

News Briefs

GYMN DISPLAY

The Community "Y" will hold a gymnastic exhibition in the Brunswick Street gymnasium on April 15.

RUMMAGE SALE

A successful rummage sale was held this morning by the Ada Schlegel Memorial Circle of Wilmet United Church. Mrs. F. W. Harrison was general convener.

FIREMEN CALLED OUT

The firemen were called out last evening for a slight fire in the casting room of The Daily Mail office. The department was promptly on hand and the fire was extinguished without difficulty.

INFANT DIES

Carroll Anthony Fox, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd H. Fox, Zealand, N.B., passed away in the Victoria Public Hospital early this morning. The funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon.

IN MONTREAL HOSPITAL

Major W. V. Bruce, superintendent of "J" Division, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, is a patient in a Montreal hospital where he recently underwent a slight operation. It is expected that he will return here early next week.

CONTRACTORS HERE

About forty contractors, representing Upper Canadian construction firms, are registered at the Queen Hotel. They are here in connection with the tenders to be awarded for highway projects to be carried out by the provincial government this year. The date for receiving tenders closed today.

POST REWARD

The management of a local hardware firm posted a reward of \$25 for information leading to the recovery of about 500 pounds of scrap iron reported stolen from the yard of the firm's warehouse in the eastern end of the city. City police are investigating the theft.

TO INVESTIGATE BLAZE

Fire Chief Karl A. Walker stated last night that he would ask for an investigation into the alleged incendiary blazes in the small house owned by Sam Brown on Charlotte St. There have been two fires in the dwelling within the last three weeks. The matter will be brought to the attention of the provincial fire marshal, H. M. McLellan, Saint John.

CONDITION FAVORABLE

The condition of five-year-old Helen Howie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Howie, who is in the Victoria Public Hospital suffering from injuries, was reported today as being favorable. The little girl was playing with several other children, near the home of Mrs. A. McN. Astle, where a new ell is being added to the house. She fell face down and a nail entered her abdomen, striking the liver, it was reported.

HELD FOR DAMAGES

In connection with the incident at Devon on Thursday afternoon when a car driven by Donald Boyle ploughed through a fence on the property of Mrs. George Ward and crashed into the veranda of the house, it was reported that the owner of the property had seized the car with the intention of holding it pending settlement for damages to the property. A notice of "no trespassing" was posted on the property. However, the car was removed yesterday. The driver of the car was arrested following the accident, charged with driving while intoxicated. He was sentenced to serve 30 days in jail.

Fredericton Firefighters Approve Proposed Plan

The proposed organization of a Maine-New Brunswick Firemen's Association is meeting with the unanimous approval of local firefighters, while many other departments in the province are also keenly interested in the scheme. Last night the local department, which it was said, is breaking away from the Maritime Firemen's Association, appointed its president, D. W. Bailey to represent the organization at a meeting sponsored by the International Border Firemen's Association.

The Fredericton association, which voted to break away from the Maritime association, favors the new idea because it centralizes tournaments and does away with the big money premiums offered for prizes, it was pointed out.

President Bailey stated tonight he felt "quite confident that the association will go over." It is expected that up-river and southern New Brunswick delegates also will be present, as many have signified their intention of dropping out of the Maritime sphere, he said.

DISCUSS PLANS FOR CORONATION MASS MEETING

General Committee is Appointed at Session Yesterday

Fireworks Display

Will Distribute Medals To School Children--Other Plans

Preliminary plans for the observance of Coronation Week in this city was formulated at a mass meeting of citizens held yesterday afternoon in the city hall. Alderman F. S. Mundle, general chairman for the observance, presided and the meeting was largely attended by interested citizens. A general committee through which sub-committees will work was appointed and it was also decided to hold another public meeting next Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. D. W. Griffiths, C. H. Forbes, W. Hedley Wilson, Mrs. F. G. Foster, R.C.M.P. Inspector C. K. Gray, Miss Bertha Fletcher, Rev. Dr. J. H. Milligan, Rev. Geo. Telford, Mrs. J. B. Maxwell and Oscar Harris compose the general committee.

A parade will be held at 2 p.m. on Coronation Day, and a general survey will be made to discover the possible number of entries. In the morning there will be a community service at St. Paul's United Church and other services at St. Dunstan's Roman Catholic church and Christchurch Cathedral.

No Interference

All arrangements will be made so as not to conflict with a worldwide broadcast of proceedings in London.

