

News Briefs

FINISH LECTURES

Lectures at the University of New Brunswick concluded yesterday morning for the Fall term. Examinations will be commenced tomorrow, concluding on Thursday, Dec. 16.

EXPECT REMAINS SATURDAY

The remains of Mrs. Archibald Fraser, the word of whose death in El Paso, Texas, was published in The Daily Mail yesterday, will arrive in this city on the noon train, Saturday, and will be taken to St. Paul's United Church, where it will rest until the hour of the service, 2 o'clock p.m. Rev. George Telford will conduct the service. Interment will be made at the Rural Cemetery.


MAY POSTPONE MEETING

The meeting of the Provincial Cabinet, scheduled to be held here tonight, may be postponed until tomorrow because of the absence of Premier A. A. Dymally, it was learned from reliable sources this morning. The Premier, who has spent the past week in Montreal with Mrs. Dymally, was expected here either yesterday or today, but did not arrive. It is supposed that he will be here tomorrow.

NO DATE SET

Contrary to other reports, no appointment has been made for a special meeting of the sub-committee of the transportation committee of the Fredericton Board of Trade with a committee from the Saint John Board concerning the routing of the C.N.R. traffic through to Saint John via McGillivray and Fredericton. It was stated this morning by R. L. Phillips, chairman of the transportation committee. It was said, however, that a meeting will no doubt take place but that no arrangements have been definitely decided on.

The Daily Mail intends to mention one outstanding window display each day from today until Christmas.



To - Day

We liked the Window Display of Xmas Gifts in:

Shute & Co.'s Store

BECAUSE:

The array of Xmas gifts was one which from its attractive appearance and interest to the Christmas shopper offered an almost irresistible appeal.

The windows themselves and the manner in which the goods were arranged added their part to an enticing display.

FUNERAL TOMORROW

The remains of Mrs. Murray H. Hagerman, wife of Alderman Hagerman, arrived in this city last evening from Saint John, where the death occurred, and were taken to the home, 254 Victoria Street. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon, with service at the home at 2.15 by the ladies of the Star of the East, No. 33, L.O.B.A., and prayers by Rev. P. J. Trafton. Service at the Reformed Baptist Church at 3 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Trafton will officiate, assisted by Rev. John Linton and Major Kimmins of the Salvation Army. Interment will be made at the Rural Cemetery.

ABLE TO RETURN TO OFFICE

Many friends will be pleased to learn that Alexander Murray, secretary of the Board of Trade, is able to be back in the office again after being confined to his home since Sunday evening when he was struck by a car in front of his home, George Street. Mr. Murray, who suffered severe bruises and minor cuts, fortunately escaped without serious injury. He was crossing the street in front of his home when the car, which was reported to be traveling well over to the left side of the street, bore down upon him. The driver attempted to stop but the icy street prevented him from doing so. The driver stopped and offered every assistance, Mr. Murray stated.

Council Turns Down Proposed Grant For Addition to Hospital

Feel Expenditure Would Impair the Financial Standing

FREE SKATING FOR CHILDREN

\$6,000 Gov't. Grant Voted to Permanent Roads

Because it was felt that the proposed grant of \$100,000 to the Victoria Public Hospital Board of Trustees, and the proposed guarantee of a further bond issue of \$150,000, all for the purpose of erecting an addition to the local institution, would seriously impair the present excellent financial position of this city by increasing the funded debt, and tax rate, and injure the market for City of Fredericton debentures, it was unanimously decided at last night's regular monthly meeting of the City Council to turn down the proposition as presented to it by the Board.

The action came as a result of a meeting early last week between the Finance Committee of the Council and members of the parent body who are also members of the Hospital Board of Trustees. The report of the committee, quoted in full below, was presented to the Council by Deputy Mayor Ray T. Forbes, chairman of the committee. The motion of adoption was made by Ald. R. A. MacMillan, seconded by Ald. W. Raymond Crewdson. There was no discussion on the matter.

Six thousand dollars of the total \$6,753.87 received by the City of Fredericton from the provincial government for relief work was allotted to permanent roads and capital accounts while the remaining monies were assigned to the Municipal Home Department. All members of the body were present with the exception of Ald. Murray H. Hagerman. His Worship G. Willard Kitchen presided.

