

Conciliation Board Clamps Down on Press

News Briefs

EXECUTIVE MEETING
Matters of business referred to the executive at the last meeting of the Union of New Brunswick Municipalities were discussed at a meeting of the executive held at the Parliament Buildings this afternoon. About ten members were present.

CORONER RESIGNS
Alexander Burnett, for a number of years coroner for the County of Sunbury, has tendered his resignation, according to notice appearing in the current issue of The Royal Gazette. His resignation has been accepted and no appointment has yet been made to fill the vacant office.

RESTING MORE EASILY
R. Lee MacCutcheon, District Indian Agent, who has been a patient of the Victoria Public Hospital since Saturday last, was reported to be resting a little more easily today. He underwent sinus operations on Monday and again yesterday, and although suffering considerable pain, his condition is now improving.

APPOINTMENTS GAZETTED
Among the notices of appointments appearing in this week's issue of The Royal Gazette are those of Edwin Hayes, Bath, Carleton county; Wareham Campbell, Bass River, Kent county; George Little, Clairville, Kent county. In Northumberland county: Leon Thibodeau, Rogerville, Wilfred Doiron, Collette Settlement, Fred I. Leger, Rosarville, and Andre Manuel, Manuel's P.O., all to be justices of the peace. Other appointments are: J. M. Flemming, of St. Stephen, to be commissioner for taking affidavits to be read in the Supreme Court, and Napoleon Leger, of Dalhousie, to be provincial constable.

CONDITION IMPROVED
The condition of Mr. Justice C. D. Richards, this city, who was admitted to the Fisher Memorial Hospital, Woodstock, yesterday, suffering from a severe chill, is much improved this morning. It was learned from his home. His presence in the hospital is merely a precautionary measure in order that he may receive proper treatment, stated Dr. G. N. Belyea, Woodstock, who is attending him. He will spend today in the hospital. Mr. Justice Richards was at the up-river point to preside at the sittings of the Farm Creditors' Arrangement Board. W. A. McLellan, this city, was also present, representing the creditors.

Baptist Church Extend Call Rev. C. Harry Atkinson

At a meeting of the congregation of the Brunswick Street Baptist Church which was held last evening, a call was extended to Rev. C. Harry Atkinson, now pastor of the Baptist Church at Medford, Mass.

Rev. Mr. Atkinson is a New Brunswick man, both he and his wife being graduates of Acadia University. He has been in the ministry in Massachusetts and Maine for about ten years.

The vacancy to be filled was caused by the resignation due to ill-health of Rev. Gerald Guioi, who has occupied the pulpit during the last five years.

New Brunswick Command, Can. Legion, Meets Here In July

The annual convention of the New Brunswick Command, Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., will be held in this city in 1938, probably in July. It was learned from Provincial President J. B. Dever of Saint John, following the annual winter meeting of the executive held at Legion headquarters here yesterday.

Resolutions were passed pertaining to returned soldiers' problems, especially unemployment, and considerable discussion took place on a report dealing with the Veterans' Assistance Commission and its findings to be tabled in Parliament at the approaching session. Mr. Dever was appointed to represent the Provincial Command at the Dominion convention, to be held at Fort William, Ont., later this month.

Those present yesterday were President Dever and W. I. Ryan, secretary-treasurer, Saint John; E. B. McLatchey, past-president, Fredericton; A. T. McLean, vice-president, Moncton; T. H. O'Brien, Moncton, Dominion representative; M. T. Blacklock, River Glade, tuberculosis section; Rev. R. E. J. Britton, Welsford, chaplain; C. E. Burden, Fredericton; J. D. Winslow, Woodstock; G. H. Willett, Bathurst, and Dr. H. L. Logan, Sussex, members of the executive.

WILL ASK LOCAL BOARD ENDORSE STAND VS. JAPS

Peace Council Delegation to Appear Before Board Of Trade

Seek Arms Embargo

Election of Officers to Feature the Annual Meeting Tonight

The Fredericton Peace Council will send a delegation before the annual meeting of the Fredericton Board of Trade, which is being held this evening, to ask the Board to endorse its resolution concerning an arms embargo on Japan. It was pointed out this morning by Dr. R. H. Wright, president of the Peace Council, that the law is already embodied in the Customs Act and an Order-in-Council putting the law into effect is all that is necessary.

