

News Briefs

BETTER TODAY

R. Lee McCutcheon, district Indian Agent, who is a patient at Victoria Public Hospital following an operation, is resting comfortably today, it was learned from the hospital this morning.

ABLE TO SIT UP

E. H. Wilbur, who has been ill for some time at his home on Smythe Street, is now able to sit up in a chair for a short time each day, although his speech has not returned to him as yet.

PASSED EXAMINATIONS

Donald R. Blair and James Marston both of this city, were among those who successfully passed the pharmaceutical examinations at Saint John on Feb. 15, 16 and 17, it was announced yesterday, following a meeting of the New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Society at Saint John.

DIED LAST NIGHT

The death occurred last night at 11:30 o'clock of Mrs. John Murch at her home, Bear Island. The deceased was a well known resident of Bear Island. She is survived by three sons, Frank, Alaska; Murray and John, at home; two daughters, Mrs. W. W. Howell and Miss Hazel Murch, Bar Harbor, Maine. The funeral will take place Saturday afternoon at two o'clock from the home, with services conducted by Rev. Mr. Killam. Interment will be made at Queensbury.

TO RETURN TOMORROW

Miss Alma E. Weldon, Superintendent of Women's Institutes under the Provincial Department of Agriculture is expected to return to this city tomorrow. She had been in Sussex for the past few weeks supervising a Home Makers' Course there.

LEFT FOR HOMES

F. M. Colpitts, M.L.A., Albert, and F. M. Tweedie, M.L.A., Northumberland, left this city last night for their homes. They will return Tuesday for the Session of the Legislature in the afternoon.

Will Appear Before Government Here During Session House

A delegation of three men will go before the provincial government during the present session of the legislature to request a bridge between the island of Shippegan and the mainland.

The delegation will be made up of Ludovic Chaisson, Agade Jean and Jean Paul Chaisson. The latter is secretary, and the other two are members of a non-political committee that was named on Jan. 2, with the aim of working in the interests of the parish and the island of Shippegan.

Thieves Busy As Owners Dance

Despite careful vigilance on the part of police, clever thieves were at work last evening among the cars parked in front of the Legislative Buildings, while their owners attended the reception in the Assembly Chamber.

Although city police stated today that they had no reports of losses from the cars, The Daily Mail was informed that several coats as well as other articles were stolen when the owners of the cars neglected to lock the doors of their vehicles.

The value of the coats and the full extent of the losses could not be learned today.

N. B. Guides Were Guests Of Boston Club At Dinner

New Brunswick guides and others, who attended the annual Sportsmen's Show, were guests of the Boston City Club when Sportsmen's Night was observed recently. At the dinner, which was attended by about 350, the members of the New Brunswick Guides' Association co-operated by supplying venison and fresh salmon for the dinner.

The toastmaster was Clifford R. Davis of the Boston City Club. Among the guests were David W. Griffiths, director of the Bureau of Information and Tourist Travel of the New Brunswick government; James D. DeRouche, United States Fisheries Department of Nashua, N.H.; Paul Dever, Attorney General of Massachusetts; Ernest Poole of the Passenger Department of the C.P.R.; Mahon Kennedy, U.S.A., and Col. Brown, U.S.A.

A contingent of twenty New Brunswick guides presented a splendid program of songs of the north woods, gave demonstrations and told stories of their hunting experiences. Moving pictures of life in the New Brunswick woods completed the entertainment program. A feature was the clog dance of Fred W. Fairley, a 65-year old guide from Boiestown.

U. N. B. DEFICIT FOR THIS YEAR SLIGHTLY LESS

Annual Report Tabled In the Legislature Yesterday

Deficit \$10,571.90

General Report Was Promising; Other Features

The deficit of the University of New Brunswick this year, which amounts to \$10,571.90, is slightly less than that of last year, according to the report of the University which was submitted to the Legislature yesterday afternoon. Last year the deficit amounted to \$11,567.14, and was paid by the provincial government.

The report as to enrollment, their endowments and other features of importance to the University were promising. The pressing need of a second professorship in Civil Engineering was emphasized, and also a full time professor in History. A short time ago a separate chair in history was established, with Dr. Alfred G. Bailey of the staff of the Provincial Museum, St. John, in charge.

