

Action of Council Questioned

Rescinding of Motion Illegal, Is Contention Of "Daylight Savers"

Mayor Kitchen Refuses Request of Supporters of New Time to Bring Daylight Saving Into Effect Here Today

UNCONSTITUTIONAL CLAIM

Advocates of "More Daylight" Contend Council's Action Direct Violation of Section 27 of Laws Governing Civic Meetings

ANOTHER constitutional crisis is appearing on the civic political horizon, according to the observations of several prominent citizens who question the legality of the action of the city council in rescinding the motion which authorized the adoption of daylight time here on June 26th. It was contended that such action was constitutionally wrong, inasmuch as it was direct violation of Section 27 of the by-law relating to city council meetings.

Mayor G. W. Kitchen was approached by a delegation of citizens today which asked that daylight time be adopted today, June 26th, so that the legality of question be carried. The chief magistrate, who is chairman of the special committee which ratified the action of the council in rescinding the motion, stated at noon today that the decision will not be changed and DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME will not go into effect here this summer. The committee recommended that a plebiscite to decide future action be held on January 2nd, the date of the annual civic election.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL

The supporters of the new time, who are protesting the council's action in rescinding the motion, contend that the act was unconstitutional. The by-law governing such procedure is as follows:

After any question, except one of indefinite postponement, has been decided, any member who voted thereon in the affirmative may, on the same or first meeting thereafter, move for a reconsideration thereof; but no discussion of a main question shall be allowed unless reconsidered, and there may be no reconsideration unless notice of same be given at the meeting at which the main motion carried. (Continued on Page Five)

A & B Club Hold Annual Supper

The annual smoker and lobster dinner of the A & B Club took place last evening at the clubhouse. President R. L. Phillips was chairman at the function which was attended by 40 members and guests. The highlights of the evening were addresses by Professor R. E. Balch and J. H. Malcom.

Prof. Balch spoke on the canker worms and their destructive results to our elm trees, while Mr. Malcom spoke on the destruction to the softwood forests of the Gaspe coast by the spruce saw-fly. Both addresses were very well given and were topics of deep interest to the assembled party.

At the close of the meeting, a vote of thanks was moved to Prof. Balch and Mr. Malcom by Alderman S. F. Mundle, and seconded by Leon Thurott.

WILL PREVENT MARKETING OF WORMY FRUIT

N. B. Advisory Board Passes Important Resolution

"That this meeting of the New Brunswick Apple Maggot Advisory Committee favours and respectfully requests the adoption by the Government of New Brunswick of a regulation under the Injurious Insect and Pest Act, similar to those now in force in Nova Scotia, Quebec, and Ontario, to prohibit the sale or offering for sale within the Province of New Brunswick apples affected with the insect known as the Apple Maggot or Railroad Worm and ask that such regulations be prepared and announced in advance of the opening of the 1937 apple crop marketing season."

The foregoing resolution was passed at the second meeting of the New Brunswick Apple Maggot Advisory Committee held recently at Cossar Farm, Lower Gagetown.

Those present were W. W. Hubbard, Burton, Chairman; W. B. Gilman and F. L. Noble, Springhill; William Coburn, Keswick; George Dingee, Gagetown; John J. Jackson, Lower Gagetown; F. E. McAlpine, Upper Hampstead; A. G. Turney, Provincial Horticulturist; C. W. Maxwell, of the Dominion Entomological Branch; and Inspector H. A. Slipp.

The work of administration of the Maggot Control Regulations was reviewed to date and methods of control were discussed. The necessity of following the control measures as to spraying apple trees was emphasized.

Correspondence with other provinces, in regard to control measures and regulations and the prohibition of sale on local markets of Maggot infested apples, was read and discussed.

RAISES LEVEL

The recent rainfall resulted in raising the level of the river about eleven inches. The present height of the water is within four feet of the low level during the summer.

