

News Briefs

LEFT FOR HOME

Hon. F. W. Pirie, of Grand Falls, Minister of Lands and Mines, left for his home this morning by his private plane.

ABLE TO BE OUT

H. R. Pettigrove, Provincial Fair Wage Officer, who has been ill at his home, was able to be out yesterday for a while.

RESTING COMFORTABLY

R. Lee MacCuthcheon, District Indian Agent who has been a patient at Victoria Public Hospital for some time following an operation, is resting comfortably today.

FEELING BETTER

Many friends of R. A. Tweedie, secretary to Premier A. A. Dysart, who has been ill at his home, North Devon, will be pleased to learn that he is feeling much better.

SOMEWHAT IMPROVED

F. H. Wilbur, who has been ill at his home, Smythe street for some time, is somewhat improved today, although his speech has not returned yet.

WILL ACCOMPANY REMAINS

Jack Fowler, son of the late Mrs. Rose Fowler, will arrive from Saint John tonight to attend the funeral of his mother tomorrow afternoon. Mr. Fowler is a resident of Cornwall, Ont.

TOWN PLANNING MEETING

The Town Planning Commission will meet in the Mayor's office at the City Hall tonight to attend to routine business. Ald. W. R. Crewdson, chairman, will preside. Several committees will be appointed to attend to various phases of the commission's work.

THREE STILL ALARMS

The Fredericton Fire Department was called to three still alarms yesterday afternoon, caused by chimney fires at the residences of Earle Fraser, Woodstock Road; H. W. Estabrooks, Charlotte street, and C. C. Smith, Lansdowne street. No damage was reported.

TRUNK ROADS OPEN

Although the heavy winds of last night and today have drifted the light snow which fell Wednesday night, government plows are working steadily today throughout the province, and most of the trunk roads are open for traffic, it was stated by C. B. Croasdale, chief highway engineer, today.

PREMIER TO SPEAK

Hon. A. A. Dysart, Premier and Minister of Public Works, who left here this morning after spending the week in the city with the Cabinet in session, will speak over CKCW at Moncton at 7 o'clock this evening. The broadcast, which will be in connection with Education Week, will also feature an address by W. C. Haines, president of the New Brunswick Teachers' Association.

DIED LAST NIGHT

The death occurred last night of James Ebbett, aged 87 years, at the home of his nephew, Councillor Warren Ebbett, Dumfries, Parish of Douglas, with whom he made his home in late years. Mr. Ebbett was born at Gagetown, Queens county, and moved to Douglas when a boy, where he spent most of his life. He is survived by one son, Clifford Ebbett, and his death will be mourned with regret by a large circle of friends.

TRIAL OF TEXTS IN 50 SCHOOLS NOW CARRIED ON

Different Texts In Two Subjects Now Circulated

All For Year

Teachers Will Advise Committee On The Suitability

The trial program of the curriculum committee, which is at present applied to fifty schools in the province, is proving very successful, according to reports from various centres where the system is in force. Working with the view to revising the curriculum of the elementary grades in the province, different type textbooks are distributed throughout the schools on a six-week trial basis; the degree of their suitability to the various Grades being reported to the committee by the teachers.

In September, four sets of the readers in use in the Dominion for Grades I to VI were sent out to different schools. These have since been circulated to schools which include Fredericton, Saint John, Moncton and smaller schools throughout the Province. They will not have made the complete round some time, however.

The second phase of the trial program was introduced last month when the attentions of the committee were directed to arithmetic. Of the many texts on this subject which are compiled in the Committee, the committee personally eliminated all but five. Sets of these five are now being tried in the various schools.

Dr. A. S. MacFarlane, questioned about the system this morning, stated that further subjects will not be taken up this school year. The trial of the different texts on the present two subjects will take up the rest of the time.

As to any effect which the introduction of the books may have on

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Mrs. Rose E. Fowler Passed Away At Saint John

Friends in this city and many other parts of the Province will learn with deepest regret of the death of Mrs. Rose E. Fowler, widow of the late Sgt.-Major Augustus Fowler, which occurred at Saint John yesterday.

The late Mrs. Fowler, who was a resident of this city for many years was endowed with a sterling character that made her loved by all who knew her. Helpful and kind, and prominently connected with charitable and similar works, there are many who in the past have known the blessing of her nature.

