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PUTS IT UP TO COMMISSION COUNCIL

Mayor Says Street Lighting by Hydro on June 30 Dependent on Action

Notice of Cancellation of Service by Power Company Referred to Hydro Commission—Snow Compels Dr. Frink to Pool Appropriations—Another Department Faces Same Expedition.

The Common Council at a committee meeting this morning discussed a proposal that notices be sent to the New Brunswick Power Co., informing the company that after June 30 the city would not require the company to furnish electric lighting for the city streets. The matter was ordered to lie on the table until a report was received from the Civic Hydro Commission as to the possibility of the hydro current being ready for street lighting at that time.

When asked by Commissioner Thornton if the commission would be able to take over the street lighting by that date, Mayor Fisher replied, "A lot depends upon the Common Council."

The matter was brought to the attention of the council through a letter from the city solicitor, pointing out that when the council notified the power company in connection with the laying over of the city's poles, no mention was made of the cancellation of "an agreement for street lighting."

For this reason the Mayor moved that notice be given the company that after June 30 the city would not require any lights from the company.

Commissioner Thornton asked if the hydro commission was in a position to supply street lighting at June 30.

"A lot depends upon the Common Council," the Mayor replied. He said if the commission was not interfered with in their work, he thought they could do so.

Commissioner Thornton thought the city should take no chances of the city being thrown into darkness.

Commissioner Wigmore thought the city should have a guarantee from the hydro commission that it would be ready to light the city on June 30.

To Mr. Bullock, Commissioner Thornton said there was no agreement in writing re street lighting. He presumed a thirty-day notice was sufficient, although settlement was made quarterly.

It was decided to refer the matter to the civic commission for a report.

North End Poles.

The city engineer reported that he was endeavoring to get information in connection with the city poles in the North End, and he recommended that a new contract be made. This was ordered carried out.

On motion of Commissioner Bullock the date of the closing of tenders for revenue from several slips, etc., was extended from March 12 to 13 noon on March 26. The call had not been advertised, he said, and the proposed change was intended to allow of this.

J. S. Gregory applied for a renewal of a lease for the Thomson slip, foot of Simonds street, which expired on September 1, 1921. The application was presented by Commissioner Bullock, who said the present rental was \$25 a year. The slip was included among those for which tenders for revenue were called.

Mr. Bullock moved that the lease be renewed for five years from September 1, 1921, and the slip be withdrawn from the call for tenders.

Commissioner Thornton thought that the harbor department should look after getting the revenues from these slips. He thought Mr. Gregory should submit a tender with the others and take his chance of getting the privileges.

Commissioner Wigmore agreed, and Commissioner Frink thought that some endeavor should be made to obtain more revenue.

The matter was allowed to lie on the table for further consideration.

The Storms.

Commissioner Frink drew the Council's attention to the fact that the year's appropriation of \$80,000 for street cleaning had been largely exceeded on account of the great quantity of snow removed. He asked permission to pool his estimates.

He deplored the fact that there was a lack of co-operative spirit in the matter of combating the snow menace. With a sudden thaw he felt that a flood would occur in many cellars. He said that there was a possibility of his having to come back to the council for a further appropriation.

On account of having to keep spare horses in the fire stations, Commissioner Thornton said he might have to ask later for the same concessions as Commissioner Frink.

Commissioner Wigmore, speaking of lack of co-operation, said that some catch basins and fire hydrants which had been cleared of snow had been found covered again where people had cleared sidewalks into the openings. He said that last pay day the usual cost of sewer maintenance had been increased \$1,000, and that of hydrants about \$800.

In connection with the proposed increase from \$750 to \$900 a year for ponding privileges in Wellington slip, west side, to H. S. Gregory & Sons, Commissioner Bullock reported that Mr. Gregory had appealed against the raise on account of business depression, but was willing to stanch an increase of \$4 a month. On Mr. Bullock's motion this was agreed to.

Reporting on a proposal by Armstrong & Bruce to deed a strip of land between Lansdowne avenue and Henry street to the city if the frontage tax on the piece was removed, Commissioner Frink said that Henry street existed at present only on paper. It occupied part of the city's property and part of the rifle range.

Commissioner Wigmore said that he was ready to support the acceptance of the deed but Mayor Fisher said that so far he saw no advantage to the city in accepting it.

It was decided that the commissioners would see the place as soon as departure of the snow permitted it. This same decision was reached at a previous meeting.

SHIPPING

POLICE COURT
Three men charged with drunkenness were before the magistrate this morning and were remanded.

