

News Briefs

CONDITION IMPROVES
Mrs. J. G. Robichaud, who suffered a fractured leg some time ago, is improving rapidly. Mrs. Robichaud is expected to be out again soon.

BACK AT WORK
Miss Kaye Allen, who was confined to her home for the past week with an attack of the flu, is able to be back at work today at the Provincial Tourist and Information Bureau.

INDOOR GOLF
A new indoor golf school has been opened in this city by Fred Hancock. The school will be conducted at the rooms over D. and D. Motors, 334 Queen Street.

CONDITION BETTER
Friends will be pleased to learn that the condition of Gerald Goodline, who is ill at his home on George Street with pneumonia, shows improvement.

LEAVES FOR DALHOUSIE
A. K. Wallace, relief officer for the province of New Brunswick, who was in the city several days, on business connected with his department left this morning for his home in Dalhousie.

ARRIVES HOME
S. W. Keohan, director of Credit Unions in the Province, arrived home yesterday from the north portion of the province. While there, he carried on business connected with his department.

SHOWS IMPROVEMENT
Tom Boyd's five-year-old son, Billie, who contracted pneumonia several days ago, is resting comfortably today. His condition shows a vast improvement.

TAKEN ILL
Friends will be sorry to learn that John Green, who attended the Boys' Parliament recently held here, was taken ill while in the city, and has been unable to return to his home at Minto. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

SHOWS IMPROVEMENT
Friends here as elsewhere in the province will be glad to learn that William C. Reid of the lumber firm of Leary and Reid, New York, who has been seriously ill in a New York hospital, following two serious operations, is improving gradually. Mr. Reid is a former resident of Gagetown.

NOVELTY CANOE
A canoe about eight feet in length is at present being constructed by the Chestnut Canoe Company. When finished, the little canoe will be shipped to Scotland, where it will become the prize property of some little Scottish lad. Last year, several canoes similar to the one being built at present were shipped to European boys.

MARYSVILLE WINNERS
The Marysville school team won the Scovill Bros. Cup, emblematic of school hockey supremacy in York county, this morning when they defeated the York Street School aggregation 4-0 at the Arctic Rink. E. Peterson, Marysville star forward, scored two of his team's goals, and Elliott and G. MacPherson scored the others.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY
The funeral of the late Rev. Ernest Stephens held yesterday afternoon was largely attended. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. D. L. Kennedy. Other ministers in attendance were Rev. John Linton, Rev. John Wood, Rev. Steadman Smith, Rev. F. D. Bell and Rev. A. A. McLeod. The pall bearers were Wesley Tait, George Powers, Robert Harvey and Fred Close. The chief mourners were Alexander Estabrooks, Charles Estabrooks, Kenneth Estabrooks, Harry McLean, Yorkie McLean, Hugh McLean, Alexander Jewett, William Powers and George Powers.

CHRIS GILL DEAD
Word was received here today by Austin Dunphy of the death at Bangor, Me., yesterday of Christopher GILL. Mr. Gill who was formerly well known in this city and at Nashua, N.H., where he resided, left Fredericton more than 30 years ago and has since carried on a house painting business in Bangor. He met with considerable success and was well known in that city. His death took place at a Bangor hospital after a short illness. The late Mr. Gill, who was in the vicinity of 70 years old, will be remembered by the older generation in this city where he had many warm friends who will regret to learn of his death. Mr. Gill's first wife was the daughter of the late Robert Winters of this city. He later married a Bangor lady and she with one daughter, the later residing in Denver, Colorado, survive.

CHILLY WEATHER RETARDS OPENING OF SUGAR SEASON

Operators Predict That Season Will Be Very Successful

Major Industry Hardware Dealers Report Increased Sales in Equipment

Chilly weather experienced in the last several days in this district is retarding the arrival of the 'sugar season,' according to reports received from farmers throughout this area, who predict that the season will have been one of the most successful experienced here in many years. The lack of snow during the first part of the winter presented a discouraging outlook at the time. However, the snowfall last month changed the picture and now there is every hope that this year's production will exceed that of the last few years.

In the meantime, operators through out this section of the province are busy getting their equipment in readiness in preparation for the opening of the season. Hardware dealers in the city, who handle the materials required for 'sugar making' report increased sales in those articles. Through the years of depression, operators did not expend more money than necessary in the purchase of equipment. However, the equipment on hand has greatly depreciated and, in many cases, operators are renewing all their supplies.

Major Enterprise
The maple products industry in New Brunswick is developing into a major enterprise. During the last few years, there has been increasing demand for such products and considerable quantities of sugar and syrup are shipped to outside markets each season.

Farmers in this area are realizing the potentialities of the industry, and are increasing their facilities so that production may be carried out on a larger scale. The provincial department of agriculture is taking an active interest in promoting the interest of sugar products, and is rendering great assistance.

