

## POLICE MAGISTRATE'S FEES, POLICE MATTERS AND THE VICTORIA HOSPITAL

Local Matters of Interest to Citizens Discussed by Observer

The action of the city council at its meeting Tuesday night relative to the Police Commission shows that the council are still of the same opinion as formerly. It also shows that they are not going to take their defeat at the hands of the municipalities Committee of the Legislature as final. The council is to be commended for their firm stand in this matter, and more people will hope that their further efforts will meet with the success they deserve. On the principle that "constant dropping wears away a stone" the council may succeed eventually in getting the Commission abolished. It is recognized of course that powerful interests oppose this move. These interests may not be strong in numbers, but they have influence.

It was likewise gratifying to learn of the move to have the Police Magistrate placed on a straight salary basis. It was noteworthy that there was not a dissenting voice to this move.

Not on a par, however, with these motions, was the one made with intent to reprimand the City Treasurer for exceeding his holiday period to the extent of three days. The governing body of the city of Fredericton are not to be commended on this move. That kind of thing is altogether too petty, and snacks of the small town.

If it was thought proper to refer to the matter, it could surely have been done in private to the City Treasurer. But it's all too ridiculous. What a round-about method to accomplish the thing! One alderman gets up, and first of all inquires how long a holiday period the City Treasurer took; and asks the man himself. Instead of making a certain time-honored reply, which the Treasurer must have been solely tempted to make, he answers the inquiry with perfect honesty. The same alderman then moves that the Mayor be instructed to reprimand the City Treasurer with a view to seeing that it doesn't happen again. And the Mayor is not even present at the meeting. It is significant of the good sense of the other alderman, that at first no seconder could be found. Too bad that one did respond, otherwise what an effective rebuke it would have been for the proposer of the resolution. But perhaps he stands sufficiently rebuked as it is. The thing works out really as a reprimand to the proposer of the motion, morally speaking.

But with the exception of this rather amazing interlude, the city council did good work Tuesday evening.

We hear now of proposed modernization at the Victoria Public Hospital to the tune of \$300,000, of which the city council is asked to contribute \$100,000. Well, whether the council can afford to do it or not, or is willing to do it, remains to be seen. But I don't think many people will deny that the hospital sadly needs it. They need new and more up-to-date equipment and more room, and what is more, they have been needing it for a mighty long time. They also need a drastic change in their methods of administration. Some of these changes needn't necessarily cost money.

They could, for instance, allow an emergency case to secure treatment without holding it up at the entrance until the hospital authorities are satisfied as to where their money is coming from. Is some poor person to be allowed to run the risk of dying while the authorities ransack the city by telephone to see what institution will assume financial responsibility for the patient? These things never happen? It has been stated over and over again that they do. Another thing: is this hospital accepted by the American College of Surgeons? That is the standard by which the efficiency of a hospital is judged. I simply ask the question. There is no doubt that this hospital needs improvement. Before they are granted any additional money, however, they should be forced to pull up in their administration and supervision.

OBSERVER.

## SOCIAL HAPPENINGS

### In Honor of Daughter-in-law

Mrs. Robert FitzRandolph is entertaining at the tea hour this afternoon, at her home on Brunswick Street, for her daughter-in-law Mrs. Edward Blair FitzRandolph recently of Montreal who with her husband is spending a few days in the city prior to taking up her residence in Montreal. Quantities of autumn flowers are being used throughout the rooms and will also centre the tea table. Presiding over the tea and coffee-cups will be Mrs. J. A. Richardson, Mrs. Adam Cameron, Mrs. J. J. F. Winslow and Mrs. A. R. Slipp. Mrs. E. B. Claridge, of Matane; Mrs. R. E. Balch, Mrs. R. H. Wright, Mrs. F. J. Toole, Mrs. J. G. Badcock, Mrs. E. A. MacKay, Miss Hope Jarvis, Miss Louise Hill, Miss Phyllis McCaffrey and Miss Annette Montgomery Campbell are assisting.

