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SAD NEWS COMES TO WM. F. KNOLL

Father is Shot and Killed by an Unknown Man in the South.

The distressing and shocking news that his father, F. E. Knoll, had been killed in Little Rock, Arkansas, in the United States, came to William F. Knoll, superintendent of the Pender Nall Works, late on Saturday. It came in a telegram from his brother, Gus, in Milwaukee, and was followed by later word that their father had been shot by an unknown man. Efforts to learn more about the terrible happening have so far been unavailing, but the brother mentioned has gone from Milwaukee to Little Rock to make investigation and to bring the body to the saddened home in Milwaukee.

Mr. Knoll was about 68 years of age. His home was in Milwaukee, but in 1908 he removed to the south for the benefit of his health, and he was proprietor of a grocery in Little Rock. Some two years ago he came upon a burglar at work in his store and had a severe struggle with the intruder before he was successful in overcoming him. It is thought that something of this kind may have happened again.

Mr. Knoll is survived by four sons and one daughter. They are William F. of St. John, Gus and Raymond in Milwaukee, and Adolph, who is a U. S. commercial attaché in Europe. The deep sympathy of a great number of friends in St. John, in this province and Nova Scotia, won since his coming to the Maritime Provinces, will go out to William F. Knoll in the death of his father.

ST. JOHN MEN ARE MINSTRELS IN WEST

Take Part With Rotarians in Entertainment in Calgary.

The Times has received a copy of the programme of a Calgary Rotary Club Minstrel Show which, in three nights. The programme is a book in itself, because so many merchants took space for advertising. It contains a photograph of every member of the club as well as a programme of the show, in which appear the names of Art McGuire and Elvira McGuire, formerly of St. John. Mr. McGuire appeared as a soloist, singing Ole Mio, and as a sergeant of police in a screaming farce, Justice-up-to-Date, in which Mr. Morrow appeared as Mandy Snowball.

The Calgary Rotarians have a minstrel show each year, and it is an annual success. This year's was the seventh. The funds raised are used for charitable purposes.

REPORTED BIG FRAUD CHARGE

Harry Robnovitch to be Brought Here in Liquor Matter.

Sergeant Detective Power announced this morning that he will leave today for Halifax to bring to St. John Harry Robnovitch on a charge of fraud. It is alleged that he secured between \$78,000 and \$80,000 in a liquor transaction. No details about the alleged fraudulent transaction could be obtained from the authorities this morning.

PLANS LAST POST FUND BRANCH HERE

Mayor Calls Meeting to be Held at City Hall Tomorrow.

Mayor Fisher has called a meeting to be held in his office at City Hall tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock in connection with the organization of a branch of the Last Post Fund of Canada, the purpose of which is thus stated:—

"This association exists to prevent the abandonment at death of soldiers or of indigent ex-soldiers, soldier, or nursing sister, or to be of advisory assistance in such circumstances, to those who may desire such advice, when such cases are brought to their attention."

Sir Arthur Currie is president of the organization, which was formed in 1909 and attained a new significance since the war. It is aimed to have a branch in every province, and to have the Federal Government eventually assume all the financial responsibility, as it has already recognized the principle and made a very small grant.

Arthur H. D. Hall, organizing secretary of the Dominion Executive will be present tomorrow and it is hoped a branch will be formed. Sir Douglas Hazen, the military chief, Colonel Sturges and others are keenly interested. Already the Last Post Fund has provided for the burial of one soldier in Penhill. One British soldier lies in the pauper's lot. If the Last Post Fund had been in operation this disgrace to Canada would not have occurred.

ST. MARTIN'S TO HAVE A WATER SYSTEM

The town of St. Martin is to have a water system and work has already started on the installation. The project is being financed by several of the prominent business people and residents of the town and the water is being piped a distance of about a mile and one-half. According to the plans a pressure of about 30 pounds to the square inch will be available at the

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A.M. P.M.
High Tide..... 1.07
Low Tide..... 7.29
Sun Rises..... 7.58
Sun Sets..... 4.48

LOCAL NEWS

WORK FINISHED
The C. P. R. Bay steamer Empress, which has been undergoing repairs on the marine slip at the dry dock plant, will be taken off this afternoon.

