

News Briefs

VISITING IN SAINT JOHN
Miss Margaret McNair of this city, is spending a few days in Saint John.

HERE TODAY
B. C. Mullins of Bathurst, Secretary-Treasurer of Gloucester County, is in the city today on business connected with his county.

ILL AT HOME
The many friends of Miss Augusta Burnett, will be sorry to learn that she is confined to her home on Aberdeen Street through illness.

SCHOOLS REOPEN
With the Easter holidays concluded, students and pupils returned to their tasks today in the various schools throughout the Province. Lectures at the University of New Brunswick will be resumed tomorrow morning.

IN THE POLICE COURT
Paul Currie appeared before Magistrate Walter Limerick this morning in the city police court on the charge of stealing a quantity of goods from a parked automobile. The case was set over until April 6. Currie was arrested last night by city police.

1937 DIRECTORY
The 1937 directory of the city of Fredericton is now being distributed and is one of the best local directories ever published. It records the population of the city as 10,135, and contains an interesting description of the various attractions here. The directory was published by the Stegmann Publications, under the direction of the manager G. W. Stegmann.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL
Appearing before Magistrate Walter Limerick in the police court here yesterday afternoon, on a charge of having care and control of an automobile while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, William MacPherson was committed for trial before the May term of the York County Court, King's Bench Division. He was allowed his freedom on bail of \$500. MacPherson was arrested by city police on Monday.

DIES AT KESWICK
Many friends in this locality will be sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Amanda M. Estey, which occurred last evening at her home at Upper Keswick. The deceased was 80 years of age, and was highly respected by all who knew her. She is survived by two sons, George and Sisson of Upper Keswick; two daughters, Mrs. Velma Dexter, of Doty, Washington, and Miss Sadie B. Estey, at home. The funeral will be held from her late home, with services conducted by Rev. Mr. Saunders Young. Interment will be made at Burt's Corner.

NO COMPLAINTS
Royal Canadian Mounted Police stated this morning that they have received no complaints concerning the rumor that counterfeit money in the form of 50 cent pieces and five cent pieces is being used in this city and surrounding districts. A recent press report stated that a considerable amount of these counterfeit coins were discovered by clerks in local banking institutions and stores. It was stated that the coins are made of lead, and that a sharp instrument would easily make an indentation on them. It was thought by some that the coins were manufactured in this locality.

LIQUOR CONVICTION APPEALED
The appeal case of Joseph Brittain, convicted under Section 56, sub-section 2 of the N. B. Intoxicating Liquor Act, in the Minto Police Court, by Magistrate Anthony Hart on March 1, was heard this morning in the York County Appeal Court, before Judge A. R. Slipp. Brittain was convicted of having in his car a quantity of contraband liquor, and was sentenced to six months in jail, plus a fine of \$500 and costs, or in default, an additional two months in jail, and his car forfeited to the Province. The case was concluded at noon, and Judge Slipp will hand down judgment after the evidence is summed up.

JUDGMENT SET ASIDE
The judgment of Magistrate Anthony Hart was set aside by Judge A. R. Slipp, when a review of the Minto Civil Court in the case of Joseph Paul, plaintiff, vs. Louis Morell, defendant, wherein Paul had obtained judgment from Morell, was presented before the York County Court this morning. In the Minto civil court some time ago Paul sued Morell for a store bill, which amounted to \$15. The court held that the said account was not properly recorded and the original judgment was set aside. The plaintiff was assessed the costs of court which were \$10. Mayor W. C. Lawson supported the defendant while F. H. Peters represented the plaintiff.

CORONATION DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY IS PROCLAIMED

Official Announcement In Current Issue of Royal Gazette

Secretary of State Asks Celebrations Be Carried Out in Province

Wednesday, May 12th, the date on which His Majesty King George VI will be crowned king-emperor, has been proclaimed as a public holiday by His Honor, Colonel the Honourable Murray MacLaren, C.M.G., P.C., M.D.C.M., M.L.D., F.R.C.S., Lieutenant Governor. A second proclamation, issued by the Lieutenant-Governor on the direction of Fernand Rinfret, secretary of state of Canada, announces that the day will be observed a public holiday throughout the Dominion.

