

News Briefs

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED
Many friends will be pleased to learn that Mrs. C. C. Camp who has been ill for some time is now considerably improved.

CONDITION SERIOUS
The condition of Ernest O'Donnell, of Marysville, is still quite serious, following a stroke suffered several weeks ago.

SERIOUSLY ILL
Barry Allen, this city, is seriously ill at his home where he has been confined for the past short while. His many friends will wish him a speedy recovery.

CONFINED TO HOME
Friends will be sorry to learn that Mrs. Elizabeth Sterling Haines, director of creative work in the province schools, has been confined to her home by illness for the past few days.

APPOINTED CORONERS
This week's issue of the Royal Gazette contains notice of the appointment as Coroners of Dr. R. D. Landry, Buctouche, Kent County and J. Randolph Wood, Rusagons, Sunbury County.

RESTING COMFORTABLY
George Barry, who has been seriously ill at the Victoria Public Hospital for some time, is resting fairly comfortably today. He is the son of William Barry of this city and is a second year student at the Fredericton High School.

MUCH IMPROVED
The many friends of Miss Hepsey Willis will be pleased to know that she has so far recovered from her serious illness of the past five weeks to be able to be at business for a short time each day. Miss Willis who is a very prominent woman in the work of the W.M.S. of the United Church of Canada and L.O.B.A. is also one of the firm of Willis and Fletcher.

PREMIER DYSART PROTESTS C.N.R. LAYOFF BY WIRE

Wired Hon. C. D. Howe This Morning; Copy to Head Hub Local

Premier A. A. Dysart, today sent a telegram to Hon. C. D. Howe, Federal Minister of Transport this morning protesting the layoff of workers in the Moncton Railway shops of the C.N.R.

The telegram is as follows: "Supporting the contention of railway laborers affected by layoff, submit that if government owned shops were used to fullest capacity to do what work is necessary, and if Moncton received a fair share of such work the situation would be greatly improved."

A copy of the telegram was also sent to P. S. Kingston, Moncton, recording secretary of the Machinists Local, I. A. of M., replying to the latter communication with the provincial government protesting the lay-off. The telegram was sent as a result of a special cabinet meeting this morning.

GOOD MUSKRAT SEASON IN N. B. IS EXPECTED

Season Opens Tomorrow; Season on Trout Also Opens in Province

With the opening of the muskrat season in the southern sections of the province tomorrow, it is reported that the outlook for the year is good, and a large catch is expected. Simultaneous with the opening of the muskrat season is the opening of the trout season in all parts of the province. The present conditions will restrict trout angling for a time yet however since no fishing can be done through the ice.

Outlook for the trappers of muskrat is good this year since the water is not so high. When the water raises the rats scatter whereas they stay in their burrows when it remains low. Most of the muskrat catch is disposed of in the fur auction sales on April 15 and June 20. The greater number of pelts are disposed of at the latter sale since the prices are higher then. At the present the pelts are worth about \$1. Last year royalties were paid on 16,781 pelts at the rate of five cents each. The choicest pelts are manufactured into Hudson Seal.

It was reported today that many ducks have been seen returning to the province with the advent of spring.

150 CHEQUES TO PROVINCE BLIND MAILED TODAY

Blind Pension List Is More Than Doubled In March

Expect Additions Aid To The Extent Of \$6,439.64 Has Been Already Paid

One hundred and fifty men and women in the province will smile—possibly a mute prayer of thankfulness—tomorrow when they see with the tips of their sensitive fingers—the crisp cheque which will arrive in the mails. They are the province's blind. Of this number eighty-four never before received such aid. Sixty-six blind pensions were issued at the end of February, making the number of blind pensioners double for the present month. Blind pension cheques issued today bring the amount of money paid to the province blind since the inception of the pension scheme up to \$6,439.64. In the old age pensions division, cheques mailed today total \$154,380.75. In the vicinity of 11,200 of these latter cheques were put in the mail this month.

During the next month at least it is expected that other names will be added to the pensions list in the blind division. Clinics have been held in all parts of the province by doctors appointed as examiners by Ottawa, while many examinations have been made in the doctors' offices.

