

MINTO TERMED SIBERIA OF NORTH AMERICA

News Briefs

NO FURTHER CASES

No bulletin was issued by the Department of Health today on the infantile situation since no new cases have been reported today. It was stated in official circles today that it is believed that the spread of the disease has passed its peak long ago and is now retarding.

TO LEAVE HOSPITAL

Calvin Lunerigan, Ripples, who has been a patient at the Victoria Public Hospital for the past eight weeks suffering from a broken leg, is expected to be sufficiently recovered within a few days to leave the institution. Mr. Lunerigan was injured while working for the Coburn Lumber Company.

SENTENCED TO JAIL

George Abernathy, Durham Bridge, pleaded guilty this morning on the charge of having the control of a motor vehicle while intoxicated, and was sentenced to seven days in the York County Jail by Police Magistrate Whitman A. Haines of Devon.

NO REINFORCEMENTS TO MINTO

It was stated this morning from R. C. M. P. headquarters that it is not thought necessary to send reinforcements to the Minto strike area. The R. C. M. P. have no official interest in the strike other than seeing that it is conducted in an orderly manner and with no violence, it was stated, and all reports state that no actions of violence have yet been seen.

FLIES TO SAINT JOHN

Hon. F. W. Pirie, Grand Falls, Minister of Lands and Mines for New Brunswick, left here by plane yesterday afternoon for Saint John, where he landed at the Municipal Airport. The Minister's visit to the port city was occasioned by routine departmental matters. This morning he flew back to Fredericton, and from here back to his home. The plane was piloted by J. C. Folkins.

ARRIVED IN CITY

Miss Betty Brigham, Saskatoon, Sask., arrived in Fredericton last night to take over her duties as program director of the women's and girls' work of the Young Women's Christian Association in this city. She spent the morning meeting officials of the local branch of the Y.M.C.A., and discussing program plans with them. Miss Brigham plans to organize again this year the women's and girls' activities which were underway last year, and to extend them. She is a graduate of the Margaret Eaton School of Physical Education, Toronto, and before coming to Fredericton was employed in the Saskatoon Y.W.C.A. for two years.

Marysville Council Proposes to Pave One Mile of Streets

The proposal of paving one mile of streets on the eastern side of the river in the town of Marysville was considered last night at a meeting of the town council. The matter, after much discussion, was left in the hands of roads and streets committee, which will consult an engineer on the matter and secure estimates of cost.

According to the proposal, the streets to be paved are River Street, Allen Street, Morrison Street, George and part of Bridge Street.

Along with other business last evening, the council appointed William Wilberley to the position of town marshal for a probationary period of three months. The vacancy in office was caused by the resignation of Harry Arnold, who was forced to give up the position because of ill health. Harry Miller had taken over the duties temporarily until the matter had been considered by the council.

Edward P. McGinn Laid To Rest This Morning

Many friends and relatives as well as City officials paid their final respects to Edward P. McGinn at his funeral service this morning. A great many Mass Cards, as well as many beautiful floral tributes showed the high esteem in which the deceased was held.

The funeral left the home at 8:40 a.m. and proceeded to St. Dunstan's Church, where Rev. Dr. J. H. Milligan celebrated Requiem Mass. Rev. Father MacDonald conducted the service at The Hermitage, where interment was made.

Mourners were: Walter J. McGinn, Paul McGinn, Joseph McGinn, John McGinn, Alderman David McCahey, C. H. McLaughlin, Harley Brown, Frank Smith, Morris Perley, Ralph Murdoch, Simon Gallagher, Frank Donahue, Sterling Brewer, Walter McGinn, Louis McGinn, Clement McGinn, Robert McCahey, John McIlroy, Sr., John Bonar and city officials.

Pall-bearers were: Peter Farrell, James Saunders, D. J. Shea, Bayard Simmonds, J. Fred Ryan, and George Clark.