BANK CLEARINGS.
St. John bank clearings this week were \$2,547,505; last year, \$2,564,162; in 1921, \$2,619,958. The bank clearings this week were \$2,482,211. The Montreal figures were \$810,491.

ST. MARY'S W. A.
The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Mary's church is being held this afternoon. It was postponed from March 1. Tea will be served at 9.30 o'clock following the business meeting.

CREDITORS' MEETING
The creditors of Morris Lampert met this morning in the office of the Canadian Credit Men's Trust Association to discuss his affairs. No definite action was taken before the meeting adjourned. The creditors will meet again.

NORTH END STEALING
Speaking this morning of robberies in the North End, Sergeant-Detective Rowser said that the night before last evening the proprietors will be asked to explain to the magistrate why they had oversteered, beer in their shops. One of the cases was expected to be taken up this afternoon.

IN GRADUATING CLASS.
Miss Berta D. Colwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Colwell of Halifax, graduated as nurse from the Royal Victoria Hospital today. Mr. and Mrs. Colwell are in Montreal to attend the graduating exercises. Miss Colwell is a granddaughter of Mrs. W. H. Colwell, Douglas avenue.

BEER CASES
As the result of the visit of Inspector Killen and Carson to three beer shops in Mill street and Paradise row last evening the proprietors will be asked to explain to the magistrate why they had oversteered, beer in their shops. One of the cases was expected to be taken up this afternoon.

NOVELTY SHOWER
A novelty shower was held on Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nash in honor of their daughter, Mrs. Russell Totten, recently married. About fifty friends attended. Mrs. Totten received a number of handsome presents. The evening was spent in games and dancing. Refreshments were served and the party broke up at an early hour.

GETTING READY FOR TROUBLE
In preparation for the thaw which must come, the water department is concentrating its energies on getting all the catch basins in the city open. Commissioner Wigmore said today that he hoped to have all the basins in the north end cleared by tonight. An effort is also being made to keep the banks of snow well away from fire hydrants.

INFORMATION WANTED
A letter was received this morning by the secretary of the Board of Trade from an organization in Kalamazoo, Mich., asking for the date of birth of John M. Gamble, said to have been born in St. John about 1864. The birth records of the city go back only to 1888. The secretary would be glad to hear from any one having this information.

GOING TO ENGLAND.
Among the passengers scheduled to sail on the Canadian Pacific steamship Montrose for Liverpool tomorrow are: Mrs. A. E. C. Lane of Ottawa; Mrs. Lady Brown of London, wife of the European general manager of the C. P. R.; W. R. Baker, C. V. O., of Montreal; Capt. F. S. Dunn of Quebec; Capt. A. E. C. Lane of Victoria, B. C.; J. S. McPherson and family from Medicine Hat, and Major D. G. Nairn of Porterville, Cal.

WITNESSED FATALITY
The Times yesterday published a despatch from Toronto telling of an accident near Weston, a Toronto suburb, when two men, Frank C. Ward and Harry Wilson, were killed when their train struck an automobile in which they were riding. C. O. Peterson of Pettitville, who arrived in the city this morning after spending the winter with his son, Frank, at Stratford, Ont., was on the train which figured in the accident. He said that the fatality occurred at a crossing and the car and its occupants were carried nearly 300 yards before the train was brought to a stop. Both men were killed instantly. The car, a large Chevrolet, was smashed to pieces. Mr. Peterson will leave for his home this afternoon.

New Liner For Canadian Service

Athenia to Ply Between Glasgow and Montreal—First Voyage in May.

The Robert Reford Co., Ltd., agents here for the Anchor-Donaldson Line have received word of the completion of a new passenger liner, the Athenia, for the Glasgow-Montreal service. The Athenia is a ship of 538 feet length, 66 feet breadth and nearly 28 feet draught and has a gross tonnage of 12,000. She is propelled by twin screws driven by Brown-Curtis turbines capable of developing 8,700 shaft horse-power. Her speed is about fifteen knots. She is of the "sheiter deck" type, having two complete tween decks, a full length boat deck and a promenade and boat deck. The hull is double-bottomed and has eleven watertight compartments.

She has oil fuel tanks which will carry fuel enough for twenty-two days of steaming at fifteen knots. Electric power is generated by two turbines giving 250 kilowatts at 110 volts, as well as by an emergency set giving 36 kilowatts at 110 volts. Cargo is carried in lower holds. Refrigerator room is provided for refreshments, and an ice-making machine is installed. She has the latest mechanical fittings, including a gyroscopic compass and a double rudder control.

The ship will carry 516 cabin passengers, 974 third-class passengers and 297 officers and crew. The accommodations include a dining saloon, lounge hall, nursery, drawing room, lounge, smoking room, veranda cafe, hospital, bureau and barber shops, as well as a large number of staterooms.

