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Weather: Fair and cold tonight and Tuesday

EUROPEAN COUNTRIES HAVE BE-COME WHEAT SELF SUSTAINING

Civic Campaign in This City Warming Up in Earnest

Citizen's Party Is Composed Of Former Aldermen Seeking Re-election

A YEAR'S GOOD RECORD

Neither Ticket Has Proclaimed Its Platform — Campaign Headquarters

That the ticket composed of His Worship Mayor G. Willard Kitchen and Aldermen Murray E. Hagerman, W. R. Crewdson, Dr. B. R. Ross and Ivan McKnight, and Walter H. Vail will be known as the Citizens Party is the announcement made today. On this ticket Mayor Kitchen and the different aldermen mentioned are seeking re-election for another two years. Mr. Vail is running for the seat made vacant by former Alderman T. E. Doolan who has moved to Malden, Mass.

Mayor Kitchen is being opposed by C. Hedley Forbes a former Alderman. Alderman McKnight in Kings Ward is opposed by Roland G. Loughlin. Alderman Dr. B. R. Ross in Carleton Ward has opposition in the person of Dr. H. S. Wright a former opponent whom he defeated two years ago by a large majority. In Queens Ward Mr. Vail is opposed by Dr. A. W. G. Good. Both these candidates are new men in civic politics.

Whilst neither party has yet announced its platform it is anticipated that the contest which closes on January tenth will be one of the hottest campaigns in many years.

It is anticipated that the present Citizens Party which is mostly composed of Aldermen whose term have now expired will pursue the policy carried out by the council last year. The present City Council whilst it pursued an extensive construction in regard to paved streets and concrete sidewalks during the year was able to do this while cutting the tax rate from \$2.90 to \$2.82 and reducing the tax arrearages from \$179,000 to approximately one hundred thousand in the same connection reducing the interest in the bank. Under the city council the city today occupies one of the best positions of any city in Canada, as was shown at a recent conference of the Mayors of Canadian cities held at Ottawa.

The Council went strongly on record as opposed to the Police Commission, and in this it is generally believed it has the support of ninety per cent of the citizens of Fredericton. The citizens will now have an opportunity to express by their votes at the polls whether they wish the police commission retained, or if they wish it abolished as is advocated. The question has been discussed thoroughly in the press and the matter will now probably be put before the citizens in a practical way when the

PASSENGERS WILL SEE 1938 CHASE THE OLD YEAR OUT

(Special to The Daily Mail)

NEW YORK, Dec. 27—Going South for a much-needed rest, Hon. Ian MacKenzie, Minister of National Defence, sailed tonight aboard the C. P. liner Empress of Britain on a Christmas and New Year's cruise to the West Indies.

For 12 days, during which he will visit Jamaica, the Panama Canal zone and Havana, the Defence Minister will be able to forget the cares of office in carefree cruise atmosphere aboard the liner. The ship returns to New York January 6.

Another notable personage aboard the Empress when she sailed at 10 p.m. tonight, was none other than Santa Claus, who, in vivid scarlet robe and venerable whiskers and shouldering a huge bag of Xmas gifts, visited every part of the ship exchanging greetings with passengers and visitors.

There were many Canadians among the Empress' holiday cruise passengers. They will spend New Year's Eve steaming from the Canal Zone to Havana and will see the Baby 1938 come aboard the ship to chase the Old Year out—beneath a setting of a starry tropic sky.

Citizen's Party announce their platform.

There is some talk of certain candidates and their friends introducing party politics into the campaign with the idea of using this for their own future advancement along political lines. If this is the case it is to be regretted and will not be appreciated by the citizens generally who believe in keeping civic affairs free from party politics.

It is understood that the Citizens Party will open campaign headquarters in the Phoenix Apartments in Phoenix Square and that the party will put up a vigorous campaign.

Those opposing the present aldermen have not yet announced their platform nor have they announced the particulars of their campaign.