Every Mine Idle As Miners Strike at Minto This Morning

LACK OF POND LILLIES INN.B. COSTS THOUSANDS

Moose Depart, Season Closed, U. S. Hunters Stay Away

Moose Attraction

Destruction of Young Growth by Fires Also Responsible

It may seem rather far fetched to state that citizens of New Brunswick are losing thousands of dollars annually because of the lack of pond lilies in this province during the past few years, but such is the truth, according to local guides.

At least, the unaccountable disappearance of the vast majority of the lilies which once graced the lakes and ponds of New Brunswick started the vicious cycle. With the disappearance of the lilies, guides and other woods travellers began to notice that fewer and fewer moose were seen throughout the province. Pond lilies, it seems, are just what the dietitian ordered for Mr. and Mrs. Moose, and when these burly natives of the wood lands discovered that their favorite dessert was not to be found in sufficient quantities in New Brunswick, they departed for greener and more fertile fields—or such, at least, is the supposition.

Moose Season Closed

In fact, so serious became the migration of moose out of the province that conservation was caused in official government circles. Being unable to slap on a prohibitory export tariff or to prevent the catastrophe by means of new emigration regulation, these being functions of the Dominion Government, according to the British North America Act, the Department of Lands and Mines acted to make the stay of the animals in this province more pleasant and peaceful. The minister, Hon. F. W. Pirie, ordered that the moose hunting season be closed until further notice.

But, by doing so, one of the greatest attractions this province has to offer to the visiting American hunter, was killed. During the past few years foreign hunters have swarmed to the province in thousands in an effort to kill the big quadruped. Bear, deer, and game birds attracted them also, but the principal attraction was the moose.

Hunters Stayed Away

Now, contrary to customary belief, there are game birds and deer in the States, and in considerable numbers, too. So, when moose could not be hunted here, we had little to offer the visiting hunters that they could not get at home. Therefore they have stayed at home to hunt this year, and guides, taxidermists, hotel proprietors and restaurant keepers in New Brunswick are all feeling the effect of the loss of such a large amount of business.

One local taxidermist who had \$1,000 worth of business on his hands this time last year, has less than \$100 now. This is an example of the situation throughout the province. The general opinion indicates that the government should do something to bring the moose back into New Brunswick—for instance, establish a branch of the Forest Service to see that the Ponds are once more a floating mass of lilies.

Fires Also Responsible

Another factor which has contributed to the disappearance of moose, it is believed, is the fact that forest fires of recent years, especially those in the northern part of the province, have destroyed much young growth, which is also a staple food of the big animals.

CONDITION IMPROVING

Many friends in this city and elsewhere will be pleased to learn that F. E. MacDiarmid, who was seriously injured some time ago in an automobile accident on the Newcastle road, is recovering rapidly. His condition is much improved, it was reported from the hospital today.

NO FURTHER INFORMATION

No further information has been received concerning the identity of the skeleton found at Rusagons some time ago, it was stated by R.C.M.P. this afternoon. Police are quite confident, however, that the mystery will be solved.

1,200 Miners Refuse to Return to Work Because Operators Will Not Recognize U. M. W. of A.; Strikers Promised Relief at Once

Peaceful Picketing Being Conducted; Government Will Not Take Action; Next Move Up to the Operators, States D. W. Morrison

Because of working conditions, which are allegedly comparable only to those of the interior of Siberia, and the failure of mine operators in the Minto district to recognize the union of the United Mine Workers of America after months of negotiation, over 1,200 men went on strike, failing to return to work at the accustomed time this morning. The strike, which left every mine in the area idle, promises to be a long and drawnout siege. Relief for the striking miners is expected within the next two weeks. It was stated this morning that the international headquarters of the union will see that the amount is adequate to ensure the miners comfortable sustenance until they secure what they claim are their rights.

Government Not to Act

It is not expected that the New Brunswick Fair Wage Board or the Department of Labor will take any action in the matter. Hon. J. B. McNair, Attorney-General and acting Minister of Health and Labour, refused to make any comment on the matter this afternoon. The matter is out of the jurisdiction of the Fair Wage Board, since no regulations exist pertaining to collective bargaining.

