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WILL DISCUSS BONSPIEL HERE

Curlers Tonight Consider Plan for World Championship Skating Week

Would be Another Good Faction Adding to Saint John's Sporting Fame

The matter of holding a grand bonspiel in this city during the week of the world skating championships, and the selection of six representatives to go from this part of Canada to the imperial gathering of curlers in Scotland during January, will be discussed at the annual session of the Royal Caledonia Curling Club executive to meet in the Brunswick Hotel, Moncton, tonight.

On the noon train today the following Saint John curlers left to attend the gathering: J. A. Sinclair and J. C. Chesley for the "Thistle" Curling Club; Fred C. Beatty and Charles F. Sanford for St. Andrew's Curling Club; C. O. Morris for the Carleton Curling Club; Charles Coster left to represent Hampton, and Judge Limbrick to speak for Fredericton. E. T. MacKay and J. G. Stout of Bathurst; Reginald Shives and Max Mowatt of Campbellton; R. A. Snowball and H. D. Heckbert of Chatham; R. Percy Dickson and W. N. Rippey of Moncton and John Russell and J. C. Linden of Newcastle, will also be present. P. W. Cooles of Saint John is provincial secretary.

BONSPIEL PLAN.

The suggestion made unofficially some time ago that a grand bonspiel be held in Saint John during the gala week of the world's skating classic, when Thunberg will try—like Harold Hagen of old—to carry off the icy palm across the seas, will be decided tonight. It is expected. Saint John curlers are naturally very keen for this event and feel it would help the sum total of sporting fame for this city as well as swell the assured vast crowd of visitors.

The date of departure of the Canadian curlers for Scotland is set for the first week in January. All the curlers will assemble in this city for overseas transportation per C. P. R. liner Montrose. There may be some lively games while the curlers are awaiting the sailing of the steamship.

MAILS FOR BRITAIN

Arrangements for Week to End on December 19 Are Announced Today

Mails for the United Kingdom will be despatched during the week ending Dec. 19, as follows:

Full mail for Great Britain and countries via Great Britain to connect with the White Star steamer Megantic, sailing from Halifax to Liverpool via Belfast and Glasgow on Sunday, Dec. 13. In order that mails for Ireland and Scotland may be despatched at Belfast and Glasgow respectively, please arrange for the proper labelling thereof in order to insure their being despatched at Belfast and Glasgow. Close 11 a. m. Dec. 12.

Full mail for Great Britain and countries via Great Britain to connect with the Cunard Line steamer Acadia, sailing from Halifax to Plymouth, Cherbourg and London on Monday, Dec. 14. This steamer will also be carrying mails for the continent, including direct parcel post for France. Close 4 p. m. Dec. 12.

Correspondence specially addressed for the New York route to connect with the steamer Mauretania, sailing from New York at midnight on Tuesday, Dec. 15. No closed mails but letters will be sent to New York. Close 4 p. m. Dec. 14.

Full mail for Great Britain and countries via Great Britain to connect with the steamer Montclair, sailing from Saint John to Liverpool on Wednesday, Dec. 16. Close 11 a. m. Dec. 15.

Business correspondence for Great Britain and correspondence specially addressed for the New York route to connect with the steamer Baltic, sailing from New York on Saturday, Dec. 19. Close 4 p. m. Dec. 17.

WEST SIDE WATER SUPPLY WAS LOST

Trouble at Spruce Lake Quickly Remedied and All Soon Moving

West Saint John was without water for nearly an hour last night, but fortunately the shut-off occurred when householders were asleep and the demand was light. The high wind drove the anchor ice into the intake and ice had to be removed to get the distributing mains functioning once more.

Commissioner Wigmore was notified soon after midnight, and with a crew of men went to the lake. The spent the rest of the night remedying conditions. On the way to the lake the water was turned on in the reservoir in case of emergency. In less than an hour after the arrival at Spruce Lake the water was flowing back into the mains and the pressure was back to normal.

Trade Board Meet Tonight Important

The annual meeting of the Board of Trade will be held this evening in the board rooms at 8 o'clock. An excellent programme has been prepared, and it is hoped there will be a good attendance of the members. The members of the council will be elected at this meeting from the fifteen who were nominated. The president, L. W. Simms, will read his report and the financial statement will be submitted by A. L. Foster. The progress of the Maritime movement to date will be outlined by J. D. McKenna.

Local News

CASE GOES ON

The case of Smith vs. the Bonny River Lumber Company et al was continued this morning in the Circuit Court before Mr. Justice Byrne. Further evidence for the plaintiff was given. The matter is being continued this afternoon.