Large Enrollment

The total enrollment is 304, not including the summer session which had an enrollment of 103. The academic year of 1937-38 began with over 100 new students, representing every county except Sunbury and Madawaska, other provinces of Canada, and sections of Great Britain and the United States.

The value of securities held in the endowment fund amounts to approximately \$150,000. Twenty-eight students are now in receipt of Lord Beaverbrook Scholarships. The residence is filled to capacity. The heating system has been renovated and other improvements made.

Given Leave

Two professors were given one year's leave of absence. Dr. Bryan Priestman, Professor of Physics is taking a special course at London University. Prof. B. S. Kierstead, is attending the University of Arizona for his health.

At the Encenia last year 75 degrees were bestowed. Arts led in the number of degrees, 27 being given. Six of the candidates for arts degrees received the whole or a considerable part of their training at Summer School.

Mrs. McDowell Passes Away At Truro, N. S.

Many friends in Fredericton will regret to learn of the death at Truro last evening of Mrs. Emma McDowell, widow of the late G. C. McDowell. Mrs. McDowell resided in this city for several years during which time her husband was City Engineer. She made and retained many friends in this city who will retain kindly memories of Mrs. McDowell. During her residence in this city Mrs. McDowell was while able to be about a regular attendant of St. Paul's Church. She was also connected with the Eastern Star and was a past officer in the Rebekahs. The late Mrs. McDowell is survived by her daughter Mrs. A. G. Turney of this city and by one grandson Billy Turney. The funeral will take place at 2:30 o'clock on Sunday afternoon from her late home Victoria Street, Truro, N. S., and interment will be made at that place.

RELIEF APPEALS CONSIDERED AT MEETING TODAY

Municipal Home Comm. Considered Possible Curtailment

Lengthy Work

Work Not Finished Will Be Resumed Soon

The Municipal Home Committee of the Fredericton City Council met this morning in the Mayor's office at City Hall, to consider applications for relief and possible curtailment of expenses in connection with Municipal relief.

The work of the committee was about one-fourth completed this morning, necessitating another meeting tomorrow or Monday evening.

The number of applications for relief was not divulged today. That the consideration of the applications is a job of considerable length is possibly an indication that the number of applications is large.

Immediately following the meeting Alderman Mundle, who presided, left for St. Stephen on business.

Those attending the meeting were Ald. F. S. Mundle, chairman; Ald. Roy H. Colwell, His Worship Mayor C. Hendley Forbes, Ald. R. A. MacMillan, Ald. Delmas A. Oltz, E. C. Armstrong, commissioner of poor, and Fred I. Haviland, City Clerk and Treasurer. The only relief available under the present charter is pauper relief, persons owning property not being entitled to assistance.

NEW YORK DAILY REFERS TO SALMON ANGLING IN N.B.

Chief Justice J. B. M. Baxter Killed Largest Salmon; David Ogilvy, Now In This City, Is Quoted

Raymond R. Camp, the Rod and Gun editor of the New York Daily Times, recently published the following in his column:

"From New Brunswick, Canada, comes word that the largest salmon taken from the 'reserve water' of the famous Restigouche River last season scaled 27 1-2 pounds and was taken by J. B. M. Baxter, former Premier of the province and now Chief Justice. David Ogilvy, who has charge of this stretch of four and one half miles of open water, reports that the fishing there was not as good as other years, but declares that it attracted more American anglers than ever before. The largest recorded salmon caught in the Restigouche was taken several years ago by Admiral Bronson of the United States navy and scaled forty-nine pounds.

"Those of you who are regulars along the Miramichi River when the ice goes out will be glad to hear that John Stickney, the old guide, just celebrated his ninety-first birthday and is still able to throw a fly and pole a pirogue canoe. Despite his advanced age Stickney says he can still show the youngsters a point or two."

MANY VISITORS FIRE STATION SEE NEW TRUCK

Delivered Yesterday Afternoon; In Service Soon

Four-Wheel-Drive

Same Type Drive Is Used on Equipment In Many Cities

A steady influx of visitors to the fire station yesterday afternoon and today, featured the arrival of the new fire truck which is to replace the present horse-drawn apparatus.

The new truck, much larger than either of the present trucks, stands in the station, awaiting complete drying of the paint. It will not be put in service for at least a week.