Producers anticipate that the run of sap will likely commence within the next two weeks. In the meantime preparations for the opening of the season are about completed, and the operators are confident that this year's production will be one of the largest in the history of sugar-making in this section of New Brunswick.

HARD-SURFACED ROADS FROM QUE. LINE TO ST. JOHN

Good News For People Residing in This District

People in this section will be glad to learn that the contracts for the highways to be awarded this year call for extension of the permanent roads from Gagetown to Westfield. When this is completed, together with a few short stretches up-river, there will be a complete through surfaced traffic road from the Quebec boundary down through the Saint John valley into Saint John City, and also from the river valley to the United States boundary line.

While this is being done, other parts of the Province are not being neglected, and even where hard surfacing is not being provided, plans have been made to provide roads of a superior class. But this river road to run from the Quebec border to the United States border is of special interest. The Province of New Brunswick has not yet awakened to the fact of what a real asset the Saint John River is, for there is, nothing that provides such an attraction for tourists as this.

From a scenic point of view it is doubtful if in all America there is anything of greater beauty than this broad, silver David hand which runs through the Province. Many years ago the Rev. Dr. Talmadge, of Brooklyn, declared with the touch of eloquence which was his, that the Saint John River was "the Rhine and the Hudson commingled in one scene of grandeur and beauty," and that as-assertion has never been disputed.

Travelling from Saint John to Edmundston one is impressed with the great extent of river which is to be observed. It is not far from the facts in the case to say that in all that distance the traveller along the river (Continued on Page Five)

FAIR OF DAYS
Plan to attend Fair of Days at St. Andrew's Church Hall on Tuesday, March 16th.

CREDIT UNION IS INCORPORATED IN DALHOUSIE, N. B.

Hon. A. C. Taylor Signs the Certificate of Incorporation

N. B. Paper Co. Ltd.

Employers Will Form Major Percentage of Membership

Hon. A. C. Taylor, Minister of Agriculture, on March 12, signed a certificate incorporating the Dalhousie Industrial Credit Union Society Ltd., which will embrace the employees of the New Brunswick International Paper Co. at Dalhousie and their immediate relatives.

This society has a potential membership of more than one thousand. Exclusive of the Dosco Steel Plant at Sydney and the Canadian National Railways at Moncton, the Dalhousie Company is said to be the largest employer of labour in the Maritimes. S. Wilfred Keohan, Registrar of Credit Unions for the provinces, returned from Dalhousie on Wednesday. He states that study club activities have been carried on by employees of this company for the last five months, with very satisfactory results.

Fifth Union
This is the fifth credit union to be organized in the province. Other applications are pending, and it is likely that several more will be officially incorporated during the coming few months.

The popularity of Credit Unions is provincewide and the growth of the movement has been phenomenal. It is recognized by many outstanding economists as a practical measure in coping with economic problems of the various communities. The movement in the Maritimes had its origin in the program of Adult Education sponsored by the Extension Department, St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, N. S.

The Co-operative Movement, an important phase of the educational program sponsored by the university in Nova Scotia, has accomplished singular work in certain sections of the neighboring province. It has not only resulted in bettering the economic conditions of many districts, but has also been instrumental in elevating the standard of living, economically as well as culturally.

The importance of Adult Education is fully recognized by the provincial educational department, and there is every indication that the province is on the verge of a revolutionary era insofar as educational matters are concerned. The proposed program of the government is attracting the attention of every thinking citizen in the province.

CAR ACCIDENTS CLAIM NEARLY FORTY LIVES

Statistics Show 39 Killed During Year 1936

Vital statistics contained in the annual report of the Chief Medical Health Officer, Dr. William Warwick, to Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts, Minister of Health, revealed death rates from motor vehicle accidents were 8.9 in 1936 per 100,000 population, a decrease of .4 compared with the rate during the preceding year. In addition there were 4 deaths in this province of persons who were injured in accidents outside of New Brunswick but who succumbed in hospitals here. The total number of "car-accident" deaths was 39.

Of the total number of fatal accidents, Saint John County and City accounted for 7; Westmorland 5; Carleton and Westgouche 4 each; Northumberland and York 3 each; Gloucester, Kings, Madawaska and Victoria 2 each; Charlotte and Kent 1 each, while Albert and Sunbury had none.

As was pointed out in the report, suggestions as to how these fatal accidents may be lessened are almost legion, there are two cardinal points which should be stressed in propaganda looking to the reduction of automobile accidents, first—drivers should refrain from taking obvious risks and secondly, pedestrians should take a more intelligent regard for their own safety and develop a greater measure of "road sense."

The accidents in 1936 were grouped as follows: persons struck by automobiles or trucks 20, of which 10 were children; cars off road, etc., 10; collisions between two cars (2), auto and railway train (3), auto and bicycle (1), auto and horse-drawn vehicle (1); carbon monoxide poisoning 2.

