

News Briefs

RETURNED HOME

Miss Flora Loudoun, recently a patient at the Victoria Public Hospital, has returned to her home where she is now convalescing.

IMPROVED TODAY

The condition of Eugene McNeill of South Devon is improved today. He is recovering from injuries resulting in three fractured ribs.

TENDERS CLOSED

Tenders for a quantity of water main and other piping for use by the water and sewerage committee in a project to be carried out in various sections of the city during the coming summer, closed at noon today. Tenders will not be awarded until the next meeting of the council.

MEETS TONIGHT

A meeting of the Town Planning Commission will be held this evening in the city hall. Ald. Ray T. Forbes, who lately attended the annual convention of the Federation of Mayors and Municipalities, will report on his visit. Town planning and similar city improvements were among the chief matters of discussion at the convention.

REMAINS ARRIVED TODAY

The remains of the late Franklin U. Dunphy who passed away in Boston at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, arrived on the 11.30 o'clock train today. The remains are resting at the J. A. McAdam Funeral Home, 651 King Street. The deceased who was 74 years of age had been in ill health for the past month. He is survived by his wife Annie and one sister Mrs. Emma Albright of Boston. Funeral services will be conducted at the Baptist Church, Central Kingsclear, by Rev. Mr. Harper at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Interment will be made at the Dunphy Cemetery.

Do Not Expect Ice To Run Before 2 Weeks

Unless there is heavy rain upriver the ice will not go out for two weeks at least, was the opinion expressed today from the city pumping station.

The river level is not at the seven foot mark on the scale used at the station, while the ice ran last year when the level hit the nine foot mark. The river level is now between four and five feet above the summer level. The river breakup is always a matter of much speculation in the city and is watched for with great interest. The water level raised 1.8 feet from noon yesterday to noon today.

Lands and Mines Staff Conference Opened Yesterday

The opening session of the staff conference of the Department of Lands and Mines was held yesterday afternoon in the York County Court House of this city, with G. H. Prince, Deputy Minister of Lands and Mines in the chair. Colonization was discussed by T. A. MacDonald, superintendent of that branch of work. The chief game warden, H. H. Ritchie headed the discussion on game work. In the evening Dr. W. J. Wright, provincial geologist, spoke on the geology of New Brunswick and mining activities of the past year. Interesting sound films "Wheels Across Africa" and "Precious Woods" were shown after the discussion.

The conference reassembled today for further discussion on game work, and also tourist trade. The regular chairman of the meeting Hon. F. W. Pirie was absent yesterday due to legislative activities.

Y. M. C. A. DRIVE NEARLY REACHES ITS OBJECTIVE

Total of \$3,413 Was Collected in Three Day Campaign

With the closing of the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. three day finance drive last evening, a total of \$3,413 had been collected, amounting to 98 per cent of the objective of \$3,580. Final reports of the canvass teams were presented at a dinner last evening in the Y rooms.

It is expected that the final sum will top the objective before the end of the week since some prospects have not been approached yet for various reasons. A total of 899 citizens in all, subscribed—sums ranging from 25 cents to \$200. The greater number of subscriptions were in the \$1 class.

Ten teams took care of ordinary prospects while one team worked on special names. This latter team, captained by George W. Brown, collected \$1,611. About 110 canvassers took part in the drive which was under the chairmanship of S. S. Miller with Mrs. George Brown as associate chairman.

BOARDS TRADE TO CO-OPERATE RE PUBLICITY

Delegates From Five Boards To Discuss Matter Here

Meet Tonight

Larger Tourist Trade Is Expected For Coming Summer

Co-operative action to advertise the Saint John River Valley is planned for the present year, according to the announcement that representatives of Boards of Trade towns, up and down the river, will meet here this evening to discuss a program for the year. Representatives from Perth and Andover, Woodstock, Gagetown and Hampstead will be present, it was learned today from Alexander Murray, secretary of the Fredericton Board of Trade.

No definite plans of advertising have yet been made. E. C. Atkinson, president of the local Board said today. Each delegation is expected to present ideas to the meeting for consideration, and as a result of this a tentative program will be drawn up.

Larger Traffic

From all indications a larger tourist traffic is expected in New Brunswick during the coming summer, and the meeting has been arranged with a view to diverting a larger proportion of the traffic to the Saint John Valley.

With the greater percentage of paved highway in the province now and at the beginning of the tourist season, the traffic is expected to start at an earlier date this year.