As a result of the meeting, the children of Fredericton will have free skating and hockey privileges at the Arctic Rink this winter. On motion of Ald. R. A. MacMillan, seconded by Ald. Delmas Olts, it was decided to accept the proposition of Clarence Wade, manager of the rink, whereby the ice would be free to the children on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 5.30 and on Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 12.30. The price agreed upon was the same as last year, \$300 for the season.

The Report

"1. The Trustee Board of the hospital request the City to issue \$250,000 in debentures and to guarantee payment of same.

"2. The hospital board will undertake to reimburse the City with the interest and principal on \$150,000 of this issue, as same becomes due and payable.

"3. Consideration was given to the financial position of the City at the present time, it being better than the average Canadian municipality. This is due to the continued practice of economy by present and past City Councils.

"4. The amount of debentures which the City is requested to guarantee might impair our financial position. This issue would become a direct liability against the City, and would so increase the funded debt, \$250,000, consequently making the gross funded debt \$940,000.

"5. The fact that the funded debt would be so materially increased would unquestionably have a direct effect on pending appropriations for public services, now below par, which in turn would increase the tax rate.

"6. The present bond market is exceptionally favorable toward City of Fredericton debentures, as witnessed in the bid received on this year's issue for sidewalk work. A marked increase of this nature, in the funded debt, would effect future issues, resulting in lower marketable value.

"7. Finance Committee cannot, after serious consideration, recommend the adoption of the proposal as submitted by the Victoria Public Hospital Trustee Board, and feel that their proposed plan might be financed on a more equitable basis."

The Council adopted the report without dissenting vote on motion of Ald. R. A. MacMillan, seconded by Ald. W. Raymond Crewdson.

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MAY SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE

Rev. N. A. Whitman, Newcastle Bridge, Queens County, clergyman of the Baptist Church, has been registered to solemnize marriage in New Brunswick, according to notice appearing in today's issue of the Royal Gazette.

Propose Changes In New Subway

ONTARIO DRIVER STRUCK BY TWO LOCAL DRIVERS

Strange Accident At Corner Regent and Brunswick

An oddity in the line of accidents was witnessed in the city at about 1:25 p.m. today when three autos were in collision at the corner of Regent and George streets. The three cars, which were driven respectively, by Mrs. Karl A. Walker, Arthur Shute of this city, and W. F. Graham of Ontario, were all damaged considerably. No one was injured in the crash.

Mrs. Walker was proceeding up George street, the Graham car, owned by Maple Leaf Milling Co., Ltd., of Toronto, was proceeding along Regent street toward Brunswick street, while the Shute car was traveling on Regent street toward the back of town.

As the three cars converged on the intersection, the Walker car struck that which Graham was driving, turning it quarter-way around and heading down George street. The car started to topple on its side when it was struck by the Shute car, but righted itself again.

The Walker and Shute vehicles were damaged about the headlights, bumper and radiator grille, while the Graham car was damaged on each side. The first car struck it about midway and did considerable damage to the rear fender, the running board and body, while damage on the other side was of about the same nature. City Police investigated the accident.

Condemns Conditions At Minto Mines

"Conditions at Minto are deplorable and gastardly," stated O. S. Gasaway, International Executive Board member of the United Mine Workers of America and personal representative of John L. Lewis, chairman of the Committee for Industrial Organization (C.I.O.), on his return to this city last evening from a day spent at the strike-stricken Minto coalfields. He spent the afternoon there, accompanied by D. W. Morrison, president of District 26, U.M.W., and Silby Barrett, International Board member, conferring with local strike officials.

Mr. Gasaway expressed himself as well satisfied with the way the strike is being conducted, saying that it will be left entirely in the hands of the local union. He intimated that he would give Mr. Lewis a first-class report of the entire situation.

TODAY'S MARKET

The midweek market at Phoenix Square today was a little larger than those of the last few weeks. Wood was the big item on the market but demand was light. Prices on the produce varied little from those of the past few weeks. Meats were on hand in good variety and quantity, while eggs and butter were also plentiful.

