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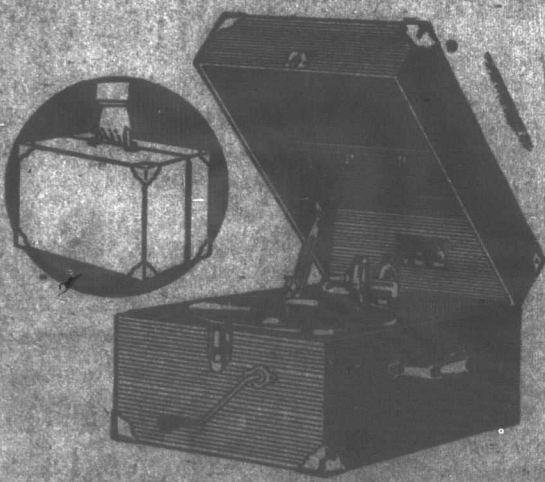
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BRIDGE OPENING ON LABOR DAY

The committee appointed by the Town Council and Board of Trade to make arrangements for the celebration in connection with the opening of the new international bridge between this town and Madawaska, Me., was held in J. W. Hall's office on Monday evening, J. W. Hall in the chair. It was decided that the official opening shall take place on Labor Day, September 4. There has been a great deal of uncertainty in regard to just when the bridge will be finished. It was originally thought that it would be finished in June. Then the lumber was delayed in delivery, other unforeseen things happened to make further delays and it was plainly to be seen that it would not be possible for the bridge to be handed over until the middle of August. The committee taking all of these things into consideration and the fact that Labor Day is a public holiday, decided that it was best to hold it on that day. The Town of Madawaska is co-operating in the celebration; they have a committee which works with the committee here. A general management, whose task is the organizing and the carrying through of the program of the day has been appointed in the person of Martin Theriault. Mr. Theriault has established his office in the suite of offices occupied by His Worship Mayor Max D. Cormier, in the Fournier block. The general manager outlined his plan for the day. These plans are of such nature that every citizen must take his place and give of his help and enthusiasm in the making of the day a success. The Town Council is paying the expenses of the cost of the celebration. The Governor of Maine and his staff, the Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick with his staff, federal officials and the State of Maine officials, the several engineers responsible for the construction of the bridge, and the contractors are expected to be present.

The event will be advertised far and wide in the Province and the State of Maine. The largest body of people ever present in the town is expected to be present on that day.

The plan as outlined on Monday evening calls for a parade in the morning, in which the various organizations of the town will take part. It is expected that three bands will be in this parade. The agricultural and industrial progress of the two towns and surrounding communities will be depicted in this pageant. The ancient devices of farm and home, such as the old-fashioned plow and spinning wheel, representing the modern tractor and the modern loom. The parade will in all likelihood be some miles in length. There will be horse races on the race track at the Edmundston Driving Club's track, to the distinguished visitors, the unveiling of a tablet telling the particulars of the bridge and the importance of one more tie between this country and the United States, ball games, and athletic sports of all kind. Various committees are being appointed and everything points to it being the most historical day in the history of the town. The committee has been most fortunate in the selection of a general organizer and manager. Mr. Theriault has shown wisdom and that enthusiasm will carry the thing through to a successful conclusion. But it is not possible for one man to do it. It requires the very fullest co-operation of everyone, much hard work is ahead of the committee, and they confidently expect that the citizens of Edmundston will do their part in making the day a day long to be remembered by the people of Maine and New Brunswick as a red letter one. It is an international event, of more than local interest, it is such an international event, which produces amity amongst nations, and make for peace and concord amongst peoples.

CONCERT FOR THE POOR

The concert and entertainment given by local talent in aid of the worthy poor of the town on Monday night was one of the best entertainments ever staged in Edmundston. The Star theatre was well filled and the great audience were given an unexpected good time. We have exceptional talent for a town of this size, but it was an extraordinarily good entertainment, even allowing for good talent. From the moment the curtain went up to the last number, everything went with a smoothness and dispatch, which few amateur performances can boast of. The receipts from the entertainment were likewise eminently satisfactory, nearly \$120 being netted.