The province itself, through the Bureau of Information and Tourist Travel and other agencies has received much advertising during the past year. Besides usual advertising and the publicity of the New Brunswick Exhibit at the Boston and the New York Sportsmen's Shows, two travelogues, taken in the province last summer and which will be released in the near future, are expected to attract a lot of attention.

"NO GUARANTEE OF PERMANENT PEACE IN ARMS"

J. S. Woodsworth, C.C.F. Leader Spoke Last Evening; Stresses the Need Foreign Policy

Declaring that armies are no guarantee of lasting peace and that the one way to end it is eradicate its causes, J. S. Woodsworth, C.C.F. leader in the Canadian House of Commons spoke before a large audience in the Opera House last evening on Canada's Foreign policy. Mr. Woodsworth, who visited the province to address the Model League of Nations at the University of New Brunswick, left this morning for Moncton where he will address a public gathering this evening.

H. H. Stuart of Fredericton Junction, C.C.F. organizer for the constituency of York-Sunbury, presided and introduced the speaker of the evening. In his opening remarks Mr. Stuart said that the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation was a Social Democratic party of the same theory and principles as the governing parties of New Zealand, the Scandinavian Countries and Finland and the British Labor Party that had been led by such men as Keir Hardie and Ramsay MacDonald, a party depending for ultimate success upon parliamentary methods and logical argument.

The speaker first outlined the platform of his party in politics and the work of the third party in Parliament.

Criticizing the policy of the Prime Minister in making no commitments, he declared it is an Utopian ideal and impossible in this world. No nation can adopt an isolationism without serious degradation of the standard of living in the country.

He called for a declaration of foreign policy by the government of the Dominion. He stated that Canada would be automatically at war in the event that Great Britain decided to fight but expressed the opinion that Canada should have a policy which would determine to what extent the country would participate.

In speaking of the causes of war, he said they were psychological and economic. Education will eradicate the first, while the latter cause is a natural consequence. He referred to the "Have's and Have Not's," in this respect, some nations having natural resources of raw materials and markets for disposing of them, while others are without these advantages.

In reference to the Japanese situation, he condemned the export of scrap and other material of war to that country while we strengthen our west coast defences against them.

City Council Will Decide On Action Re Hospital Bill

Special Meeting Called For Monday Evening; To Be Before Committee Again Next Thursday; Statement On Matter By Alderman Forbes

With the contentious Victoria Public Hospital bill already having been before the Corporations Committee of the Legislature and proponents of the bill heard, Mayor C. Hedley Forbes has called a special meeting of the City Council to decide what action the council and City will take in the matter. The matter was postponed yesterday following conclusion of argument by supporters of the bill, to meet Thursday when the other faction will be heard.

Four of the aldermen, Ivan McKnight, R. A. McMillan, W. Raymond Crewdson, and Ray T. Forbes, have already indicated their objection to the bill. What the stand of the other members of the council will be remains to be seen on Monday.

In explaining the opposition which he and his three cohorts have taken to the proposed legislation, Alderman Forbes stated today that their objection is to the unorthodox manner in which the matter was presented by the hospital board, and not to changes in the hospital. "We all see the necessity of changes," he said.

Never Presented

"The proposition has never been presented to the council," he stated. He pointed out that the net funded debt of the city is something over \$500,000, and that the expenditure would increase this debt by 20 per cent, as well as adding \$150,000 fixed liability to the city.

"We do not know," he said, "the expenditure may be warranted, but no plans have been submitted to us so that we do not know what they intend to do." He added that the proposed expenditure is of such a figure that it should be known what it was going into.

The hospital board points out that they are not forcing anything on the city but are merely seeking legislation whereby the city would be empowered to act if they so desired.

Marysville and Devon have expressed their opposition to the legislation, as well as representatives of the County of York. It was not known today whether any delegations of citizens will appear before the council either in support of or in opposition to the bill.

MODEL LEAGUE ADDRESSED BY W. W. V. FOSTER

Member for Kings Co. Stressed Relative Dangers Of "Isms"

W. W. V. Foster, M.L.A. for Kings County, in his address to the delegates attending the Model League of Nations at the University of New Brunswick yesterday afternoon warned of the danger of overemphasizing the threats of Communism, allowing the former to get a strong foothold while we are battling the latter.

"They are both great dangers to defeat of the two Fascism is the greater of the two Fascism in the greater menace because we have more knowledge concerning Communism, and are in a better position to curb its growth effectively. Mr. Foster who spoke to the delegates following a luncheon in the Beaverbrook building was introduced by Rev. Dr. W. C. Kierstead, dean of the Arts faculty at the University, and a former teacher of Mr. Foster.