During the time of her residence here she took an active part in the activities of the Pythian Sisters, of which she was a member. Her husband, who was an active member of the Knights of Pythias and Canadian Legion, died several years ago as a result of injuries sustained during service in the World War. Sgt.-Major Fowler was well known in Fredericton as a military man of punctilious conduct, and the many parades of the Legion and Knights of Pythias owed their exactness and discipline to his adept qualities as marshal.

Mrs. Fowler is survived by two sons, Jack and Ralph, Cornwall, Ont. Another son, Eric, passed away several years ago.

The remains will arrive in Fredericton tonight at 9 o'clock and will

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WARNING TO SISTER PROVINCES THAT CONTAGION OF DICTATORSHIP IN QUEBEC MAY SPREAD IS ISSUED BY SPEAKER

To Speak on Padlock Law in Oddfellows' Hall This Evening

"New Brunswick and Ontario had better watch out," stated Col. R. L. Calder, K.C., M.C., in an interview given The Daily Mail this morning. Col. Calder, who will speak in the Oddfellows' Hall this evening on "British Justice and the Padlock Law," declared that the contagion of dictatorship which has spread throughout Quebec may well infect the sister provinces, New Brunswick and Ontario especially, because of their proximity.

"It is something which spreads very easily," he stated, "and takes little to give it a foothold. The purpose of my tour is to put the danger before the provinces. The danger is," he added, "that some false beauty in rank dictatorship may be seen by politicians in the other provinces of the Dominion."

Mayor C. Hedley Forbes will preside at the meeting tonight when Col. Calder will speak.

At noon today, Col. Calder addressed a group of students of the University of New Brunswick at an informal luncheon in a local restaurant.

Distinguished Record

Col. Calder, who is a distinguished Canadian lawyer, Vice-President of the Civil Liberties Union, and member of the National Council of the Canadian League for Peace and Democracy.

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WINTER CARNIVAL IN CITY FOR FIRST TIME IN YEARS

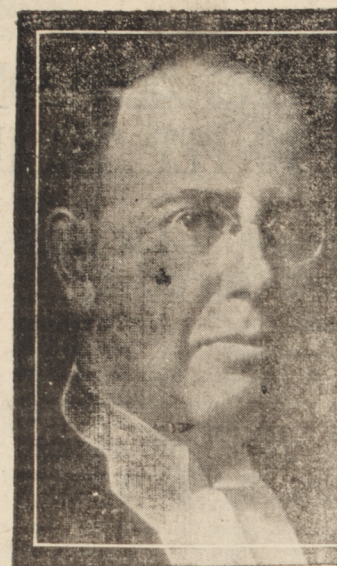
Will Feature Fancy and Speed Skating; Events For Children and Seniors

For the first time in many years, Fredericton this year is to have an ice-racing meet with events open to school children, juniors and seniors. One of the features of the meet will be the exhibitions of E. A. Lamy, formerly of Saranac Lake, N. Y., and one of the foremost exhibition and trick skaters on the Continent. Mr. Lamy is well known to skating enthusiasts in this province, having performed at Saint John at major meets on more than one occasion. He has appeared in the major centres in the United States, including the Hippodrome in New York City. The meet will be held on Friday, Feb. 26.

The school classes are open to any boy or girl attending school in the city, Devon or Marysville. These classes will include short races for children under 12 years of age, slightly longer races for children from 12 to 14 years, and long races for under 18 years of age. Any competitor 18 years or over will compete in a class specially arranged.

In addition to these classes for school children there will be two events on the program for senior skaters of experience, including the feature race of the evening — the three-mile classic.

One of the brightest spots on the program will be the skating exhibition open to any lady residing in the city, Devon or Marysville, for which a grand special prize and the title of Queen of the Carnival will be awarded. Judges for this classic will be selected from prominent citizens of the above mentioned centres.



COL. R. L. CALDER, K.C., M.C. Montreal, who speaks in the Oddfellows' Hall This Evening

Home and School Association Formed At Smythe St. School

A Home and School Association was organized last evening in the Smythe Street School with a membership of 23 members enrolled. The large number of parents present showed the great interest that is being taken in such organizations, and plans are being made to extend the formation of Associations to other city schools. It is understood that Charlotte Street School will be organized next.

