

## News Briefs

### PALMS DISTRIBUTED

Yesterday morning in the Catholic Churches throughout the diocese, palms were blessed and distributed to the congregation.

### ILL WITH QUINZY

Friends will regret to hear that Mrs. C. C. Camp has been confined to her home for the past week with quinzy. Her condition today is improved.

### STILL ALARM

The fire department answered a call yesterday morning at 6.30 to the residence of Percy True, Regent St., where a slight blaze in the chimney was extinguished before much damage resulted.

### ATTENDED CONFERENCE

J. H. Conlon, member of the Department of Municipal and Federal Affairs, returned to the city during the week-end from Ottawa. While in the federal capital he attended the sessions of the annual conference of the Union of Canadian Municipalities.

### IN THE POLICE COURT

Two local men appeared before Magistrate Limerick this morning in the Police Court, both charged with drunkenness. They pleaded guilty, and were sentenced to pay a fine of eight and ten dollars respectively, or in default of payment thirty days in jail.

### FATHER ILL

Frank Dorhan was called here from Saint John, due to the serious illness of his father, Jack Dorhan, who is seriously ill with pneumonia at the Victoria Public Hospital. Mr. Dorhan's condition today shows some improvement.

### ELECTS SPEEDY TRIAL

Donald Trecarten, who appeared before Magistrate Limerick for preliminary examination on the alleged charge of theft of goods from two camps at Skiff Lake, some time ago, and was sent up for trial in the County Court, has elected trial under the Speedy Trials Act, and will appear tomorrow morning before Judge A. R. Slipp in the County Court Chambers here.

### TO BE TRIED WEDNESDAY

Gordon Fallon of McAdam, who has been confined to the York County jail here, for the past several days, will be taken to McAdam on Wednesday morning, where he will be tried before Magistrate Craig in the McAdam police court on the alleged violation of Section 273 of the Criminal Code. Fallon allegedly fired two shots at his friend Daniel Brennan, who also resides at McAdam.

### TO ATTEND CORONATION

Sergeant W. S. McKnight and Sergeant-Major Clynick are among those selected to comprise the Canadian contingent to take part in the military ceremonies in connection with the Coronation of His Majesty King George VI in May. Sergeant McKnight, who is at present engaged in engineering work on the Tobique-Rensou road, is the son of George McKnight. Sergeant-Major Clynick is the son of Mrs. Clynick and the late George Clynick of this city.

### FUNERAL YESTERDAY

The funeral of the late George A. Currie was held yesterday afternoon with prayers at the home at Oromocto, followed by service at the United Church there, conducted by Rev. Mr. Sulston. The high esteem in which the deceased was held was evidenced by the large attendance at the services, and the many beautiful floral tributes. The pallbearers were Wm. Merritt, Charles Bliss, Walter McCrea, Frank Smith, Clyde Johnston and J. West Smith. The chief mourners were Mrs. Annie Currie, Mrs. J. Hufbell, Miss Annie Currie, Miss Jane Currie, Miss Beatrice Currie, Oscar Currie, Edward Currie, Wm. Currie, Bruce Murray. Interment was made at the Burton cemetery.

### IS TRANSFERRED

J. C. G. Cook, manager of the Royal Bank at Fredericton Junction for upwards of 17 years, was banqueted by the Masonic Brethren of Sunbury Lodge No. 42, on the eve of his departure for Dorchester, where he will take over managerial duties of the bank's branch there. Mr. Cook was presented with a handsome Masonic ring, accompanied by an address. David Mersereau made the presentation on behalf of the Masonic Brethren. The chairman's address was supplemented by the following speakers who spoke touchingly on the departure of Mr. Cook, E. I. Snell, H. W. Atkinson, H. H. Stuart, Earl Tracy, James McCracken, H. C. Carlson, T. Earl Nason, Ernest Nason, Lemuel Nason and Ernest Mersereau. Refreshments were served at the close of the address.

## NORMAL SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS TO RETIRE SOON

Reported Dr. H. H. Hagerman and Major F. A. Good to Take Pensions

### Popular Teachers

Both Have Given Province Good Service For Years

It is reported that there is to be a number of important changes in the Provincial Normal School staff in the near future and that the close of the present term will witness the retirement on a pension of Dr. H. H. Hagerman who has been connected with the school for many years and who has been the efficient principal since the death of the late Dr. H. V. B. Bridges.

It is also stated that Major Frank A. Good who has for several years been science teacher at the Normal School will also retire within the next few months.