SEEKS INFORMATION

The Chief of Police received a letter this morning from Mrs. Harry Davey of 103 Charles street, Halifax, N. S., inquiring as to the whereabouts of Arthur Chester Wetmore, who, she wrote, came here about two years ago. The writer stated that she was very anxious to hear from Wetmore, and would appreciate any information.

SEIZED CAR SOLD

A touring car, which was seized by the customs authorities with contraband liquor in it several months ago, was reported this morning. His tender was the highest of several received.

DIED THIS MORNING

The death of Mrs. Sarah Enright, widow of Michael Enright, occurred this morning after a lengthy illness, leaving one son, William, in the United States, and one daughter, Miss Elizabeth, in Saint John. The funeral will be held from 60 Waterloo street Saturday morning at 8:45 o'clock to the Cathedral for high mass of requiem.

WINS BAG OF FLOUR

Miss M. Thompson, 6 Crown street, is the winner of the 98 lb. bag of flour given as a door prize at the fair held last week by the City Cornet Band in aid of The Times-Star Empty Stocking Fund. The number of the winning ticket was 1890. All the door prizes have now been awarded. The other winners were previously announced.

BISHOP'S ANNIVERSARY

Today His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc is receiving congratulations on the 18th anniversary of his consecration as Bishop of Saint John. His Lordship was celebrating his anniversary mass at the Cathedral at 8 o'clock this morning and was attended by a large number of the congregation.

MANY ENJOY CARDS

The weekly card party of St. Rose's Society, Fairville, was well attended last evening. Dainty refreshments were served by a committee of ladies from the society. Prize winners were: Ladies—First, Mrs. Thomas Donovan; second, Mrs. Irene Lamney; consolation, Miss Nellie Rourke. Gentleman—First, G. D. Sherwood; 2nd, Gregory Duffy; consolation, Charles Murphy.

DEATH IN NORTH END

The death of Mrs. Jennie B. wife of James H. McKinnay, occurred this morning at her home, 159 Adelaide street. She is survived by her husband, one son, a daughter, two daughters, Violet and Roberta, all at home; her mother, Mrs. Jennie Brown, two brothers, Robert and Alfred Brown, both of Peabody, Mass., and one sister, Mrs. James Gorie, of this city. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon from her late residence.

WAS 88 YEARS OLD

Mrs. Anna Goss passed away this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Michael Joyce, 293 Guilford street, West Saint John, in her 88th year. She was the wife of the late Frederick Goodie of York county, and is survived by five daughters and four sons. Mrs. Goss was a daughter of the late James Russell and his wife, Nancy Hanland, of Jacquet River, Restigouche county. The funeral will be from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joyce, on Friday morning.

BANK CLEARINGS

The Saint John bank clearings for the week ending today show a decided increase over those of the corresponding week last year, being more than \$665,000 above this week in 1924. Last year for the corresponding period the clearances totalled \$2,444,246.00 and last week they were \$3,109,365.00. The 1924 figures were \$2,626,201. A local banker here stated that there were indications that this satisfactory state of affairs would continue. The Halifax figures last week were \$3,787,188. The Moncton clearings were \$1,118,380.

SEWING CIRCLE ENTERTAINED

Mrs. H. O. Weaver and Mrs. B. Edwards were joint hostesses in entertaining Roxborough sewing circle last evening at the home of the former, 164 King street, West Saint John. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses, assisted by Mrs. C. Price. A busy evening was spent in quilting and sewing, after which a social hour was enjoyed. The circle decided to disband until after the Christmas season. Those present last evening were: Mrs. W. Nice, Mrs. A. Evans, Mrs. T. Bosence, Mrs. G. Magee, Mrs. E. Milton, Mrs. W. Lord, Mrs. J. Donner, Mrs. C. Price, Mrs. W. Fuller, Mrs. E. Geary, Mrs. A. Carlson, Mrs. I. Melvin, Mrs. R. Meehan, Mrs. F. Blizard, Mrs. H. Jennings, Mrs. S. Carvell and Miss Rose Neill.

SISTERS INJURED

Experience of Two in Amherst Duplicated by Two in New Brunswick

A few days ago was printed reference to two sisters in Amherst meeting with accident in which bones were broken, within a few hours of each other. Now comes a report that two other sisters, Mrs. Martin Eldridge, of Beaver Harbor, Charlotte county, and Mrs. George F. Banks, of Mauderville, with whom the former was visiting, each sustained injuries in accidents which occurred on last Monday. Mrs. Eldridge sustained a fractured wrist and Mrs. Banks a sprained ankle, both as the result of falls. Mrs. Eldridge slipped in getting out of her wagon and fell heavily on her arm. Mrs. Banks' injury resulted from a fall in which she twisted her ankle so that a sprain resulted.