General Prices

Eating apples, 35c to 50c per pk.
Cooking apples, \$1.00 per hamper.
Crabapples, 30c per peck.
Peppers, 2 for 5c.
Squash, 2c. per lb.
Pumpkin, 2c. per lb.
Potatoes, \$1.25 per barrel.
Cabbage, 5c. per head.
Turnips, 5c. each.
Onions, 5c. per bunch.
Carrots, 5c. per bunch.
Beets, 5c. per bunch.
Cauliflowers, 10c. each.
Butter, 35c per lb.
Eggs, 30c. to 40c. per dozen.
Head Cheese, 15c. per lb.
Lamb, 15c. and 20c. per lb.
Beef, 6c. and 8c. per lb.
Pork, 10c and 12c per lb.
Live Poultry, \$1.00 each.
Wood, \$7 and \$8 per cord.
Cord Wood, \$6.50 per cord.

NEW BRUNSWICK LEADING CANADA PAYING PENSIONS

Amount Is Increasing Gradually Every Month

\$150,900 In Nov.

300 Applications Are Received For Blind Pensions

"We are paying pensions to more people in this province in relation to the population of 70 years and over than are being paid in any other province of the Dominion," stated Hon. W. P. Jones, K.C., chairman of the Old Age Pensions Board, when interviewed by The Daily Mail today.

The amount paid for old age pensions last month was \$150,900, he said, as compared with \$137,800 paid out in November, 1936. The increase is due to the fact that there have been more new pensions than deaths so far, making a monthly increase the rule.

The pensions, which have been paid since July 1, 1936, are doing much to relieve the staggering relief burden on municipalities. Mr. Jones said, pointing out that they were a great factor in doing away with direct relief. He noted that they are having the effect of promoting a better feeling in families, since children are more solicitous concerning their parents now that the latter are receiving monthly payments.

Blind Payments Held Up

Very little money has been issued so far in payment of pensions for the blind because the name of the physician who is to determine the fact of blindness for New Brunswick applicants has not yet been received from Ottawa, he said. In some few cases, however, we have obtained medical certificates as to blindness from the Dominion Department of Pensions, which was furnished from information at hand at that department, he said. In those cases, checks have been issued.

We have and are investigating the claims of applicants, concerning nationality, age, residence and income in order that we may be prepared to submit the applicants for medical examination at a later date, Mr. Jones stated.

Blind pensions, he said, are paid to all so afflicted who are over 40 years of age. Although we cannot pay over \$20 per month, larger latitude is allowed for other resources of the applicant, such as income, than in the case with old age pensions, he pointed out, adding that someone who would have too much income for an old age pension might be qualified for a blind pension.

At present approximately 300 applications for blind pensions are held up because of lack of authority to go ahead with the necessary medical examination. When the pensions are granted, payment will date from the time when proofs were submitted by inspectors of the Pensions Board.

early days he had been a devoted member of the United Baptist Church and to the church his passing will be felt as a great loss.

He is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Fred Whelpley, Arlington Heights, Mass.; Mrs. J. Samuel Van Wart, Hampstead; and Mrs. Winslow Scott, Fredericton Junction; one brother, Robert Wooden, Hoyt Station, and several nephews and nieces in the United States and Canada.

The funeral will take place Thursday afternoon from his late residence, Hoyt Station. Prayers will be held at the home at 1 p.m., followed by service at the Baptist Church at 2 p.m. Rev. T. D. Bell and Rev. J. A. Corey will officiate at the service. Interment will be made in the family lot, Blissville.

Many Mourn Passing James Noble Wooden At Hoyt Station

Friends at Hoyt Station and many other points in New Brunswick, as well as in the United States, will be saddened to learn of the sudden passing of James Noble Wooden, which occurred at his home at Hoyt Station last evening. Although he had been in poor health for about a year, his death came very unexpectedly.

Born at Hoyt Station 76 years ago, he spent his boyhood there before going to the United States where he pursued his trade as a carpenter for 28 years before returning to his old home.

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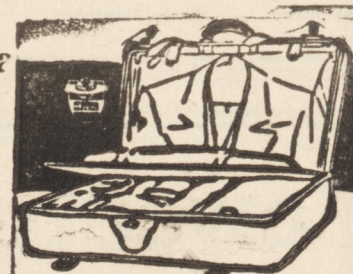
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