The programme which included French and English numbers was as follows:

Chorus, The Lone Ship; solo, Miss Dumont; English play, "The Ghost in the Boarding School," selected cast; Whistling solo, Miss Lyndie Brown; play, "Les Halles," selected cast; Step dance; Chorus and dance, Leave me with a smile; Monologue, Miss Rideout; Solo, Miss Pelletier; Character solo, Ronald Dunbar; French play, "Sœur de Lait," National dance, Froeseur, Revue; Dance, Solo, Miss Clavette; Duet, Miss England and Miss Carrier; French chorus; God Save the King.

"DAWN OF THE EAST" A SUMPTUOUS PRODUCTION

"Dawn of the East," starring Alice Brady, which opens at the Star Theatre Saturday, July 1, presents the actress in the role of a Russian noblewoman who makes her escape across Siberia into China when the revolution breaks out in her native land. Extra attractions, American and Russian, an American diplomat.

The settings for this colorful drama are said to be the most costly and magnificent ever erected by Railart in

the east-coast studio. Chief among them are exterior and interior scenes showing a Chinese wedding with its traditional rites and procession, a famous Chinese cabaret, the interior of a Chinese art shop, and a beautiful Chinese garden with boat landing.

Against these interesting back grounds, and surrounded by a notable cast, which includes many Chinese, some of them actors from the Chinese theatre in New York, Miss Brady has one of the most colorful and appealing roles in which she has ever been seen.

BOLD ROBBERY LAST NIGHT

Last night thieves broke into the garage of Pat Fournier and stole two Studebaker cars, one belonging to W. Albert and the other to a commercial traveler. Not only did they steal the cars but they took the complete McCoskey system and other valuable papers and some clothes. One of the cars was discovered this morning overturned in a ditch at the end of the bridge. The police are making every effort to discover the other car and bringing the offenders to justice.

PLEASANT SOCIAL DANCE

A very enjoyable dance was given by Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Gooch of the Madawaska Inn to a number of young people on Saturday evening, in honor of Miss Grace Phillips of Fredericton. A most enjoyable evening was spent and the inn was gay with the sound of music and the gay voices of the young people. Refreshments were served a little before mid-night, and when Sunday morning appeared there were only a few left who were taking their turn in thanking the host and hostess for one of the most enjoyable evenings of the season.

The invited guests were Miss Grace Phillips, Fredericton, Misses Phyllis and Dorothy Hall, Misses Audrey and Elizabeth Rideout, Misses Grace and Helen Stevens, Misses Jean La Porte, Winnie Wright, Lillian Michaud, Annie Bedell, Lillian Lyndie, Greta Hammond, Helen Murchie, Roberta Hammond, Helen England, Allie, Lillian and Della Miller, Miss Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Vanwart, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Owens and George Burns, Gordon Lawson, Cecil and Alice Matheson, Richard Murphy, Ronald Dunbar, W. Grant, L. Seely, G. Gillis, Amos Pickard, Gordon Nicholson, C. O'Brien, J. Call, R. Dayton, B. Pincombe, F. H. Stevens of Hartland, and F. W. Stevens of Van Buren.

PERTH NOTES

Mrs. J. McGowan, who has been spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. Carolyn Craig of Tobique Narrows, left for her home in Boston on Monday.

Spurgeon Mallory arrived here the middle of the week from Pittsfield, Mass., to spend his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mallory.

Vincent Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Armstrong, who has been attending St. Michael's Academy in Chatham, came home last week for the holidays.

Mrs. A. F. Ganter spent a few days in Fredericton and Woodstock last week.

Mrs. Herbert Dionne of Gladwyn, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. J. E. Mallory.

Mrs. H. M. Sherrer, R. N., who has been spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth DeMerchant, went to Fort Fairfield on Sunday, and thence to New York.

Miss Muriel Baird left for Newport, R. I. on Saturday for a visit of six weeks with her sister, Mrs. Hartley Ward.

E. W. Larties, returned from his camp at Riley Brook on Tuesday. As David Gilby, the well known guide of Oxbow, was in town on Friday.

Miss Isabel McPhail returned on Saturday from Acadia College, having completed her four years course.

Mrs. A. G. Ganter and guests, Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan I. Henshaw, of Toronto and Mrs. Sherrer, motored to Fort Fairfield on Saturday.