It was understood from reliable sources today that many members of the Board of Trade are highly in favor of the move and that in all probability the resolution will be endorsed. It was not believed this morning that the other two resolutions of the Council—that of a boycott on Japanese goods and medical aid for China, which will be discussed at a public meeting in the Provincial Normal School next week, will be brought before the Board.

Although plans were not completed this morning, it is expected that J. A. Reid, a member of both the Board of Trade and the Peace Council, and Dr. R. H. Wright will speak for the delegation.

The meeting which will get underway at 8 o'clock this evening in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, will also feature election of the new executive and president, and reports of activities for the year.

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Five Year Stretch At Dorchester Pen. Given to Barbour

Russell Barbour, Moncton, charged with the theft of a car belonging to the New Brunswick Department of Agriculture from its parking place in front of the departmental buildings in this city where it had been left by Hon. A. C. Taylor in September last, was sentenced to serve five years in Dorchester Penitentiary by Hon. Judge A. R. Slipp in the York County Court yesterday.

Barbour, who elected trial by jury at his preliminary hearing, a short while ago, elected trial under the Speedy Trials Act. Fred H. Peters, clerk of the court, conducted the prosecution while Horace A. Hanson, appointed by the court, defended the accused.

Nine witnesses, including Hon. A. C. Taylor, testified for the prosecution yesterday morning. They were Miss Grace A. Oits and Miss Doreen M. Geldart, stenographers in the employ of the department, R.C.M.P. Constable Eric Randall and Ira L. Wilbur of the Moncton police; John MacLean, Frank Hawkes and Wm. Price, The Range; and Robert McPhee, Salisbury. In the afternoon, Constables Peter McGregor and Joseph Kennedy, and Corporal Clifford Munro, Moncton; Chief of Police Nathaniel Jones, this city; and Frank Hawkes were on the stand.

Forbids Witnesses To Make Comments On Evidence Given

Statement to Newspapermen by W. E. Walker On Proceedings Behind Closed Doors Brings Action — Condemns Conditions In Mine

The silence and mystery that has enwrapped the proceedings at the hearing of the Minto strikers' case by the Dominion-appointed Conciliation Board was broken for a few minutes this morning, but the ban on communications to the press was almost immediately clamped on again, tighter than ever, by the chairman, Judge H. O. McInerney.

At the conclusion of the evidence given by W. E. Walker, union witness and former employee of the Miramichi Lumber Co., Ltd., he emerged from the Supreme Court Chambers, where the hearing is being held, and gave the first intimation to the members of the press as to what is being done within.

When questioned about the hearing, Mr. Walker stated, concerning conditions in the Miramichi Lumber Company's mine, he called to the attention of the members of the Board the alleged bad air in the mine, and the fact that the miners have to cut timbers under snow and ice and also ride down in the mine cages with the timbers they have cut. This, he averred, is against the regulations set out in the Mining Act, which provides that the cages should be empty when the men enter them to go down the shafts. He also deplored the situation whereby the men have to spend part of their time in cutting timbers for their work, since they get no pay for this, being remunerated merely for the amount of coal they bring to the surface.

Want Union

The men want the United Mine Workers of America, he said, because they feel that the union will be well able to handle the situation.

After he had finished his testimony and left the building an attempt was made by the Board to call Mr. Walker back in order to compel him to 'kill' the statement he had already issued to the press, and to warn him against saying anything more.

Basil Brogan, also former employee of the Miramichi Lumber Company, was the next witness. He refused to comment to members of the press upon leaving the court chambers, explaining that he had been 'ordered' by Judge McInerney not to reveal any of the proceedings of the hearing.

John McDougall, lone Minto operator who has recognized the union, was the last witness before the noon recess. A union witness, it was expected that he would urge the operators to recognize the union.