ONE FREDERICTON BILL IS REPORTED TO LEGISLATURE

Others To Be Taken Up By Committee Next Week

Premier Complains

Members Urged to Be Present at Sessions of Committees

Of the different City of Fredericton bills which came before the Municipalities Committee of the Legislature more than a week ago, only one bill has so far been reported to the House. That bill is the one authorizing the City of Fredericton to issue debentures to provide for the erection and equipping an extension to the Fredericton High School.

The bills relating to Abolishing the Police Commission; the license fees to outside dealers; to the taking of a plebiscite on civic questions on the recommendation of a two-thirds vote of the City Council; and that in relation to the dispute between the Capital Transit Company and the Highway Transport Company, have not yet been reported upon.

It is understood that the municipalities committee have these bills under consideration and will recommend them to the House on Wednesday of next week.

There has been considerable trouble experienced during the week in getting members of the different committees together in session. Yesterday afternoon in the legislature, Hon. Premier Dymally complained about the non-attendance of certain committee members and said there was too much tendency to let two or three men do the work. In order for the proper consideration of legislation to be presented to the House, it was necessary for all the members of the different committees to take part in the consideration of the bills, the premier said. He expressed the hope that better attention would be given to this part of the routine business.

The citizens of Fredericton, including the aldermen, who are vitally interested in the different bills, have been making inquiries as to when the bills will "go through."

It was stated by Mayor A. J. McEvoy, Devon, that it is not the intention of the mayors of Fredericton, Devon and Marysville to hold a "get-together" meeting relative to the Capital Transit, Limited, bill. It is felt by the chief magistrates, he said that now that the matter has been brought before the municipalities committee that it is the duty of the legislative authorities to deal with the bill.

Many Attend Funeral Of Fredericton Boy

The funeral of James Elwood Neilson was held this afternoon from his late home on King Street, followed by services at Christchurch Parish Church, conducted by Rev. S. C. Grey. The large attendance at the funeral and the many beautiful floral tributes, attested to the high esteem in which the deceased was held. The pall bearers were Gerald Anderson, Ronald Kitchen and Joseph Richards from the Smythe Street School, and Jack Clayton, Archie Wade and Glennie Morgan from the Parish Church Sunday School class. The mourners were, The Boys of Christchurch Parish Church Sunday School, Boys of Smythe Street School, and the Men's Club. Others were John Brewer, Frank Winter, Lloyd Carney, Robert McKinley, Patrick Cody, W. J. Coleman, H. Walter Neilson, Harry Neilson, Paul Neilson, Willis Neilson, Albert Neilson, George Neilson, Freeborn Neilson, William Neilson, Elwood Lyons, Manfred Lyons and Theodore Lyons. Interment was made at the Rural Extension cemetery.

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This yard long "jaw breaker" of 29 letters won the spelling championship for the Nipenna club at the Puzzlers spelling match conducted recently in New York.

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BILL PROVIDES FOR CURBING "GRETN GREEN" MARRIAGES

Couples Must File Five-Days' Notice Before Ceremony

Important Bill

Will Effect Stricter Enforcement of N. B. Marriage Act

A bill aiming to curb the practice of non-residents entering the province for the purpose of secret marriage which has been quite prevalent along the international border, and also for the stricter enforcement of marriage legislation in general, was introduced into the Legislature yesterday by Hon. J. B. McNair, K.C., attorney-general.

The bill takes away from clergymen the discretionary power of waiving the five days' notice required where, in his judgment, this is warranted under special circumstances. Instead, it vests with the supreme court and the county court judges, the attorney-general and the deputy-attorney-general, the right to "waive" this notice. An exception to this legislation applies to the chaplain of the Port of Saint John or, if there be no port chaplain, any other person authorized to solemnize marriage, who may dispense with such notice upon being satisfied that the parties to the intended marriage, or either of them, have within forty-eight hours of the marriage landed at the Port of Saint John from overseas with the intention of being married upon their arrival, and that such parties are otherwise competent to marry.

Must File Report
Another section of the bill provides that in the event of any marriage being solemnized without notice, the person solemnizing such marriage shall file a report with the attorney-general's department, stating the circumstances and the authority for performing such marriage. It was found that under the previous Act, certain clergymen on almost any pretext waived the five days' notice, where more conscientious clergymen declined to do so.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT MADE TO ENTER LOCAL STORE

Several nights ago an attempt was made to burglarize the store of A. T. Sweed at the corner of King and St. John streets. The would-be burglars forced an entrance from the side door on St. John street but were evidently unable to get the door open wide enough to admit them to the premises. The heavy counter being in the way. They were evidently frightened away by someone passing along the street. According to Mr. Sweed the door remained partly open all during the night and was found in that position when the store was opened for business in the morning. The matter was reported to the police.

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