Provided the provincial government will assume the expense of a fireworks display, this will feature the evening entertainment, it was said, in addition to various dances and balls sponsored by clubs and societies of the city.

The general committee also decided to distribute 2,100 coronation medals to school children.

Major J. P. Simon, R.C.O.C., district ordnance officer, will represent Brigadier L. F. Page, D.S.O., officer commanding Military District No. 7, at a church parade of militia officers of the Fredericton garrison on the morning of May 12, Coronation Day. The officers will attend the service at Christchurch Cathedral with Most Rev. J. A. Richardson, archbishop of Fredericton, preaching the sermon. Word of the attendance of Major Simon at the service has been received from Brigadier Page by Very Rev. Dean W. H. Moorhead.

Penniac Guides Makes First Catch of Season

Charles P. Wade, Penniac, who has been engaged for the last two weeks erecting a new fishing and hunting lodge near the mouth of Cain's river, returned home last evening. Previous to leaving camp Mr. Wade succeeded in landing a 12-pound salmon the first catch of the season this year. He also landed a couple of grilse. The point where the salmon was caught was in a 12-foot open space. The ice at this point is still solid, and there is six or seven inches of snow still in the wood in that section.

Mr. Wade has more parties engaged for this season than for several years previous. The first party of eight will arrive next week if the ice is out of the Cain's river. The Houghton party of New York which visits Cain's river each year is expected to arrive here on April 24.

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ALLEGED SALE OF INFERIOR GOODS CAUSE COMPLAINTS

Reported Dealers Are Selling Poor Quality Maple Products

"Watered" Syrup

Production So Far This Season Reported as Satisfactory

The alleged sale of inferior maple products by many dealers in this district is being strongly criticized by several producers in the Fredericton area, who contend there should be stricter enforcement of the regulations relative to the sale of these products. According to reports an inferior quality of syrup and sugar is being sold by certain dealers and this has brought complaints from many customers.

Questioned this morning, four or five farmers of this section, who attended today's market at Phoenix Square stated that the alleged sale of inferior products has a detrimental effect on the industry as a whole. As one producer stated "people who have been victimized once become suspicious and even refuse to buy genuine products." The chief complaint seems to be that certain producers are "watering" the syrup while their grade of maple sugar is also below the standard of quality.

It was pointed out by a prominent "sugar-maker" that one gallon of pure maple syrup weighs 13 pounds and two ounces. If the weight falls below this level, the syrup is of poor quality, he said. Whether or not the reports regarding the alleged sale of inferior quality products are based on authentic cases could not be definitely learned. However, it is known that many complaints have been received from various buyers who contend that the products purchased were of poor quality.

Season Favorable

The maple season this year has so far been very favorable, it was learned this morning. There is yet a considerable quantity of snow in the woods, a fact, which aids greatly in the making of the delicious products. One producer pointed out that sap continues to run and it is likely that the "peak" of the season will be reached next week. Sugar areas near the river are being somewhat affected by the loss of snow which is quickly melting. However, the more backward areas do not experience the same conditions and it is believed that the latter areas will show a better production.

LIST CHANGES IN MOTOR VEHICLE ACT IN PROVINCE

Important changes in the motor vehicle act in the province are noted in the notice published today over the signature of Hon. A. A. Dysart, premier and minister of public works. The changes were made during the recent session of the provincial legislature.

Among the changes noted is that limiting the number of passengers which may be carried by any truck. Not more than five passengers are permitted to be standing in the body or rack of any truck while in motion. Another requires all motor vehicles to be equipped with windshield wipers in good working order.

The maximum gross weight of any load and vehicle is limited to 18,000 pounds, of which not more than 13,000 pounds can be on any one axle and not less than 15 per cent. of the weight on the front axle. Special weight limits are provided for use of trailers and semi-trailers.

A complete change has been made in the manner of registering trucks with the exception of convertible vehicles, light delivery, panel and sedan deliveries. The heavier types will henceforth pay license fees based upon gross weight of load and vehicle. Applications must state the maximum gross load proposed to be carried. It will be an offence to carry a load heavier than that licensed.

Licenses for 1936 are good until April 30 only.

NO NOMINATION PAPERS YET FILED CIVIC ELECTION

Retiring Aldermen Will Seek Re-election --- Date Closes 19th

Rumors Heard

Samuel S. Baird May Be Considered in Wellington Ward

Up to noon today no nominations had been filed in connection with the aldermanic election to take place on April 26. Such was the statement made by Fred I. Haviland, city clerk. Candidates however, have until Monday, April 19 at 4 o'clock to file nominations. It is definitely stated that all the retiring aldermen will again seek re-election as an endorsement of their stand against the defeat of the Police Commission Bill.

