

News Briefs

AT EUREKA GRILL

(Special to The Daily Mail)
Social functions recently held at Eureka include the Rotarian meeting which was held yesterday and a Gyro banquet which was held on Monday evening.

TO BE BURIED HERE

The body of Miss Margaret Helen Lindsay, whose death occurred in Saint John, arrived here today for burial. The funeral will take place Friday afternoon. Interment will be made in Rural Cemetery Extension.

LETTERS GRANTED

The current issue of the Royal Gazette contains notice of the granting of letters patent to the "Peerless Construction Company, Limited," with headquarters at Minto. The Company will carry on general contracting work and it capitalized at \$10,000.

NO DEVELOPMENTS

Devon police report no new developments in connection with the investigation into the "hit-and-run" accident at Devon last week when a cyclist was struck by an unknown motorist. Every effort is being made to learn the identity of the offending driver.

COMMITTEE TO MEET

The general committee in charge of arrangements in connection with the proposed Coronation Day celebration will meet tomorrow evening. It was announced today by the chairman, Ald. F. S. Mundie. It is expected that the program regarding the celebration will be completed tomorrow night and announced to the public.

SLIGHTLY IMPROVED

The condition of Rev. Henry Dobbleson, Fredericton, who is an ecclesiastical student at Holy Heart Seminary, Halifax, and who has been critically ill for the past few days, was reported today to be somewhat improved. The young man, who is the son of Mrs. M. Dobbleson, has been in a critical condition since the weekend. His mother, two sisters, Misses Louise and Marie, and brother, Nicholas, are at present in Halifax.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Wednesday, May 12th, the date on which His Majesty King George VI will ascend to the throne of the British Empire, has been proclaimed as a public holiday throughout the province. The proclamation issued by the Honourable J. B. M. Baxter, K.C., P.C., LL.D., administrator for New Brunswick, is contained in the current edition of the Royal Gazette. The birthday of King George VI on June 9th will also be observed as a public holiday throughout the province.

SPECIAL TAX

Section 4 of the Corporation Tax Act, which provides for the imposing of a special tax upon all companies transacting any lines of insurance in the province, has gone into effect, according to the notice appearing in the current issue of the Royal Gazette. A special tax is also imposed upon each bank conducting business in the province upon the average monthly amount of loans, investments, deposits and advances as defined in section 5 of the Act. The special assessment will be one-thirtieth of one per cent. in addition to the tax imposed by the Act.

Woman Passes After Three Years' Illness

Many friends throughout this section of the province will regret to learn of the passing of Mrs. Ada May Banks which occurred last evening in the family home at Nashwaaksis. The deceased had been in ill health for about three years and although her death had been expected for the past several days, nevertheless, it came as a severe shock to her family and friends.

Born at Douglas, N. B., 53 years ago, the daughter of the late Samuel Stephens and Mrs. Stephens, the deceased resided at Nashwaaksis for the past 34 years. She was a woman of sterling christian character and much beloved by all who knew her. Her passing leaves a vacancy in the community which will be hard to fill and the sympathy of her many friends is extended to the bereaved relatives.

Surviving are her husband, two sons, Harold and Percy Banks, and an adopted daughter, Miss Clara M. Stephens. Six brothers and four sisters are also left to mourn. They are Harold, Arthur, and Roy Stephens, all of Douglas; Frank and George Stephens of Nashwaaksis, and James Stephens of Marysville; Miss Jennie Stephens, Houlton; Mrs. Robert Elliot, South Devon; Miss Grace Stephen, Douglas, and Miss Ida Kierstead (adopted), Fredericton.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon with service in the family residence at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made in the Douglas Rural Cemetery.

CITY WILL MAKE STUDY OF WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

Special Committee Appointed to Get Information

Previous Survey

Tower Lake Suggested as Possible Source of Supply

The city council, through a special committee consisting of Aldermen David McCaughey, F. S. Mundie and D. Olts, will commence a study of the water supply system. The study will be made with the view of investigating the possibilities of future improvements. The decision was made at the regular meeting of the council held last evening with His Worship Mayor G. W. Kitchen presiding.

Ald. McCaughey, in introducing the matter, pointed out that the present supply of water, although chemically pure, was the cause of complaint on the part of many citizens. He referred to the fact that city officials made a study of the system about a quarter-century ago and secured valuable data in connection with the proposal to establish the source of supply at Tower Lake, about seven miles from the city. Ald. McCaughey urged the council to re-open the investigation with the view of securing necessary information regarding costs, etc. of the project.

At the time of the former investigation, it was found that the pressure of water, if piped into the city from the lake, would be so great as to necessitate the use of a "reducer." The lake water is pure and would not require chlorination, at least, not to such an extent that it would effect the taste.