The Urban Stock Co. played two nights in the Specialty last week.

The water meeting in the hose house Friday evening was quite well attended.

The Tobique train has not been down since Wednesday on account of several washouts. A crew of about 40 men are repairing the road, so it is expected that the train may be able to make the regular trip on Monday.

The dwelling house with all its contents belonging to George Lloyd, two and a half miles below town, was completely destroyed by fire Sunday.

HIGH AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLOSE

The closing exercises of the High and Public Schools was held on Tuesday afternoon. A very good program had been arranged and the pupils acquitted themselves in fine style. The most interesting event of all, however, was the graduation of and presentation of certificates to Miss Marion Trafton of grade eleven.

It is said that Miss Trafton is the only girl who has ever graduated from that grade in Edmundston. She has been the only pupil in that grade all the present school year. To be a lone scholar, to plow the furrow alone, as Lord Roseberry says, is hard, and the congratulations and praise to her are sincere. The example to the girlhood of Edmundston is such in that respect, that others will surely follow her example, and the day soon come when the higher classes will not only be full, but that on graduation day there will be goodly numbers receiving their diplomas. The prizes awarded by the trustees for scholarship, attendance and conduct were won in Grades nine and ten by Martin Hall and Regina Morin. In Grade 8 by Ronald Rideout and Marie Nadeau, first and second respectively in each case. The Principal made some well chosen remarks at the close of the exercises and the school year of 1922 passed into history with the singing of the National Anthem.

The programme was as follows:
Grade 1—Speech of Welcome, Muriel Morton; Song, The Bumble Bee, Joyce Rideout; Motion Song, Girls of Class.

Grade 2—His Opinion, recitation, Ralph Harris; The Bumble Bee, recitation, Alice Murphy; The Flag, Billy Johnson; A Puzzle, Lucien St. Onge; A Good Prospect, Arthur Murphy; Mr. Dolly Catherine Bourgeois; A Patriotic Boy, Ralph Harris; Last but not least, Renovia Bourgeois; God Bless our Home, song, Grades 6 and 7.

Grade 5—What a boy can do, Geo. Frideric; They Say, Annie Miller; La Sainte Alliance des peuples, Andre Belanger; Song, Les Vacances, Grades 6 and 7.

Grades 6 and 7—Columbus, recitation, Rene Fournier; The Boys Sing, recitation, Hilda Sargent.

High School—Reading by Martin Hall, Elizabeth Rideout, Marie Nadeau and Ronald Rideout.

Vacation Song by Grades 6 and 7; God Save the King.

GRAND FALLS

Miss McLeod of Toronto was in town this week taking orders for the Dominion Educator.

Bedell Rainford of Superior, Mich., visited his mother and sister here last week.

Mrs. Roak of Boston spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. Rainford and her sister, Mrs. George Price. She is returning home Monday.

Mrs. Patstone and Mrs. Huestis were in St. Leonards Tuesday.

Mr. Hennigar, Mrs. Hennigar and Mrs. E. A. White were at St. Leonards Tuesday.

S. Martin was in Van Buren Tuesday.

Mrs. Jones of Arizona with her little grandson is visiting her brothers, J. L. and Burr White.

Charles Styles spent a few days in town this week.

Mrs. J. Collins and little daughter of Montana are at the Curless. Mrs. Collins seems many changes in this, her home town.

Dr. Boone of Presque Isle was in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian McInnes are home after three months spent on the Tobique.

Miss Maggie Ginn of Caribou is in town.

The P. & A. M. Masons are invited out to New Denmark next Sunday. James Stewart, formerly proprietor of the Curless Hotel, now of Blackville was in town over Sunday returning to his home in Blackville Monday. His grandson, Granville Hoyt, went with him to spend a month.

Mrs. O. C. White made a business trip to Perth Thursday afternoon.

J. Robertson was in Andover and Perth on business Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hennigar were at Green River Tuesday by auto.

Mrs. B. Murphy is a guest of Mrs. O. B. Davis this week.

Mrs. G. McMillan was a visitor in Perth last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Mulhern are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a young son at their home on Thursday last.

Miss Gladys Hennigar was in Woodstock for a short visit last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elder Kirkpatrick leaves this week for a ten days trip to Detroit, Mich.



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