Both gentlemen, for many years, have given good service to the province in the teaching profession. Dr. Hagerman who is a graduate of the University of New Brunswick was previous to taking a position on the Normal School, connected with the Fredericton School. Previous to that again he was principal of the Charlotte Street School. Students all over the province have a kindly remembrance of Dr. Hagerman, and if he decides to retire from his present position he will do so with the very best wishes of the public especially with those who have been connected with him in educational affairs.

Major Good who attended Normal School in the same class with R. B. Bennett, late Premier of Canada, has done years of faithful service in the public schools of this province. Previous to coming to Fredericton he was principal of the Broadway School in Woodstock. He left the Fredericton High School to accept a position on the Normal School staff. Like Dr. Hagerman, Mr. Good has been a faithful and popular teacher. He has been a couple of years ago to friends that he intended retiring this year and devoting his attention to his Kingsclear farm which contains the famous "one tree orchard."

## RENOVATION OF BUILDINGS UNDER HOUSING PLAN

Scheme Permits Home Owners to Borrow Up to \$2,000

During the coming summer, many buildings will be renovated and extended in this city, and surrounding districts, under the Home Improvement plan. Not everyone is familiar with the plan, and it is the purpose of this condensed article to enlighten those who are interested in the movement.

To begin with the Home Improvement Plan is one whereby any home owner in good credit standing, that is a person with a reputation for paying his or her bills promptly, can borrow up to \$2,000 for the purpose of building, renovating or beautifying a home.

The loan is made to borrowers for a period not exceeding three years, and each one is required to state the purpose for which the money is intended, and see that the money so loaned is used for the purpose stated.

The Minister of Finance, Hon. Charles A. Dunning, has made arrangements with different banks and finance companies whose business is to finance those who seek money under the plan. All that is necessary is to fill out an application form and a banker will provide. No mortgage is taken on the property of any home owner, but a promissory note must be signed by the person who obtains money under the plan. The loan is repaid by the borrower in equal monthly instalments over a period not exceeding three years, best suited to the financial condition of the borrower. A discount charge of 3 1/2 per cent. is charged for the use of the money for a one year loan, and proportionate rates for other periods. The plan is already in operation, and several homeowners in this locality are benefitting by it. We have every reason to believe that the movement will meet with success. In the words of Mr. Dunning, "home owners who put the plan into effect are aiding their community by taking men off the relief rolls and putting them back on payrolls."

## FREDERICTON LEADS ALL CITIES IN CANADA ACCORDING TO FINANCIAL REPORT PRESENTED AT CONFERENCE

Ratio of Total Net Debt on Taxable Properties is 5.48 Per Cent. --- Lowest Rate Shown On Statistical Statement

### Mayor G. W. Kitchen Returns Home

Maritime Delegates to Mayors' Conference Not in Favor of Resolution Relative to Transfer of Relief Administration Costs

"FINANCIALLY, Fredericton ranks foremost among all cities in Canada," said His Worship Mayor G. Willard Kitchen, referring to the statistical statement presented at the Ottawa convention of the Union of Canadian Municipalities, showing the financial status of the various cities and towns in the Dominion. According to the statistic data presented at the conference by A. Goldenburg, Fredericton's ratio of total net debt of taxable properties is 5.48 per cent. This was the lowest percentage shown in the report, the highest being 57 per cent.

Mayor Kitchen returned to the city from Ottawa where he attended the conference. There were about 200 delegates present, representative of the majority of cities and towns in Canada, Mayor Kitchen said. Many problems relative to municipal administration were dealt with and several important resolutions presented to the Dominion Parliament.

A resolution pertaining to relief was strongly opposed by Maritime delegates, Mayor Kitchen said. The resolution asked that the Dominion government bear the entire costs of municipal relief administration. Delegates from the Maritime Provinces protested the resolution on the grounds that the seaside provinces should be asked to assist in the costs of administering relief to other provinces in Canada.

### Not Serious Problem

As Mayor Kitchen pointed out this morning, relief administration in the Maritimes is not as serious a problem as it is in Central Canada and Western Canada, and therefore the lower provinces should not be required to share in the costs of relief for other sections of Canada. The resolution was presented to parliament last Thursday and no decision has yet been given.

### Town Planning

Town Planning was one of the important items included on the agenda of the conference, Mayor Kitchen said. He expressed himself in favor of the "plan," and stated that it is a matter in which the local council is much interested. He intimated that the scheme would be considered by the local civic administration group during the present year.

