

SAYS SCHOOLS ARE CAUSE OF HIGHER TAXES

Commissioner Wigmore Makes Statement At Sons of England Banquet

CITY'S FINANCIAL STATUS EXCELLENT

More Than 100 Present At Lodge Portland Celebration Last Evening

The appropriation for the City of Saint John would not have been higher this year than last if it had not been for the school board assessment, Hon. W. Wigmore, Commissioner of Water and Sewerage, said last evening at a banquet given by the Portland Lodge, No. 246, Sons of England, in the Orange Hall, Simonds street, last evening.

The assessment in other departments was not greater than in the past year, Commissioner Wigmore said, and with the exception of the school board, all had lived within their income. With Dr. L. M. Curren as chairman, the speaker expected that the board would keep within its appropriation in future. This year a saving of some \$16,000 was promised.

Saint John, he said, was financially as good a position as any in Canada. As contrasted with Ottawa with less than double the population the financial position was encouraging.

Saint John's bonded indebtedness was approximately \$7,000,000, Ottawa's \$28,000,000. Saint John's last tax rate was \$2.10 and Ottawa's \$3.20, while \$24,000 had been lost in revenue by a reduction of wharfage charges on grain. The act had been made at the instance of a committee from the Board of Trade who hoped that it would bring greatly increased business to the port but this had not proved to be the case.

SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR.

The banquet was one of the most successful in the history of the lodge. More than 100 guests sat down to an elaborate and well served repast. Rev. G. B. MacDonald said grace. The hall was trimmed with flags and bunting and the tables were decorated with a color scheme of red and white, a profusion of cut flowers carrying out the color scheme.

After dinner had been served the following program of toasts, songs, recitations and literary numbers was enjoyed.

Dr. J. M. Curren, "The City, Hugh Canwell, Hon. R. W. Wigmore; the St. George's Society, Rev. G. B. MacDonald, H. Rising; Grand Lodge, I. A. Belyea, District Deputy Sellen; Sister Lodges, H. C. Green, H. E. Thompson, president of Marborough Lodge; the Ladies, E. Murray, G. Kier, and the Press, S. A. Clark, E. Murray; solo, Miss Ethel Parter, violin, Winford Dalzell; reading, Miss A. Van Wari; solo, J. D. Trull; selections by the High School music quartette, composed of Albert A. Punter, Murray Thomson, Norman J. Magnusson and E. Wesley Mott.

Miss Irene Brown acted as accompanist for the evening.

CAMP NIGHT AT "Y" IS MUCH ENJOYED

Supper Followed By Good Program—Enthusiastic Over Outing of 1926

It was "Camp" night at the Y. M. C. A. last evening, and the event was very enjoyable. About 25 of the younger camp members attended a supper gathering, and at 7:30 p. m., when the programme was commenced, there was a company of 125 on hand. A hearty sing-song was indulged in. F. M. Logan gave a humorous sketch. Adolphus Carly contributed piano selections, and amusing readings were given by the camp editor, John Cowan. A playette was then staged acceptably. "Fun in a Schoolroom" was the title, and those taking part were D. McAndrews, Don Stewart, Walter Stewart and Jack Golding. A nickel and waxon orchestra added some lively music to the evening's entertainment, and two recitals of comic monies rounded out the program. Camp photographs were shown, and there were happy reminiscences. Everyone was enthusiastic in planning for the camp of this year, and the prospects for a large attendance looked very bright.

ABLE TO RETURN HOME.

Miss Amelia Haley's many friends will be glad to learn that she is making a satisfactory recovery from her recent illness and was able to move on Thursday from the Saint John Infirmary to her home in Rockland Road.

She Could Hardly Do Her Housework Nerves Were So Bad

Mrs. I. M. Parks, Concession, Ont., writes:—"I had heart and nerve trouble, and became so short of breath I could hardly do my daily housework, and was so nervous I could not think of staying alone. I was every little while I heard felt like a shock to me."

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C. W. Hart, 42, is coming to New York from England to race against two horses. He beat a horse in a race at the Crystal Palace, London. He challenges any one his age to a race up to 60 miles.

They Bring Almost Instant Relief

THAT IS WHAT MRS. A. MILLS SAYS OF DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS

Ontario lady took Dodd's Kidney Pills for a weak back with very beneficial results.

BELLEVILLE, Ont., March 26.—(Special)—Short, but to the point, is the statement made by Mrs. A. Mills, who resides at 14 Green street, Belleville. She writes:

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CAMBRIDGE WINS BY FIVE LENGTHS

Defeats Oxford in One of Finest Boat Races on Thames in Years

PUTNEY, Eng., March 27.—The Cambridge Varsity crew, with a substitute rowing at number 4, defeated their old rivals of Oxford by five lengths today in one of the finest races seen on the Thames in years.

At the start there was little to choose between the two eights, although Oxford was slightly the favorite. It was a gruelling race, from the beginning at Putney over the four and one-quarter mile course to Mortlake, but when Cambridge flashed over the line, hardly a man in her boat seemed in distress, while several of the Oxford crew were in a state of collapse.

MINUTE UNDER RECORD

The official time was 19 minutes, 29 seconds, which is just a minute slower than the record established by Oxford in 1911.

Oxford won the toss for position and chose the south side of the river. The dark blues led slightly for most of the first two miles, but did not seem to have much in reserve. The Cambridge, although rowing a somewhat longer course round the big horseshoe bend at Hammersmith, took the lead and maintained it to the end.

At the mile mark, Oxford led by six feet. At the two mile mark Cambridge had closed the gap and the shells were racing evenly.