2-CENT PAPER DISAPPEARING IN NORTH AMERICA

Survey Shows Three-Cent Price To Be Predominant On This Continent

NEW YORK, Dec. 27—The American Newspaper Publishers' Association has just made a survey of prices at which 375 representative daily newspapers throughout the continent are sold to the public. The survey shows a marked trend to higher prices. 148 of the 375 papers having increased their rates within the last two years. This trend follows a substantial increase in all major costs of production, including wages and newsprint.

It is significant that 369 out of the 375 papers surveyed are now selling at 3 cents a copy or more. A surprising number sell at 5 cents and a few at 4 cents. The figures are: 66 papers, selling price 2c. 217 papers, selling price 3c. 4 papers, selling price 4c. 88 papers, selling price 5c. The day of the 2-cent newspaper is fast disappearing on the North American Continent.

A Happy Christmas

CHRISTMAS Day in Fredericton was a happy one. In fact throughout Canada and United States, citizens had the happiness of enjoying a happy day in peace and contentment in the midst of their families and surrounded with the comforts of home. Volumes of greetings and expressions of sentiments of kindness and friendship added not a little to the enjoyment of the festive season.

Never yet did such a multitude of Christmas mail, especially Christmas greetings in the form of Christmas cards, enter Canadian homes throughout the length and breadth of the country. These Christmas cards mean much. They represent a sentiment of friendship and thought from relatives and friends and remind us that the sweet message of "Peace on Earth Good Will to Men" is still with us.

Families, relatives and friends were together in happy homes, many of which were beautifully decorated for the occasion. The artistic electrical displays both in the interior and exterior of homes were more beautiful than ever, in fact Fredericton is once again placed on top of the list for having beautiful Christmas displays which the whole public enjoy. The Community Christmas tree was much admired.

The generosity of the various organizations of the city in remembering others is something to be highly commended. No one in Fredericton went without a Christmas dinner and all the fixings. No child was forgotten by Santa Claus. All praise to those who were responsible for this happy state of affairs.

Fredericton was the only city East of Boston to present a civic broadcast which was most enjoyable. The musical numbers, readings were of the best and the speeches were happy ones.

One of the outstanding numbers on the radio programs of Christmas Eve was the greetings sent by parents and friends to their loved ones who are in the Far North. These messages came over the air shortly after midnight on Christmas Eve and were a source of delight not only to sons, daughters and even parents who are devoting their life to the welfare of the Eskimos and other citizens in the Arctic Circle, but were also of great interest to listeners who took the trouble to sit up and be witnesses to the words of love and greetings exchanged between members of families who were separated on Christmas Day by many thousands of miles. But best of all was the consciousness that our happy country is at peace, that her boundaries are not torn by invaders of war as is the case in so many unfortunate countries. Let us thank God that Canada is still enjoying the blessings of peace. May she continue to enjoy this blessing and may the peace that surpasseth all understanding extend to all other countries of the world so that before another Christmas comes around that they will also enjoy the same contentment that was the lot of Canadians on Christmas Day 1937.

ONE OF SEVEN CHIN. CAPITALS FALLS TO JAPS

(Special to The Daily Mail)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 27—The city of Sinao, one of the seven provincial capitals of China, has fallen to the Japanese. Reports state that very little resistance was offered by the Chinese. It is thought that Sinao, one of the chief ports, will fall today.

Christmas Greetings To Former Frederictonians In the Arctic

Citizens of Fredericton who listened to the Christmas greetings sent over the airwaves to members of their families and friends who are stationed near the Arctic Circle, were well repaid by the hour's entertainment. The messages came from Fredericton, Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Vancouver and many other points in Canada for the benefit of listeners-in from the Far North through the courtesy of the C.B.C. Of special interest to Frederictonians was the message sent by Miss Frances Crocker, of Saint John, daughter of Mrs. J. B. Crocker, of this city to her cousin, Miss Mary Crocker, Anglican missionary at Atlatvik. Mrs. Walter Neilson sent greetings to her brother-in-law, Rev. George I.