Questioned this morning, D. W. Morrison, mayor of Glace Bay, N. S., and president of the U.M.W. district 26, stated that the next move is not up to the miners but up to the operators. He said that since the Union had been negotiating with operators in the district over a period of many months and not getting results, the men were forced to strike, thus using the only weapon left to them in the fight for their rights.

Relief for Strikers

"The deplorable conditions in this district," Mr. Morrison stated, "have forced us to ask international headquarters to set aside the regulation ruling that relief cannot be granted for 30 days, after the beginning of a strike, and it is expected that relief will be secured within the next two weeks."

"The miners here have been working two days for one day's pay," he stated, "and under the worst conditions in any mining district on the North American Continent. It can well be called the Siberia of Eastern Canada," he stated.

Picket Mines

The strike is being conducted peacefully, all signs of violence being absent. The mines are being picketed by strikers bearing placards demanding their rights, but no other demonstrations have been made.

Mr. Morrison stated that the miners' representatives are willing to meet any responsible representatives of the mine operators to discuss an agreement between the two opposing factions. He added, in closing, that it is the operators' next move, and an agreement depends wholly upon them, the demands of the miners being already stated.

Mr. Morrison left this afternoon for Glace Bay where he will confer with representatives of international headquarters. Another representative of the district headquarters is expected this evening to act on behalf of the miners.

TODAY'S MARKET

An exceptionally small market was assembled at Phoenix Square this morning, the number of farmers being small and the supply of general products light. Wood was present in larger quantity than it has been in the last markets but meats, butter, and eggs were scarce. A fair supply of garden vegetables was on hand. Prices remained about the same as last week.

Parsnips, 10c per bunch
Celery, 10c per head.
Eating apples, 20c. per peck.
Cooking apples, 20c per peck
Crabapples, 25c per peck
Green tomatoes, 20c per pk.
Cucumbers, 10c. per dozen.
Dill, 10c. bunch.
Peppers, 2 for 5c.
Squash, 2c. per lb.
Pumpkin, 2c per lb.
Potatoes, 20c. per pk.
Cabbage, 5c per head
Turnips, 5c. each.
Onions, 5c per bunch.
Carrots, 5c per bunch.
Beets, 5c per bunch.
Butter, 35c. per pound.
Eggs, 30c. per dozen.
Chicken, 35c. per lb.
Lamb, 15c and 20c per lb.
Veal, 8c and 11. per lb.
Wood, \$7.00 and \$8.00 per cord.

NEW BRIDGE TO BE BUILT OVER BIG TRACADIE

Erection of 2,010 Foot Structure to be Completed by May 1

119 Foot Span

Tenders Receivable Up to Oct. 22.; Work to Begin At Once

Tenders for a new 2010 foot bridge over the Big Tracadie River, on the road from Charinsay Settlement to Big Tracadie, Parish of Saumarez, Gloucester County, are receivable up to five o'clock, Oct. 22, it was announced in today's issue of The Royal Gazette. The name of the new structure is the "Upper Big Tracadie Bridge."

The new bridge will have a total length of 2010 feet, and will consist of 39 creosoted pile bents and stringer spans. There will be an embankment fill of stone and earth, side railled. The superstructure, according to specifications, will be a 119 foot creosoted wood Howe truss span, mounted on timber cribwork piers. The superstructure, however, does not enter into the contract, but will be constructed by the Bridge Engineer's Office of the Provincial Department of Public Works.

The work on the bridge, which will be commenced immediately, is expected to be completed by May 1, 1938, including the erection of the superstructure. The new bridge will replace a 50 year old structure of three triangular truss spans and a series of old stringer spans on old cribwork piers.

MAY SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE

Rev. J. Austin Jardine, clergyman of the United Church of Canada, of Upsalquitch, Restigouche County; Rev. Guy C. Holmes, Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, clergyman of Lytleton, Northumberland County; and Rev. Elery M. Cady, Apostolic Church of Canada, Perth, Victoria County, have been registered to solemnize marriage in this province, it was announced in today's issue of the Royal Gazette.

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