Mayor Kitchen stated that there was evidence of improved business conditions in Upper Canada, although, he continued, the reports brought to the conference by delegates from the Western Provinces were indicative that conditions in that section of Canada were not greatly improved. Relief costs in the prairie provinces constituted a serious problem, he said, while unemployment apparently had not decreased to any noticeable extent. He expressed the view that the Maritimes were fortunate economically than the provinces in the western sections.

Mayor Kitchen will present a detailed report of the Ottawa conference at the next monthly meeting of the city council.

## VALEDICTORIAN OF 1937 GRADUATING CLASS SELECTED

Donald Ross, Engineering Student Chosen at Meeting Today

Donald Ross, Swansea, South Wales, civil engineering student at the University of New Brunswick, was elected valedictorian of the 1937 class of graduates at a meeting of the Senior Class executive held this morning. Other nominees included Horace Black and James Mallory. George Olts was chairman of the meeting.

Mr. Ross, who was formerly secretary-treasurer of the Students' Council, entered U.N.B. in the fall term of 1932. He enrolled in the civil engineering department and his scholastic career has been an outstanding one. The popular student was actively associated in the work of various students organizations and also took part in athletics. He was a member of the rugby squad last season, but was forced to retire from the game early in the season on account of injuries.

### Wins Scholarship

During his college career he won a scholarship awarded by the Young Men's Christian Association, and was also the winner of the Simon's prize in history. Mr. Ross is one of the most popular figures on the university campus and the selection of the Senior Class is being enthusiastically received by the student body in general.

Mr. Ross was absent from the university last year, having discontinued his studies to accept a position on the engineering staff of the Foundation Company of Canada, Limited. (Continued on Page Five)

## OPERATIONS IN WOODS NEARING COMPLETION HERE

Lumber Operators Report Largest Cut in Several Years

### Stream Driving

Several Million Feet Cut in Oromocto River Area

Lumber operations in this section of the province are rapidly nearing completion, according to reports received from the various parts of the upper Saint John river district during the week-end. Conditions were reported as being excellent in the woods, the light snow enabling the cutting operations to be carried on with difficulty. Lumbermen expressed the view there is enough snow in the woods for stream driving, which is expected to commence a few days after Easter. However, there is a possibility that river conditions will not permit "driving" at that time but the delay will not be more than seven or eight days.

According to all available reports, the lumber season has been far more successful than was first anticipated by lumber operators at the commencement of the season. Lack of snow earlier in the winter presented a discouraging outlook to lumbermen who predicted that the season would be a failure unless there was a drastic change in weather conditions. However, their fears were allayed in February when a considerable amount of snow fell, thus alleviating a condition which was causing much concern to those who had a large amount of capital involved in woods operations.

### Largest Cut

The arrival of the snow last month enabled hauling operations to be completed, and there is every indication that the season's cut will be milled and shipped without further hindrance. No official figures are available regarding the cut in this section, but it is believed to have been the largest in several seasons.

On the South Branch of the Oromocto about 2,000,000 feet have been cut, 1,200,000 by a crew of about 35 men under Robert Smith and 800,000 feet in small lots by residents in that vicinity for the River Valley Lumber Company.

On the North Branch of the Oromocto about 3,000,000 feet were cut—1,200,000 by Chester Smith for the River Valley Co., employing about 35 men; about 800,000 feet by Benjamin Smith for Fraser Companies, Ltd., employing 20 men, and 1,000,000 feet by Harry Brown at Fredericton Junction, employing about 30 men, for the River Valley Co.

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On the streams flowing in the Oromocto (Continued on Page Five)

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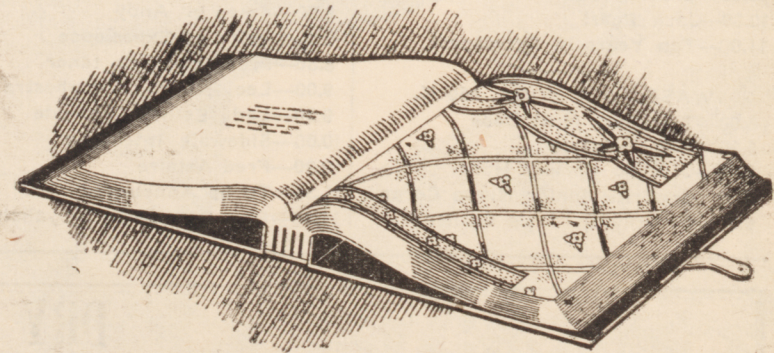
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