It is reported that Cambridge tried out a new stimulant, each member of the crew taking two teaspoonfuls of brown sugar just before the start.

See also Sport Page.

REFUGEES POURING INTO PEKING TODAY

Nationalist Troops Stand Fast While Peace Parleys Carried Out

PEKING, March 27.—Thousands of refugees today are pouring into Peking. Relief stations have been established. The nationalist troops are standing fast about 20 miles from the city limits, while peace negotiations continue in last minute effort to prevent control of the capital.

Rumors of fighting circulated intermittently through the city but coalition forces have not yet attacked the nationalists.

Riff Chiefs Decide To Renew Offensive

CASA BLANCA, Morocco, March 27.—Immediate renewal of an anti-French offensive has been decided upon by the Council of War of Riffian chieftains. The Council was held at the mountain stronghold of Abd-el-Krim in Klam.

WORKS OF LOCAL POET TOLD OF IN 'AIR' PROGRAM

Part of University of Winnipeg Lecture Broadcast On Radio

SENT BY FORMER PROVINCE MAN

Lecturer Writes To Rev. Mr. Cody And Congratulates Him On Book

New Brunswick friends will be interested to learn that as a university lecture there was recently broadcast from Winnipeg a talk on the poems of Rev. H. A. Cody, of this city, which were recently published under the title of "Songs of a Bluesose."

It was another New Brunswicker, Professor Aaron J. Perry, professor of English at the University of Manitoba, a native of Queens county, N. B., who gave the university lecture. He has written to Mr. Cody to tell him about the radio program. The letter is as follows:

"My Dear Cody:—Two or three weeks ago, over our radio as a university lecture, I gave a talk on your 'Songs of a Bluesose,' which came into my hands as a Christmas present. I enjoyed reading your poems very much. I knew you were always a poet—even when a boy you saw the glory in the sunset and beauty in the falling rain. Glad to see you have published a volume of poems. Keep on. You are a poet. What poems did I use?—a few which I read 'on the air'—'Bluesose Blood,' 'The King's and Mine,' 'Sure,' 'Down to the Sea on Rafts,' 'Masts for the Royal Navy,' 'Scuddle Men,' 'The Unknown Pine Log Riders,' 'Old Ship-Riggers' (You thus see, I built for them the ship from the falling of the pine to the time when she slipped her moorings and 'slow-footed down the stream.'")

SAINT JOHN PROMINENT.

"Then, of course, I read 'The Port of Saint John,' and compared it with Carman's 'The Ships of Saint John,' the 'Welcome to Bliss Carman,' 'The Loyalists' Reception,' 'The Loyalists.' Then two or three others of your Yukon songs, 'The Lilt of the Northland,' to show your kinship with Service. Then I closed by paying due reverence to your lines on the Saint John River—'Vine-clad-Bide-a-wee.'"

"Keep on in your good work. Why is it that those who can write poetry, why don't they everlastingly keep at the job? Is it because our public do not read poetry, and so no encouragement? I wonder why? A Winnipeg girl called me up the next day and said she had read every one of Mr. Cody's novels, and was surprised but pleased to know he was a poet. So your books are read in Winnipeg."

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THREATENED PARIS MINISTER TO HIDE

Malvy Gets Menacing Notes From French Facists and Royalists

PARIS, March 27.—Louis Malvy, Minister of the Interior in the Briand cabinet, is preparing to go into hiding because of menacing letters and threats from French Facists and Royalists.

No day has passed since Malvy entered the cabinet that he has not received threatening letters. On several occasions placards bearing copies of the court's order in war time which exiled Malvy for five years as a traitor have been placed on the door of the Malvy apartment.

The constant campaign against the minister has worried members of his family. From 15 to 20 detectives act as a bodyguard to Malvy and as guards at his apartment and office.

In Parliament Monday

OTTAWA, Ont., March 27.—Monday will be private members' day in the House of Commons.

Yesterday the House of Commons spent the day in debate on the resolution preliminary to the Old Age pensions bill, and the debate was adjourned.

Expected Here On Montrose Tonight

Word has been received in Saint John that Rev. T. Darlington, well known Anglican missionary in West China, will arrive in the city on the Montrose, which is expected to dock at midnight tonight. Mr. Darlington is, unusually well-informed and has worked with Bishop Moule.

He is an able and convincing speaker, and arrangements are being made by Rev. A. L. Fleming, rector of St. John's (Stone) church, to have Mr. Darlington preach in Stone church on Sunday night.

Duchess of Atholl En Route To Canada

LONDON, March 27.—The Duchess of Atholl, Conservative member of Parliament for Kinross, and Western, who sailed yesterday for Montreal to attend the Triennial National Conference on Education there on April 5, said that the new clause in the teachers' superannuation act would give a fillip to the interchange of teachers between Great Britain and Canada, as the period spent in Canada now counts as continuous service for superannuation purposes.

Montreal Fur Sales Bring In \$1,500,000

Canadian Press MONTREAL, March 27.—Furs sold during the five-day sale of the Canadian Fur Auction Sales Company, Limited, now ended, were valued at \$1,500,000. This represented about a ten per cent. increase over the amount realized in the January sale, and the average prices obtained were a shade higher.

Beaver and mink were offered yesterday. The former advanced ten per cent., extra large bringing \$32 to \$32.50, extra large and large, \$28 to \$31.50, medium, \$16 to \$19.75, and small, \$10 to \$11.50. Mink prices were unchanged with top price for extra darks at \$40.

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