The latter proclamation is, in part as follows:

"Now Know Ye That We, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada, have thought fit to request and do by this Our Proclamation request that the Archbishops, Bishops and other titular heads and Clergy of all religious denominations throughout Canada, when they assemble in their respective Churches for divine service on Wednesday the Twelfth of May, A.D. 1937, or, in the alternative, when they assemble in their respective Churches for divine service on Sunday, the Ninth of May, A.D. 1937, shall give an appropriate expression of gratitude to Almighty God for the manifold bounties and great mercies which our Loving Subjects, the people of Canada, enjoy and shall pray that the blessing of Almighty God may be vouchsafed to Us:

And Further Know Ye That We, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council for Canada, have thought fit to appoint and do appoint Wednesday, the Twelfth of May, A.D. 1937, to be observed throughout Our Dominion as a day of general thanksgiving and rejoicing on the occasion of Our Coronation.

"All of Which Our Loving Subjects and all others whom these Presents may concern are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

"In Testimony Whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Canada to be hereunto affixed. Witness: Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved John, Baron Tweedsmuir of Elsiefield, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Member of Our Order of the Companions of Honour, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief of Our Dominion of Canada."

Announcement
In the current issue of the Royal Gazette is an announcement by His Honor, Lieutenant-Governor Murray MacLaren in connection with the observances to take place in the various communities in the province in connection with the coronation of His Majesty King George VI. It read as follows:

"His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor has been further advised by the Secretary of State that it is expected that the celebration in each community will be organized on a local basis, preferably under arrangements to be made by the Municipal authorities. This is the practice which was followed on the occasion of the coronation of King Edward VII and the coronation of King George V.

"It is not intended to suggest any uniform type or programme of celebration since those who organize the demonstration in each community will arrange the programme which seems best adapted to local conditions.

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No Announcement Re Quarryville School

No announcement was made today regarding what action is to be taken by the Department of Education regarding the request of residents of Quarryville, who are asking that the pupils suspended from the district school for refusal to salute the flag, be reinstated. Dr. A. S. McFarlane, chief superintendent of education in the province, stated that no decision has yet been given in the matter.

The action of the pupils was said to be based on moral motives, that is saluting the flag was in conflict with their religious principles. The offenders were suspended from attending school on an order of the provincial educational department.

FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WILL INVESTIGATE ALLEGED LOW WAGES PAID EMPLOYEES AT EXPERIMENTAL FARM

James A. Whitebone, President New Brunswick Federation of Labor, States Matter Reported to Ottawa

Workmen Not Sufficiently Paid?

Complainants Claim That Wages Received Were Lower Than Scheduled Rates --- Carpenters Received 35 Cents Per Hour

THE matter regarding alleged low wages paid to employees who were employed in the construction of a new barn at the Experimental Station here has been reported to the Federal department of labor and the matter is to be investigated, James A. Whitebone, president of the New Brunswick Federation of Labor, stated this morning. Mr. Whitebone, who is attending a meeting of the executive of the Federation here today, said that the organization brought the subject to the attention of the Federal department in the interests of workers employed on the project.

According to the information given to Mr. Whitebone by men employed in the construction work, the wages paid laborers and tradesmen were lower than the scheduled rates of pay. If the project comes within the fair wage policy of the Federal Government, the workers were not being sufficiently paid," Mr. Whitebone asserted.

Carpenters employed on the project allegedly received 35 and 40 cents per hour, the scheduled rate for such work being 55 cents. Laborers wages ranged from 20 to 22½ cents per hour. This was considerably lower than the wages called for in the schedule, according to the complainants.

A Relief Measure

C. F. Bailey, superintendent of the station, could not be reached this morning. On Monday, when the report was first heard, he stated that the workmen were paid what was considered prevailing wages. He pointed out that the majority of workers were laborers and were not entitled to tradesmen's pay. The project was carried out as a relief measure, he said, adding that many men were put to work who would otherwise be unemployed. He also said that all the workmen agreed to the wage rates when going on the job. Several of those engaged in the work were laborers who were employed at the farm.