PIPE CONTRACT AWARD DECIDED

Council Committee Recommends General Supply Co. for \$3,590

Offer Made For Privilege of Cutting Wood on City Land

Commissioner Wigmore reported this morning at the City Council committee meeting that he had called for tenders for cast iron water pipe and the bid of the General Supply Co. of Canada was the lowest received. He moved that their tender of 15 tons of 10-inch pipe and 32 tons of 8-inch pipe, at \$51 a ton and 15 tons of 6-inch pipe and tons of 4-inch pipe, at \$22 a ton, a total of \$3,590, be accepted. This carried.

FOR WOOD PRIVILEGE

A letter from Colin C. McDonald, Grand Bay, offering to pay \$300 for the privilege of cutting wood on land owned by the city in the parish of Westfield was referred to Commissioner Wigmore for a report.

The Commissioner said he had other offers for the same privilege but thought this was the best made yet. He will report on Monday.

It was decided to hear the appeal of the Maritime Nail Co. from their 1925 assessment on Monday morning at 11:30. The taxes this year are \$6,200. Last year this amount was reduced to \$4,593 and they are asking the same for this year.

PREPARING FOR BIDS

Commissioner Harding said this morning that Architect H. C. Mott was preparing the specifications for the heating, lighting and plumbing in connection with the restoration of Carleton city hall and that tenders for these items would be advertised for tomorrow. He said the date of closing the tenders had not yet been decided.

NORTH END EVENT IS ENJOYED BY 200

Holy Name Society Has Pleasant Program at Smoker — Plans For Winter

Some 200 members of the Holy Name Society of St. Peter's church gathered in their hall last evening for the first get-together since the society absorbed the former St. Peter's. M. A. A. A. smoker was held and a happy time enjoyed. John U. Hagerty, president, occupied the chair.

An interesting program was carried out and included numbers by William Graham, Felix McMullin and William P. Hurley and boxing bouts by Samuel Whipple and William Lunney and Louis Donovan and David McNulty. Encouraging addresses were given by Rev. J. Cloran, C. S. R., rector of St. Peter's and Rev. Father Quinn, C. S. R. and Dr. J. Kerr Higgins. It was announced that there would be a musical program prepared for every Wednesday evening during the winter.

DIED IN BROCKTON

Body of Mrs. Annie Lynch is Brought to Saint John Today

In Brockton, Mass., on Dec. 8, of Mrs. Annie Lynch, widow of Wm. Lynch of formerly of Central Green, Kings county, N. B. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. J. J. Murphy of Brockton, Mass., and Mrs. J. J. Murphy of Brockton, Mass., and three sons, Jas. D. of Charlottetown, Mass., Wm. A. of Lincoln, N. H., and J. E. of Toronto, to four. The body was brought here today on the Boston train accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Murphy, Mr. MacSherry and Wm. A. Lynch. The funeral will take place tomorrow morning at 8:45 from Fitzpatrick's undertaking parlors to the Cathedral.

Shipping

PORT OF SAINT JOHN.

Arrived.
Wednesday, Dec. 9.
Stmr. Carmila, 521, from Glasgow.
Cleared.
Thursday, Dec. 10.
Stmr. Melita, 841, Pres. for Cherbourg, Southampton and Antwerp.
Coastwise—Stmr. Empress, 612, MacDonald, for Digby.
Sailed.
Wednesday, Dec. 9.
Stmr. Canadian Raider, 2952, Halifax for London and Antwerp via Halifax.
Thursday, Dec. 10.
Stmr. Bosworth, 4149, MacDonald, for London.

MARINE NOTES.

The steamer Bosworth sailed this morning for London with a large general cargo.
The Manchester Brigade sailed from Manchester on Tuesday for this port with general cargo.
The Manchester Corporation will complete loading for Manchester on Saturday. She will sail direct this trip, as her call at Halifax has been cancelled.
The steamer Empress is loading there, due largely to a slump in the apple shipping.
The Manchester Commerce is due here tomorrow from the Gulf of St. Lawrence with port cargo here and proceed to United States ports to complete.
The J. S. P. Chisholm will sail from Bermuda tomorrow for this port with passengers, mail and general cargo.
The Aurania will arrive tomorrow morning from Norfolk to load a full cargo of grain for Mediterranean ports.
The Empress of Havana will not get away for Cuba until early next week.
The Canadian Raider sailed last night for London and Antwerp via Halifax.
The Canadian Victor is loading grain for Caribbi and Swansea at Pictouville wharf. She will sail on Dec. 16 via Halifax.
The Canadian Raider left Swansons Dec. 6 for this port.
The Canadian Raider was reported at 10 o'clock last night as off Camperdown. She will arrive late tomorrow or early Saturday.
The Canadian Aviator sailed from Antwerp on Dec. 7 for this port.

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