MANY WERE THERE
The 7 o'clock mass in the Cathedral on Sunday was marked by the reception of Holy Communion by some hundreds of men of the Holy Name Society, who attended in a body for their monthly communion Sunday.

COLLECTION TOTALLED \$1,092.
It was announced in the Cathedral yesterday that the collection taken up at the masses on the previous Sunday for the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society amounted to the large sum of \$1,092.

RECEIVES DONATION.
The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Seamen's Mission Society has received a donation of \$10 from Mrs. Edgar Archibald towards procuring Christmas gifts for the seamen's comfort bags.

THREE ON DRUNKENNESS CHARGE
Three men charged with drunkenness were fined \$8 or in default of payment, two months in jail. All three pleaded guilty when brought before Magistrate Henderson in the police court this morning.

WAS HERE IN 1908.
Chief of Police Smith is in receipt of a letter from the Royal Swedish Customs, Stockholm, asking that he try to ascertain the present whereabouts of Carl Ivor Johansson, a Swede. He was last heard from in 1908 and at that time gave his address as the Mispac Pulp Mills, St. John, N. B.

INSPECTING MACHINE GUNNERS
Colonel J. Houlston, officer commanding this military district, will inspect No. 1 Company of the Machine Gun Brigade at the armories at 8 o'clock Wednesday night and will leave for Moncton on Thursday to hold an inspection of No. 2 Company of the brigade.

MARLOCH EXPECTED TONIGHT
The Canadian Pacific steamship Marloch is due in port tonight from Glasgow. She has approximately 60 cabin and 200 third class passengers, in addition to general cargo. The Canadian Pacific Steamship Melita is due here on Wednesday from Southampton and Antwerp with 107 cabin and 732 third class passengers. The list includes 734 adults, 92 children and 18 infants.

WILL SOON BE FINISHED.
Good progress is being made with the installation of a telephone system along the Shore Line Railway from West St. John to St. Stephen. Last Saturday Prince George had been reached and with nearly 100 men now engaged at this work it is expected that the line will be completed in another couple of weeks.

AUTO AND HYDRANT.
Hyman Marcus was reported for allowing his automobile to stand in the north side of King Square near a fire hydrant. He pleaded guilty, but said that it was hard to see the hydrant there. Magistrate Henderson explained that a sign has now been placed at the end, while he would allow the fine to stand in this instance, he would have them collected in the future.

BOND ISSUE IS ANNOUNCED
It was announced yesterday in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception by His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc that the proposed issue of bonds to cover expenditures on school buildings would likely take place before Christmas. He said that the bonds would be issued in denominations of \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 and would bear interest at five per cent. Subscription lists, he said, would be opened immediately. The proposed new West End school is included in the bond issue.

ARE JOINING SISTERHOOD
Miss Elaine Greenleaf of St. Andrews, who is due in port tonight from Montreal but recently a nurse in the St. John Infirmary, were received as postulants in the novitiate of the Sisters of Charity at St. Vincent's Convent on Saturday, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. The reception took place after Benediction which took place in the convent chapel, Rev. Raymond McCarthy officiating.

MUST BE LIGHTED
Thomas Tobias appeared in the police court this morning, representing Thomas Stevens of the Stephen Construction Company, reported for having erected five piles of rock and dirt in Douglas Avenue without having lights attached. Magistrate Henderson after hearing an explanation from Mr. Tobias said he had no desire to embarrass the defendant, but that the law called for lights to be placed on any such obstructions in a public street, and while the maximum fine was \$8 for every offense and a minimum of \$2 he would accept \$4.

THE LADDER TRUCK
To the Editor of The Times-Star:—
Sir:—In reading Saturday's edition of your paper I chanced to see the item concerning our beautiful ladder truck, which cost thousands of dollars, and which I understand is about to be discarded for a new one.

Now here is a thing I would like to ask the public of St. John. What do we need with such a large piece of fire apparatus? At a time when I have ever been to I have never seen it in use and I don't see that it has such a great amount of power or speed. If St. John had a lot of skyscrapers a ladder truck of modern build would be useful, but at present an ordinary extension ladder is all the fire department needs. Something that a couple of men can handle, not something it takes four men to drive and manoeuvre. So I think that the council should find a better use for the public money, such as a light at the One Mile House and better police protection, and lots of other things which would prove a greater help to the city than another white elephant to be put aside in a few years.

