral, provision or municipal work; or

(e) While used exclusively for the transportation of the products of the farm, forest or mines of the Province or of fish caught in the waters of or contiguous to the province; or

(f) Hired, on a single contract, for the conveyance of passengers and their luggage for one trip or one trip and return to, from or in any part of the Province; provided that nothing in this exemption is to be construed as giving the owner of such vehicle permission to establish a regular service; or

(g) Being a public motor bus neither owned nor registered in the Province carrying passengers on organized tours though or around the Province; provided that no passenger is picked up or set down in the Province; or

(h) Being a public motor truck, registered outside the Province and operating in the Province within 15 miles of the boundary line between this Province and the State of Maine or Province of Nova Scotia or Quebec for the delivery of goods or chattels brought into the Province by such public motor truck or for conveying out of the Province goods or chattels picked up within such 15-mile limit; provided the State or Province from which such public motor truck entered this Province grants substantially similar privileges to public motor trucks registered in this Province.

## Classified Ads

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## A Special Meeting of the Fredericton BOARD OF TRADE will be held on

Thursday Evening, April 29th, at 7.30 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL.

All members are requested to be present as several matters of importance will be dealt with. Decision on suggestions as to suitable recognition of the Coronation.

ALEX. MURRAY, Secretary, Fredericton Board of Trade.



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