Due to poor travel conditions and other draw-backs it is believed that some were unable to attend the clinics or be otherwise examined. During the coming month it is hoped that the list will be completed. Rapid strides are being made by the Old Age Pensions Board under the direction of Hon. W. P. Jones, K. C. director, to complete the lists.

DEPUTY-MAYOR VICE-PRESIDENT OF ASSOCIATION

Elected Vice-President N. B. Retail Lumber Dealers' Assn.; Met At Saint John

Deputy-Mayor David McCaughy, manager of the J. C. Risteen Co. Ltd., was elected vice-president of the New Brunswick Retail Lumber Dealers' Association at their annual meeting which was held there yesterday.

R. Perley of the Devon Lumber Co. South Devon, is one of the new directors of the association. They returned from Saint John last evening.

Particular attention of the meeting was paid the Home Improvement Plan it being the opinion of the meeting that this plan has been a great benefit to the province. The necessity of repairs to many of the buildings in the towns and cities of the province was stressed.

Regarding the Dominion Housing Act, it was believed that the public has not taken full advantage of the act. It was also felt that the act does not cater enough to prospective home builders of moderate income.

TO BE HONORED BY LOCAL ORANGE LODGE NEXT WEEK

H. T. Brewer To Receive Medal For 50 Year's Membership

H. T. Brewer of this city will be honored by his lodge, L.O.L. No. 20, this city, on Tuesday evening next when he will be presented with the fifty year medal.

The presentation will be made at a special open meeting by Rev. W. C. V. Martin, Saint John, grand master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick. The medal is awarded for 50 years' membership in the order.

Mr. Brewer will be the only fifty year member in the local lodge following the presentation. The late Joseph MacCutcheon, who passed away a few months ago, was then the only member of the lodge who had this decoration.

He has a long and distinguished record in his order, having been Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, Past County Master, Past Master L. O. L. No. 20, Past Commander of the Scarlet Chapter, and Past Praeceptor of the Black Knights.

BEAN SUPPER
Plan to attend the Bean Supper on Saturday in Devon, sponsored by the Women's Institute.

City Council Will Decide Definitely On Hospital Bill

Matter Before Committee Today; Want Council To Decide Whether They Are or Are Not Opposed To Legislation; Special Meeting

The corporations committee session this morning in considering the Victoria Public Hospital bill was a battleground of verbal barrage as proponents and opponents of the proposed legislation rose to defend their respective stands.

Opponents of the bill, led by Alderman Ivan McKnight, this morning proposed that the bill be amended to call for a four-fifths majority in the City Council or a plebiscite or both before the city grant any aid to the hospital providing the bill is passed in the Legislature.

The further consideration of the matter was postponed until next Wednesday to enable the city council to hold another special meeting for the purpose of deciding definitely whether or not they approve the amendments to the hospital charter.

"Rat Trap, Death Trap"
Mayor C. Hedley Forbes spoke briefly, stating that the council had decided to take no action with regard to the matter. He agreed that hospital facilities were needed stating that the present wooden structure was "a fire trap, a rat trap and a death trap."

Attorney General Hon. J. B. McNair pointed out that at the recent meeting of the City Council, there was no statement as to whether the council would be willing that the charter be amended. The council did not commit itself as definitely in favor of the passage of the bill.

P. J. Hughes, K.C., solicitor for the board, stated that passage of the bill would merely set up the machinery for granting aid in the project with no one being actually obligated. He stated that the City had not decided definitely to grant aid and would not do so until the necessary information relating to the proposal had been obtained from the Hospital board.

Expenditure Too Great

Ald. Ivan McKnight spoke on behalf of the minority group in the Council which is opposed to the bill. He read a statement prepared by the opponents of the measure which stated that although agreeing that improvements were needed the expenditures were too great an amount.

He pointed out that the hospital board's proposal had been rejected by the council in November 1937. Since then a new council had been elected. The board had not discussed the measure with the 1938 council. Had the present council been consulted, he felt that public views on the matter might have been obtained from the citizens by the Aldermen. He further stated that in the event of passage of the bill, amendments were proposed by those against the proposal. The proposed amendment would require a four-fifths vote of the council or a plebiscite or both before the council should grant aid.