I am yours truly, a Taxpayer.
FRANK C. WILLIAMS.

WILL DISCUSS THE CITY SALARY LIST

Commissioners Also to Take Up Classification of Employees This Week.

The City Council this morning decided to take up on Thursday evening the matter of classification of employees and the establishment of a maximum and minimum salary list. Each commissioner is to submit a list of the officials in his department and the maximum and minimum which he considers right.

Commissioner Frink said he had been informed that the city solicitor had advised that a sign could not be placed on the New Brunswick Power Co. pole at the head of Prince Edward street by the United Automobile Tire Co., and he moved their request for permission to install this sign on the building at the corner of Prince Edward street and the one referred to by the Commissioner of Public Works, city electrician and city engineer, with power to act.

Salary is Fixed.
Mayor Fisher moved that the salary of Leslie V. Cooper, the newly appointed district commissioner, be \$1,300 per year.

Commissioner Wigmore said he would support the motion provided that John H. Guild be given an increase the first of the year, retroactive to date of his appointment.

Commissioner Thornton said Mr. Guild had been promised an increase to \$1,400 the year following his appointment and he should get what had been promised.

Commissioner Frink said the question of classification must be dealt with, for some city employees were giving faithful and efficient service and not getting paid the amount their services were worth.

Carried.

Commissioner Wigmore said he took it that the vote of \$1,300 set a minimum for the position of district commissioner and the maximum seemed to be \$1,400. He did not think this was spread enough and the Mayor as chairman of finance should bring in a resolution along these lines.

Commissioner Frink said there had been a maximum established once and there was an effort to break it.

On motion of Commissioner Thornton it was decided to hold a meeting on Thursday evening at 7.30.

Commissioner Bullock recommended that \$150 be paid to the heirs of A. Lamereaux toward the cost of a retaining wall built at Navy Island by the late Mr. Lamereaux on the understanding that no future liability be accepted by the city for retaining walls at Navy Island. This was laid over for further consideration and to have F. Lamereaux before the committee.

KILLED BY HEAD STRIKING BRIDGE

Harry Freeze of Hampton was on Engine Tender—Funeral at Hampton.

Harry Freeze, of Hampton, who met with sudden death a few days ago near Boston, was killed by his head striking a bridge while he was standing on the tender of an engine of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railway, with which railway he was employed as a fireman. His funeral was held yesterday afternoon from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Freeze, Hampton Village, and was one of the most largely attended ever held in the village.

The body was accompanied from Boston by his wife and Mr. McNell, of the Railway Brotherhood. Service was conducted at 2.30 by Rev. C. B. Ramsden, where interment was made, was led by the Hampton Cornet Band, of which the deceased had been a member. The pall bearers were Charles Robinson, W. Robinson, W. Sharp and R. Z. Fleming.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said The Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbush, "give me a thought of cheer with which to begin the week."

"You're alive and well," said Hiram.

"That is true," said the reporter.

"Nobody is chasing you with a gun," said Hiram.

"True," said the reporter.

"Christmas is coming," said Hiram.

"It is," said the reporter.

"You kin help to make somebody happy if you want to," said Hiram.

"That's old stuff," said the reporter.

"It wasn't old when you used to sneak down stairs on a frosty mornin' to see what Sandy Claus put in your woolen sock," said Hiram.

"By Jove! no!" said the reporter.

"You're right there. And I would give a year of my life to feel just once more the thrill of seeing that sock and pulling out its contents."

"This town," said Hiram, "is full o' little fellows waitin' fer that same thrill. How about it?"

The reporter gazed at Hiram for some moments in silence.

"I wonder," he said at last—"I wonder if boys and girls still feel that way."

"Human natur," said Hiram, "don't change. How about it?"

"Hiram," said the reporter, "you are a tonic. You make me feel better. Making somebody happier is the thing."

"Yes, sir," said Hiram—"an' it don't cost no fortune—nuther."

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