It is stated about town today that Samuel S. Baird is liable to be a candidate in Wellington Ward against ex-alderman W. R. Crewdson who is seeking re-election. Speaking to The Daily Mail today Mr. Baird stated that he has not yet given the matter his full consideration and added "I do not think that there will be any opposition to the return of the former aldermen." It was also rumored that there was liable to be opposition in King's Ward. In the meantime the former Aldermen who are seeking re-election do not seem to be unduly worrying over any opposition that might develop. In fact from what can be learned the opinion seems to be that they would rather welcome a conquest under the present conditions.

It is understood that ex-alderman T. Earle Doohan who is disposing of his business is doing so that he may take a well earned rest and that he does not anticipate the moving from the city at the present time.

B. F. Leslie Passed Away In Hospital Here Today

The death occurred this morning in the Victoria Public Hospital of Benjamin Franklin Leslie, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Leslie of this city, who passed away following an illness of two weeks. Well known in Fredericton where he resided the greater part of his life, the deceased was highly respected and the news of his passing was deeply regretted by a large host of friends.

Mr. Leslie, who was 39 years of age, was a man of splendid character. Possessed of a pleasing personality combined with sterling qualities of heart and mind, he enjoyed the friendship of many friends in the city and elsewhere. His passing, although not unexpected, came as a severe shock to his relatives and friends.

Surviving are his parents, one sister, Mrs. Percy M. Harrison, Moncton; two brothers, Frederick W. Leslie of this city, and Curtis E. Leslie of Dumfries.

The funeral will take place Monday afternoon. Prayers will be conducted in the family home at 2 o'clock after which a service will be held in St. Anne's Church with Ven. Archdeacon Grey officiating. Interment will be made in the Rural Extension Cemetery.

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TENDERS FOR ROAD PROJECTS CLOSED AT NOON TODAY

No Announcement Yet Made By Public Works Department

Local Tenders

Work Will Employ Hundreds---Aid to Tourist Travel

The date for receiving tenders in connection with the highway projects to be carried out by the provincial government during the coming season closed today at noon, April 10. Officials of the public works department stated that a large number of tenders had been received but the exact number will not be available until next week. Included among the tenders were several from provincial contracting firms.

Hon. A. A. Dysart, premier and minister of public works stated this morning that department engineers will study the various tenders received before any definite action is taken regarding the acceptance of the "bids" received. The tenders will be carefully studied to ascertain if they comply with the regulations and specifications of the public works department. The names of the successful bidders will be likely announced next week.

The proposed public works programme, the largest construction enterprise ever to be undertaken by the government, is continuation of the "hard-surfacing" programme commenced two years ago. In addition to providing employment for hundreds of workers in all sections of the province, the undertaking will result in modernized highways throughout New Brunswick.

Expect Increase

Lack of permanent highways has proven to be a big handicap insofar as tourist travel is concerned and improved road conditions should result in a substantial increase in the volume of tourist traffic to this province. Although the cost of the huge project amounts to considerable money, the expenditure is warranted. The upkeep of "dirt" roads involves large expenditures annually while this type of highway is unfitted to effectively handle the increased volume of motor traffic.

Tourist travel has developed into an important industry insofar as the Maritime Provinces are concerned, and the governments of the three provinces are making every effort to attract visitors. Improved road conditions will be an important factor in the development of tourist travel and it is expected that the number of tourists to visit the seaside provinces this coming summer will greatly exceed the number in previous seasons.

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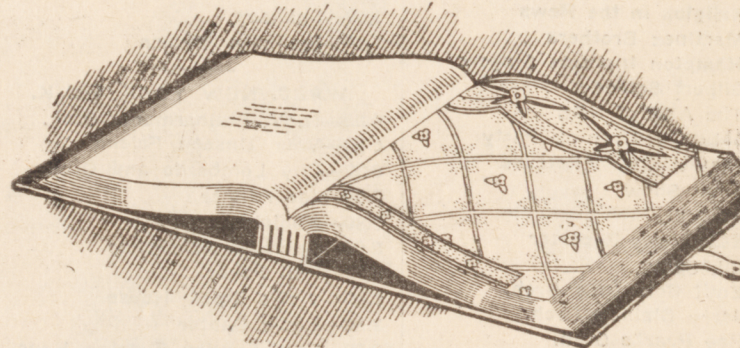
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