The Athenia will make her first trip from Glasgow to Montreal early in May. The builders are the Fairfield Shipbuilding and Engineering Company of Govan.

TRAIN OF 55 CARS, AUTO LADEN, TO COME TO ST. JOHN

Motor Cars Being Sent Here from Oshawa for Shipment from This Port.

Toronto, March 15.—A C. P. R. train more than half a mile long left Oshawa on March 13 for New York. It was composed of 52 flat cars, each carrying from four to six automobiles from the plant of the General Motors to New York agents for export.

With the motor industry, Oshawa has grown from 4,000 to 16,000 population in the last five years. General Motors are turning out 200 cars a day and this rate is predicted to continue for some time. Another lot of shipment will leave soon, consisting of 55 flat cars for export from St. John.

TIDY TAG DAY SUM EXPECTED

Workers for War Memorial Fund Report Cordial Reception.

The city was combed today by an army of taggers as part of the drive for the War Memorial Fund, with an objective of \$20,000 and willingness to receive more. At headquarters, which were the Board of Trade rooms, a very optimistic spirit prevailed, and those who reported a good reception for the most part. The general convenor for the day was Mrs. E. Atherton Smith, and the general ward conveners were Mrs. H. W. Robertson and Mrs. A. C. D. Wilson. Other conveners were: Mrs. A. W. Estey; banks, Miss Alice Estey; automobiles, Mrs. J. H. Doady; publicity, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith.

The tags, of which there were 21,000, bore a neat cut of the proposed monument and had beneath the picture the words, "Lest We Forget." A committee will open the banks and count the money this afternoon, and the public will soon be informed as to the result of the day's work.

An energetic band of workers, numbering nearly 200 girls and women, worked hard for the success of the campaign. In some quarters where a house-to-house canvass was made the workers were greeted with the remark that there had been a call upon the public purse only yesterday, but this was only in isolated cases. The worthiness of the object could not for a moment be called in question, and taggers found people willing to contribute such amounts as they were able. It was said this morning that a wealthy resident of the city would donate \$10,000 to the fund, but no confirmation of this could be obtained.

War conveners were as follows: Queens ward, Mrs. E. Atherton Smith; Dukes, Mrs. Herbert Flaherty; Sydney, Mrs. Allen McAvity; Kings, Mrs. G. Wilford Campbell and Mrs. Lisle Harris; Wellington, Mrs. A. O'Neill; Prince, Mrs. L. A. McAlpine; Victoria, Mrs. B. R. Fitchell; Mrs. J. D. Seely; Dufferin, Mrs. Miles Saunders; Lansdowne and Lorne, Mrs. H. Usher Miller and Mrs. E. Fitzgerald; Glen Falls, Mrs. George Cuthbertson; Fairville, Mrs. S. C. Tippetts; East St. John, Mrs. H. W. Robertson; West St. John, Mrs. E. A. Young; Mrs. Ernest Haring and Mrs. A. J. Mulcahy.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley Is Notified Of Appointment

Official Notice Re Commissioner on Canadian Claims Against Germany — To Ottawa Next Week.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley has received official confirmation from Ottawa of his appointment as commissioner to investigate Canadian claims against Germany, arising out of the war. He will probably go to Ottawa next week to make preliminary enquiries and get information and will then decide upon his later movements. It is quite possible that hearings will be given in various places. The claims are for loss of life and financial loss, and some \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000 are involved. Hon. Dr. Pugsley will find the work congenial to his trained legal mind, and he is today receiving congratulations, the universal feeling being that the Canadian claims are in good hands.

CRAIG ALL RIGHT

Word reached the city this morning that Oscar Craig, well known in the city, who makes his home near Beaver Lake, was alive and well, and evidently had not suffered greatly from the effects of the severe winter. In a telephone conversation, John P. Tonge told a Times reporter that he was informed by Edward Day of Ball Lake, Craig's nearest neighbor, that the old man was all right. Mr. Day was then on his way to the city. Mr. Day told Mr. Tonge that during the winter Craig had frequently asked him, and received food supplies. Mr. Tonge said that reports of Craig being found dead were circulated frequently during the winter, and it is presumed that they arose from the fact that Craig and his eccentric hand-drawn rigs have been missed from the roads between his home and the city.

FORM LADIES' AUXILIARY.
A ladies' auxiliary of the Dominion Express employes was formed last evening at a meeting in the Market building. About fifty were present, and an election resulted in the appointment of Mrs. Eileen Mullin as president and Miss Susie Murphy as secretary-treasurer.

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