HON. W. D. EULER Minister of Trade and Commerce, who reported entire wheat output sold.

Neilson, at Lake Harbor, Bagin Land. Another interesting message was sent to John FitzRandolph, who formerly resided in this city with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles FitzRandolph. Christmas greetings were sent by his father and brother, Geoffrey, Montreal, and from his mother from Ottawa. John FitzRandolph who was very popular and favorably known in Fredericton is now located at Baffin Land and is on the staff of the R.C.M.P. He took an active part in the work of the Boy Scouts at St. Dunstan's Church.

Sir Douglas Hazen Passed Away, Saint John This Morning

Former Premier, Dominion Cabinet Minister, and Chief Justice Dies Full of Years and Honors

FORMER FREDERICTON MAYOR

Distinguished Graduate of The University of New Brunswick

(Special to The Daily Mail)

SANTA CLAUS WAS WELCOMED ON SHIP BY SMALL TOTS

MONTREAL, Dec. 25 — Christmas was celebrated in a novel fashion by little Miss Paula Ragg, for she has forsaken the sultry climate of her native Fiji for the much more chilly atmosphere of Canada, and still another thrill the young lady was enjoying was that of spending the holiday aboard an ocean liner. For Paula was aboard the Canadian Pacific liner Montröse en route from Saint John to Glasgow and Liverpool, and joined the other kiddies on the ship in the children's Christmas party held when the Montröse reached Halifax Christmas afternoon.

Although he had been in failing health for the past couple of years the immediate cause of his death was pneumonia which developed Christmas Eve.

THE MINTO STRIKE

No instructions have yet been received from Ottawa regarding the manner in which the Conciliation Board will be carried on, nor is any word available as to who will act as Chairman, according to H. B. Colwell, a member of the Board speaking to The Daily Mail today. Major W. J. Lawson and G. F. Smith, M.L.A.'s for Sunbury and Dr. McGrand and Dr. Jenkins, M.L.A.'s for Queens County, joined in contributing \$500 towards Christmas relief for the children and families of the Minto miners.

SAINT JOHN, Dec. 27—The death of Sir Douglas Hazen, former Chief Justice of New Brunswick took place at one o'clock this morning at his home here.

Although he had been in failing health for the past couple of years the immediate cause of his death was pneumonia which developed Christmas Eve.

Sir Douglas Hazen was born in Oromocto seventy-seven years ago, and was the son of James King Hazen and Elizabeth Beckwith Hazen, his mother being a daughter of the late Hon. John A. Beckwith. He was of United Loyalist descent.

After attending the Collegiate School in Fredericton J. D. Hazen graduated in Arts from the University of New Brunswick in 1879. Following this he studied law and was in partnership with the late John Black in this city for several years. From 1888 to 1889 he was Mayor of Fredericton resigning his seat in the latter year to move to Saint John where he continued to reside up to the time of his death except for a period when he was Minister of Marine and Fisheries in the Dominion Cabinet at Ottawa. He was Registrar of the University of New Brunswick from 1882 to 1890 and was also at different times a member of the University Senate. In 1891 Mr. Hazen was elected M.P. for Saint John and continued to sit in the Dominion House of Commons until the general elections of 1896. In 1889 he was elected M.L.A. for Sunbury County and was leader of the Conservative Opposition in the Legislature until 1908 when he led his party to victory in this province and became Premier and Attorney General. In that same year he received the Honorary De-

Millions of Dollars Made by the Wheat Board is Expected Report

1937 Operations Wipe Out Treasury Loan Of \$15,856,000, and Surplus Is Expected By Officials

OTTAWA, Dec. 27—A profit of several millions of dollars on operations of the Canadian Wheat Board will be reported in the Budget address of Hon. Charles A. Dunning when Parliament opens.