LIEUT.-GOVERNOR VISITS MINING TOWN YESTERDAY

Attending Unveiling of Monument at Scotchtown

Lieutenant-Governor Murray MacLaren, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Margaret MacLaren, and his secretary and aide-de-camp, Major T. C. Barker, visited Minto yesterday afternoon. The governor inspected the Girl Guides and Boy Scouts and also addressed the pupils of the school. Miss MacLaren addressed the guides.

The party also visited the North Minto School, where the pupils were addressed by the Lieutenant-Governor. He was given a cordial welcome, an address being presented by Donald King, a pupil in the primary grade. Later they were entertained at a tea at the summer cottage of Major W. C. Lawson, M.L.A., and Mrs. Lawson at Grand Lake.

A public reception was held last

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TODAY'S MARKET

New potatoes made their first appearance in the market here this morning, commanding an extremely high price. Strawberries took a sudden drop from last Wednesday when the price was 30 cents per quart and sold today as low as 10 cents per quart. A large quantity of fish was on hand, with pickerel and fresh haddock making their first appearance. The prevailing prices were:

Wild strawberries, 35c per qt.
Cultivated strawberries, 10c qt.
Lettuce, 5c per bunch.
Iceberg lettuce, 15c per head.
New onions 5c per bunch.
New beets 15c per bunch.
Rhubarb, 2c. per pound.
Radish 5c per bunch.
Tomato plants 50c per doz.
Annuals, 25c per doz.
Eggs, 25c to 30c. per doz.
Butter, 22c. per pound.
Chicken 40c per pound.
Fowl 25c per pound.
Lamb, 20c and 28c.
Veal 6c and 10c.
Pork, 10 and 12c.
Salmon, 18c. per pound.
Pickerel, 10c. per pound.
Haddock, 10c. per pound.
New potatoes, 10 pound basket, 70c.
Old potatoes, \$1.50.
Young pigs, \$2.00.
Wood \$7.00 per cord.

MUST TAKE STEPS TO PROTECT TREES, SAYS PROFESSOR

Action Needed if City Elms are to be Preserved

If the citizens of Fredericton wish to preserve the beautiful shade trees which line the city streets, they must take immediate steps for their protection, stated Professor R. E. Balch, in charge of the Dominion Entomological Laboratory here, last evening. The occasion was an informal supper meeting at the quarters of the Fredericton Automobile & Boating Club.

In the course of his remarks, Prof. Balch outlined at some length the life cycle and destructive activities of the fall canker worm. This is the creature which has seriously ravaged the foliage of the elm trees in and about the city during the present spring. Means of combatting this scourge were also suggested.

The fall canker worm is subject to periodic fluctuations but these have not yet been clearly defined. During the past seven years, however, they have shown an annual increase in this district.

The adult canker worm is a moth. The male is winged and the female is wingless. The deposit eggs on the trunks and limbs of trees each October and these hatch the following spring. Some of the newly hatched larvae are blown away but many stay and feed on the tree, on which they are hatched. This feeding is responsible for the present leafless condition of the elms noted hereabout. The worms mature about the middle of June and drop to the ground on a silken thread. Then they burrow into the earth and lie dormant throughout the summer. As stated, the mating season occurs in October. At that time the females crawl up the tree trunks, lay their eggs and die. Annual survival at the present time, Prof. Balch stated, sufficient to indicate a continuation of the outbreak.

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News Briefs

TO MONTREAL ON BUSINESS

Alderman W. R. Cawdron left yesterday afternoon for Montreal, on a business trip. He will return to the city Tuesday.

ON VACATION

Ernest B. VanDine, former local boy who is now located in New York City, returned to spend a short vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. VanDine, today. Mr. VanDine became most favorably known through his extra-curricular activities while an under-graduate of the University of New Brunswick. For a time after graduation he was attached to the editorial staff of the Fredericton Daily Mail.

WORKING ON STREETS

Operations have been begun in different parts of the city, preparing the streets for paving which will be done during the latter part of the summer. Crews have been at work on Saunders Street, moving telephone and electric light poles, crews are also at work moving several hydrants. Ditching is being done on George Street, in preparation of laying curbing.