Whether or not the investigation which, according to reports, will be carried out by the Federal department, has yet commenced could not be learned this morning.

Mrs. Lillian Moore Passes In Maine

Word was received here recently of the death of Mrs. Lillian Moore, wife of Frank D. Moore, which occurred at the family home, Madison, Me., on Tuesday, March 23. Her death followed a brief illness of pneumonia. She was well known in Madison and also enjoyed the esteem and friendship of many friends in this district who will learn of her passing with deep regret.

Mrs. Moore was born at Prince William, N. B., on Feb. 15, 1888, the daughter of the late Mrs. Bessie Lounsbury and Harry Lounsbury. She was united in marriage to Frank D. Moore in 1907 and took up residence at Millinocket, Me. She and her family resided there until 1917 when they removed to Madison and have resided there since that time.

A woman of fine character who possessed sterling qualities of heart and mind, she was beloved by all who knew her. During her residence in this district she was a member of the Prince William Baptist Church.

Surviving are her husband, two daughters and one son. The latter are Mrs. Pearl Watts, Chelsea, Mass.; Mrs. Velma Sprague, Shawmut, Me., and Kenneth, Madison, Me. Her father, Harry L. Lounsbury resides at Norridgewock, Me., while a sister, Mrs. Beatrice Magee resides at Anson, Me.

The funeral took place last Thursday afternoon from the family residence. The body was placed in the receiving vault at Forest Hill cemetery there and will be interred later in the season.

TODAY'S MARKET

Small Attendance at Phoenix Square -- Prices Firm

The attendance at Phoenix Square was small this morning. The following prices prevailed:
Butter, 30c per lb.
Chicken, 30c per lb.
Eggs, 25c per dozen.
Beef, 6c to 8c per lb.
Pork, 11c to 13c per lb.
Apples, Salome, 25c to 50c per pk.
Apples, Black Oxford, 30c to 40c per peck.
Maple Syrup, 50c per quart.
Headcheese, 15c per lb.
Carrots, \$1.50 per barrel.
Potatoes, \$2.00 per barrel.
Live pigs, \$4 each.
Wood, \$5 to \$8 per cord.

CONTENTIOUS BILL RE CAMPBELLTON SCHOOL BONDS

Bill is Recommended to Legislature With Amendments

Lengthy Argument

Bill Provides For the Issuance of Bonds

Contending that conditions in Campbellton did not warrant the construction of a new school building particularly in view of the fact that accommodations are available, Peter J. Hughes, K.C., representing a group of Campbellton citizens, opposed the passing of a bill relative to act to authorize the board of school trustees of that town to issue debentures when it was introduced at a meeting of the municipalities committee this morning. He was supported in his contention by Benoit Michaud and A. Harquail, both of Campbellton, who argued that the proposed action of the school board was unwarranted.

His Worship Mayor T. W. Caldwell supported by two members of the Council and chairman of the board of school trustees argued in favor of the bill. They contended that the majority of the citizens favored the proposed construction, pointing out that the cost of renting necessary accommodations made the proposed work a feasible undertaking.

After considerable discussion the bills was recommended to the legislature with certain amendments. The bill relative to act to provide for superannuation and payment of retiring allowances to permanent employees of the Town of Campbellton was also recommended with amendments.

Bill Withdrawn

The third bill to be considered by the committee in connection with act respecting certain property of Adelaide A. Lodge in the City of Moncton, was withdrawn.

In his argument, Mayor Caldwell pointed out that the cost of renting a school building was considerable and that additional accommodations were necessary. He pointed out that the majority of the citizens favored the (Continued on Page Five)

Traffic Restricted On Public Highways

Due to spring conditions and softening of the roads, traffic will be restricted, beginning Friday, April 2, on the provincial highways in Queens, Sunbury, York and Northumberland Counties and on Number 11A in Gloucester, according to an announcement today from the Department of Public Works.

On gravel roads trucks will be limited to 4,000 pounds gross weight and on pavement to 10,000 pounds or as conditions warrant.

The roads in the southern counties which were closed to heavy traffic last week are now in a very soft condition.

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