This year's operations, it is expected, will entirely wipe out the loan of \$15,856,000 made by the Federal Treasury to the Wheat Board in 1935. Last year, in his Budget address, the Finance Minister reported a profit of \$8,000,000 on wheat, which left a balance of more than \$7,000,000 still due the Treasury.

Since the last Budget the Wheat Board has disposed of well over 100,000,000 bus. of wheat at prices considerably higher than received for the sales of the previous year. Five months after the Budget was presented, there were \$2,667,891 bushels still on hand, but all this has been sold. A few weeks ago Hon. W. D. Euler, Min-

CHEAP-HOUSE CONTEST SPONSORED BY OTTAWA

Dunning Outlines Plan To Give Best Architectural Service to Families With Low Incomes

OTTAWA, Dec. 27—Finance Minister Charles A. Dunning announced tonight the Federal Government would conduct a competition to obtain designs for low-cost houses.

The contest will be open to architects across Canada and successful candidates will be paid \$250 for their designs. These, in turn, will be made available to the public at a nominal fee of \$10.

Prime object of the scheme is to give Canadian families in the lower income brackets the skill and service of the best architects in the country. The architects will be asked to submit designs for houses costing not more than \$2,500 in British Columbia and not more than \$3,000 in Ontario and other parts of the country. From the designs submitted not less than five and not more than ten plans will be purchased.

IN THE NEWS



HON. C. A. DUNNING, who is expected to announce a profit.

BOYS AND GIRLS WINNERS IN THE PRIZE CONTEST

The winners of the prizes in the Boys' and Girls' Contest which was sponsored by the Ross Drug United Stores have been announced as follows: Margaret Gilby Franklin Corbin, Marilyn Wheeler, Patricia Wright, Lillian Machum, Joan Blewly, Sharron Chalmers, H. Patricia Donovan, Abby Sauson, Goodrich Brannen, Clarence Albright, John Coveney, Roderick Violette and Billy Boyd. The votes secured by the boys and girls were obtained through purchases made at the stores by relatives and friends and were based on popularity with the help of thoughtful purchasers on behalf of the boys and girls.

DIED AT DALHOUSIE

S. L. J. Clifford, well known Dalhousie druggist, who passed away at that town on Christmas Day, was the father-in-law of Louis Aliea, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Allen, of this city. Mr. Clifford was prominent in business, fraternal and social circles in the North Shore town.

Free of LL.D. from the University of New Brunswick.

In 1911 he joined the Cabinet of Rt. Hon. R. D. Borden as Minister of Marine and Fisheries and continued in that office until he was appointed Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. During his term as Minister of Marine he was largely responsible in having Saint John made into a national port. In 1918 the Knighthood was conferred on Sir Douglas who was given the K.C.M.G. by His Majesty the King. He retired later from the position of Chief Justice of the province.

Sir Douglas is survived by his widow Lady Hazen of Saint John and by one son D. King Hazen. Sir Douglas had a son who made the supreme sacrifice in the Great War. Mrs. George W. Allen who passed away in this city a couple of years ago was a sister, and Mrs. Elizabeth Hazen the aged mother of Sir Douglas died here about two years ago. Miss Edith Hazen Allen M.A. of the Provincial

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"For the last two years the department has been endeavoring to stimulate the construction of low-cost houses to encourage improvements in the quality and soundness of construction of such houses and to secure economies which would reduce the cost to the lowest practicable minimum," said Mr. Dunning.

The Board of Judges consists of the following: Madame Pierre Casgrain, Montreal; H. E. Gates, F.R.A.I.C., Halifax, N.S.; Antoine Monette, D.P.L.G.F., Montreal; A. S. Mathers, M.R.A.I.C., Toronto; Prof. Milton S. Osborne, F.R.A.I.C., Winnipeg; William Bow, M.R.A.I.C., Vancouver; and F. W. Nicholls, M.R.A.I.C., Director of the Housing Branch, Department of Finance, Ottawa.

All plans must be mailed to the Department of Finance on or before Jan. 24, 1938.