ALLOWED FREEDOM

John Hughes, who appeared in court yesterday charged with theft of a canoe was allowed his freedom when he appeared in court again yesterday afternoon. The trouble arose from the fact that he had been loaned a canoe, and when it was called for by the owner, he said that it had gone adrift with the spring ice. He explained that it was said in joke.

ALTERATIONS

Extensive alterations are to be made on the Bank of Nova Scotia building here, according to information learned from a reliable source this morning. The details of the proposed construction are not yet available, but it is understood that the program will be an extensive one. There is some question as to whether the work will proceed this summer, but it is believed that in all probability the work will get underway in the near future.

EFFICIENCY OF THE FREDERICTON FIRE FIGHTERS AND URGENT NEED FOR ADEQUATE LADDER EQUIPMENT REVEALED IN FIRE DRILL ON CHURCH BUILDING

Present Apparatus Not Adequate to Meet Required Needs Citizens Concerned

The lack of proper fire-fighting facilities in Fredericton is the cause of considerable comment among the citizens, who view the situation with alarm. As was proven on several occasions, the present equipment is incomplete and inadequate to cope with a major fire, particularly if the blaze happened to break out in any of the higher buildings. Last evening's fire drill by members of the department revealed the efficiency of the fire-fighters, but as one official pointed out this morning, also revealed the need of added equipment.

The proposal to purchase a motorized ladder truck has been under consideration for the past few weeks. The fire committee is handling the matter and, it is understood, are taking immediate action in that regard. Citizens generally favor the proposed purchase, and any action in that regard will have the endorsement of the council and the citizenry as a whole.

Although the fire committee has not definitely decided on the type of equipment to be purchased, it is understood that the members are considering purchasing a truck chassis with the view of having the ladder equipment added. The decision will likely be made next week, it was learned on reliable authority this morning.

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WHITES PURCHASE FIREWATER FOR REDMEN IS CHARGE

Indian Agent Begins a Drive to "Clean-up" Situation

Commission liquor, found on the person of Fred Paul, who was arrested last night on the charge of drunkenness, has started a "clean-up" drive which will get at the source of supply to Indians of this district. Arrested last evening on the Devon reserve, Paul carried a bottle of government labelled liquor, giving definite proof that the Indians have ways of getting liquor which is denied them under the existing Indian act.

R. Lee MacCutcheon, district Indian agent stated today drinking among the Indians has been reduced to a minimum within the last two years. Most of the drunkards which did exist, was due to the home manufacture of brew; but due to a close check up, this practice has almost totally disappeared. The new menace, and one which Mr. MacCutcheon says is much more serious, is in the fact that whites are purchasing liquor for the Indians from the government store. While the source

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The Horticultural Society will hold a Garden Meeting at the Experimental Station tomorrow, June 27, at 4.00 p.m.

Firemen Ready For Action in Eight Minutes

Chief Stresses Need

The efficiency of the Fredericton Fire Department, under the capable leadership of Fire Chief Karl Walker, was strikingly demonstrated last evening in a fire drill at Wilmot United Church. Within a few seconds less than eight minutes after the alarm was sounded, the apparatus and the fire fighters were on the scene ready for action. Ladders were raised and four lines of hose were in readiness to extinguish the mythical blaze.

The edifice, probably the largest wooden structure in the city, was efficiently "covered" on all angles by the fire fighters. However, the ladder equipment was hopelessly inadequate in the event that a fire occurred in a building of the size of the church. The extension ladders barely reached the roof of the building, while the equipment was inadequate to reach the top of the towering steeple.

The efficiency of the department members has been well demonstrated on many occasions. With the purchase of the necessary equipment, the local department would be among the finest in Eastern Canada. Fire Chief Walker stressed the need of a ladder apparatus today, pointing out that the purchase of such was an absolute necessity for proper fire protection of property. With the addition of a motorized ladder truck the entire department will be completely mechanized, thus doing away with the present horse-drawn apparatus.