### To Study at Halifax

Miss Mariam Dysart, younger daughter of the Premier and Mrs. A. A. Dysart has entered as a student at Mount Saint Vincent Convent in Halifax.

### Morrison-Perley

A wedding of interest to friends here took place in Saint John on Saturday afternoon, October 2nd, at three o'clock, at the Bishop's Palace, when Rev. H. F. Gillen united in marriage Miss Margaret Elizabeth (Betty) Perley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Perley, South Devon, and Constable Angus Morrison of the Saint John detachment of the R.C.M.P. They were supported by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holmes. Others present at the wedding were Mrs. Chester Dorcas, sister of the bride, Miss Florence Branscombe, Fredericton, Miss Margaret Magee, Saint John, and Constables Sincennes and Prime of the R.C.M.P. Saint John. After the ceremony a reception was held at 239 Germain Street, where Mr. and Mrs. Morrison will reside.

### To Be With her Sister

Mrs. Edwin Horncastle expects to leave on Tuesday for Stewiacke, N. S. where she has been called on account of the illness of her sister Mrs. Girdwood, wife of Rev. William Girdwood. Mrs. Horncastle expects to be absent about a year.

### In the City Today

Reuben Stapley and his niece Miss Mabel Stapley of Upper Mangerville were in the city today.

### Fredericton Jct. B. Y. P. U. Resume Meetings

FREDERICTON, JCT., Oct. 5—The B.C.P.U. was re-organized last evening. Following officers were elected: President—Miss Lois Shearer. Vice-Pres.—Miss Mary F. Alexander. Secretary—Miss Marjory Tracy. Treasurer—Miss Catherine Alexander.

Auditors—H. H. Stuart and Rev. B. G. Linton. Ushers—Norman Artes and Harry F. McCracken.

Following were chosen refreshment committee for Remembrance Day Rally—Miss Bertha Redstone, Miss Rosie Redstone and Mrs. Lance Allen.

It was decided to hold a Halloween Social, for which following committees were appointed—Food, Misses Margaret Seeley and Rosie Redstone; games, Mrs. Linton and Miss M. F. Alexander.

Misses Mary and Catherine Alexander and Bertha Redstone were named committee to prepare next program.

Thirteen members were present.

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### Delegates Entertained

The delegates attending the Semi-annual Convention of the I. O. D. E. which is being held this week in Woodstock were entertained at dinner last evening at the Carlisle Hotel. Those present included: Mrs. A. T. McMurray, Howard Douglas Chapter, Fredericton; Mrs. Havelock Coy, Governor Carleton Chapter, Fredericton; Mrs. J. H. Ramsay and Mrs. Harold J. Limerick, Picardy Chapter, Fredericton; Mrs. George O. Specker, Port Cumberland Chapter, Moncton; Mrs. Augusta Mahoney, Bonar Law Chapter, Moncton; Miss Alice T. Lockhart, Seven Seas Chapter, Saint John; Miss Alice L. Fairweather, Royal Arms Chapter, Saint John; Mrs. W. F. Yorston, Restigouche Chapter, Campbellton; Mrs. F. L. Miller, Bliss Carman Memorial Chapter, Fredericton; Miss Bertha H. Harvey, Anagwakade Chapter, Fredericton; Mrs. E. A. Skene and Mrs. A. McF. Limerick, Victor Hatheway Chapter, Fredericton; Mrs. George W. Brown, Howard Douglas Chapter, Fredericton; Mrs. T. C. Barker, Picardy Chapter, Fredericton; Miss Lydia M. Reid, Malabar Chapter, Hartland; Mrs. F. W. Mitchell, Carleton Soldiers' Memorial Chapter, Woodstock.