Recommendation

A recommendation that the city make a study of the water supply system was made at a recent meeting of the Fredericton Board of Trade. It was pointed out at that time that Tower Lake, which is a natural reservoir, is situated about 75 feet above the level of the city.

Specific gravity would replace the pumping station, at any rate in its present form, as the downward flow would serve to bring an adequate water supply to the city. The question was raised as to whether the water pressure would be too great, one member mentioning that the probable pressure would be 250 lbs. The city mains and private plumbing systems would not withstand this force, it was contended. This could be overcome by modern engineering and pressure adjusted at a reasonable expense.

When the proposed plan was discussed on previous occasions, the cost of excavation and other necessary work prohibited the city from taking action. However, during the last several years the modern methods now used would greatly reduce the costs. It was pointed out that much data was already on file which would be of material assistance.

It is a well known fact that many citizens including three or four members of the medical profession have not used the water supply system for several years. Every day prominent citizens of Fredericton procure water from various springs in the suburban areas.

As far back as the late '60's, W. H. Anderson, father of the present Countess of Ashburnham, recommended to the city council the matter of getting water from Tower Lake. Since that time various city engineers and others have recommended this source of water supply.

Rumors Unconfirmed By C.N.R. Heads Here

C.N.R. officials at South Devon stated today that the rumors regarding the proposed construction of railway shops in that centre were "indefinite." Whether or not the report is based on official information could not be learned, but it is believed, however, that the report is not entirely lacking in foundation.

It was learned that consideration is being given by the company to the erection of shops on either side of the Saint John river, but there has been nothing definite announced as to whether they will be built in Fredericton or Devon.

Several sites in the city have been mentioned. Most prominently referred to among them are the present C.N.R. yards in this city, south of Regent street and the freight shed, and a vacant field in the west end of the city on the west side of Wilnot Park, which is included in the Odell property.

QUIET NIGHT

Police circles were very quiet during the night. No arrests were made and the police court docket was clear this morning.

Tax Collections Increase 68 Per Cent.

Tax collections during the month of April totalled \$8,971.24 compared with \$5,321.73 collected during the corresponding month of the previous year. The increase was 68.58 per cent. Ald. R. T. Forbes, chairman of the finance committee, pointed out that he believed the proposal to list property owners, who were delinquent in their payments, was responsible to major extent for the increase.

In his report, Ald. Forbes also pointed out that \$808.42 had been received in advance payment on the 1937 assessment. He suggested that the listing of the names of delinquent tax payers be continued, expressing the opinion that it would result in further increased collections.

CORONATION WEEK TO BE FITTINGLY OBSERVED HERE

"Whoa Bill" to Open Monday --- Other Features

The program to be observed in Fredericton during Coronation Week has every indication of being singularly successful. In addition to the observance on May 12th there will be many other features which will contribute greatly to the celebration to commemorate the crowning of His Majesty King George VI. It is expected that on May 12th Fredericton will be the "Mecca" for hundreds of people from all sections of the surrounding counties who will journey here to take in the program of festivities arranged for the occasion.

The celebration of the day of the coronation will be featured by a monster parade which is expected to be the largest and most impressive procession ever staged in the city. About 25 floats will take part as well as a large number of gaily decorated automobiles, bicycles, etc. The various public buildings, both federal and provincial, business houses as well as the residences of many of the citizens will be decorated in coronation colors in observance of the auspicious event.

Fireworks

In the evening of May 12th, a colorful display of fireworks will be given. This will be one of the outstanding features of the celebration and will be a fitting climax to the day's proceedings.

Special holiday programs will be shown in the local theatres while special dances will be held in the different dance halls. The outstanding social event in connection with the celebration will be the Coronation Ball which is to be held in the Armory on the evening of the 12th. Invitations have already been issued, and the event promises to be one of the most brilliant affairs of its nature ever held in the city.

"WHOA BILL"

The week of celebration will be fittingly opened on Monday night by the presentation of the musical comedy "Whoa Bill." Sponsored by the Knights of Pythias, the performance will be one of the most delightful stage entertainments ever given in the city. The cast includes the leading stage artists in the city.

One of the highlights of the show will be the appearance of 14-year-old Charlotte Anne (Baby) Troy, Houlton, Maine, who will give special dance numbers. The young artist, acclaimed throughout New England as (Continued on Page Five)



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COUNCIL BOARD PASSES BY-LAW RE LICENSE FEES

New Regulations Will Require Fees From Non-Ratepayers

The Daily Mail

Waged Successful Fight to Bring Measure Into Effect

All non-ratepayers in the City of Fredericton or the County of York wishing to engage in any trade, profession or occupation within the limits of the city will be obliged to pay license fee, according to the new by-law passed by the city council at its regular meeting last night. The Daily Mail, through its editorial columns, has waged a campaign to bring this measure into effect and last night the objective of the campaign was achieved.