Rev. D. R. Chowen, vice-president of the Fredericton Home and School Council, was in the chair during the organization period of the meeting, after which Mrs. Frank Barton, the newly elected president, presided. She was received with a hearty welcome by all.

The following list of officers were elected:

President—Mrs. Frank H. Barton, Vice-President—Mr. Elmer C. Close.

Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Hilda Haining. Additional members—Mrs. Allan Horncastle, Mrs. Fred Hanson, Mr. Albert Leitchford, Miss Netta MacMillan, Miss Sadie Blair.

Three conveners of standing committees were appointed as follows: Program, Mrs. D. A. Adams; membership, Mrs. F. Leslie Wood; social, ways and means, Mrs. Earle Fraser.

A questionnaire was used, each member marking the topic most interested in, for study and discussion at the next meeting. The topic receiving the most votes will be the one chosen.

A very pleasing feature of the program was a "Health Play," presented by Miss Marjorie Hicks, instructor in dramatics, Provincial Normal School, entitled "A Catastrophe in

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UNVEIL TABLET IN MEMORY OF DR. B. C. FOSTER

Ceremony High School At 3:00 O'clock This Afternoon

Placed in Hall

Miss Pearl Ross, Vice-President of N. B. T. A. Speaks

The tablet in memory of Dr. B. C. Foster, principal of Fredericton High School from 1889 to 1924, which was erected by the New Brunswick Teachers' Association, was unveiled in the high school this afternoon.

The tablet, a large bronze plaque, in memory of the first president of the association, was hung at the left of the entrance to the auditorium.

In the ceremony, which took place at three o'clock, Miss Pearl Ross, of the staff of the high school and second vice-president of the N.B.T.A., delivered the address and unveiled the tablet. The full student body of the high school was present, as well as school trustees, prominent educationalists, and a few others.

The high school orchestra rendered several numbers, while the school also was heard in a hymn, "The Spacious Firmament on High" O. V. B. Miller principal of the school, presided.

The inscription on the tablet is as follows:

In Memoriam
Burton Caleb Foster, M.A., LL.D.
1854-1936
Teacher, Fredericton High School,
1888-1889.
Principal Fredericton High School,
1889-1924.
President New Brunswick Teachers' Association, 1918-1920.
Erected by the New Brunswick Teachers' Association in Honour of Its First President.

Postpone Meeting Owing to Death Of Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts

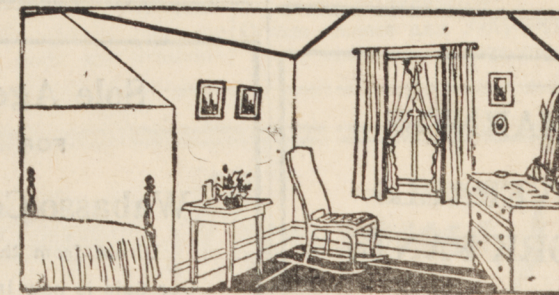
The meeting of the New Brunswick Tuberculosis Association which was to have been held in this city today has been postponed because of the death of Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts, late minister of health and labor for the Province. It was also learned this morning that Dr. R. J. Collins, Saint John, who was to interview Hon. J. B. McNair, attorney-general of the Province and acting minister of health and labor while here attending the meeting of the Association, will not be here.

Dr. Collins, superintendent of the Saint John Tuberculosis Hospital, sought the support of the Association in requesting a guarantee of the government that the daily allowance of one dollar per day for indigent T.B. patients be kept up until a bond issue of \$115,000, which is being floated for enlargement and improvement of the institution, is paid off.

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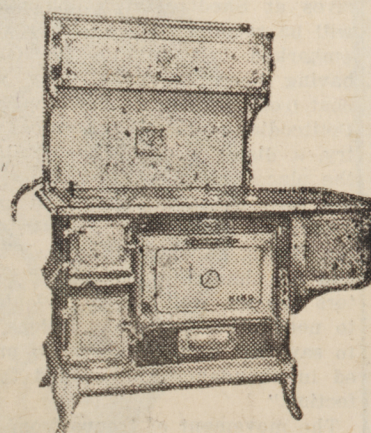
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