Hon. J. B. McNair raised the question as to whether the hospital project had been an issue in the last civic election. Mayor Forbes replied that his group had pledged themselves to give the matter proper consideration without causing any increase in taxation upon the citizens.

Limited to City
Hon. J. B. McNair suggested the issue be limited to the City of Fredericton. He believed that the municipality of York and the Towns of Devon and Marysville should be allowed to function under existing legislation passed in 1921 which provided that the municipalities could grant aid to an amount of \$25,000 each. Hon. Mr. McNair pointed out that the present proposal was not a repeal of the old act and might add a responsibility of an additional \$5,000 to these municipalities. He thought that the present legislation was adequate for the purposes of the municipalities outside the city.

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Miss Springford Gets Honourable Mention

Jacqueline Springford, Fredericton, N. B., received honorable mention in the student competition at the 18th Annual Wilfred Academy Hair Style Show and Ball held at the Copley-Plaza in Boston, Frank Bartel, managing director of Wilfred Academy, New York, was Master of Ceremonies, and Andre H. Behns, director of the Boston School, presented the prizes.

Nearly 300 models competed in the contest, which took several hours before judges decided on the prize winners. The style of hairdress was described by the judges as being the new "upward swing" type, away from the face, with small ringlets on the sides. The show revealed that women this spring and summer will use star dust of various hues and flowers in their hair, making styles

PHARMACEUTICAL BILL REPORTED

New Act Will Raise the Standards of Chemists

The Pharmaceutical Bill, which was introduced into the house some time ago, was reported by the corporations committee of the Legislature after a private session yesterday afternoon. The major amendment is that which provides that a person who has served 15 years, prior to 1938 as a pharmaceutical chemist will be entitled to automatic registration without passing an examination. The new act will raise the standards of the drug profession. Other amendments are as follows:

"Every candidate for registration as a pharmaceutical chemist shall, in addition to and before passing the examination provided therefor, satisfy the council that he has:

"Good moral character,

"Passed the certified clerks examination,

"Matriculated into a recognized Canadian university,

"Attended and successfully passed a senior qualifying course in pharmacy at Maritime College of Pharmacy or at any other college approved by the council.

"Served as an assistant in a drug store for not less than two years and for at least one of these years been employed as a certified clerk in the dispensing of prescriptions."

The measure will require certified clerks to have passed an examination prescribed by the council of the Pharmacists Society, served not less than one year as an assistant to a pharmaceutical chemist in a retail pharmacy, and to have attended and passed elementary course at a college of pharmacy satisfactory to the council.

None of the provisions affect pharmacists and certified clerks already registered.

more unusual and striking than in many years. Curls will be the thing in most every style this year it was said.

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Last Minute Rush Not Quite So Heavy This Year

With 1937 license plates for commercial vehicles expiring at midnight tonight, clerks at the motor vehicle branch, this city, as well as in other parts of the province were rushed to supply the steady demand of last minute orders today. Falling in the class of Commercial vehicles are trucks, hearses, service trucks, service cranes, tractors and mules.

The old plates are worthless after tonight and every commercial vehicle on the roads tomorrow morning must have the new tags. The owners of passenger cars yet have a month to enjoy the use of the old licenses since they do not expire until midnight April 30. Drivers' licenses also do not expire until that date.

The rush was not so great this year, however, as in the past it is learned because of the new expiration dates and also because of the weight restrictions on the highways. Since the commercial and passenger tags expire on different dates, it splits the usual rush up. It was also learned that many who own commercial vehicles will not be licensing them until the restrictions are taken off the highways since they cannot use their vehicles for heavy loads until that time.

It is understood that the R.C.M.P. will be keeping a close check on the highways for offenders against the expiration date of the 1937 license plates.

RECEIVED BURSARY

William J. Noble, of Rusagons, was among the twenty-seven receiving \$550 bursaries from the National Research Council. He is a graduate of the University of New Brunswick, and Dalhousie and McGill universities. The bursary will enable him to carry on post-graduate work.

IN OFFICE AGAIN

Friends will be glad to learn that R. Lee MacCutcheon, district Indian Agent was able to be back in his office this afternoon. For a period of many weeks Mr. MacCutcheon has been confined to his home and the hospital. While in the hospital he underwent a series of sinus operations.

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