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### W.C.T.U. Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the W.C.T.U. was held at the home of Mrs. J. S. Gregg, Grey Street. The president, Mrs. A. A. Waters was in the chair. The devotional period was led by Mrs. C. H. MacQuarrie with prayers by several of the members. Various reports were received and plans for work were discussed. The usual Sunday afternoon service at the county jail was held with Adjutant Hargrove conducting the service. Our treasurer Mrs. Edwin Horncastle who is planning an extended visit asked that the office be filled by our former treasurer Mrs. John Ferguson. A motion to this effect was made and Mrs. Ferguson kindly consented to undertake the office in the absence of Mrs. Horncastle. Rev. Mr. Gregg gave a short address for which he was given a hearty vote of thanks. Mrs. C. E. McLean sang a beautiful solo, "Consolations." The meeting closed with the Aaronic benediction.

### BOY'S CAMP

I sewed tags on his sweaters His undies and his shirts And even had a struggle To write inside his boots.

Inside his trunk I scribbled His "list" in letters tall I'm sure he'll bring the list back But his outfit? Not at all! —Hilda J. Ascheim

### The "Fo'c'stle" Popular With Local Dancers

The "FO'C'STLE," Fredericton's new and modern dance spot, has already become most popular, it is indicated by the attendance since the opening night last Thursday.

The hall itself, with its nautical appointments has been admired by many, while the music of Frank Segee and "The Midshipmen" has received much favorable comment.

The floor has been re-sanded since the dance Tuesday night and is now claimed to be one of the finest dance floors in the city.

### DUVERNET

(Continued from Page Eight) turned at 123, when Foreman Saunders G. Wright announced the verdict of "Guilty."

The choosing of the petit jury and the commencement of the hearing of witnesses in the case of the King vs. William McFadden occupied the afternoon. The accused is charged with having carnal knowledge of a 16 year old girl, Agnes Painter, without her consent, she not being his wife.

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## TALL, LEAN

(Continued from Page One) which opens a three-day convention at the Royal York Hotel today. Music, he told the gathering at Convocation Hall last night, should be considered just as important a part of an English heritage "as cooking." Universities should not be content to give recitals of Handel or Wagner or any such composers, but should "play that music that no one else has the courage to play." And it was just as important, he said, to know the sound of the Agincourt song and the emotions people felt when they first heard it, as to know the historical significance of that battle.

### Note-Reading Not Enough

He is considered a leading research worker in old English music, and is said to have set a new standard for English interpretation of opera. Last night he declared he believed that for a proper understanding of music one should know the music of the past, but, he emphasized, one should be able to play it and realize the emotions of those who first heard it, and not just read "those little black marks on paper."

"But we must not shut our ears to the music of the present day, however unpleasant are the things we say about Stravinsky and the rest of them," he said. "What we say now about them is exactly what people said about Mozart, Handel and the rest when they were performing. You must understand it, and it is for you to lead the way."

It was after this that The Globe and Mail found him in the Chancellor's office and asked about jazz and swing music.

"Dear me! Of course I like it!" declared this music master. "Why, I love it! Jazz swing music—it's alive. It's today."

### Jazz As Relief

"Do you mean you'd rather hear it than a symphony of some master?" gasped the reporter.

"Sometimes I do, yes," he replied, peering with disconcerting intenceness at the reporter. "After I've spent three or four hours listening to something that has an intellectual strain I love to hear some jazz for a relief. Don't you?"

"Now as President of the International Society for Contemporary Music, have you ever heard of any of the Canadian composers?" asked the reporter.

"Now don't get me to say anything about Canadian and American musicians, because I'm not going to say anything," parried the professor with a guileless smile.

"But just have you heard of any?" persisted The Globe and Mail.

"Yes, I know Sir Ernest MacMillan here, but why ask me about them; don't you know them yourself?"

"Then you don't think any one need fear jazz or swing music, and you do think it all has a place in musical education?"

"The only thing music has to fear today is commercialism," concluded the professor. Then he fixed the reporter with a baleful look in which there was also a smile. "Commercialism is the enemy of music just as, and here he paused, "just as journalism is the enemy of literature!" The reporter fled.

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