The testimony before the Board of Mathias Wuhr, president of the Minto local, was resumed yesterday afternoon at 2:30, and was not concluded until 5:10. It is understood that he was cross-examined to great length both by W. Benton Evans, manager of the Rothwell Mine, and A. D. Taylor, manager of the Miramichi Lumber Co., Ltd. However, as Judge McInerney still refuses to grant representations from the U.M.W. asking that the hearing be thrown open to the press, and as the witnesses are sworn to secrecy, little definite information could be learned as to what was discussed.

W. E. Walker was the only other witness summoned. His testimony was brief, the Board adjourning shortly after six o'clock. Both witnesses represented employees of the Miramichi Lumber Company's mine.

C. Hedley Forbes Sworn In Today Mayor of Fredericton

C. Hedley Forbes took over the reins of civic administration from the hands of the former mayor, G. Wilford Kitchen, at 12 o'clock noon today, when he was sworn into office as Mayor of the City of Fredericton by Hon. Judge A. R. Slipp in the Council Chambers of the City Hall.

The first act of the new mayor was to call a special meeting of the new Council for Friday afternoon at four o'clock, when he will administer the oath to the new members of the Council for their term of office. Three aldermen-elect: Roy H. Colwell, Dr. H. S. Wright and Dr. A. W. G. Good, witnessed the administration of the oath to the Mayor.

Last Rites For Late Mrs. Robt. E. Curll

Mute evidence of the high esteem in which she was held by all who knew her was the large number attending the funeral of the late Mrs. Robert E. Curll, which took place this afternoon. The funeral service for the deceased, who was well and favorably known and an active member of the Wilmet United Church, was conducted at the late home, Smythe street, at 2:30 by Rev. Dr. J. W. Bartlett. Many beautiful floral offerings paid fitting tribute to the deceased. The church choir officiated in the musical portion of the service. Interment was made at the Rural Extension Cemetery.

The mourners were: R. S. Curll, Robert Curll, Leo Beaulieu, Dewar Smallwood, E. Royden Colter, Fred I. Haviland, J. D. MacKay, Peter Far-

1938 PROSPECTS FOR AG' CULTURE ROSY IN CANADA

Dr. W. V. Longley Addresses Agricultural Staff Conference

Conditions Good

Hon. A. C. Taylor Reviews Work Done By N.B. Department

Dr. W. V. Longley, director of extension in the Nova Scotia Department of Agriculture, with sound economic reason behind his statements, last evening painted a highly favorable picture of the agricultural outlook for Canada in the year 1938, in his address at the staff conference of the Provincial and Dominion Departments of Agriculture.

"It looks as though Canada has to a great extent escaped the economic recession which has gripped the United States and to a certain extent, Great Britain, and as though things are at present on the upward swing," he stated.

Hon. A. C. Taylor, Minister of Agriculture, also addressed the conference, briefly reviewing the work of the department in the last two years and pointing out what advances have been made. The conference continued today and will feature a dinner at six o'clock this evening, with Dr. Longley again guest speaker.

Dr. Longley stated that the agricultural conditions depended on a background of industrial conditions. When industrial wages and prices are down they greatly effect us, he pointed out, and as at present the recession has apparently steadied to a great extent, the future of the agricultural industry seems much brighter.

This morning featured 45 minute reports from the different divisions of the department of the work of the year, while this afternoon John C. Moynan, supervisor of illustration stations, Ottawa, addressed the conference. The annual meeting of the Canadian Society of Technical Agriculturalists will also be held this afternoon.

rell, Dr. A. S. MacFarlane, J. B. Kinghorn, Harry A. Smith, Fenton Wood, C. A. MacVey. The pallbearers were: S. A. Young, H. J. Ma-whinney, Edward Perkins, Leslie Wood, Charles A. Smith, Roy Cameron.

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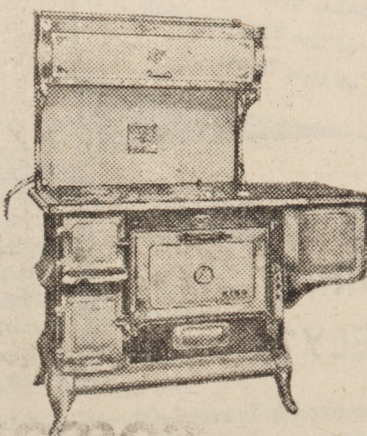
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