The speaker dealt particularly with Dominion and Provincial realtions in the greater part of his address. At no other period perhaps will there be such important and critical discussion of the constitution as there is today, he said, and, at the risk of being misinterpreted, he added, he wished to explain a few of his own ideas with regard to the constitution.

"We in New Brunswick," stated the speaker, "have not sufficient taxing authority to provide for certain reforms which are needed, particularly in education. More health services are needed. These reforms have been held up because of the uncertainty and insufficiency of our taxing powers, under the constitution," he contended.

Following his address, Dr. C. C. Jones, president of the University, spoke briefly, expressing his pleasure on behalf of the university at having Mr. Foster and the representatives of the Maritime Universities present.

TO ADDRESS MEETING

P. S. Watson, Devon, president of the Maritime Merchants' Alliance, will address the Hi-Y Club at a luncheon meeting in the Y rooms this evening. He will take as his subject "Retailing as a Vocation."

MAPLE RIDGES ON NEW ROAD VALUABLE

M. L. Dunphy Returns From Renous Today; Establishing Maple Industry There

Returning from the maple sugar project on the Paster Rock-Renous Highway this morning where he has been supervising establishment of an industry there, M. L. Dunphy, Douglas, president of the New Brunswick Maple Sugar Producers' Association and provincial apiarist, stated that there is a wonderful opportunity for the establishment of a large commercial enterprise there.

There are ridges of maple trees up to 30 miles wide, he stated, and all of an exceedingly old growth. According to his information there has been no cutting in the area in 300 years. Trees on the ridges run on an average of about three feet in diameter, while some were observed which would measure nearly five feet. It is impossible to estimate the value of such maple ridges, he said.

The ridges are situated on Crown land, and the country was opened up by the highway which is being constructed there now. A company is in the process of formation in this city now, it is reported to establish the industry, renting the ridges from the Department of Lands and Mines.

Camps are now being built, Mr. Dunphy stated, and equipment is already on the scene. Six men are on the site, and Mr. Dunphy expects to return some time next week.

HIGH TEMPERATURES

Temperature today as recorded by Postmaster Donald Cameron was 50 degrees at noon. Temperature yesterday reached 57 degrees, for the warmest day this spring. Such a sustained period of warm weather is rather unusual for the time of the year. Mr. Cameron stated today. Since Sunday the temperature for day time has been above 50 degrees.

CONFINED TO HOME

Friends will be sorry to learn that Earle Lawes, Marysville, has been confined to his home for the past few days with a severe case of mumps.

DISCUSSION ON LIQUOR CONTROL ACCOUNTS TODAY

Opposition Brings Up Matter in Public Accounts Committee

Other Matters

Criticize 'Secret Service' System In Liquor Act Violations

The matter of information concerning the New Brunswick Liquor Control Board was brought up at this morning's meeting of the Public Accounts Committee of the Legislature. Replying to Hon. F. C. Squires' request that the information should be contained in the Public Accounts, chairman J. G. Boucher, M.L.A. for Madawaska, stated that the figures could be obtained in the annual report of the board and if further information was desired it should be secured by submitting inquiries to the House. G. W. Perry, M.L.A. for Carleton supported the stand of Mr. Squires. E. W. Melville, M.L.A. for Carleton, also believed that information should be available to the Committee for consideration.

Discuss Account

An account for secret service under Intoxicating Liquor Act prosecutions was brought up. Hon. Mr. Squires said that the public should be informed as to what this item represented. Mr. Boucher informed the committee that this information was available only to the Premier and the leader of the Opposition. Mr. Squires stated that in this case the information was of no value because he would be unable to divulge it to the public. He requested a general statement as to the nature of this secret service account. Mr. Boucher replied that the money was paid to informers. The leader of the Opposition objected to this procedure, maintaining that the Mounted Police were being paid \$100,000 to do this work. In case of prosecutions plain clothesmen would be under considerable temptation to make the evidence too strong when they were being paid especially for these prosecutions.

E. J. Henneberry, M.L.A. Saint John, pointed out that even if detailed information could not be divulged, Mr. Squires could put at rest any doubt of the public that any improper expenditure in connection with this account was made.

Another item under the Intoxicating Liquor Act Prosecutions relating to the payment of magistrates for costs was dealt with. Mr. Henneberry stated that in Saint John these prosecutions were carried out to a large measure by the R.C.M.P. No contribution was paid to magistrates for costs.

Mr. Squires pointed out that under the same conditions in the City of

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