The new piece of equipment is a heavy duty truck with a special factory-built chassis, giving a much longer wheel-base than ordinary vehicles. The ordinary wheel-base was 157 1/2 inches, but to enable the truck to handle the ladders conveniently it was increased by eight feet to make a total wheel-base of 253 inches.

Reliable Drive

A four-wheel drive, the same type that is used on heavy transport trucks by the U. S. Army and on fire equipment in various cities in the United States, was installed to give extra traction with the long chassis. On aerial ladders used in New York and many other large cities, the four-wheel drive is used exclusively. Many of the snowplows used by the New Brunswick Department of Public Works, which are forced to undergo gruelling tests in keeping the highways clear of drifting snow, also owe their reliable service to four-wheel-drive. It is felt that the truck will give reliable service in any section of the city, under any conditions. The body, ladder carrying racks and fittings are the product of a local steelwork manufacturer.

Horses Uninterested

The new truck will replace Canada's last legitimate fire horses, "Bill" and "Doll," names that are familiar to every resident of the city, as well as other parts of the province and Canada.

The truck today was stealing the show which usually belongs to the horses. Clever and highly intelligent though they are, they looked with little interest on the motored monster that will drive them into retirement.

Naturally, we would think they would hold a little rancor to the red synonym of modern speed and power. "Bill" would say nothing bad about the truck, however. In fact, he wouldn't say anything. He refused to be quoted.

FEELING BETTER

Many friends will be pleased to learn that Charlotte Myles, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Myles, who has been ill at her home for several weeks with chicken pox and complications, is feeling better today, although she is still confined to her bed.

NAMED STANDING COMMITTEES OF HOUSE TODAY

Committee of Five Met This Morning For Purpose

Other Activities

Hon. F. W. Pirie Will Follow Leader Opp. In The Debate

The corridors of the Legislative building were quieter this morning in contrast to the excitement and activity of yesterday afternoon and last evening, although considerable business in connection with the present session of the Legislature was being considered by both government and opposition forces. A committee of five met in the Premier's office to appoint Standing Committees for the session. A report of this committee was tabled in the House this afternoon at a short routine session.

A government caucus was held this morning and an opposition caucus this afternoon. Matters pertaining to the present session were considered at the government caucus and speakers chosen for the debate. It is probable that Hon. F. W. Pirie, Minister of Lands and Mines will follow Hon. F. C. Squires, Leader of the Opposition, in the debate, Premier A. A. Dyrart stated today. Hon. Mr. Squires will continue the debate on the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne on Tuesday.

The committee of five to appoint standing committees was composed of Premier A. A. Dyrart, Hon. J. B. McNair, K. C., Attorney-General, J. Andre Doucet, M.L.A., Gloucester, Fred C. Squires, Carleton, Leader of the Opposition, and Edwin W. Melville, M.L.A., Carleton.

Workmen were busy this morning clearing the Legislative Assembly Chamber which was used for dancing at the Reception last evening. The floor covering which protected the rug in the Assembly Chamber was removed, the piano moved, and general cleaning done in the building.

Native of Province Gets Appointment In Ontario; Relatives Here

The announcement was made recently at Toronto by Premier Hepburn of Ontario of the appointment of R. S. Colter, K.C., former M.L.A., to the position of Chairman of the Municipal Board of that province.

The new chairman is the son of the late Hon. Charles Wesley Colter former County Court Judge of St. Thomas, who was a native of Keswick, York County. The late Rev. J. J. Colter of this city was an uncle, and Mrs. Harvey Mitchell of this city is his cousin.

Mr. Colter's name was mentioned in connection with a vacant county court judgeship but he was persuaded to accept the chairmanship by Premier Hepburn.

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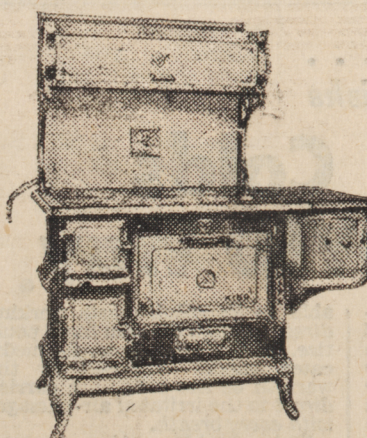
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