The new regulation will serve to protect rate-payers who are engaged in business here. Prior to the passing of the law, the city was "over-run" with transient salesmen, peddlers, etc. selling all forms and varieties of goods without paying licenses. The action of the city council is generally approved by the citizens who believe that it will result in direct benefits to the merchants and other business people of the city.

"Be it enacted by the Mayor and Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Fredericton as follows:

"1. No person not being a ratepayer in the City of Fredericton or a ratepayer in the County of York and resident in the said County shall engage in any trade, profession, occupation or calling within the limits of the said City of Fredericton under a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each and every offence unless he obtains a license therefor.

"2. The Mayor of the City of Fredericton is hereby authorized to grant to any person not being a ratepayer in the said City or not being a ratepayer in the County of York and resident in the said County engaging in any trade, profession, occupation or calling upon receiving from the City Treasurer a certificate that such person has paid into the hands of the City Treasurer the fee herein required for such license.

"3. The fee or sum to be collected by the City Treasurer from each applicant for a license shall be as follows, namely:

"(1). For a license to open a shop or place of business for buying or selling any kind of goods or for a license for a transient trader a fee of four hundred dollars (\$400.00).

"(2). For a license to solicit orders to take measurements for men's or women's clothing or other garments a fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

"(3). For a license to solicit or take orders for the supply of any kind of printing, printed forms, stamped headings, stationery, book binding or blank books except lithographing a fee of two hundred dollars (\$200.00).

"(4). For a license to work as a skilled laborer or mechanic a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00).

"(5). For a license to work as an unskilled laborer or to do or perform any unskilled manual labor a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

"(6). For a license to practise any profession including physicians, sur- (Continued on Page Five)

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Finance Committee To Consider Request

The request of the York-Sunbury Historical Society for a grant of \$1,000 annually to assist in the maintenance of the proposed new \$50,000 building to be given to the society by a donor, whose name has not yet been made known, will be considered by the finance committee of the city council. It was decided, at last night's meeting of the civic government.

The society approached the aldermen on Monday night and requested the city tender its "co-operation and practical help." It was pointed out that the donor would erect the building, providing arrangements were made in regard to its upkeep. The delegation suggested that an annual grant of \$1,000 would not be excessive.

IMPROVEMENT SOC. ELECTS OFFICERS ANNUAL MEETING

Mayor G. W. Kitchen Again Heads the Organization

The election of officers and the report of the committee appointed to survey the city with the view of making suggestions for general improvements featured the adjourned annual meeting of the Local Improvement Association held yesterday afternoon. His Worship Mayor G. W. Kitchen was re-elected president.

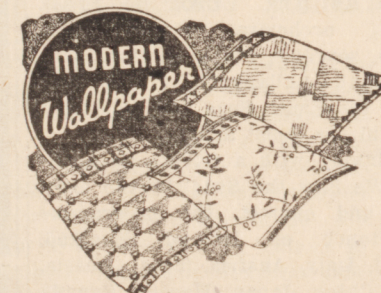


MAYOR G. W. KITCHEN

Other officers elected were: Vice-president, W. G. Clark, M.P.; secretary, R. H. Simonds; treasurer, W. M. Burns.

Additional members to the executive, George E. Howie, J. J. F. Winslow, K.C., and F. L. Cooper. Two more executive members will be appointed by the government and three more by the city.

Mr. Howie, Miss Jeanette Beverly and Mrs. A. E. Mathewson were appointed as a committee in charge of the Old Burial Ground.



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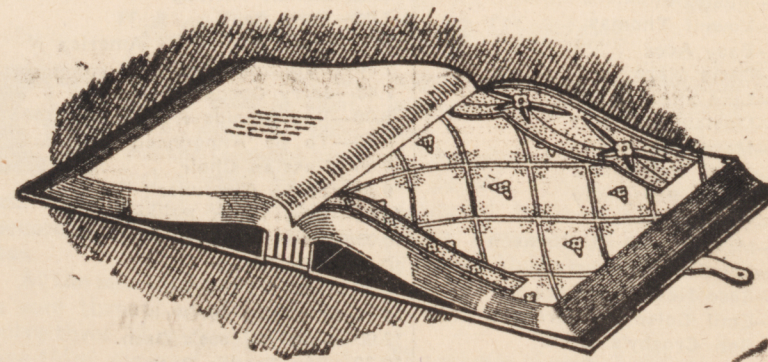
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